

SOUTH END VOICE



Happy
Halloween!

WHO: The South End Voice

WHAT: The Community Paper for the South End of Albany, New York.

WANT: Submissions. Got something to say? Do you draw? Want to advertise your event?

EMAIL: southendvoice@gmail.com

Or

CALL: 518-449-5155 x 105

or stop by! 15 Trinity Place, Albany NY.

October is one of the best months out of the year. Leaves are changing, fresh apple cider doughnuts, and Halloween is right around the corner! A lot of exciting features in this issue; articles on a new exciting writing program going on in the south end! Along with a lot of resources to help the community; volunteer opportunities, fun events, and various programs that we hope will bring the South End together.

Writing Partnership Program is off and running!

John P. Harden

September 20th marked the beginning of a ten month writing course at the St. John's/St. Ann's Outreach Center located at 88 Fourth Ave. This writing intensive course called the *Bridge to College Program* is offered in conjunction with Siena College and its First Year Experience Seminar. The course is led by John P. Harden, lecturer in the First Year Experience Department and Academic Coordinator for Franciscan Center for Service and Advocacy, Office of Academic Community Engagement.

The class has nineteen members from the south end neighborhood. The course is for students who have either completed their GED or who are preparing to finish their GED. The GED program is housed at the St. John's/St. Ann's Outreach Center.

The format of the class is a writing partnership model. Each neighborhood member is partnered with a...

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FEATURED SOUTH END EVENT

AVillage's South End Farmers' Market

Every Saturday 2-6pm on the corner of Morton Ave and Eagle St

Farm fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs, etc.

Coming up:

-AVillage... Bus trip to Martin Luther King Memorial Celebration in Washington DC

Oct, 16th.

Cost: \$50 due Oct 1st

More info: 518-859-4305

avillage5@aol.com

The CDTA bus on Morton Ave starts November 13th

AVillage... will do fundraising!

More info: 518-859-4305

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Get Involved!

If you or your organization would like to become involved with the creation, dissemination, and/or support of the South End Voice please let us know.

We need community partners, writers, artists, journalists, editors, distributors and more.



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Educational Corner

My experience at the Writing Partnership/Bridge to College Program



Deanna DeVito | Student at Siena College-Class of 2015

I never found myself to be a good writer; even today I still have trouble with even the basic grammar concepts like what a prepositional phrase is, for example. So when Professor Harden, the instructor of the program, asked our First Year Seminar class if we wanted to participate in the Writing Partnership/Bridge to College Program at St. John/St. Anne's Center, I was a little hesitant about actually committing to do it. Thankfully, with a little encouragement from my peers and teacher, I signed up for the program and I am so glad I did.

Because I believed because that I was inadequate in my English and teaching skills, I was very nervous at first. However, my whole view of the program changed when I saw what we were going to do and what a relaxing, free from judgment-environment we were in. Based on the book "They Say I Say" by Graff and Birkenstein, our class would be having a 'conversation', rather than writing an essay, about the article that we would read. This conversation included seeing what the author was trying to say and then in our group, write our reaction to each point that was presented. Everyone in the room did an excellent job with the assignment and I was impressed on how easy it was to interact with each other on an academic level.

Afterward, we went to Siena College to hear John Dau, a well-known national speaker and human rights activist for the people of South Sudan, speak about his journey. This man walked more than 1,000 miles to a refugee camp in Kenya in order to escape the horrors that were going on around him. Not only is he trying to make a difference by being a founder of his own non profit aid organization, but he was also inspiring to all who were present!

As a freshman at Siena College, I would never have found myself to participate in a program like this. Having the opportunity to start to work with people of various age groups and to build a relationship with the community in the South End of Albany really opened my eyes to see I can make a difference, no matter how small it is.

Fun Fact about Albany!

In 1807 The Clermont made its maiden voyage from New York City to Albany making the vessel the first successful steamboat.

Circus Yoga

at Grand Street Community Arts

Oct. 9 from 1-4 p.m.

To learn more about circus yoga, visit www.circusyoga.com



Partnership Program from Pg. 1

...first year Siena student. Supplies are provided for the class free of charge. In addition to Tuesday night meetings, the class will participate in field trips to such diverse locations as Old Sturbridge Village and the Hancock Shaker Village at no cost to participants. Participants will also be submitting articles to the South End Voice each month.

