

OPINION

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OUR VIEW



A CHEER ... to Karen Noaker of Canandaigua, who recently celebrated a half-century of work with the Canandaigua health-care mainstay that's called Thompson Health these days. Starting at Thompson Hospital when she was still a Canandaigua Academy student, she did part-time clerical work at the old hospital on North Main Street. These days she serves as coordinator of medical transcription — and has no immediate plans to call it a career.



A JEER ... to the burglar who broke into several Victor and Canandaigua businesses last weekend. While criminals are by definition worth a jeer, this one rates twice the contempt: Not content with merely robbing the businesses he broke into, he took a collection jar set up at Touch of Sun Salon to help the family of a Canandaigua child with leukemia with expenses. Anyone with information about the crime should call the Ontario County Sheriff's Office at (585) 394-4560.



A CHEER ... to Ray Ciancaglini of Geneva for having the courage to share his story with Newark High School athletes. Repeated concussions as a young boxer led to headaches, memory difficulties, sleep disturbances, depression, anxiety, light and noise intolerance and an inability to concentrate. As he says, "The game you sit out today could be the career you save tomorrow." Parents of football, soccer and rugby players, please take note.



A JEER ... to the Senate and the House of Representatives for recessing for August without approving some kind of funding the Federal Aviation Administration. The partial shutdown of that agency — which many in the Congress obviously relied on as they flew out of town — has furloughed 4,000 employees and halted more than 200 construction projects, including three at the Greater Rochester Airport. Part of the issue is continued subsidies for service to remote communities, many of which seem to be within certain powerful leaders' districts. These subsidies, in some cases, top \$1,000 per passenger. This is not leadership.