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CMI debate reaches town board

By Peter Hanson

Opponents of CMI Senior Housing & Health Care's proposed 94-unit Delmar facility rallied their forces during a public hearing last week that drew nearly 100 people and lasted almost four hours.

At the July 8 meeting of the Bethlehem town board, CMI representatives presented a muchaltered version of the proposal they first showed the board more than a year ago. Since their first town board appearance in May 1997, CMI representatives have been involved in negotiations with the town's planning and zoning boards that led to the project's current dimensions.

The July 8 meeting began with an informational presentation, then advanced to a lengthy ques-

tion-and-answer session involving board members and residents. Finally, residents made statements for and against CMI's request to rezone the 6.7-acre parcel at 467 Delaware Ave. from "A" residential to "planned commercial district."



Elsmere resident Louis Dempf Jr. speaks in favor of CMI's proposal to build a senior housing facility in Delmar at a public hearing during Bethlehem town board's July 8 meeting.

Peter Hanson

Although several residents, including longtime CMI advocate Floyd Brewer of Lansing Drive in Delmar, expressed faith in CMI's integrity and the need for senior housing in the heart of Delmar, the project's opponents read lengthy, pointed

statements decrying what they fear is a dangerous incidence of "spot zoning."

The board held the hearing to collect information which will be taken into consideration when it votes on CMI's zoning request at a future hearing. It also received petitions for and against the project.

V'ville names new principal

By Katherine McCarthy

William Furdon was named principal of Clayton A. Bouton Junior/ Senior High School at the Voorheesville school board's meeting Monday.

He fills the vacancy created when Terence Barlow left the district to take a job as assistant principal for curriculum and development in East Greenbush.

Furdon, who had been associate principal at the school, will earn \$74,904 as principal.

"Bill came out as the top candidate," Superintendent Alan McCartney said of the new principal, who has been with the district for three years. "He has a lot of skills that you just can't teach, like his love of kids, and his enthusiasm and respect for this district."

Furdon will lead the search for his replacement, and hopes to begin interviewing candidates on Aug. 3.

During the organizational meeting, John Cole was re-elected president of the board, Robert Baron was elected vice president and Thomas

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State Ed Department to probe use of American Indian mascot

By Lisa K. Kelly

A review of school districts that use American Indians as mascots was launched last week by state Education Department Commissioner Richard Mills.

The review was announced after Mills denied a civil rights appeal by Orange County resident Robert Eurich, who wanted the Port Jervis School District to change its "Red Raider" mascot

We want to find out if the mascots cause a negative stereotype.

Bill Hirschen

"To date, the department has only received one complaint," said Education Department spokesman Bill Hirschen.

Hirschen said the review is being conducted by the department's Native American education unit.

"We want to find out if the mascots cause a negative stereotype."

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District has an American Indian

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\$2.5M gives senior project boost

Van Allen housing would have failed without grant

By Peter Hanson

The developers of a proposed Selkirk senior housing project are breathing sighs of relief following the state's decision last week to award the project a \$2.5 million grant. Had the grant request been denied, the project could not have gone forward.

The Van Allen senior housing project has been under discussion by the town of Bethlehem's Industrial Development Agency (IDA) for several months because the project's developer, American Housing Foundation, is seeking a \$6 million bond from the IDA.

The proposed facility would have 110 units and be located on 18 acres of vacant land on Route 9W in Selkirk. It is designed for occupancy by seniors with a minimum annual income of \$12,300 and 100 of the units will be priced for middle-income seniors. The remaining 10 units will have

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Elizabeth Hite, 2, has fun with the craft she made at Bethlehem Public Library.

Elaine McLain

BC establishes district endowment fund

By Lisa K. Kelly

Individuals and businesses can make donations for projects in the Bethlehem Central School District through the newly developed Bethlehem Central Community and Alumni Endowment Fund.

Fund developer Jo Ann Davies said the fund was set up because the school district has received inquiries over the years about donations.

Superintendent Les Loomis said the fund is for the entire district, which means donations can be used for district-wide projects. "I think the the endowment fund presents a significant vehicle to

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provide important seed capital within the district," Loomis said, 'especially scholarship opportu-

I think the the endowment fund presents a significant vehicle to provide important seed capital within the dis-

Les Loomis

nities for students, at a time when the cost of higher education is so

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Davies said, "The fund is in place to support activities and projects that are not typically paid for through taxpayer dollars.

Donations can be made in any form and they can be earmarked for special projects, scholarships and memorial funds.

For instance, Davies said a donation could be made to support the Shakespeare program.

Davies said the fund has already received \$5,000 from an estate that was earmarked for the high school.

In recent years, memorial funds have been formed to honor

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ing. All three funds are managed by The Community Foundation for the Capital Region.

The foundation is a nonprofit agency that manages endowment funds for agencies across the country, including school districts. Executive director Judy Lyons said the foundation manges funds received through donations by investing them in an \$18 million investment pool, established over the past 30 years.

Lyons said there are many advantages to setting up an endowment fund with the foundation, most notably, savings in administrative costs. The foundation only takes 1 percent of the fund balance for its costs. "We take care of the audits and reporting needed for the Internal Revenue Service," she added. "Also, donors get the greatest tax deduction allowable under law.'

Lyons said the funds are administered through a grant application process and the foundation has the final say on how funds are used. "We will consider the recommendations of the fund's advisory board," she added.

Davies said the fund is accepting applications from individuals who would like to serve on its advisory board. The board will be responsible for reviewing all donations and grant applications, and will make recommendations to the foundation. For information, write to Bethlehem Central Community and Alumni Endowment Fund, 17 Albin Road, Delmar 12054.

Library offers Internet intro

A leisurely introduction to the World Wide Web is promised in "Walking Through the Web" on Thursday, July 16, and Monday, July 27, at Bethlehem Public Library on 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Sessions start at 7:30 p.m. both nights.

Automation services librarian Audrey Wilson will demonstrate the Netscape Navigator browser and the library's Web pages.

Registration for each session is limited to 25 people. To register, call 439-9314.

Delmar Kiwanis seek vendors

The Kiwanis Club of Delmar is seeking vendors for its seventh annual Flea Market and Craft Fair on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the grounds of the Days Inn on Route 9W in Glen-

Proceeds benefit youth and senior programs in the town of Bethlehem. For information, call 439-6808.

Thacher Park plans wildflower walk

On Saturday, July 18, at 2 p.m., naturalist Ruth Schottman will lead a wildflower walk in Thacher Park. Call 872-1237 for directions to the meeting place.

From 6 to 9 p.m. that evening, there will be live music at the park overlook with folk musician Mark Tomaso. A chicken barbecue will be available from 4 to 7 p.m.



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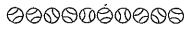
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Bethlehem hires 2 new cops

Board also accepts donations to benefit town parks

By Peter Hanson

During its July 8 meeting, the Bethlehem town board accepted the appointment of two new police officers and acknowledged several charitable donations to the town.

Regina Cocchiara, adeputy with the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department, was hired to replace Officer Keith Becker, who retired March 24. James Rexford, who was on the civil service waiting list for a police job in Bethlehem, was hired to replace Lt. Richard Vanderbilt, who will retire July 18. Rexford is currently an officer with the Coeymans police department.

Both officers will be paid annual salaries of \$31,356. Cocchiara's employment became effective July 11 and Rexford's will begin July 18.

In other police-related business, the board accepted the police department's 1997 annual report and acknowledged Sandra

Goulet's recent recognition as Telecommunicator of the Year.

The board also accepted, with regret, Vanderbilt's resignation. Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller and board member Doris Davis both praised Vanderbilt's efforts on the town's traffic safety committee, which he has chaired for several years.

During the meeting, the board also discussed several items pertaining to the Parks & Recreation Department, notably the receipt of two sizable corporate donations.

Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company (TEPPCO) gave the department \$5,000 to buy equipment for the Selkirk Park playground. Parks & Recreation Department administrator David Austin said this money, combined with the nearly \$30,000 equipment budget for the park, would facilitate purchase of a play area for infants that residents had requested.

TEPPCO operates a facility in Selkirk.

In a related matter, the board approved Austin's request to rename the access road leading to Selkirk Park. It will be called Houk Road, after the family who donated land for the park.

Stewart's Shops of Saratoga Springs donated \$4,178 that was generated by opening-day sales at its new store at the corner of Elm and Delaware avenues in Delmar. The money will be used to purchase equipment for the town hall playground.

The board also acknowledged the receipt of several smaller donations ranging in value from \$100 to \$450, most of which related to the recent 25th anniversary celebration at Elm Avenue Park.

The largest donation was a mural by Tiffany Teator that was painted at the park's pool complex.

Pony rides, anyone?



Kids and adults recently celebrated the 40th anniversary of Glenmont Community Reformed Church with events including pony rides at Elm Avenue Park. Pictured, left to right, are (back row) Sue Van Exten, Sally Wiggand, Sarah King and Pastor Steve Everett; and (front row) Alivia Richter, Haley Richter, Andriana King, Kyle Landrigan and Amanda Sherman.

Board renames streets,

Planners discuss Glenmont subdivision

By Peter Hanson

Although recent residential development has centered on the heart of town near Delmar, Glenmont area may get a new 33-lot subdivision if all goes well for the project's developers.

At the Bethlehem planning board's July 7 meeting, surveyor Paul Hite presented a revised map for Meadowview, which the board last discussed in March. Hite is a consultant for the Delmar-based Swift Group, which is developing the subdivision.

Since that time, town officials including senior civil engineer John Fenzl have been reviewing the proposed development.

"The subdivision consists of 33 lots bordered on the south by the subdivision known as Somerset Woods and on the north by Wemple Road," Hite said.

"Most of the lots are very, very large," he continued. "The smallest is about 15,250 square feet and they range up to 35,000 square feet. I think we've provided all the necessary utilities and amenities to build a nice subdivision."

In a brief exchange with board members and staffers from the town's planning department, Hite said drainage and sanitary sewer issues had been resolved sufficiently for the project to advance to the public hearing stage.

Hite said his only question at this point is about land near Meadowview that the town wants

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to obtain for possible future use as a roadway. Areas like these, called "highway corridors," are identified in the town's land use and management advisory committee (LUMAC) report, which the planning department uses as a non-binding informational resource.

Hite said he doesn't know why the corridor needs to be on Meadowview's map because the land where the corridor falls is not owned by Meadowview's developers. Board member Joseph Rooks agreed the inclusion seemed unnecessary, and the matter was tabled for discussion at a later date.

Another issue that was raised involved wetlands near the site of the proposed subdivision, but Hite said that when the planned restructuring of Wemple Road is completed, drainage patterns in that area will change and the land

towers.

were pre-existing."

Repair of towers stalled

Communications might become a problem for several area

emergency service companies if the town of New Scotland doesn't

grant James Loder, owner of New Scotland Communications,

permission to rebuild two radio towers which were damaged in

companies and police agencies since he erected the first tower in

1972. He also rents space on the towers for commercial use. The

towers, one 130 feet high and the other 199, were knocked onto an

Loder concerning former building inspector Paul Cantlin's denial

of a permit. Cantlin said he denied permission to repair the towers

because Loder hadn't filed a building permit when the towers

were built. Loder said that when the towers were built, in 1972 and

1977, he went to the town to complete the proper paperwork, but

at the time, building permits weren't needed to put up radio

oped until 1981. "We thought we were grandfathered in," she said.

Because building permits were never issued, the building depart-

ment considers the towers to be new structures that must meet

current town regulations. Loder said he filed the administrative appeal because he wants the planning board to "state (the towers)

have the power to do that, and the board agreed to send Loder's

appeal to the zoning board. For the time being, the town gave

Loder permission to continue serving emergency agencies. Loder

said to do this he's had to rent a 100-foot high serial ladder.

Board chairman Robert Stapf said the planning board doesn't

Loder's wife, Elaine, said current zoning laws weren't devel-

At a recent meeting, the planning board heard an appeal from

adjacent building by wind during the storm.

Loder has provided free communication services to area fire

under discussion will stop receiving enough water to remain classified as wetland.

Deputy town planner Janine Saatman said that these issues had been explored sufficiently to warrant pressing forward on the proposal. "The engineering and planning departments both feel the map is ready," she said.

The board tentatively scheduled a public hearing on Meadowview for Tuesday, July 21, at 7:30 p.m. but chairman Douglas Hasbrouck said the hearing might be rescheduled if there are not enough agenda items to warrant a planning board meeting that night.

Hite said that construction of the subdivision would take about six months, barring inclement weather, and that the Swift Group could break ground in November if the project gets all the necessary approvals.

Lisa K. Kelly

tracks FEMA money By Lisa K. Kelly The New Scotland town board recently approved changing street cause he said it seems as if FE is keeping better records a the town than town officials

The New Scotland town board recently approved changing street names and addresses at Camp Pinnacle and its retreat center for emergency purposes.

The action came after the town received a letter from highway clerk Patricia Geurtze recommending the changes. In the letter, Geurtze said that she had received complaints from 911 emergency dispatchers stating that "The present addressing system is confusing and should be revised."

"I propose that each building be given a Camp Road address and be numbered in increments of five," she said.

Geurtze also recommended that private roads at the camp be deleted, Shalom Drive be changed to Camp Road, and all buildings within the camp be renumbered.

She added that all the little roads in the camp are named but many don't have street signs. "So if someone called in (with a problem), there was no way emergency crews could find them," Geurtze said.

Another problem Geurtze cited is that only buildings with telephone service are numbered.

In another matter, highway superintendent Darrell Duncan reported on the \$33,621 FEMA overpayment and explained to board members that FEMA is not requesting repayment, but instead will deduct the overpayment from monies the agency still owes the town.

Town Supervisor Herb Reilly further explained to town board members that after the federal agency reviewed the paperwork, it discovered that the town had never finished another FEMA project. "I believe it was Scutt Road that was not repaired," Reilly said, "I'm not sure why exactly."

Board member Michael Fields was upset about the situation be-

cause he said it seems as if FEMA is keeping better records about the town than town officials are. He feels the town should know why there was an overpayment and where the money is.

Board member Andrea Gleason said the recent annual audit did not turn up an extra \$33,621 in the highway department budget, and wondered why. "There should be a trail as to how this money was spent," she said.

Michael Fields said it seems as if FEMA is keeping better records about the town than town officials are.

In other business, the board passed are solution approving the town's cable service franchise transfer from Cablevision to Time Warner in accordance with the current contract. The current contract with Cablevision was signed in 1996 and can be renegotiated in 2006

Cablevision's general manager George Smede said Time Warner will continue Cablevision's practice of offering service to every 20 homes in a linear mile. In addition, Time Warner offers free Internet connections to town libraries. Smede said transfer of the franchise should be completed in late fall.

During a special meeting on July 1, the board hired retired building inspector Paul Cantlin as a part-time employee on an asneeded basis, to be determined by the new building inspector, Paul Jeffers. Cantlin officially retired June 29. He will be paid \$25 per hour for his part-time work, not to exceed \$1,000 per month.

Pesticide group meets

Town, school leaders receptive

By Katherine McCarthy

Bethlehem Pesticide Watch (BPW) met recently with town and school district leaders in its continuing effort to "sunset" the use of pesticides in Bethlehem.

On July 2, four members of the group sat down with town officials to look at wording for legislation to end the use of pesticides on town property.

'It went extremely well," said BPW founder Cay McEneny. We're thrilled with the leadership the town board is showing in this area. All the individuals and department heads have a strong interest in this area."

The group reviewed sunset legislation that has been enacted in San Francisco and Albany County.

Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller contacted San Francisco officials, and highway superintendent Gregg Sagendorph has been reviewing practices used there.

"The use of pesticides will be sunset on town-owned property," Fuller said, "although we are not particularly the culprit here. We need to figure out how much time is needed to phase out the use of RoundUp and Surflan, and we have some concerns about safety.'

One safety issue involves controlling clover that grows on playing fields and attracts bees, resulting in individuals getting stung. Controlling overgrowth of vegetation that can obstruct guide rails on town roads is another concern.

"We're discussing these issues," Fuller said. "At budget time, we may need to hire a few more kids to work on the fields, or more manpower to work around fences and guide rails. The department heads are putting their budgets together, and we'll have a prelimi--nary budget in September.'

BPW and the town board will meet again on July 21 to continue drafting sunset legislation.

At the Bethlehem board of education meeting on July 1, McEneny

introduced BPW and requested that the school board enact a written policy to phase out the use of pesticides on school property.

"We're not concerned that pesticides are being used irresponsibly or illegally," McEneny said, offering to provide the school board with information regarding the risks of pesticides.

Members of BPW met with School Superintendent Les Loomis and school safety inspector Larry Gill on July 7.

"Dr. Loomis is a good listener," McEneny said.

BPW has proposed forming a committee to look at the pesticide issue in the schools, but Loomis feels that the proper structures are in place to address concerns.

"We can work effectively with our staff and the PTA Presidents' Council," Loomis said. "I don't think we would set up a separate task force.'

Loomis pointed out that the district has an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan, which keeps pesticide use to a minimum. "We provide a limited response in the most moderate way," he said. "I think we could do good work by way of prevention. Having an IPM plan means that we're careful about pesticide use.'

Loomis said the district is interested in giving BPW's concerns consideration, and will review the material the group has provided.

'My personal opinion," Loomis said, "is that this hasn't been a problem until now. This is one of the things that's difficult to argue with. Additional steps that protect the environment, whether inside or outside the schools, are a good

BPW's next meeting is scheduled for Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. A meeting about pesticide use in the schools is scheduled for Oct. 1, also at the library.

