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IN BRIEF IRONDEQUOIT

Ward promoted at WXXI

Rachel Ward of Irondequoit was recently promoted at WXXI, as part of Innovation Trail, a major journalism



Ward

initiative that will provide in-depth news reports on innovation and its role in rebuilding upstate New York's economy. Ward will serve as editor.

She has been with WXXI since 2007, serving as the local host of All Things Considered and as a reporter. In her new position she is responsible for training and mentoring reporters at stations across the Innovation Trail collaboration, overseeing content across the multimedia platforms, finding connections between communities to facilitate conversation and reporting and reaching out to diverse and underserved audiences.

A native of Columbia, MD, Ward earned her bachelor's degree in English and anthropology from Case Western Reserve University, and her master's degree in telecommunications from Ohio University. Prior to joining WXXI, Ward worked for the Association of Public Television Stations in Washington, D.C.

Irondequoit chamber 'cruisin' along'



SUBMITTED BY DALE HEFFER

More than 120 came out as the Irondequoit Chamber of Commerce took over the Harbor Towne Belle for a paddleboat cruise up the Genesee River to kick off their fall season Wednesday night, Sept. 8. Pictured are participants Chuck Zeiner; Lady Be Fit members Mary Zeiner, Linda Dewhirst and MaryEllen Becker; and Karen Glenn.



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Diane Johnson-Jaeckele and Ellyn Prietz, a member of Lady Be Fit, on East Ridge Road in Irondequoit, enjoy the Harbor Towne Belle cruise hosted by the Irondequoit Chamber of Commerce Sept. 8.

FEDERATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS

Two scholarship recipients named

The Federation of Social Workers awarded two of its Ed Grabowski-Dina Finn Memorial Scholarships. Both of the honorees graduated from high schools in Irondequoit, and are now students at SUNY Brockport.



Vargas



Crowe

Megan Crowe, a graduate of Eastridge High School, and Nicole Vargas, a graduate of Irondequoit High School, will each receive \$1,000 toward their college expenses.

Both students submitted a

short essay on how they would use knowledge gained from their studies to help advance the labor movement.

Crowe is attending SUNY Brockport with an undeclared studying liberal arts Vargas is planning to study social work.

Both Ed Grabowski and Dina Finn, for whom the scholarship is named, are past active members of the Federation of Social Workers. The scholarship fund was established to assist members of the federation, and their children, as they pursue their educational goals.

Grabowski provided the federation with support and guidance for more than 20 years as a member. He was instrumental in the union's decision to

join the IUE in 1972.

Finn was a longtime member of the federation's executive board. She made significant contributions to the organization in many different areas.

The Monroe County Federation of Social Workers IUE-CWA Local 381 represents social workers, caseworkers, examiners, child care workers, investigators and legal assistants, as well as seniors and supervisors in those titles, who are employed by Monroe County at the Department of Human Services, Monroe Community Hospital, the Child Support Enforcement Unit and the Children's Center. It currently has more than 900 members.

— Linda Quinlan


IN BRIEF ROCHESTER

I.C. Shah to be "roasted"

The Saints and Sinners charitable organization is hosting its 53rd annual Fall Guy Charity Roast Dinner, this year honoring I.C. Shah, founder, president and CEO of ICS Telecom, Inc., at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center.

The event's master of ceremonies will be Joe Lomonaco of WHAM 1180. Roasters include Arnie Rothschild, Brother Wease, Gary Rogers, Don Jeffries, "The Mayor" Pete Kennedy, Scott Spezzano, Amit Chitre, Bob Kotin and former Rochester Mayor William Johnson.

Tickets are \$100. Event chairwoman is Amy Szostak of News 10NBC. Reservations are necessary. Call (585) 314-9478 or e-mail info@sandcharities.org.




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