The year long course will conclude with an exposition of participants writing and the publication of the students writing in a published journal.

| John P. Harden |

RESOURCE OF THE MONTH:

LOW COST/FREE CLOTHING

Clothing is available at reduced cost at thrift shops. They will provide clothing free of charge with a referral from any helping agency.

St. Patrick's

283 Central Ave
518-465-3685
T, Wed and Fri 9am-1pm

St. Mary's

10 Lodge St
Enter on Steuben St.
518-462-4357
T, Th, F: 9-11:30am

St. John's / St. Ann's Center

88 4th Ave
518-472-9091 x14
M, W, Th, Fr: 10am-12pm & 1-3pm

Sheridan Hollow Drop In Center

26 South Swan St
518-694-8899
M-F 9:30-4:30pm

Colonie Christian Love Center

31 Vly Road
518-456-3022
Thursdays: 6:30-7:30pm

City Mission

88 Trinity Place
518-462-0459 x259
9:30-11am & 1:30-3:30pm
Women: W&F
Men: T&TH

Upcoming Events!

Coming soon

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LUNCH AND DINNER.

For more information
Please Contact
John Lee
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Restaurant located at
115 Phillip St
Albany NY 12202



Image from
Grand Street
Community
Arts'
BoardedUP
event this past
September.

*"If you hear a
voice within you
say 'you cannot
paint' Then by
all means,
PAINT and that
voice will be
silenced" –
Vincent Van
Gogh*

"Stomp Out Homelessness" with Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless & Siena College

November 19th, 2011 2:00 PM

Siena College Alumni Recreation Center

Bring friends and family to raise awareness about
homelessness and have fun! During half time of the
Women's Basketball Game we will invite all attendees
to participate in the cha-cha slide as a symbolic effort
to "Stomp Out Homelessness"

For just \$10 you receive:

Admission into game (normally \$6)

Stomp T-Shirt

Autograph Session with Women's Basketball Team

Goodie Bag (Groups of 10+)

Admission into 3 future Siena

Basketball Games

Contact Erika at erikac@interfaithpartnership.com or
(518) 434-8021 if you are interested in attending!

"Summer In The City Youth Talent Exhibition 2011"

The 7th Annual "Summer In The City
Youth Talent Exhibition" will open
on **Saturday, October 8th, 2011**
with a reception from **5:00pm -
8:00pm**. "Summer In The City"
annually celebrates the
accomplishments of young people in
Arbor Hill and other downtown
neighborhoods, showcasing
performing arts, multimedia, poetry,
cultural knowledge projects, and
more created in programs during
the preceding summer (and year).

Groups participating in this year's
exhibition include: Albany Public
Library, Art Partners-Tsehaya &
Company, Black Dimensions In Art,
Equinox Inc., Grand Street Community
Arts, Green Tech Charter High School,
Ten Broeck Mansion Summer
Archaeology Camp, and Trinity Alliance.
Admission is free and the artwork will
remain on display for the month of
October.

Kadoshin Karate Promotional!

FREE!

Saturday, October 29th

6-8pm

Trinity Alliance At Arbor
Hill

47 N. Lark St. Albany NY

Join the Annual fundraiser for the

Underground Railroad History Project of the Capital Region Inc.

Oct. 29th 6-9pm

At The First Unitarian
Universalist Society of
Albany

405 Washington Ave
Tix + Info: **518-432-4432**
www.ugrworkshop.com

Attention all **Community Accountability Board**
(CAB) Members and those interested in joining. We
want to prepare you to make a difference with
CAB! Fall training will take place on Sunday,
October 23,2011.

Board members learn to be a part of meaningful
dialogue with offenders on how to repair damages
done to victims and the community.