RCS names honor roll students

Principal Carl Heiner recently announced the names of the students who achieved honor roll and high honorl roll status for the fourth quarter of the school year.

Ninth-grade honor roll

Marie Boomhower, Daniel Capron, Matthew Deyo, Samantha Eissing, Kristy Glastetter, Amy Gordon, Carrie Griffin, James Hardisty, William Horner, Gabriel Jones, Jared Lackie, Andrew LeBlanc, Janelle Metzler, Sarah Nestlen, Theresa O'Connor, Heather Parmelee, Ariel Schaible and Erin Van Vorst.

Tenth-grade honor roll

Lara Alicandro, James Boehlke, Akra Boomer, Christopher Calabese, Rodney Carpenter, Theresa Carr, Thomas Connell, Diane Currey, Michael Fink, Heather Fitzgerlad, Joy Hundspath, Thomas Johnson, Candace Keezer, Jacob Lehmann, Jolene McCullough, Amanda McMullen, Amy McNeilly, Colleen Moore, Matthew Mueller, Michael Mullarkey, Gabriel Perez-Sanchez, Samuel Pitts, Katrina Ross, Nathan Seaburg, Sarah Stewart, Michael Scott, Charles Williams and Dustin

Eleventh-grade honor roll

Nicole Breen, Ryan Doherty, Melissa Eissing, Cynthia Gilchrist, Kristyn Gordon, Raquel Haldane, Katherine Holscher, Douglas June, Danille Kellam, Daniel Kowalski, Noah Lamoree, Kara Mosher, Christopher Music, Timothy Nevinger, Amy Nevins, Sara Nolan, Kathryn Orsino, Daniel Ostrander and Collen Prior.

And Rose Puchales, Tammy Quenneville, William Raup, Jarrod Tivituso, Jeffrey Ross, Gordon Ryan, Megan Ryerson, Michael Salisbury, Deborah Seufert, Mary Beth Shannon, Bridget Smith, Jennifer Teller, Helen Tompkins, Shayla Townley, Anthony Tucker and Jordan Williams.

Twelfth-grade honor roll

Shana Bender, Donald Cross, Brent Dragon, Brianne Fancolini, Sarah Gardner, Emese Koo's, Anthony Lintner, Cheryl Matott, Rachelle Ray, Melanie Relyea, Stephen Ross, Katie Seaburg, Nicole Scott and Max Trautmann.

Ninth-grade high honor roll

Jessica Best, Chanda Brown-Bryant, Kalotta Carter, Rhiannon Cramer, Lori Crocoll, Joseph Doherty, Ashley Maki, Sophia McKenney, Abigail Moon, Ryan Morse, Gregory Pascale, Michael Rienti, Carissa Rosato, Pritesh Shah, Stephanie Slingerland, Joshua Stumbaugh, Andrea Wilsey, Alison Zaloga and Louis

Tenth-grade high honor roll

Harold Babcock-Ellis, Kimberly Brown, Sarah Burke, Amanda Carrk, Aja Case, Tina Conners, Katerina Fagan, Jesse Felter, Beth Filkins, Kathleen Finnigan, Casey Firstiun, Amanda Gager, Megan Gorham, Sean Haught, Stefanie Hostetter, Joshua Houle, Bethany Kriss, James Latter, Brian Lichorowiec, April Matott, Kathryn McDonald, Laura Michael McGraw, Nicholson, Nathan Orsi, Maria Orsino, Bradford Palmer, Johnathan Parker, Brandon Roth, Allysa Sebert, Carrie Siy, Robert Thompson, Cori Tise, Brandy VanDorn and Catherine Wilsey.

Eleventh-grade high honor roll

Jeffrey Andritz, Matthew Collins, Crystal Conrad, Cara Davis, Heather Doyle, Courtney Endres, Christina Fahrenkopf, Michael Fernald, Christopher Glassanos, Benjamin Hafensteiner, Michael Hamilton, Christine Hardisty, Michael Lintner, Nancy McClumpha, John McNeilly, Richard Nestlen, Rebecca Ostrander, Sarah Pascale, Jason Reuter, Smita Shah, Samantha Skiff, Laura Trombley, Jamie Wagner, Emily Whalen, Rebecca Whipple and Paul Yackel.

Twelfth-grade high honor roll

Judith Beachler, Christopher Brown, Krysta Domery, Johnny Edick, Elyse Griffith, Crystal Hotaling, Emily Janssen, Jennifer Jones, Tammy Jordan, Timothy LeBlanc, Andrea Myers, Justin Parmalee, Kathleen Roark and Meredith Wyche.

Ice cream social set for July 22

The Ravena Hose Co. auxiliary will sponsor an Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, July 22, at 6 p.m. at the Ravena firehouse. Everyone in the community is invited to at-

Country band sets concert

The country band Crooked Creek will perform a free concert at the Coeymans Landing gazebo on Thursday, July 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. The program is for all ages.

Summer program offered

The town of Coeymans summer activity program is underway. Tennis facilities are available at both Joralemon Park (daytime only) and Mosher Park (lighted).

Free golf instruction for boys and girls ages 8 to 15 has started at NEWS NOTES Selkirk South Bethiehem Linda Marshall *756-3520*

Sycamore Country Club. It continues through Aug. 7.

Basketball workshops are offered Monday through Friday. Girls and boys ages 8 to 13 play from 9 to 10:15 a.m. at the middle school. Ages 14 to 18 play from 10:30 to 11:30 at the high school.

There is also a girls basketball workshop from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the high school for 14 to 18year-olds.



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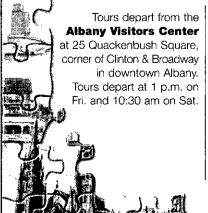
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New park name honors founder

By Katherine McCarthy

The intermediate field at Tri-Village Little League's Magee Park has a new name, honoring one of its founding members, the late James Marotta.

"Jim was one of the beginning members," Marotta's widow, Clara, said. "He did a lot of the surveying and drawing for the fields, then he was down there every Saturday and Sunday. Even after our son was finished playing, Jim still stayed involved.

"Ade" Arnold was a contemporary of Marotta's, who spoke about the early years of Little League in Bethlehem.

"The league started in 1953," said Arnold, who was one of the founding members. "We approached Magee, who owned the field, and we rented it for \$1 the first year. We cleared it of trees, rocks and stumps, and made the ball fields. The next year, we bought it, on the condition that if we were to sell it, it would go back to Magee, so that it could stay a Little League field.'

After helping to establish the league, Marotta served as president in 1955 and '56. "Jim was a good president," said Arnold, who is still a league commissioner. "He didn't put up with any guff. I was very happy to see the field dedi-He put in a lot of hours at the park."

John Fisher is currently president of Tri-Village Little League, and first learned about Marotta's contribution to the park after Marotta died.

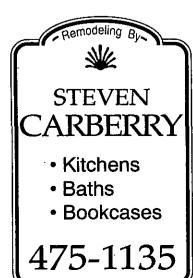
With our changing board, people don't always know too much about their predecessors,' Fisher said. "Col. Marotta passed away in 1996, and we started getting donations in his name. We learned that he was one of the early forces of the Tri-Village Little League, and behind purchasing property for the fields."

Fisher said the donations in Marotta's name were the first memorial donations the league had ever received. To honor him, the league decided to name the field for Marotta and hold a special ceremony on opening day.

"I requested the donations to the park," Clara Marotta said. "That's the way Jim would have

In the 1970s, the Marottas made another bittersweet donation to Magee Park, when they planted trees in memory of their son Joseph, the reason Marotta became involved in Little League.

"Joseph died of a massive aneu-





James Marotta

rysm at the age of 24," Clara Marotta said. "I'm glad we did so much with Little League. My son enjoyed every game, and he didn't live very long.

Like the soccer and baseball moms of today, Clara Marotta spent her fair share of time at Magee Park. "I helped out at the refreshment stand," she said. "One weekend, Jim had gone to the park to put up signs for the game, and came back to get me. 'I just need you to help me put up a sign,' he

The Marottas also have a daughter, Rosemary. The park's dedication turned into a family reunion for the Marotta family. "Jim's brother even came back from California," Clara said.

"It was great to meet so many family members," Fisher said, and to talk to the people who knew him.'

Marotta's hard work for Tri-Village Little League was typical of how he lived his life. From 1929

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until he received a bachelor's degree from Union College in 1936. Marotta worked summers maintaining tracks and switches for the New York Central Railroad. He worked full time for the railroad until he enlisted in the Army in 1942, returning to it again in 1946. In 1950, he was called back to active duty and assigned to the Selective Service System, staying there for 23 years.

"Jim retired from the Army one day," Clara Marotta said, "and went to work for the state the following Monday." In March of 1984, Marotta retired as the land resources manager with the Office of General Services' bureau of land management.

Marotta has kept photographs and other mementos of herhusband's life, and was pleased to see the Little League field dedicated to him.

"It was very nice of them to do," she said. "It's nice that they didn't

Garden club to present flower show in August

The Men's Garden Club of Albany will hold a Flower and Vegetable Show on Saturday, Aug. 8, at Cornell Cooperative Extension's Rice Center on Martin Road in Voorheesville.

The show is open to all amateurs, men and women, who want to exhibit. It will have classes for garden flowers, house plants, vegetables and artistic arrangements.

Entries may be placed between 8 and 10 a.m. Aug. 8. Judging will start at 10 a.m. and the show will be open to the public from 1 to 3 p.m. All exhibits must be removed between 3 and 3:30 p.m.

There is no entrance fee and prior registration is not required. Individuals new to this type of event will receive help from experienced amateur exhibitors and members of the Men's Garden Club of Albany.

Judging will be done according to the Gardeners of America/Men's Garden Clubs of America Judging Manual.

Certified judges will conduct a seminar on how to exhibit flowers and vegetables for competition on Thursday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the Center for the Disabled at 314 South Manning Blvd. in Albany.

For information and show schedules, call Wallace Dillenbeck at 372-2618, Joseph Huth at 765-4186 or Charles Ireland at 237-

Feura Bush man joins C.T. Male as environmental geologist

joined C.T. Male Associates as a geologist in the environmental services division.

He is currently on assignment in West Virginia as environmental inspector for a 15-mile natural gas pipeline project.

Before joining C.T. Male Associates he was a lab technician at SciLab in Latham.

Toth has a bachelor's degree in

Brian Toth of Feura Bush has biology from Wheaton College in Illinois and is completing a master's degree in hydrogeology at Syracuse University.

C.T. Male Associates is a full service consulting firm offering building systems, engineering, environmental and land information services. The firm's headquarters is located in Latham withbranch offices in Gloversville and Syracuse.

Extension honors RCS interns

Cornell Cooperative Extension's government intern program recently recognized Elyse Griffin and Rebecca Marshall of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School and Joshua Benedict and Regan Burns of Clayton A. Bouton High School.

The program is open to high school juniors and seniors attending schools in Albany County.

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Students are required to complete an independent project on an aspect of county government. They receive school credit for the pro-

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Matters of Opinion

Embrace thine age

Let me embrace thine age, whose honour cannot be measured or confined ...

Shakespeare's says Prospero in the The Tem-

Editorials

At least two senior citi-

zens in this week's special supplement have truly embraced the adventure of living life to the fullest despite the fact they are both chronologically old enough to fall under the dubiously named senior citizen umbrella.

Dan Button's Point of View and Ruth McDowell's reflections in the supplement indicate the richness and promise of life for those who have reached whatever age the government or AARP decides people qualify for "senior citizendom."

For Button and his friends and neighbors, every day brings more challenges and more to do. Life need not be for the 60, 70 and 80 somethings — a mere litary of loneliness, with nothing to talk about but ailments and nothing to do but visit doctors. It can be and is still vital and exciting - and fun. Ruth McDowell's vignettes of what she especially enjoys clearly proves that.

Perhaps it's time to rethink some of our preconceived notions about what growing old is all about. One thing that might help immensely would be to do away with the arbitrary age cutoff points that lump people of certain age groups into categories.

In this week's supplement and daily throughout our towns, we encounter active, engaged seniors who are still making a contribution to their communities and still having fun.

Name that team

The age of political correctness has reached a new low. The state Department of Education, in its infinite wisdom, apparently at the behest of no one other than the education commissioner - will conduct a study on high school mascot names. Enough is enough. Likely what they'll end up doing is once again wiping out the American Indian, this time from team names.

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk with numerous championships to its credit and a community that proudly supports its "Indians" will likely have to think of something to rename its teams. But the new name will also have to be something that won't offend any group or person. Now there's a job for a state agency expert.

Let's see: RCS teams could become the Bulls -- no animal rights activists would go on a tear over that one. How about the Rams? Of course not, too violent. Or the Dodgers—too cowardly—kids must have self esteem. Or the Yankees — too WASPy.

Good luck RCS - who knows what your teams will $ultimately \, be \, called? \, One \, thing's \, for \, sure \, \textcolor{red}{--it} \, will \, fulfill \, the \,$ unwritten 11th commandment: Thou shalt be politically

Good news for Van Allen

Although CMI's assistive living proposal in Delmar is still up in the air, the American Housing Foundation's Van Allen senior housing proposal for a Selkirk site got a boost last week when the state Division of Housing and Community Renewal approved a \$2.5 million grant, which allows the project to move forward.

The need for adequate senior housing is critical and will only get worse. Towns must begin to be more pro-active in support of proposals that will help to fill this need so that seniors will not be forced out of the communities where they want to stay.

Van Allen should be an easy call for the Bethlehem planning board because the site is on vacant land and since it was introduced, there has been no outcry from disgruntled neighbors.

This is too important an issue to succumb to NIMBYism.

The best is yet to come ... Isn't it?

By Daniel E. Button

The writer, who lives with his wife, Rena, and Daisy Mae in a red condominium, is a proudly lapsed member of AARP.

Seems like only yesterday — in fact, now that I think of it, it was only yesterday — that I was on the phone with my sister and she was

quoting a very apt comment made by Ossie Davis about us "old folks": "The aged are not necessarily wise, but chances are they are wiser than the young. To have experi-

ence means that you have lived through things."

I liked that, but doesn't it promptly raise a really big ques-

Who are "the aged?" This surely is a transient population crying out for definition (that is, if anyone other than its inhabitants really care). Demographics and genealogy demonstrate the shifting nature of what people now perceive to be "aged" or even "elderly."

Public health policies and individual health habits have changed the basis for calculations and assumptions. One of my own grandfathers died at 34, the other at 66. Neither ever accumulated enough chronological years to be considered "old," but at 66 Grandpa was old in the sense of being worn out. My parents made it to 80 but I've already raced past their landmark and my sister is several years older yet—but "aged"? Not on your life!

Our dear good neighbor at 86 or maybe a bit more, the years go by so rapidly — takes pride in keeping up, including her piano lessons and tireless hours of practice. A friend at 87 supervises a thriving business enterprise and fills in his spare time with huge dogood community efforts.

Point of View

Pardon me if all this sounds patronizing, for I do recognize that they still have a distance to go and much yet to accomplish. Nor are they exceptions.

Many among "the aged" continue to march ahead, showing the way to the rest of us. In days to come, the benchmark for being branded as old, elderly or aged will be recognized as another mistaken efforts to limit our capacity and our capability of contributing significantly to life. I'm gainfully employed - every day - and grateful for the opportunity.

Dick Ahlstrom, until very recently publisher of The Spotlight, was another employer who disregarded false barriers of age. We need much more awareness by individuals that there can be a better closing chapter than golf, bus excursions and baby-sitting. Employers should become increasingly aware that they can count on people who "have lived through things," as Ossie Davis

Al Abrams, in his 80s, said, "At our age, we have the luxury of laughing at reality." And, he added, "the chutzpa to tell the truth."

You may have encountered the expression, "Old age is not for sissies." There's a lot to that, but I'd be happier if it went something like this - "Advancing years create challenges to be met, sometimes, several times a day.'

I asked a few friends recently for their ideas about the advantages of having, ahem, acquired experience. Some of their thoughts were on the light side, to say the least: "You don't have to deal with acne anymore. You don't need to worry about an unexpected pregnancy. You don't have to make career decisions."

But they also reminded me:

"You don't have to worry about a lot of things. There's less stress concerning much of life. You have finally gained perspective. Striving is for someone else. The same for competitiveness."

And I admired some other solid observations: "Now you have time to really be a friend. You have the benefit of those friendships that have survived."

Bob Herman, as I should have expected, provided the light touch: "Saying you forgot is enough of an excuse. When you talk, people can call it or al history. You have plenty of time to write letters to the editor. Your class reunions are less crowded than they used to be, Your grandchildren are impressed with some of the things you can remember - really old-time things such as when there wasn't any TV or VCR or cable."

And one that must have been really heartfelt for Bob: "You can tell your friends the same jokes over and over and over again!"

Memories are one of the great things about "having experience." Such as the days when the President of the United States was remote, reserved and respected. When boys removed their caps at the table and in places such as libraries. When newspapers employed titles of respect such as Mrs. and didn't call everyone, from mature women and babies to bishops, only by their surname. But enough! — this is not a gripe fest!

I guess you'd have to call me a subscriber to Browning's "The best is yet to be" and the idea that the earlier part of a life is preparation for the latter. If, that is, we permit it to become so.

I've saved a final line of Ossie Davis'quote for last. After his reference to having had experience end "lived through things," he then added, "And this is why I feel that the world needs us now as it has never needed us before!"

