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*Director of community planning and design
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Age: 35

Education: B.S., biology, West Chester University, West Chester, Penn.; master's in urban and regional planning, SUNY at Albany

Family: Wife, Carolyn; daughter, 4

Residence: Fairport

Professional responsibilities: Leads a team of multi-disciplined design professionals in the preparation of water-front, downtown, transportation and general municipal plans throughout New York State. Responsible for team leadership and mentoring, business development, project management, sustainability in practice and overall quality assurance.

Community leadership: Board member, Mental Health Association of Rochester/Monroe County Inc.; board member, Western Erie Canal Alliance; board member, Genesee Finger Lakes Section, American Planning Association; planning board member, Village of Fairport

Surprising fact: My career requires significant involvement in public meeting facilitation and consensus building. I once avoided public speaking at all costs but now recognize it as one of my strengths. In the same vein, most people would probably classify me as an extrovert, but those who know me understand that I enjoy one-on-one interaction more than large-crowd events.

Ten years from now: I hope to be a supportive husband, father and son as well as an active member of my community. I look forward to learning from my colleagues and participating in the continued evolution of my profession. I hope I can be a mentor to individuals interested in pursuing the design professions as well as the value of volunteerism in career development.

