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JOINING THE 'INCLUSION REVOLUTION'

Golisano, foundation give \$5.8M to St. John Fisher for disability nursing

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St. John Fisher College, with the help of a \$5.8 million gift from Tom Golisano and the Golisano Foundation, is joining the "Inclusion Revolution."

Ann Costello, executive director of the Golisano Foundation, announced the donation on Tuesday afternoon in the Wegmans School of Nursing atrium at Fisher's campus to a room full of students, staff and representatives from both the Golisano Foundation and the Special Olympics.

The gift will be used to create the Golisano Institute of Developmental Disabilities Nursing, a program with curriculum designed to teach nursing students to be better advocates and health care providers for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The program will be integrated into Fisher's existing nursing school.

"The new Golisano Institute clearly demonstrates Fisher's commitment to improving health care for people with disabilities," Costello said. "Nurses serve a critical and growing role in health care delivery, and that is why this initiative will fill the gaps in health care and ensure that inclusive health is not just a dream,

but a reality for all people."

According to a news release issued by the college following the press conference, \$800,000 will come from the Golisano Foundation and \$5 million will come from the foundation's namesake, billionaire Tom Golisano.

Though he was expected to be at the event, Tom Golisano had a last-minute scheduling conflict and was unable to attend the event, Costello said in her remarks.

Drew Boshell, senior vice president of sport and health for the Special Olympics, also spoke at Tuesday's gathering. He expressed his gratitude for Golisano's generosity and partnership, and talked about how vital it is that nurses understand how to interact and help individuals living with developmental disabilities.

"In this process, Tom has become a true champion for inclusive health," Boshell said. "Nurses are the heart and soul of the health care system. ... (I want to thank the Golisano Foundation for the) generous support to St. John Fisher College to help future nurses join the inclusion revolution."

That "inclusion revolution" is a Special Olympics initiative aimed at ending

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Dr. Dianne Cooney Miner, far left, the founding dean of the Wegmans School of Nursing, hugs Ann Costello, Golisano Foundation director, as they help unveil the name of the new Golisano Institute for Developmental Disability Nursing during a press conference at St. John Fisher College in Pittsford on Tuesday. Dr. Cooney Miner will lead the new Golisano Institute. Helping to unveil the institute are Gerard Rooney, president of St. John Fisher College, far right, and Drew Boshell, Special Olympics senior vice president, sport and health. SHAWN DOWD/ROCHESTER DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE

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Executive director of the Golisano Foundation



Comptroller's race becomes spirited battle

Chad Arnold Albany Bureau
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ALBANY - Democratic State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli is hoping to win a third term on Election Day, but in order to do so, must beat his Republican opponent, Jonathan Trichter.

Trichter, an investment banker, has said the heavily favored DiNapoli lacks the skillset required to hold office and accused the incumbent of politicizing his office to serve the interest of Albany insiders.

The race is one of several statewide contests on the ballot Nov. 6, including races for governor and attorney general.

"DiNapoli was appointed by his friends in Albany and hand-picked by (former Assembly Speaker) Shelly

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ANDREW HARNIK/AP

Birthright citizenship

According to the 14th Amendment, "All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside."

President Donald Trump says in a new interview that he plans to sign an executive order ending "birthright citizenship" for the children of non-American citizens who are born on U.S. soil.

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Bruce R. Webb

BLOOMFIELD - At age 61, Bruce passed away on October 28, 2018 at his home in Bloomfield. Bruce is predeceased by his mother, Beverly Webb. He is survived by his son Joseph (Kristin) Webb of Avon, grandson Caleb Robert Webb, his cherished father Robert G. Webb of Livonia, sister Katharine Ennis (John Zalar) of LeRoy, several aunts, uncles, cousins and nephews.

Friends may call on Thursday, November 1, 2018 from 4-7 PM at the Kevin W. Dougherty Funeral Home, Inc., 21 Big Tree St, Rte 15 & 20A, Livonia, NY. A Funeral Service to Celebrate Bruce's Life will be held Friday, November 2, 2018 at 11 AM at the United Methodist Church of Livonia, 21 Summers St, Livonia. Interment to follow at Temple Hill Cemetery, Geneseo. Memorial Contributions may be made to United Methodist Church of Livonia, 21 Summers St, Livonia, NY 14487. To send a condolence or share a memory please visit: www.doughertyfuneralhomes.com



John W. Weiderman

AVON - October 26, 2018 at age 67. He is survived by his son, Dustin Weiderman; sister, Cathy Turhman; nephews, Zack Turhman, Charles Young; niece, Rachel Green; special friend, Susan Stanton. He was predeceased by his brother, James Weiderman; sister, Carol. John was a Marine Corps Veteran of the Vietnam Conflict.

