Benderson Development has purchased the Macy’s Men’s Store property at Boulevard Mall in Amherst for $4.25 million from Macy’s Retail Holdings.

For now, Macy’s will lease the space from Benderson and the Macy’s Men’s Store will remain open.

“We feel it's incredibly well-positioned real estate and love that the building has its own separate identity, great visibility and exterior entrances,” said Eric Reecoon, vice president of development and leasing for Benderson.

Commercial real estate near that high-traffic corner of Niagara Falls Boulevard and Maple Road is in high demand, Reecoon said. It’s located just down the street from the Boulevard Mall, which he called Benderson’s “most powerful” Western New York shopping center.

Macy’s tends to own its own properties, rather than lease them from the malls to which they are attached. Benderson bought other Macy’s properties at McKinley Mall last year — a shuttered department store and a shuttered furniture store.

The most recent Benderson purchase does not involve the Macy’s department store located elsewhere in the Boulevard Mall, or any mall-owned property.

The struggling Macy’s has been closing stores and divesting properties, and has made $150 million in real estate proceeds since August 2016.

Neither Macy’s nor the Boulevard Mall could immediately be reached for comment.

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**Hires/Promotions/Honors**

**Meals on Wheels for WNY**

Appointed **Joshua Krebs** to its board of directors. Meals on Wheels serves more than 900,000 nutritious meals to more than 3,600 in-need homebound clients locally each year. Krebs has also engaged his employer, New Era Cap, in its “Adopt-A-Route” program.

**Patrick Casilio, Jr.** received the Brothers of Mercy's Humanitarian of the Year Award. He has served on the Brothers board and also is a board member of ECMC’s Lifeline Foundation, in Erie County Sheriff’s Department Special Forces Reserve Division and is a past chief of the Clarence Volunteer Fire Company.

**Company Connections**

Mount St. Mary's Hospital has received the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association’s **Get with The Guidelines-Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award**. The award recognizes the hospital's commitment and success in ensuring stroke patients receive the most appropriate treatment according to nationally recognized, research-based guidelines based on the latest scientific evidence.

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