Comforting to think so, isn't it?

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Critic's remarks were false, irresponsible

Editor, The Spotlight:

This is in response to the letter from Linda Anne Burtis published in last week's edition of The Spotlight. Quite honestly, I have grown tired of Linda's constant, albeit unfounded, accusations and innuendo about the way Bethlehem town government functions under my leadership. She seems to thrive on the notion that she can speak up and say anything she pleases and never be held accountable. It's time she's called to task.

Her suggestion that Bethlehem does not have open government and that my actions are controlled by "someone who pulls the strings behind closed doors" is an insult and a personal affront to my integrity. I challenge Ms. Burtis to demonstrate any instance when my judgment or actions over my 20 years of public service have ever been dictated, or in any way influenced by so-called string-pullers.

Nor is her attack on the integrity of my fellow town board members any less egregious. Apparently she feels their failure to agree with her means they are as she puts it "al-

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ways in lock step." I can only remind her of the old military joke" "Look mom, everyone's out of step but me."

My bottom line is this - I have chosen to be involved in town government. I try to do the best job possible. I expect that there will be those who disagree with positions I might take. That goes with the territory for anyone who has responsibility to make deci-

But I don't expect or appreciate haphazard, irresponsible and politically motivated slaps at my honesty or motivation in making those decisions.

Maybe it's time for Ms. Burtis to show some responsibility.

Sheila Fuller

Bethlehem town supervisor

Board member takes offense

Editor, The Spotlight:

The July 8 letter to the editor written by Linda Burtis would be humorous if the subject were not so serious. Bethlehem town government could not be more open.

Itake Ms. Burtis' comments as a personal insult because she implies that someone pulls my strings. I look back on a very successful 42-year career as a business manager. I am capable of making my own decisions and being accountable for them. One of the distinct pleasures of serving on the Bethlehem town board is the leadership displayed by Supervisor Sheila Fuller, but in no way does she influence independent research and final decisions.

In my tenure as a board member, I have worked very hard to represent all residents and do what is best for all. I do not appreciate the attack on my personal reputation. It is not deserved.

We can always disagree on any subject. That is part of the process, but let's keep the dirty politics out of this. Bethlehem deserves better.

> Robert C. Johnson Bethlehem town councilman

Boosters are appreciative

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the student athletes of Voorheesville High School and their families, the Booster Club would like to express its appreciation to the entire community for its enthusiastic support during this past year.

A special thanks goes out to all of those businesses whose generosity has played a vital role in the success of our efforts.

Be sure to look for our yearly school events calendar available in September, as well as the new banners honoring our various team accomplishment, which will be unveiled in the gym this fall.

We extend an invitation to all interested parties to participate with us and help us provide with our children and our community.

> Laura Reid Voorheesville

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Writer's virulent attack was shocking

Editor, Thé Spotlight:

I was shocked by the virulent personal attacks Linda Burtis made in her July 8 letter to the editor. Her attacks represent a radical departure from the civility that citizens of the town of Bethlehem expect.

Her statements that "Bethlehem does not have open government" and "Someone pulls strings behind closed doors and the board members ... all behave like puppets" are absolutely unwarranted and untrue. Her vicious attack on my integrity and character, as well as that of Sheila Fuller, George Lenhardt and Bob Johnson, is cruel and unfair.

In the four and one-half years that I have served as a town board member (and previously in the three years as planning board member), my decisions on a broad Letters

range of issues have been mine and mine alone. No decision has ever been made for me by anyone else — on water or any other issue.

I have worked very hard and have made every effort to represent my community and constituency as fairly, honestly and, yes, as openly as I know how. My decisions have consistently been based on what I believed best for the residents of the town, and I am proud of my actions and my record as a member of our town government.

Shame on Ms. Burtis for her offensive words and behavior! Her standard of decency is inappropriate. I am confident, however, that the residents of our community can see through the mean-spirited and

despicable tactics she has used to malign me and three other honorable and honest representatives of our town. None of us deserves what she has said and

I encourage everyone to attend town board meetings and hear first-hand just how open and honest Sheila, George, Bob and I are in our discussions and actions.

Doris Davis
Bethlehem town councilwoman

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Editor, The Spotlight: the article — 'and she

As the newly elected president of Bethlehem Central United Employees Association (BCUEA), I read with great interest the article regarding our new transportation supervisor Ms. Nancy Westcott. The last paragraph stated that Ms. Westcott's most important objective is to make it clear "bus drivers are a part of the system," and she plans to encourage them to get more involved in the community.

Yes, bus drivers are a part of the system, and that is a very important message. Our association, which represents the bus drivers, as well as the other educational support staff, has been repeating this message to our board of education with little result for the last two years since we've been trying to negotiate a contract.

What I can't seem to comprehend is the statement at the end of

the article — 'and she plans to encourage them to get more involved in the community.' In her brief meeting with the bus drivers, Ms. Westcott could not possibly have discovered at what level they are involved in the community. As I read this sentence over and over, I tried to understand why this statement was made. It gives the impression that the bus drivers are not involved in the community that they live in.

What I want to clarify is that most all of the district's bus drivers live in the district. In fact, 90 percent of our association's members live in the district. A large percentage of the bus drivers are firefighters and ambulance drivers, and many are also involved in Little League, Pop Warner, soccer and the Booster Club.

During the past year, the bus drivers as a group processed an application for the Adopt-a-Highway program. For many years, the BCUEA has provided college scholarships for our seniors. During the coming year we plan to have a bowl-a-thon for Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Bus drivers are people with interesting backgrounds and with a multitude of talent and experience. They are hard-working individuals with busy lives who still take time our to give to others.

They are individuals who in spite of not receiving a raise for two years, are still delivering the same quality of service that is expected of them.

Perhaps Ms. Westcott's statement was taken out of context. I hope this is the case, because to make a quick assumption about a group of individuals without any knowledge to verify it is very unprofessional. As it is, the support staff employees are feeling very demoralized

We are tired of the ever-widening gap between the support staff and the others employed by the district (many of whom do not live in the district), and we don't feel we need lessons in patronage.

Kathy Gill
BCUEA president



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BC teacher disillusioned Senior pranks are not comparable

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a Bethlehem Central High School class of 1960 graduate, and as a teacher with a doctorate, and a substitute teacher at BCHS, it saddens me to see what has happened to the Bethlehem school system. The teachers are fearful and/or disenchanted. The parents do not discipline or assist in training their children and the administration of the system apparently doesn't give a damn.

There were four incidents at the high school this spring that all should have resulted in major disciplinary action. In all the incidents, the parents whined, but in only one -the "senior prank" -- was action sufficient to the cause really taken.

I'm tired of going into a school and seeing students asleep/ drugged at desks and afraid to discuss things, unprepared and faculty or administrators unable to tell Letters

me how to conduct myself in this morass. (And I thought Newport-Harbor High School in California was bad).

No wonder some faculty friends of mine from the '50s and '60s and a board member and former principal took early retirement in the '80s rather than deal with drugs and indifferent parents.

Without parental discipline, a school system is nothing, nothing. It exists because you, as parents, instill discipline in your children, and they internalize that and pursue their lives - not as robots, but as thinking, effective men and women.

> Dean Hartley Albany.

Editor, The Spotlight:

As most people of this community, I was surprised by the actions that occurred in the last few weeks — those of the 17 BCHS students as well as the administra-

However, this letter is in response to those like Ian Morgan who feel they can compare the latest prank to the one in 1996. I feel qualified to speak on this issue not only because I am a member of the class of 1996 but because I was the sole creator and organizer of that prank. In no way can the two events be compared.

The latest prank was complete vandalism whereas our prank resulted in no damage or human injury. Any messes that were made (the sand used to create a beach on the blacktop) were cleaned up. I, along with a handful of others, removed the sand with shovels the very next morning. We also cleaned the front parking lot of all other trash.

In response to the alcohol and marijuana smoking, there was a keg that was brought onto school grounds, unbeknownst to me and school officials. But it was promptly removed from the students' possession by a faculty aide who supervised us for the entire school day. As far as any and all drug use that occurred, what really happened was that a fellow classmate flashed some drug paraphernalia and was immediately sus-

The administration did not ignore the illegal substances but, in fact, took proper disciplinary action. It is true that a number of students skipped classes that day, but many did go in to attend select

The reason more students weren't punished was that instead of having only 17 students to handle, the administration faced an entire class of 400-plus students. Our prank also occurred earlier in the school year, which is why we were all able to attend graduation.

I am hurt at the negative publicity my class' prank received two years ago and is still receiving today. At the time, the media weren't concerned with the facts,

but with the brief presence of alcohol and a marijuana pipe. Any attempts to explain our motives fell upon deaf ears. They had missed the truth, which was for the first time in our high school careers we came together not as a "collection of students" but as a class. Sadly, the only thing the 1998 prank managed to do was to alienate the student body and to divide a com-

> Erin Sellnow Delmar

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BCHS parents can take pride

Editor, The Spotlight:

For the second time in three years, I was at Bethlehem Central High School graduation.

I saw young people having fun and enjoying their big night while acting responsibly and with proper gratitude and respect to the adults who worked to put it on, and those who were chaperones - except appropriately, when coach DeMeo tried to sing.

In the midst of what must have been turmoil for some, I saw former

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Supports senior housing Writer worries about spot zoning

Editor, The Spotlight:

We are in support of the proposal to build a senior housing facility near the town library for several useful reason: Senior citizen volunteers can be a useful resource in planning community-library projects.

Local seniors can be useful in maintenance of a library intramural atmosphere.

Senior volunteers may provide convenient assistance in reading services for children and computer operations. As Floyd Brewer stresses the building's architecture should fit in with neighborhood buildings.

Ross Gutman

Delmar

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Letters My wife and I have spent much

of our 11 years in Bethlehem defending the simple notion that a residential neighborhood should stay that way. When we moved here in 1987, we lived out on North Street. It wasn't long before the town attempted to expand its use of a neighbor's illegal dump. A few months later, a HUD-funded multi-unit low income housing development for senior citizens be built on North Street. The density was too great

for the existing residential zoning so the town created a special senior citizen zoning category. In 1990, we purchased a house on Borthwick Avenue, with the thought that because our new neighborhood was older and established, that no drastic alterations could surprise us. Wrong again! Last winter the public library proposed to purchase our next-door neighbor's house, demolish it and pave it as an exten-

Editor, The Spotlight:

Now we are faced with another proposal that seeks to drastically alter the character of our

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sion and exit for its parking lot.

Fortunately, this imprudent

project also went away.

neighborhood: the CMI senior assistive living proposal. This facility is so huge that the senior housing zone does not even provide for enough density for it; it falls under the Planned Commercial District zone.

Why do these kinds of changes keep following my wife and I wherever we live? Are we simply cursed? When one looks at other neighborhoods in Bethlehem the answer is no; this is a consistent and pervasive problem. These problems happen because in many cases our town board changes the zoning, sometimes legally and as with the proposed Rural Place deli — sometimes illegally. Why didn't the Town turn down the CMI proposal in May 1997 because the site was not zoned properly and let CMI select another site? It was a no-brainer!

But the town board allowed it to proceed for over a year, inching through the planning process. What a colossal waste of tim for the people from CMI! Either the CMI people are incredibly naive, or they have been led to believe

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that the zoning change will happen. Even if the zoning change is approved, this thing is not over. CMI will have to wait for the courts to decide whether this spot zoning change is legal or not. And based on the town's recent court record, CMI should not hold its breath. Yet if CMI throws in the towel, there goes another potential business in town.

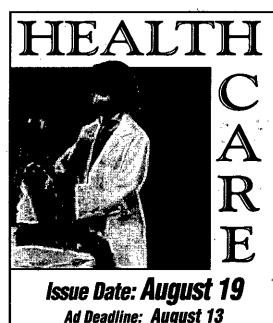
I say that it is high time someone take a leadership role in attracting and keeping small businesses in this community. The first step should be to level the playing field for all businesses, and that includes a consistent adherence to our zoning codes. The second step is to accommodate those businesses that are good for our community by not wasting their time dickering about the size of their parking lots. There are plenty of commercial parcels in town. If the cost of these parcels truly is prohibitive, the town could lower the assessment for 3-5 years, as was done for Picotte Brothers at the Blue Cross-Blue Shield building.

I am proud of those citizens from outside our immediate neighborhood who came and spoke against this proposal; especially the older ones. I was told by one of the supporters at the July 8 meeting that it is difficult for senior citizens to attend and speak at public meetings. Imagine how difficult it was for those seniors who not only spoke but spoke against this proposal. It is these people and the kind of people who voted against the library parking scheme, and those people on Rural Place who kept going back to court to defeat their own town government's appeals, that allows my wife and I to keep the faith that someday, we will feel safe that our neighbor's backyard will be similar to our own.

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Cool kids will be watching movies at the library on Thursday at 2 p.m. This week three short films starring Wishbone, Amos Mouse and Donald Duck will be featured. Bring your own juice box, and we'll supply the popcorn.

Who Killed Olive Souffle? is the

subject for the first session of Track Down a Mystery book discussion group which will meet with Joyce Laiosa on Thursday, July 16, at 7 p.m. If you are in grade six through eight and would like to attend, pick up a free copy of the next book, *The Wrestling Game* by Ellen Raskin, to read before the August meeting.

An outer space adventure should lure you to Fly Me to the Moon at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22. Wear your jammies and hear Laiosa read some books before bed.

Let our reference librarians intorduce you to the Internet on Tuesday, July 21. A 7 p.m. workshop is planned for those who have little or no experience using the Internet. You can get the basics on providers, browsers, e-mail and the World Wide Web. Call 765-2791 to sign up.

If you didn't receive a copy of the summer "Bookworm" in the mail, ask to be added to our mailing list or pick up a copy at the library.

Barbara Vink

Exchange program seeks host families

The SHARE! Program still needs volunteer host families in the Delmar area to provide a bed, meals and a loving home to high school students arriving in August from more than 28 countries including Germany, Japan, Brazil, China and Poland.

The students, all between the ages of 15 and 18, are participating in the cross-cultural exchange to learn about America and share their own customs and culture. They will stay in America for five to 10 months.

The students are screened both in their home country and by the SHARE! program for academic excellence and English proficiency. They are fully insured and responsible for their own spending money.

For information, contact the SHARE! national office at 1-800-321-3738.

Fireman wins EMS rodeo

Mark Fusco of the Slingerlands Fire Department recently demonstrated his skill in driving a fire truck at the first annual Emergency Vehicle Rodeo at the New York State Fire Chiefs' Conference in Syracuse.

The conference featured demonstrations of fire and rescue equipment and other activities.

The fire apparatus rodeo was sponsored by Emergency Services Insurance Program (ESIP), one of the nation's largest providers of insurance and loss control products to emergency service organizations.

The rodeo is used to test driver's skills and ability to safely handle heavy fire trucks.

Fusco took first place by maneuvering a custom built pumper through a predetermined obstacle course in the fastest time.

The road course involved driving the 29-foot long fire truck

around a set of four cones and then backing through the same

Next he steered the fire truck though an alley exercise, designed to test the drivers ability to position a vehicle between two buildings that aren't perfectly aligned.

He then had to stop the truck as close to a designated line as possible. A measurement was taken to determine how far the front bumper was from the line.

On the last exercise, Fusco backed the fire engine up to a set of obstacles that simulated a loading dock.

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The performance begins at 7:30 p.m and admission is free. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. The concert will be held indoors in case of rain.

Bethlehem public library recently announced its youth services lineup for July. The first event is a children's writing workshop

The library's summer concert for kids in third-grade and up. It takes place Friday, July 17, at 9:30

> The next event is Bees Buzz, presented for toddlers, which takes place at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 18, and Monday, July 20. Also on July 20 are the programs "Thread Your Way Through Summer," for ages 8 to 10, which starts at 1:30 p.m., and bedtime story hour, for ages 3 to 6, at 7 p.m.

> On Tuesday, July 21; "Thread Your Way Through Summer" will be presented again at 1:30 p.m., and the craft club, for grade schoolaged children, starts at 4 p.m.

> Call youth services at 439-9314 for information and to register.

If you're trying to figure out which books to read this summer, reference librarian Maureen Worden has a pair of suggestions.

Arranged Marriage: Stories by



Mixed Company, which features (from left) Stan Mika, Diane Geddes, Paul Caimano, Tora Giaquinto and Cathy Olsen, will perform at Bethlehem Public Library, beginning at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Admission is free.

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The Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club has scheduled its fourth annual Indian Ladder Run for Sunday, July 19, at Thacher Park in New Scotland.

Races will follow footpaths and ski trails through the park. The 5K race starts at 9 a.m. and the 15K race at 11 a.m.

Runners can register for either race at the Glen Doone picnic area 30 minutes before the starting time. The entry fee is \$12 for club members and \$15 for nonmembers. For information, call 872-

Puppets to perform at library tonight

The Poppy Doodle Puppets will open Voorheesville Public Library's Together at Twilight series tonight, July 15, at 7 p.m.

Programs are on the library lawn, weather permitting. Bring a blanket or chair and bug spray. The performances are free of charge thanks to Friends of the

Workshop schedules open house Thursday

Open house for Heldeberg Workshop's first session is Thursday, July 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. All members of the community are welcome to attend. Heldeberg Workshop is on Picard Road.

The workshop's second session runs from July 20 to 31. Open house is on Thursday, July 30, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The next family program is an Iroquois song and dance workshop with Seneca singer Michelle "Midge" Dean Stock on Thursday, July 23, at 6:45 p.m.

