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## Dance duo



Liz Hotaling dances with her daughter Julia at the Albany County Firemen's Annual Convention in Voorheesville last weekend.

Jim Franco

## Sanctuary: Where the wild things recover

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Scattered alongside various trails on the grounds of the Hollyhock Hollow Sanctuary in South Bethlehem, small signs carry bits of inspirational verse favored by the property's onetime owner, Robert Rienow.

One quotes a bit of Victorian poetry: "gardens are not made/by saying oh how beautiful/and sitting in the shade."

Earlier this month, New York state wildlife rehabilitator Michelle Segerberg trudged past that sign with a battered carton tucked under one arm, air holes



Fredrik Realbuto, right, director of the Audubon Society at Hollyhock Sanctuary in Selkirk, rescues a goose with a broken wing as Norman Durham looks on. The bird is being cared for by Dr. Edward Becker of Guilderland and will be released when it recovers.

poked in its sides. At a spot near a man-made pond that was once Rienow's al fresco swimming pool, she placed the carton on the ground and pried open its lid, and on cue, several small cedar waxwings flew out and headed for the nearby treeline. One remained in the bottom of the box, but after a bit of coaxing, it too darted away into the trees, off to find a new home.

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## Demand for housing pushes tax rate up

By RONALD E. CAMPBELL

Bethlehem Central School District administrators anticipated an increase of approximately 60 students this year, but the Sept. 6 student census shows more than twice that number of new enrollments.

The recent change in the equalization rate, set by the state for calculating district school taxes, may now be viewed as a precursor to heavier than expected enrollments.

At last week's board meeting, Superintendent Les Loomis said the school tax shift between towns created an unusual scenario.

"This is an unusual situation, and it is a large significant shift," he said. Loomis was referring to information in a district news release that said, "This year's equalization rate shifted more of the tax burden to the town of Bethlehem to compensate for the fact that Bethlehem properties now account for a larger share of total market value of properties in the district, a direct result of the boom in the real estate market."

Local real estate leaders attribute it to supply and demand said Bill Alston, manager of the Delmar office of Realty, USA. There has been a greater influx of people wanting to move to Bethlehem, without a proportionate increase in the number of houses on the market, and that's driven prices up.

The tax shift was a symptom of young families vying to move into the district at any cost and has resulted in a space crunch in most of the district's seven school buildings.

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Les Loomis

"We're popular," said Loomis, "The clamor for housing in Bethlehem must be young families moving here to provide their children with the advantages of the academic excellence offered by this district."

Loomis outlined the planning process already in place to deal with district issues like improved curriculum, space, plus facilities, technology and equipment upgrades.

A broad-based committee is being formed and will include members of the district's administration, faculty, students, parents from the presidents club and

community members. Part of the committee work in setting priorities has been accomplished by the enrollment figures making space an important issue. A consultant will be designated to work with the committee.

The next part of the superintendent report dealt with evidence the district is meeting and exceeding state standards. According to a report on this year's math testing by the state Education Department "Middle school math scores rose significantly for the first time last year, not only statewide but among all types of schools and racial groups."

The report also said, "Elementary school math scores dropped by 1.5 percentage points, but they continued at a

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## Cops nab 'Qwik Draw' bank robber

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Bethlehem police and the FBI said two robberies in Bethlehem — a March 22 theft at Pioneer Savings Bank in Glenmont and a June 27 robbery at a Trustco branch in Delmar — have turned out to be the work of a man referred to as "Qwik Draw" for the NYS Lottery baseball cap that he wore prominently in security photos from the scene of each of his heists.

Gary A. Podsiadlik, 36, of South Cairo was arrested on Aug. 30 by FBI and State Police investigators and charged with six separate bank robberies in upstate New York and Pennsylvania. Podsiadlik, who was apprehended at a Coxsackie bar after an anonymous tip was fielded by state police in Catskill about a man answering a widely disseminated description of the robber, wanted in connection with

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# Be a waste watcher, cut down

By SHARON FISHER

*The writer is the town of Bethlehem recycling coordinator.*

An average American family generates an equivalent of 474 pounds of food debris each year, according to a new study by Timothy W. Jones, an anthropologist at the University of Arizona. This is three times the amount of food waste formerly estimated.

The current study is being conducted by analyzing the garbage of 280 Tucson families.

Two observations made during the analysis are that there is an incredible amount of unopened food thrown into the trash and that fresh fruits and vegetables appear in the trash at an alarming rate.

Nationally, we spend \$1 billion

a year to dispose of food waste. There must be alternatives to tossing away all that food.

To start, buy only as much as can be consumed. Avoid replenishing before that amount is gone. If there is an excess of imperishable canned and packaged food, consider donating it to the local food pantry or charity.

A garbage disposal is sometimes used but keep in mind that a disposal sends food remnants to the sewage treatment plant. Sludge might contain too many contaminants and cannot be transformed into compost for reuse. But an alternative method is to add acceptable food waste to the backyard compost bin. Food adds nitrogen that speeds up the composting process and helps

make a better fertilizer. For proper backyard composting instructions, contact Albany County Cooperative Extension.

Lunches can be packed to prevent food waste. Get the lunch eaters' opinion on what they like and the quantity that they have time to eat to prevent waste. Go one step further and package lunch items in reusable containers and place in reusable lunch boxes.

## Peace walk slated

Parents for Peace is sponsoring a walk for peace on Sunday, Sept. 29, starting at 8 a.m.

The walk will start at Fleet Bank on Delaware Avenue in Elsmere and end at St. John's-St. Ann's Church in Albany.

All are welcome to participate.

## Youth ministry sets parent/teacher dinner

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at 16 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, is hosting a parent/teacher dinner on Saturday, Sept. 28, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Share in a time of fellowship with the church's youth ministry team.

For information, call Gus Calvo at 439-3265.

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## Summer on the Shannon



Sarah Horn of Delmar, a Bethlehem Central High School senior participated in the World Scholar European Games in Limerick, Ireland, this summer. She was selected for the International Field Hockey Team.

## Community day on deck at firehouse

The North Bethlehem Community Day will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28, from noon to 4 p.m. at the North Bethlehem firehouse at 589 Russell Road.

The free event includes food, music, rides and family fun.

For information, call Tim Gordon at 458-2440.

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## Chow down



Mike Hampton of Delmar enjoys a turkey leg at the Irish Festival at the Altamont Fairgrounds last Saturday. *Jim Franco*

## Police arrest Glenmont man on felony sodomy charge

Bethlehem Police arrested a Glenmont man on charges of sodomy, sexual abuse and endangering the welfare of a child.

Stephen J. Wieland, 26 of Route 9W was arrested Friday, Sept. 20.

Police Sgt. Thomas Heffernan said the department's Family Service unit developed information that Wieland had engaged in illegal conduct with a 13-year-old boy on more than one occasion.

The incidents took place toward the beginning of August, Heffernan said.

Heffernan also said Wieland was an acquaintance of Brian Rowe, 36, of Delmar who was also arrested Aug. 29 on sodomy charges and is due back in Town Court Tuesday, Oct. 15.

Wieland was arraigned before Town Justice Theresa Egan and

released on \$500 cash bail

He was charged with sodomy in the second degree, a felony, sexual abuse in the second degree and endangering the welfare of a child, both misdemeanors.

Wieland is scheduled to reappear in Town Court on Tuesday, Oct. 15.

## Glenmont shop offers unique collectibles

By ELAINE CARBERRY

In 1988, Yolanda Ribolotto decided to retire. She closed the store she owned for six years, "Somewhere in Time," and focused on her personal life.

When her husband died in 1998, however, retirement began to fit Ribolotto's needs less and less.

"After my husband died, I felt I needed something to do with my time, so I re-opened the store. You might call it a hobby. Through the store, I share my hobby of collecting things," she said.

"Somewhere in Time" is a unique shop that offers an eclectic array of merchandise: new and antique; for women and men; for children as well as adults; fitting the needs (and price ranges) of both gift-givers and collectors.

What the store sells is accented immaculately by the

## Digital imaging comes to Delmar

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

The lights in Dr. Ruth Beer's small room are usually off, but she is absorbed by the images on the two computer screens in front of her.

A radiologist who has specialized in mammography since 1981, Dr. Beer's work has expanded to include reading the digital mammograms that only ImageCare, part of Community Care Physicians, offers in the Capital District. ImageCare has had a digital mammography machine in Latham for a year and in Saratoga Springs for a few weeks.

