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## Two-fisted taste buds



Jason Mesick tackles a slice of watermelon and a piece of pizza at Bethlehem Community Church's car wash to help send church youth on a Habitat for Humanity project. Elaine McLain

## Economic indicators point to smooth sailing ahead

By Peter Hanson

A handful of recent data confirms that the Capital District's economy is holding fast, and the opening of several new businesses in town prove Bethlehem is keeping pace with growth evident in other towns in the area.

In June, a Stewart's Shop opened at the corner of Delaware and Elm avenues in Delmar, filling a long-standing vacancy; Prestige Photo & Studio took occupancy at 340 Delaware Ave., replacing Leeder's Video, which closed earlier this year; and The Deli, a new take-out restaurant, is set to open any day at Delmar's Four Corners.

The new shops and restaurant's in the center of town complement other recent additions to the business community, such as Manning's Menu, a gourmet takeout restaurant that opened at 340 Glenmont Ave. in Glenmont.

"The comments I'm getting from new business owners have all been positive," said Marty DeLaney, president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. "The folks that I've talked to are excited. They wouldn't be here in Bethlehem if they didn't think they could make a good shot at making it."

Although retail development continues to focus on the Delaware Avenue corridor, new businesses are appearing throughout town.

And the good news isn't limited to retail development. Subdivisions such as

Cherryvale, a 66-lot project that was recently approved for construction in Slingerlands, and Meadowview, a 33-lot Glenmont development currently under review by the planning board, suggest the housing boom in town is far from over.

Senior housing is also a growth area. On one end of the spectrum, CMI Senior Housing & Healthcare's proposal to build a deluxe 94-unit facility next to Bethlehem Public Library recently earned the support of 753 residents who signed a pro-CMI petition, and on the other end, American Housing

Foundation's plan to construct a 110-unit facility in Selkirk was awarded a \$2.5 million state grant earlier this month.

And these new businesses could soon be joined by several more if the Picotte realty group finds tenants for the former Blue Cross-Blue Shield building in Slingerlands, which the company has spent about \$1 million refurbishing.

In other words, business is booming.

DeLaney said one reason Bethlehem businesses are seeing a resurgence in local patronage is ongoing development of large retail centers such as Crossgates Mall, whose owners recently announced a plan to double its size.

"The word of mouth about not having to fight the traffic at the malls is starting to get around," DeLaney said. "(Local retailers) are seeing the expansion of the malls

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Marty DeLaney

## Town gets OK to fund Delmar Ambulance Service

By Peter Hanson

Gov. George Pataki recently signed legislation that changes how Bethlehem pays for its ambulance service.

The new law allows the town to pay the Delmar Ambulance District's annual budget of about \$113,000 with tax money.

Gerald Day, chairman of Delmar Fire District's board of fire commissioners, said the town's ambulance district was formed about seven months ago to organize emergency medical service in Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands.

Ambulance service to these three areas had been part of the Delmar Fire District's regular operation for many years, but as the population grew and donations to the all-volunteer fire district waned, the burden of operating the ambulance service grew too cumbersome.

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## New principal reflects 'can do' attitude

By Katherine McCarthy

William Furdon became the new principal at Voorheesville's Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School on July 1, filling the position Terence Barlow left at the end of January to become assistant superintendent for curriculum in East Greenbush.

David McGuire served as interim principal prior to Furdon's appointment.

"I'm ecstatic," said Furdon, who has been associate principal at the school for the last four years. "When you go into administration, you dream about having a building of your own to make things happen and move forward in the direction you want. When you couple that with being princi-

pal in a school like Voorheesville, where there's a great staff, great students and a great community, it's really wonderful."



Furdon

Furdon was born in Lexington, Ky., but grew up in Gunderland, where he lives now. Before coming to Voorheesville, he was a social studies teacher, then house principal for four years at the Farnsworth Middle School in Gunderland. He has a bachelor's in history from the University of Rochester, a master's in management from Webster College in St. Louis, and a master's in education administration from The College of Saint Rose.

Furdon's wife, Sue, is a neonatal nurse practitioner at Albany Medical Center. The Furdons have two daughters, Laura,

who is a junior at the University of Connecticut, and Kristen, who will attend Ithaca College in the fall.

"I have an empty nest at home, but a full nest at school," Furdon said. "It's time to refill and refocus."

Furdon plans to continue to offer students as many courses as possible. "We are introducing distance learning, which will give us the ability to offer more courses from different areas," Furdon said, "as well as us sending out courses to other schools."

Facilities are also high on Furdon's list, with Collins & Scoville, Architects, assessing and drawing up plans for an addition to the junior/senior high school. "The size of the building puts a real cramp on what goes on," Furdon said. "I look forward to seeing this project come to fruition."

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## Bethlehem police log two recent DWI arrests

Bethlehem police recently arrested two people on charges of driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Michelle Ann Galvin, 36, of 725 New Salem Road in Voorheesville, was arrested for DWI Friday, July 10, at 10:45 p.m.

Officer Robert Markel observed Galvin driving north on Creble Road near Power Park Drive, a street on the General Electric campus in Selkirk. Markel said Galvin crossed the center divider line and nearly collided with his patrol car, then crossed the white fog line and the center divider line several times before he stopped her. He administered several field sobriety tests, which Galvin failed.

Galvin is scheduled to appear in town court Tuesday, July 21, at

4 p.m.

Bonita K. A. Blaisdell, 33, of 20 Winnie Place in Glenmont, was arrested for DWI Wednesday, July 8, at 9:26 p.m.

Officer Robert Berben observed Blaisdell driving southeast on Kenwood Avenue near the intersection of Kenwood Avenue and Route 32 in Delmar. Berben said she was driving one-third mph in a 30 mph zone. She also crossed the center divider line before Berben stopped her.

Berben conducted several field sobriety tests, which Blaisdell failed.

Blaisdell is scheduled to appear in town court Tuesday, July 21, at 4 p.m.

## A nice ride



Bethlehem police Lt. Richard Vanderbilt gets to ride home in style from his last day on the job. A limo chauffeur escorts Heather Vanderbilt, left, Alyssa Vanderbilt and Niles Vanderbilt in his father's arms. *Peter Hanson*

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# Faraone leaves V'ville school board

**Cofounder of local taxpayers group worked on fiscal issues**

By Katherine McCarthy

Voorheesville board of education member Nicholas Faraone will leave his seat on Aug. 28, when he moves to Richmond, Va., to take a position as senior vice president for division services of the mid-Atlantic affiliate of the American Heart Association. There will be a special election in October for the nearly three years left in his term.

In August, the district anticipates a decrease in the school tax rate for the community, leaving the man who ran on a platform of fiscal responsibility pleased with the district's current situation.

"The district is in great fiscal shape," Faraone said, a statement he would not have made when he and Larry Bonham founded the Voorheesville Taxpayers Association (VTA) in 1995.

"When I moved here in 1988," Faraone said, "I watched over a period of years as the school taxes steadily increased. It was cause for alarm, and a big topic of discussion. Larry Bonham and I, and others in the community, formed the VTA. We were received warmly by some, cautiously by others, but very few people if any were nonsupportive."

"Our goal," Faraone said, "was to raise the awareness of the school district of the increasing burden that school taxes were having on the community."

"The school budget had increased from \$2.9 to \$8 million," Bonham said of the late '80s and early '90s. "Taxes were increasing by 14 to 15 percent ... They were threatening home ownership and having a devastating effect on young families and those on fixed incomes."

School board president John Cole said that Faraone and the VTA galvanized taxpayer attention and influence during the period when budgets increased by 207 percent, but that the school board had already begun addressing the problem.

"We were on track simultaneously with the VTA," Cole said. "I won't attribute our budgets to them, but will attribute taxpayer awareness to them. The VTA was created towards the end of some ugly budgets, which were due to increasing costs and decreasing funding from the state. We lost budgets in the votes and had to operate on a contingency basis. One year, the state made a mid-year correction, and removed the state aid we had been promised. We had to shut down pieces of our operations."



Nicholas Faraone

Cole said the board set out on a course to solve the issue, and prevent problems that occurred when state aid changed. One year, Cole said, the district trimmed \$1 million from a \$10 million budget.

Many of the VTA's efforts took place as the district and the teacher's union were negotiating a contract. Teachers worked a total of four years without a contract. At a meeting in January of 1996, hundreds of community members and teachers attended a school board meeting to make their frequently bitter feelings known.

"That was a galvanizing mo-

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Nicholas Faraone

ment for the school board," said Faraone, who wasn't a member at the time. "It became apparent at that point that there was no support for the teachers' position in the community. Until then, the board felt they were on shifting sands, unsure of their position in the community."

Faraone said that when he did run for the school board, "there were comments in the cafeteria that teachers would vote for anyone but Nick Faraone."

Still, Faraone ran, making it clear that he did not want fiscal responsibility at the sake of programs.

"We haven't cut any programs," Faraone said. "We've increased the course offerings. There are new AP courses, and the areas of instruction that have problems, like global studies and chemistry, are being addressed. During this time, when there are no contract or labor issues, our primary interest is program."

Faraone said a number of independent factors have turned in Voorheesville's favor. "Enrollment hasn't increased, and state aid has," he said. "We resolved a teacher's contract that didn't soak the taxpayers. A number of senior teachers retired. A third of our teachers are at the high end of the payroll, which is three quarters of our budget."

Faraone gave credit to Sarita Winchell, the district's treasurer, for its fiscal health. "Sarita worked out a way to retire our old debt and fund the capital budget."

Faraone also supports the cre-

ation of a capital reserve fund as the district looks to expand facilities. "A capital reserve fund needs voter approval," Faraone said. "Many people would say the dollars belong to the taxpayers, but this is an investment in our future."

Cole said Faraone's ability to study issues such as the budget, and come up to speed on them quickly, has been one of his greatest contributions as a school board member. Cole also feels that Faraone's role with the VTA grew out of his concern for the district. "Nick has always been open-minded and willing to listen," Cole said. "He was always careful with his facts, and didn't pull statistics out of the air to budgeon us for political purposes."

Cole praised Faraone's committee work for the school board, including the creation of guidelines for behavior at athletic events. "Nick always set goals and dates, met them, and produced high quality work," Cole said.

The Brooklyn-born Faraone said he grew up in a family where education was important. "I am a product of parochial schools, where parents have to take a pretty strong role," he said. "My parents spent a lot of time with us, insuring that we did well in school."

The family moved upstate in 1965, and Faraone received a bachelor's degree from the University at Albany in 1981.

He worked at the American Lung Association, becoming director of development, then took a position with the American Heart Association. Until his recent promotion, he was executive director of the northeastern region.

He has also been involved with St. Matthew's CYO basketball and New Scotland Kiwanis Little League.

Faraone has three children, Nick, 11, Emily, 3, and Olivia, 17 months. His wife, Janet, has been secretary for the Human Concerns Committee, which operates the New Scotland Food Pantry, and president of the Siena College Alumni Association.

Faraone said his greatest accomplishment in Voorheesville has been making people more aware of fiscal issues. "I think I've shown that fiscal responsibility and quality education are not mutually exclusive, but are very important to each other," he said.

Bonham said that the Voorheesville Taxpayers Association hopes to support a candidate for Faraone's seat who will espouse that philosophy. "We'll miss Nick as a school board member who wants a sensible, fiscally sound budget without compromising quality," he said.

Faraone said that he will miss the sense of community in Voorheesville. "The schools and local churches form the hub of our community," he said.

For now, Faraone doesn't anticipate running for the school board in Richmond. "We'll need to focus on my job, and settling the family in. I'm sure as time progresses, we'll be drawn in, but our family will be our first priority."

## Sweet send-off



Former Spotlight Newspapers publisher Dick Ahlstrom and his wife, Mary, were honored at a luncheon presented by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce last week. Above, the Ahlstroms display a cake featuring a gag version of *The Spotlight's* front page. Ahlstrom retired July 1 and sold Spotlight Newspapers to Eagle Newspapers of Syracuse. Elaine McLain

## Young writers learn craft through library program

By Lisa K. Kelly

Writing a book is usually a lifelong dream for most people, but at Bethlehem Public Library, children have an opportunity to write their own books with the help of the Children's Writing Workshop.

For five consecutive Fridays during July and August each summer, a group of children meets in the library's community room and develops story ideas for homemade books.

During the group's July 17 session, Louise Grieco, the library's public information coordinator, talked to the children about revisions. She used her unpublished poem, "It Ain't Over 'Til It's Over," as an example of a work in progress.

"As you can see, it took eight rough drafts to get to my completed draft," she said.

Revision was the second of five topics that will be covered during the workshop. Visiting writers like Grieco share their experiences about elements of the publication process such as editing, illustration and binding. The program, which is in its seventh year, invites children entering third-grade and older to learn the process of writing a book.

"The workshop provides a special opportunity for children to come together with adult authors (who) read from their writing," youth services librarian Polly Hartman said. "Also, I think it helps the children's self-esteem to feel the accomplishment of completing and publishing an original work."

Hartman said she got the idea for the workshop more than seven years ago from a similar program at Troy Public Library.

The children participating in the program are divided into six small groups, with a facilitator at each table.

As part of the revision segment of the program, facilitator Richard Crowley had two of the children in his group, Hannah Meckler and

Jillian Ricciardi, both 7, read their stories out loud.

Meckler's book, *My Sister the Pest*, describes her relationship with her older sister, Emilie. "She's mean to me a lot," Meckler said. Her story uses dialogue and action to show how Emilie thinks she's Hannah's boss.

Meckler said she likes the way she has integrated action into her story and added that she plans to illustrate the book with pictures of herself and her sister.

Ricciardi is writing *The Winning Object*, about how her mom recently helped her win a carnival game and a stuffed Tweetie bird at The Great Escape in Lake George.

