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Hudson Falls Valedictorian Hannah Mager

# Raves about her meal at Merrill Magee

By Cathy DeDe

Chronicle Managing Editor

I had the most amazing dinner at Merrill Magee in Warrensburg on the first weekend in June. It was only one meal, four people, but I've been itching to write about it ever since

I'd had one "eh" meal at Merrill Magee since it reopened this winter,

then heard there's a new chef at the helm, Richard Brosseau. I looked him up: He's regionally famous at high-end places in Lake Placid, known for inventive locally sourced farm-fresh menus.

Second try's a charm.

It started with the bread. It's country style, served with a white crock of soft butter, a touch of homespun grace that sets up the rest of the meal. Such details matter.

What did we order that was so good? As a "First," we had locally sourced Beef Carpaccio, in this case lightly seared to super-rare

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## 2nd Adk. Wine & Food Fest set in LG

The event's debut last year drew one of the big crowds in the new festival space at the Charles R. Wood Park in Lake George Village. ▶ 23



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Photo provided

David Dammerman, 47, of Saratoga

# Swam length of Lake George

By David Cederstrom

Chronicle Staff Writer

David Dammerman swam the 32-mile length of Lake George, north to south, in what is thought to be record time this past weekend as a lead-up to the Lake George Marathon Swim planned for Sept. 17-18.

"It was certainly by far the hardest swim I've ever undertaken," the 47-year-old from Saratoga told *The Chronicle*. He's an experienced distance swimmer, including having swum the Eng-

**Prep for LG Marathon swim weekend, Sept. 17-18; 14 solo swimmers & 14 relay teams signed up.**

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