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**COMMUNITY BRIEFING - AUG. 29, 2024** 



# THIS ISSUE

Keep up to date with community happenings that impact business in our community

## SARAH DAVIS, IDA

- · Next IDA Board Meeting is Sept. 10th
- Task force meeting for Willard Redevelopment efforts this afternoon: group working on project in Ithaca present
- Greater Rochester Enterprise is advertising on Facebook, LinkedIn and X; please like out on the project

## MICHELE BARAN, SBDC

• Fast Track to Business signups are still open; any small businesses that want to sign up are urged to

## AVE BAUDER, CORNELL

- · Ag Tour with Soil & Water, USDA, CRS & more was a success
- · Focus was on water quality
- Visited local farms and ended at Hosmer Winerv
- 70 people total attended
- EPA Grants are available to help connect main streets to outdoor recreation opportunities; County wide meeting to discuss this opportunity is a good idea

# STEVE ZIELINSKI, SOUTH SENECA

 Back to school starting next week after Labor Day for Seneca County School Districts

## SEPT. EVENT:

- Business After Hours, Sept. 18th at Sessler Wrecking
- Date TBD: Lux Hotel Ribbon Cutting

# THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

#### INVENT THE FUTURE: ONE MAN'S DREAM OF MAKING UPSTATE NY THE NEXT SILICON VALLEY

The Guardian: Nvidia co-founder Curtis Priem has a vision for a quantum computing future and believes the area along the Hudson valley is fertile for the next tech boom.

#### and share any posts you see to get the word NY GOV. HOCHUL PUSHES STATE'S AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY DURING VISIT TO NYS FAIR

Syracuse.com: Gov. Kathy Hochul visited the New York State Fair Wednesday, drinking milk from New York state cows, signing a bill to help the state's maple producers and championing results of her executive order for state agencies to buy more locally grown farm products.

## HOCHUL ANNOUNCES \$42M TO BATTLE HABS IN EASTERN FINGER LAKES

FL Times: This investment fulfills the Governor's 2024 State of the State commitment to develop onthe-ground actions necessary to address the root causes of harmful algal blooms (HABs) and significantly reduce their prevalence while supporting projects that help prevent runoff into lakes and improve climate resiliency.

#### NEW SHORT-TERM TRAINING AT CAYUGA PREPARES WORKFORCE FOR MANUFACTURING CAREERS

FL Times: Starting with a Workplace Communications class in September, the new Machining Fundamentals Microcredential offers five courses to prepare students for entry-level positions. Courses emphasize trade skills of machining and CNC technologies, with hands-on learning and practical training from professionals with decades of advanced manufacturing experience.

## WAYNE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY NAMES WESTBURY LUMBER THE PREFERRED

#### DEVELOPER FOR FORMER BUTLER CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

FL Times: The lumber company has operations adjacent to the former state prison, and its company president, Jason Smith, told the IDA Tuesday that Westbury Lumber has been interested in the Butler property for years. Westbury Lumber was chosen after the IDA issued a request for proposals in May for the 201-acre parcel that straddles the towns of Butler and Wolcott. Westbury Lumber, at 13831 Westbury Cut Off Road, is a wholesaler of hardwood lumber to cabinet, flooring, and molding manufacturers in the Northeast and has been in operation for 30 years, 20 of them in Butler.

# JOIN US FOR THIE NEXT ONE SENEGA MEETING

When: Thursday mornings at 10 a.m.

Where: Zoom

Meeting ID: 885 5612 6750

Password: 974642

Open to members of the community who want to know things that are happening or have

something to add to the conversation.