Date: Sunday October 23, 2011

Time: 1-5pm

Location: College of St. Rose; Events and Athletics
Center (420 Western Ave). Standish Conference
Room A&B, Second Floor, Take elevator or stairs
next to the Student Affair Office down the hall from
Starbucks to second Floor

RSVP to cab@albanycounty.com or **518-275-4735**

Neighborhood News & Activities



Saturday, October 29th

Join the **Boys & Girls Clubs of Albany** in the capital district's debut celebration of Thrill the World. Preparations are underway to break a world record. *Thrill the World* is a worldwide attempt to break the World Record for the Largest Simultaneous Dance to Michael Jackson's *Thriller*. Thousands of people in cities around the world will learn the *Thriller* dance and perform it precisely at the same time. This is part of a larger community event organized by the Boys & Girls Clubs and its community partners; festivities will also include a haunted house & block party. **FREE!**

When? Saturday, October 29th the haunted house and block party begin at 7pm, rehearsal for the dance begins at 8pm; the official dance is at 10pm.

Where? Boys and Girls Club of Albany located at 21 Delaware Avenue (across the street from Price Chopper).

For questions or additional information, please email: thrillthe518@gmail.com

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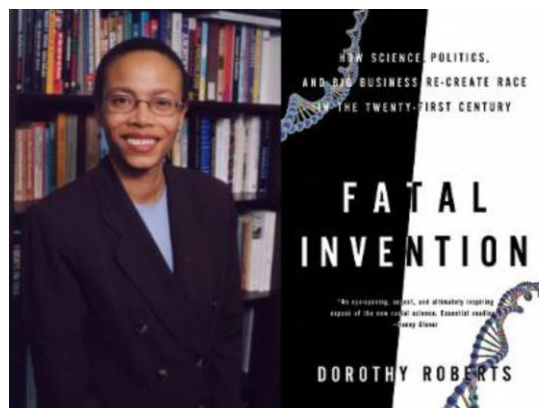
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APPLES	EXCITEMENT	MONSTER	SPELL
AUTUMN	FALL	MOONLIGHT	SPIDER
BATS	FLASHLIGHT	MUMMY	SPIRIT
BLACK	FRANKENSTEIN	NIGHT	SPOOKY
BONES	FRIGHTEN	OCTOBER	SWEETS
BOO	GAMES	ORANGE	TREAT
BROOM	GHOSTS	OWL	TRICK
CAKLE	GHOUL	PARTY	VAMPIRE
CANDY	GOBLIN	POTION	WARLOCK
CAT	GRAVEYARD	PRANK	WEB
CAULDRON	HALLOWEEN	PUMPKINS	WEREWOLF
COSTUMES	HAUNTED	SAFETY	WIGS
CREEPY	HAYRIDE	SCARE	ZOMBIE
DOORBELL	HOOT	SHADOWS	MASK
DRACULA	HOUSE	SKELETON	JACK-O-LANTERN
EERIE	HOWL	SKULL	
		WITCH	

Saturday Oct. 22nd at the Albany Public Library from 2-4pm

Dorothy Roberts presents her new book

Fatal Invention: How Science, Politics, and Big Business Re-Crete Race in the Twenty First Century



Free and Open to the Public

NO HEALTH INSURANCE?

FREE MAMMOGRAM DAY!

**Tuesday, Oct. 4, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Albany Memorial Hospital**

- Screenings for women age 40 and older who do not have health insurance coverage
- Appointments also arranged for no-cost pap test and clinical breast exam
- Refreshments
- Information on other helpful community resources



Call **454-4055** for an appointment.



The Kids Corner Halloween Edition



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Letters to Grumpy Ghost

Dear Grumpy Ghost,
What is your favorite Halloween treat?
-Rochelle, Age 12

Dear Rochelle,
My favorite Halloween treat is dried lizards with peanut butter and ketchup. I also enjoy crunchy spider toes.
Happy Halloween!
-Grumpy

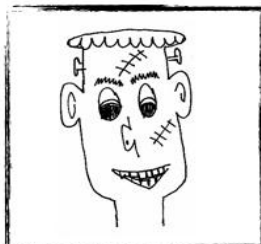
There's a goblin at my window,
A monster by my door.
The pumpkin at my table
Keeps smiling more and more.
There's a ghost who haunts my bedroom
A witch whose face is green.
They used to be my family,
Till they dressed for Halloween.
-Anonymous



Draw Your Own Haunted House



Halloween Spooks!



"Boo! I'm Frankenstein!"
-"Um, Whatever!"
-"Yea, who cares?"



"Boo! I'm a Jack-O-Lantern."
-"Puh-lease."
-"Bor-ring!"