On Monday at 2 PM his Funeral Service will be held at the Bath National Cemetery, Bath, NY. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Operation Clean Out To Build Up, 5652 Tec Dr., Avon, NY 14414. Arrangements by Stephenson-Dougherty Funeral Home, Avon. To share a memory or send a condolence, visit: stephensondoughertyfuneralhome.com

In Memoriam

Gallagher, John R. 07/24/1927 - 10/31/2017

It's been a year since you left us and we miss you so much. The grandkids are bigger and the stock of Oreos definitely went down. We know you are with Mom and couldn't be happier. Just pick up your toast crumbs!
We love and miss you and Mom; Meg misses you the most.
We love you Pops.
Slainte.



Fire closes Shadow Lake restaurant temporarily

Tracy Schuhmacher
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle
USA TODAY NETWORK

The Shadow Lake Golf and Racquet Club, 1850 Five Mile Line Road in Penfield, is in a "race against the clock" to reopen its restaurant and banquet facility after a two-alarm fire late Monday afternoon.

The restaurant will be closed for at least a week, said Ryan Kunzer, general manager. Banquets scheduled for the upcoming weekend have been relocated. A wedding was moved to a different venue; a staff member from the club took the couple to look at

five venues Tuesday and helped them secure a contract for the same price, Kunzer said.

Because it is still early in the clean-up, the facility does not have a date for reopening. "At this point we're taking it one day at a time," he said.

The fire damaged the kitchen and roof, Earl Lubanski Jr., chief of the Penfield Fire Company, said on Monday. "It didn't get to the office area upstairs," he said.

"The general manager contacted me and said that he had a fire in the kitchen but the fire was out," Lubanski Jr. said. "He turned on the ventilation hood to clear some smoke, not knowing that

the fire had made it up to ventilation.

"It got up into the ventilation system and came out on the roof."

Lubanski said when he arrived, fire was visible in the building's hood vent and on the roof.

The location of the golf course's water supply is near Five Mile Line Road, about a quarter of a mile from the building, Lubanski said.

"We needed trucks with lots of hose to get water back here," Lubanski said. "That's why we have so many more trucks than normal."

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Includes reporting by staff writer James Johnson.

Donation

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discrimination against people with disabilities. When applied to wellness, it involves educating health care professionals on the unique needs and challenges associated with caring for individuals living with various intellectual and developmental disabilities, Boshell said.

People living with a disability are more likely to have problems with their health, such as being overweight or having dental issues, Boshell said. They're also more likely to die prematurely than people without an intellectual disability, he added.

Boshell's hope is that the new institute will help

equip future generations of nurses with the skills to help people with disabilities.

Cori Piels, a 34-year-old Brockport woman living with an intellectual disability, spoke at Tuesday's event. She said getting involved with the Special Olympics as a high schooler changed her life for the better.

Born in India, Piels became an orphan when her parents died and her extended family members were unable to care for her. She was adopted by an American family and, for many years, felt like an outcast at school.

As a high school junior, she said she discovered Special Olympics, through which she picked up new skills, made new friends and learned to advocate for herself.

Special Olympics also



Special Olympics athlete Cori Piels, 34, of Brockport talks about first discovering ice skating and how proud it made her feel to compete. At left is Drew Boshell, Special Olympics senior vice president, sport and health. SHAWN DOWD/ROCHESTER DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE

introduced her to Opening Eyes, a program for Special Olympics athletes that provides free eye assessments and prescription eyewear to people with intellectual disabilities. It was there that she realized her regular optometrist hadn't given her the correct pre-

STATE BRIEFS

NYC to consider tax deduction limit workaround

NEW YORK - A New York City councilman wants to help residents get around a new federal law that puts a \$10,000 cap on state and local tax deductions.

Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed a bill in April that allows municipalities to issue tax credits for donations to public education funds and charities.

The Wall Street Journal reports that on Wednesday, Democratic Councilman Ritchie Torres will introduce legislation to establish a city-operated charity for that purpose.

The Internal Revenue Service is challenging such workarounds.

