

# Cards

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of volunteers during an interview in her home. She said the cards all have a positive message and express gratitude. She said adults can sign their full name, but minors are allowed to sign only their first name.

Classmates helped her get a jump-start for this drive by making 361 cards. A batch of 1,033 cards made by students and a handful of local groups were dropped off Columbus Day weekend to the Elmira Heights VFW for distribution to an Army base in Kosovo.

Sophie's website, dreambigophie.org, carries an example of a card made by a Horseheads Middle School student identified by his first name, Aaren. It reads: "If you are an American soldier and reading this, you are awesome. If you are Christian, Jewish, Muslim, or anything else and reading this, you are awesome. If you are white, black, green, purple, and reading this, you are awesome. If you are a man or woman fighting for America and reading this, you are awesome. My point is, you are awesome. You are only 1% of

## Card collection sites

Corning Chiropractic Associates, 75 W. Pulteney St., Corning.  
Star Gazette, 201 Baldwin St., Elmira.  
Big Flats Community Center, 476 Maple St., Big Flats.  
Horseheads School District Offices, south wing of high school.

the American population. But you are the best percent. I want to thank you for being awesome and serving America. If you have family at home, I want to thank them for being awesome too. Hang in there, and stay awesome."

The effort has grown exponentially since 2013, when Sophie and a friend made 50 cards each for the Holiday Mail for Heroes program for a local Red Cross chapter. Many awards recognized her last campaign, from the American Red Cross Spirit of Humanity Award to the George Bush Points of Light Daily Award.

The national Red Cross shifted responsibility for collecting, sorting and distributing cards for its Holiday Mail for Heroes program to local chapters this year, and, in turn, the area chapters are letting Sophie lead that effort.

"I'm starting to take

## Card collection events

Chemung County Legislature, 7 p.m. Oct. 13.  
Horseheads Intermediate School, 9-11 a.m. Oct 24, Make a Difference Day.  
Chemung County Sunrise Rotary Annual Pumpkin Express and Train Ride at the Sullivan Railroad, 1-5 p.m. Oct 24.  
Horseheads Kiwanis, 7 p.m. Nov. 3, district meeting.  
Bethany Nursing Home (activity room of the Courtyard), Horseheads, 2 p.m. Nov. 8.  
Twin Tiers Honor Flight, Elmira-Corning Regional Airport, Nov. 14. Cards will be distributed to veterans flying to Washington, D.C., to see war memorials.  
Horseheads Intermediate School, Horseheads school board meeting, 7 p.m. Nov. 19.  
Let Elmira Live, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Nov. 23.  
Other events are being planned at Big Flats Community Center, Corning Youth Center and possibly other locations.

this on by myself with a lot of help. The Red Cross still helps with connections," Sophie said. "In the past, they sent cards for us, they counted the cards, they kept the cards safe."

Now, she will keep the cards in a room in her house until they are ready for distribution. The Red Cross, meanwhile, has launched a new initiative through its local chapters, collecting comfort care packages for veterans and their families that consist of items for personal hygiene, from razors to toothpaste and shampoo.

Jay Bonafede, spokesperson for the American Red Cross Western and Central New York Region in Buffalo, called Sophie an "amazing young woman."

"While we feel as though we will be giving our military members and their families something tangible that they need through our Holiday Heroes Comfort Kits and other similar Services to the Armed Forces programs, Sophie's efforts will also help our military members feel supported this holiday season," Bonafede said.

Sophie's mother, Denise Kartzman, helps organize the drive, beginning in late September. Sophie said she works on cards during free periods at school.

Sophie said many of her friends and classmates are eager to help. A typical reply, she said: "When do you want

us to start because we are free any time you need us."

Sophie is trying to cultivate that attitude through her website, which encourages volunteering, especially among young people. It contains about a half-dozen videos that show visits by her, and others, to area schools and nursing homes.

Her father, David Kartzman, talked about his daughter's efforts, her visits to the nursing facility at the Bath VA Medical Center and relationships she has developed with veterans, such as Casimir Krolak.

"It has really given us a nice picture of what kind of person she is going to be. She has never made this about herself. It has always been what is in it for the soldiers."

He also talked about not knowing how his daughter would react after he took her to the Bath VA hospice, nursing facility and domicile for the first time last December.

