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**Memorial Day**  
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## The concert before the concert

By Mark Frost  
Chronicle Editor

Tony DeSare's performance with the Glens Falls Symphony Orchestra on Mother's Day in the Glens Falls High School auditorium was as great as the 1,000 or so concertgoers hoped for and I expected.

The Hudson Falls native is just so masterful at it all — singing, playing the piano, hobnobbing with the audience.

And watching through my binoculars, it seemed the Sym-

**Tony DeSare was great with the GF Symphony Sunday, even better in a living room night before**



Tony DeSare at the keyboard, introduced by Glens Falls Symphony maestro Charles Peltz in Saturday evening's living room setting.

phony musicians were enjoying him, the music and themselves.

But as good as the concert was, the hundred or so of us

who caught Tony the night before at the Symphony fundraiser in a living room on Pearl

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## Fireworks fall-out

By Cathy DeDe  
Chronicle Managing Editor

The sale of Alonzo Fireworks in Mechanicville to a New Jersey company is impacting local skies.

Lake George Village will proceed with its 4th of July and Thursday night summer fireworks shows, but may forego smaller shows held in conjunction with festivals and other community events.

Already cancelled is the fireworks show this week with the Performance Boat Weekend on Lake George.

Meanwhile, the Glens Falls Symphony Orchestra has had to change dates from July 4th to July 3rd for its annual concert and fireworks at Crandall Park.

Shay Mason, the orchestra's executive director, tells *The*

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**Alonzo's sale prompts LG to trim some shows & GFSO shift to July 3, from 4**

## Max in London

By Max Frost  
Chronicle Freelance

**Editor's note:** Max Frost, 20, son of *Chronicle* publisher/editor Mark Frost and *Chronicle* Chief Operating Officer Sandra Hutchinson, is on a two-week trip to Europe, starting in England, moving on to Poland and then Iceland. The fourth-year student at the University of Virginia will again chronicle his travels for *The Chronicle*. Last summer he reported on the eight-week trip he and his girlfriend Kira made to India, Nepal and China.

When I booked my round-trip flight to London several months ago, I planned to just spend 12

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Left: The Masonic Building (left). Right: Current Kingsbury Town Hall/former Strand Theater. A grass roots group intends to buy the Strand and attempt to revive it as a performing art center. *Chronicle photo/Mark Frost*

## Nikas option to buy HF Masonic bldg.

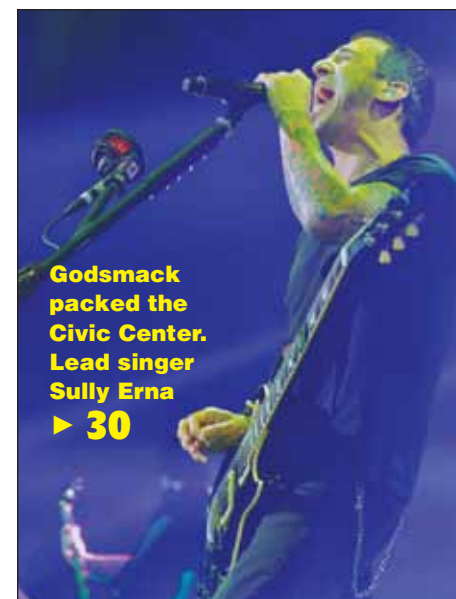
By Mark Frost  
Chronicle Editor

Hudson Falls attorney William Nikas said he's taken an option and intends to buy the five-sto-

ry, largely unoccupied Masonic building, on Main Street next to the former Strand Theater in Hudson Falls.

"I'm gonna buy it. I'm so com-

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Godsmack packed the Civic Center. Lead singer Sully Erna ▶ 30

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