Meckler said she likes to write, but doesn't like getting writer's block. "That's the bad part about it," Meckler said. The good part, she added, is getting to know people through their stories and by talking to them.

Ricciardi said the best part of the program is how the facilitators talk to the children about their stories and suggest ways to make them better.

Crowley said he tries to encourage children when they feel they're stuck. "I push them to come up with their own ideas," Crowley said. As an example, Crowley said Ricciardi stopped writing last week because she couldn't think of anything else to write, "but this week, she's pumping it out."

Crowley said the children are using a lot of details and action in their stories. "Their ideas are spontaneous," he added. "They're very willing to take the risk."

At the end of the program, the children's books will be typeset, illustrated and bound. Each book will have an autobiography on the back cover with a photograph of the author.

Later in the summer, there will be a reception at which this year's writers will loan their books to the library for one year and last year's writers will get to take their books home.

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# Bethlehem middle school names honor students

Bethlehem Central Middle School recently announced the names of students who are on the high honor and honor rolls for the fourth marking period.

Students on the high honor roll are:

## Sixth-grade high honor roll

Emily Abbott, Stephen Allen, Cole Andreson, Laila Anwar, Lucas Arduini, Frieda Arenos, Ciara Averill, Monica Ayres, Elon Backer, Sara Bailey, Tracy Bailey, Arthur Barnard, Shara Bellamy, Elizabeth Birkhead, Stephen Blanch, Amanda Blanchard, Richard Bonventre, Jeffrey Boynton, Kara Braaten, Cassie Bradley, Melissa Bresin, David Brewster, Jessie Brown, Melissa Buckley, Paul Buist, Emily Caesar, Thomas Caraco, Elizabeth Carcich, Timothy Carey, Stephanie Cariati, Colin Cassidy, Ronald Catalano, Krina Collins, Kathryn Conklin, Darren Conroy, Abigail Coplin, Jessica Czajka, Michael Dax and Sophia DeBlasi.

And Caitlin Deitz, Michael DiGiulio, Lina Dzekciorius, Carolann Edie, Russell Ellers, Jaclyn Entringer, Kathleen Fage, Cara Ferrentino, Jennifer Foley, Joshua Frank, Rebecca Frazier, Jared Frisch, Sarah Frueh, Elizabeth Gallacchi, Lauren Ginsburg, Victoria Graf, Brian Greenberg, Michael Greenberg, Jennifer Grund, Brian Gyory, Thomas Hackman, Kathleen Hanley, Eric Hansen, Rachel Hathaway, Annie Hennessy, Samantha Hooper-Hamersley, Leslie Jackson, Molly Jaffe, Emily Johnson, Marcus Kaplan, Emily Karian, Daniel Kern, David Kispert, Allison Klein, Aaron Kolodny, Jeremy Kondrat, David Kopach, Alex Kopp, Laura Krenn, Atalia Krohmal, Lisa Kutey, Michael Labate, Emily Langner, Chad Lan-

guish, Christopher Lee, Michael Leveille, Joshua Lewis, Carrie Lyman, Andrew Machlowski, Katherine Madden, Alison Maher, Elizabeth Maltzman, Kevin Manilenko, Laura Manzi, Michael Manzione, Michelle Martin, Johanna Marvin, Brian McBride, Jennifer McCarry, Kindra McClary, Christopher McGann, Robert McGrath, Amelia McPheeters, Matthew McVoy, Max Mehlman and Catherine Mendel.

And Lindsay Montesano, Leah Mosall, Lisa Moskowitz, Jenna Munnely, Meaghan Murphy, Matthew Narode, Rosalie Norris, Julia Oakley, Kelly Owens, Kayleigh Pankow, Sophia Panych, Susan Pedlow, Kevin Perazzelli, Meaghan Persing, Amy Phillips, Gregory Pittz, Bryan Polovina, Brendan Pratt, Alexandra Puccio, Jameison Putnam, Nicholas Radko, Kristyn Raffaele, Lauren Rarich, Julia Raymond, Bethany Reddy, Catherine Reilly, Richard Rodgers, Thomas Rood, Anna Rubin, Scott Sajdak, Michael Sanders, Bridget Sandison, Evan Savage, Molly Schaefer, Jessica Schoen, Kate Schoenbach, Caitlin Schreffler, Andrew Schron and David Schwab.

And Jenna Segal, Patrick Shaffer, Andrew Shawhan, Laura Sherin, Genya Shimkin, Jed Sigal, Mikhail Silk, Heather Smith, Katherine Smith, Shauna Spinosa, Abigail Stambach, Colin Stanton, Caroline Stockdale, Nell Strizich, Luke Sullivan, Alexander Szebenyi, Brett Teator, Sara Thompson, Elizabeth Tripp, Matthew Tymen, Rebeka Vanderzee, Alexander Vaughn, Brendan Venter, Shannon Vigars, Elizabeth Walker, Elizabeth Walsh, Sarah Weissman, Samantha Weyant, Kristen White, Sarah Wilkie, Kathleen Wilson, Laura Wing, Danielle Wolinsky and Carrie Zurenko.

## Seventh-grade high honor roll

Joshua Alfred, Courtney Arduini, Emily Axford, Maura Ayres, Emily Bango, Jonathan Bartow, Jonathan Baselice, Marie Bell, Jonathan Berk, Laura Beyer, Scott Birdsey, Meghan Blake, Michelle Blustein, Elizabeth Bouyea, Scott Braaten, Liam Brennen, Andrea Burriesci, Julianna Caporta, Casey Carroll, Maria Caruso, Christina Castellanos, H. Edward Collier, Ada Cornell, Kerry Cunneen, Matthew Curtin, John Davis, Marianne DiNapoli, Andrew Dolan, Nathaniel Drake, Jeanne Drucker, Brenden Ennis, Sarah Eson, Winter Eyres, Danica Feustel and Sarah Fischer.

And Virginia Fisher, Lindsay Franklin, Noah Fruiterman, Emma Furman, Evan Gall, Kevin Gallagher, Jeffrey Gardiner, Thomas Geyer, Shira Ginsberg, Amy Ginsburg, Hannah Gold, Richard Grant, Nicholas Graziade, Bridget Griffin, Laura Guglielmo, Kevin Gutman, Benjamin Hager, Elizabeth Hamm, Bethany Harren, Kathleen Hart, Naomi Hauser, Megan Herzog, Matthew Hickling, Kathryn Himmelfarb, Julia Hoffman, Stephanie Holmes, Sarah Homer, Sarah Horn, April Hotaling, Andrew Hough, Chelsea Isdell, Anne Jackson, Dominique Jones, Jeffrey Kattrein, Christine Khaikin, Stefan Kidalsowski, Elisabeth Kispert, Lauren Kohl and Adam Kopp.

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And Adam Shpeen, Evan Siegel, Salvatore Signorelli, Allegra Smith, Erin Stenson, Daniel Stevens, Larissa Suparmanto, Abby Svenson, Matthew Swiatowicz, Larysa Switlyk, Matthew Taber, James Traylor, Elizabeth Ullion, Alexis Vail, Marina Virnik, Nicole Vitillo, Megan Volo, Jessica Volpi, Katherine Wagoner, Lauren Wakeman, Karen Walenta, Molly Warheit, James Wheeler, Leonard White, Jessica Willen, Susanna Winkeller, Marcie Worgan, Dania Zalen and Jason Zogg.

## Eighth-grade high honor roll

Christopher Abbott, Kathryn Adams, Arno Alarcon, Sarah Alba, Madeleine Andersen, Johanna Anderson, Bradley Bailey, Ellen Bandel, Harold Barnard, Jeffrey Barnett, Geoffrey Bedrosian, Rachel Bellizzi, Alec Betterley, Peter Bird, Danielle Blanchard, Laura Blumenthal, Katherine Bonafide, Martin Bonventre, Tiffany Bowdish, Sean Boyle, Shannon Boynton, Nichole Bronson, Parker Brown, Elaine Carberry, Rebecca Cariati, Allison Carloni, Chase Chaskey, Quinn Coffey, Daniel Cohen, Peter Cooley,

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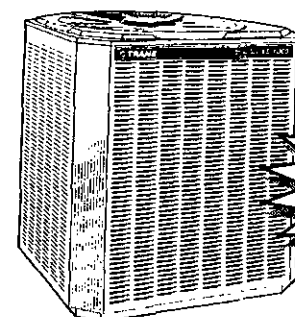
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### Good business

The region's overall healthy economy is reflected here in Bethlehem, with new businesses sprouting up throughout the town.

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For too long, naysayers bemoaned Bethlehem as something akin to an old West commercial ghost town, with little hope of recovery. But the good news of late is really due to small entrepreneurs who have moved or will move to sites that did little more than collect dust for several years.

What Bethlehem now needs to do is engage the interest of larger industry to bolster the tax base. This is especially important now, with several housing developments about to break ground. Numbers prove that residential taxpayers, particularly those who have children in district schools, really put a strain on the tax base. Business is absolutely vital to a healthy town tax base.

The Bethlehem IDA should begin to take a more active role in promoting the town to prospective businesses. The perception that Bethlehem is not a business-friendly town, won't go away until the town takes a pro-active stance and begins to promote itself. Saratoga Springs has taken an aggressive stance to attract industry there, and the city's effort has paid off. A trip up the Northway to see just how Saratoga promotes itself might be well worth the IDAs time.

### Priceless treasure

You needn't go far to get away from it all. Five Rivers, located in New Scotland and Delmar, is one of the region's most beautiful places to visit in all seasons. Teeming with wildlife, it is indeed a treasure that thousands enjoy — a place where nature remains undisturbed. Visitors are welcome to take to the trails on their own or participate in the many seasonal activities offered at the center. And all of this splendor is yours for the asking — it's free.

Five Rivers Limited, the citizens nonprofit corporation that, in essence, was responsible for saving the education center when it was threatened with extinction because of budget cuts, continues to protect and enhance the preserve and deserves credit for its commitment to this unique place.

Five Rivers Limited raises money through its annual bird seed sale and through membership dues. In this week's point of view, Marge Farrell explains some of the functions of Five Rivers Limited. Think about this group the next time you and your family visit Five Rivers. The \$15 annual membership fee is a small price to pay for what you get from this environmental sanctuary.

### Farewell to Faraone

Nick Faraone, who recently resigned from the Voorheesville board of education because he is moving to Richmond, Va. to become senior vice president of field operations for the mid-Atlantic affiliate of the American Heart Association, will be missed.

Faraone got involved in the district first as president of the Voorheesville Taxpayers Association and later as a school board member. Faraone made a genuine contribution to the board, where he has performed responsibly, earning the respect of his colleagues. He showed that a board could still get things done, while being fiscally prudent.

Too often in the past, school boards mounted spending proposals that angered taxpayers, who were tired of school tax bills going up significantly from year to year.

By the time Faraone and others formed the taxpayers association in Voorheesville, school district residents were at wit's end. But this year, thanks to careful planning, the budget easily passed.

The district owes a lot to Nick Faraone especially for his advocacy of sound fiscal practices.

## Five Rivers is food for the soul



This is one of the many ponds teeming with wildlife at Five Rivers.

By Marge Farrell

*The writer is president of the board of Five Rivers Limited.*

"I didn't know this place existed. Can anyone come here? Is there an entrance fee. My parents began to visit when I was a toddler, and I'll never forget what fun we had learning about nature." These are just some of the comments and questions we hear at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center. The nature center with its network of trails is a year-round treasure to delight all ages.

On a crisp winter day after a new snowfall, cross-country skiers experience the joy of making the first human tracks on the North Loop, where they sight tracks of deer, mice and other game. If they are lucky, they may encounter a deer crossing the trail. As the day progresses, visitors rent snowshoes and try their expertise over the fields, as well as on the trails.

In the spring, young and old, in boots of course, take to the trails to see the masses of spring wildflowers. The new families of Canada geese are on the ponds and the

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turtles are making their torturous way out of the ponds to lay their eggs.

Now, in the midst of summer, those who walk Nature's Backyard Accessible Trail are thrilled by the beauty of the wildlife garden and the views from the deck and gazebo. Inscribed on a sign in the gazebo are these words from John Burroughs, "I come here to find myself. It's so easy to get lost in the world." That is exactly what many people do. While sitting in the gazebo or on a bench on the Woodlot Trail, or strolling on the Wild Turkey Trail, their eyes feast on nature's bounty and their minds and souls are at rest.

In autumn, there is no place quite as beautiful as Five Rivers. With the Helderberg escarpment as a backdrop, the fields, woods and walking bridges over ponds and streams are enhanced by the canopy of colored leaves interspersed with the evergreens.

However, beautiful as Five Rivers is for individual exploration and enjoyment, it has a wider-ranging mission. As one of New York state's nature centers, it is dedicated to advancing the environmental education of the people of the region. To that end, staff offer programs for teachers, provide kits to be borrowed for use in the classroom and prepare and lead public programs throughout the year. In addition, they train instructors to teach in the extensive school program. More than 15,000 school-children are involved in scheduled programs at Five Rivers each academic year.

More than a quarter-century ago, we were in danger of losing this natural resource to a state budget cut. In a wonderful example of people power, a group of concerned citizens banded together and successfully lobbied against this action. The group eventually formed a nonprofit citizens corporation, Five Rivers Limited (FRL), to support Five Rivers Environmental Education Center.

In the years since that initial threat to close the center, FRL has

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taken on an increasing number of roles. The school programs are administered by a school program coordinator, hired by FRL. Instructors in the school programs are contract employees of FRL.

Protection of habitat through purchase of land surrounding the center is one of the major goals of FRL — a goal made more urgent by the encroaching development in the Orchard Street area. With the state, FRL shares the expense of funding internships at the center so that future environmental educators may be trained on site. FRL funds are used to supplement the budget of Five Rivers for the purchase of items such as educational supplies. The most recent major project of FRL was the construction of an accessible trail for the mobility impaired. This three-year effort involved the work of many volunteers, contributed services from several contractors and Scout groups, and financial support from individuals and foundations.

