

FONDA

Fulmont announces on-site assessment results

A comprehensive on-site assessment of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. was carried out by the NYS Department of State, Division of Community Services on March 12-14, and March 19-21.

The Triennial Review for Accountability and Compliance with Standards (TRACS) was designed by the NYS Department of State, Division of Community Services to comply with federal legislation which requires each state to conduct a full on-site review once every three years to assess compliance with the organizational standards put forth by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

In their final report dated May 22,

the Department of State found that Fulmont met 58 of 58 National Organizational Standards (100%) and 196 of 196 applicable indicators of excellence (100%) established by the Department of State for an aggregate total of 100% compliance. At that time, it was determined that there were no findings or deficiencies.

The TRACS was composed of different sections or 'Standards' meant to analyze every facet of the Agency: The Agency demonstrates its ability to use consumer input and involvement in all phases of planning and implementing programs and services. The Agency partners with other similar organizations within the community to share resources and ideas. A Community

Needs Assessment is conducted every three years and contains demographic data, various community characteristics, and key issues. The Board of Directors and senior managers are thoroughly trained and skilled at maintaining the highest standards for the Agency, including having appropriate plans in place, meeting all requirements of the Community Services Block Grant Act, and updating all policies and procedures to ensure continuous compliance. Reviewers also assessed the Agency's human resources management and financial operations.

Christian Manns, Fulmont Board of Directors Chairman, said "I am so very proud of FCAA — year after

year the agency receives perfect scores from its supervising authorities, and this is again no exception to that flawless record. This is a tribute to the excellence and professionalism of our Executive Team lead by Denis Wilson, our highly engaged and well trained Board of Directors, and the unwavering loyalty and dedication of our employees. It is an honor to serve as the Board Chairman of an organization that serves its clients and the community so effectively".

Executive Director Denis E. Wilson, Sr. commented that he is equally pleased and proud of the results which are a reflection of Agency operations, including providing services to consumers, record keeping, financial

operations, planning, and community partners, as well as relationships with all funding sources, particularly the NYS Department of State, Division of Community Services. Wilson stated, "Gathering all of the documentation in preparation for this review was an exhaustive process, and I want to thank all staff involved. The bottom line is that a high ranking score of this nature is a testament to the hard work and dedication that all Fulmont employees bring to their jobs on a daily basis, as well as a reflection of the excellent performance of our Board of Directors, and an indicator that Fulmont is effectively and efficiently utilizing Federal funds granted in order to achieve its mission".

AMSTERDAM

Liberty Foundation appoints new member to Board of Directors

Liberty Foundation recently announced the appointment of Tammy Krisher to its Board of Directors.

Krisher is retired and previously served as the President of Pattersonville Telephone Company. She was also a principal of A Calculated Solution, a Quickbooks consulting and bookkeeping firm.

Krisher was also appointed to the Liberty ARC Board of Directors in May.

Prior to serving on the two boards, Krisher served as a vice president and president of the Schenectady ARC Board of Directors. She is also a board member of the Wild Ones Capital Region Chapter, and previously served on the boards of Schenectady Business and

Professional Women's Club, Inc. and the New York State Telecommunications Association.

"I look forward to my time serving on the Liberty Foundation Board," Krisher said in a news release. "In 1993, Liberty Foundation was founded to further improve the lives of people with disabilities and their families by funding vital supports and services that would otherwise not receive funding. The foundation's mission holds a special place in my heart as I am a mother to a daughter with disabilities who receives services in Schenectady County. I am proud to contribute to a wonderful organization and work with those serving on the board."



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CAROGA LAKE

Caroga Historical Museum announces 2024 schedule

The Caroga Historical Museum recently announced its upcoming summer events schedule.

All events will take place on the museum grounds, 145 London Bridge Road in Caroga.

This season opens with a reception for Janene Bouck featuring her exhibit "Earth and Echo - Journeys Inward" on Thursday, June 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Exhibit Barn. In her exhibit, Janene explores the growing relationship between her memories and worldly exposure. Her works are inspired by her deep affection for the Adirondacks and Mohawk Valley frequently utilizing salvaged materials. This practice acts as a protest against wastefulness and stands as a testament to the passage of time. The exhibit runs from June 27 through July 28.

The annual Artisan and Vendor Fair will be on July 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will feature food services provided by Something Different, music by Daniel Graper, Stewart's make your own ice cream sundaes, a bake sale, and raffles in addition to the offerings from a variety of artisans, vendors, and crafters. Drawings for the raffles will be held at 2 p.m.

On July 28, the Caroga Lake Music Festival returns to the museum for a concert and ice cream social from 6 to 8 p.m. There will be a free will offering to support the music festival. Sundaes will be available 15 minutes before and during the concert. Attendees are asked to bring their own seating for the event.

A gallery opening reception for the August exhibit, "Paul Bransom: Encountering the Wild" will be held on August 1 from 7 to 9 p.m. Bransom, a long-time summer resident of Canada Lake, was known

as the Dean of American Animal Art. His work appeared on the covers of magazines like The Saturday Evening Post, The Country Gentleman, and Field & Stream and illustrated books like The Call of the Wild and The Wind in the Willows. The exhibit has been curated by Allen Farber and Dick Loomis. The exhibit will feature a selection of Bransom's works from local collections while telling the story of his career and the connection to this area. The exhibit runs from August 1 through September 1.

