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## **By Sarah Trafton**

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In the midst of the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak at the facility, three unidentified corrections officers sustained cuts, bruises and swelling after trying to subdue an inmate.

While trying to administer medical aid to an inmate who was vomiting on Oct. 7, two other inmates inside the dorm became loud and disruptive,

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3 officers hurt in prison scuffle

- Chris Moreau NYSCOPBA Mid-Hudson Region Vice President

according to the union.

"The two inmates were given orders to leave the dorm," according to the union. "One inmate complied. The second inmate refused and continued to yell."

attempted to restrain the inmate, who continued to resist officers, according to the union.

"OC Spray [pepper spray] was administered and after a short struggle the officers applied handcuffs and removed the in-Four corrections officers matefrom the dorm," according

#### to the union.

The inmates were moved to a special housing unit and are facing disciplinary charges, according to the union.

The injured corrections officers were treated at the scene by medical personnel and remained on duty.

"Amidst a serious surge in COVID cases at Greene, the officers who came to the aid of a sick inmate are just another example of how selfless and professional our officers are," NYSCOPBA Mid-Hudson Region Vice President Chris Moreau said in a statement.

"Despite calling for an end to inmate visitation in prisons that are seeing significant increases in coronavirus cases, DOCCS and the governor have been silent once again," Moreau said. The outbreak poses a risk for

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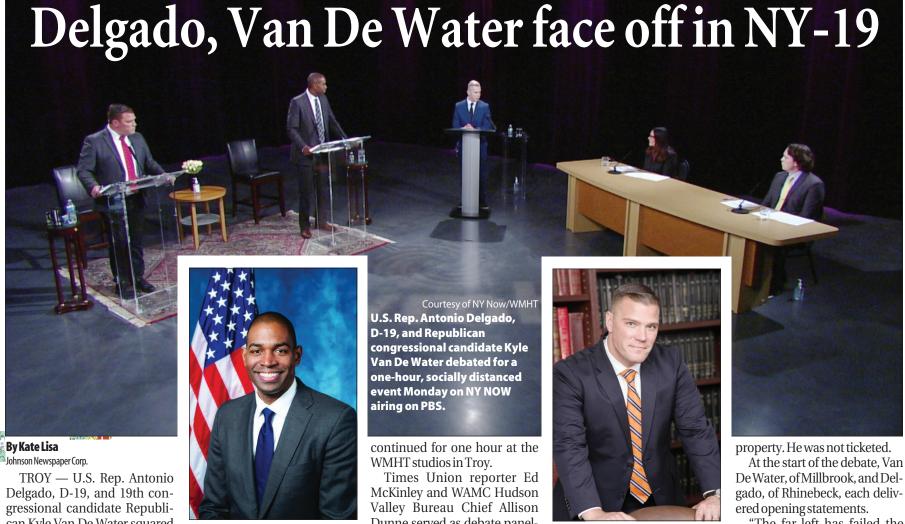
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Speakers note lack of diversity in the Greene County Sheriff's Office



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can Kyle Van De Water squared off in a live debate Thursday to discuss vote-swaying issues ahead of Election Day on Nov. 3.

Delgado is seeking reelection on the Democratic, Working Families and SAM party lines to a second term representing the state's 19th District, which includes all of Greene, Ulster, Columbia, Sullivan, Delaware, Schoharie and Otsego counties, the majority of Dutchess County and parts of Delgado

Rensselaer, Montgomery and Broome counties.

Van De Water is making his federal election debut on the Republican ticket, with Steven Greenfield on the Green Party ballot and Victoria Alexander on the Libertarian line.

NY Now Host Dan Clark moderated Thursday's event, which began at 8 p.m. and Dunne served as debate panelists

A live audience was not invited due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The live debate was produced by WMHT in partnership with the Albany Times Union and WAMC. Only Delgado and De Water were included, determined by campaign size and funding.

Greenfield was not invited to debate, he said, but showed up

Van De Water

to attend Thursday's forum to participate. WMHT representatives instructed Greenfield he needed to leave, as only the two candidates, moderator and panelists were permitted at the event, the Green Party candidate said in a statement Friday. City police were called, who

told Greenfield station management requested him to leave the

"The far-left has failed the United States of America and I believe my opponent is part of the far-left," Van De Water said to kick off the forum.

Van De Water, a major in the U.S. Army, served eight years in active duty and completed a tour in Afghanistan in the 2010s. The state had gone to one-party rule when he returned home, the Republican candidate said.

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# Church music returns 9 years after Irene



Lance Wheeler/For Columbia-Greene Media

The new organ replaces one lost nine years ago during Tropical Storm Irene.

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PRATTSVILLE — Known by the phrase "Small Congregation, Big Heart," the Reformed Church of Prattsville is no stranger to adversity.

Built in 1804 and thought to be the first church in the mountaintop towns in Greene County, the Reformed Church has weathered fire and flood. And silence.

The silence ended Friday when organ music returned to the church for the first time since Tropical Storm Irene in 2011.

"I'm thrilled to be able to get back into the sanctuary and be able to hear [the organ]," organist Claudia Bracaliello said.

Bracaliello, who has been the organist at the church since she was 13, vividly remembers the destruction the storm wrought in Prattsville a little more than nine years ago.

"It was heartbreaking," Bracaliello said, recalling the flood. "There was mud all over, mud in the pews, mud in my organ. There was mud, mud, mud."

Bracaliello lost all of her music books for the organ and piano in the storm.

Parts of the old organ, which had been a fixture at the church since the 1990s, were salvaged and used to build a practice organ for Bracaliello to keep at home.

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