

### **Pastor Ernest Collins**



Ernest Collins is the pastor of Christian Life Church UPC in Endicott, NY and also owns a construction business. Born and raised in Hudson, NY, Pastor Collins moved to the Southern Tier in 2010. Pastor Collins is a strong supporter of family values. His goal is to share the gospel in Broome County by encouraging the community and enriching family life.

### **Kevin Every**



Kevin Every has lived in the Town of Union since 2001. He is a father, husband, “Pop-Pop,” loyal friend and leader, but most important to Kevin, he is a believer in Jesus Christ. Kevin’s past included victimization as a child, leading to drug use and self-medication to suppress the pain of childhood memories. Substance abuse led to law enforcement encounters and Kevin readily admits fault in some of those incidents. In others, however, he simply “fit the description.” Those days are now a lifetime ago to Kevin and since moving to New York, he has become the man his family needed. With his wife and five kids depending on him, Kevin makes better decisions and has left the past behind. Kevin believes his story is not a bad story, but one of a man overcoming bad situations and turning his life around by doing something as simple as picking up a Bible, opening his heart, and embracing love from his family and the love of God. Kevin hopes that by sharing his journey, it will help others share their own struggles and know that even the best of us face obstacles and traps in life. This doesn’t make us bad people; it makes us humans and survivors.

### **Patrick Garey – Chief of Police**



Patrick Garey was appointed Chief of the Village of Endicott Police Department in July of 2016. Prior to Endicott PD, he served in various positions with the New York State Police, including commands of the Community Narcotics Enforcement Teams for the Capital District and Southern Tier regions, overseeing state police gun, gang and drug investigations in the ten county regions. Chief Garey retired from the state police as a Captain and the Executive Officer of Troop C prior to joining Endicott PD. Chief Garey also serves as a board member for the Addiction Center of Broome County.

### **James Harmon**



James Harmon is an Endicott resident who relocated to the area from Reading, PA in 1986. Jim served honorably in the United States Army from 1971-1974, graduating high-school while serving in Germany as an Army Paratrooper and NATO security guard. He has held several jobs during his time in the Triple Cities, including Endicott-Johnson for twelve years; IBM, HADCO circuit board manufacturing, and nine years in the medical field until he retired at the age of 62. Jim enjoys riding his motorcycle, working outside with his roses, fishing, bow-hunting and lots of travel.

### **Beth Herrick**



Beth Herrick has lived in Endicott for thirty-three years. She started and continues to oversee the Mersereau area neighborhood watch program. Her three children attended Union-Endicott Schools and were heavily involved in sports programs. Beth spent twenty-seven years in the insurance industry, including personal and commercial insurance and risk management. She's currently working part-time at the Jewelry Shop on North Street.

### **Linda Jackson – Mayor**



Mayor Jackson began her term as Mayor on January 1, 2020, after serving one-year as a Village trustee. Prior to that, she had spent 5 years attending town and village meetings and is a member of Endicott Proud. Mayor Jackson worked at IBM and was a nursing assistant at local nursing homes.

### **Rev. Dr. Greg Johnson**



Reverend Dr. Greg Johnson is the Senior Pastor at Cornerstone Community Church in Endicott. He earned his doctorate from Northeastern Seminary in Rochester, NY and his Masters of Divinity from the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University in Richmond, Virginia. He is currently a Chaplain with the Greater Binghamton Health Center and previously served as Staff Chaplain at Lourdes Hospital and as Pastor of the Beautiful Plain Baptist Church. He serves as an At-Large member of the Board of the American Baptist Churches of New York State and previously served as President. Dr. Johnson is also a leader of The Cornerstone Group, an ecumenical inter-agency organization that provides support and resources by partnering with other local organizations to provide pathways for success for Formerly Incarcerated Individuals.

### **Jennifer Kazmark**



Jennifer Kazmark is the Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Secondary Education at Union-Endicott. Prior to that, she was the Coordinator of Special Education at UE, an Assistant Principal at UEHS, and an elementary teacher in Johnson City. She is part of the Safe School Unification Team (SSCUT), which came out of the Consent Decree. SSCUT is a collaborative opportunity to present students to representatives from community agencies (including Endicott Police Department, DSS, Probation, counseling/mental health support, etc.) in an effort to gain support and strategies for at-risk students while promoting a safe school environment. Jenn has worked specifically in the area of disproportionality with NYU, and studied representation in schools as a part of her Doctoral work at Binghamton University. She and her family live in Endicott.