In early October, there will be a digital mammography machine in the ImageCare office at 250 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. While the FDA has approved the GE-developed and manufactured machines, many doctors are waiting for more studies before investing in the digital mammography machines.

Working two keyboards to closely examine mammogram images, Dr. Beer is convinced that digital mammography is superior to traditional mammograms.

"You see more, and you see better," Dr. Beer said. "We believe in this. The amount of detail we see is incredible. It's awesome."

To the untrained eye, the images on Dr. Beer's screens are white strands within a silhouette of a breast. Dr. Beer, who said that as a child she was always good at puzzles and finding the slight differences in two similar pictures, zooms right in on a cluster of what looks like pinpricks. "These are calcifications," she said. "It's DCIS, ductal carcinoma in situ. Some DCIS will grow, some won't."

Dr. Beer quickly sketches multifocal DCIS on a pad of paper, explaining that if the calcifications grow in the ducts, it can become a big problem. Identifying it early, of course, means earlier treatment and greater survival

chances.

"These calcifications are three to five millimeters in size," Dr. Beers said, indicating practically an imperceptible difference between her finger and thumb. "In the past, it was rare to diagnose breast cancer at one centimeter."

Following the digital diagnosis, the patient will go for an ultra-sound, and possible surgical removal and biopsy of the tiny mass. On another film, Dr. Beer sees a poorly defined shadow that she knows to be infiltrative. Again, at one centimeter, it's caught early. Another film shows fibers going to a center spot, which, if dense inside, could be cancerous.

In addition to the detail that digital mammography shows, Beers can manipulate the images to get a closer look at a particular area, and she can change the shading from white on black to black on white, which can reveal more of what's inside the breast.

Dr. William Hendrick is another ImageCare doctor who championed the purchase of digital mammography machines.

"The digital machine costs considerably more," Dr. Hendrick said. "But one advantage is that we can reduce the number of times a patient must return."

This reduction in return visits comes from being able to manipulate the images of the digital mammogram, and being able to move in very closely to examine problem areas.

"All radiologists carry magnifying glasses," Dr. Beer said, displaying both of hers. "With digital mammography, I don't need mine."

The ease and accuracy of the digital machines begin in the

examination room. Although the digital machine functions exactly like a traditional machine by compressing the breast being examined, technologists can tell when they need to adjust the angle, and both patient and technician can see the image on the screen.

"The No. 1 question that patients ask is if they can see the image," Radiological Technician Darcie Bordeau said. "The machine is also quick, and it

releases as soon as the picture is taken."

"Most women haven't seen an image of their own breast," Radiological Technician Tamar Bradley said. "This is more

interesting, and we get to spend more time with the patient."

In addition to a reduced number of patient callbacks, the digital machine eliminates the 20 minutes patients sometimes have to wait after a shot is taken to find out if it's readable. Another benefit is that the digital mammography machine requires less radiation.

Dr. Hendrick pointed out that it's still of benefit to patients to have their old mammograms as a comparison. In an increasingly mobile society, he said, digital mammograms can be sent more quickly to doctors in distant places. The digital mammography machines put the Capital District in league with metropolitan areas like Boston and New York. Although the digital equipment itself is very costly, it doesn't affect a patient's costs. The bottom line, though, is an even greater one.

"We make people less afraid," Dr. Beer said. ImageCare in Delmar can be reached at 439-7833; in Latham at 786-1600; and in Saratoga Springs at 584-5000.

**You might call it a hobby. Through the store, I share my hobby of collecting things.**

Yolanda Ribolotto

setting in which it is sold. Ribolotto's home, built on a sprawling lot, dates back to 1800 and provides the perfect atmosphere for the goods she sells. She stocks the front three rooms with hundreds of items, each carefully and tastefully selected by Ribolotto herself.

The store's vast collection includes an assortment ranging from retired Rockwell miniature plates to hand-made Italian dolls, to depressed glass and antique German canisters. Ribolotto houses collectibles from Warren Kimble, San Francisco Music Box Company, Fenton, West Moreling, Hummel, Edgerton, Francis Hook and SIAM. The

store features SMAX handpainted crystal and an entire line of Caswell Massey, the oldest perfume in America, known best for its adornment of George Washington.

"Somewhere in Time" provides for its patrons such rarities as Enesco's "Legend Series" (porcelain figures of famous personae in the entertainment

industry), Santons dolls from France, retired Madame Alexander dolls, first edition books and the only line of dolls created by June Jrammer for The Lenox China Doll Collection.

Ribolotto's Italian silver, Venetian glass, teasetts and perfume bottles are all delicately displayed on furniture befitting the task: antique desks, shelves, tables and secretaries, all also for sale.

The expert buying skills of Ribolotto ensure everyone's satisfaction by including the presence of a jewelry department, as well as a small men's section, which features cologne and cribbage sets.

Aside from the jewelry, other non-antique items sold include quilts, pillows, candles, cookbooks, children's bedroom decorations and stuffed animals.

"Somewhere in Time" combines impeccably cared-for merchandise with a relaxing and appropriate ambiance to create an ideal opportunity for local shoppers to support their town economy while purchasing lovely items they could not find anywhere else.

Regardless of his level of interest in her stock, everyone should at least visit Ribolotto's store and experience its unique nature. "Somewhere in Time" is located at 777 Route 9W in Glenmont. It is open Wednesday and Friday from noon to 6 p.m., Thursday from noon to 7 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

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# Country roads, please take us safely home

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

Ah, Ireland. It's a place of windswept beauty, heather-colored hills, stone-walled fields of green sloping down to the sea and villages that are home to pubs cozier than your living room. You might picture yourself driving along country roads, awestruck at incomparable scenery and stopping in a picturesque village for a hearty meal, a tasty pint and an evening of local flavor at a pub out of Ballykissangel.

Oh, aye, as the Irish might say, you'd be only half-right. Driving in Ireland can leave you white-knuckled, shaken and in such desperate need of a drink that you'd down the first pint of beer without even tasting it.

It's been 17 years since Chris first took me to both of our ancestral homes and to the town where his parents bought a house in sight of the farm his grandfather left in the 1920s for a better life in America. How we would make the drive from the airport in Shannon to the wilds of West Cork was a topic of some

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discussion.

Renting any kind of car in Ireland is expensive; renting a rarely found automatic prohibitively so. "I can drive a stick," I told Chris, impressing him a year into our relationship with another fun fact. "I can teach you." Never mind that I'd only learned to do it in college and still avoided any red light on a hill, and living in New York, I hadn't driven regularly for years.

We landed in Shannon in the misty pre-dawn, where a fact I'd known but not comprehended was borne home. They drive on the other side of the road in Ireland, which means the steering wheel is on the right side of the car, and you have to shift with your left hand.

"Don't let anybody rattle you," Chris, possibly one of the worst

passengers to have in the car, said. "Just go at your own pace." Right, I thought, running once through the gears, it's still dark out, I'm jet-lagged, I haven't driven a stick in three years and I have to do it on the other side of the road. But admit weakness to the man I suspected was going to be The One? Never.

I grinned, ground the gears, released the brake and lurched the car towards the enormous sign that said, in about a dozen languages, Drive Left. After I stopped flinching at cars looking like they were heading right into me, I got the hang of it. Then, I had to make a right-hand turn.

"Why are you turning on the windshield wipers?" Chris asked.

"I thought it was the left turn signal," I said, remembering to keep the clutch in, and examining all the sticks protruding from the steering column. "Ah. Everything is flipped." After turning on the lights, I finally made the signal and the turn.

"No, no," Chris yelled, "other lane! Drive on the left!" A quick swerve, a thrust at the clutch, and

both we and the bread delivery truck were safely on our way.

As if driving on the other (in my heart, I say "wrong," but in a stab at political correctness, I'll say "other") side of the road weren't enough to master, the nomenclature of Irish roads is different. Soon, I was driving on a "dual carriageway," a lovely double-laned highway.

But wait. If everything is flipped, do slow drivers go on the right or left? Thankfully, that's the same, and I crawled along, gaining confidence, in the right-hand lane. When the dual carriageway ended, I even figured out that the car behind me didn't want to drive me off the road, but that the broken line on my right meant I should drive closer to the side to let faster traffic pass me. Little villages vie with the verge for the award of most challenging driving.