All of the regular activities supported by FRL depend on funds

received from membership dues and the sale of birdseed. For a minimal sum (just \$15 a year for a family), members register their support for Five Rivers and its programs. What a bargain! For this tax-deductible contribution, members receive the newsletter, "River Ramblings," a discount on items purchased from the Five Rivers bookstore, a discount on special fee-based family programs and an invitation to hear a guest speaker at the annual meeting. More important, the membership fund allows FRL to continue its support of activities at the center.

Twenty-six years ago, we almost lost Five Rivers Environmental Education Center to a state budget cut. Since that time, there have been lean budget years when money for supplies, infrastructure repair and trail maintenance was subjected to the budget ax. A cut in professional staff was narrowly averted only four years ago. We know that a strong citizens support group can

be a powerful voice in raising the consciousness of our elected officials to the importance of Five Rivers to the community.

We invite you to visit Five Rivers. Enjoy its beauty and the glimpses of nature it showcases. If you're not a member of the friends' group, stop at the interpretive center and join us. It's an investment you'll never regret.

## Letters policy

The Spotlight welcomes letters from readers on subjects of local interest. Letters are subject to editing in keeping with our rules of fairness, accuracy, style and length.

Write to Letters to the Editor, The Spotlight, 125 Adams St., Delmar 12054. Letters may be faxed to 439-0609.

## Bethlehem fortunate to have vocal citizen

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem is lucky indeed to have such independent-minded, influence-free town board members, as stated in their letters to *The Spotlight* in the July 15 issue.

Bethlehem is particularly lucky also to have vocal, independent citizens like Linda Anne Burtis to call on its board members to be accountable for poor decisions such as their uniform votes on the water issue, as evidenced by the subsequent need to sue the company hired by the board and rehiring of the company being sued.

There is a real difference between a citizen's perhaps overly

broad characterization of the workings of a public body (as in Ms. Burtis's July 8 letter to the editor) and the tone and personal nature of the elected officials' attacks on that citizen (in their July 15 letters).

It would be more constructive if the board members would respond to Ms. Burtis's substantive comments on the water issue rather than resort to personal attacks.

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## Glenmont writer praises local 'environmental watch dog'

Editor, The Spotlight:

It was with dismay that I read town board members' attacks on Linda Burtis, who for years has been a dedicated environmental watchdog, tirelessly researching issues and informing the town board and the community of her findings. Linda was involved in the fight to keep two different garbage incinerators from locating in our town and spewing toxic emissions into our already polluted air.

She co-founded Bethlehem Citizens for Clean Air, which was successful in alerting town residents and the town board to the hazards of having a formaldehyde plant in our town. And as founder of Clearwater for Bethlehem, she along with engineers Sherwood Davies and Bill Kelleher, predicted

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in 1994 that the town's new water system was doomed to the very failure we have now seen and over which the town must now sue to keep us, the taxpayers, from footing the bill for the ill-conceived plan. Linda has been more than gracious in never saying, 'I told you so.' However, she now faces attack for stating the obvious — that the current town board does not promote or practice open government.

In 1996, town residents were more than surprised to learn from the *Times Union* that our own town supervisor, along with DEC officials, was welcoming a formaldehyde producer to town. Obviously,

there had been knowledge of this prior to our supervisor's taking a place on a dais, the article was the first the community had heard of it.

In 1994, more than 700 residents packed town hall on a sultry summer night, with no fans or air conditioning to wait until nearly 11 p.m. to have their say on the water issue. But our town government stubbornly pushed this abysmal water system through, ignoring the wishes of the majority of the population, ignoring the advice of engineers, even telling the populace that the industrial and residential systems could not be separated, which as we have seen, proved untrue.

Even earlier in 1992, town board members were firmly in

the pro-incineration camp, again not listening to the populace whose voice was eventually heard in a referendum.

When will our town stop court-ignoring polluters? When will our elected officials stop gullibly believing the corporate PR people and do their own independent, unbiased, scientific research, so that the citizenry does not have to do it for them? When will we as citizens, taxpayers, be able to enjoy the comfort of our homes after a long day's work and not have to rally at town hall in an effort to have our elected officials listen to our wishes and opinions on the issues?

And when will our elected officials recognize that good sense and clear vision are not political

commodities and stop the infantile political name-calling at those who oppose things the board members indeed vote on in lock-step?

I, personally, do not know whether Linda Burtis is a Republican, Democrat or Independent, but this has no bearing on the quality of research she has presented to the public and to the town board, who seem so bent on ferreting out lurking political operatives they cannot recognize reason. All of us in the town owe a great debt to our own homegrown environmental watchdog, Linda Burtis, who has served unselfishly for the good of her community.

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## Your Opinion Matters

## Writer apologizes, makes suggestions

Editor, The Spotlight:

I apologize to Sheila Fuller and her fellow board members for calling them "puppets." I never intended to impugn their personal integrity. They are sincere, hard-working politicians. I hope they understand that I am a sincere, hard-working crusader for our drinking water. Since 1993, when I founded Clearwater for Bethlehem, many residents of all political persuasions, have told me that they are upset with the way the town board has dealt with the new water system. They appreciate our watchdog role looking over the shoulders of the town board.

We need to turn down the angry rhetoric, and look at the main issue — do we have open government in Bethlehem? I don't believe we do,

at least when it concerns the water issue.

Here are a few changes that the board could make today.

1. In-depth discussion among the board members about the best course of action to take on our failing water system.

For example, Fuller has just asked the state for permission to dredge the river "whenever necessary for the next 10 years." This means she wants to use dredging as routine maintenance to salvage the wells which are drying up.

Dredging the river bottom, with the possibility of disturbing PCBs, is a drastic step. Fuller, and the other board members (except for Susan Burns) have never debated the pros and cons

of routine dredging.

2. An independent voice: Independence can be seen in votes. Every vote on the troubled water system has been unanimous, except for Burns who represents a different party.

3. Clearwater for Bethlehem has asked through the Freedom of Information Act for data on the water levels in the new wells. This is public information. We have never been given this information, which would help the engineers in our group to understand why the wells are going dry.

I appreciate the dialogue in our community about good government. I hope it continues, and that we all learn a little bit from it.

Linda Burtis  
Delmar

## Criticism is the heart of open government

Editor, The Spotlight:

Why this vitriolic response to criticism? It's the heart of open government.

It seems to me that there is confusion about the role of an elected board member. That person is entrusted with examining all issues, studying all material, seeking out all the facts and making his own decision based on his own ability.

He cannot rid himself of that responsibility by saying, 'I trust that fellow so I'll let him make the decision.' Such a retreat from decision making is the antithesis of good governing. Instead of taking offense at suggestions for a better

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way of doing things, can't we hear each other, respect each other and work together to make Bethlehem a model of open government?

Eleanor Shapiro  
Delmar

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## Your Opinion Matters

## Dredging needs to be discussed

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recent developments on the water issue have not been reported in the media or discussed at a town board meeting.

On June 2, Bethlehem applied for a permit from DEC to dredge the Hudson River. The new test/production well should be completed by Aug. 20.

Bethlehem plans to dispose of the dredged material on land located less than 100 feet from the infiltration gallery. Sediment analysis shows many pollutants exceeding DEC limits for disposal.

Bethlehem applied to the Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to dredge the river. For information on this, you can contact Mark Roth

at 1-212-264-0184.

Fraser and Rust have indicated that it might be possible to obtain monetary relief from federal, state or local agencies for reimbursement of services. The agreement also states that service under the stipulated agreement are privileged.

A recent article letter to the editor raised the question of open government. Many town officials and community residents may have a different perception of open government. I happen to believe that we do not have open government, but that there are indications of an improvement as a result of televised board meetings.

In the past, major issues were placed on the board's agenda with

members being provided staff reports. The board then unanimously approves with limited discussion, the staff's recommendations. The issue is then reported in the media after the fact.

Shouldn't the public have prior notice? We have a salaried public relations person in Supervisor Sheila Fuller's office.

It seems interesting that Sue Burns, a new town board member, took a "hit" from a critic in a letter to *The Spotlight*. Ms. Burns made no public response. Three Republican town board members were highly irritated by another critic who suggested we do not have open government.

A dialogue on the perception of open government is more important than heated rhetoric.

Sherwood Davies  
Delmar

## Zoning change would mark end of village atmosphere

Editor, The Spotlight:

Most town residents are aware of the proposal to commercially rezone the parcel of land near the library to allow construction of a 94 unit senior housing facility. While I and many of my neighbors, who live within 100 feet of the site are not opposed to the idea of senior housing, we are opposed to the CMI proposal and the dire changes it holds for this beautiful section of 'Old Delmar.'

The change from residential to commercial zoning will mark the beginning of the end of the wonderful 'village atmosphere' on this portion of Delaware Avenue. Look as you drive by from the Four Corners to the railroad underpass. There are only two or three houses with people still living in them. This is what's in store for our main

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street from Four Corners to the proposed location if commercial zoning is approved.

The proposed building is huge. Official town records indicate it at 69,881 square feet (mistakenly reported at 33,000 square feet in the July 15 *Spotlight*), 50 percent larger and one half times as big as the former Blue Cross/Blue Shield offices in Slingerlands (46,000 square feet). Is a building so enormous appropriate for this neighborhood — no matter what the use?

Were the 6.7-acre site converted to a Senior Citizen Residence District instead of a commercial district, a 67-unit facility could be built. CMI has indicated they need 94 units to "make economic sense," yet they stated to town officials on at least two occasions that they operate a 68-unit facility in Brewster, Mass.

If they can make money with 68 units in Massachusetts, they certainly should be able to operate profitably in Delmar with 67. CMI is not "the only game in town." The Levine family is happy to have just opened a new facility for 54 residents, as described on Page 6 of *The Spotlight's* July 15 Senior Scene. It can be done on a smaller scale.

Please, fellow residents, don't condemn us for trying to preserve our neighborhood to retain an important part of Delmar's history. We wish to keep Delmar "nice" for everyone.

Bob Marriott  
Delmar

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## Saturday, July 25:

4-5pm Ken Norton autograph signing.

## Sunday, July 26:

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# Former staffer believes paper should keep students

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing as a former editorial staff employee of *The Spotlight* and as a former resident of Delmar regarding the recent change in ownership of this community newspaper.

First, I wish the best of luck to Dick and Mary Ahlstrom in their retirement and thank them for their years of service to *The Spotlight* and, in turn, to the town of Bethlehem.

I think it is important for everyone to realize the transition that is occurring: a company based outside the Capital District has purchased *The Spotlight* from residents of Bethlehem, and has begun to tinker with the newspaper, as discussed in the July 8 story. Most of these relatively minor changes make sense for business and technical reasons. Still, the new owners of the paper, the staff of the paper and the towns the paper serves face the challenge of maintaining *The Spotlight's* status as a community publication.

I commend Eagle Newspapers for its decision to keep the current staff and to trust it with the paper's future. Eagle did not do what all too many companies do upon taking over a community business—clean house. Eagle must continue to support a staff that has shown its dedication to its community.

One decision by Eagle Newspapers, however, does not display such dedication. The new owners have essentially fired all employees who attend high school: instead of the paying jobs offered by the Ahlstroms, Eagle will only provide unpaid internships. The lack of paying positions will decrease the number of students able to work for *The Spotlight*; teens work for money just like everyone else, and many need a paid job to earn money for college and other expenses. By cutting off paid positions, Eagle discourages local students from getting involved with the newspaper.

Student employees have served *The Spotlight* very well in the past, filling its sports pages with coverage of high school teams, and gaining valuable experience with a newspaper, including the opportunity to cover stories about local schools, government and business. They have worked part time during the

school year and almost full time during the summer. Their tasks have ranged from routine pagination to filling in for reporters and covering front-page news. A look through back issues of *The Spotlight* will show that hiring committed and talented youth to write provides fine coverage at affordable cost.

Teen-age employees add another benefit; they are community members who care about and have knowledge of the town they write about. They are invaluable tools to maintain the paper's community connection.

Looking back at the five years that I worked for *The Spotlight*, I know that I gained experience and knowledge, while contributing to the newspaper and to the community. I hope the new owners of *The Spotlight* will not deny other teen-agers the same opportunity.

Josh Kagan  
New Haven, Conn.

# Student issues need to be discussed

Editor, The Spotlight:

It is quite obvious from letters to *The Spotlight* and from conversations throughout the town, that Bethlehem Central High School senior prank day has created frustration and confusion for students, parents and school personnel. It also seems that there are no plans to address this issue as a community. What happened at the high school is not unique. Just read the local papers.

However, what I believe is different is the lack of meaningful dialogue with students, parents and the administration. Without this, similar problems will recur.

What is lacking are the three Cs—communication, consensus and community. Without communication from students and parents, disciplinary policies will not be effective. Effective implies support from home. If parents and students feel disenfranchised, the support cannot follow.

Yes, kids today are different, with different pressures and problems. The archaic, disciplinary methods of the '50s and '60s that the school-administration thinks still work, do not. Detention means nothing. Detention, where young

adults sit in a room for hours and hours (and are not required to do schoolwork) is a waste of time. Out of school suspension means a fun day in front of the television for most. And what is the message? We don't want to spend the time to help you understand why your behavior is wrong, to understand the problems in your life, to agree on the best way to prevent future mistakes. It's as a previous writer said—the administration has a theory that you don't have to deal with kids if they are not in the field of vision.

Dialogue can bring consensus. When all parties have input, policies can be effective. Arrogance and autocratic rules and decisions carry no weight.

Finally, I want to address community. This community is hurting over this and only communication can heal it. If it takes a village

to raise a child, I urge everyone in this community to step up to the plate and participate.

