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:A&Q **Views of** marijuana

By Mark Frost

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Here are some of the replies to the questions we asked last Thursday in our weekly email to Chronicle digital subscribers.

I agree with legalization of marijuana. It is valuable for managing chronic pain. Furthermore, recreational use is far less harmful than alcohol. Personally, I don't use it because it

puts me to sleep, and my lifestyle is simply too busy to allow time for extra

Do you favor legalization?

sleep. — Cheryl White, Glens Falls

The truth is that alcohol is the most dangerous legalized **drug** that is responsible for putting people in a state favoring violence and promoting addiction. Not to mention its effect on families. There is little to no such risk with marijuana. Get a group of guys drinking in a bar, good chance you'll have a brawl. Get the same guys in Please turn to page 15

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Re: "From the Editor: Our approach on publishing letters," February 15, 2024

Ed Deso and Matt Funiciello have done substantial research and come to educated opinions regarding the Covid vaccine. They are freely entitled to express those opinions, even though they con-

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Enjoyed West's 'Fire on the Mountain'

The Chronicle's Cathy DeDe & Zander Frost coincidentally were among the hundreds at West Mountain's Fire on the Mountain Saturday night. Torchlight parade. Fireworks. Saratoga's Jukebox **Rebellion** played sing-a-long covers. Family-friendly. Good vibes. "Probably the only ones having more fun than people watching the torchlight parade were skiers & snowboarders doing it," Cathy said.





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Queensbury and Harvard grad Erin Sprague is the CEO of Protect Our Winters non-profit in Boulder, Colorado.

CEO of **Protect** Winters

By Cathy DeDe

Chronicle Managing Editor

Harvard and Queensbury Class of 2001 grad Erin Sprague is the newly appointed CEO of Protect Our Win-

ters, a Colorado-based climate advocacy not-for-profit targeted to and run by skiiers, snowboarders and outdoors enthusiasts like herself.

"I've always been a passionate outdoor athlete," Ms. Sprague told The Chronicle in a Zoom call from Boulder.

"I loved every every season outdoors in this beautiful part of the world. I ran on the cross country and track teams. I was on the Nordic ski team, and spent most weekends skiing at Gore, or Cole's Woods in Glens Falls. It had a huge influence on

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