

NOTABLE NAMES

Fairport physician assistant returns home after providing medical support

A physician assistant from Fairport, Seth Zebrak, is back home from Washington, D.C., after providing medical support during the 2019 State of the Union address on Feb. 5.

Zebrak serves as a member of the National Disaster Medical System's Disaster Medical Assistance Team. During events such as the State of the Union, NDMS personnel along with U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps officers stand ready to provide advanced life support and basic medical care to everyone attending the event.

NDMS is a federally-administered program that can support communities with medical care, veterinarian care and mortuary assistance during disasters or public health emergencies. NDMS is among the resources made available by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response. They also work behind the scenes at some of our nation's biggest events, often at the request of the Congressional Office of the Attending Physician, the U.S. Capitol Police or the U.S. Secret Service.

Thompson Health presents 1st-quarter service awards

The Service Excellence

Team at UR Medicine Thompson Health recognized seven employees with its first-quarter Service Excellence Award for 2019.

The winners are Elare Carl, of Bloomfield; Christina Dailey and Stacey Gibbs, of Canandaigua; Danielle Essom, of Fairport; Rob Spencer, of Penn Yan; Caitlin Bonanni, of Shortsville; and Nancy Wooden, of Victor.

The award acknowledges associates who deliver exceptional service. Winners are selected after the team reviews system leaders' submissions of compliments from patients, families and co-workers.

Eastman alumni win Grammy awards

The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences recently recognized Eastman School of Music alumni Steve Gadd, Rob Paterson, D.J. Sparr and Karim Sulayman at the 61st Grammy Awards.

Gadd won best contemporary instrumental album for "The Steve Gadd Band." Paterson's "Three Way: A Trio of One-Act Operas" was included in the credits for Blanton Alspaugh's producer of the year, classical album.

Sparr played a guitar concerto on "Fuchs: Piano Concerto 'Spiritualist'; Poems of Life; Glacier; Rush," which won best classical compendium. Sulayman was included on "Songs of Orpheus," which won best solo vocal album.

Solstice Senior Living hires new executive director

Solstice Senior Living at Fairport named Al Brumagin as its new executive director.

"Al is an extremely valuable addition to our Solstice Senior Living at Fairport family," said Nathan Mills, Solstice Senior Living regional director of operations. "His experience working in the senior living industry, work ethic and passion for the senior community are exactly what we look for in our team members. I am confident that our organization will continue to strengthen under his leadership."

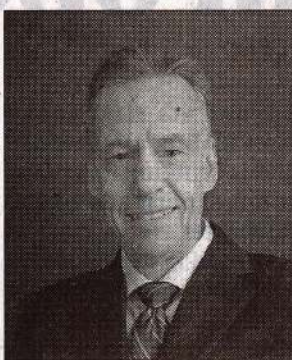
As executive director, Brumagin will be responsible for managing community operations, fostering local relationships and overseeing Solstice at Fairport's successful Elevate and Vibrant Life programs.

"I've always loved the stories and wisdom that residents provide," Brumagin said. "It truly is an honor to be given the opportunity to care for these residents. I'm looking forward to using my experience in the senior living industry to make sure that residents of Solstice at Fairport continue to live vibrantly."

Call (585) 218-9570 for more information about Solstice at Fairport, or to request a tour of the community.

Pittsford resident named new leader of Episcopal SeniorLife

Episcopal SeniorLife



Richard Hanley. [PHOTO PROVIDED]

Communities recently announced the appointment of Richard Hanley as corporate manager of safety and security.

Hanley comes to ESLC with more than 35 years of experience working for New York state, retiring in 2017 as chief of the Safety Department at the Rochester Psychiatric Center.

In his new role, Hanley is responsible for overall management and operation of safety, security, emergency preparedness, fire safety and hazardous materials and waste. He also serves as safety committee chair for the organization.

Hanley was a long-time volunteer firefighter for the Ridge Culver Fire Department and was actively involved with the Pittsford Mendon High School Baseball

Boosters, serving on the board of directors for five years.

He resides in Pittsford with his wife, and has two adult sons and a daughter-in-law.

Pittsford resident appointed as NYSAR Genesee Region vice president

Toni Connors, of Pittsford, took the oath of office Feb. 11 as Genesee Region vice president of the New York State Association of Realtors during the association's inauguration ceremony held in conjunction with its business meetings at The Desmond Hotel and Conference Center in Albany.

Connors previously held the position in 2011 and 2012. Connors, a realtor for 37 years, is an associate real estate broker with Howard Hanna in Pittsford. Connors is an active member and past president of the Greater Rochester Association of Realtors.

She currently serves on the GRAR Executive Committee and Strategic Planning Group and has served on numerous committees including Realtor Bar, governance,

finance, professional standards and member services.

She serves on the Realtor Charitable Foundation board of directors, the Women's Council of Realtors and others. In addition, she is a past president of the former Western Steuben-Allegany Board of Realtors.

At the state level, she has served on numerous committees including professional standards, risk reduction, multiple listing issues and policies, executive, legislative policy, fair housing and cultural diversity.

She has served on the board of directors since 2012 and is also a graduate of the NYSAR Leadership Academy. On the national level, Connors served as a director for National Association of Realtors in 2016 and on the State and Local Issues Committee in 2017.

Active in her community, Connors has been involved with: the Fairport Rotary, the Women's Club of Pittsford, the Rochester chapter of the National Kidney Foundation, where she founded the Speakers Bureau and many others.

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