On August 6, the museum will feature an evening of contra/barn dancing from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The museum is pleased to have Anita Mason returning as caller with her husband, Pat Mason, providing the music for the evening. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes for dancing on the lawn.

To supplement the August Paul Bransom exhibit, the museum features a guest speaker on August 15 at 7 p.m. Allen Farber will present "Encountering the Wild in the Artwork of Paul Bransom". Allen was a professor in the SUNY-Oneonta Art Department. Refreshments will be available.

The museum offers a variety of workshops throughout the season. The workshop schedule includes basket weaving, a jewelry making, making potholders, and an alcohol ink painting. The registration fee for all workshops is \$15.

The Caroga Historical Museum will be open Thursdays through Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. starting June 27 through September 1.

For further information on the events and workshops, please visit the museum's website at www.carogamuseum.org.

Backpack program pickup



PHOTO COURTESY BROADALBIN-PERTH LIONS CLUB/LION ED BALABAN

Broadalbin-Perth Lion Mike Aurrichio picks up his Club's share of food from the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. The Lions delivered the food to Mayfield Central School in support of that school's Backpack Program which provides food to less fortunate students. Aurrichio and Ed Balaban met the delivery truck from the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York in Amsterdam.

BROADALBIN & PERTH

B-P Lions work hard at having fun at Home Show

The Broadalbin-Perth Lions made their presence felt at the Fulton-Montgomery County Home Show and Craft Fair at the Broadalbin-Perth High School.

As in years past, the B-P Lions operated the primary food concession, offering chili, pizza, hot dogs, candy, fruit/vegetable cups, coffee, and a variety of soft drinks. The weekend's indecisive and windy weather seemed to increase the event's attendance thereby keeping the Lions busy in meeting the crowd's appetite.

B-P High School student volunteers took food orders from vendors and shuttled meals between the concession and exhibits during the course of the event. B-P Lions Club Vice President Ed Balaban said, "we welcome the student involvement because it provides an opportunity for our young people to get involved in community service as well as foster leadership skills."

The Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, the largest service club organization in the world. More than 1.4 million members



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Members of the Broadalbin-Perth Lions, from left, Jean Barnnoski, Debbie Murphy, Mary Balaban, BPHS student and Lions representative Hannah Nolett, and Mike Aurrichio sold and served food during the Fulton-Montgomery County Home Show and Craft Fair held at Broadalbin-Perth High School. Several other Lions participated during the two-day event.

in over 48,000 clubs are serving in 200 countries and geographic areas around the globe.

Since 1917, Lions have strengthened local communities through hands-on service and humanitarian projects, and extend their service impact

through the generous support of Lions Clubs International Foundation. Lions are focused on supporting vision, the environment, childhood cancer, hunger, diabetes and other pressing humanitarian needs to help address some of the biggest

challenges facing humanity. All funds generated by the Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club are used to support these global causes at the local level throughout the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield community.

POLICE NEWS IN BRIEF

The Gloversville Police Department made the following arrests from June 3-9:

◆ Ian P. Hendricks, a 45-year-old male from Gloversville, Assault in the Third Degree, Criminal Obstruction of Breathing, Criminal Contempt in the Second Degree.

◆ Joseph H. Skaine Sr., a 35-year-old male from Gloversville, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree, New York State Parole Warrant.

◆ Elizabeth L. Edwards, a 38-year-old female from Gloversville, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree.

◆ Duane C. Smith, a 44-year-old male from Gloversville, Criminal Mischief in the Second Degree, Resisting Arrest.

◆ Kathleen M. Cristiano, a 39-year-old female from Minden, Petit Larceny, Burglary in the Third Degree.

◆ Joshua W. Sanders, a 43-year-old male from Johnstown, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree, Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle in the Third Degree.

◆ Ashley S. Frasier, a 38-year-old female from Gloversville, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree (X2).

◆ Jordan M. Benedict-Miller, a 27-year-old female from Gloversville, Bench Warrant.

◆ Noel L. Rutauskas, a 35-year-old female from Gloversville, Arrest Warrant.

◆ Rosanna M. Anelli, a 41-year-old female from Gloversville, Harassment in the Second Degree.

◆ Carlos D. Torres, a 51-year-old male from Root, Petit Larceny.

◆ Jennifer Gitchel, a 47-year-old female from Mayfield, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree, Petit Larceny.

◆ Malique Val, a 25-year-old male from Middletown, Bench Warrant.

◆ Matthew M. Horton, a 48-year-old male from Ephratah, Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree.

◆ Yvonne M. Talmadge, a 48-year-old female from Ft. Johnson, Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree.

◆ Bryant L. Davis, a 55-year-old male from Gloversville, Driving While Intoxicated.

There were a total of 221 calls for service the past week.

There were 19 of domestic violence complaints and there were 14 disorderly conduct complaints. There was one reported overdose.

While there is probable cause for the issuance of these arrests, all persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.