Participants will learn the round dance and women's shuffle dance and be treated to a story or two.



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Stock is an accomplished beadworker and basketmaker as well as performer.

Evening programs cost \$5 per family. Call ahead to register at 765-2777. Remember to bring your own seating and bug spray.

Thacher Park offers wildflower walk

Naturalist Ruth Schottman will lead a midsummer wildflower walk at John Boyd Thacher State Park on Saturday, July 18, at 2 p.m.

Call ahead for exact location. The free program is dependent on the weather. For information and to register, call 872-1237.

From 6 to 9 p.m. that evening, there will be live music at the park overlook with folk musician Mark Tomaso. A chicken barbecue will be available from 4 to 7 p.m.

Church to hold vacation Bible school

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church on Route 155 will offer a vacation Bible school for children Monday through Friday, July 20 to 24, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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Village program

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pate if accompanied by an adult.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays there are theme related games, crafts and snacks.

ter, call 765-3390 or 765-3259.

Cornell Cooperative Extension will conduct a soil test clinic on Saturday, July 18, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rice Center on Mar-

hand to answer questions and diagnose problems. Soil testing costs \$1, subsequent samples are

tion gardens on the property.

culture office at 765-3500.

offers arts and crafts

It's Mardi Gras week at the village park arts and crafts program. Children will decorate shoe laces and sunglasses, make paper bag pins, masks and party horns. They will also make edible necklaces

Younger children can partici-

Thursdays are open craft days, where children can choose what they want to make. Next week's theme is birds and butterflies.

Voorheesville Public Library's youth services librarian Joyce Laoisa conducts a special story time for the park program on Thursdays at 11 a.m.

Baron wins award from fire department

Matthew Baron, a 1998 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School, is the winner of the fire department's annual community service award.

The award is given to a graduating senior who has demonstrated commitment to volunteering in the community and is pursuing continuing education.

Baron will attend Notre Dame University in September.

Delmar fireman elected to post

Gerald Day of the Delmar Fire District was elected first vice president at the 109th annual convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association.

The Hudson Valley VFA is the largest sectional firemen's association in New York. It represents 500 fire companies and departments with membership in excess of 32.000 volunteer firemen and women.

Zoning board schedules meeting

Bethlehem's zoning board of appeals will hold a meeting on the applications of Mary Ann Micheri, 27 Oldox Road, Delmar, and Bernard and Dawne McHugh, 22 Gladwish Road, Delmar tonight, July 15, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall at 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

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The Bethlehem Mickey Mantle baseball team won all three games last week making their record 10-

On Sunday, July 12, the team defeated Watervliet, 15-3. Watervliet led the competition, 2-0, until the fourth inning when Bethlehem scored six runs, making the score 6-2.

Seth Shuket was the winning

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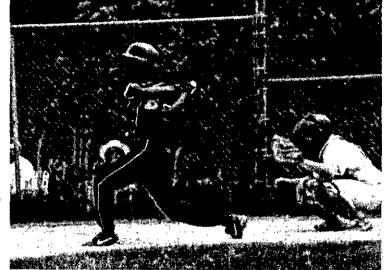
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pitcher. He allowed five hits and three runs. Josh Burnett pitched the seventh inning striking out three.

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Rvan Sweeney of Bethlehem Mickey Mantle takes a swing during the Saturday, July 12, game at Bethlehem High School.

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two runs, while Chuck Abba had three runs, one single and drove two runs. Burnett walked, had a single, two runs and drove in two

The day before, the team defeated Chatham, 5-3. Coach Jesse Braverman said this was an important game for both teams because of their close records, Chatham 9-4 and Bethlehem 8-4.

Relief pitcher Lucas Parks allowed two hits, walked two and struck out five during the last four

Pat Davis had a two-run single, and Tim Rice had a single, while Chris Sherin had a triple in the fifth. A ground ball by Sweeney gave the team its winning run.

Earlier in the week Bethlehem played Halfmoon, winning 5-1. Ryan Venter pitched the entire game allowing four hits, striking out 10 and walking one.

Dan Cocezza had one run, Shuket had a single, two RBI, and he sacrificed a fly ball. Brian Rowan had two singles, and Sweeney had a single, a double and an RBI.

Local athletes need support

Recently, three Bethlehem softball athletes competed in the AFA National Qualifiers in Binghamton. Along with the rest of the Capital District Lightning team, they won this tourna-

Kim Comtois, Carrie Clement and Robyn Smith are now qualified for a week long tournament in Kansas, July 29 to Aug. 3.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the players who want to play softball in college.

They are asking for support from community members to help pay for the trip. For information or to make a donation, call 439-6332.

Soccer camp set

Voorheesville soccer camp is slated for the week of Aug. 10 to 14 for players in fifth- to ninth-grade. Camp will be held at the Voorheesville high school fields.

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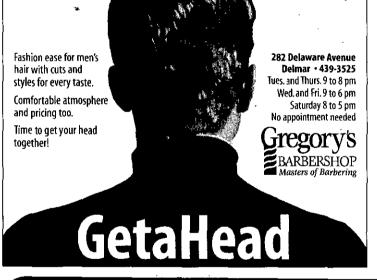
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Social Security is more than

Selling the 'empty nest'

By Bill Fonda

People's homes usually increases in size throughout their adult lives --- from an apartment to a house and then often to a larger house as the family gets larger.

But what happens when the family stops growing and the children have all moved out?

Joan Gara, who manages Coldwell Banker Prime Properties at 433 Loudon Road in Loudonville, said she deals with an increasing number of senior citizens and retirees who are selling their homes and moving into senior housing facilities.

"They're just at a point where they don't want to have the maintenance and upkeep anymore. Senior housing offers some independence and convenience to senior citizens. It's not a nursing home setting," she said.

Bill Alston of Blackman & DeStefano, located at 231 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, said he has not seen a dramatic

increase in the number of seniors who are selling their homes, but that he has seen a shift in what people do after the

not only hard for seniors physically and financially, but emotionally as well.

ing a home to "spruce it up" is

"A lot of times it's quite

traumatic to do these things. Many times they've lived in a house for a number of years," he said.

While it may be emotionally

difficult for the seller, Alston said today's busy couples would rather walk away from a potential purchase than buy a house that needs to have the carpet ripped up, wallpaper torn down or new counters put in.

Gara recommended contacting an accountant before making a sale in order to learn the tax ramifications of a sale, as the laws changed last year.

People age 55 and over used to have a once-in-a-lifetime tax exclusion on \$125,000 of gain and were able to postpone paying taxes on the funds from the sale as long as they rolled the funds over into a new home costing at least as much as the selling price of the old home.

Now people of any age can receive a \$250,000 exclusion on the sale of a home (\$500,000 for married couples filing a joint return), but the seller will have to pay tax on any gain exceeding the exclusion.

The exemption only applies for people who lived in the home for at least two of the five years before the sale, but is allowed every two years.

a secure retirement plan By Martha A. McSteen

Social Security will provide retirement income and help with hospital and medical expenses when you reach retirement age, but Social Security is not just a retirement plan.

Social Security follows you through life, and if you take on the responsibility of a spouse and children, your Social Security protection grows apace

Social Security is a disability income program. If you have sufficient recent Social Security work credits and become too disabled to be gainfully employed, the program provides monthly cash benefits for you and your dependents. Benefits continue as long as you are unable to resume gainful employment. Medicare hospital and medical insurance benefits begin two years after cash disability benefits begin.

Social Security is a life insurance program. In 1993, the life insurance value of Social Security protection for dependents and survivors was greater than the value of all privately purchased life insurance in force at that time. If you die prematurely, Social Security will be there for your surviving spouse and dependent children. Cash benefits will be paid on behalf of each child through age 18 to 19 if the child is still in high school, and can be paid for life if a child is disabled before age 22.

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Guest Commentary

Unless a child is disabled, surviving spouse benefits cease when the youngest child reaches age 16, but can resume when a widow(er) is old enough to retire.

Finally, Social Security is a retirement program. When you reach retirement age, you and your retirement-aged spouse will be entitled to receive monthly retirement checks based on the earnings on which you paid Social Security FICA

Checks currently can begin at age 62 (60 for surviving spouse), but are reduced for each month the retiree is less and the than normal retirement age when benefits begin. Normal retirement age is now 65, but scheduled to gradually rise to 67 in the next century.

Social Security is designed to balance adequacy and equity. The higher your average lifetime earnings, the higher your monthly benefit. Nevertheless, if you are a low wage worker, you will receive a benefit which is greater in proportion to your pre-retirement Social Security earnings than an average earner who, in turn, will receive a proportionately greater benefit than a high

Martha A. McSteen is president of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, the nation's second largest senior advocacy

She spent 39 years with the Social Security Administration. rising from claims representative to acting Commissioner. As one of the ten original members of the Regional Medicare Administration, McSteen has an understanding of Medicare unique in the nation

We used to see them (senior citizens) trading down, but now they're going to assisted living or moving out of the area.

Bill Alston

"We used to see them trading down, but now they're going to assisted living or moving out of the area,"

he said.

Gara and Alston both provide all their clients with ways to make their homes more marketable, but find one particular situation common to many of their older clients.

"A lot of times what we see is that things need to be updated," Gara said.

According to Alston, updat-

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For seniors, volunteerism is more than just a pastime

By Peter Hanson

For many seniors, the best way to stay active is to help their peers. Becoming a volunteer provides a way to maintain contact with fellow seniors, keep busy and contribute to organizations that offer useful programs.

Mary Martinage is an 89year-old Delmar resident who has been active in volunteer programs since 1990. She works a handful of hours each week for a food pantry, and she's also part of the volunteer staff that organizes the schedule for her town's senior vans.

"In 1990, my husband had just died and I had to find something to occupy my time," she said. "He had been an invalid for about eight years and I had been caring for him, so I was left with nothing to do."

Martinage turned to the Town of Bethlehem's Senior Services Department, which coordinates about 250 volunteers a year. These volunteers, who range from high school students to seniors in their 90s, put in nearly 15,000 hours of community service last year in programs including senior van transportation, Meals on Wheels and outreach assistance.

Martinage began by helping with driving, but after several incapacitating falls, she had to give up her car and reduce her physical exertions. Now, she participates in weekly shopping trips through which monetary

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"The average we collect is about \$17 a week," she said. "Every Monday, one of the ladies (from the program) picks me up at 9 a.m. and we go to four markets to see what the bargains are. It's selective buying. We see what the pantry needs and we get it."

Martinage also helps during Senior Services' weekly lunches for, as she put it, "the frail, the elderly and the lonesome." As one of the hostesses at these lunches, Martinage said she tries to make patrons feel welcome. "I just sort of greet them all and mingle to make sure they're enjoying themselves," she said. "I read an inspirational message every week, but it's not like Grace or anything. Mostly, I just act friendly."

Martinage said participating in Senior Services programs got her back into the community after her husband died. Because he was housebound for

the last few years of his life, Martinage didn't leave the house very often. "You can't socialize any more (when caring for a loved one)," she said. "You really do lose all your friends. **Outside of Senior Services** (personnel), you're all alone."

But once she joined volunteer programs, it got her back into the swing of making acquaintances.

"I like the volunteer work because most of the people (I deal with) are pretty close to my age," she said. "They're nervous about asking for help, so it's good for them to call on the phone and talk to someone their

Joyce Becker, transportation coordinator of the Bethlehem" Senior Services department, said volunteers like Martinage help make the department's programs a success. She said about 30 people help with the food pantry every year, but that number doesn't include people like postal workers who collect food donations at their workplaces.

"Over 500 people are served by the food pantry every year," Becker said. "We were particularly busy in recent years with all the state layoffs. People were living a little closer to the edge."

Martinage said she's happy to help Senior Services because representatives from the department aided her during her husband's illness. "In all the years that my husband was sick, Senior Services was right behind me," she said. "I can never give them back as much as they did for me."

Another reason Martinage is glad to pitch in is because Delmar has been her home for more than half a century. Originally from Lawrence, Mass., near Boston, Martinage and her husband moved to the Capital District in 1935.

"My husband was a golf pro

and groundskeeper, but when the banks failed, that was the end of the country club," she said. "He didn't work for a while in the Depression, and in 1935, someone offered him a job out here. I left my whole family to move here with him."

Martinage found herself displaced again later in life because she outlived her husband and her siblings. Because so many of her loved ones are gone, it's been important for Martinage to develop a surrogate family of friends and fellow volunteers.

She said she loves her life now and a big reason for that is the support she and her friends get from programs like Senior Services. When she volunteers, it means more to her than just passing time — volunteering is a way of returning the kindness that's been extended to her.

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Elderhostel offers education, variety, camaraderie for seniors

By Katherine McCarthy

In the 1970s, a 50-something man named Marty Knowlton took a four-year tour of Europe, carrying only a backpack of bare essentials. He returned home impressed with the safe and inexpensive European youth hostels (actually open to people of all ages), and the folk schools of Scandinavia, where older adults handed down traditions like folk arts, music and dance to younger generations.

This experience led to the creation of Elderhostel, a learning program that combines inexpensive lodgings with stimulating classes on a wide variety of subjects.

In 1975, five colleges and universities offered the first Elderhostel program to 220 seniors. In 1997, 320,000 people participated in an Elderhostel program.

"We're expecting 350,000 participants this year," Elderhostel's public relations spokeswoman Cady Goldfield said. "People are retiring in better health and with more secure finances than ever before. Many want to continue the learning process, or experience new ideas, cultures and places. They want to keep their minds and bodies active and involved. Elderhostel lets them



Elderhostel participants discuss the events of the day on a New England college campus.

be adventuresome while having their basic needs taken care of."

Goldfield pointed out that taking care of body and soul needn't break the bank.

"In the U.S. and Canada," she said, "the cost of a program is about \$370 for 6 nights.

Transportation and airfare are not included, but accommodations, meals, daily classes, field trips, and often extra activities and social events are."

Overseas programs do

include airfare, and a two-week, all-inclusive fee is about \$2600.

Elderhostel accommodations vary, but Goldfield said the catalogs are detailed and give people a good idea of what to expect. "The accommodations are everything you can imagine," Goldfield said, "from a tent in the wilderness to a berth on a Greek caique. We also use hotel and motel rooms, conference centers and lodges. All facilities are clean and comfortable."

ollege campus.

Wally and B.J. Lornell of

Delmar, both in their mid-70s,

about opera in Baltimore, architecture in New York City, prostate cancer at the Mayo Clinic, toured ambassadors' homes in Washington, D.C., and been invited aboard houseboats on the Mississippi River.

B.J. Lornell said they usually combine Elderhostel trips with visits to family, friends, or new locations. The Lornells also tend to go to cities, which Elderhostel makes affordable and comfortable.

"Cities are costly and interesting," B.J. Lornell said.
"Elderhostel is a wonderful way financially to see a city. They provide the transportation, and they know about the good eating places."

"There are a lot of different people on the trips," Wally Lornell, who retired from the state Department of Education after working in the area of

People are retiring in better health and with more secure finances than ever before. They want to keep their minds and bodies active and involved. Elderhostel lets them be adventuresome while having their basic needs taken care of.

Cady Goldfield

have been on 38 Elderhostel trips since 1984. "We go by the programs," B.J. Lornell said. "The educational aspect is wonderful."

The Lornells have learned

pupil services, said of his fellow hostellers.

"I've noticed a lot of teachers, engineers, and doctors.
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A typical Elderhostel group is 20 - 40 participants, "Most programs are limited to 45 participants," Goldfield said, "although a program like the ship-board schooner will be as small as a dozen people."

B.J. Lornell said Elderhostel is an easy way for single people to travel. "I'd say about one-third of the people on the trips are single," she said, "and it's always very relaxed and friendly."

The Lornells have found that Elderhostel occasionally provides impromptu and unexpected reunions. "We joined a trip on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington," B.J. Lornell said, "and there was a couple we had known in Michigan already there. That was a nice surprise."

B.J. Lornell, who was a social worker in the Bethlehem entral school district, said that the reason they take Elderhostel trips is simple. "There's so much more to life than we've seen." The Lornells are currently perusing Elderhostel catalogues for a trip next January.

Elderhostel trips are open to people 55 and over, but those younger than 55 can accompany someone on a trip. On some programs, special needs can be met, and Elderhostel also has a service branch that offers tips for the volunteer-minded. The

only requirement seems to be interest in the world at large. "We had a 100-year-old woman come on a trip with her two daughters in their 70s," Goldfield said. "It was wonderful."

Elderhostel can be reached at 617-426-7788, or at www.elderhostel.org.

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Above, the new Loudonville Home for Adults. When founded, it was the first adult care facility in the Capital District.

providing those in need of assisted living with personal attention and medical support in a home-like setting."

One of the reflections of this personal attention is the food served at Loudonville Home. which Mike Levine describes as "only the best".

Cooking is a "generational thing," said David Twachtman, former executive sous chef at Jack's Oyster House in Albany and now chef at the Loudonville Home for Adults.

"Many of the people here grew up in the depression when certain foods were popular. Some favorites here are soup of any kind, chicken, turkey and

"When it is time for my generation to go to a home," the 29-year-old said, "I'm sure they'll be serving lots of pasta."

One of the favorites at the Loudonville Home is David's New England Pot Roast, served with Potato Pancakes.

