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The Time Has Come for Ride-Sharing Services

“Let me state upfront, that I am supportive of the transportation network companies, or TNCs like Uber and Lyft. The unresolved issues which are preventing the passage of legislation allowing these services to operate outside of New York City are required levels of insurance and final local safety regulations.

I believe that the fair and sensible way to allow the new ride-sharing businesses to operate throughout New York State is to pass legislation that requires insurance and safety requirements similar to those that currently govern taxis and limousines.

It is my opinion that TNCs are a new industry whose time has come. Attempting to try and hold back innovation, in order to preserve the status-quo, has failed throughout history. Cases in point: typewriters vs. computers; land-line phones vs. cell phones; printed newspaper industry vs. internet/social media.

Instead of hampering economic change and opportunity, I believe that lawmakers’ primary responsibility must be in ensuring the public’s safety and well-being.

Herein lies the reason that, unfortunately, legislation has not passed in Albany this session that allows TNCs to operate outside of New York City. Although both the Senate and Assembly have agreed to allow local municipalities to regulate TNCs, the Senate and the Assembly have separate bills addressing the insurance limit issue.

Compromise is the name of the game in resolving the issue of insurance limits. Currently, the main point of disagreement between the Assembly and the Senate is over the amounts of insurance TNCs must carry with the Assembly favoring requiring greater amounts of coverage; the Senate lesser amounts.

I don’t get the sense that there is major opposition to allowing TNCs throughout our state from operating. The issue is agreeing on the language to get us there. We are very close to finalizing this issue. I hope it will be sooner rather than later. TNCs time has come.

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Free Electronics Recycling Event – July 30

 **Join Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli for an electronics recycling event**



Saturday, July 30, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Baldwinsville School District Complex
 Enter at Albert Palmer Lane and E. Oneida St.

Thanks to our co-sponsors, **Sunnking Electronics** and **Time Warner Cable**, for assisting with this event.

A portion of the proceeds from the recyclables will benefit the **Baldwinsville Marching Band.**

 



What can be recycled:

- computers
- televisions
- small-scale servers
- monitors
- CPU keyboards and mice
- fax machines
- scanners
- printers
- VCRs and DVD players
- digital music players
- electronic or video game consoles
- typewriters
- circuit boards
- cell phones
- audio/video (AV) equipment



Items not accepted:

- smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- air conditioners
- dehumidifiers
- alkaline batteries
- broken CRT (tube televisions/monitors) or bare tubes
- Fluorescent lamps/bulbs

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Polish Pride

On Friday, June 10th, Assemblyman Magnarelli's staff attended the Polish Flag raising ceremony at City Hall. The ceremony marked the kick-off of the 62nd Polish Festival held in Clinton Square from June 10-12. The celebration highlighted Polish culture and heritage while benefiting the Polish Scholarship Fund Inc.



Encouraging Reading During Summer Vacation

Assemblyman Magnarelli wants students to have fun reading and to keep learning this summer at their public library. The New York State Assembly is partnering with the New York State Library and the 1,100 libraries and neighborhood branches to get more kids reading this summer. Children can have a summer of reading fun by participating in **2016 Summer Reading at New York Libraries**.

More than 1.99 million children and teens statewide participated in last year's summer reading program. Participants receive reading lists and engage in educational activities at their local libraries. At the end of the program, participants receive formal recognition for their reading achievement.

Evidence shows that children who stop reading over the summer break often fall behind when they return to school in September. Assemblyman Magnarelli urges youngsters and parents to take advantage of the summer reading programs at their local public library. With resources and tools made available by the New York State Library, local public libraries bring exciting summer reading programs and activities to their communities. Children who participate benefit from the support, structure, and educational incentives that public library summer reading programs provide. Assemblyman Magnarelli hopes that all children will be reading for fun during the summer of 2016.

Contact your local public library to register and participate in the fun and educational activities available this summer as part of **Summer Reading at New York Libraries**.

Teachers selected for Space Academy

Assemblyman Magnarelli's staff took part in the ceremony honoring five CNY teachers who have been awarded scholarships to attend Honeywell Educators at Space Academy (HESA) at the US Space & Rocket Center (USSRC) in Huntsville, Alabama this month.

Pictured left to right: Stephen Bacon, Gillette Road Middle School; Heather Bermingham, Westside Academy at Blodgett; Susanne Sobon, Pine Grove Middle School; Donna Fortugno-Erikson, Lyncourt School; and Carmen Primiano, Camillus Middle School

The award-winning scholarship program, created by Honeywell Hometown Solutions, in partnership with USSRC, is designed to help middle school math and science teachers be more effective at STEM subjects. Since its creation in 2004, HESA has graduated 2,576 educators from 56 countries and 52 US states and territories.

