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A recent Rasmussen Reports survey indicates nearly 80% of New Yorkers believe the best way to reduce the state's budget deficit is to cut state spending, not raise taxes. The same percentage of New Yorker's believe the state is already over-taxed. I will continue to fight for Upstate New York, especially since every new program and tax increase to cover benefits Downstate interests at the expense of Upstate taxpayers.

LOCAL BOY SCOUT LEADERS RECEIVE HIGH HONORS

It is quite common to recognize the young men in our communities that acheive the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout, Boy Scout's highest honor, with great fanfare. Unfortunately, all too often, the adult leaders and volunteers instrumental in guiding scouts through the ranks go unnoticed.

The 2010 Corn Hill Arts Festival poster was designed by Rochester native, Cordell Cordaro

This weekend, Saturday, July 10th and Sunday, July 11th, one of Rochester's most anticipated, annual festivals will take place in the historic Corn Hill neighborhood. Located south of the center city, between Ford Street and Exchange Boulevard, the Corn Hill Arts festival will entertain thousands of residents and visitors for the 42nd year!

As is customary, this year's Festival will feature more than 400 artists, the Emerging Artists Exposition, several stages for live music, food and more.

While Corn Hill has become synonymous with the Arts Festival, the neighborhood's beginnings -- and rapid growth during the 19th Century -- is linked with Rochester's early prosperity after the opening of the Frie Canal. Wealthy flour millers and merchants, and