The verge is the lovely-looking hedge on the side of the road, lush and green from the plentiful Irish rain. As we headed farther into the countryside, there were more and more of these. When, on a narrow road, an oncoming car taking what looked like more than its share of the road hurtled toward me, I moved toward green growth that I thought would yield — and discovered why rental cars in Ireland cost so much. The verge hides old stone fences, and we returned our car with a long gash on the passenger's side. During our most recent trip to Ireland, I let my mother-in-law ride in front while Chris drove.

When a twig of fuchsia came in through her open window to scratch her cheek, she realized why I'd given her the front seat.

Village driving is an exercise in mayhem, as colorful villages appear like Brigadoon out of country roads. Narrow to begin with, the streets are barely wide enough to accommodate one car once both sides of the street are filled with parked vehicles. Parking islands spring up in the middle of the street, and I once sat behind a parked car for 15 minutes, until the driver gathered up her handbag and emerged from the car and waved at me. Another time, I drove behind a woman who was clearly window-shopping from her car.

The absolute worst, though, are the roundabouts that are modern-day crossroads. A roundabout is a traffic circle that the British Broadcasting Corporation once considered naming a "gyratory circus."

My mother-in-law's advice on roundabouts ("Just close your eyes and hope for the best") doesn't seem too bad — especially the third time I've completed the circle, still looking over the wrong shoulder for the exit.

Soon, though, the roundabouts cease, the little villages shrink to two pubs and a grocery and we round the bend to look at the harbor we consider our own. Getting there might not be half the fun, but the destination sure is worth it. Especially since we can walk nearly everywhere we want to go.

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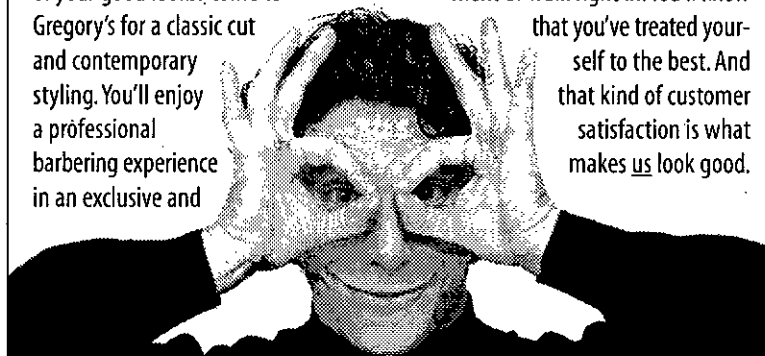
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# Many thanks go to all Play hometown game on fall drives for Community Day help

The sun managed to shine on Community Day at the library last Sunday afternoon.

The day centered around the groups that add to the vitality of the town.

Many thanks to the following organizations for their



enthusiastic participation: Arachne Weavers, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, Bethlehem Citizens for Pedestrian Safety, Bethlehem Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning, Bethlehem Toastmasters, Capital District Collectors' Club, Community Caregivers, Delmar Community Orchestra, Delmar Craft Club, Delmar Progress Club, Embroiderer's Guild, Five Rivers Ltd., Friends of Bethlehem Public Library, Halfmoon Button Club, QUILT Inc., town of Bethlehem Recycling and the Village Volunteers Fife and Drum Corps.

Thanks, also, to the following Delmar vendors for their generous support: Bruegger's Bagels, Delmar Marketplace, Dunkin' Donuts, Hannaford Supermarket, McDonald's, Mr. Subb, Price Chopper and Stewart's.

## Upcoming discussions

The first week in October offers three varied opportunities for discussion.

On Monday, Oct. 7, at 1:30 p.m., Afternoons with Books will focus on Kamala Markandaya's *Nectar in a Sieve*, an eloquent tale of survival told from the perspective of an Indian tenant farmer's wife. Happiness and beauty, though fleeting, are woven into the fabric of the characters' daily lives.

Also on Monday, Oct. 7, the Mother-Daughter book club examines Madeleine L'Engle's classic, *A Wrinkle in Time*. This discussion begins at 7 p.m. and welcomes girls in grade four and

up with their mothers or caregivers.

On Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m., Nonfictionados looks at *River Town: Two Years on the Yangtze* by Peter Hessler.

Hessler and Adam Meier were Peace Corps volunteers in China from 1996 to 1998.

In those two years, they learned more than they ever guessed about the lives, dreams and expectations of the Fuling people on the banks of the Yangtze River.

This book won the 2001 Kiriyama Pacific Rim Book Prize. Copies of the books for all these groups are available at the service desk.

New members are welcome.

Call 439-9314 to register.

Louise Grieco

If you are going apple picking or on a foliage drive to appreciate the beauty of the season, you could have some fun playing the "I Spy My Hometown" game as you ride.

Stop by the library to pick up a game map which shows pictures of local buildings and landmarks



along with a riddle clue to help you locate each one. When you think that you have correctly identified all the sites, check your answers online or at the library.

We will keep a list of anyone who brings us a successfully completed map and your name will appear in this column.

The game pictures were taken and the clues written by Voorheesville students in grades four through eight as a project of the Upper Hudson Library

System.

If you enjoy this game, you can pick up maps for several other area communities at their branch libraries. The program is supported by Federal Library Services and Technology Act funds.

*Because of Winn-Dixie* is a charming story about a lonely 10-year-old who adopts a big, brown stray dog. This Newbery Award-winner by Kate DiCamillo is the subject of a book discussion for grades four through six on Tuesday, Oct. 22.

Copies of the book are available when you sign up at the reference or youth services desk. This is a book that adults can enjoy, too, so parents are welcome to attend if the kids want to bring them.

"Fall is Fun" is the evening storytime theme tonight, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m. Bring the whole family for autumn entertainment.

Every Other Thursday Night Poets meet on Sept. 26 at 7 p.m.

Many of the library poets will be participating in the Albany Wordfest 2002 taking place in the Glen Doone picnic area at Thacher Park all day on Saturday, Sept. 28.

Stop in for a unique experience with some of the most talented Capital District poets, who will be performing throughout the day. The time slot for the library group is 3 to 4 p.m.

Sept. 21 through 28 is Banned Books Week. Check out our table display of books which have been challenged or banned at different times.

Have you read any? You may be surprised what you see.

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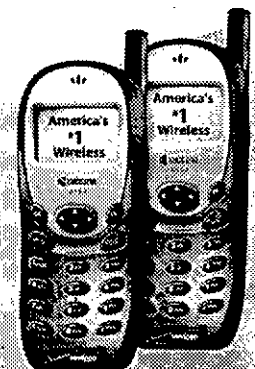
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# Matters of Opinion

## Storm brewing

If the polls are right, and they usually are, this will be a happy election year for incumbents in the New York state Legislature and for Gov. George Pataki. Of the dozen or so Capital District legislators, only one faces an even remotely competitive race.

But when they have to deal with next year's budget, they may wish they were retired from public life.

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State Senate Majority Leader Joe Bruno, one of those locks for re-election, recently estimated that the state is facing a deficit next year in the \$8 billion to \$10 billion range, substantially higher than the \$6 billion bandied about earlier this year.

Longtime Capitol observer Fred Dicker has called the state's looming fiscal crisis "a perfect storm" that is so awful to contemplate that the state's leaders have decided to ignore it.

The storm is building to Category-5 hurricane level thanks to dramatically declining state revenues, state spending that increases well beyond the rate of inflation, a record amount of state debt, a near-empty "rainy day fund" and reliance on fanciful revenue sources, like Indian casinos that may never open.

The storm clouds were visible when the Legislature and governor negotiated this year's budget; as usual, the three men in a room (Pataki, Bruno and Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver) treating the taxpaying public like mushrooms.

But since this is an election year, the budget lords ladled out the goodies to one and all, including a disgraceful, middle-of-the-night, multi-billion-dollar payoff to a New York City-based union.

This is a bipartisan mess — Democratic Comptroller Carl McCall, now challenging Republican Pataki, certified this year's budget as balanced, which it clearly was not. Where else did the nearly instant \$6 billion shortfall projection come from, if not from this year's unbalanced budget?

And Republican Bruno and Democrat Silver are more interested in protecting their majorities in November's election than whatever damage their spendthrift, electioneering budgets will cause next year.

So, the highest state and local tax burden in the country will get even worse next year. Barring a miraculous economic recovery, the state will either have to raise taxes or cut spending to ride out the storm.