New England pot roast (Makes about five servings)

Three pounds beef brisket, trimmed and cleaned

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Three cloves garlic Season brisket with salt and pepper. In a medium roasting

pan, sear beef in a little cooking

oil. Remove beef from pan. Place onion, carrot, celery and garlic in pan. After the vegetables have cooked down a bit, add one and one-third tablespoon tomato paste. Stir until the paste is almost burned. Add three quarters cup Burgundy wine and stir to de-

glaze the pan.

Cook down till a syrup-like consistency. Add two tablespoons flour. Cook several minutes, stirring.

Add one and one-third cups beef stock (can use bouillon). Bring to a simmer.

Add beef to liquid. Cover. Cook in a 350-degree oven until fork tender.

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By Ruth McDowell

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Piers are crowded with buses who have brought the senior set to the boat scene. Driving with friends is pleasant too because none of these nautical places is far from home. Many of us are members of the Steamship Historical Society which plans trips all summer. We get invited into the pilot house ...

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Neighbors on Oakwood Place, Delmar, have been holding impromptu cookouts for years. We call it the fireman technique. In the middle of the afternoon, if Mother Nature is kind, one person calls a few others to pick a rendezvous point and we gather with our own meat and a dish, salad or dessert to share. The hostess for the day sets up the table with condiments and an urn of coffee. Somehow extra delicacies always appear. We carry our own paper plates and cups so there's little work for anybody ...

One of our favorite gardens is Phil and Mary Johnston's. They entertained for an anniversary with small tables covered in rainbow shades. The garden was enhanced by lighted candles and Japanese lantems and the delightful sound of a waterfall amid a fairyland of flowers ...

You've heard the expression, "When life goes to pieces, try quilting." (At this stage, life has a way of breaking things down The QUILT group in our area as well as the Embroiderer's Guild, adds beauty to our lives and challenges us to be creative.

I love hanging quilts on the wall even though I could never compete in a show. Friends like Mary Caruso make exquisite crewel pictures. Mary has made many for gifts to people who have admired them. Several of us gather to sew and

chatter and try to copy her example, to no avail ...

What a thrill when that little white ball actually goes in that little round hole. Joe Caruso and friends head for various courses twice a week. Some golfers are not as peppy as Tiger Woods (or Joe) so they use a cart, but they still can swing like Arnie Palmer. It's a real tragedy if it rains on golf days ...

"I bid five spades," said Florence Gallagher and her partner turned white. Many a hand of bridge is being played in this town, and some are on a very competitivelevel. Poirot's little grey cells would certainly have to work here...

Strictly Stag is the Second Milers organization. More than 100 male retirees of every denomination meet at First **United Methodist Church** every month for lunch and a program ...

There's no business like show business in the Tri-Village area, especially with Progress Club drama members. Although we're not Oscar winners, we're still doing stage routines, character fashion shows or ladies-of-the-club skits. Judy Lamprecht's basement is practically a costumer's paradise. All her friends have contributed clothes from their attics dating from early Victorian days. Many a shriek has been heard when a thespian has tried to get into a flat-chested 20s dress.

In the theater vein, the Senior Citizens of the town promote a lot of dinner theater offerings. Often they have lunches out and early dinners in exceptional restaurants. One need never feel lonely with this organization in existence ...

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park, watching the ballet at SPAC and delighting in the rehearsals at Tanglewood. We especially enjoy the final concert with the playing ofthe 1812 Overture with the cannons firing and the bells ringing ...

And then there are books, adventures into countries of the heart. How could we live without them?

Helen Adler has been in charge of Great Books at the library with fascinating discussions. A friend whose eyes are failing enjoys cassettes and listens to a choice of volumes to talk about ...

Picture Lois Dillon, laden with camera equipment. She's off to Japan or is it Greece?

Lois is a world traveler who clicks her way around the globe so that with her incomparable programs we travel vicariously (without buying a single plane fare).

Ann Martha and Kearney Jones are in the same category. They've seen the koala bears in Australia as well as the great white bears in Alaska. Traveling is their joy ... Let's not forget the fun of bragging about our grandchildren. We've graduated from children, they're presumed successful, but, oh, those precocious grandchildren ...

Did you know that Susan Lucci has had 18 husbands in the years that she has been acting in the soap opera, "All My Children"? One of its fans has been watching since it began 30 years ago.

Whatever you think of TV, for all its faults, it is a true companion for the handicapped, the sports buff and old-movie fans, so, we must include it on any list of what seniors enjoy. Ask Mr. Neilson ...

Snowbirding in Florida, gardening, church activities and volunteering are also looked forward to and needed by seniors.

Some of us whose beautiful marriages were mountain-top experiences have lost a spouse and have had to start anew at the bottom of that mountain.

As we labor up the rocky path of loneliness, a tiny deer of happiness breaks through the dark forest and lures us to keep on going, to find joy again in our hearts.

Understanding hearing loss

By Erin Walborn

People experience hearing loss for many reasons. Some are preventable and some are not. To understand the many aspects of hearing loss and prevention, it is important to know a little about how our ears works.

Our ears consist of three main parts: the outer ear, the middle ear and the inner ear. Each section plays a role in hearing. In the most basic terms, the outer ear collects and concentrates sound pressure waves. The waves travel down the ear canal (where wax is produced) and vibrates the tympanic membrane, or eardrum.

The eardrum separates the outer from the middle ear. The middle ear is an air-filled space containing three tiny bones called ossicles. The three ossicles are the malleus, or the hammer, the incus, or the anvil, and the stapes, or stirrup.

The eardrum vibrates in response to sound. The vibration sets the three bones in motion. The motion of the bones creates a travelling wave of sound inside the cochlea, which contain hair cells that are stimulated by the motion of this wave. The hair cells generate electrical impulses that travel to the brain along the auditory nerve. This is how someone with a normal auditory system hears.

There are three types of hearing loss: conductive, sensori-neural and mixed, a combination of conductive and sensori-neural.

Conductive hearing loss can be caused by external, outer ear or middle ear abnormalities. Conductive hearing loss can typically be treated with medications or surgery.

There are many causes of conductive hearing loss. Common ones include excess accumulation of earwax, birth defects, perforation of the eardrum, fluid in the middle ear, repeated ear infections, and mastoiditis, an inflammation of the membrane lining in the middle ear.

Sensori-neural hearing loss is a permanent loss caused by damage to the hair cells in the cochlea. Most often, this type of hearing loss can be treated with amplification, aural rehabilitation, and in some instances, cochlear implant surgery. Some causes of sensori-neural hearing loss include: loud noise, drug side effects, cochlear trauma such as skull fracture, bacterial or viral diseases, meningitis, congenital syphilis and age.

We can't protect ourselves from every cause of hearing loss, but there are some preventative measures you can take.

• Do not stick Q-tips or anything else into your ear

canal. Ears are self-cleaning and earwax should flake and fall out on its own. However, some people have excessive earwax, and it should be removed with special ear drops or by your physician. Q-tips push wax down toward your eardrum where it cannot fall out by itself.

• Fluid remaining in the middle ear for long periods of time can erode the bones in the middle ear and to lead to serious problems. If you have pain or drainage from your ear, or have difficulty hearing, contact your physician or audiologist

To help prevent sensorineural hearing loss, be aware of medications that are ototoxic (known to cause hearing loss). Some ototoxic medications are kanamycin, neomycin, and other members of the aminoglycoside family. If you are not sure about a medication, check with your physician or pharmacist

Whenever you notice a sudden change in your hearing, contact your doctor. There is no prevention for hearing loss due to aging, but hearing aids can help.

Erin Walborn is owner and audiologist at Audiologic Solutions Hearing Testing and Treatment Center, 319 S. Manning Blvd, Albany, 482-9958.



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More and more baby boomers will be providing elder care while still working and caring for children at home. This creates a very stressful situation for the care giver, who feels responsible for the kids, the spouse, a job, and a parent.

It is possible to turn what seems like an impossible, stress-filled situation into a more balanced one by talking with your parent about their needs and including them in the process. This allows them to maintain a degree of control over their care and reduces their vulnerability.

Explore options together. Often nursing homes are not the answer. Adult day care is one option for a frail or isolated parent. Bright Horizons an adult day service in Latham, is one such alternative.

Bright Horizons serves two main purposes. First, to give the elderly a sense of community by providing socialization and friendship. And second, as respite for care givers. Being able to leave a frail parent in a safe and loving environment while you are at work reduces the stress and guilt you feel. Employers also note that productivity is increased and absenteeism reduced for those who take advantage of adult day care.

Bright Horizons is a supervised, struc-

tured, day care center open 5 days a week, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The program is flexible and can accommodate both care givers and participants. Care givers and their parents can decide how many days to attend and for how many hours.

There are many activities at Bright Horizons including reality orientation, exercise, singing, dancing, trivia games, physical games, intergenerational programs, field trips and entertainment.

Seniors can join in as much or as little as they like. A complete breakfast, a well-balanced lunch and snacks are provided.

The program helps participants and care givers in many ways. Seniors come home more alert. Care givers are more relaxed and can spend more quality time with their parent.

Members embark on a new adventure when they attend Bright Horizons. Lots of seniors have lost friends and spouses, making them feel lonely and depressed. Bright Horizons gives them a chance to make new friends and interact with

Bright Horizons has participants who have Alzheimer's, dementia or have had a stroke. In all cases, they respond to the same thing, love, kindness and respect and at Bright Horizons. there is plenty of that going around.

For information about Bright Horizons adult day care services, contact program director Emma Poleto at Colonie Senior Services Centers, 783-

Or visit them at 91 Fiddlers Lane, Latham.

Seniors, understand food labels, eat smart

By Dr. Herbert Segal

Seniors, if you are confused by "low fat," "no fat" and "cholesterol free" claims on packaged foods and restaurant menus, you are not alone. Knowing what the different terms mean is the key to choosing the right foods for you.

Due to changes in the body and decreased physical activity, many older adults reevaluate their food choices and portions. However, after years of cooking a certain way or ordering "the usual" in a restaurant, it can be difficult to modify the way

Food & Drug Administration standardizes nutrition labeling

In 1994, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) developed Nutrition Facts, a standardized food label that appears on packaged foods to help you monitor your intake of fat, cholesterol, fiber, calories and sodium. These labels include

calorie content broken down by grams, fat, protein and carbohydrates.

For instance, one fat gram has a nutritional value of nine calories, proteins and carbohydrates, a nutritional value of four calories each. If a food has five grams of fat, then 45 of its calories are from fat.

The nutritional content of light or diet selections on restaurant menus no longer has to be a mystery. To help patrons make healthy choices, the FDA recently updated the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990, requiring restaurants to provide nutritional information about their specially prepared foods.

When ordering, remember that many restaurants especially diners—serve large helpings; a fat-free muffin may be twice as big as the FDA's standard portion size.

Dr. Herbert Segal is the medical director at Elderplan, Inc.

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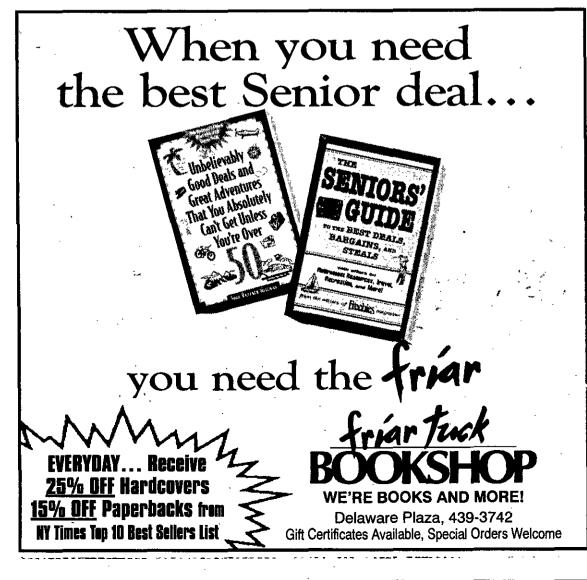
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Good Samaritan expands for a future of excellence

By Leon A. Bormann

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The plan of action began in 1989 when a strategic analysis made it clear that the nursing home would not be able to survive in the rapidly changing health care climate. A plan was developed to put Good Samaritan Homes into the forefront of this progressive movement.

In 1990, we opened our low income senior housing on the Delmar campus. This facility provides 36 comfortable apartments with limited services. Tenants enjoy the benefit of a community while maintaining their independence. Tenants have access to the nursing home via a climate controlled passageway.

Soon after the senior housing was completed, we were able to construct a free standing chapel on the nursing home site.

In 1996, we purchased a parcel of land adjacent to the nursing home to build a new adult care facility, The Good Samaritan Lutheran Home. When construction was completed in 1997, we moved our 67 bed adult care facility (assistive living) to its new home from Madison Avenue in Albany.

Assistive living is that level of care between independent living and nursing homes. Here, residents can live in a semiindependently. Private rooms with baths allow them to be

alone or have guests, just like at home. Meals are provided, they receive help with medications, and there are group activities. It's a great compromise for those who need help, but are not so frail as to need nursing care.

At about the same time, we began construction on a new 40 bed addition to the nursing home. In April of 1998, the nursing home, now called The Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center, was finished, thus completing a new multi-level facility. Three distinct levels of care on one campus.

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directors, administration, staff and volunteers believe that we must be mindful of our core values, and treat everyone with dignity in providing a safe and stable environment for people in their later years.

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Leon A. Bormann is president and CEO of Good Samaritan Homes in Delmar.



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Senior Services of Albany's computer courses have put Capital District seniors into the employment forefront. According to Maria Colbert, Senior Services' Second Careers coordinator, "Senior Services of Albany is seeing an over whelming response to the computer training courses. Seniors no longer feel able to re-enter the work environment without the computer skills these courses teach."

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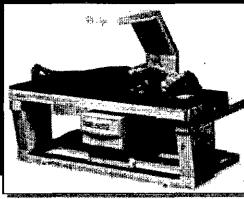
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Tool's Restaurant at 9:30 a.m. 283 Delaware Ave., Delmar Wednesday, July 22

Rensselaer

Colonial Diner at 9:30 a.m. 2nd Ave. & 125th St., Troy Tuesday, July 21

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Clifton Park Health Center at 2:00 p.m. 5 Chelsea Place, Clifton Park Tuesday, July 21

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Saratoga Health Center at 10:00 a.m. 1 Veterans Way, Saratoga Springs Wednesday, July 22

Saratoga Public Library at 10:00 a.m. 49 Henry St., Saratoga Springs Friday, July 17

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Country Inn Diner at 9:00 a.m. 3081 Carman Rd., Schenectady Tuesdays, July 21, 28

Rotterdam Health Center at 9:30 a.m. 3060 Hamburg St., Rotterdam Fridays, July 17, 24

Schenectady Health Center at 9:30 a.m. 530 Liberty St., Schenectady
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Bethlehem All-Stars take District 5

Albany-Bethlehem 14-year-old Babe Ruth All-Stars powered their way to a district 5 tournament championship Friday, July 10, at Central Park in Albany.

Bethlehem defeated Guilderland, 7-0, on the strength of a twohit, 10-strike out performance by Mark Bulger and a six-hit attack capped by a seventh-inning home run by center fielder Steve Hoghe, his second of the tourney.

Bethlehem opened the scoring in the first inning when second baseman Parker Brown singled to right center field. Brown advanced on a single by Bulger and scored on a fielder's choice by Hoghe. They went up 2-0 in the second inning when first baseman Ryan Williams scored from third base on a hard-hit ground ball by catcher Brian Geurtze that forced a Guilderland error.

The lead widened to 6-0 in the fourth inning when shortstop Tom Frankovic smashed a two-run double, scoring Geurtze and Brandon Cary. Moments later right Babe Ruth

fielder Mike Nuttall, who had drawn a walk, scored on a catcher

"The key to our whole tournament was the fact that the kids were really ready to play," said manager Jim Williams. "They made very few fielding errors, and they stepped up to the plate confident they could see the ball and put it in play."

The All-Stars went undefeated in the tournament, but they had to battle Albany Central in the tournament opener Sunday, July 5, narrowly defeating them 8-7. Bethlehem scored two runs in the first inning, but Central answered with four runs in the bottom of the inning to take the lead 4-2.

Bethlehem added a run in the third inning when Brendan Hughes walked, advanced to second on a Brown single, took third

base on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Williams. The Hughes-Brown-Williamstrio combined again in the fourth inning to drive in three runs, putting Bethlehem up 6-4. Bethlehem added two runs in the sixth inning to cap the score. Central again answered with three runs in the bottom of the sixth before the side was retired, making the score 8-7.

Perennial tournament favorite Colonie also fell to Bethlehem, 10-1, Monday, July 6. The game was highlighted by a nine-run fourth inning that saw a three-run double by Michael Hoghe, who, two pitches later, scored a home run. Hughes had a two-run single and Williams had an RBI single. Brown forced an error with an RBI ground

"This was a great team effort," Williams said. "Excellent performances were also turned in by Jim Morrill, John Meyer and Eric

The All-Stars game is slated for Rotterdam Friday, July 24

Tri-Village still in tourney

The Tri-Village Little League team defeated National, 8-4, in round one of the District 13 11- and 12year-old All-Startournament, Sunday, July 12.

Other results: Pine Bush-National, 12-1 over Hudson Valley; West Albany, 5-1 over Whitehall; American, 7-4 over Berne-Knox-Westerlo: Colonie, 10-0 over Pine Bush-American.

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The Capital Communications Federal Credit Union is participating in the 11th annual Baseball Night sponsored by area credit unions at Heritage Park in Colonie.

