



# NEWS From Bill Magnarelli

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*Wishing you and your family a  
very Happy Thanksgiving.*

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## WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE FOR FREE? CHECK THIS OUT!

Choosing a college major can be an intimidating process. Students entering higher education today have a vast selection of colleges and majors to choose from, but they face the decision knowing they are likely to take on burdensome student debt to finance their futures. For students who love to solve problems, want to make the world a better place and constantly wonder about how things work, a career in a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) field can be an attractive option.

This is especially true because many of the best-paying, most secure jobs are STEM-related, and these opportunities continue to multiply. In New York State, STEM jobs are expected to grow 14 percent between 2014 and 2024, while other jobs will grow just 9 percent. Yet employers struggle to fill these positions because there are more jobs than there are workers qualified to do them, which hurts our state's businesses.

To solve this mismatch, New York State created an exciting new scholarship program for high-achieving high school students. Under the New York State Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Incentive Program, students in the top 10 percent of their graduating classes who plan to study STEM at a SUNY school can earn full-tuition scholarships for four – or five-year programs. In return, those students must keep their grades up and work and live in the state for five consecutive years after graduation in a STEM-related field. Not only will this scholarship help inspire more students to enroll in STEM majors, it also keeps them from being saddled with crushing student loan debt upon graduation.

This incentive program is a win-win for employers searching for top talent and for high school students interested in pursuing rewarding STEM careers. By offering scholarships to our best and brightest, we're helping put more kids on the path to a brighter future and investing in the future of our state. It's vital to New York State's success that STEM-education professionals connect with the employers who need their unique talents. A strong economic future in New York State depends on preparing students for the jobs of today and tomorrow as well as encouraging graduates to stay and put down roots. Ultimately, their talents will benefit all of us.

For more information or to apply for this scholarship, visit the program's website ([www.hesc.ny.gov/stem](http://www.hesc.ny.gov/stem)). As always, if you have questions about this or any other issues, please call my office at 315-428-9651 or send me an email at [magnarw@assembly.state.ny.us](mailto:magnarw@assembly.state.ny.us)

**InterFaith Works** is a social service agency which addresses the needs of people who are vulnerable, low-income, targets of oppression, and refugees who arrive through the federal refugee resettlement programs, fleeing war, political repression, and famine. Programs to address the needs of the elderly, those in prisons, hospitals, and nursing homes, and to address hunger and housing have been a part of InterFaith Works. These programs are a part of its human service work and, in the coming decade, the agency will focus on creating dialogue on community issues and promoting the racial and religious diversity of our community.



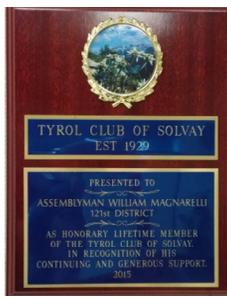
Assemblyman Magnarelli's staff was present to celebrate the 1 year Anniversary of the new headquarters of InterFaith Works at 101 James Street in Syracuse. Pictured L to R: Paul Driscoll, InterFaith Board Member; Camille Tisdell, InterFaith Board President, and Beth A. Broadway, InterFaith President/CEO



**Syracuse Connective Corridor** partners held a community event to celebrate the completion of phase two and place commemorative pavers officially connecting Syracuse's first complete green streetscape, bringing together University Hill and Downtown Syracuse. Each decorative tile has the name and seal of the entity that was integral in completing the project: U.S. Department of Transportation, New York State, Syracuse University, City of Syracuse and Onondaga County. The dignitaries who were present gave brief remarks acknowledging the many local, state and federal partners involved. Those in attendance were Senator Charles Schumer, Assemblyman William Magnarelli, County Executive Joanne Mahoney, Mayor Stephanie Miner and Elizabeth D. Liddy, SU Interim Vice-Chancellor and Provost. The Master of Ceremonies was Robert Daino, President and CEO of WCNY.

**Tyrol Club** of Solvay recently acknowledged Assemblyman Magnarelli's commitment to the Solvay community with an honorary lifetime membership.

**John Maestri and Tyrol Club President Mark Cazzolli presented Assemblyman Magnarelli with a plaque.**



Pictured (L to R) at the retail shop and tasting room opening of Bellangelo, a premium Seneca Lake winery at Destiny USA, were Chris Missick, owner; Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul; and Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli.