### **Michael Korchak – Broome County District Attorney**



Michael Korchak is the District Attorney of Broome County. A graduate of Pace University Law School, after graduation, Mike served as one of fifty new Assistant DA's in the Bronx County District Attorney's Office. In 1996, Mike began working as a Senior Assistant District Attorney in Broome County. In 2007, Mike moved into private legal practice in Broome County and also served for one-year as an elected judge in the Town of Union. In 2016, Mike returned to the Broome County DA's office as the Chief Assistant District Attorney. He ran for election in 2019 after DA Steven Cornwell did not run for re-election and began his first term as DA on January 1, 2020.

### **Brandon Leonard**



Brandon Leonard is a Patrol Officer at the Endicott Police Department. He currently serves as the School Resource Officer for the Union-Endicott School District. He is a 2000 graduate of the U-E School district and grew up on the village's Northside. He still resides in the Endicott area. Brandon has been a member of the department's SWAT team for 13 years and also is a Field Training Officer and Bike Patrol officer.

### **Dr. Miesha Marzell**



Dr. Miesha Marzell is an Assistant Professor in Binghamton University's Department of Social Work. Prior to joining the faculty at BU, she completed her MSW at the University of Southern California and her PhD in bio behavioral health at the Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Marzell was also a post-doctoral fellow at the University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health and Prevention Research Center and was subsequently an assistant professor in the Department of Community and Behavioral Health at the University of Iowa College of Public Health. As a researcher, she is interested in the etiology and prevention of high-risk substance use and the improvement of mental health among racial/ethnic minority youth, college students and athletic populations. Dr. Marzell's research interests also extend to the environmental and policy factors that can influence behavior and promote healthy lifestyles. She wants to translate scientific evidence into recommendations for substance abuse prevention, public policy and clinical practice. Dr. Marzell is also a board member of the Addiction Center of Broome County.

### **Glenn McIver**



Glenn McIver has spent the past forty-one years working in various positions at Catholic Charities, Broome Developmental Center and in his current job of Mentor Coordinator working with at-risk youth in the Binghamton and Johnson City School Districts. Glenn retired from Broome Developmental Center in 2014. As a mentor, Glenn enjoys the wonderful opportunity to work and interact with a variety of individuals on a day to day basis, establishing positive relationships built on trust. Glenn combines community resources with education to mentor and help prepare families with wide-ranges of social, emotional, and health related problems, while supporting goals for improved attendance and graduation rates, and assuring students are college and career ready. Glenn is also serving a 5 year elected term on the Board of Education for the Union-Endicott School District.

### **Kevin M. McManus – Deputy Broome County Executive**



Kevin M. McManus is a lifelong resident of Endicott and a Union Endicott Graduate. He earned a Master’s degree in Public Administration and Policy Analysis from Binghamton University. He has served our community in the NYS Assembly as a researcher, as Assistant to the Mayor of Binghamton, as a Broome County Commissioner, Assistant Arena Manager, Special Assistant to the Governor and now as Deputy Broome County Executive. He is involved in our community as a former Teacher with Binghamton High School and at Union Endicott High School. Kevin also coached boys’ and girls’ high school and middle school basketball at Union Endicott and Maine Endwell. He continues to coach from time to time with Endicott Little league as well. Kevin lives with his wife Rebecca and their three children Kevin Jr, Taylor, and Brooklyn.

### **Marshall McMurray**



Marshall McMurray is retired from thirty-years working with Price Chopper, the last 15 years as a store manager. He has also been selling real estate for the last thirty-five years in the Syracuse and Binghamton area. In 2005 he opened his own brokerage, MCM REALTY, which is now located on Washington Avenue. Marshall also owns “Bernice Brews”, a coffee shop on Washington Ave, which opened in 2019. Marshall has a Masters degree in Human Resources from The New School for Social Research. He is married with two kids, a daughter who is a graduate of BU and a son in Nazareth College, who both attended Union-Endicott Schools. He resides in Endicott.

### **Carmella Pirich**



Carmela Pirich is the Executive Director of the Addiction Center of Broome County (ACBC) and an Endicott native. She has been an adjunct for the MSW program at Binghamton University since the fall of 2010, giving instruction on Evidence-Based Practice in Mental Health and other graduate level courses. She has taught Introduction to Case Management in the Human Development program for the past 6 years and teaches at BCC in the psychology department. She holds a Master’s Degree from Adelphi University’s School of Social Work and an MBA from the University of Baltimore’s Merrick School of Business. Among her many accomplishments with ACBC, she has implemented many new evidenced-based practices and she spearheaded the opening of a second clinic in Endicott, focused on trauma recovery and substance use disorder treatment.