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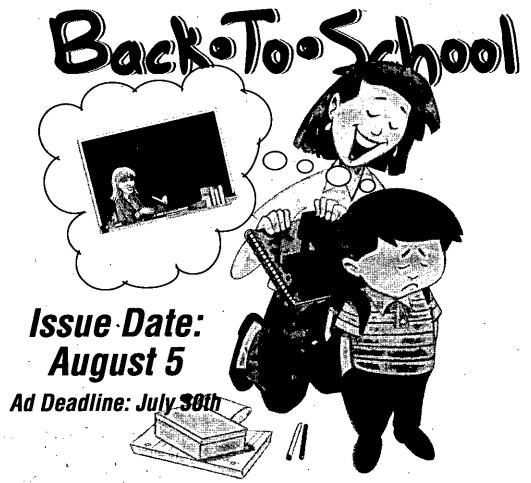
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During CMI's presentation, Betsy O'Brien, executive director of a CMI facility in Weston, Mass. that is similar to the one proposed for construction next to Bethlehem Public Library, explained how her facility operates.

"It's a place where (seniors) can socialize, maintain their own home and keep their independence as much as possible," she said.

CMI's \$12 million project is an "assistive-living" facility, which is a fast-growing classification of senior housing that achieves a compromise between the independence of apartment buildings and the close care provided by nursing homes.

O'Brien said residents at her facility have their needs taken care of for them. "They come because they no longer want to shovel snow

and they don't want to plan meals," she said. "My parents moved in three years ago, and it has meant nothing but peace of mind to me."

Michael Lu of the Chelsea, Mass., firm The Architectural Team, explained his design for CMI's proposed facility.

"Assistive living sites are an attempt to get away from providing care in a medical-type facility," he said.

"The whole point is to make them residential both in terms of how people live in them and how they look," Lu added.

Cahill closed the presentation by explaining that the Delmar facility would probably be filled tenants from within Bethlehem. "This kind of facility is designed so that people can stay in the town where they previously resided," he said.

Board member Doris Davis complimented CMI's representatives on their flexibility during the review process and also praised what she called the planning

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board's "extraordinary" work on numbers of units." the project.

In answering Davis' questions about the project, CMI representatives explained that units in the 33,000-square-foot building will be about 400 square feet each, with a few larger units in the building's corners designed for occupancy by couples.

Cahill assured Davis that restrictions built into town approvals for the project would ensure that another developer could not exploit the parcel at 467 Delaware Ave. for commercial use other than assistive-living housing if CMI ceased construction before completion or vacated the lot in the future.

Davis and town Supervisor Sheila Fuller asked several questions about the proposed facility's rental policies. The rents would be about \$2,000 monthly, with additional fees added only if optional services were used. Residents would sign yearly leases but could break the lease with 30 days notice.

Cahill said CMI would pay school and property taxes in the range of \$215,000 to \$245,000 annually, and assured board member George Lenhardt that construction would take about a year. Lenhardt confirmed that CMI wants a commercial zone because its proposed lot density exceeds the parameters of the town's senior housing zone.

Board member Susan Burns asked whether CMI would consider reducing its proposal any more. Cahill answered, "I think the proposal that is before the board is the one that makes economic sense."

Following that comment, CMI's founder Sidney Insoft said, "You don't have to be a rocket scientist to figure out you have to charge higher rents the smaller you go in

Insoft then made the first of several colorful testimonials for his product. "If you could live in such a (facility), and you should start saving your money when you're 50, believe me, when you die you'll have a smile on your face," he said.

Insoft explained that residents in the facility wouldn't tax the resources of the town's Senior Services department because their needs would be met by staff at the facility or private help brought to the site.

Acknowledging the substantial rental rates at the facility. Insoft said, "Only 20 percent of the elderly can afford to pay for this product."

Anne Moore of Borthwick Avenue in Delmar, who was the leading opponent of Bethlehem Public Library's recent parking proposal, asked Insoft how many of his company's buildings required rezoning before they could be built in residential areas.

"Every facility that we have ever built required a zone change,' Insoft said. "But you've got to understand that assistive living is a new concept.'

After a resident asked if Insoft planned to expand the Delmar facility in the future, if it is approved, an exasperated Insoft said, "If I wanted 150 units, I'd be here for three years ... look what I had to go through for 94 units.'

Residents raised a series of concerns ranging from drainage to property values and whether children would be allowed to play on the grounds of the proposed facility.

Insoft assured that, among other things, all of the facility's staff would be hired locally and a screening process would be used to ensure residents could afford to pay at least three years of rent at

the facility. The average age at which seniors would enter the facility is 85, he said.

Following the question and answer time, several residents offered prepared and extemporaneous statements.

• Leon Bormann, president of Good Samaritan Homes on Rockefeller Road in Delmar, said CMI's high-end proposal is redundant because of other senior care facilities in town.

"What we really need is more low-income senior housing," he

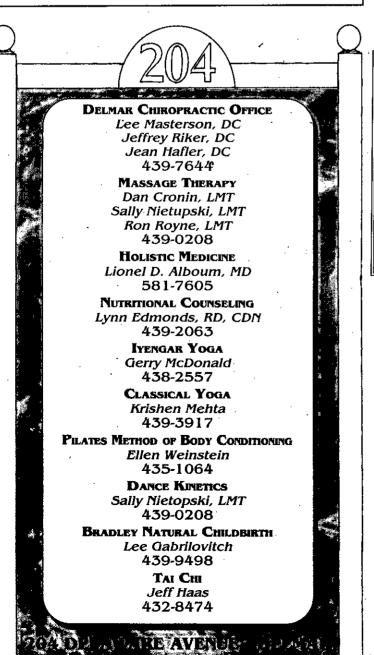
- Floyd Brewer reiterated his support for CMI. "Everything they do has senior interests at heart,' he said, adding, "One of the reasons people don't go to Beverwyck and Good Samaritan is, they're out of town. We like it here."
- Louis Dempf Jr. of Westchester Drive in Elsmere concurred with Brewer. "I think this is something that is needed in town, and I think it should be done as quickly as possible," he said.
- David Moore, Anne Moore's husband and a fellow opponent of the library lot plan, said he thinks it's "ridiculous" for the town to make what he feels is a radical zoning change simply to help the bottom line of a company he said made \$40 million last year.
- Bob Marriot of Delaware Avenue in Delmar read the first few pages of a 26-page document outlining his opposition to CMI's

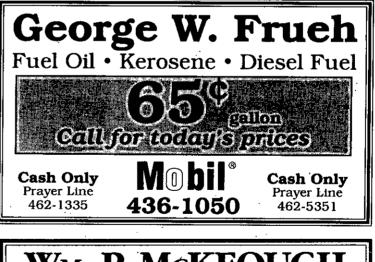
"The purpose of the town board is to protect the interest of its citizens, (not) to provide a means for an outside investor to make a profit," he said.

 Ellen Nelson of Delaware Avenue in Delmar, whose mother Marcia was one of two planning board members to vote against recommending the zone change, read a statement that took about 12 minutes to complete. She reiterated concerns about "spot zoning," which she described as illegal favoritism shown to certain developers.

The hearing, which began at 7:30 p.m., closed around 11 p.m., at which time the board commenced the agenda of its regular meeting. Fuller said the board would vote on CMI's rezoning request at either its July 22 or Aug. 5 meeting.

If the board OKs CMI's proposal, it will return to the planning board for additional review. The planning board would be required to hold another public hearing upon receipt of a final site plan from CMI, and the planning board's decision following that hearing would determine whether or not CMI can build in Delmar.









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Pamela Nan Griffin

Pamela Nan Griffin, 49, of Old Lyme, Conn. and formerly of Selkirk, died Friday, July 10, at her home.

Born in Albany, she was a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School and received a bachelor's from Cornell University. She earned master's degrees from Anna Maria College in Paxton, Mass., and the University of Connecticut at Storrs.

Mrs. Griffin was in private practice with Josephine P. Beebe & Associates of Waterford from 1984 until the time of her death. She was an active member of the Connecticut Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy and the National Council on Family Relations.

In addition to her private practice, she was a student counselor at the University of Connecticut. She was also a consultant and parent coordinator for the Connecticut College Program for Children with Special Needs.

Before moving to Old Lyme, she was a coordinator and case manager for the Department of Mental Health for the south central Massachusetts area. In 1979, she received the Citizen of the Year Award from the Council of Children, a provider and consumer advocacy group. She was membership chairwoman and was on the board of directors of Southeastern Connecticut Women's Network. She was a member of St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Old Lyme.

An active artist, she was an associate member of the Lyme Art Association and Lyman Allyn Art Museum.

Survivors include her husband, Peter J. Griffin; her mother, Harriet L. Warner of Selkirk; two sisters, Harriet W. O'Neil of Thomaston, Maine, and Laura Rodolakis of Selkirk; and a brother, Kendrick L. Warner of Selkirk.

Services will be Saturday, July 18, at 2 p.m. at St. Ann's Episcopal Church,82 Shore Road, Old Lyme.

Burial will be private.

Arrangements are by the Fulton-Theroux Funeral Home in Old Lyme.

Contributions may be made to the Connecticut Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Pamela N. Griffin Scholarship Fund, c/o Lorraine Lavigne, 3 Salem Road, Hartford, Conn. 06114.

Michael F. Maguire

Michael F. Maguire, 53, of Delmar died Monday, July 13, at his home.

Born in Albany, he was a graduate of the former Vincentian Insti-

Mr. Maguire was a letter carrier with the Postal Service for 32 years.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Huber Maguire; a son, Michael C. Maguire of Clarksville; three sisters, Kathleen Sun of Co-

lumbia, S.C., Noreen Donohue of Casselberry, Fla., and Maryjane Maguire of Albany; two brothers, Joseph Maguire and Charles Maguire, both of Albany; and two grandchildren.

Services will be on Thursday, July 16, at 9:45 a.m. from the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, 490 Delaware Ave., Albany, and at 10:30 a.m. from St. Vincent de Paul Church where a Mass of Christian Burial will we celebrated.

Calling hours are today from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1450 Western Ave., Albany 12203.

Robert Simmons

Robert W. Simmons, 55, of Irondequoit, Monroe Co. and formerly of Delmar, died Tuesday, June 30.

ADelmar native, he was a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Clarkson College.

Mr. Simmons worked for Penwalt Pharmaceutical and Metropolitan Insurance Co. before he retired. At the time of his death, he was a volunteer at Dimitri House and St. Martin's Place, homeless shelters in Rochester.

Survivors include his wife, Cathy Geoco Simmons; two sons, Greg Simmons and Andrew Simmons; and a daughter, Laura Simmons.

Services were in Rochester. Burial was in Irondequiot Cemetery.

Lois W. Herrick

Lois W. Herrick, 92, of New Scotland died Friday, July 10, at Mary McClellan Nursing Facility in Cambridge.

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She was a lifelong resident of New Scotland.

Mrs. Herrick was a clerk for the Delaware & Hudson Railroad in Albany.

She was a member of New Scotland Presbyterian Church. She was an elder, choir member and clerk of the session for 25 years. She was a volunteer for the Red Cross.

She was the widow of Newell Herrick.

Survivors include a brother,

Courtney Wands of Cambridge.

Services were from New Scotland Presbyterian Church.

Burial was in New Scotland Presbyterian Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Fredendall Funeral Home in Altamont.

Contributions may be made to New Scotland Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund, 2010 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands 12159.

Carol Galib Goes

Carol A. Galib Goes, 55, of Delmar died Friday, July 10, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, she was a longtime resident of Selkirk before moving to Delmar.

Mrs Goes was a teachers aide for the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district for many years. She was a member of Mended Hearts and Third Reformed Church.

Survivors include her husband, William N. Goes; her mother, Alice H. Galib; two daughters, Alicia Stewart and Michele Goes; and a brother, Paul E. Galib.

Services were from Third Reformed Church.

Burial was in Graceland Cemetery in Albany.

Arrangements were by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 440 New Karner Road, Colonie 12205.

Graham B. Hartzell

Graham B. Hartzell, 80, of Irondequoit, Monroe Co. and formerly of Delmar, died Saturday, June 29, at St. Ann's Home in Rochester.

Mr. Hartzell was a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

He worked for the Rochester City School District before he retired

He was a veteran of World War

He was a member of the Seneca Masonic Lodge Damascus Shrine.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Hartzell; two daughters, Susan Troian of East Rochester and Carol Hickey of Fairport, Monroe Co.; a son, Thomas Hartzell of Atlanta, Ga.; four sis-

ters, Janice Mullens and Mary Boutelle, both of Delmar, Jean Clayton of Slingerlands and Sara Smith of Newburyport, Maine; two brothers, David Hartzell of Mendham, N.J., and Howard Hartzell of Tappahannock, Va.; and four grandchildren.

Services were from St. Ann's Home Chapel.

Arrangements were by the Troiano Funeral Home.

Contributions may be made to St. Ann's Home Foundation, 1500 Portland Ave., Rochester 14621 or GRHCA/Hospice, 49 Stone St., Rochester 14604.

Matilda A. Wood

Matilda A. Wood, 93, of Kilmer Court in Delmar died Tuesday, July 7, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Alexandria, Va., she was a longtime resident of the Capital District.

She was the widow of Gerald O. Wood.

Survivors include a daughter, Suzanne W. Perry; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Odd Fellows Cemetery in Tamaqua, Pa.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad, Adams Street, Delmar 12054.

Bethlehem has Web site

Bethlehem's Web site is now functioning. Important dates, names of town officials and a calendar of town meetings and community events are on the site.

The town's Web address is www.townofbethlehem.org. The town's e-mail address is townhall@townofbethlehem.org.

Library and guild set stitchery workshop

"Thread Your Way Through Summer: A Stitchery Workshop for Children" is a new venture sponsored by Bethlehem Public Library and the local chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America.

Children ages 8 to 10 will meet with guild members July 20 to 24 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the library to learn a variety of stitches and complete a final project.

The project will be displayed at a reception for family members on Tuesday, July 28, at 7 p.m.

Registration is required and limited. Attendance at all five sessions is mandatory. To register, call 439-9314.

Church youth group plan fund-raiser

The youth group at Bethlehem Community Church is holding a car wash on Saturday, July 18, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 201 Elm Ave. in Delmar to raise money to help send local youth to West Virginia where they will help build houses for Habitat for Humanity.

There is no set charge for the car wash, but contributions will be accepted.

Library to sponsor Evenings on the Green

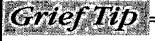
Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar will sponsor Evenings on the Green this summer.

Mixed Company will provide pop music from the '60s to the present tonight, July 15, at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call 439-9314.

Library offers bumblebee program

"Bees Buzz" celebrates the bumblebee with stories, songs and a craft for tots on Saturday, July 18, and Monday, July 20, at 10:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. To register, call 439-9314.



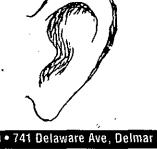
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Death Notlees

The Spotlight will print paid Death Notices for relatives and friends who do not or have not lived in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. The charge for a paid death notice is \$25.

We will continue to print Obituaries of residents and former residents of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland at no charge.

In Memoriam, and Cards of Thanks will also be printed for \$25.

🗌 Principal

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McKenna took the oath of office as trustee. McKenna ran unopposed for the seat left vacant by Steven Schreiber's departure to teach English in China.

Nicholas Faraone, who was elected with support from the Voorheesville Taxpayers Association, announced that he will leave his seat on the board in August to take a position as senior vice president of field operations for the mid-Atlantic affiliate of the American Heart Association in Richmond, Va.

"Things are on a roll for the district," Faraone said, "and I'd like to commend everyone here for their hard work."

"You've been an excellent board member," said board member C. James Coffin.

Cole said of Faraone's tenure, "It's good to have members who work hard." Faraone has served two years of a five-year term.

The board scheduled a special election for Faraone's seat for Oct. 7. Coffin said he would like to see "as many people as possible run for the seat. The more ideas we have, the better board we can be."

Also at the special election, McCartney said he would like to present a proposal to establish a capital reserve fund and a repair fund as the district prepares to add on to the junior/senior high school, McCartney stressed that even by creating these funds, taxpayers should still see a decrease in taxes.

"We'll set the tax warrant in August," McCartney said. "It looks like we have the ability to set up these reserve funds to do things in the building, and still see a tax decrease."

The board approved hiring Collins & Scoville, Architects, to begin working on the expansion. Collins & Scoville will receive \$30,000 to design the addition. District voters will then decide on the matter. If the public approves the proposal, and Collins & Scoville are hired to complete the project, the \$30,000 can be credited toward future costs.

McCartney said he hopes to bring a proposal to voters in November, and begin work in January or February.

In academic matters, the board approved seeking a variance from the state Education Department to allow social studies teacher Brian Hunt to offer an advanced placement economics and government class via the distance learning network. The class will be transmitted live via TV to other area schools.

"It's appropriate that Voorheesville be the transponder for the first distance learning class," said board member James Thorpe.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the large group instruction room at the high school.

Boost

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floating income requirements, which will allow the building to have several units with higher rental rates.

The state money came from the Division of Housing and Community Renewal, which is introducing a pilot plan to fund senior housing projects that meet specific criteria. The funding equals \$25,000 per unit for the 100 middle-income units in the Van Allen facility.

Duncan Barrett of Taconic Corporation in Troy, who is acting as American Housing Foundation's consultant on the project, said the state awarded money to five projects last week, including Van Allen.

"The project was determined to be feasible and ready to go to construction," Barrett said. "That's what qualified it."