This year, more than 200 teachers from 25 countries and 36 US states and territories will attend one of two five-day programs offered over consecutive weeks from June 8-21. Teachers will participate in 45 hours of classroom and laboratory instruction focused specifically on science and space exploration. Sessions include astronaut-style exercises such as high-performance jet simulation, scenario-based space missions, land and water survival training, and interactive flight dynamics programs.

HESA candidates complete a rigorous application process. Qualified teachers are awarded scholarships, round-trip airfare, tuition, meals, and accommodations, thanks to the generous support of Honeywell and its employees.



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Pride flag flies at half-staff at Syracuse City Hall in memory and solidarity for the 49 people killed in Orlando.



Miss New York USA 2016 Serena Bucaj from Staten Island visited the Capitol and met with Assemblyman Magnarelli.

Community Resources Day on the Road

Wednesday, July 13

Ray Middle School • 7650 VanBuren Road, Baldwinsville

FREE Event!!

Noon - 6 p.m.

More than 30 local organizations

- Health Care Providers
- Federal, State, County and Town Government Agencies
- Non-profit Agencies
- Housing Agencies
- Veterans' Agencies
- Unclaimed Funds, Office of the NYS Comptroller
- Opioid Prevention Training
- Elder Services
- School Programs
- And Many More

"For your convenience, I am pleased to bring government, health, and social service agencies to your area for a day of free information and outreach. I hope you will stop by. I look forward to meeting with you."

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Blood Drive



American Red Cross

12 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Summer is a difficult time for the American Red Cross, as the blood supply often dips to critical levels.

Please call 428-9651 to schedule your donation.

A LONG TIME COMING, BUT NOT SOON ENOUGH

"It was a joyous occasion at the event of the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Price Rite grocery store on South Ave. in the City's southwest neighborhood. Usually grocery stores are not such a big celebration unless you are a resident of this Southside community, who haven't had a full service grocery store since Loblaw's closed nearly 40 years ago. Assemblyman Magnarelli's staff attended to extend best wishes for all the families who will soon be able to enjoy fresh fruit, fresh vegetables and fresh meat at reasonable prices, just blocks away from their homes. I was proud to help secure funds, along with Speaker Carl Heastie and Assemblywoman Pam Hunter, for sidewalks and other improvements needed for the project. All of us missed the groundbreaking, but we are looking forward to attending the grand opening. Congratulations to Walt Dixie, who was credited with being the tenacious leader of this "dream come true," and rightfully so!"



Lt. Governor Announces Drone Industry Development in CNY

Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul attended the June 9th announcement at SRC headquarters in North Syracuse that a drone research convention will be held in Central New York from November 8 -10, 2016. Also attending were SRC President Paul Tremont, County Executive Joanie Mahoney and Rob Simpson of Centerstate CEO. The Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) industry will have a huge impact on our CNY economy and the Lt. Governor pointed out that our CNY region is poised to be a national leader in this emerging industry.

Memorial Day Events in Baldwinsville, Solvay and Eastwood



Assemblyman Magnarelli speaking at the Solvay Memorial Day Event.



Pictured Left to right is William McVicker, Solvay 3rd Ward Trustee, Assemblyman Magnarelli and Jim Pirro, former President of the Solvay-Geddes Veterans Inc.



Assemblyman Magnarelli talks with a veteran at the Watchfire at the NYS Fairgrounds.



Rose Rogers poses with Senator Valesky, Assemblyman Magnarelli, Syracuse City Councilor Joe Nicoletti and County Legislator Peggy Chase at the Eastwood Memorial Day Parade.



Images from the Memorial Day Watch Fire at the NYS Fairgrounds.



Assemblyman Magnarelli walks in the Baldwinsville Memorial Day Parade.



About New York State Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli

Assemblyman William Magnarelli represents the 129th Assembly District, which includes the Northside, Westside, Eastwood, Valley, and Downtown areas of the City of Syracuse, as well as the Towns of Geddes and Van Buren. He first won election in 1998 for an open Assembly seat and was re-elected in 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014. During his terms in office, Assemblyman Magnarelli has focused his efforts on bringing more jobs to Central New York, lowering taxes, providing our children a better education at every level, improving our healthcare and keeping our families safe. For more information, contact Assemblyman Magnarelli's District Office at (315) 428-9651 or visit <http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/magnarelli>.