If we show we care, perhaps we can instill a sense of community and trust in our young people. Don't send a kid home and sit them in a room to do nothing as punishment. Let them work on school tasks. Give them community service. Help them invest in their neighborhoods and school. Mentor them. Talk to them. But more important—listen to them.

I suggest that the school district establish an open forum to discuss these and other issues of community relevance with parents, students, teachers and motivated citizens. It's time to try something different—before it's too late.

P. Hennessy  
Selkirk

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• Friday, July 24, at 9:30 a.m. — children's writing workshop.

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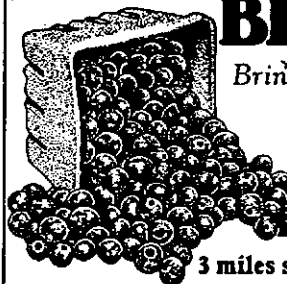
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*Me And My Baby View The Eclipse: Stories* by Lee Smith. Nine stories confront the theme of loss — of faith, youth, dreams, loved ones — with humor, directness and compassion. Smith's marvelous use of detail and keen knowledge of the voice of the American South provide a refreshing take on universal truths.

Louise Grieco

## Zoning board schedules hearing

The Bethlehem zoning board of appeals has scheduled a hearing on the application of Negley and Elizabeth Norton of Thorndale Road in Slingerlands for Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall at 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

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# V'ville honors volunteers for outstanding work

At a recent reception to honor volunteers, awards were given to 13 individuals who have gone the "extra mile" to make an outstanding contribution to the Voorheesville Central School District.

High school physical education teacher Nadine Bassler and elementary physical education teacher David Cady both received awards, as did school psychologist Laurie Lysenko.

Former PTA president Paula Handen and parents Debbie Baron, Kathy Massaroni, Valerie Glover and Roselyn Robinson were also honored.

An award was given to Jim and Elaine Nichols, owners of SuperValu Foods and district parents. Tom Haggerty, owner of Voorheesville Mobil, and station manager Joanne Busch, also received an award, as did deputy Amy Carmen of the Albany County Sheriff's Department.

## Iroquois program set at Heldeberg Workshop

Heldeberg Workshop on Picard Road will sponsor 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.

Stock is an accomplished beadworker and basket-maker as well as performer.

The next family program is the 1998 super bug sweep entitled Insectomania on Sunday, July 26, at 2 p.m.

The workshop's resident bug expert Jerry Dievendorf will lead a sweep to collect, survey and identify insects and other related creatures that inhabit the Heldeberg grasslands.

There will be some nets available, but, if possible, bring your own. The program is for all ages.

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

Open house for the workshop's second session is on Thursday, July 30, from 6 to 8 p.m.

## Village park program slates activities

It's birds and butterflies week at the village park arts and crafts program.

Children will make bird feeders, butterfly sun-catchers, magnets, wrist bands, puppets and

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crystal butterflies. The group will have trail mix and popcorn for snack.

The program is offered Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon in the village park behind village hall on Voorheesville Avenue. Children must be 7 to attend.

Younger children can participate if accompanied by an adult.

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

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

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

Thursdays at 11 a.m.

## Library to host Irish music and stories

The public library on School Road will host A Musical Journey through the Stories of Ireland with Bairbre McCarthy and Frank Orsini on Wednesday, July 29, at 7 p.m.

The program, part of the Together at Twilight series, intermingles Irish ballads and dance music with a touch of the Celtic harp and cultural history of Ireland.

Together at Twilight programs are held outdoors, if possible. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and bug spray. For information, call 765-2791.

## Village trustees to meet

The Voorheesville board of trustees next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 28, at 8 p.m. at village hall on Voorheesville Avenue.

The village office is selling cen-

tenial memorabilia on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. during the summer.

## Board names new principal

Congratulations to Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School's new principal, Bill Furdon. Furdon has been associate principal at the school.

## Church thrift shop open Tuesday evenings

The always popular thrift shop at First United Methodist Church on Maple Avenue is open Tuesdays in the summer from 7 to 9 p.m.

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## Cohoes Savings Bank sets mortgage talk

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## League elects new officers

The League of Women Voters of Albany County recently elected new officers.

Karen Bonventre of Delmar was re-elected president for a second term. The other officers are: Audrey Kibrick, administrative vice president; Aimee Allaud, action vice president; Louisa Soleau, treasurer; and Wendy Dury-Samson, secretary.

Lori Keegan-Brady, Maggie Moehringer, Linda Sorenson and Melanie Trimble were elected to two-year terms as board directors. Courtney Burke, Irene Hauman, Pat Renshaw and Betsey Swan will continue their terms.

Bonnie Beard, Christine Deyss, Joanne Esposito, Martha Kennedy, Adele Mockler, Sue Secor, Sylvia Sickles and Becky Steiner agreed to one-year appointments.

Off-board position will be held by Milena Leukhardt (chair), Melissa Martin and Carol Saginaw, nominations committee; Marggie Skinner and Gael Casey Vecchio (co-chairs), budget committee; Sue Conway, circulation; Jane Allen, poll reporting; and Nancy Heinzen, solid waste issues.

For information about the League of Women Voters, call 475-0970.

## Chicken barbecue at Ravena Grange

There will be a chicken barbecue on Saturday, July 25, at 4 p.m. at the Ravena Grange.

Proceeds will benefit the Coeymans Hollow Volunteer Fire Corp.

### Fire auxiliary plans ice cream social

Ravena Hose Co. auxiliary will host an ice cream social today, July 22, at 6 p.m. at the Ravena firehouse.

### Band to perform at Coeymans Landing

The Bridge Street Band will perform on Thursday, July 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Coeymans Landing Gazebo.

### RCS class of '88 looking for classmates

RCS class of 1988 is looking for classmates to invite to a planned reunion.

If you know the address for any of the following class members,

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Missing classmates are: Allison Bidwell, Arthur Brunett, Tracy Carroll, Patrick Foley, Harold Folmsbee, Louis Fischer, Connie Hollenback, Scott Hughes, Melanie Cherner, Lori Jacoby, Michelle Dedrick, Eric Schwanke, Tina McDonald, Edward Miner, Ralph Domanico, Daniel Pugsley, John Scott, Alfred Van Alstyne and John Zobel.

### Riverside festival set for Aug. 1

Mark your calendar for the Cocksackie Riverside Festival on Saturday, Aug. 1.

The event features crafts, food and entertainment.

### Farm has fresh corn and blueberry pies

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### Park facilities can be reserved

Local park pavilions, fields and the gazebo can be reserved.

To reserve facilities at Coeymans Landing or Joralemon Park, call the town clerk at 756-2100.

Mosher Park can be reserved by calling the village of Ravena at 756-8233.

### Swim team wins season opener

The Ravena swim team has won its season opener at Mosher Park against Oakdale with a score of 280-76.

The next meet is against Athens.

### History museum seeks volunteers

The town of Coeymans history museum needs volunteers.

To help out, contact Robert Wade at 756-6598.

### Delmar student earns degree

Christian McTighe, son of Audrey Roes and Michael McTighe of Delmar, was one of 334 members of the class of 1998 to receive a diploma at the 217th commencement exercises at Phillips Exeter Academy.

McTighe was a one-year student at the coeducational, independent secondary school in Exeter, N.H. He will attend Bates College in the fall.

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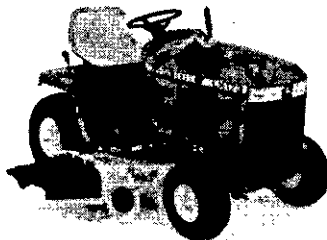
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# RCS school board holds organizational meeting

By Peter Hanson

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk board of education recently held its annual reorganizational meeting and approved dozens of job appointments throughout the district.

Most of the items continued the status quo, with school employees and outside agencies retaining their current positions and salaries. The largest contract went to Bethlehem Family Practice, which will continue to serve the school district's medical needs for an annual fee of \$22,775.

The bulk of the agenda was comprised of personnel issues, some of which are detailed below.

- The board accepted Nancy Westcott's resignation from her job as transportation supervisor. Westcott recently accepted a similar position with Bethlehem Central School District.

- The board accepted John McGuire's resignation as director instruction.

- The board accepted Pat McMullen's retirement from her post as a teacher aide and also the retirement of bus driver Fran Clark.

- The board decided voted to accept the probationary appointments of teachers Aimee Bishop, Stephanie Casadonte, Patricia Malone and Linda Wistar.

- The board accepted the appointment of Karen Edwards D'Alessandro as a long-term substitute social worker. D'Alessandro will be filling in for a teacher who is on maternity leave.

- The board accepted the appointment of Kim McHugh as senior typist.

- The board accepted the appointment of two computer specialists at the P.B. Coeymans school; their names are Karen Miller and Elizabeth Ristan.

- The board accepted the appointment of Judi Ellis for two positions. She will be the audio-video coordinator at the A.W. Becker school and also the school's computer specialist.

- The board accepted the appointment of Janis Burreci as a summer school teacher.

In other business, the board recognized several scholarships awarded by GE Selkirk. Students Sean Ostrander and Jim Gorham

won \$250 awards while Melanie Relyea and Chuck Pettinato won \$500 awards.

The board also accepted the appointments of its officers for the coming year. School business administrator Rodger Lewis was named district clerk and records management officer; Nancy Caswell was appointed district treasurer and district collector of taxes.

Elizabeth Kent was named internal claims auditor; the law firm of McCary & Huff was retained as school counsel for an annual fee of \$8,925; Kim McHugh and Rosemary Coons were named treasurers for the high school and the middle school, respectively.

The firm of Dorfman-Robbie was designated as the school district's auditing firm for an annual fee of \$10,200, a \$400 increase from last year's fee of \$9,800.

Diane Albano was appointed as chair of the Committee on Special Education.

The board voted to continue using the Ravena branch of Key Bank as its official depository for several funds and also made several administrative decisions such as the schedule for board meetings during the next school year.

The next meeting will be held Monday, Aug. 3, at 7 p.m. at the district offices

## Rev's kitchen to serve lunch

Rev's Country Kitchen at South Bethlehem United Methodist Church at 65 Willowbrook Ave. will serve summer lunches every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A la carte lunches will feature homemade soup, a salad plate of the day, special of the day (meat, potato and vegetable), hot dogs, beverages and a variety of homemade desserts.

Takeouts will be available and deliveries can be made to area businesses.

The church's thrift shop will be open Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For information, call 767-2281.

## Five Rivers offers butterfly program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center at 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar will offer a free program on butterflies on Saturday, Aug. 1, at 10 a.m.

The program begins with an indoor introduction to the natural history of butterflies. Participants will then take a walk through the center's grounds in search of butterflies.

Dress for the outdoors and bring butterfly identification books and binoculars, if possible. For information, call 475-0291.

## Delmar library plans bedtime story hours

Children ages 3 to 6 and their teddy bears can drop in for bedtime story hour on Mondays, July 27, and Aug. 3 and 10, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

# CMI proposal tops agenda at town board meeting

Following are agenda items for the Bethlehem town board meeting tonight, July 22, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

- Public hearing regarding the transfer of Cablevision assets to Time Warner Cable.

- Consideration of adoption of Local Law 8 of 1998 concerning rezoning of 467 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. This is the parcel where CMI Senior Housing & Healthcare wants to build a 94-unit assisted-living facility. Rezoning would change the parcel, which neighbors Bethlehem Public Library, from residential to planned commercial.

- Consideration of request from Dave Austin, administrator of Parks & Recreation Department, for approval of appointment of seasonal personnel.

- Consideration of request from highway superintendent Gregg Sagendorf regarding participation in fall household hazardous waste collection at the city of Albany's Rapp Road landfill.

- Consideration of request from Sagendorf for approval of

change order regarding fuel tank installation at the highway department's garage.

- Consideration of request from Karen Pelletier, director of Senior Services, for approval of transfer of insurance recovery monies that will be used to pay for the repair of senior van number 803.

- Acknowledgement of the receipt of an annual report from the Bethlehem Historical Association.

- Consideration of request from town clerk Kathleen Newkirk for the installation of air circulation equipment for the basement of town hall.

- Acknowledgement of receipt of conditional approval of final plat for the Hauerwas subdivision from the planning board for information purposes.

- Acknowledgment of receipt of conditional approval of final plat for lot line revisions for Harry Gochee of 481 Dawson Road and Kenaware Avenue in Delmar from the planning board for information purposes.

The town board's next meeting is Wednesday, Aug. 12, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall.

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## Tri-Village downs three in District 13 tournament

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The team consists of the best 12-year-olds, who were ballot-selected during regular season play, from the nine Major Division teams.

Tri-Village defeated Colonie, 2-1, Tuesday, July 14, and West Albany, 9-7, Saturday, July 18.

The Saturday, July 18, game featured an outstanding first inning at bat for Tri-Village, including a home run by lead-off batter **Ricky Grant**, a two-run home run by clean-up hitter **Russell Ellers** and a stand-up double by **Evan Marsh**, who went on to hit three for three for the game. West Albany then changed their pitcher. Despite new pitching, **Matt Young** smashed a stand-up double.

The second inning saw **Steve Blanch** blast a line drive to left field, giving him a stand-up double. Blanch went two for three at bats this game. Marsh then smashed one to left field, bouncing it off the fence for a double and an RBI. Third inning fielding action saw third baseman **Brian Maher** successfully field a pull hit shot from West Albany. At bat, Blanch had a nice hit, "Texas League" style over the shortstop's head, but short of the outfielder, dropping it in for a single.

The fifth inning brought on West Albany's third pitcher, but he was ineffective against **Michael Dax**, who smashed a grounder to



Bethlehem Tri-Village pitcher Marcus Kaplan prepares to throw the ball during the July 14 game against Colonie. *Paul Deyss*

right field, putting him at second base and giving him an RBI.