Should the state freeze or cut aid to public schools, property taxes will go up dramatically, and more noticeably than ever, now that the STAR property tax exemption has been completely phased-in.

Either way, a hard rain is gonna fall when the fiscal storm of 2003 hits.

## Chameleons and goodbyes

By SHANNON CORNELIUS

*The writer, a BCHS Class of 1996 graduate, is finishing up her second year as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Ghana, West Africa.*

In West African folklore, there is a story about chameleons, a fable that explains why they have a funny way of walking. If you've never seen one of these marvelous creatures, you are missing out. It isn't just their bright green color or their ability to change color like a fading sunset that is so amazing; they have many other interesting features.

For one, chameleons have big, bulging bug eyes, set high on their heads so the eyeballs rotate 180 degrees. Forward and backward, you name it, they can see it. And then there's the feet or lack thereof. Chameleon feet are just toes — toes that are actually little clamps that open and shut as they walk — perfect

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for grasping blades of grass.

The chameleon fable is a creation story that goes something like this:

When the world began, there were just three brothers. One brother had some wood and tree bark, the next brother had sand and the last, a chameleon.

Because the earth was new, it was just water, so the first brother decided to make a canoe from his wood and bark. As they floated, the next brother decided to make some land. He opened his hand and let go of the sand — it flowed and flowed into a big heap. It looked like an island, and the brothers weren't sure if the sand was solid. So the third brother set his chameleon on the sand to see if it was OK to walk on. Each step the reptile took was uncertain as he tried terra firma for the first time. That's why to this day chameleons have such a choppy, hesitant stride.

It wasn't until last week here



Shannon Cornelius with two of her Ghanaian friends.

in Ghana that I saw my first chameleon. I was riding my bike and suddenly there he was, like a green disco dancer, crossing the road with his trademark steps. I almost ran him over, but stopped in time to bend down and have a look. Curious about the little fellow, I allowed his tiny, clamp

***As hard as it is to leave the life and friends I've made in Ghana, I have already set my course, to come back to New York for a bounty of crisp Macintosh apples and the tail end of glorious fall foliage.***

toes to clasp my hand while his rotating eyes scanned over me. I took him from the road to some neon green grass he matched perfectly on the other side, then carried on with my journey.

Coincidentally, last week also happened to be when I began to tell friends in my village that I am preparing to leave Ghana at the end of October. After two amazing years, it's hard for me to just slip out and assimilate back into American culture.

This transition will be hard in two ways. First, trying to find the right words to explain why I have to leave Ghana. I have to carefully emphasize how I love Ghana and her people, but somehow attempt to show my need to go home.

Second, it is complicated for me to plan a future after my service in Ghana. Dealing with résumés and job searches, it is not easy to see beyond getting off the plane in New York. Where will I go next — what will I do?

Between the shocked looks from Ghanaians who earnestly enquire why I don't just stay in

Ghana and the business contact e-mails I don't get until a week past the deadline that ask for a fax of my résumé and full list of references, I'm torn between my two worlds. Like the chameleon, I am tentatively stepping into the new world of a 9 to 5 job, while hesitantly stepping out of the world of fresh mangoes and bush taxis that come with or without mufflers.

As hard as it is to leave the life and friends I've made in Ghana, I have already set my course to come back to New York for a bounty of crisp Macintosh apples and the tail

end of glorious fall foliage. And who knows, perhaps my next move may land me back in Africa for more development work.

For now, I am busy cramming the life I love into my remaining weeks of Ghana. I eat fermented corn dough and soup called Banku with my friends, I play with children no matter how dirty I get (don't worry Mom, I wash my hands) and take lots of pictures of the smiles that surround me.

Just like the chameleon steps, I am also slow and tentative in my transition.

The leisurely pace of life here is easy to become accustomed to, and the rat race of America can be startling. My first steps toward home may be reluctant, but they are necessary.

New York will be a new terra firma for me, and the November chill even more foreign. Similar to the chameleon in my path, when I come home, I may require a little extra help to get across the road. But once there, I'm sure I'll start to blend in like neon green grass.

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## Trucks don't belong in residential areas

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wish to express my support for both of the views expressed in the Sept. 18 matters of opinion pages.

As a resident of Cherry/Elm avenue in Delmar, I join with Ms. Nugent in applauding our board's decision to draft restrictions on truck traffic through our neighborhood. However, I also agree with the Mortensons' concern that the board will not neglect Selkirk and other Bethlehem neighborhoods plagued by truck traffic.

We will not make the Capital District a magnet region, or even an economically healthy region, by allowing the heavy industry that requires this traffic to overrun our communities.

I urge all Bethlehem residents, to encourage the town board to restrict truck traffic through any residential area. For those who ask where the trucks will go, the answer is they should stay on the highways that were designed for them.

Certainly, local deliveries are necessary, but do these require 18-wheelers? Will our local economy flounder without this heavy traffic? No, it is in vastly greater danger because it is

duplicating what is available everywhere else in our region: another Wal-Mart, another Home Depot, another dealer for the same cars that one can get 5 or 10 miles away.

In the meantime, in addition to the decreased quality of life for residents along truck routes, those who travel or cross these roads face added danger and inconvenience, and every taxpayer pays more for the greater wear and tear of truck traffic on local streets.

For those who think that allowing truck traffic through one neighborhood will protect other areas, I hope you will think again. Just as an example, trucks increasingly use Cherry/Elm cut through to routes 85 and 90 because access to the Thruway is too congested. As Cherry/Elm becomes more congested due to the popularity of the "short cut," traffic will seek other short cuts. Unless residents support one another and make their views on development and traffic known in numbers, I doubt that any neighborhood, whether in Delmar, Selkirk or anywhere else, can avoid becoming the next truck route.

Lauren Jacobson  
Delmar

## Town should consider building its own YMCA

Editor, The Spotlight:

It is time for the town of Bethlehem to consider building a YMCA similar to the town of Guilderland's.

I am sure that many people who are health-conscious would appreciate having this type of facility.

Plus, the many programs that the Y has would serve all segments of the town from infants to seniors.

We should not have to drive into Albany or to another town to be able to swim and enjoy Y activities.

Charlene Sykora  
Selkirk

## Verstandig's staff deserves thanks for birthday bouquet

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to say thank you to the ladies at Verstandig's Florist. On Sept. 14, I went to Verstandig's to get my mom flowers for her birthday. When I walked into the store, the woman working there immediately asked me if she could help.

When I told her what I needed, she smiled and said, "I can make the perfect birthday bouquet for your mom, she will be so happy

and surprised." And that's exactly what she did.

My mom loved the flowers. Besides putting together an amazing floral bouquet, the sales lady also assisted me by wrapping the flowers in such a way that I could ride my bike and still get them home in one piece.

Thanks again, Verstandig's!

Adam Lipnick  
Delmar

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## Henry Hudson Park is a true community asset

Editor The Spotlight:

The town's Henry Hudson Park located off Route 144 is a jewel unknown by many that is becoming an even more valuable asset to Bethlehem residents.

The Henry Hudson Improvement Committee is pleased to announce that the park has had a series of improvements. This spring, the committee and the town secured an Environmental Benefit Project with the Department of Environmental Conservation that

enabled the town to construct a large gazebo, an 80 foot paved fishing access site and additional parking adjacent to the existing boat launch. The gazebo will be used for entertainment and educational events.

Located on Barent Winne Road, off Route 144 in Cedar Hill, the park is currently the town's only open public space on the Hudson River. In 1970, the town purchased the parcel consisting of 60 acres and 1,200 feet of riverfront to create the park.

The facilities include softball fields, bathroom facilities, a picnic pavilion, picnic tables and grills, walkways and a fishing area.

The park also has historical significance. Henry Hudson anchored the Halfmoon and came ashore at the site on Sept. 19, 1609. A bronze plaque on a boulder next to the park's flagpole commemorates the historic event.

The site was home to an ice harvesting business that operated until the early 1900s. A number

of historic homes near the park are symbols of the industrial stature this area once had.

The park improvement committee is a grass-roots effort initiated by David Young and Ken Daves because "good ideas never reach full potential unless someone takes the lead."

Over the last two years, the committee consisting of Young, Daves, Parker Mathusa, Rob Leslie, Tim Gordon and Robin Reed has worked with the town to discover options, make plans and secure funding for park improvements.

Future improvements being evaluated include a nature walk, as well as interpretive displays relevant to the environmental and historical significance of the area.

