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NEWS

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A Month of Gratitude

November is a month traditionally associated with being “Thankful”. In addition to the upcoming holiday – Thanksgiving, Veterans Day is a great opportunity to express our gratitude in the month of November.

The 14th Annual CNY Veterans Parade and Expo was held on Nov. 6 at the NYS Fairgrounds. Thousands of members of the Central New York community attended the event to say “Thank You” to our service members and to learn about veterans resources in the community. More than 80 local organizations – including veterans organizations, active and reserve military, and high school marching bands – made up the hour long parade. Over 100 organizations participated in the Expo which offered displays of historical military items, organizations that serve veterans, and a children’s area.

As we spend time thinking of what we are grateful for this Thanksgiving, it is important to remember the men and women who have served and continue to serve our nation through military service.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your friends and family.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about these or any other state issues, please call my office at (315) 428-9651 or magnarw@nyassembly.gov.

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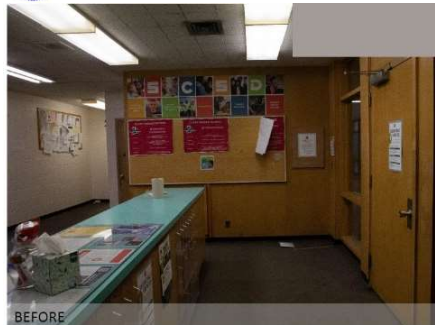
Funding City Schools

Joint School Construction Board Phase III (A.6258-A) sponsored by Assemblyman William Magnarelli, (S 5603) sponsored by Senator Rachel May was signed by Governor Kathy Hochul. This legislation authorizes the City of Syracuse Joint Schools Construction Board to undertake a third phase of school renovation projects. Phase III will involve projects at the following schools: STEM at Blodgett Middle School, Corcoran High School, Delaware Primary School, Henninger High School, Syracuse Latin School, Lincoln Middle School, Nottingham High School, Roberts PreK-8 School, Seymour Dual Language Academy and the Webster Elementary School. The bill authorizes up to \$300 million in new bonding for these schools, which, as the JSCB makes the bond payments, upwards of 90% is reimbursed by the State.

Assemblyman Magnarelli sponsored the initial legislation that established the Syracuse Joint Schools Construction Board (JSCB) in 2006. JSCB Phases 1, and thereafter phase 2 in 2014 also sponsored by the Assemblyman, financed \$225 million and \$300 million respectively in renovations to our city schools. These phases, along with the new phase III monies, total over \$825 Million in renovations to city schools.



Corcoran – Main Entrance



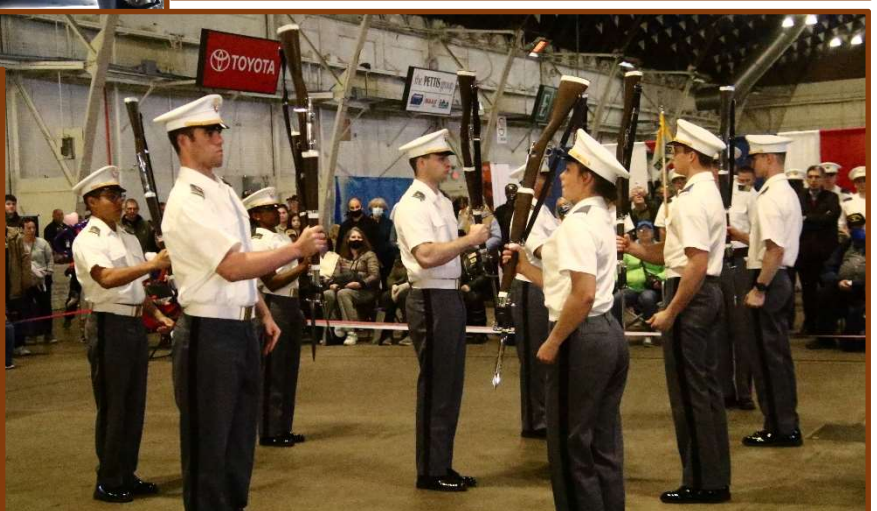
Clary – Administration Offices



Fowler Fields



The 2021 CNY Veterans Parade and Expo was held on Nov. 6 at the NYS Fairgrounds. The 14th annual event was a tribute to our veterans and active military. The parade included local veterans groups, high school marching bands, active military and local organizations. The Expo had displays of historical memorabilia, a children's area, musical performances and local organizations that assist veterans.



Transportation Hearings



As chair of the Assembly Committee on Transportation, Assemblyman Magnarelli held two recent hearings to learn from varying perspectives on relevant issues. The first hearing in Albany on Oct. 20 was regarding non-MTA public transit systems and services focusing on Upstate and rural public transportation. Witnesses included: the NYS Dept. of Transportation, executives of our Upstate Transit Authorities and advocates for public transportation. The goal of the hearing was to identify challenges and solutions for improving public transit availability in Upstate and rural NY, emerging technologies for providing public transit and the transition to zero-emission bus fleets.

The second hearing on Nov. 10 discussed the direct sale of Electric Vehicles (EVs). The hearing took testimony from EV Companies, Auto Dealers and other interested parties on the issue of expanding the direct sales of EVs. Currently automobiles in NY must be sold through franchised dealers.

Funding the Libraries



Dan Golden, director of Solvay Public Library



Meg Van Patten, director of Baldwinsville Public Library

Our public libraries are an ever-evolving resource to our communities. The libraries are community landmarks filled with technology, resources and of course books for use by all. Grants Assemblyman Magnarelli secured for the Solvay Public Library, to put more computers and electronics in the library, and a grant for the Baldwinsville Library, for flooring renovations, were recently completed. New grants were secured for each library. Baldwinsville Public Library will embark on a renovation of the children's area; Solvay Public Library will use funds from Assemblyman Magnarelli to fund interior renovations, purchase computers and security cameras and fund a "maker space."

Recycling Event: Thank YOU!

One more thing- Assemblyman Magnarelli also hosted an electronics recycling at the NYS Fairgrounds with SUNNKing Electronics on Nov. 13. The event led to 1,685 cars visiting and 12 tractor-trailers filled with electronics.

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, Syracuse University area, Outer Comstock, as well as the towns of Geddes and Van Buren. He first won election in 1998 for an open Assembly seat and has been reelected since then. 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>.