Pitcher, **Russell Ellers** did an

outstanding job on the mound despite an "extremely tight" strike zone maintained by the home plate umpire. Ellers pitched five innings, throwing more than 100 pitches, and had eight strike outs. This is Ellers' second win of the All-Star tournament, the first win he pitched six innings in the opening game, beating Albany National. Blanch came in the sixth inning as the relief pitcher during Saturday's game, and got the job done. The final score of Saturday's game against West Albany was 9-7.

**Jeff Boynton**, **Chris Flagg**, **Marcus Kaplan**, **Bob McGrath**, **Rick Rodgers**, **Dan Seeber**, and **Luke Sullivan** also contributed to the team's success.

They played the final round Tuesday, against the winner of the Monday, July 20, game, West Albany vs. Colonie.

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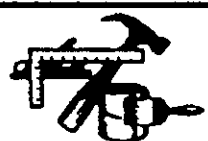
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## Bethlehem Mickey Mantle qualifies for state tournament

In final regular season play, Bethlehem Mickey Mantle baseball team qualified for the upper New York State Mickey Mantle tournament in Canton, in Jefferson County, Thursday, July 23.

In the team's most recent game, they lost to Lansingburgh, 9-1. **Ryan Venter** had a single and stole second base, while Lucas Parks had a double.

In a non-league game against the Adirondack Cobras, Bethlehem lost 2-0. **Avi Rasowski** and **Brian Rowan** pitched.

On Wednesday, July 15, the team defeated West Albany, 18-4. **Ryan Sweeney** had a grand slam home run. **Ben O'Dell** had an RBI and two singles.

On Saturday, July 18, Bethlehem trounced Scotia, 16-1. **Venter** was the winning pitcher. He pitched for six innings, allowing no runs, walked one and struck out six. **Alan Lewis** had a single, a double and an RBI.

In their biggest game of the season, Bethlehem played Latham, and won 8-6.

Both teams entered the competition with a record of 13-5.

Latham was ahead, 5-2, in the second. Bethlehem scored four runs in the fifth, and two more in the sixth.

**Josh Burnett** pitched for five and two thirds innings. He allowed two hits, two walks and struck out nine. **Pat Davis** drove in a winning run with a single. **Sweeney** had a double, and two singles.

The team has a final league record of 15-5 and an overall record of 17-6.

## New Scotland Kiwanis golf tournament set

The New Scotland Kiwanis golf tournament is set for Monday, July 27, at 11:30 a.m. at Colonie Country Club in Voorheesville.

Proceeds from the outing are used to sponsor youth programs in the town of New Scotland, Dollars and Scholars, and the Albany Medical Center Pediatric Trauma Unit.

The registration fee of \$125 per player, (\$480) for a foursome) includes the cost of golf and cart, buffet lunch, dinner, prizes and venous contests.

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To register contact, **Alan McCartney** at 765-3313, ext. 104 or at 765-4318.

## Cooper-Varney final standings

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Bethlehem Community, 9-4; Delmar Presbyterian, 8-4; St. Thomas II, 8-5; Clarksville Community, 8-5; St. Thomas I, 6-7; Delmar Reformed, 5-8; Westerlo Baptist I, 4-9; Westerlo Baptist II, 2-11; Delmar United Methodist, 2-11; Coxsackie Gospel Community, 1-12.

## Bethlehem girl asks for support

Bethlehem softball player **Jessica Urschel** of the 16-and-under Tri-City Rage qualified for the ASA Nationals to be held in Novi, Mich., Aug. 4-9. Any support to help pay for this once in life time trip would be greatly appreciated. To make a donation, call 475-1385.

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## Indicators

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as a good thing for the revitalization of the downtowns."

There are many indications that the local economy is cruising along at a steady pace. In the last few weeks, various private and government groups have released data based on activity during the first few months of 1998.

• At the end of May, *Capital District Business Review* placed Bethlehem sixth on a list of the "Area's Fastest Growing Municipalities." The criteria for the ranking was value of construction, and there was a reported \$26 million worth of construction in town last year, \$20 million of which was residential.

The top-ranked municipality on the list was the town of Colonie, with a reported \$91 million worth of construction last year, the bulk of which centered on Albany International Airport.

• Stephen Kagann, chief economist with the state Office of Economic Affairs, said employment is on the rise throughout the state. "Job growth has registered in 16 of the last 17 months," Kagann said, "and June to June job growth is the best in over a decade."

Kagann said growth is evident in the private and public sectors. "New York has seen improvement in virtually every major private sector industry category over the (last) year, with business services,

up 6.2 percent, and engineering and management services, up 4.9 percent, continuing to lead the way," he said.

• According to information from the Greater Capital Association of Realtors (GCAR), an Albany-based trade group, sales of homes in the area have surpassed last year's totals.

"(Realtors) are generally reporting that the market is improving and is better than at any time in recent years," GCAR president Laura Conrad said.

The association's executive vice president James Ader added, "Contracts of sale for 1998 continue to outperform 1997 figures by, at this time, 13 percent."

GCAR's figures recorded 3,239 home purchase contracts signed in the Capital District in the first five months of 1998, up from 2,678 during the period from January to May 1997. GCAR listed 2,141 closings between January to May 1998, with an average purchase price of \$116,877.

Although the increases reflect sales throughout the six counties tracked by GCAR, sales in Albany County didn't increase as much as those in other parts of the area. The spike in Albany County home sales over last year's January to May period was 8 percent, with an average price of \$125,969.

• The most comprehensive list of economic indicators was com-

piled by the Center for Economic Growth (CEG), an Albany-based nonprofit agency that serves as a liaison between area municipalities and outside businesses to help lure investors to the area.

CEG is deeply involved with the "chip-fab" initiative, the statewide program through which several industrial sites are being readied in the hopes of attracting multimillion-dollar computer chip fabrication factories. One of the 13 sites that was selected for the initiative is in Selkirk.

CEG's data represents reported construction, job growth, profits and losses and other factors from companies throughout the Capital District, and the most recent set of economic indicators — published last month — indicates trends for the first few months of 1998.

Here are the highlights of CEG's latest findings:

• The Bloomberg Capital Region Stock Index rose 52.5 percent from March 1997.

• Based on point scales that compare survey results from various years, CEG determined that "consumer confidence is at its second highest level on record," and "Optimism about current economic conditions increased (over last year)."

• The number of unemployed people in the Capital District dropped 0.5 percent, and the un-

employment rate here is below the national average.

• Five hundred new manufacturing jobs that were created in the first quarter of 1998 represented a 1.3 percent increase from the first quarter of 1997. The biggest jump in employment rates that CEG noted was the 10.5 percent increase in textile-manufacturing jobs.

• Other new jobs included 200 in wholesale companies, 600 in retail firms and 300 in food service. The largest drop CEG noted was the loss of 200 jobs in general merchandise stores. This statistic

represents the closures of local franchises such as the Caldor that used to be in Westgate Plaza in Albany.

DeLaney said she knows things are going well because local business owners are having an easier time managing their cash flow. "What I'm seeing is that their bills are being paid a lot quicker," DeLaney said. "That used to be a problem. There used to be a long delay between when business owners sent bills and got paid, which affected their ability to pay their suppliers. For small businesses, their cash flow is critical."

## Ambulance

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"We decided that if we were going to keep this going, there's got to be a different way," Day said.

Representatives from the fire district and town officials ironed out a plan to create a new Delmar Fire District that would be funded by tax money, but town attorney Bernard Kaplowitz and fire district lawyer, Christopher Dempf, encountered a problem.

"They found there was a glitch in the law that said townships and fire districts could not contract for ambulance services," Day said. The lawyers then contacted state Sen. Neil Breslin, D-Bethlehem, and Assemblyman John Faso, R-Kinderhook, who drafted legislation to correct the outdated law.

"That was a year ago," Day said, "and the new law was passed on July 8 when Gov. Pataki signed it. Meanwhile, there's been no decline in service, and all the cost of that service has been borne by Delmar Fire District."

Day said the fire district's annual budget is about \$460,000.

Before forming the ambulance district last year, the Bethlehem town board held public hearings and referendums that allowed them to raise enough tax money

to cover the ambulance district's annual budget.

About \$113,000 was raised from last year's taxes and put into an escrow account until the change in state law permitted the town to spend money on ambulance service.

Day said he expects to meet with Kaplowitz and Dempf this week to begin discussions concerning the contract the ambulance district will submit to the town. Day said he anticipates the contract will go to the town board by early September, so the town could take over ambulance district expenses sometime this fall.

Day said having the town pay the ambulance district's bills will improve service. "It will let us update the equipment on a regular schedule," he said. "Right now, we're running ambulances that are eight, nine years old, and it's costing us a lot to maintain them."

Day said the ambulance district plans to replace its two ambulances, one at a time. He also said the funding changes came at the right time, because there are more emergencies in town with each passing year. "It used to be the fire district did 200, 300 calls a year," Day said. "Now we're running over 1,300 calls a year."

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Joseph Kowalski and Kari Murad

## Murad, Kowalski to wed

Kari Murad, daughter of Anthony and Dawn Murad of New Lebanon, Columbia County, and Joseph Kowalski, son of Charles and Margaret Kowalski of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of New Lebanon Central High School and Mount Holyoke College. She received a doctorate from Albany Medical College.

She is a post-doctoral research fellow at Albany Medical Center.

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

He is a doctoral candidate at the SUNY School of Public Health in Albany.

The couple plans an Aug. 22 wedding.

## Student honored at ceremony

Michael Sengenberger, a student at Albany Academy, received several awards at the school's closing ceremonies.

He was honored for his athletic, academic and leadership abilities with the Clarkson Leadership Award, Ernest Livingston Miller

merit award (the Miller Sword), Dearsyne History Scholarship and The Maureen R. Mealey Memorial Soccer Award.

Sengenberger, the son of Mark and Heidi Sengenberger of Feura Bush, will be a senior at the school in the fall.

## Births

### St. Peter's

Boy, Nicholas John Rinaldi, to Helen and Stephen Rinaldi of Delmar, June 29.

## Dean's List

American University — Katie Cross of Delmar.

Bates College — Jennifer Rifkin of Delmar.

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania — Gillian Via of Delmar.

Emory University — Maggie Wolfert formerly of Delmar.

Drew University — Joshua Drew and Laura Eslinger, both of Glenmont.

Keene State College — Megan Gorman and Allison Thomas, both of Delmar.

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts — J. Adam Cole of Voorheesville.

Middlebury College — Lisa Engelstein and Chris Wenger, both of Delmar.

Northwestern University — Gabriel Koroluk of Delmar.

Russell Sage College — Christine Cedilotte of Glenmont.

SUNY Fredonia — Leanna Curley of Selkirk and Amanda Genovese and James Slingerland, both of Delmar.

University at Buffalo — Thomas Downes of Delmar and Sean Selover of Glenmont.

University of Chicago — Shayna Klopott of Delmar.



Priscilla and Allan Raymond

## Raymonds celebrate 50th

Allan and Priscilla Raymond of Columbia, S.C., and formerly of Delmar, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently at a party given by their children at the Rockbridge Club in Columbia.

The couple were married June 19, 1948, at Hadwen Park Congregational Church in Worcester, Mass.

Raymond is retired from the

state Department of Environmental Conservation. Priscilla is a homemaker.

The couple has three sons, Gary Raymond of Middletown, Orange County, Rodney Raymond of Charlotte, N.C. and Bradley Raymond of Columbia, S.C.; two daughters, Sally Haskins of Slingerlands and Bethany Everhart of Columbia, S.C.; and eight grandchildren.

## Delmar man earns fellowship

David Lietschutz of Delmar, associate director of the Center for the Study of the States at the Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government in Albany, was recently awarded an Ian Axford Fellowship for 1999.

The fellowship allows mid-career professionals to pursue a public policy project for up to nine months in New Zealand.

Lietschutz was one of two people chosen for the fellowship after a nationwide search.

Lietschutz has chosen to do a project called "Taxes and Poverty in New Zealand," which will complement the work he has done at the Rockefeller Institute. He will take a leave of absence beginning in January and return in September 1999.

## Delmar woman heads group

Jane Stolz of Delmar was recently elected president of the Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary in Albany.

The group was formed 20 years ago to support the programs and mission of the Salvation Army.

## Mail weddings, engagements

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## Youth job service sets summer hours

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## Obituaries

### Joan A. McGee

Joan A. DeFlumer McGee, 59, of Selkirk died Sunday, July 19, at her home.

Born in Albany, she was a life-long resident of the Capital District.

Mrs. McGee worked for First Albany Corp. for 24 years in its purchasing and sales department.

She was a member of the Sweet Adeline Chorus and the National MPS Society.

Survivors include her mother, Ethel M. VanZandt DeFlumer of Delmar; a son, William Boughton McGee Jr. of Loudonville; two daughters, Melissa Ann McGee of San Francisco and Martha Lynn Drummer of Selkirk; two brothers, Leslie J. Wood of Glenmont and Carl M. DeFlumer Jr.; a sister, Karen A. Deering of South Bethlehem; and four grandchildren.

Services were from the Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Contributions may be made to the MPS Society, 17 Kraemer St., Hicksville 11801.

### Vincent R. Lyons

Vincent R. Lyons, 75, of Selkirk died Thursday, July 16, at his home.

Born in Minoa, he was a longtime resident of Selkirk.

Mr. Lyons was a Navy veteran of World War II.

He was an engineer at Conrail in Selkirk for 40 years before he retired.

He was a member of Ravena Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9594, the World War II Navy Armed Guard Veterans Association and Grace United Methodist Church in Ravena.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Ostrander Lyons; a son, David Lyons of Florida; two daughters, Deborah Kissell of Florida and Karen Rulo of Colorado; two sisters, Elizabeth Lyons of Albany and Evelyn Edwards of Chatham; and a brother, Walter Lyons of New Jersey.

Services were from Grace United Methodist Church.