"It is not an easy place to be if you are 11 or 12 years old, and on the ride home I didn't know if it was going to be very emotional or very sad. She wanted to go back," he said.

"She saw beyond what age had done to these people who were physically incapable, but emotionally very capable. She didn't see them as people with a wheelchair or people with infirmities. She saw them as people," he said.

"They served her country and made a difference in her life. She just loves going up there and being with them, hugging them and getting to know them," he said. "I don't know where that came from for an 11-year-old. To have that much philosophical insight is a gift. It is a gift of compassion and caring."

Sophie said she had thought about becoming a lawyer, but now is rethinking other career paths. "Now, I have no idea. Is there a lawyer for volunteering? That would be perfect."

# Catlin

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remembered. I am absolutely thrilled."

A cramped apartment when they were first married, and a bowling ball that toddler son Larry Catlin sent crashing down the steps into the store below helped forge Mr. Catlin's relationship with the library.

Marc Chevalier, vice president of the Public Library Foundation of Chemung County, in a speech Monday night told how that led to Mr. Catlin finding land on Gardner Road in Horseheads, where he could build a bigger house.

"He simply said, 'I will go to the library. I will get the books,'" Chevalier said. "And he did. It began his relationship with the library."

Evelyn Catlin recalled it was only one book Earle brought home on how to build a house. "We lived in that house for 35 years. He did a wonderful job. I helped," she said.

Mr. Catlin, who died in February at age 90, had a long record of public service in the Horseheads area. One of his shortest commitments was about 28 years as a Horseheads village trustee. A longer commitment, besides the library, was about 40 years with the Horseheads Kiwanis Club.

In a 2007 interview, he told the Star-Gazette: "I get in the habit of doing something, and I can't break the habit."

Owen Frank, branch supervisor of the Horseheads Free Library, said its meeting room, now



FILE PHOTO

The late Earle Catlin is shown in 2007 during his retirement as a Horseheads village trustee.

named in Mr. Catlin's honor, is used daily for many purposes. Among its uses: programs, story time for children, movie screenings, meetings for community groups and the library district board of trustees.

The current Public Library Foundation of Chemung County is an outgrowth of the Horseheads endowment, which spent \$2.3 million to support the Horseheads Free Library from 1958 to 2006.

"In this room, you are standing by books and shelving and computers, tablets, and improvements like the roof over our head, parts of other libraries, the early Bookmobile. These are all things that were assisted by the the fund that were the fruits of his labor," Chevalier said.

"He want just one of our own and one of a kind," he said. "He was the fellow who started this entire project so many years ago."

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# LEGALS

TODAY'S LEGAL NOTICES

**Legal Notice**  
Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: TYRONE & MELVA ENTERPRISES LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/22/2015. Office location: Chemung County, Chemung County has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: C/O TYRONE & MELVA ENTERPRISES LLC, 512 Grove St, Elmira N.Y. 14905. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date. 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10/2015

**MBE/WBE/SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS** are invited to submit proposals for the Town of Erwin, Coopers Plains Long Acres, Sanitary Sewer Collection System for the following contract bidders:  
GENERAL CONTRACTOR: F. P. Kane Construction, Inc., 241 Front St., Vestal, NY 13850 Phone 607-754-6306, Fax 607-754-6356 Contact Frank Kane.  
Plans and Specifications available at the office of the above contractors who is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer. 10/9, 10/10, 10/11, 10/12, 10/13, 10/14/2015

**NOTICE OF FORMATION**  
Articles of Organization of QueSol LLC were filed with Sec of State of New York (SSNY). 8/24/2015. Office Location: Chemung County, Princ. Bus. Addr.: PO Box 698, Horseheads, NY 14845. SSNY is hereby designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Ambrose Dr, Horseheads, NY 14845. Purpose: All lawful purposes. 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20/2015

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO SECTION 206 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW**  
Name: Great Faith Properties LLC  
Articles of Organization were filed with NYS SOS on September 17, 2015. Office of the company is located in Schuyler County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company upon whom process against it may be served, and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process so served is P. O. Box 328, Odessa, NY 14869. Purpose: any lawful business. 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17/2015

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.** Name: WBE Painting LLC County: Chemung. Secretary of State is designated as agent for service of process. Address 509 Baldwin Street, Elmira, New York, 14901. Articles of Organization filed September 30, 2015. Any lawful business purpose. 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17/2015