The committee wishes to thank Supervisor Sheila Fuller, Park and Recreation Administrator Nan Lanahan and former administrator Dave Austin, Highway Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph, town engineer Terry Ritz and all the other town representatives who worked with us to make the plans a reality.

We are still amazed that many people living in our community have not come down to enjoy the views of the majestic Hudson and the other offerings of the gorgeous tree-graced park at the edge of our town.

Please do!

David Young, Robin Reed,  
Parker Mathusa, Ken Daves, Rob  
Leslie and Tim Gordon

## Sprawl editorial was short-sighted

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am disappointed in your Sept. 4 editorial, "The roots of sprawl," especially compared with the Point of View article beside it, "Students fighting suburban sprawl."

The latter is a thoughtful, concerned analysis by college students that ends with a commitment to action and a hope for a better way of life for our planet and its inhabitants. The former represents a jaded, shrugging-your-shoulders attitude. "We may well have driven our cars too far down the sprawl road," you write.

That reminds me of President Bush saying that we can't do anything about global warming, so we may as well just live with it. How disillusioning for these idealistic young people to see in black and white their elders' attitude of short-sighted and shameful complacency.

Meg Bassinson  
Delmar

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## All areas of town deserve consideration

Editor, The Spotlight:

If you believe that the DOT is going to spend millions of dollars to widen Cherry and Elm avenues only to have the town of Bethlehem restrict truck traffic to local traffic, then hold your breath now because it won't be long before the designation is changed.

All that is needed to change the designation to a Truck Access Highway is for a request to be made by a trucking outfit and a short study of accident and off-tracking history. Remember the roads are being made wider to accommodate truck traffic.

The belief that Delmar is the core of Bethlehem and that the rest of the town exists to serve Delmar is one of the reasons we find ourselves in this situation to begin with. More industry in Selkirk means more truck traffic in Delmar. If the people of Bethlehem will not support each other, then the town board, zoning board and planning board can act solely in the interests of foreigners and big business.

The residents of Selkirk have been trying for years on their own to get some kind of relief from truck traffic and noise, only to have the town attorney tell them that noise regulations are too hard to enforce. If you have a

problem with truck traffic, the town supervisor shows up with a representative from the New York State Truckers Association to "explain things to us."

The building inspector, town board and zoning board are telling us that Selkirk has no zoning, and Waste Management can build anything it wants wherever they want, and there is nothing the town can do about it.

According to the building inspector, you can build a nuclear power plant, incinerator or steel mill right on Maple Avenue in Selkirk, and all you need is a building permit. When the people of Bethlehem realize that they are the core of Bethlehem and not Delmar or some other geographic location, and that all residents of Bethlehem deserve equal protection under the law, then maybe we will be able to work together and prevent the difficulties that are confronting us now.

Marcus Poirier  
Selkirk

## Still time to join diabetes fund-raiser

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to take one last opportunity to thank the entire Bethlehem community for its support of our townwide team, Bethlehem Cares, that will participate in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's Walk to Cure Diabetes this Sunday, Sept. 29, at Corporate Woods in Albany.

Thanks to local businesses including those that sponsored our team T-shirt, sold our paper sneakers at their registers, donated gift certificates and displayed our brochures. A special thanks is in order for presenting sponsor, Degraff, Foy, Holt-Harris, Kunz & Devine. I would also like to thank *The Spotlight* and people in the community, including volunteers at the Lab School at BCHS and the Key Club, who helped our cause.

Finally, I would like to thank Hannaford of Delaware Plaza for holding a fund-raiser for us last Saturday, Grand Union of Glenmont for holding a fund-raiser earlier this year and Elk Sign Express of Glenmont and The Paper Mill in Delaware Plaza for donating their services.

Any walker who raises at least \$25 dollars will receive a free Bethlehem Cares T-shirt. In addition, any walker who raises \$100 or more will automatically be entered in a drawing to win gift certificates donated by local merchants, including 333 Café, Mangia, I Love Books, the Little Country Store, Picket Pottery, Papa John's Pizza, Seattle Sub & Pita and Jillian's of Albany.

If you have not pre-registered to walk with us but would like to

do so, there is still plenty of time. Just call us at 439-6894, and we will sign you up! If you cannot join us but would like to help, you can mail your donation (made payable to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) to 65 Boylston Drive, Delmar 12054.

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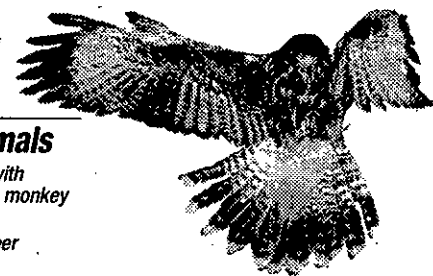
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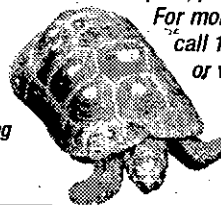
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This will be held in conjunction with a car wash and bake sale. For information, contact Debbie Baron at 765-9371 or Val DiBona at 439-2133.

## Garden Club to meet at senior center

The next regular meeting of the Helderberg Garden Club will be on Thursday, Oct. 3, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Senior Center in New Salem.

New members are always welcome.

## CYO to hold basketball registration

St. Matthew's youth basketball program registration is due no later than Friday, Oct. 4. Applications received after this may be placed on a waiting list.

The leagues include a third- and fourth-grade coed in-house and fifth-through-eighth-grade boys and girls traveling teams.

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Forms can be picked up at the elementary school main office or St. Matthew's Church on Mountainview Road.

For information regarding the in-house league and/or fourth-grade travel, call Chick Pritchard at 765-4320 or Bob Burns at 765-4299.

As always help is needed in many areas.

## 'Wee Naturalists' program set at nature center

Every child has an innate sense of the wonder that can instill a lifelong connection with nature. Bring your preschool children for stories and exploration of the natural on Thursday, Sept. 26, at 10 a.m. at Thacher Park Nature Center.

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## Program on seeds set at center

Come to the Thacher Park Nature Center on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 11 a.m. to learn about seeds and how they travel.

Learn about the strategies plants use for spreading seeds around the landscape and take a walk to observe seeds in the nature center environs.

The program is planned for families and people of all ages. Call 872-0800 for information.

On Saturday, Sept. 28, at 2 p.m. there will be a program about fruits and nuts of our trees and shrubs with botanist Ruth Schottman. Call 872-1237 for meeting place.

Join the Friends of Thacher Park for an annual pot luck picnic on Sunday, Sept. 29, at the nature center.

The Friends of Thacher Park is a nonprofit group that supports conservation, events and educational programs at the park and nature center.

Call 872-0800 for information.

## Tots playgroup slated for Fridays

Caregivers and young children can attend a playgroup held on Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville.

All are welcome for a time of supervised free play for the children. Mothers, fathers or other caregivers stay with their children and enjoy the opportunity to network. It is a good time to have adult conversation, meet others with young children and share ideas and information.

For information, call the church at 765-2895 or Annette Hoult at 765-4849.

## Benefit concert set

A benefit concert for the Two Hearts-One Community Fund will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28, at RCS Senior High School.

The program begins at 2 p.m. and will continue all day. Refreshments will be sold. Bands playing at the concert include Mark Emanation and Folding Sky, a rock-blues band, as well as Honey Creeper, Third 2 None, Public Access and other groups.

Donations can also be made to the Two Hearts-One Community Fund c/o The National Bank of Coxsackie, Faith Plaza, Route 9W, Ravena 12143. For information, call 756-6179 or 756-8994.

## BC school district forming committee

The Bethlehem Central School District is forming a planning committee to gather information about what might be included in an upcoming bond issue, and it is seeking members of the community to serve on the committee.

Four community members will join district administrators, parents, students, teachers and support staff to form a committee of about 20 individuals. The group will meet frequently in the evenings, primarily between October and April to develop options for the board of education's consideration.

Board adoption of a bond resolution is anticipated by the end of the school year.

Community members who would like to serve on the planning committee should send a letter of interest detailing their qualifications to Board President Warren Stoker, 90 Adams Place, Delmar 12054. All letters must be received by Friday, Oct. 4.

## Dems to host fall picnic

The New Scotland Democratic Committee is hosting a fall picnic on Sunday, Sept. 29, at Picard's Grove in New Scotland from 1 to 5 p.m.

Democratic candidates for state offices are expected to attend.

