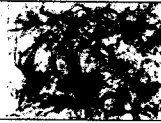


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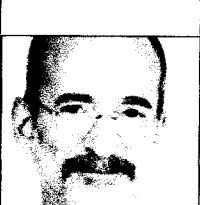
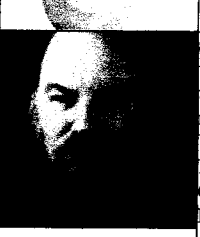
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### The Times Union editorial board

August 31, 2009 at 4:54 pm by Jay Jochnowitz, Editorial page editor

The Observation Deck blog and Times Union's editorials are written by members of the paper's editorial board. Here are their brief bios:



	<b>Joann Crupi</b> has been editor/opinion pages since 1996. She previously was managing editor for features and executive city editor and a reporter and editor for the now-defunct Knickerbocker News. She also was a reporter for the former Syracuse Herald Journal. She is an Albany native and resident. A graduate of The College of Saint Rose, she received a master's degree in journalism from Syracuse University.
	<b>John de Rosier</b> joined the Times Union in 1999, after five years as editorial cartoonist for the Mobile Register in Alabama. While a student at Brigham Young University, de Rosier won the Charles M. Schulz Award, presented to the nation's outstanding college cartoonist. His work has appeared in publications including "The Best Editorial Cartoons of the Year." He is a native of the Pacific Northwest, and lives with his family in Albany.
	<b>George R. Hearst III</b> is the Times Union's publisher. He joined the paper in 1989 as operations director after working in various management positions for the San Francisco Newspaper Agency, then-publisher of the San Francisco Examiner and the San Francisco Chronicle. He became the Times Union's associate publisher and general manager in 2006, and was named publisher in 2009. A native of California and a graduate of Pepperdine University (Los Angeles), he is a great-grandson of the Hearst Corporation's founder, William Randolph Hearst.
	<b>Jay Jochnowitz</b> was named editorial page editor in August 2008. He joined the Times Union in 1987 and covered Albany for 10 years before becoming state editor in 2000. He previously worked as a reporter for the Watertown Daily Times and the weekly Smithtown Messenger. He is a Long Island native and graduate of Skidmore College. He and his wife live in Knox. They have three children.
	<b>Jim McGrath</b> has been the Times Union's chief editorial writer since 1996. He previously held several editing jobs at the paper, including copy desk chief. McGrath began his newspaper career as a reporter for The News-Sun in Waukegan, Ill., and was a news editor at The Knickerbocker News. He is a native of Boston. A graduate of Lake Forest College, he has a master's degree in journalism from Northwestern University. McGrath and his wife live in

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	<p><b>Rex Smith</b> has been editor and vice president of the Times Union since 2002. Smith grew up in South Dakota and is a graduate of Trinity University in San Antonio and the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. He began his newspaper career as managing editor of the Rensselaer Republican, in Rensselaer, Ind. He was a reporter for Newsday and editor of The Record in Troy before joining the Times Union in 1995 as managing editor for news. Smith lives in Rensselaer County with his wife and daughter</p>

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