

MSSNY THIRD DISTRICT REPORT

SEPTEMBER

- **WILLIAM ROHAN, RN, SN NAMES CDPHP HOMETOWN HERO:**

It's not every day that a member of the St. Peter's Health Partners team is celebrated in the winners circle at the Saratoga Race Course. That's exactly what happened to William Rohan, RN, BSN, a registered nurse in the St. Peter's Hospital Emergency Department, who was recently honored as one of CDPHP's Hometown Heroes. William, better known as Billy to his colleagues, was one of five heroes chosen for the honor. All were nominated by community members for the exemplary work they are doing to make our communities a better place to live, work, and play. Billy was nominated by his father who noted his son's dedication to the job, particularly throughout the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. "I was honored to be recognized as a CDPHP Hometown Hero," said Billy. "It was truly special to have my family and wife in attendance to share the moment with me. I really appreciated the support of my St. Peter's family as well who are heroes every day." In addition to working as an RN at St. Peter's Hospital, Billy also travels to all three SPHP emergency departments as part of the CRT Program for clinically skilled nurses, and works as a charge nurse.

- **JAMES BARBA PAVILLION DEDICATED:**

Recognizing his quarter century of remarkable leadership, today a major building at Albany Medical Center was officially named the James J. Barba Physicians Pavilion. At a dedication ceremony at the Medical Center, James J. Barba, Albany Med's president emeritus, was feted as a "steadfast citizen of the Capital Region and a steward of the Medical Center, who led it for 25 years with intelligence, wisdom, vision, and a clear-eyed commitment to its mission." Barba, who served with great distinction as president and chief executive officer of Albany Medical Center from 1995-2020, and whose connection to Albany Med spans four decades, is credited with saving the institution from financial ruin in the 1990s and putting it on a firm path to become the region's leading health care provider, with its 766-bed hospital, offering the widest range of medical and surgical services, and Albany Medical College and its biomedical research enterprise. Barba also laid the foundation for the Albany Med Health System, which currently has six members that stretch the Medical Center's specialized care into the North Country and mid-Hudson Valley.