The menu includes, clams, hot dogs, hamburgers, beer and soda. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$12.50 for children.

For tickets or information, call Connie Burns at 765-4390 or Patty Miller at 765-4552.

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# Sports

## Shen turns back Bethlehem in first place battle

By ROB JONAS

The Bethlehem Lady Eagles entered last Friday's Suburban Council showdown with Shenendehowa looking to establish themselves as the best girls soccer team in the league.

But the high-powered attack that had propelled the Lady Eagles to a 7-0 start was silenced by a stingy Shen defense in a 2-0 loss.

"They had some very fast defenders," Bethlehem coach **Tom Rogan** said. "Usually, we're faster out there and can get behind the defense, but they were a little faster than us."

**Laurie Macander** gave nationally-ranked Shen (7-1-0) an early 1-0 lead with a first-half goal. **Kacie Dawson** tallied a short time later to double the Lady Plainsmen's advantage.

Bethlehem tried to get back in the game in the second half, but Shen goaltender **Jillian Lyons** made several saves to preserve the

shutout.

"They scored two goals on us early on, and we played even the rest of the way," Rogan said.

The loss was the first bump in the road for a Lady Eagles team expected to challenge Shen and Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake for the Section II, Class AA title.

"We have a very veteran team, so all of that experience is very helpful," Rogan said.

Bethlehem's offense was on display in last Wednesday's 5-1 victory over Guilderland at Nott Road Athletic Fields.

Early goals by **Kristen White** and **Vanessa**



Bethlehem's Lindsay Rood (19) moves downfield with the ball as Guilderland's Tarryn Furr gives chase during last Wednesday's Suburban Council game at Nott Road Athletic Fields.

Rob Jonas

**Patry** helped the Lady Eagles establish a 2-0 lead. Guilderland's **Cici Carter** scored off a free kick to pull the Lady Dutch within a goal, but **Emily Petraglia** tallied late in the first half to re-establish Bethlehem's two-goal cushion.

"That goal (by Petraglia) before half was important," Rogan said.

**Patry** and **Kate Metevia** added second-half goals for the Lady Eagles.

Bethlehem hosts Averill Park tonight, Sept. 25, for Senior Night at the football field. The Lady Eagles then welcome Guilderland to the varsity soccer field Friday at 4 p.m.

### BC boys receive top honors

The Bethlehem boys soccer team received the No. 1 ranking among Class A schools in last Wednesday's state sportswriters poll. Then, the Eagles went about living up to their ranking.

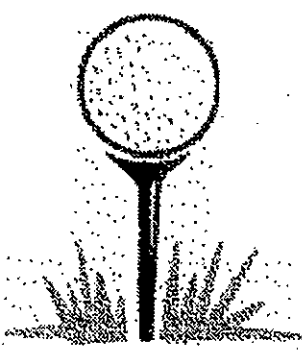
After a 2-2 tie with Columbia last Thursday, Bethlehem (5-0-1) shut out Saratoga 2-0 last Saturday.

**Brendan Tougher** and **Bob Barrowman** provided Bethlehem's goals against Columbia, but **Jason Sideris** and **Robbie Mangold** scored to help the Blue Devils forge the tie.

**Barrowman** and **Tom Rood** each scored goals to lead the Eagles past Saratoga.

After hosting Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Tuesday, Bethlehem travels to Mohonasen Thursday. Roy C. Ketcham from Wappingers Falls then visits Bethlehem Saturday.

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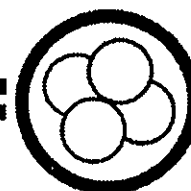
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# Indians look for edge in second place battle

By ROB JONAS

After three weeks of the Capital Conference football season, the only thing that has been determined is that Lansingburgh is a very good team.

The Knights have cruised to victories over Hudson, Cohoes and Schalmont, which has left a logjam for second place in the Reinfurt division between Schalmont, Cobleskill-Richmondville, Broadalbin-Perth and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk.

"Lansingburgh is a really talented club, and once they get rolling, it's very easy to get caught in that avalanche," RCS football coach Gary VanDerzee said.

The Indians (2-1) hope to hold onto their share of second place Saturday when they travel to Rotterdam to face Schalmont (2-1).

"The next three weeks will separate the four teams," VanDerzee said. "By week seven, we'll

know where we stand."

RCS bounced back from a 32-23 loss to Cohoes Sept. 14 by beating Taconic Hills 41-6 last Friday behind quarterback C.J. Haslam's one-man effort. Haslam threw two touchdown passes, rushed for two scores and was 5-for-6 on extra-point attempts.

"They're getting better," Van Derzee said of his team. "They improved a lot from week two. Week two was an aberration."

In other local football action, Bethlehem visits Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake and Voorheesville travels to Stillwater Saturday.

Bethlehem (1-2) lost its second consecutive game last Friday with a 42-7 setback against Colonie Central. Tim Hannigin scored the lone Eagles touchdown on a 10-yard run in the fourth quarter.

Voorheesville also dropped to 1-2 with a 20-14 loss to Schuylerville in its home opener last Saturday.

# Varsity Sports Results Sept. 19-21

## THURSDAY, SEPT. 19

### BOYS SOCCER

#### BETHLEHEM 2, COLUMBIA 2

Goals: Bethlehem — Brendan Tougher, Bob Barrovman. Columbia — Jason Sideris, Robbie Mangold.

### BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem defeated Scotia-Glenville 25-16, 25-21, 25-12.

### GIRLS SOCCER

#### RCS 5, LANSINGBURGH 0

Goals: Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk — Lorin Weidman, Meredith Pascale.

### VOORHEESVILLE 2, COBLESKILL 0

Scoring: Voorheesville — Katie Inglis 1-1, Michelle Nadratowski 1-0, Justine Moreau 0-1.

Saves: Voorheesville — Catherine Nicholson 5. Cobleskill — Leigh Engle 13.

### GIRLS TENNIS

Niskayuna 5, Bethlehem 4. Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 5, Cobleskill 2.

Voorheesville 5, Watervliet 2.

### GOLF

Saratoga 237, Bethlehem 255. Bethlehem 255, Niskayuna 262. Schalmont 171, Voorheesville 188.

Cohoes 199, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 207.

## FRIDAY, SEPT. 20

### BOYS SOCCER

#### MECHANICVILLE 4, VOORHEESVILLE 1

Goals: Mechanicville — Steve Leggett 2, Jeremy Brown, Armand Gersenberger. Voorheesville — Greg Klopfer.

### BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem defeated Mohonasen 25-10, 25-9, 25-22.

### FIELD HOCKEY

#### SHAKER 3, BETHLEHEM 2 (OT)

Scoring: Shaker — Cailin Rensch 1-0, Kristen Galuski 1-0, Jen Lee 1-0. Bethlehem — Bridget Griffen 2-0.

Saves: Shaker — Meredith Wolanin 10. Bethlehem — Sarah Lackner 10.

### FOOTBALL

#### COLONIE CENTRAL 42, BETHLEHEM 7

Colonie — Mike Roberts 8-yard run (Cory Bonnanno kick).

### SECOND QUARTER

Colonie — Jon Branche 12-yard pass from Chris King (Bonnanno kick).

Colonie — Jeremy Sheffer 28-

yard run (Bonnanno kick).

Colonie — Branche 58-yard pass from Phil Minnisale (Bonnanno kick).

Colonie — Roberts 40-yard pass from Minnisale (Bonnanno kick).

### FOURTH QUARTER

Colonie — Javon Jones 1-yard run (Bonnanno kick).

Bethlehem — Tim Hannigin 10-yard run (Steve Strait kick).

### RCS 41, TACONIC HILLS 6

### FIRST QUARTER

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk — Steve Correll 8-yard run (C.J. Haslam kick).

RCS — Haslam 4-yard run (Haslam kick).

### SECOND QUARTER

RCS — Haslam 35-yard run (Haslam kick).

RCS — John Dibble 1-yard run (Haslam kick).

### THIRD QUARTER

RCS — Greg DeLuca 25-yard pass from Haslam (Haslam kick).

RCS — Chris Alberts 14-yard pass from Haslam (conversion run failed).

### FOURTH QUARTER

Taconic Hills — Michael Toker 80-yard kickoff return (conversion run failed).

### GIRLS SOCCER

#### SHENENDEHOWA 2, BETHLEHEM 0

Scoring: Shenendehowa — Kacie Dawson 1-0, Laurie Macander 1-0, Erin Flaherty 0-2.

