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AIM Independent Living Center welcomes two new members to its board

CORNING | AIM Independent Living Center, a nonprofit organization that helps individuals with disabilities lead independent lives, recently welcomed two new members to its board of directors.

Pine City resident Deborah Eagen and Elmira resident Paula Gore bring experience and vision to AIM's board. The women say advocacy and education are their top priorities.

"The most important thing for me is advocating for individuals with disabilities to be treated as individuals and accepted for who they are, as they are – promoting their strengths and accepting their weaknesses," said Eagen, who works for Arnot Health on Demand. "And promoting programs that do not expect all people to fit into the confines of little boxes."

Gore, an AIM consumer, said: "I would like to educate people more by being on the board. I would like to help people with disabilities and coach them on how to go to college and make sure they get their right to education."

Board President Sabrina Mineo-O'Connell said she looks forward to working with the new members.

"The board of directors is pleased to welcome Debbie Eagen and Paula Gore to the board," Mineo-O'Connell said. "The individual experiences they bring to the board will be very valuable to AIM and its consumers."

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AIM Independent Living Center, more commonly known as **AIM**, is a non-profit organization dedicated to people with disabilities, their families, friends, the businesses that serve them, and those with an interest in disabilities.

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