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WEATHER

TODAY	TONIGHT	SUN
Sunny to partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy
HIGH 32	LOW 14	36 30

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Senior center search begins

By Sarah Trafton
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CAIRO — Town officials authorized a new committee to be formed Monday with the goal of finding another location for a senior center.

Greene County partners with several towns to rent these facilities and provide senior citizens with a place to share meals and socialize.

The Acra Community Center on Old Route 23, which has served as a senior center since the 1980s, has seen better days, Dorothy True of the Department of Human Services told the town board.

A recent state inspection revealed mold, exposed wires and mice in the building, True said.

Department of Human Services Executive Director Terry McGee Ward said that although the town of Cairo owns the building, the county provided much of the kitchen equipment and appliances.

The deterioration of the building has made it no longer cost-effective to keep making repairs, True said.

Town board members agreed to the formation of a committee. Councilwoman Mary Jo Cords will serve on the committee as a liaison to the town board.

Legislator William Lawrence, R-Cairo, approved of the board's decision, calling it a "good idea."

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Former legislator Aidan O'Connor Jr. with residents at the Acra Community Center while campaigning for Assembly in 2018.

SPORTS



Graham member of 1,000 club

Madison Graham is the second player in the program history to reach the 1,000-point milestone

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NATION



Milestone in space

U.S. astronaut Christina Koch sets record for stay at the International Space Station

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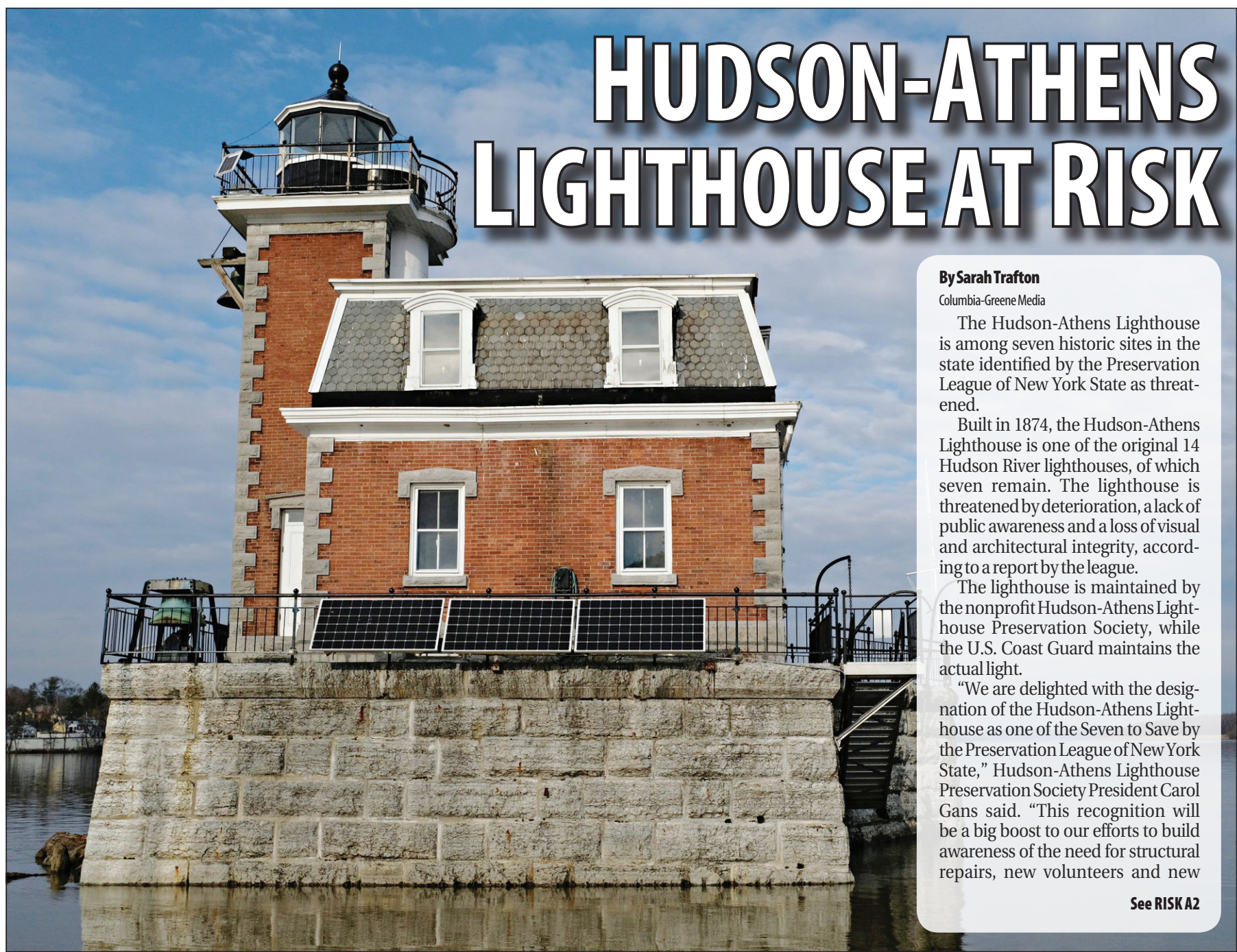
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HUDSON-ATHENS LIGHTHOUSE AT RISK

By Sarah Trafton
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The Hudson-Athens Lighthouse is among seven historic sites in the state identified by the Preservation League of New York State as threatened.

Built in 1874, the Hudson-Athens Lighthouse is one of the original 14 Hudson River lighthouses, of which seven remain. The lighthouse is threatened by deterioration, a lack of public awareness and a loss of visual and architectural integrity, according to a report by the league.

The lighthouse is maintained by the nonprofit Hudson-Athens Lighthouse Preservation Society, while the U.S. Coast Guard maintains the actual light.

"We are delighted with the designation of the Hudson-Athens Lighthouse as one of the Seven to Save by the Preservation League of New York State," Hudson-Athens Lighthouse Preservation Society President Carol Gans said. "This recognition will be a big boost to our efforts to build awareness of the need for structural repairs, new volunteers and new

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Hudson-Athens Lighthouse was listed as threatened in a recent state report.

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Voters have final say on county's best

By Melanie Lekocevic
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CATSKILL — What are Greene County's best of the best?

Voters decided that in this year's Best of Greene County competition.

After months of nominations and voting, the community had the final say on this year's creme de la creme in the county, from restaurants to libraries to services to arts and entertainment.

"This is the second year for Best of Greene County. It's a partnership between the Greene County Chamber of Commerce and The Daily Mail and Columbia-Greene Media," said Jeffrey Friedman, president and executive director of the Chamber of Commerce.

"We work together on the entire project. We choose the categories and the voting is administered through hudsonvalley360.com, where the public votes."

This year's competition boasted 52 categories, with voters picking their favorites from "Best Place for Lunch" to "Best Burger," "Best Library," "Best Historic Site" and "Best Pharmacy," among many others.

"In an area that rightly prides itself on history, natural beauty and inclusiveness, these awards honor both generations-old businesses and newcomers just starting out," said Mary Dempsey, publisher, general manager and executive

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The logo for The Best of Greene County 2020.



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