Saves: Shenendehowa — Jillian Lyons 12. Bethlehem — Megan Volo 5, Brianna Bubeck 7.

### GIRLS SWIMMING

Shaker 106, Bethlehem 80.

Niskayuna 91, Guilderville 79.

### GIRLS TENNIS

Bethlehem 9, Shenendehowa 0.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk defeated Schalmont 25-20, 26-24, 25-22.

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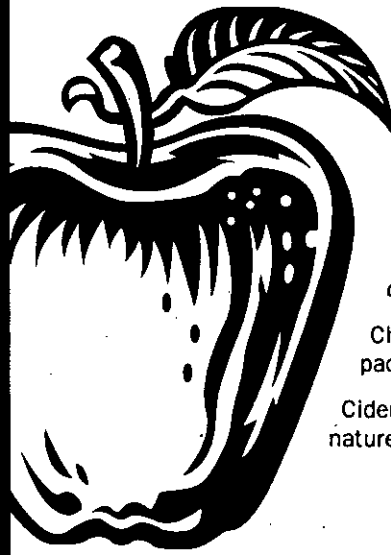


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## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

GUILDERLAND INVITATIONAL  
BILL DRAKE CHAMPIONSHIP

Team scores: Shenendehowa 32, Kellenburg 45, Essex 74, Guilderland 97, Bethlehem 111, Taconic 140

Top 10 finishers: Dan Naughton (Kellenburg) 14:08, Dan Shrek (Essex) 14:17, Jamie Julia (Amsterdam) 14:23, Jacob Gurler (Shen) 14:28, Ryan Gaedje (Shen) 14:31, Matt Lowenthal (K) 14:35, Dan Haggerty (Guiderland) 14:43, Alex Grout (Shen) 14:48, Paul Roach (Shen) 14:49, Brian Schmitt (K) 14:59.

FORT PLAIN INVITATIONAL  
LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Team scores: Averill Park 97, Ballston Spa 115, Broadalbin-Perth 116, Albany Academy 135, Gloversville 172, Troy 181, Johnstown 191, Catskill 220, South Glens Falls 220, Schalmont 223, Ravena-Coyemans-Selkirk 247, LaSalle 286.

## SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Team scores: Salmon River 64, Berne-Knox-Westerlo 94, Fonda 109, Norwood-Norfolk 121, Galway 159, Unatego 229, Maple Hill 253, Duaneburg 260, Schoharie 264, Schenectady Christin 305, Hadley-Luzerne 311, Hawthorne Valley 321, Voorheesville 387.

## BOYS SOCCER

## BETHLEHEM 2, SARATOGA 0

Scoring: Bethlehem — Bob Barrowman 1-0, Tom Rood 1-0, Matt Narode 0-1, Brendan Tougher 0-1.

Saves: Bethlehem — John Thibdeau 1, Saratoga — Dillon Klepetar 12.

## BOYS VOLLEYBALL

## SUBURBAN COUNCIL MID-SEASON TOURNAMENT

Finals: Shenendehowa defeated Bethlehem 2-1.

## FOOTBALL

SCHUYLerville 20,  
VOORHEESVILLE 14

## FIRST QUARTER

Schuylerville — Lucas Maciariello 42-yard run (conversion run failed).

Voorheesville — Jeff Nelson 60-yard pass from Frank Catellier (Brian Carey kick).

Schuylerville — Maciariello 85-yard kickoff return (Bob Foote run).

## SECOND QUARTER

Schuylerville — Alex Proctor 65-yard fumble return (conversion run failed).

## FOURTH QUARTER

Voorheesville — Brendon Schlappi 3-yard run (Carey kick).

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

GUILDERLAND INVITATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

Team scores: Argyle 40, Colonie Central 73, Bethlehem 91, Shenendehowa 136, Franklin Academy 138, Niskayuna 151, Guilderland 153, Ward Melville 184, Rocky Point 187, Canandaigua Academy 286, Essex 292, Amsterdam 299, Ichabod Crane 389, Clakrstown North 397.

Top 10 finishers: Caitlin McTague (Niskayuna) 16:14, Caitlin Lane (Argyle) 16:35, Emily Malinowski (Bethlehem) 16:57, Hannah Davidson (Argyle) 16:59, Anna Jankowski (Colonie) 17:16, Megan Lynch (Guiderland) 17:18, Beth Hutching (Franklin Academy) 17:18, Katie Parafinczuk (BC) 17:20, Ashley Fung (Argyle) 17:36, Emily Fung (Argyle) 17:39.

FORT PLAIN INVITATIONAL  
LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Team scores: Lansingburgh 67,

Averill Park 102, Ballston Spa 104, Cohoes 118, Gloversville 120, South Glens Falls 121, Schalmont 203, Ravena-Coyemans-Selkirk 204, Catskill 248.

## SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Team scores: Galway 71, Voorheesville 126, Unatego 131, Norwood-Norfolk 149, Berne-Knox-Westerlo 152, Fonda 160, Schoharie 210.

Top Voorheesville finisher: Kate Alpert, 10th place, 21:40.

## GIRLS SOCCER

## VOORHEESVILLE 2, WATERVLIET 0

Scoring: Voorheesville — Michelle Nadratowski 1-0, Justine Moreau 1-0.

Saves: Voorheesville — Catherine Nicholson 5.

## GIRLS SWIMMING

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COMPETITION

11-dive finals: Melissa Mangona (Saratoga) 430.10, Jessica Shahda (Shaker) 391.15, Kaitlyn Dameron (Guiderville) 362.80, Meg O'Connor (Shaker) 329.80, Kat Noviello (Saratoga) 308.25, Carissa Brooks (Saratoga) 306.15, Devon Kelly (Shaker) 305.40, Erica Parker (Saratoga) 285.80, Jill Malfetano (Guiderville) 283.30, Beth Harren (Bethlehem) 277.65.

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

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Tryouts will be held for two fifth- and sixth-grade teams, as well as two seventh- and eighth-grade squads. A fourth-grade

team is being added to the program.

The Little Lady Eagles program is open to any girl residing in the town, regardless of what school she attends.

For information, call Jeff Gillham at 439-2332 or e-mail gillham@globalnet2000.net.

## Basketball clinics at BCHS

The Bethlehem Central Boys and Girls Basketball Booster Clubs are offering a series of skills development clinics Saturdays and Sundays in October at Bethlehem Central High School.

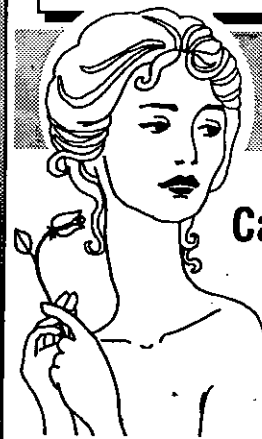
Clinics for boys in grades two through eight will be held Saturdays in October from 4 to 6 p.m. Girls clinics will be held Sundays from 10 a.m. to noon.

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# Wild

(From Page 1)

Hollyhock Hollow, a 138-acre nature preserve just off Rarick Road operated by the Audubon Society of New York State, is in the second summer of a program to rehabilitate and release wild birds on the grounds. About 40 or so animals have returned to the wild at Hollyhock since last summer. On this particular morning, a pair of screech owls, who needed no coaxing to find their way off into the Hollyhock woods, were also set free. The impromptu midweek bird release was timed to take advantage of a lull after several weeks of intermittent rain.

"If you have a good three days without rain in the forecast, it gives them a little time to get used to the

habitat," said Segerberg.

"This is a great site," said Fred Realbuto, director of the Audubon Society, on hand to snap some photos. "We have a terrific diversity of topography. There's deep woods, water, and there's plenty to eat down here. Whatever comes along, there's pretty much diverse environment here for everybody."

But not a large enough body of water to suit the habitat needs of several Canadian geese scheduled for release: they would be freed several mornings later on private property near the Alcove Reservoir.

"Michelle does all the heavy lifting," said Realbuto of the fledgling release program. For Segerberg, a former colleague of state wildlife pathologist Ward

Stone who became a freelance rehabilitator after opting to be a stay-at-home-mom a decade ago, the sky and its winged denizens are far from the limit.

"The phone sometimes doesn't seem to stop ringing," she said; private citizens and working veterinarians regularly seek her out with rescued animals in need of rehabilitation.