Arrangements were by the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 16 Hillcrest Drive, Ravena 12143.

### Ludmila Vokurka

Ludmila Vokurka, 77, of New Salem died Sunday, July 5, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Czechoslovakia, she was a longtime resident of Bayside, Queens, before moving to New Salem in 1987. Mrs. Vokurka became a United States citizen in 1942.

Survivors include her husband, Vaclav Vokurka; a son, William R. Vokurka; two daughters, Linda J.

Gioia and Judith M. Primiano, both of New Salem; and four grandchildren.

Services were from the Fredendall Funeral Home in Altamont.

Entombment was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 50 Colvin Ave., Albany 12206.

### Brian L. Myers

Brian L. Myers, 36, of Delmar died Thursday, July 16.

A Navy veteran, he was a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

He worked for Plaza Auto in Albany.

Survivors include his mother, Rita Myers of Delmar; two sons, Brian L. Myers and Joshua Myers, both of Pennsylvania; and a brother, Charles C. Myers III.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

### 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.

### Library slates summer reading club

"Solve It At the Library" is this year's summer reading club theme at libraries across the country.

At Bethlehem Public Library, mysterious investigations of all kinds will be featured.

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For information, call 439-9314.

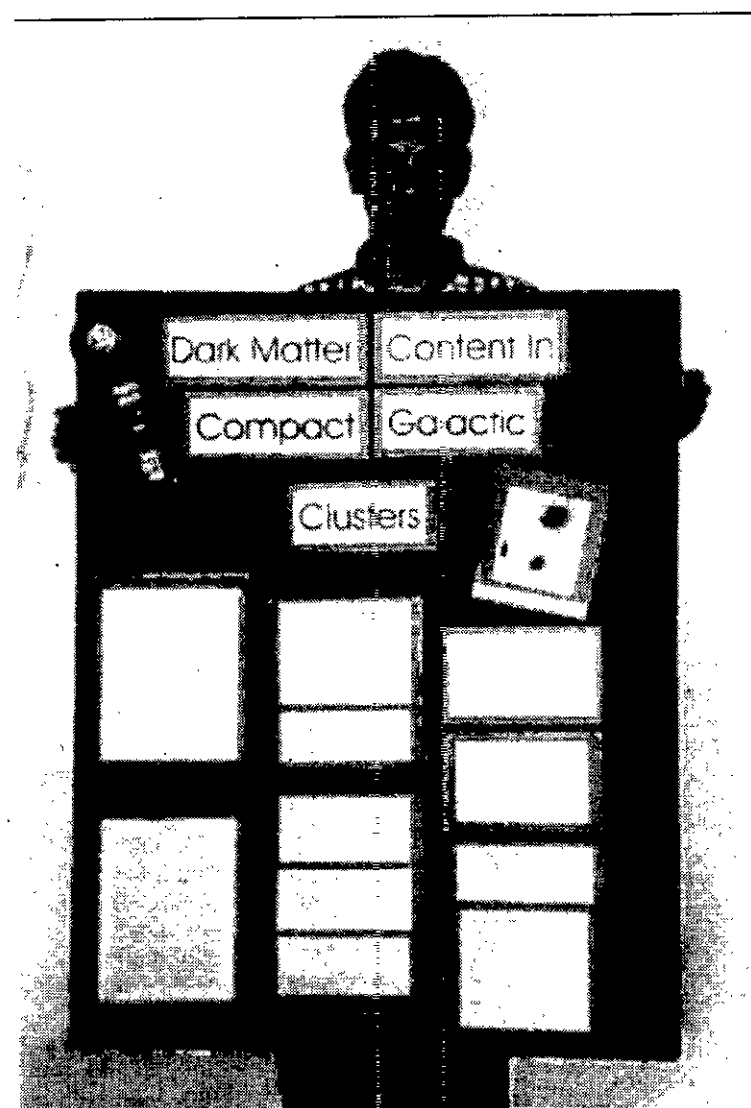
### Bookchat to meet at Delmar library

"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.

## Way to go



Bethlehem Central High School senior Clallen Blake displays his fourth-place ribbon in the physics division which he won at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Fort Worth, Texas. Blake entered the contest with his project, Galactic Mapping, which he completed on his own initiative and with the help of RPI professor Jim Napolitano. Blake's prizes include a \$7,000 scholarship to the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, and \$500.

## County Legislature honors former Delmar publishers

By Martin P. Kelly

The Albany County Legislature honored Richard and Mary Ahlstrom for their community service and dedication to newspaper publishing at its July 13 meeting.

Legislator Robin Reed of Selkirk cited the publishers' "well-deserved reputation for solid coverage of local government, school districts, community activities and sporting events" in urging the passage of the resolution.

The couple, who sold Spotlight Newspapers in June to Eagle Publishers of Syracuse and were present at the July 13 meeting, were given a standing ovation by the legislators who unanimously passed the resolution.

Reed told the legislators prior to the vote that when the couple bought *The Spotlight* 18 years ago, it employed six people.

"Under their leadership," Reed said, "the Spotlight Newspapers which include Colonie and Loudonville, now employ more than 30 people."

Reed's resolution urged the Legislature "to congratulate Richard and Mary Ahlstrom on their retirement and to express the gratitude of the citizens of Albany County for the years they have devoted to covering local news."

The couple, who will continue to live in Delmar, was given a framed copy of the resolution.

## Five Rivers offers bat banding program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will offer a free program on bat banding on Tuesday, Aug. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the center's Ackerman Barn.

Alan Hicks, a wildlife biologist with the state's Department of Environmental Conservation, will lead a work session on a bat-banding research project, which may

provide new information about bat behavior.

The project will target the big brown and little brown species of bat. This is an excellent field opportunity for individuals who are over 14-years-old.

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# Plaza gets things swinging

By Peter Hanson

There's something for everyone happening at the Empire State Plaza in the next few days. On Thursday, four acts will get the plaza jumping with a night of "new swing" music that brings Rat Pack-era style into the '90s, and on Sunday, a cornucopia of attractions — ranging from rides and a petting zoo to comedy and clowns — will be presented at Kids' Day at the Plaza.

These free events are part of the state Office of General Services' ongoing series of summer attractions that includes dozens of concerts and outdoor festivals designed to offer fun, family-friendly outdoor entertainment for the Capital District community.

After this weekend's festivities, the next big show is the double-bill of rock singer Rickie Lee Jones ("Chuck E's in Love") and local favorite Rosanne Raneri Aug. 5.

But first, a quartet of national and regional bands are joining forces for "New Swing Night."

Thursday, swing music dates back to the '40s and earlier, and its name aptly describes the bouncing rhythms that distinguish swing classics like the Benny Goodman instrumental "In the Mood" and "Drum Boogie," a tune made famous by the legendary drummer and bandleader Gene Krupa.

Because swing music is firmly rooted

in the past, new swing is a nostalgic genre that invigorates classic swing with modern electric instru-

ments and an ironic attitude. The genre has been gaining in popularity for most of this decade as Gen-Xers have rediscovered swing titans like Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin, who used the swaggering



The New Morty Show (above) will be performing at the New Swing Night Jump & Jive at the Empire State Plaza on Thursday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m. Grammy Nominee Tom Chaplin (inset) will also perform at the Empire State Plaza's Kids' Day on Sunday, July 26 at 1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m.

beats of swing tunes to accentuate their super-cool playboy personas.

The swing revival has gathered momentum hand in hand with the resurgence of "cocktail" music, that easy-going, Muzak-like genre that filled lounges and bars throughout the '60s. Revisionist cocktail bands like Squirrel Nut Zippers

San Francisco billed as "an atomic-powered Manhattan Transfer." They mix the energy of a full horn section with slick vocals and tongue-in-cheek onstage shtick.

Hailing from New York City, The Blues Jumpers offer a harder-edged sound than the other bands on the bill, while White

Boys on Swing, from Woodstock, will offer the boldest integration of new and old sounds. The four-piece band mixes the traditional improvisational energy of

a swing combo with the very '90s element of a DJ who will mix samples into the songs.

Filling out the bill is Doc Scanlon's Rhythm Boys, one of the hardest-working bands in area show business. Fresh

from their performance at the recent Rock & Rebuilt benefit concert that was held in the Pepsi Arena to raise money for victims of the recent tornado, Doc Scanlon's puts an energetic, crowd-friendly spin on classic numbers like "Fly Me To the Moon" and "Come Rain or Come Shine."

Three days after these musicians pack up their trumpets for the night, the plaza will be filled with the sounds of children running;

jumping and playing during Kids' Day, the centerpiece of which are two performances by world-famous children's entertainer Tom Chaplin. The ebullient singer-songwriter plays at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. between Agency Buildings 2 and 3.

Also appearing at Kids' Day are local favorites The Zucchini Brothers, whose upbeat tunes will get young toes tapping when the band performs at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the main stage.

With events running from 1-5 p.m., Kids' Day offers everything from magic with illusionist Timothy Wenk and the humor of the Hudson Vagabond Puppets to storytelling by the Banana Man and juggling by Mike McCrea.

In addition to these performances, there will be attractions like rides, a petting zoo, face painting, pony rides, a student art exhibit and various hands-on activities. Vendors will be on hand with food and drink, and there will be contests and giveaways throughout the afternoon.

So, whether you're a parent looking for something special to do with your kids this weekend or a wannabe hipster anxious to get an earful of the nostalgic sounds of new swing music, the Empire State Plaza is the place to be.

For information, call 473-0559.

## Family Entertainment

have achieved cult status in recent years with cocktail music that's so hip it hurts.

And now some of their new swing contemporaries are swinging into the plaza for a 7-10 p.m. show Thursday. The New Morty Show is a nine-piece band from

### Albany Civic Theater elects Barbara Kelly as president

Barbara Kelly who was elected president of Albany Civic Theater in June is slated to direct the first play of the theater's season in October.

The retired Shaker High School drama teacher will direct *The Cemetery Club*, a comedy about three women who visit their husband's graves regularly together. When one falls in love again, the comic conflict occurs.

The other four plays scheduled for the ACT season are *Kindertransport*, a drama about the removal of children from battle zones during World War 2. The play involves some of these children looking for their heritage years later. It will be directed by Matt Teichner and presented in December.

The third production, to be presented in February, is *The Pope and the Witch*, dealing with issues involving Europe principally but also the world. Playwright Dario Fo, a Nobel Prize winner, deals with the material as if a jester in a medieval court. Patrick White will stage this play.

The final production of the 1998-99 season will be a musical, *Schoolhouse Rock*, based on the commercials seen on Saturday morning children's shows. It will be staged by Lloyd Waiwaiole and presented in May.

In addition to Kelly, three vice-presidents were elected in June by ACT members. They included Richard Charles Nacy as VP-Community Relations; Richard Michael Roe, VP-Artistic Operations; and John A. Nickles as VP-Production.

Denise Fuller was elected treasurer while Kathleen Carey and Barbara Peterson will be recording secretary and corresponding secretary, respectively.



Martin P. Kelly

## SPOT IN THE LIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

### Curtain Call Theatre adapting to new home in Schenectady

With a double switch since last season, the Curtain Call Theater is building audiences in its new home at the Temple Gates of Heaven social hall in Schenectady which has been adapted as a theater.

Producer Carol Max left the Marriott Hotel on Wolf Road in Albany after three seasons and planned upon building a theater behind a restaurant on Route 7 in Latham. But that deal fell through and shortly before the season was to open in June, she managed to switch operations to the Schenectady site.

Her selection of the comedy, *Norman, Is That You?*, and the air-conditioned social hall, have proved fortuitous as she has garnered good reviews and audience approval.

Max has been able to book a number of group tours for her Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday matinee/luncheon performances and audiences for her Thursday and Saturday evening performances are building.

Victor Cahn, a Skidmore professor and active performer on the local scene, plays the father with zest as the character tries to convert his bohemian son back to a heterosexual lifestyle, even if it means putting him in contact with a well-endowed young woman of easy virtue.

While the show, written in the late '70s, has a politically incorrect theme for the '90s, the pace and infectious good humor of the characters keep the show moving in a comic vein. Reservations and information are available at 877-7529.

### Broadway blockbusters take back seat to summer time Shakespeare

Shakespeare's last romantic comedy, *Twelfth Night*, has become the hottest summertime ticket in New York and not just because Oscar winner Helen Hunt is playing one of the leading roles.

This play about two couples who get involved in mistaken identity as they struggle to find romance has long been a favorite in Shakespearean repertory but not always well-produced.

Hunt, as the shipwrecked young woman mistaken as a young man, is one of four leads in *Twelfth Night* now playing at the Vivian Beaumont Theater at Lincoln Center. This comedy, with a combination of light and dark, has received a sparkling staging by Nicholas Hytner. He is the English director who most recently presented the English multi-race production of *Carousel*.

Hytner has succeeded in recruiting some of the best, veteran New York actors to gather around Hunt's portrayal of Viola in this production.

Brian Murray, a leading comic actor in classical and contemporary theater in the past three decades, plays Sir Toby Belch with Falstaffian humor while Phillip Bosco, an actor in his 70s, gives the difficult character of Malvolio a dimension that adds lustre to the production. Paul Rudd, a strong leading man, plays Count Orsino wooing a princess Olivia, played with regal bearing by Kyra Sedgwick. But she loves the boy (Hunt) sent as his messenger while Orsino also finds himself attracted to the "boy." The solution arrives with the appearance of Viola's twin brother. The production runs through August.

### Around Theaters!

*Forever Plaid* at Capital Repertory Company, Albany through Aug. 9 (462-4531)...*Forever Plaid* also at the Mac-Haydn Theatre through July 26 (392-9292)...*Perfect Wedding* at the Lake George Dinner Theatre through Oct. 17 (668-2198)...*Love Letters* with William Devane and Benita Zahn at The Egg July 25-26 (473-1845).



## ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

## MUSIC

**FALCON RIDGE FOLK FESTIVAL**  
three days/40 performers of folk music and dance, Long Hill Farm, Hillsdale, \$15/day, \$55/3 days. Information, 860-350-7472.

## EDGEFEST

15 rock bands, noon to 10 p.m., Altamont Fairgrounds, Route 146, July 25, \$15.

## 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.

## THE H.O.R.D.E. FESTIVAL

Saratoga Performing Arts Center Saratoga Springs, Aug. 2, 4 p.m., \$25. Information, 587-3330.

## DANCE

## NEW YORK CITY BALLET

at Saratoga Performing Arts Center, July 22 -- "Divertimento No. 15," "Opus 19/The Dreamer" and "Symphony in C" at 8:15 p.m., July 23 -- "Monumentum Pro Gesualdo/Movements for Piano and Orchestra," "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux," "Concerti Armonici" and "The Four Seasons" at 2 p.m. and "Divertimento No. 15," "Opus 19/The Dreamer" and "Union Jack" at 8:15 p.m., July 24 -- "Square Dance," "Monumentum Pro Gesualdo/Movements for Piano and Orchestra," "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux" and "Glass Pieces" at 8:15 p.m., July 25 -- "Divertimento No. 15," "Monumentum Pro Gesualdo/Movements for Piano and Orchestra," "Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux" and "Union Jack" at 2 p.m. and "The Four Seasons," "Square Dance" and "Symphony in C" at 8:15 p.m., \$10-\$45 for evening performances, \$5-\$20 for matinees, \$30-\$75 for the gala. Information, 587-3330.

## VISUAL ARTS

## 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 permanent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

## 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.

## 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, through Aug. 28, 23 Monroe St., opening reception on July 17 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Information, 462-4775.

## SCHUYLER MANSION

elegant 18th-century mansion, home and gallery of historical objects related to Gen. Philip Schuyler, 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 Capital 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 Eyck Ave., Albany, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 477-4454.

## CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

singers needed, rehearsals at Columbia High School, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

## 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, 783-1828.

To list an item of community interest in the the *Colonie Spotlight*, send all pertinent information to: *Colonie Spotlight Calendar*

P.O. Box 5369  
Colonie, NY 12205

## AROUND the AREA

WEDNESDAY  
JULY 22

## ALBANY COUNTY

## FARMERS' MARKET

Holy Cross Church, Western Avenue and Brevator Street, Albany, 2 to 6 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

## FARMERS' MARKET

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

## FARMERS' MARKET

Saratoga 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

## RIVER VALLEY CHORUS

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

THURSDAY  
JULY 23

## ALBANY COUNTY

## EXHIBITING FLOWERS

Center for Disabled, 314 S. Manning Blvd., 7:30 p.m. Information, 456-6469.

## CHORUS REHEARSAL

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

## MENOPAUSE SUPPORT GROUP

office of Drs. Jacobs & Lee, 62 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 783-5656.

## LUNCHTIME SIDEWALK SALE

lawn sale of gift items from the Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Information, 463-4478.

## FARMERS' MARKET

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

## FARMERS' MARKET

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

## FARMERS' MARKET

Corner of Pine Street and Broadway, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

## SENIOR CHORALE

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

## SARATOGA COUNTY

## EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Four Winds Hospital, Algonquin Activities Building, Crescent Avenue, Saratoga Springs, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

## SCHENECTADY COUNTY

## USA NATIONAL JUNIOR TENNIS

LEAGUE REGIONAL RALLY  
The Michigan Avenue tennis courts, Schenectady, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 432-LOVE.

FRIDAY  
JULY 24

## ALBANY COUNTY

## 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 LUNCHEONS

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

SATURDAY  
JULY 25

## ALBANY COUNTY

## HIKE WINDAM

Windham High Peak the Catskills, 8 a.m. Information, 452-9440.

## DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

845 Central Ave., Albany, 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Prepayment of \$40 is required. Information, 438-2365.

## PICNIC DINNER AND PLAY FOR NORTHEAST JEWISH SINGLES

Albany Park Playhouse, Washington Park, 6 p.m. Information, 482-8741.

## COMMUNITY FIRST AID

American Red Cross, Albany office, 2 Clara Barton Drive, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Information, 433-0151.

## 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 noon.

SUNDAY  
JULY 26

## ALBANY COUNTY

## INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS

The Environmental Studies Summer Youth Institute at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, July 26 to August 8. Information, (315) 781-3377.

## 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.

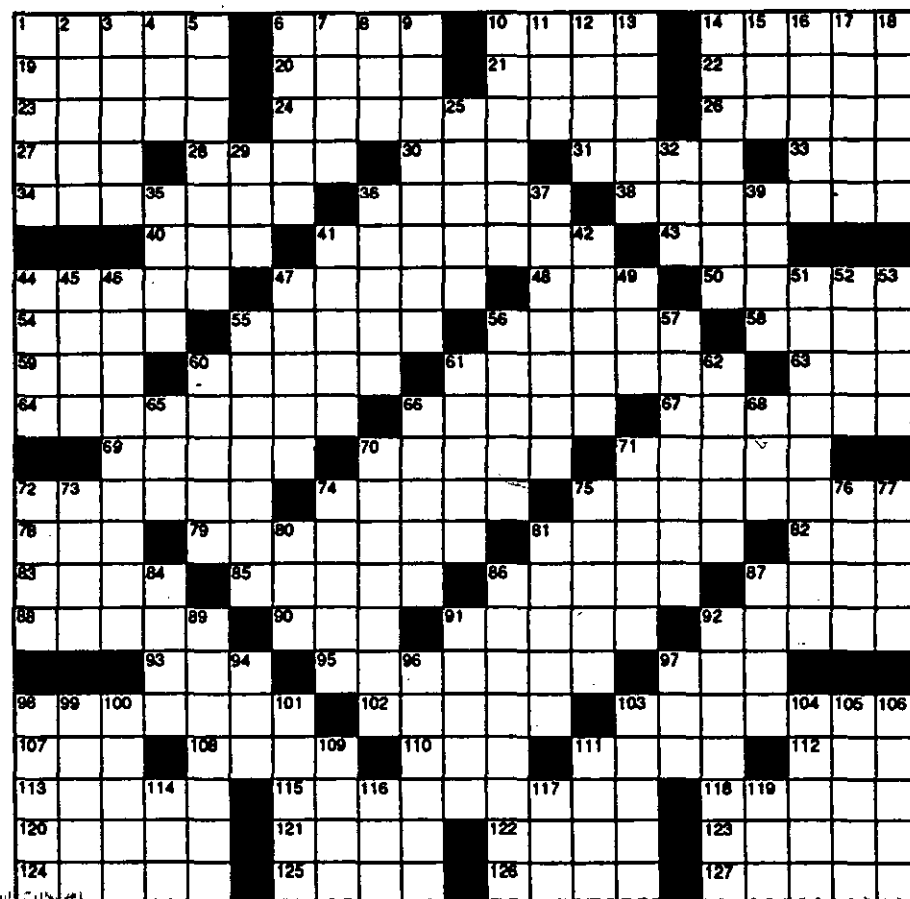
## RENSSELAER COUNTY

## THE WORLD BEYOND MY DOOR

Sermon at Rensselaerville Presbyterian Church, 11 a.m. Information, 797-3964.

## Super CROSSWORD

ACROSS  
1 Anagram of trace  
6 Island lava producer  
10 Long slit  
14 Prepares to catch trout  
19 Companions of penates  
20 Haber-dasher's offering  
21 See 97  
22 Singing group  
23 Ledger entries  
24 Patron saint of Ireland  
26 River in Germany  
27 "All the President's —"  
28 He sold his birthright  
30 Irish sea god  
31 Loto's cousin  
33 Never, in Nuremberg  
34 Gift of a stone in Cork?  
36 "The snows of the state" (Cicero)  
38 County in Ireland  
40 Boat or box starter  
41 Elected official  
43 Baseeoh  
44 Out-of-date  
47 Lovers' quarrels  
48 "A — Good Men" (movie)  
50 Teacher of Jewish law  
54 Wimbledon winner  
55 Word with hat or house  
56 Settled and steady  
58 Mild oath  
59 "Isn't — Pity" ("33 song")  
60 La Scala offerings  
61 Eerie apparition  
63 High dudgeon  
64 Irish country or nonsense rhyme  
66 A pretended attack  
67 Upholstery fabric  
69 Rol's spouse  
70 Overlays  
71 City on the Seine  
72 Graphic or marian starter  
74 Lavishes too much affection  
75 Irish song favorite  
78 Charles Dutton sitcom  
79 Ship starter?  
81 Organic compound  
82 Gold, in Granada  
83 Slow, clumsy boats  
85 Perching bird  
88 Sudden, hysterical  
87 Of a special time period  
88 Foundations  
90 TV's "Maillock"  
91 Walked the floor  
92 Under the influence  
93 General intention  
95 Marked with asterisks  
97 With 21 Across, a Latin-American game  
98 Irish river or seaport  
102 Seed coats  
103 O'Casey's "Juno and the —"  
107 Grant a lease to  
108 Trot or canter  
110 French spirit  
111 Sarcastic remark  
112 Compete  
113 To the degree that  
115 Setting for an Irish sunset?  
118 Ignore  
120 One driven out by 24  
121 Assam silkworm  
122 Emerald Isle  
123 Synthetic fiber  
124 Leverets  
125 Give off smoke  
126 Disney chipmunk  
127 Crystal-gazers  
DOWN  
1 Ascend  
2 Badger's cousin  
3 Where gladiators fought  
4 Pro — (for the time being)  
5 Perfume  
6 Literary work  
7 Ballerina's skirt  
8 Small drink  
9 Swift-footed Greek maiden  
10 Attic  
11 Adopted surname of Cassius Clay  
12 Plunder or loot  
13 Raised, as prices  
14 County official  
15 Erturt  
16 Lead singer of The Police  
17 Ancient Greek headband (var.)  
18 It might be stainless  
25 Home of the Alamo  
29 Bishop's domain  
32 Hill in San Francisco  
35 Originate  
36 "The — of a Clown" (70 song)  
37 Relaxes opposition  
39 Old oath  
41 Do an after-dinner job  
42 Respond, in a way  
44 Jack and Jill's burden  
45 Italian wine center  
46 Emblems of Ireland  
47 Cinnamon or pepper  
48 Irish attribute?  
51 Early king of Ireland  
52 Actress Lynn  
53 Road to Rome?  
55 River in Venezuela  
56 Cloak-and-dagger figures  
57 Devilish  
60 First sign of spring?  
61 Cut in two  
62 Word before robin or steak  
65 Ever, to Keats  
66 "— Attraction" (movie)  
68 Attention-getter  
70 Italian dish of commmeal  
71 South Dakota's City  
72 Hermit or king  
73 Lively dance  
74 Drops off  
75 Entertained sumptuously  
76 Algerian seaport  
77 Egg part  
80 Center of interest  
81 Oxford feature  
84 Penn or Cornery  
86 Confirmed seriously  
87 "The Red"  
89 Certain tennis matches  
91 — facie  
92 Double-duty couches  
94 Flightless bird  
96 American Indian  
97 Jolt or shock  
98 Overly sentimental talk  
99 Hair-coloring agent  
100 Essence of roses  
101 African river  
103 Actor John of "Miracle on 34th Street"  
104 Sheeplike  
105 Sweet or hard  
106 Barge loads of coal  
109 Biblical weed  
111 Temporary release bond  
114 White House nickname  
116 Fib  
117 Bikini top  
119 Soap ingredient



# The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY  
JULY 22**
**BETHLEHEM**
**LENTEN COMMUNION SERVICE**  
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.

**TOWN BOARD**  
town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**CONCERT PERFORMANCE**  
Captain squeeze, Zydeco Moshers. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS**  
The Clubhouse, Adams Station Apts., 1 Juniper Drive, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0871.

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

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

**WELCOME WAGON**  
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.

**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.

**STICHERY WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN**  
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 1:30 to 3 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS**  
Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, call for time. Information, 765-2109.

**AA MEETING**  
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.

**FAMILY EVENING STORY TIME**  
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

**THURSDAY  
JULY 23**
**BETHLEHEM**
**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 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

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

**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.

**AA MEETINGS**  
Slingerlands Community Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, noon, and Delmar 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.

**STICHERY WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN**  
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 1:30 to 3 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS**  
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

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

**FRIDAY  
JULY 24**
**BETHLEHEM**
**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 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

**STICHERY WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN**  
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 1:30 to 3 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS**  
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

**SATURDAY  
JULY 25**
**BETHLEHEM**
**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, 489-6779.

**SUNDAY  
JULY 26**
**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.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST**  
Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., child care provided, 555 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-2512.

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., nursery provided, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

**ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:30 a.m., coffee and fellowship, nursery care provided, church school, 9:30 a.m., Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue. Information, 439-3265.

**BETHLEHEM CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**  
Bible lecture, 10 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:55 a.m., Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road. Information, 439-0358.

**SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
worship service and church school, 10 a.m., fellowship hour, nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Road. Information, 439-1766.

**SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Willowbrook Avenue. Information, 767-9953.

**DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
worship service, church school, nursery care, 10 a.m., fellowship and coffee, 11 a.m., adult education, 11:15 a.m., family communion service, first Sunday, 585 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9252.

**DELMAR FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**  
Sunday service, 9:30 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, home groups, women's Bible studies and youth group, 292 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-4407.

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM**  
church school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., child care provided, Route 9W., Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

**GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child care available, 1 Chapel Lane. Information, 436-7710.

**CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**  
Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, 35 Adams Place. Information, 439-4951.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**  
worship service, 11 a.m., 1 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-4314.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
church school, 9:45 a.m., worship service, 9:30 a.m., adult classes, 11 a.m., 428 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-9976.

