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Stefanik: Trump and Cruz won't be nominee

By Mark Frost
 Chronicle Editor

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik told *The Chronicle* Thursday that while Donald Trump and U.S. Senator Ted Cruz are the current front-runners for the Republican Presidential nod, "I don't think either of those candidates will be the nominee."

Ms. Stefanik would not discuss the basis of her prediction, nor would she endorse any of the candidates, but she did allow that the "New York delegation is not quite in step with Ted Cruz." She faulted Mr. Cruz's attack on Mr. Trump's "New York values."

Asked by *The Chronicle* to grade President Obama's time in office on a scale of 1 to 10, with

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190 Grille is open at former Aimie's

By Cathy DeDe
 Chronicle Managing Editor

Heather O'Neill paused briefly to talk with *The Chronicle* on the Saturday before Monday's "soft" opening of her family's new 190 Grille and Cinema in the former Aimie's Dinner and a Movie location on Glen Street in Glens Falls.

"The sky's the limit here. The possibilities are endless and that's beyond exciting to me." Otherwise, "I've just got the

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Transformed their home



By Sandra J. Hutchinson
 Chronicle Assistant Publisher

John and Janet Cordes agree that when they purchased their three-bedroom ranch-style home on Fort Amherst Road in Glens Falls in 2003, John said, "We can move right in and don't have to do a thing."

Today, multiple remodeling projects later, Janet says, tongue in cheek, "Famous last words!"

They constructed a spacious family room/porch addition off the rear, reconfigured interior passageways and doors, gutted and remodeled two bathrooms, built a shed, installed an in-ground pool, upgraded the kitchen, and added a handsome Craftsman-style front porch that transformed the home's facade.

The Cordes's home literally straddles the Glens Falls/Queensbury line (several feet at the front of their lot are subject to town taxes, while the home itself is in Glens Falls). Built in

1956, it was as part of what was called the Fort Amherst-Smith subdivision. Believed to be approved around 1936, it created building lots on Fort Amherst and Garrison Roads, as well as Webster Avenue. The Cordes have a framed copy of a map and promotional literature for the subdivision in their foyer.

John, an optometrist, has many carpentry and building skills. He estimates he did about 80% of the remodeling work on the home.

As a young man, he says, he worked at Woodbury Lumber and also for contractors. He

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John, Janet Cordes turn their 1956 ranch in Glens Falls into their own style.



New Massie's owner Jonathan Greenwood, in front of a painting of Ralph "Massie" Russo, who ran the restaurant for more than 60 years until his death in 1992.
Chronicle photo/Gordon Woodworth

Massie's in SGF sold

By Gordon Woodworth
 Chronicle News Editor

Chef and Queensbury grad Jonathan Greenwood has purchased Massie's, the venerable Italian restaurant at 69 Main Street run by the Russo family since 1929.

"We're giving it a little bit of a facelift now, and will reopen on Friday, Jan. 29, at 4:30 p.m., for dinner,"

said Mr. Greenwood, 31, when interviewed on Tuesday morning.

"It will stay Massie's," Mr. Greenwood said. "It's got a good reputation. Their food is good. We're just going to clean it up, make it a little more inviting and restore the luster. The idea is to keep a landmark in the area. Over time, I'll start putting my

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Jonathan Greenwood, chef, 31, is the buyer.

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