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.**  
Name: FOOM, LLC County: Chemung Secretary of State is designated as agent of the company for service of process. Address for process: 232 Red Chalk Road, Erin, NY 14838 Articles of Organization filed on September 15, 2015. Business: Any lawful business purpose. 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3/2015

**PROBATE CITATION**  
File #2015-257  
**SURROGATE'S COURT - SARATOGA COUNTY CITATION**  
**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,**  
By the Grace of God Free and Independent  
**TO:**  
Cornelius Blackshear, Nephew, 4412 TJ Kelley Drive, Hephzibah, GA 30815  
Luther Blackshear, Nephew, 1431 Cape Cove Blvd., Orlando, FL 32818  
Rosemary Blackshear, Niece, 6606 Merrivood Drive, Orlando, FL 32818  
Annette Grice, Grand-Niece, 151 Beckwith Ter., Rochester, NY 14610  
Pamela Holman, Grand-Niece, 197-07 119th Street, New York, NY 11412  
Clarence A. Williams, Nephew, 16810 Palda Drive, Cleveland, OH 44128  
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Nathaniel Williams, 253 Homer Street, Elmira, NY 14904  
Dorothy Williams, Niece, 1801 W 4th Street, Sanford, FL 32771-1702  
Luther Williams, Nephew, 2927 N 25th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19126  
Annie Belle Williams, Niece, 7026 Old York Road, Philadelphia, PA 19126  
Alma Jeannette Brown, Grand-Niece, 10805 Pico Norte Road, El Paso, TX 79935  
Raymond F. Span, Sr., Grand-Nephew, 1502 Mitchell Way, Redwood City, CA 94061  
Clifford Spain, III, Grand-Nephew, 1321 Marshall Street, Redwood City, CA 94063  
Grand-Nieces and Nephews whose addresses are unknown:  
Patricia A. Spain, David Williams, Robert A. Williams, Cassandra Thomas and Donald Humphrie John Daniel Spain, predeceased nephew of the

decendent; to his distributees, personal representatives and successors in interest if they be deceased, whose residences and post office addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained with due diligence;  
Attorney General of the State of New York  
Daryl Cutler, Esq., Guardian ad Litem for distributees whose whereabouts are unknown  
A petition having been duly filed by Michael E. Blackshear, who is domiciled at 4700 City Avenue, Apt.#10205, Philadelphia, PA 19131.  
**YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE** before the Surrogate's Court, Saratoga County, New York, at the County Clerk's Office, 30 McMaster Street, Building 3, Ballston Spa, NY, on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate of Susan Jackson, lately domiciled at 122 Madison Street, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866, admitting to probate a Will dated December 21, 2007, a copy of which is attached, as the Will of Susan Jackson, deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that the Letters Testamentary issue to: Michael E. Blackshear. State any further relief requested:  
Dated, Attested and Sealed, September 1, 2015  
Hon. Richard A. Kupferman, Surrogate  
/s/ Catharine A. Ruggles, Chief Clerk  
Attorney for Petitioner: James J. Brearton, Esq. Telephone #518-785-4537  
Address of Attorney: 950 New Loudon Road, Latham, NY 12110  
Note: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear, if you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you. 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13/2015

**STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY COURT : COUNTY OF SCHUYLER**  
In the Matter of the Foreclosure of Tax Liens by proceeding in Rem pursuant to Article Eleven of the Real Property Tax Law, by the Village of Burdett.  
**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE**  
Index No. 15-8  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 3rd day of August, 2015, the Clerk/Treasurer, hereinafter the "Enforcing Officer" of the Village of Burdett, hereinafter the "Tax District," pursuant to law, filed with the Clerk of the County of Schuyler, a Petition of Foreclosures against various parcels of real property for unpaid taxes. Such Petition pertains to the following parcels:  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Kathleen A. Winslow  
Tax Map No. 44.15-1-12  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Alice E. Clawson  
Tax Map No. 44.19-1-09  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Leon Fried  
Tax Map No. 44.19-1-12  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Rexford Smith/Cristen Hill  
Tax Map No. 44.19-1-41  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Ralph C. Switzer, Jr.