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
free continental breakfast, 8:30 a.m., worship service with infant and preschool nursery care, assistive listening devices, handicap accessible, 9:30 a.m., coffee and fellowship, 10:30 a.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

**MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES**  
Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., morning worship, 11 a.m., youth group, 6 p.m., evening service, 7 p.m., Route 9W, Glenmont. Information, 426-4510.

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MUSEUM**  
in the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 765-4446.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:15 a.m., Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

**FAITH TEMPLE**  
Sunday school, 10 a.m., worship service, 7 p.m., New Salem. Information, 765-2870.

**ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, child care provided, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

**NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH**  
adult Bible study, 9 a.m., junior choir or chime choir practice, 9 a.m., worship service, 10 a.m., recorder group practice, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6179.

**ONESQUETHAW REFORMED CHURCH**  
worship service, 9:30 a.m., Sunday school, 10:45 a.m., Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush. Information, 768-2133.

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Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship, Delaware Turnpike. Information, 439-5001.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND**  
worship service, 10 a.m., Sunday School, 9 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6454.

**UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**  
Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., choir rehearsal, 5 p.m., evening service, 6:45 p.m., Route 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
early worship, 8:30 a.m., worship celebration, 10 a.m., church school classes for nursery through high school, 10 a.m., choir rehearsals, 11:15 a.m., 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville. Information, 765-2895.

**MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**  
worship service, 9:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

**CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided, Route 443. Information, 768-2916.

**THE DRAGON'S EGG**  
Welsh language group of the Saint David's Society of the Capital District, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 2010 New Scotland Road, 2:30 to 5 p.m. Information, 861-6976.

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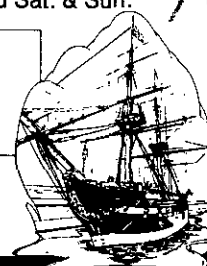
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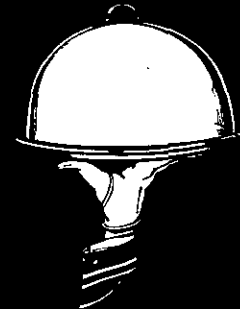
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NOTICE OF FORMATION  
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LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

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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 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

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organization of FLP is May 20, 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 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 State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (July 22, 1998)

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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

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is providing consulting services. (July 22, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF A FOREIGN LIMITED  
LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP (FLP)

The name of the FLP is LLSN REAL PROPERTY PARTNERSHIP, 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 July 9, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of FLP is June 15, 1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203, in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom process against the FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the FLP is 2 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 general 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 State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (July 22, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF A FOREIGN LIMITED  
LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP (FLP)

The name of the FLP is MENANDES ASSOCIATES, 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 July 9, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of FLP is May 20, 1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203, in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom pro-

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cess against the FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the FLP is 2 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 general 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 State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (July 22, 1998)

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

The name of the LLC is COLUMBIACONTINGROUP, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on July 7, 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 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203. (July 22, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
SALEM HILLS DRAINAGE  
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VILLAGE OF VOORHEESVILLE  
ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK  
CONTRACT NO. 200

Sealed proposals for Contract No. 200, Voorheesville Drainage Improvements, Phase II for the Village of Voorheesville, Town of New Scotland, Albany County, New York will be received in the Office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, New York 12186 until 1:00 p.m. (local time) on August 20, 1998, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud. The work consists of the construction of new storm sewers and catch basins, and paved road restoration, grading and seeding, and miscellaneous site work as specified herein and in strict accordance with all Federal, State and Local regulations. The work to be bid has been modified from previous proposal dated June 22, 1998.

Plans and Specifications for the proposed work will be on file and publicly exhibited at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall,

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29 Voorheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, New York and at the office of Henry V. LaBarba and Associates, Consulting Environmental Engineers, 100 Trillium Lane, Albany, New York, on and after 9:00 a.m. on July 27, 1998.

Complete sets of Bidding and Contract Documents may be purchased at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, Voorheesville, New York. The deposit of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) will be required for each set of Bidding and Contract Documents. If requested, documents will be mailed first-class at additional non-refundable cost of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per set for postage and handling. Full refunds of the Twenty-five Dollar (\$25.00) deposit will be made to bidders if the complete documents are returned to H.V. LaBarba & Associates within thirty (30) days after the Bid Opening. No refunds will be made to non-bidders.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, drawn upon a National or State Bank or Trust Company, to the order of Village Clerk, Village of Voorheesville, New York, or a bond with sufficient sureties in a penal sum equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, conditioned that if his bid is accepted, he will enter into a contract for the same and that he will execute such further security as may be required for the performance of the contract. A separate Performance and Payment Bond, each equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount will be required of the successful bidder, and the bonds shall be satisfactory to the Village Board and the Village Attorney.

The bidder to whom the contract may be awarded shall attend at the said opening place of the said bids, with sureties offered by him, within seven (7) days (Sundays excepted) after the date of notification of the acceptance of his proposal, and there sign the contract for the work in triplicate. In case of his failure to do so, or in case of his failure to give further security as herein prescribed, the bidder will be considered as having abandoned the same, and the certified check or other bid security accompanying his proposal shall be forfeited to the Village.

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By order of the Village Board of the Village of Voorheesville, New York

(Signed) Lauren Hatch,  
Village Clerk

Dated: July 16, 1998

## LEGAL NOTICE

(July 22, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Strong Enterprises, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on July 14, 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 12 Newell Court, Menands, NY 12204. 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 LLC. (July 22, 1998)

BETHLEHEM CENTRAL  
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District hereby invites the submission of sealed bids in accordance with Section 103 of the General Municipal Law for the following:

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The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Any bids submitted will be binding for 90 days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Steven O'Shea,  
District Clerk

Dated: July 14, 1998  
(July 22, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNER-  
SHIP

Name of limited liability partnership is: CAPITAL DISTRICT UROLOGIC SURGEONS, LLP. Certificate of Registration filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 6/16/1998. Principal office located: Albany County, SSNY is designated as agent of LLP upon whom process against LLP may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process to 319 South Manning Boulevard, Suite 106, Albany, NY 12208. LLP's business: Medical Practice. (July 22, 1998)



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## NOTICE OF SUBSTANCE OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

Under Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law. The name of the LLC is Yorkshire 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 Extension, Albany, New York 12205, c/o Paul J. Goldman, Esq. (July 22, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE  
CONVERSION OF  
DELAWARE PLAZA  
ASSOCIATES, L.P.  
TO DELAWARE PLAZA, LLC

1. The name of the limited partnership was Delaware Plaza Associates, L.P. (the "Limited Partnership"). The name under which the Limited Partnership was originally 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, 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 Certificate 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 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.

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 Delaware Plaza Shopping Center, together with all improvements located thereon, in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, 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 otherwise set forth in the Certificate of Conversion.

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, LLC  
39 North Pearl Street  
Albany, New York 12207  
(July 22, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE  
CONVERSION OF  
PLATTSBURGH PLAZA  
ASSOCIATES, L.P.  
TO PLATTSBURGH PLAZA, LLC

1. The name of the limited partnership 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 li-

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ability 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 Certificate 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.

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 Shopping 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 otherwise 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, LLC  
39 North Pearl Street  
Albany, New York 12207  
(July 22, 1998)

## NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (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

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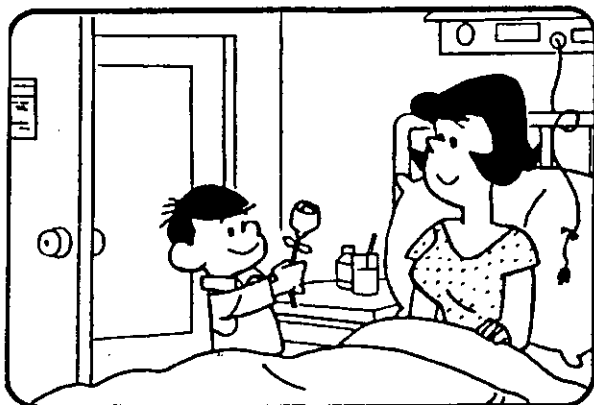
date of organization of FLP is June 12, 1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 3 Tower Place, Albany, New York in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom process against FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State 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 general 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 State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (July 22, 1998)

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

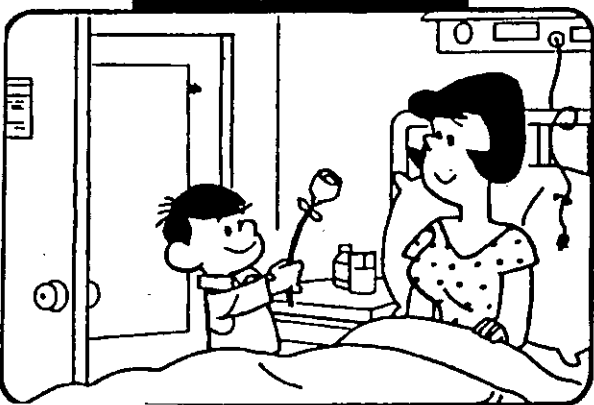
UNDER SEC. 203 OF LLCL  
The name of the LLC is Internet Commerce Association, LLC. The Articles of Organization were filed with the NY Secretary of State (NYSS) on May 1, 1998, effective on date of filing. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which the LLC's may be organized. The LLC is to be managed by one of more members. The LLC does not have specific date of dissolution. The office of the LLC is located at 1443 Western Ave., in the County of Albany, State of NY. The Sec of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC can be served. The post office address to which the NYSS shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o the LLC 1443 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Steven Rieger, Esq. Organizer/Managing Member (July 22, 1998)

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

The name of the LLC is XALD, L.L.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 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 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203. (July 22, 1998)



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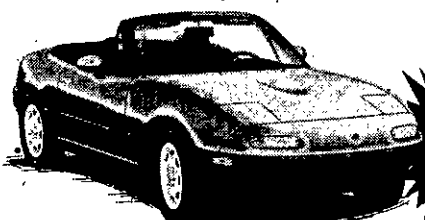
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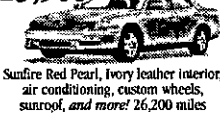
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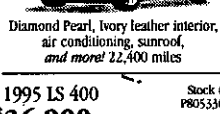
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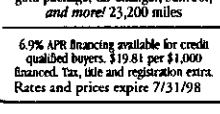
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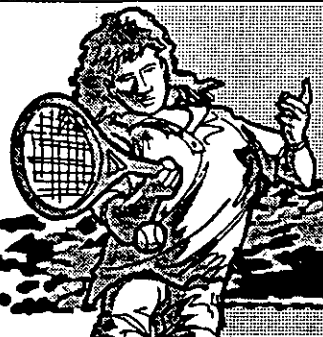
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## Principal

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Furdon's main focus is students. "The students at Voorheesville are not seen as accessories," Furdon said. "A lot of the things that happen here are student-generated, like blood drives and gathering food and clothing for the needy around the holidays. It's why they have such a sense of pride."

Last year, the senior class went on a one-day retreat to determine its goals for the year, and Furdon anticipates repeating the event with the next group of seniors. "This year's class was able to come

together, look at a vision for the year and determine their legacy. They came up with a plan and lived up to it," Furdon said.

Furdon cites the creation of the student court as one of his major accomplishments at Voorheesville. "That allowed more input for the students to manage their behavior in the building," Furdon said. Furdon also started the alcohol-free after-prom program, which culminates in a trip to Six Flags amusement park in New Jersey. Student attendance and parent participation in the event have increased in the past

four years.

He has also been instrumental in creating PTA forums that allow parents to learn more about how the school runs, discussing topics such as the master schedule.

In addition to facilities expansion, Furdon faces other changes. The new school year will see at least six new teachers. They will replace longtime teachers who took advantage of a special retirement package. Furdon helped select the incoming teachers and is pleased with the new hires.

"They're very professional, and have experience in other schools," he said. "They've demonstrated their ability to be teachers and are well-rounded. They will continue our tradition of having excellent teachers in our building."

The school board is also changing, with the election of Tom McKenna, and the pending departure of Nicholas Faraone. "I have full faith that the board of education will continue looking for excellence in the school," Furdon said.

Furdon said the students and parents at Voorheesville are what

make the school so good. "When you couple those two elements with the staff we have here, and you walk up and down the halls, the excitement that you feel is tremendous. When you listen to our graduation speakers, Phil Erner and Joe Arena, talk about how the teachers and staff mold students, that generates excitement in the building. I'd like to continue to see that, and foster it, so that our new teachers are able to continue with that atmosphere."

Furdon said becoming principal was "a dream come true. The kids and staff have been so supportive. I'm really looking forward to continuing our tradition of excellence."

"We're glad to have him," board

### Delmar Fire Dept. wins trophies

The Delmar Fire Department and auxiliary received trophies at the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association parade in Lake George. There were 171 fire companies in the line of March and 91 marching bands along with 300 pieces of fire apparatus.

of education president John Cole said. "The whole board reviewed the last three candidates."

Bill was an internal candidate, and we were harder with our evaluation of him, and he was still the best candidate."

Cole said that Furdon had done an effective job with the traditional role of vice principal, a great deal of which involves student discipline. "We got more compliments than complaints," he said. "After Terry Barlow left, Bill used the opportunity to shine on curriculum issues." Cole said that Furdon is always forthright and direct with the school board.

"He many not always give the answer we want," Cole said, "but it's easier to cooperate that way."

### Delmar library seeks amateur artists

Bethlehem Public Library is looking for amateur decorative artists and artisans, ages 18 and up, to exhibit at the 14th annual Library Day on Sunday, Sept. 13, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Outdoor spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis. In the event of rain, the event will be moved indoors and the number of exhibit spaces will be reduced to the first 25 registrants.

Exhibitors must supply their own setup. Individuals and groups may exhibit. No sales are permitted on-site. Registration forms are available at the library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

### Slingerlands man named to board

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