### **Nichole Post**



Nichole Post is the Director of Southern Tier Community Center, a division of Children's Home. With over a decade of experience in employee management, building and creating programs, Nichole specializes in enhancing relationships, event planning, and creating programs. She is co-chair in leading the Agency's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Awareness Committee. Nichole strongly believes in creating an environment where everyone, ages 0 -100, can enjoy a safe, fun and vibrant space to work, play and get healthy. Outside work, Nichole enjoys spending time with her three children, reading, hiking and running.

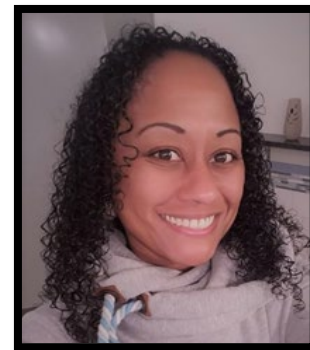
### **Jonathan Rothermel – Senior Assistant Public Defender**



Jonathan L. Rothermel Esq. is a Senior Assistant Public Defender with the Broome County Public Defender's Office. Jon graduated from St. Bonaventure University in 2005 where he was an Honors Graduate, completing his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a minor in Sociology. He earned his Juris Doctorate at the Western New England College School of Law in 2008. Jon was admitted to the New York and Maryland bar in 2009, and started working for the Broome County Public Defender's Office as soon as he was licensed. He was admitted to practice in the Northern District of New York in 2010, and the United States Supreme Court in 2019. Jon is currently one of the Training

Directors for the Broome County Public Defender's Office. Jon has lived in Endicott since 2013 with his wife Lauren, where they are raising their two sons, Andrew and Evan.

### **Nadia Schuman**



Nadia Schuman is an Endicott resident who moved from central New Jersey approximately six-years ago with her then fourteen year old son to pursue graduate studies at Binghamton University. Nadia is a doctoral candidate in the Department of Comparative Literature whose academic background includes: a degree as an honors researcher in Psychology and in German Language and Literature from Rutgers University; experience with neuroscientific study; and a background in quantitative and qualitative research methods. Nadia has had numerous interactions with the Endicott Police Department since arriving here and looks forward to providing objective and critical contributions in group meetings and to hearing the contributions of others in order to enhance her understanding of policing and police-community relations.

## **Christopher Scott**



Christopher Scott was born and raised in Binghamton, New York. Chris joined the Addiction Center of Broome County, Inc. in 2017 as a Center of Treatment Innovation Certified Recovery Peer Advocate and began working with Tioga County Probation, teaching probationers' cognitive behavioral skills in a group entitled "Thinking for Change." He then joined a White House Office of National Drug Control Policy grant "Combatting Opioid Overdose Community Level Intervention" initiative, where he partners with most law enforcement agencies in Broome County to assist our community's most vulnerable members with accessing services. Chris leads a Peer Supervision Group at the Addiction Center of Broome County, helping newer peers gain skills needed to be successful in the field. He is a trainer of Mental Health First Aid. Chris is presently attending Broome Community College, maintains a 4.0 and is the recipient of 4 scholarships. Chris is passionate about helping others and diversity, equity, and inclusion. In his free time, he enjoys being with his family.

## **Charles Smales**



Charles Smales retired in February, 2021 as a Lieutenant with the Endicott Police Department. He was a police officer for the Village of Endicott since 2001, serving as a Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant, and a Patrol Lieutenant. He also served as a Team Leader for the Broome-Endicott SWAT Team and commander of the Endicott Bomb Squad. In addition to his service to the police department, Charles also served on the board of the Endicott Police Benevolent Association. Charles resides in West Endicott with his wife and has two grown children who both graduated from the Union Endicott School District. He is currently pursuing his Masters of Business Administration.

## **Penny Stringfield**



Penny Stringfield has worked in marketing and public relations for thirty-eight years and currently works in Binghamton. She served on the board of the Addiction Center of Broome County for six-years, and also serves on Senator Fred Akshar's Heroin Stakeholders Committee. Penny served as Youth Director at her church for thirteen years, advocating for minority teens with educators and law enforcement. Penny is a community activist who worked to bring Helio Health to Broome County to provide additional treatment for substance abuse. Penny has spoken at dozens of events regarding our community's lack of services and the ongoing stigma regarding addiction.

## Nicole Wolfe



Nicole Wolfe is the Superintendent of Schools in the Union-Endicott Central School District. Previously, she served the district as Assistant Superintendent for Business and Elementary Education, Director of Pupil Services and Director of Curriculum & Instruction K-5, and was an elementary principal in the Whitney Point Central School District. Nicole holds degrees from the State University of New York at Cortland for Elementary Education and School Administration, and has been admitted to candidacy for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in the Department of Educational Theory and Practice at Binghamton University. Her research interests include racial disproportionality, school discipline, and culturally relevant teaching practices. She resides with her husband in Binghamton, NY.