As part of its application for an IDA bond, American Housing has been seeking the necessary town approvals for building the facility as well as doing preliminary research to ensure there will be enough tenants to support the project.

"It's well-located in an area that has a sizable senior population and we demonstrated that through a market study," Barrett said. "Most of the local approvals were granted, and the state believed the project would go to fruition."

One factor that helped the project's chances for approval was an inducement resolution prepared by the IDA. The document, which isn't binding, states that the IDA will consider issuing a bond for the Van Allen project. In addition to indicating possible funding, the document proves that there's interest in town for the project.

When the IDA meets on Monday, Aug. 10, at 8 a.m., it may hold a public hearing, which is required by law before the IDA can issue a bond. At the public hearing, anyone wishing to speak for or against the project is welcome to do so, and American Housing will present more information about the proposed building than it has at previous meetings.

"We need to develop more detailed construction plans and specifications," Barrett said, "and we need to come to a more specific agreement with a bond buyer. We've had an initial discussion, but we really haven't gotten an agreement yet."

Barrett said that along with the bond application, there are other stages of municipal review through which the Van Allen proposal needs to pass. "Final site approval hasn't been worked out with the planning board," he said. "That will probably take all of July and August."

Bookchat to meet at Delmar library

"Bookchat," a book discussion group for children entering grade five and up and accompanying adults, will meet Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

The group will discuss A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle. Discussion will be guided by take-home questions. Copies of the book and questions will be available for registered participants at the youth services desk. There is one copy per family.

Books must be checked out at the circulation desk. To register, call 439-9314. Refreshments will be served.

Mascot

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mascot for its sport teams, known as the RCS Indians.

School Superintendent William Schwartz said the district has always had an American Indian mascot. "The mascot is only used for sport activities, he added.

"I've never received any complaints," Schwartz said. "Up until last year a town resident, who is an American Indian, dressed up as the mascot at football games."

RCS athletic director Howard Engel said that for five years the district resident, whose children attended RCS, donned authentic American Indian dress for football and basketball games. "He's been a real positive influence," Engel added, further describing the mascot as "one of respect and honor as a symbol of our school."

Schwartz said the district hasn't received any requests for information from the state.

New Scotland Museum sets summer hours

The New Scotland Museum, located just off Route 85 at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road in New Salem, will be open Sundays until Oct. 25, from 2 to 4 p.m.

During July and August the museum, which tells the history of the town of New Scotland, will also be open Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

A new exhibit features a diorama of the hamlet of New Scotland.

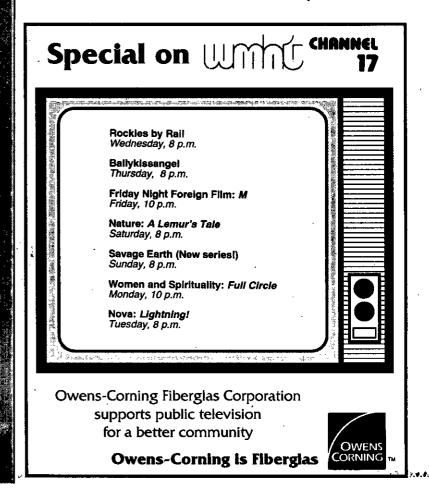
For information, call Ann Eberle at 765-2071.

Youth job service sets summer hours

Bethlehem's parks and recreation department at Elm Avenue Park recently announced that its youth employment service is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to noon during the summer.



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Michael Laidlaw and Susan Zimmermann

Zimmermann, Laidlaw to wed

Susan M. Zimmermann, daughter of Albert and Lenore Zimmermann of Flourtown, Pa., and Michael George Laidlaw, son of George and Grace Laidlaw of Delmar, are engaged to be mar-

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Colby College and earned a doctorate at Brown University.

She is a post doctoral fellow at Rutgers University.

The future groom is a graduate of Penn State University and earned a doctorate at Brown University.

He is a fourth year medical student at Temple University.

The couple plans a Sept. 12

Stornelli, Kench marry

Theresa Stornelli, daughter of Jesse and Dolores Stornelli of Delmar, and Nathaniel Kench, son of Jack and Sonya Kench were married May 2.

The Rev. Michael Schramel performed the ceremony at St. Ambrose Church in Rochester.

It was followed by a reception at Hospitality House in Penfield, Monroe County.

The maid of honor was Andrea Webb.

The bridesmaids were Jen Smith, Kathy Majchrzak and Karen Stornelli, Kathy Stornelli and Jen Stornelli, sisters of the bride.

The best man was Jeff Parker.

The ushers were Steve Later, Mike Gaffney, Paul Malla, Mark Schnorr and Jon Kench, brother of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, SUNY Geneseo and Canisius College.

She is a special education teacherat Hillside Children's Center in Rochester.

The groom is a graduate of SUNY Oswego.

He is a cottage supervisor at

After a cruise to the Caribbean, the couple lives in Rochester.

Hillside Children's Center.

Hartwick College — Jessica Schedlbauer of Voorheesville (bachelor of arts, cum laude) and Jaime Sommerville of Glenmont (bachelor of arts).

Siena College - Catherine Barker (bachelor's in French), Christopher Van Woert (bachelor's in history) and Robert Whitney (bachelor's in accounting), all of Delmar.

And Erin Brennan (bachelor's in accounting), Lisa Brennan (bachelor's in sociology), Michelle Kaufman (bachelor's in biology) and Joseph Nolan (bachelor's in computer science), all of Glenmont.

And Michael Ballato (bachelor's in marketing and management), Patricia Berghela (bachelor's in history) and Colleen Brady (bachelor's in accounting), all of Ravena, and Joseph Narzymski of Selkirk (bachelor's in history).

Joseph And Mantova (bachelor's in computer science), Jennifer Paine (bachelor's in accounting) and Mark Wood (bachelor's in accounting), all of Slingerlands, and Christopher Lawler (bachelor's in marketing and management) and Holli Roberts (bachelor's in English), both of Voorheesville.

SUNY Geneseo — Beth Borofsky, formerly of Delmar, (bachelor's in accounting, cum laude).

Wesleyan University — Amy Fernandez of Delmar, (bachelor's in psychology and sociology).



Colgate University — Christopher Hemstead of Feura Bush.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute — Elizabeth Dunn, Erin Many, Scott Maybee, William Munyan and Christopher Ryan, all of Delmar, Kelly Robinson of Glenmont, and Brian Belemjian, Doryen Bubeck, Justin Hyslop, Sarah Janssen and Peter Losee, all of Selkirk.

Also Jennifer Adams, Brandon Holcomb and Charles Peters, all of Slingerlands, and James Cooper. Todd Dombrowski, Joseph Robichaud Jr., Michael Robichaud, Larina Suker, Jacqueline Tracy and Anastasia Warner, all of Voorheesville.

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William Greer and Kira Deyss

Deyss, Greer to marry

Kira Betty Deyss, daughter of Larry and Christine Deyss of Delmar, and William Shawn Greer, son of William and Carolyn Greer of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University at Albany.

She works for Dr. Thomas Stickley in Westchester, Pa.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

He is general manager at Applebee's Restaurant in Philadel-

The couple plans an Aug. 9 wed-

St. Thomas School holds commencement ceremonies

St. Thomas the Apostle School in Delmar recently held its 39th commencement ceremonies.

Six students received special awards. The academic award went to Nicole Comi. Jeffrey Ricchiuti carned the religious studies

Paul Olsen received the liturgical service award and Aimee Gould and Michael Nuttall earned St. Thomas school spirit awards.

The St. Thomas service award went to Katherine Gould.

The following students graduated from eighth-grade: Loni Addison, Melissa Brady, Nicole Comi, AshLee Coye, Emily Crandall, Christopher Deitz, Lisa DeStefano, Megan Dole, Michele Fido and Jessica Gamarra.

Also, Aimee Gould, Katherine Gould, Christopher Ira, Sheena Loughlin, Catherine Luke, Danielle Moreau, Stephanie Morse, Michael Nuttall, Paul Olsen, Jeffrey Ricchiuti, Michael Ricchiuti, Stephanie Thomas and Maggie Touchette.

Recycle this newspaper



Historical museum to open Sundays

The Bethlehem Historical Association's museum in the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse on River Road in Selkirk will be open for visitors Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. during July and August.

For information, call Helen Smith at 439-3916.

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The Spotlight would like to publish your engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement and photo. There is no charge for this community service.

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Park Playhouse revisits classic Camelot

By Peter Hanson

ark Playhouse, Albany's answer to New York City's Shakespeare in the Park, returns to its roots this month with a revival of Camelot, Lerner and Loewe's classic musical about King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table. The play is significant to the theater company because 10 years ago, Park Playhouse debuted with a production of Camelot.

Making the connection between the two productions even more significant is the presence of actor Steven Earl-Edwards, who reprises the role of King Arthur that he played in 1988. The other leads are Valerie Hill, who plays Arthur's unfaithful queen, Guenevere, and Thomas Alpers in the role of Lancelot, the knight whose affair with Guenevere sets the story in motion.

The behind-the-scenes talent of the production includes Venustiano Borromeo, a 10-year Park Playhouse veteran who serves as the company's producing artistic director. His fingerprints are all over the new version of Camelot — in addition to directing the musical, he designed the scenery and King Arthur's costumes.

The musical, which will be presented Tuesdays through Sundays at 8 p.m. in Washington Park Lakehouse Amphitheater until Aug. 16, continues Park Playhouse's tradition of offering quality, family-oriented, outdoor musical theater. Amphitheater seating is free, and reserved seats near the stage cost \$10.

And Camelot isn't the only show the group is presenting this year. Park Playhouse II, a spinoff organization featuring young performers, debuts its production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Aug. 4; performances begin at 6 p.m., prior to the opening curtain of Camelot, and continue through Aug. 16. Admission is free.

Park Playhouse's summer shows are made possible by a mix of federal, state and private grants, but the group's directors say their real heroes are local companies and individuals who donate to Park Playhouse's theater program and Park Playhouse II's educational program.

Although some members of the company hail from places like Haiti and New York City, many are local residents. Frank Leavitt, who plays Merlin the magician in Camelot, is a music instructor at Bethlehem Central Middle School; Deanna Stickles (Colonie Central High School Class of 1996) plays Nimue; Saheer Umar (Bethlehem Central High School Class of 1998) plays Sir Dinadan; and the ensemble features BCHS students Jeff Barnett and Rebecca Mino and CCHS graduate David Korzatkowski.

The show upon which these people are focusing their talents has a rich history. After lyricist Alan Jay Lerner and composer Frederick Loewe scored a Broadway smash with My Fair Lady in the mid '50s, they cast about for a follow-up and found T.H. White's novel about King Arthur, The Once and Future King, published in 1958.

Lerner and Loewe set aside some of the magical elements of White's story and concentrated on the romantic triangle between a king, a queen and a knight. The sweeping emotions and grand scale of the drama spurred Lerner and Loewe to write an unabashedly romantic score filled with songs like

"If Ever I Would Leave You," "I Loved You Once in Silence" and the grandiose title song.

Lerner and Loewe wrote Arthur's role as that of a tragic figure, and two of England's greatest actors of the '60s - Richard Burton and Richard Harris - became identified with the character. Harris starred in a movie version that featured Vanessa Redgrave as Guenevere and Franco Nero as Lancelot.

The play has been revived numerous times throughout the world, and recently Robert Goulet, who played Lancelot in the '60s, has been portraying Arthur in a successful touring version of the show recently performed at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady.

But now, thanks to Park Playhouse, those who haven't seen Camelot will have a chance to see why Lerner and Loewe's heart-tugging songs have endured for nearly three decades. For the next month, the Lakehouse in Washington Park will be transformed into a magical, mysterious place called ... Camelot. For information, call 434-2035.

Steven Earl-Edwards (left) reprises his role as King Arthur in Camelot, a part he played in the original Park Playhouse production in 1988. Valerie Hill (left and below) is Guenevere and Thomas Alpers (below) plays the knight, Lancelot



Capital Rep unveils captivating summer show in Forever Plaid

The idea of opening a year-long season of regional theater in the summer is unique but also a very smart idea if clever,

comic and captivating productions such as Always ... Patsy Cline last year and now Forever Plaid are the shows.

The Capital Repertory Company opened Forever Plaid last Friday (7/10) in a presentation that is thoroughly rewarding both musically and as a comedy ve-

The revue is based on the notion that a group of young singers were preparing for show business stardom at the turn of Martin P. Kelly the 1960s when they were killed in an automobile crash en route to their first professional engagement. Now, they are returned segment. Brevity is the soul of wit in this instance. from heavenly limbo to do the concert that was thwarted by the

From uncertainty about forgotten lyrics and unpracticed routines, the four start their concert and from that point on it's sheer magic.

Both an honest testimonial to the male quartets from the Four Lads to Motown foursomes and a gentle parody of the work of these groups in the 1950s and '60s, Forever Plaid is firstrate. And, the songs of the period are now classic pieces still in many contemporary cabaret singers' repertoires.

The four performers in this production are excellent singers, individually and harmonically. They are also gifted comics as they mimic the highly choreographed singing routines with a

Directed by Guy Stroman who was a member of the original



off-Broadway production in 1990, the quartet here forms a fine ensemble which works wonders on stage.

The four, Garris Wimmer, Michael Justis, Chan Harris and Robert Baldwin, each contribute special routines and personalities that blend together into an excellent singing group and an outrageously comic team.

They do a takeoff on an old Ed Sullivan show that's a comic gem, not only because of its precise routines but also because of the quick, brief moments that add to the whole hilarious

They also so a devastating Caribbean number that toys with the romantic element in this music while also displaying excellent musicianship. Pianist Adrian Cohen and bassist Michael Wicks are able partners in this comic routine.

Harris and Baldwin are tall tenors who could easily be band singers in the 1940s while Justis is the nervous baritone trying to keep the show from falling apart. Wimmer, an intense man with horn-rimmed glasses offers a bass voice tested comically in one routine.

Written and originally directed by Stuart Ross in New York, the show has a poignancy to it also as the quartet prepares to return to their limbo. It's easy to understand why the audience Room Service at Dorset Theater Festival, Dorset Vt. through doesn't want to see them go.

Performances continue until Aug. 9. Reservations and information are available at 462-4531.

William Devane set to star on CBS as he does Albany benefit show

William Devane, the Albany native who went onto 1970s stardom in movies and television after Broadway and off-Broadway stints, returns to his hometown next week to host the Ben Becker Golf Classic. This is a charity golf tournament to provide college scholarships for Albany High School students in honor of the late Albany teacher and Olympic boxing coach.

Devane will also appear in a production of A.R. Gurney's Love Letters with local television anchor Benita Zahn for two performances to help the Becker fund.

Devane has long credited Becker as helping him focus on a life career which will include a CBS series, Turks, which is being filmed now for showing next season. The actor will play the patriarch of a family of police officers in Chicago. CBS is reported to have signed him to a five-year contract, nothing new to Devane who spent 10 years on Knots Landing.

He will be seen in Payback with Mel Gibson this fall.

Love Letters will be performed at the Empire Center Sat., July 25 at 8 p.m. and Sun., July 26 at 7 p.m. Reservations may be made at 473-1845.

The golf tournament will be held Mon., July 27 at the New Course at Albany.

AROUND THEATERS!

Showboat at the Mac-Haydn Theatre through July 19; For-ever Plaid July 22-26 (392-9292) Perfect Wedding at the Lake George Dinner Theater through Oct. 17 (668-2198). July 18. (802/867-5777) Norman Is That You at Curtain Call Theater, Schenectady through Aug. 29 (877-7529).

RTS and ENTERTAINM

MUSIC

TOM RUSH

47 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs, 7:30 p.m., July 16, \$22. Information, 583-0022.

NEW YORK SWING

guitarist Bucky Pizzarelli's New York Swing with John Bunch and Jay Leonhart, The Van Dyck, 237 Union St., Schenectady, 8 and 10 p.m., Saturday, July 18. Information, 782-0577.

RUSSIAN FOLK MUSIC

nearly 100 musicians playing balalaika, domra and bayan, Palace Theatre, North Pearl Street, Albany, \$13-\$15. Information, 465-3334.

MICHAEL BOITON AND WYNONNA

Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, July 19, 8:15 p.m., \$55, \$45, \$20.50 lawn. Information, 587-3330.

BRUCE KEAN

acoustic guitarist/vocalist, The Van Dyck, 237 Union St., Schenectady, 7 to 10 p.m., July 21. Information, 782-0577.

DAVE MATTHEWS BAND

Saratoga Performing Arts Center Saratoga Springs, July 26, 7 p.m., \$30, \$25 lawn. Information, 587-3330.

STEVE MILLER BAND

and Little Feat, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, July 27, 7:30 p.m., \$20, \$12.50 lawn. Information, 587-3330.

VISUAL ARTS

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

Lewis/Miller/Slade, through Aug. 30, Three Centuries of Landscape Painting, through Sept. 27, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

Bears, through Jan. 3; Still Life: The Object in American Art, 1915-1995; Bugs of New York, through Aug. 31; inside/Out, Outside/In, Community Views From the Collections, through Sept. 30; plus permonent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

MOHAWK HUDSON REGIONAL

annual juried art show, through Aug. 31, at Albany International Airport, Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

Linda Cross -- Shaping the Land, and works by Adrienne Klein, Martin Benjamin and David Brickman, July 17 to Aug. 28, 23 Monroe St., opening reception on July 17 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Information, 462-4775.