Company accused of selling overpriced jewelry to troops

ALBANY - New York state has filed a lawsuit against a national jewelry retailer, claiming the company uses false and deceptive methods to dupe U.S. military members into illegal financing contracts for overpriced merchandise.

Attorney General Barbara Underwood announced Monday that the lawsuit alleges Harris Jewelry used its "Operation Teddy Bear" charitable donations campaign to lure service members into high-priced, in-house financing contracts.

The Hauppauge, Suffolk County-based company has retail stores on or near military bases across the county.

- Associated Press

Race

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Silver over the objection of every editorial board in New York state," Trichter said in an interview with the USA TODAY Network's Albany Bureau in October.

"It's a professional office that requires a particular set of skills he didn't have."

DiNapoli was appointed comptroller by the state Legislature in 2007 following the resignation of Alan Hevesi amid corruption charges.

The appointment sparked controversy in Albany, with then-Gov. Eliot Spitzer calling DiNapoli unqualified to hold the position.

DiNapoli said he has effectively run the \$200 billion pension system, which has 1 million members, since taking office and rooted out some of Albany's corruption through audits and working with the Attorney General's Office.

"We've been very much a part of that oversight in identifying corruption and then holding those who do it responsible," DiNapoli said.

After his appointment, he was elected to the post in 2010 and 2014. He had \$2 million in his campaign coffers this week, compared with \$117,000 for Trichter.

The state has recovered \$54 million in stolen taxpayer money since 2011, according to DiNapoli, who said he would continue to be an independent voice in Albany should he be re-elected.

"In many local communities, we are the only independent oversight that's happening," he said.

"We make it easy for

taxpayers to report incidents of corruption."

The comptroller is the sole trustee of the pension fund for state and local government workers, and it is one of the largest public pensions in the nation.

The job also includes auditing of state and local governments and reviewing state contracts. The four-year term comes with an annual salary of \$151,500.

Feisty TV debate

The candidates held their only televised debate Monday, and it was a testy affair.

An enrolled Democrat running on the Republican ticket, Trichter, 47, of Manhattan, portrayed himself as a political outsider seeking to fight corruption and bring greater return on the state's investments.

He accused DiNapoli of quietly signing off on a \$103,000 payment in 2012 with two women who accused the late Assemblyman Vito Lopez of Brooklyn of sexual harassment. Lopez ultimately resigned amid ongoing allegations.

"You signed off on hush-money payments to cover up that harassment, and that allowed Vito Lopez to continue hiring female staff, whom he also harassed," Trichter charged during the de-

bate. "You have never apologized for your role in that cover-up."

DiNapoli was angered by the accusations.

"You know, John, I have run for office many times, and I have to say I have never, ever had an opponent that more distorts the facts to their political advantage than you," said DiNapoli, 64, who was first elected to a school board on Long Island at age 18.

"I was not involved in the negotiations of that settlement. At all," DiNapoli continued.

Trichter then pulled out newspaper clips of DiNapoli's office approving the settlement money, which led to a rebuke from the Spectrum News moderators.

"Put that crap away. We said no props, and you agreed to it," said NY1 political anchor Errol Louis.

Pension fund fight

Trichter said the state's pension fund has underperformed under DiNapoli, pointing to \$6 billion paid in fees to hedge funds and private equity managers.

"This comptroller, who is not a professional investor, has undershot expectations over his entire 11-year tenure as comptroller on investing the public pension funds as-

sets by \$65 billion," Trichter said.

"If it sounds like a lot, it's only because it is."

DiNapoli also failed to audit state entities that have been mired in corruption scandal, such as the SUNY Polytechnic Institute, according to Trichter, who vowed to do just that.

"He's not exactly a guy who spoils for a fight," Trichter said.

But DiNapoli has rebuffed Trichter's attacks, saying he is a Democrat turned "Republican conservative."

DiNapoli said he has been aggressive in auditing powers, leading to the arrests of numerous local officials on fraud and abuse of taxpayer money. DiNapoli has sought greatest auditing powers over SUNY projects, but

Healthy Athletes, I would still have the wrong pair of glasses."

Piels hopes that people won't have to go to go to the Special Olympics just to get adequate medical care. The goal is for any person with an intellectual disability to be able to go to any primary care office and have health care providers understand how to work with their particular needs.

"Because of my past, it has become important to me to work for equality and to be a leader to my friends on what it means to be active," Piels said. "Here I am today, determined to educate the world about acceptance, inclusion, diversity and how to live a healthy and fun life."

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