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Eight things you need to know on topics related to Saratoga County's economy.

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8 @ 8 is a newsletter filled with eight things you need to know on topics related to the economy in Saratoga County, New York. You can expect to see 8 @ 8 in your inbox twice a month. If you have content you'd like us to share or have a topic you'd like to see more of, let us know and we'll work to include it in a future edition! -The Partnership Team



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State of the Economy -- Saratoga County on May 9

The Saratoga Partnership will be hosting the inaugural [State of the Economy — Saratoga County](#) on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. The event will feature the release of the Saratoga County Economic Index and a special presentation by [Jason Bram](#), Economist and Research Officer for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. [Click here to register](#).

Local serial tech entrepreneur launches new product - Dashmetrics

[Chris Thompson](#) is not new to the local start-up scene. Chris is the founder of [Workorder.es](#), [Saratoga Tech Talks](#) Meetup group, and now [DashMetrics](#) - a platform that enables individuals and companies to create easily digestible infographic dashboards and share them either privately via teams, or publicly via social media. The company launched in February and today DashMetrics is live in the marketplace with users from over 50 countries world-wide. Visit their [website](#) to learn more, sign up, and begin creating dashboards today!

National Grid files new rate case with NY Public Service Commission

After more than a decade of stable energy bills and \$6 billion in infrastructure investments, National Grid today filed a [proposal to reset electricity and natural gas delivery prices](#) beginning in April 2018. The new

delivery prices will allow the company to modernize its electricity and gas networks to further enhance reliability and resiliency, improve customer service – including programs to assist the most vulnerable customers – and promote economic growth. If approved, would take effect April 1, 2018.

CEG to host 87/90 Semiconductor Summit in Saratoga Springs on June 8

On June 8, CEG will host the First Annual [87/90 Semiconductor Summit](#) at the Saratoga City Center. This full day event will focus on outlining the role New York State plays in the semiconductor industry, a holistic economic forecast for growth in the industry, a focus on new technology innovation and new ways for the Capital Region to engage and promote economic growth within the industry.

What's good about NY? A site selector weighs in

Site Selector John Boyd Jr. recently visited the region and sat down with the [Times Union](#) to talk about how NY's public relations efforts are getting noticed around the U.S. and what New York has to offer business. "Economic development and public relations is cumulative," he said. "It takes years, not months," to change perceptions. He credited NY with being serious about economic development by holding the line on taxes, and cutting the corporate tax rate, contrasting it with neighboring Connecticut, which has boosted taxes.

NYSERDA to auction off Saratoga Technology + Energy Park (STEP)

NYSERDA's board voted to allow the NYSOGS to auction the 280-acre STEP after publicly advertising and obtaining an updated appraisal. The property at Hermes Road, Malta was last appraised for \$9 million two years ago. It was [reported](#) that the decision to sell the property and direct the proceeds toward the authority's clean energy initiatives came after a review of other options, which included revising NYSERDA's management of the site or engaging a master developer to oversee it.

Entrepreneurs: How to define your future in the Exponential Age

In 1998, Kodak had 170,000 employees and sold 85% of all photo paper worldwide. Within just a few years, their business model disappeared. What happened to Kodak will happen to many industries over the next ten years according to CEO and serial entrepreneur [Udo Gollub](#). Forbes contributor Rod Turner examines Gollub's predictions and the [4th Industrial Revolution: the Exponential Age](#).

Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) Workshop Today

Empire State Development will be hosting a workshop today, Monday, May 1 to provide an overview of the CFA process and funding available for various projects types. These include direct assistance to business & local governments, community development projects, energy + environmental projects. If you miss the workshop, [click here](#) for future workshops and details about how and when to apply for funding.

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The Saratoga Partnership is the first point of contact for business retention, expansion, and attraction. We provide a seamless delivery of economic development and workforce development assistance for businesses seeking to expand in Saratoga County, New York.



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