Tax Map No. 44.15-1-17  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Arthur Duane Uplikie  
Linda J. Uplikie  
Tax Map No. 44.15-1-10-2  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Barbara A. Diedrichs  
Tax Map No. 54.07-1-02  
Town of Hector  
Owner of Record on Lien Date: Andrew E. Barrett and Ruby L. Barrett  
Tax Map No. 44.15-1-02  
Effect of filing: All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the real property described in such Petition are hereby notified that the filing of such Petition constitutes the commencement by the Tax District of a proceeding in the Court specified in the caption above to foreclose each of the tax liens herein described by a foreclosure proceeding in rem.  
Nature of proceeding: Such proceeding is brought against the real property only and is to foreclose the tax liens described in such Petition. No personal judgment will be entered herein for such taxes or other legal charges or any part thereof.  
Persons affected: This Notice is directed to all persons owning or having, or claiming to have, an interest in the real property described in such Petition. Such persons are hereby notified further that a duplicate of such Petition has been filed in the office of the Enforcing Officer of the Tax District and will remain open for public inspection up to and including the date specified below as the last day for redemption.  
Right of Redemption: Any person having or claiming to have an interest in any such real property and the legal right thereto, may on or before said date redeem the same by paying the amount of all such unpaid tax liens thereon, including all interest and penalties and other legal charges which are included in the lien against such real property, computed to and including the date of redemption. Such payments shall be made to Naomi Kingsley, Village of Burdett Clerk/Treasurer, 3830 Main Street, P.O. Box 234, Burdett, NY 14818. In the event that such taxes are paid by a person other than the record owner of such real property, the person so paying shall be entitled to have the tax liens affected hereby satisfied of record.  
Last day for redemption: The last day for redemption is hereby fixed as the 15th day of November, 2015.  
Service of Answer: Every person having any right, title or interest in, or lien upon, any parcel of real property described in such Petition, may serve a duly verified Answer upon the attorney for the Tax District, setting forth in detail the nature and amount of his or her interest and any defense or objection to the foreclosure. Such Answer must be filed in the office of the county clerk and served upon the attorney for the Tax District on or before the date above mentioned as the last day for redemption.  
Failure to redeem or answer: In the event of failure to redeem or answer, such person shall be forever barred and foreclosed of all his or her right, title and interest and equity of redemption, in and to the parcel(s) described in such Petition, and a Judgment in foreclosure may be taken by default.  
Enforcing Officer: Naomi Kingsley  
Village of Burdett Clerk/Treasurer  
Attorney for Tax District: Connie Fern Miller, Esq.  
601 North Decatur Street  
Watkins Glen, NY 14891  
(607) 535-9354  
10/13, 10/27, 11/10/2015

Streeter Associates, Inc. is requesting Bids from certified MBE/WBE firms for the DASNY SUNY Cortland DeGroat Residence Hall Renovations, Cortland, NY. Bids due 10/14/15 at 2:00 PM. Documents can be obtained by contacting Streeter Associates, Inc., 101 E. Woodlawn Ave., Elmira, NY 14901, Phone 607-734-4151. FAX 607-732-2952. 10/3 - 10/13/2015

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## LOCAL BRIEFS

### Chemung DAR plans Thursday luncheon

The Chemung Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution have scheduled a luncheon at noon Thursday at the Wings of Eagles Discovery Center, 17 Aviation Drive, Horseheads.

Ed Flesh, veteran and curator, will present a program about the Wings of Eagles Museum.

The cost of the buffet is \$15 per person. Reservations should be made by calling Joyce Pellor at (607) 562-3335 or Gretchen Ham at (607) 732-3001. Guests and prospective members are welcome.

### Training available for boards, officials

The Chemung County Planning Department and Town of Big Flats is sponsoring training for local boards and municipal officials.

The program is presented by New York State Department of State, Division of Local Government Services is scheduled at 3:45 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Nov. 17 at Big Flats Community Center, 476 Maple St. in Big Flats.

Members of planning boards, zoning boards of appeals, elected officials, municipal attorneys, code enforcement and zoning enforcement officers and others are invited.

The program includes:  
» Sign Case Law Update, 3:45-4 p.m.  
» Aging in Place, 4-5 p.m.  
» Form-Based Zoning, 5-6:30 p.m.  
» Break 6:30-7 p.m. (Light meal and refreshments provided).

» Downtown Revitalization, 7-8:15 p.m.  
Registration is due by Nov. 9. To register or find more information, visit tinyurl.com/Chemung-training.

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