**Bellangelo** is an up-and-coming name in the Finger Lakes wine industry, which is owned and operated by the Missick Family. Formerly known as Squaw Point Winery and located on Seneca Lake, it has been producing wine commercially since 1986. The Missick family bought the property in 2011, moving to New York from California with the intention of creating their own quintessential Finger Lakes wines characterized by a sense of the place in which they were produced. Called "Branch", the store will occupy the space across from the Cheesecake Factory. Assemblyman Magnarelli said, "The more we can showcase and promote the products produced in New York State, the better. In my opinion, New York State products can compete with any other region of the country."

## Assemblyman Magnarelli is recognized in the Farm Bureau's Circle of Friends

*The New York Farm Bureau is a non-partisan, volunteer organization that does not endorse candidates for office. Rather, they encourage members to become involved in the political process as individuals, supporting candidates who have like-minded views. Therefore, this award is not an endorsement – it is recognition of your support.*



November 4, 2015: "On behalf of the New York Farm Bureau, we would like to thank you for your positive voting record in support of the farm community and welcome you as a member of our "Circle of Friends" for the 2015 Legislative Session.

The New York Farm Bureau "Circle of Friends" legislative award is based upon your voting record on issues of importance to New York agriculture, as well as other evidence of legislative support during the 2015 Legislative Session. Membership is reserved for only those who actively support the farm families of New York State and is renewed at the end of each Legislative Session." Dean Norton, President.

## Veterans Day 2015

Assemblyman Magnarelli took part in the Veterans Day Observance at the Onondaga County War Memorial on Nov. 11, sponsored by the Onondaga County Veterans Council. The ceremony recognized the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Gulf War.



## Marine Corps 240<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli spoke at the 240th Birthday Celebration of the Marine Corps on November 10, 2015 on the steps of City Hall. Mayor Miner hosted the event commemorating the distinguished history of the United State Marine Corps. Assemblyman Magnarelli said, "Today, we acknowledge and remember the Marines who were lost in battles around the globe and we celebrate the Marines who have returned home from battles. Today, we honor our active duty Marines and we thank our future Marines for joining the Corps to continue the legacy of " The Few. The Proud. The Marines."



## The George H. Lowe Center for Justice

Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli attended the dedication of the George H. Lowe Center for Justice, combining under "One Roof", Legal Services of Central New York, the Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York, and the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County.

In his remarks to the distinguished crowd in attendance, Assemblyman Magnarelli spoke about Judge Lowe being a major force in the "One Roof" concept for providing free legal services to low-income people in one place to make it easier to help those who would otherwise not have access to justice. Magnarelli also mentioned that the NYS Assembly recognized that civil legal services are an essential social safety net for the most vulnerable of our state's population and has always been supportive during the budget process in advocating for adequate state funding to help bridge the gap between the need and the availability of civil legal services for low-income New York Yorkers.

Judge Lowe's involvement in providing free legal services for low-income people extends throughout the state. He is a former co-chair of the New York State Bar Association Committee on Access to Justice and member of the Chief Judge's Task Force to Expand Access to Civil legal Services. He is also a founding member of the new permanent Commission on Access to Justice.



# 2015 CNY Veterans Parade and Expo

Thank you to all who attended the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual CNY Veterans Parade and Expo which I hosted on Nov. 7 at the NYS Fairgrounds.

The outpouring of gratitude and support for our military and veterans at the CNY Veterans Parade and Expo was overwhelming. The 90 organizations put on an hour-long parade filled with local veterans from all conflicts since WWII, Fort Drum, West Point and local high school marching bands. The Expo featured many displays of interest to our veterans and present military personnel, including informational displays of organizations that help veterans and soldiers. More than 6,000 community members came to the NYS Fairgrounds to watch the parade and tour the Expo.

The CNY Veterans Parade and Expo Board is already at work planning the 2016 event. We are looking forward to creating an even more memorable event to say "Thank You" to all the Central New York soldiers and veterans who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms.



# More from the 2015 CNY Veterans Parade and Expo



## About New York State Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli

Assemblyman William Magnarelli represents the 129<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, which includes the Northside, Westside, Eastwood and Valley 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 reelected 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>.