DANCE

NEW YORK CITY BALLET

at Saratoga Performing Arts Center, July 15 -- "Concerti Armonici," "Prodigal Son" and Symphony In Three Movements" at 8:15 p.m., July 16 --"Bournonville Divertissements," Variations of a Nursery Song' and "Chaconne" at 2 p.m. and "Chaconne," a new ballet and "Symphony in C" at 8:15 p.m., July 17 -- "Raymonda Variations," a new ballet and "Glass Pieces" at 8:15 p.m., July 18 -- "Concerti Armonici," "Variations of a Nursery Song" and "Symphony in Three Move-ments" at 2 p.m. and The Gaia -- "Walpurgisnacht Ballet,"
"Zakouski," Red Angels" and and "Union Jack" at 8:15 p.m., July 21 -- "Square Dance, Prodigal Son" and "The Four Seasons" at 8:15 p.m., July 22 -"Divertimento No. 15," "Opus 19/The Dreamer" and "Symphony in C" at 8:15 p.m., \$10-\$45 for evening performances, \$5-\$20 for matinees, \$30-\$75 for

SCHUYLER MANSION

elegant 18th-century mansion, home and gallery of historical objects related to Gen. Philip chuyler, 32 Catherine St., Albany, Information, 434-0834.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES submit 10-20 slides of recent

work, artist statement and resume by Sept. 15. Information, 462-4775.

AUDITION

for Capitol Hill Choral Society for the 1997-98 season. All voice parts. Information, 465-3328 or 374-4399.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

invitation for new members to Join in singing classical and popular songs, Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Evck Ave. Albany, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 477-4454.

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

singers needed, rehearsais at Columbia High School, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-

CLASSES/LECTURES

MUSEUM ART CLASSES

ongoing, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., \$25. Information, 463-4478.

DANCE CLASSES

ongoing, all levels, ballet, jazz and modern, New School of Ballet, 1098 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays. Information, 346-1096.

ART CLASSES

watercolor and oil, beginner and advanced, taught by Kristin Woodward. Information, 783-

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ALBANY COUNTY

FARMERS' MARKET

Holy Cross Church, Western Avenue and Brevator Street, Albany, 2 to 6 p.m. Information,

FARMERS' MARKE

Evangelical Protestant Church, Alexander and Clinton streets, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

FARMERS' MARKET

Stratton VA Medical Center Day Treatment Center, Myrtle Avenue, Albany, 9 a.m. to noon. Information, 462-3311, extension 2329.

SQUARE DANCE

Single Squares of Albany, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden Street Extension, Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. information, 459-2888.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

for those who care for Alzheimer's parents, Royce House, 117 Nott Terrace, Schenectady, 1 p.m. information, 438-2217.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING

Glen Worden School, 34 Worden Road, Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-4264.

WARREN COUNTY

MEET THE ARTISTS

IACA World Awareness Children's Museum, 227 Glen St. 3A, 6 to 8 p.m. Information, 793-

THURSDAY 16 JOLY

ALBANY COUNTY

CHORUS REHEARSAL

Capitaland Chorus of Sweet Adelines, New Covenant Church, 916 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-4384.

LUNCHTIME SIDEWALK SALE lawn sale of gift items from the

Albany Institute of History & Art, ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP 125 Washington Ave., 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Information, 463-

FARMERS' MARKET

Third Reformed Church, Kate Street and Whitehail Road, Albany, 3 to 6 p.m.

SCOLIOSIS SUPPORT GROUP

Conklin Conference Room, Albany Memorial Hospital.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP University Helghts Health Care

Center, 235 Northern Blvd., Albany, 5 p.m. Information, 438-

Albany YWCA, 28 Colvin Ave., 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information; 438-6608.

Broadway, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 1 p.m. Information, 438-6651

Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

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Northern Boulevard, 7:30 p.m. Information, 475-0859.

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SENIOR CHORALE

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EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Information, 465-9550.

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FARMERS' MARKET

Sacred Heart Church, Walter Street, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MOTHERS' DROP IN

sponsored by the Capital District Mothers' Center, First Congregational Church, Quail Street, Albany, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 475-1897.

SENIORS LUNCHES Albany Jewish Community

Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

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ALBANY COUNTY

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ALTAMONT ANTIQUE FAIR Altamont Fair Grounds, 10 a.m. Information, 861-5062.

FOOD SHUTTLE

Junior League of Albany, 419 Madison Ave., 11 a.m. Information, 462-1111.

HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

beginning at Albany Visitors Center, 25 Quackenbush Square, and continuing through downtown Albany, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 434-6311.

FARMERS' MARKET

First Congregational church, 405 Quail St., Albany, 9 a.m. to пооп

HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

United Church of Christ in Medusa. Information, 797-3194. CPR FOR THE PROFESSIONAL

RESCUER Red Cross, Albany office, 2

Clara Barton Drive, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Information, 433-0151.

SUNDAY] 9 JULY

ALBANY COUNTY

DANCE PROGRAM

'Polka Guys and Dolls," for children 3 and older, Cohoes Polish National Alliance, Cohoes, 6 to 7:30 p.m. information, 237-8595.

SCOTTISH DANCING

Unitarian Church, Washington Avenue, Albany, 7 to 10 p.m. Information, 377-8792.

DANCE

US Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association, St. Michael's Community Church, Cohoes, 7 to 10 p.m. Information, 235-8905.

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ALBANY COUNTY

SENIORS LUNCHES

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 4:45 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

COMMUNITY FIRST AID & SAFETY

Red Cross, Albany office, 2 Clara Barton Drive, 6 to 10:30 p.m. and again on Monday, July 27. Information, 433-0151.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

SCOTTISH DANCING

Salvation Army, Smith Street, Schenectady, 8 to 10 p.m. Information, 783-6477.

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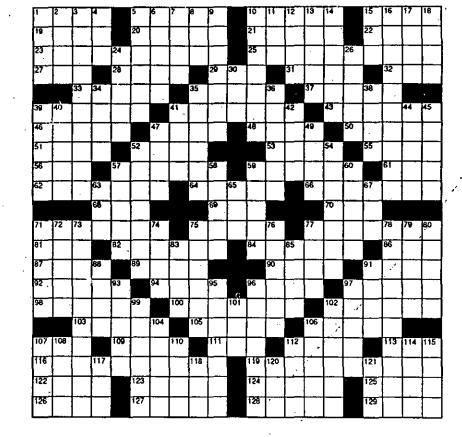
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BETHLEHEM

CONCERT PERFORMANCE

Mixed Company, pop music. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS town hall, 445 Delaware Ave. 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955

BINGO

Blanchard American Legion Post, 16 Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SER-VICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

WELCOME WAGON

LEGAL NOTICE

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Monday to Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information, 439-1531.

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233 Route 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

ALBANY COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of

Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on

July 22, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. at the

Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue,

Delmar, New York in regard to Transfer of Cablevision System

zens will have an opportunity to be heard at said hearing. The Town of Bethlehem pro-

vides reasonable accommodations

for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order

to participate should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advanced no-

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC

TOWN CLERK

All parties in interest and citi-

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tice is requested.

(July 15, 1998)

ONESQUETHAU CHAPTER. ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-

TESTIMONY MEETING

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

1 Kenwood Ave., evening prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

NEW SCOTLAND

VOORHEESVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

village hali, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-

NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, call for time. Information, 765-2109.

SUMMER READING CLUB

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 2 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

TOGETHER AT TWIGHLIGHT Voorheesville Public Library, 51

School Road, 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **TOWN OF BETHLEHEM ALBANY COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem invites sealed bids for the furnishing of playground equip-ment for the Selkirk Park, Town of

Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 30th day of July 1998 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue. Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mrs. Sheila Fuller, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue. Delmar. New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subof the bid. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each shall be sub-mitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town

Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in and/or to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN

First Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

AL-ANON MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

FAITH TEMPLE

Bible study, New Salem, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2870.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL

FREE CHURCH evening service, Bible study and prayer, Route 155, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.



BETHLEHEM

WEB WALKING

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

RECOVERY, INC.

self-help for chronic nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9976.

LEGAL NOTICE.

OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC **TOWN CLERK**

Dated: July 8, 1998 (July 15, 1998)

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM **PLANNING BOARD**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 21, 1998, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, at 7:30 p.m., to take action on application of The Swift Group, Glenmont, NY 12077 for approval by said Planning Board of a thirty-three (33) lot subdivision of 17.9 acres located on the west side of Wemple Rd. at its intersecapproximinate 0.5 miles southerly of Wemple Rd. and Feura Bush Rd. intersection, as shown on map entitled, "Preliminary Plat, Proposed Subdivision, MEADOW-VIEW, Town of Bethlehem, County: Albany, State: New York" dated May 29, 1998, revised June 25,

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m.

Information, 439-0503. **BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS**

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955. **AMERICAN LEGION LUNCHEON**

for members, quests and membership applicants, Blanchard Post, 16 Poplar Drive,

FIVE RIVERS

wetlands walk, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 475-0291

AA MEETINGS

Slingerlands Community Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, noon, and Deimar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 8:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

NEW SCOTLAND

JUNIOR MYSTERY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

LEGAL NOTICE

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Chairman, Planning Board NOTE: Disabled individuals

who are in need assistance in or-der to participate should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advanced notice is requested.

(July 15, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is XALD, .C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on June 29, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom pro-cess against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New (July 15, 1998)

NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB New Scotland Presbyterian

Church, Route 85, 7 p.m. FRIDAY JOLY

BETHLEHEM

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

all levels, St. Stephen's Church, Eismere, 7:30 p.m. information, 462-4504.

AA MEETING

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

CHABAD CENTER

Friday services, discussion and kiddush at sunset, 109 Eismere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

. NEW SCOTLAND

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS United Pentecostal Church,

Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION

OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP

(FLP)
The name of the FLP is Woodlake Associates, L.P. The Application for Authority to do business in New York State of the FLP was find with the NV Secretary of was filed with the NY Secretary of State on July 1, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of FLP is May 20,

BETHLEHEM

SOIL TEST CLINIC

Extension Center, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 765-3500.

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

AL-ANON MEETING

The Crossroads, 4 Normanskill Blvd., 5:30 p.m. Information, 489-



BETHLEHEM

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH

Summer Worship schedule, 10 a.m. Traditional Worship, 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship. Children's Program for age 3-Grade 2 and Nursery Care provided at both times, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-9929.

UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill Road. Information, 438-7740.

LEGAL NOTICE

1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203, in the County of Albany. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. A list of the names and addresses of all general part-ners of the FLP are available from the Secretary of State. The name and address of the authorized ofand address of the authorized of-ficer of the FLP in the State of Georgia where a copy of its Certifi-cate of Limited Partnership is filed is the Georgia Secretary of State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (July 14, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE

Envision Communications Consultants, LLC. Articles of Organization filed by NYS Secretary of State on 7/01/98. Principal office is located in Albany County. NYS Secretary of State designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it to R.D. #1, Box 70, Lovecky Road, West Coxsackie, NY 12192. The purpose of the LLC is providing consulting services. of (July 15, 1998)



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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Realty Management NY, LLC filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on June 3, 1998, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o P.O. Box 334, Delmar, NY 12054-1099. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL. (July 15, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is Spare Room, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of

Organizat~on of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on November 25, 1997. THIRD: The county within New

York State in which the office of the Company is to be located is Al-

bany. FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: Carl E. Touhey, Building No. 2, Pine West Plaza, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205.

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is De-cember 31, 2047. SIXTH: The purpose of the busi-

ness of the Company is any lawful activity pursuant to Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Law. (July 15, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE.

NOTICE OF SUBSTANCE OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION Under Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law

The name of the LLC is York-shire Management, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY secretary of State on June 15, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is Segal, Goldman & Mozzotta, P.C., 5 Washington Square, Washington Avenue Ex-tension, Albany, New York 12205, c/o Paul J. Goldman, Esq.

LEGAL NOTICE CONVERSION OF DELAWARE PLAZA ASSOCIATES, L.P. TO DELAWARE PLAZA, LLC

(July 15, 1998)

1. The name of the limited partnership was Delaware Plaza Associates, L.P. (the "Limited Partnership"). The name under which the Limited Partnership was origi-nally formed was Delaware Plaza Associates. The Certificate of Adoption of the Limited Partnership was filed on September 16, 1994, and a Certificate of Amendment was filed on September 16, 1994

2. The name of the limited liability company is Delaware Plaza,

3. The Limited Partnership was in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law duly converted to the limited liability company upon the filing of the Certificate of Conversion of the

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Limited Partnership to a limited liability company on June 5, 1998, and the filing of the Certificate of Cancellation of the Limited Part-

nership on June 10, 1998.
4. The county within the State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is:

The County of Albany.
5. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within and without the State to which the Secretary of State shall mall a copy of process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is Delaware Plaza, LLC, c/o Cooper, Erving, Savage, Nolan & Heller, LLP, 39 North Pearl

Street, Albany, New York 12207. 6. The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more

managers. The nature of the business and of the purposes to be con-ducted and promoted by the lim-ited liability company, is to engage solely in the following activities to own, hold, sell, assign, transfer, operate, lease, mortgage, pledge and otherwise deal with certain parcels of real property, commonly known as Delaware Plaza Shopping Center, together with all improvements located thereon, in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Al-bany, State of New York; and (b) To exercise all powers enumerated in the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York necessary and convenient to the conduct, pro-motion or attainment of the business for purposes otherwise set forth in the Certificate of Conver-

8. The latest date upon which the limited liability company is to dissolve is May 2, 2094 Dated: June 24, 1998 COOPER, ERVING, SAVAGE,

NOLAN & HELLER, LLP Attorneys for Delaware Plaza,

LEGAL NOTICE

39 North Pearl Street Albany, New York 12207 (July 15, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE **CONVERSION OF** PLATTSBURGH PLAZA ASSOCIATES, L.P. TO PLATTSBURGH PLAZA, LLC

1. The name of the limited part-nership was Plattsburgh Plaza Associates, L.P. (the "Limited Partnership"). The name under which the Limited Partnership was originally formed was Plattsburgh Plaza Associates. The Certificate of Adoption of the Limited Partnership was filed on October 7, 1994 and a Certificate of Amendment was filed on October 20, 1994

2. The name of the limited liability company is Plattsburgh Plaza, LLC

3. The Limited Partnership was in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law duly converted to the limited liability company upon the filing of the Certificate of Conversion of the Limited Partnership to a limited liability company on June 5, 1998, and the filing of the Certifi-cate of Cancellation of the Limited

Partnership on June 10, 1998.
4. The county within the State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located

is: The County of Albany.
5. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within and without the State to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is Plattsburgh Plaza, LLC, c/o Cooper, Erving, Savage, Nolan & Heller, LLP, 39 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207

LEGAL NOTICE

6. The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more

managers.
7. The nature of the business and of the purposes to be conducted and promoted by the limited liability company, is to engage solely in the following activities: (a) to own, hold, sell, assign, transfer, operate, lease, mortgage, pledge and otherwise deal with certain parcels of real property, commonly known as Plattsburgh Plaza Shop-ping Center, together with all improvements located thereon, in the City of Plattsburgh, County of Clinton, State of New York; and (b) To exercise all powers enumerated in the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York necessary and convenient to the conduct, promotion or attainment of the business for purposes other-wise set forth in the Certificate of Conversion.

8. The latest date upon which the limited liability company is to dissolve is January 1, 2053.

Dated: June 24, 1998 COOPER, ERVING, SAVAGE, NOLAN & HELLER, LLP Attorneys for Delaware Plaza

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNER-SHIP (FLP). The name of FLP is LLSN, L.P.

The Application for Authority to do business in New York State of the FLP was filed with the NY Secretary of State on June 17, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of FLP is June 12, 1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 3 Tower Place, Albany, new York in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom process against FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the FLP is 3 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203. The purpose of the FLP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. A list of the names and addresses of all connames and addresses of all gen-eral partners of the FLP are available from the Secretary of State. The name and address of the authorized officer of the FLP in the State of Georgia where a copy of its Certificate of Limited Partnership is filed is the Georgia Secretary of

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State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, At-lanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (July 15, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED

LIABILITY COMPANY
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SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were

filed with the Secretary of State on May 19, 1998. THIRD: The county within New York State in which the office of the

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bany. FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall

mail process is c/o British American Development Corp., 4 British American Boulevard, Latham, New York 12110.

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2050.

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity pursuant to Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Law. (July 15, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) UNDER SEC. 203 OF LLCL The name of the LLC is Internet Commerce Association, LLC, The

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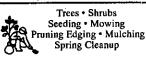


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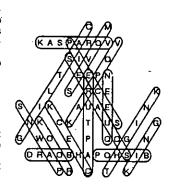
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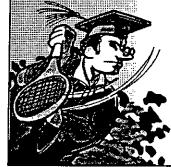
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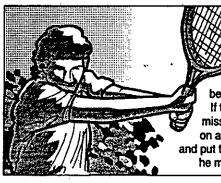
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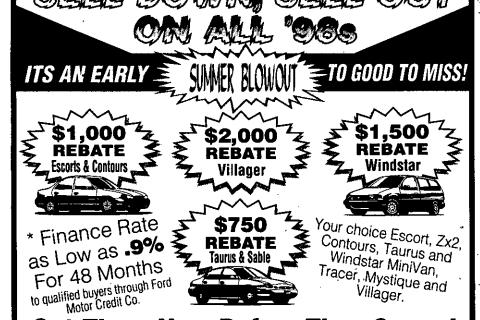
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