"Boo! I'm Ms. Linda, your math teacher. I think you need more homework."
-"AAAAAHHHHHH!"
-"RUN FOR YOUR LIIIIFFFFEE!"

Community Resources

Volunteers!

ALLbany Online needs volunteers to hold basic computer classes and orientation sessions for online work force training. Volunteers will lead classes utilizing an informative PowerPoint presentation at various Community Technology Centers (CTCs). No prior teaching experience required: training will be provided. If interested, please call [518-694-9900](tel:518-694-9900).

Albany Barn is looking for artists to lead free or low-fee creative arts classes – dance, theater, painting, drawing, etc. Call [518-935-4858](tel:518-935-4858) if you would like to lead a class.

Grand Street Community Arts - Street Team

We are now accepting applications for the Grand Street Community Arts Street Team! You'll meet lots of fun, new people while learning about public relations and event planning. This can also be a great way to fulfill volunteer hours. Street Teamers help us spread the word about our upcoming events and programs. To apply to the team, email bria@grandarts.org with your resume and/or why you would be a great rep for GSCA. Thanks!

Believe it or not, we are thinking about tax season 2012 already.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - VOLUNTEER TAX PREPARERS - VITA TAX PROGRAM 2012

Needed: Individuals who would like to learn a new skill and help others at the same time. **Free training**

Benefits: New skill, meet new people, help your community, and have some fun.

Call: Tanya Owens, [518-449-5155](tel:518-449-5155), x-131

Want to volunteer with **Trinity Alliance**?
Call the Volunteer Coordinator at (518) 449-5155 Ext. 125

SPECIAL
ACTIVITIES

Resources

The South End Improvement Corporation has collaborated with CDTA to assist new homeowners in the South End. The South End is recognized by the City as a transit supportive neighborhood based on available transit services, pedestrian accommodations, limited parking or limited car ownership, and the presence of transit dependent populations. Therefore, CDTA is willing to provide qualified homeowners with two bus passes per household, per month, for 24 months as part of the TDM Homeowner's Incentive Program. This program requires for new homeowners occupy their new home for at least 24 months after its purchase and resides within the South End boundaries. For more information, please contact Carrie Ward with CDTA at [518.437.6865](tel:518.437.6865).

Free basic computer & Internet classes and workforce online job training. We also provide free wireless Internet (Wi-Fi) in certain areas within the city of Albany and low cost desktop computers for those who qualify. If you or someone you know would like to attend a free class or learn more about other services, please give us a call at 518-694-9900 or visit our website: www.allbanyonline.com.

Free Stuff- Trinity Alliance (15 Trinity Place) has clothing, assorted chairs, books, etc.

Albany Barn will be offering free or low-fee creative arts programming in the coming months. Call [518-935-4858](tel:518-935-4858) or visit www.albanybarn.org for more details

DO YOU SMOKE? ARE YOU PREGNANT, PARENTING OR AROUND YOUNG CHILDREN? WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EFFECTS OF SECONDHAND SMOKE?

Community Cradle offers FREE HELP! Call us to find out more about our private QUIT COACHING! [\(518\) 426-1153](tel:518-426-1153)

Grand Street Community Arts

After School Schedule

Monday- **School of Hip Hop**, 3:30-5:30PM, Ages 10-17. Kids learn how to use hip hop to positively express themselves.
\$10/class.

Tuesday & Thursday- **JUMP Dance**, 4:00-5:15PM, Ages 5-12. Exercise for kids incorporating all different dance styles.
\$8/week

Wednesday & Friday- **Art Club**, 3:00-5:00PM, Ages 5-12. Arts and crafts for kids. \$8/week

Scholarships are available! Applications can be printed off from our website or come to the office and fill one out.

