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until Christmas!**

## Now all they need is the snow!



### Ribbon cut for West Mountain's new West Express triple-chair lift

West Mountain Ski Center partner Spencer Montgomery (center) with his wife Sara (to his right) and a large crowd at the Dec. 4 ribbon-cutting for the ski center's new triple-chair ski lift. The base unit of the lift is behind the crowd. **Story, page 18**

## Hudson Headwaters slew of moves

By Gordon Woodworth  
Chronicle News Editor

Hudson Headwaters Health Network is dramatically expanding as 2015 draws to a close. Its new initiatives include:

- **Opening** a new 28,000 sq. ft. primary care building west of Northway Exit 18 as of Dec. 7.
- **Buying** the 90 South Street building across from Glens Falls Hospital.
- **Absorbing** the Glens Falls Obstetrics and Gynecology practice of Dr. Doug Provost.
- **Adding** allergist/immunologist Dr. Michael Slaughter.
- **Making** pediatrics the focus of Queensbury Family Health off Aviation Road.

And there's more.

"We think we are on the leading edge of how to give health care and be really effective with it," Dr. John Ruge, founder and CEO of Hudson Headwaters, tells *The Chronicle*.

"Our first health centers were established because communities that were losing their doctors came to us and wanted help," he said. "And now it's a combination of communities needing help, but it's also physicians looking for support and asking to join in, and then as we start a service, we realize it just has to be bigger. There's a long line of people who

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## Whitetail 101: Her first hunt, her first buck

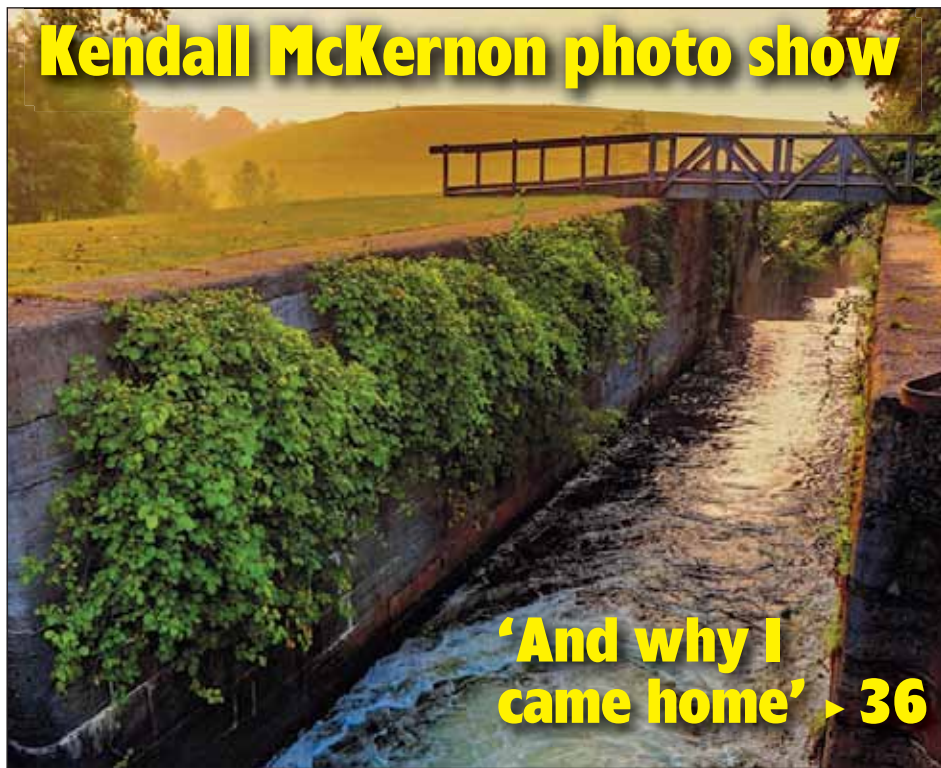
By Joanne Conley  
Chronicle Freelance

It started with a Hunter Safety class.

My son wanted to take the class, so I joined him on a chilly day in March at the Putnam Firehouse. The team who volunteered their time to teach the class did a fine job of instructing us on the safety aspects of the hunt, but you could also tell they loved and respected their sport and

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## Kendall McKernon photo show



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