www.grandarts.org

Community Partner & Contact Information

Community Partner	Telephone Area Code 518	Website
Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region	449-5155	www.trinityalliancealbany.org
Boys and Girls Clubs of Albany	462-552	www.bgcalbany.com
Unity Sunshine Program	434-0815	www.unityhouse.ny.gov/services/service_detail.cfm?ID=2
Albany Bike Rescue		www.trinityalliancealbany.org/health-and-wellness
NY State Department of Health	485-5341	www.health.state.ny.us
The Salvation Army	463-6678	www.salvationarmycapitalregion.org
Grand Street Community Arts	463-2222	www.grandarts.org
Albany Police Department	438-4000	www.albanyny.org/government/departments/police.aspx
South End Partnership for Safe Families	447-7541	
South End Neighborhood Association		www.southendna.blogspot.com
Schuyler Mansion	434-0834	www.schuylerfriends.org
Albany County Dept. for Children Youth, and Families	447-7500	www.albanycounty.com/cyf
Albany Family Education Alliance	489-2838	www.albanyfamilyeducationalalliance.org
St. George Orthodox Church	462-0579	
Capital City Rescue Mission	462-0459	www.capitalcityrescuemission.com
AVillage...,Inc.	859-4305	www.avillageny.org
Homeless and Traveler's Aid Society	463-2124	www.hatas.org
South End Implimentation Team		www.albanyny.org/government/departments/developmentplanning.aspx
Community Cradle	426-1153	www.communitycradle.org
Albany Housing Authority	810-0132	www.albanyhousing.org/thecenter
South End Improvement Corps	436-8777	www.seicalbany.org
Albany Community Hospice	724-0242	www.albanycommunityhospice.com
ALLbany Online	598-0900 x3208	Allbanyonline.com
Albany Barn - Stage 1	935-4858	www.albanybarn.org

About:

The South End Voice is a collaborative monthly publication by and for the people and community based organizations of Albany's South End. All individuals who work, reside, volunteer, or appreciate the south end are welcomed and encouraged to submit articles, opinions, pictures, artwork, and upcoming events. Issues will be distributed on the first Thursday of each month.

The SEV now has a website, which can be accessed at <http://southendvoice.weebly.com>. The website holds a backlog of our past issues and all of our submission forms. Community members may also submit materials through the site.

The South End Voice is housed at the Trinity Alliance Family and Neighborhood Resource Center at 15 Trinity Place.

Submissions, Questions, comments, and corrections can be submitted to Carolyn Holthausen at southendvoice@gmail.com or at 518-449-5155 x105, or stop by!

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Interested in collaborating with the South End Voice? Come to one of our meetings! Join us on the last Tuesday of every month at Trinity Alliance.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					TA - Knitting club 9:30-11am	1 AV- Farmers Market 2-6pm Morton Ave + Eagle St
2	3	4	5 TA Dancing w/ our Elders - 2pm GSCA - Community Meeting 7pm	6 AV Meeting - 5-7pm GSCA 8-9:30pm South End Partners Meeting	7	8 AV- Farmers Market 2-6pm Morton Ave + Eagle St AB-Summer In The City Youth Talent Exhibition, 5-8pm
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23/30 CAB Training	24/31	25	26	27 TA-Networking Event! 5:30 - Hilton Garden Inn	28	29 AV- Farmers Market TA-Kadoshin Promotional @ Arbor Hill 6-8pm

Events Key

- AFEA- Albany Family Education Alliance,
- AB - Albany Barn, 46-48 N. Swan St
- AO- ALLbany Online, 87 State St
- APD- Albany Police Department, 126 Arch St.
- AV- AVillage...Inc., 82 Clinton St.
- BGC- Boys and Girls Club, 21 Delaware Ave.
- BR-Albany Bike Rescue, 15 Trinity Place
- CH- Community Hospice, 445 New Karner Rd.
- CYF- Albany County Department for Children, Youth and Families, 112 State St.
- GSCA- Grand Street Community Arts, 68 Grand St.
- HATAS- Homeless and Traveler's Aid Society, 138 Central Ave.
- HA- Housing Authority, 200 Green St.
- RM-Rescue Mission, 259 South Pearl St
- SA- Salvation Army, 20 South Ferry St.
- SENA- South End Neighborhood Association
- SEP- South End Partnership for Safe Families
- SG- St. George Orthodox Church, 1 St George Place
- SM- Schuyler Mansion
- TA- Trinity Alliance, 15 Trinity Place
- US- Unity Sunshine, 50 Phillip St.

ONGOING:
TA Computer lab 10-12pm M-F
HA Computer lab 9am-4pm M-F
Lincoln Park Gym: Open M-F 3:30-8pm for ages 15-18 I.D, required and staff are available for personal training

OCTOBER 2011