"I'm one of the few rehabilitators left in action in upstate New York, and they come to me from all over, sent to me by EnCon, veterinarians, dog wardens, many places. I just got a phone call from Edison, New Jersey, from somebody who found a baby rabbit. Right now, I have 24 squirrels at home, four opossums, one wild turkey, several Canadian geese, bluebirds, starlings."

She's planning a squirrel release at Hollyhock soon.

"Wild animals are meant to be wild," she said. Though her

squirrel charges have imprinted with what she described as "some rather un-squirrel like behaviors," it will be but a few days after their release before they return to their normal state. "They're never going to be truly tame," she said.

Birds, of course, are the primary focus of Segerberg's and Hollyhock's efforts.

"I've had the two screech owls since about May," she said. "When they came to me, they were very small, very fluffy." One was a roadside rescue turned over to her by a Saratoga County vet; another, the lone survivor of a brood of chicks found in a rotting stump being cleared from some property under development.

"And the waxwings I've had since a very bad thunderstorm a few weeks ago in Guelderland," Segerberg said. "They were nesting in a tree that came down in the storm."

They couldn't ask for a much

better place for a fresh start than Hollyhock Hollow, tucked away on the banks of Onesquethaw Creek not far from Feura Bush, on the Bethlehem-New Scotland town line. Willed to the Audubon Society by Rienow, a former head of a local chapter of the Nature Conservancy, in 1988, "We've kept it in a pretty rustic state by the terms of the donor's will," Realbuto said. "We have about seven miles of trails down here, and they're all easy to moderate at most. There's no hard climbing, and they're all very good for families and youngsters."

Though Hollyhock Hollow is free and open to the public, "It's a little haven, a little oasis that not too many people know about," said Realbuto. "Some people who frequent our trails say to me, 'I'm torn between telling people about it and not telling them.'"

Still, as Realbuto noted, it's in keeping with the sentiments of the preserve's former owner that Hollyhock Hollow be enjoyed hands-on, not by saying oh how beautiful/and sitting in the shade.

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## Library to host Fall Frolic for kids

Bethlehem Public Library will be holding a Fall Frolic for children from 22 to 25 months old on Friday, Sept. 27, at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. The program will feature stories, activities and a snack. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Register for one session only by calling 439-9314.

The library will hold Happy Harvesting for children age 3 through 6 on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The program will feature stories, a craft activity and a snack. All materials will be provided. Register for one session only by calling the library.

Computers for the Absolute Beginner, a hands-on introduction to computers, will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. The workshop will cover using the keyboard and mouse, exploring the Web catalog and basic searching. Each session covers the same material and is limited to six participants. Register for one session only by calling the library.

On Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 4 p.m., the library will host Tear It Up, a program for children in kindergarten through grade six. The program will feature a showing of book illustrations in mixed-media collage, followed by a session of "tear-your-own" paper collage making. All materials will be provided. To register, call 439-9314.

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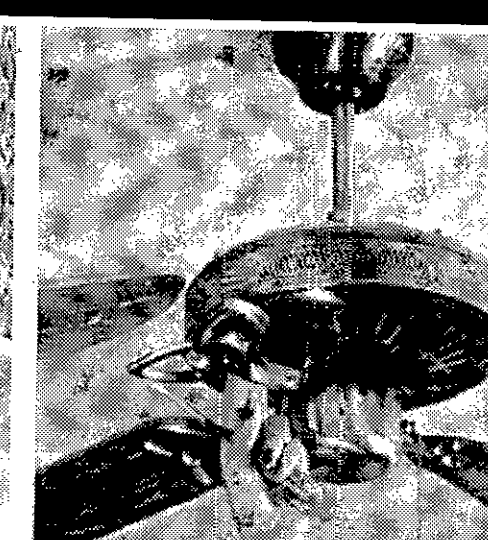
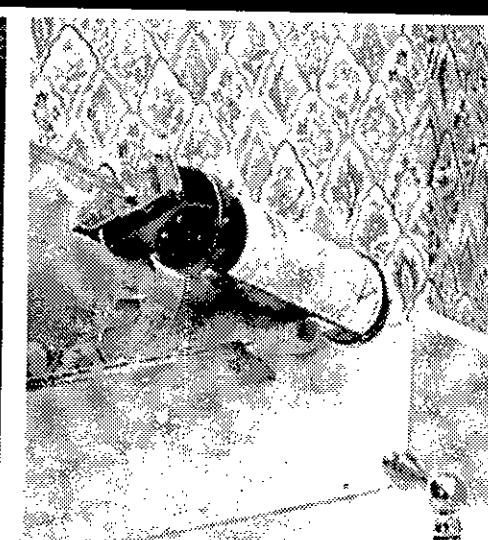
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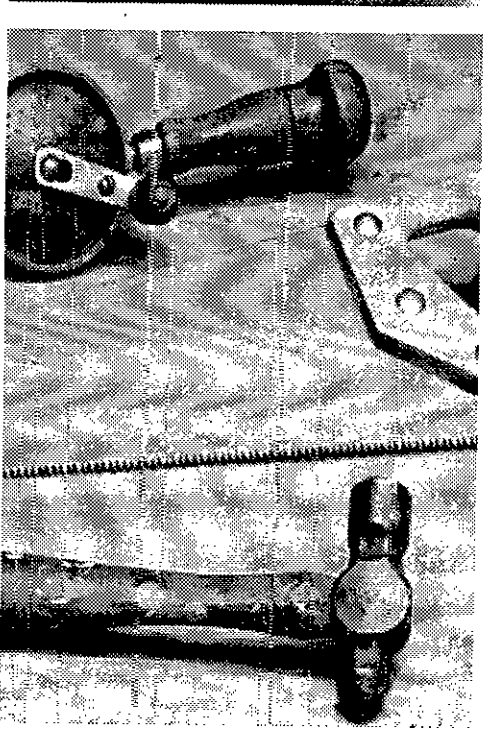
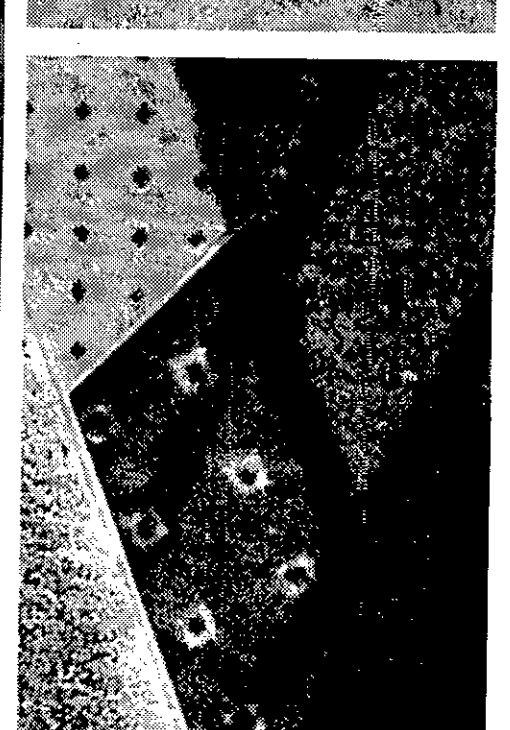
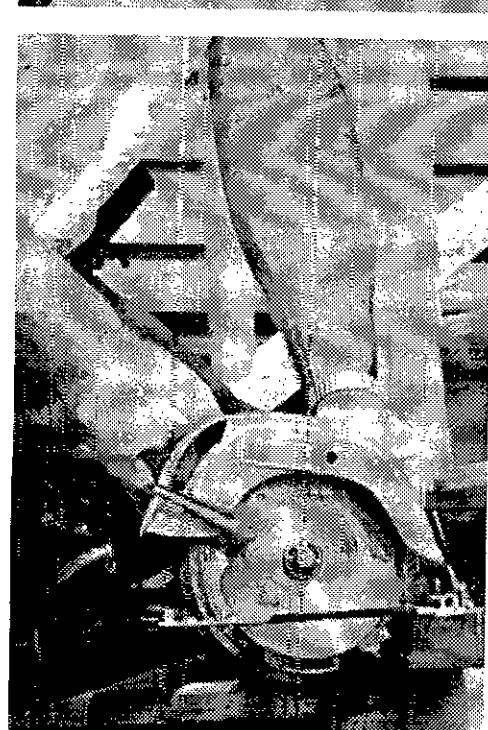
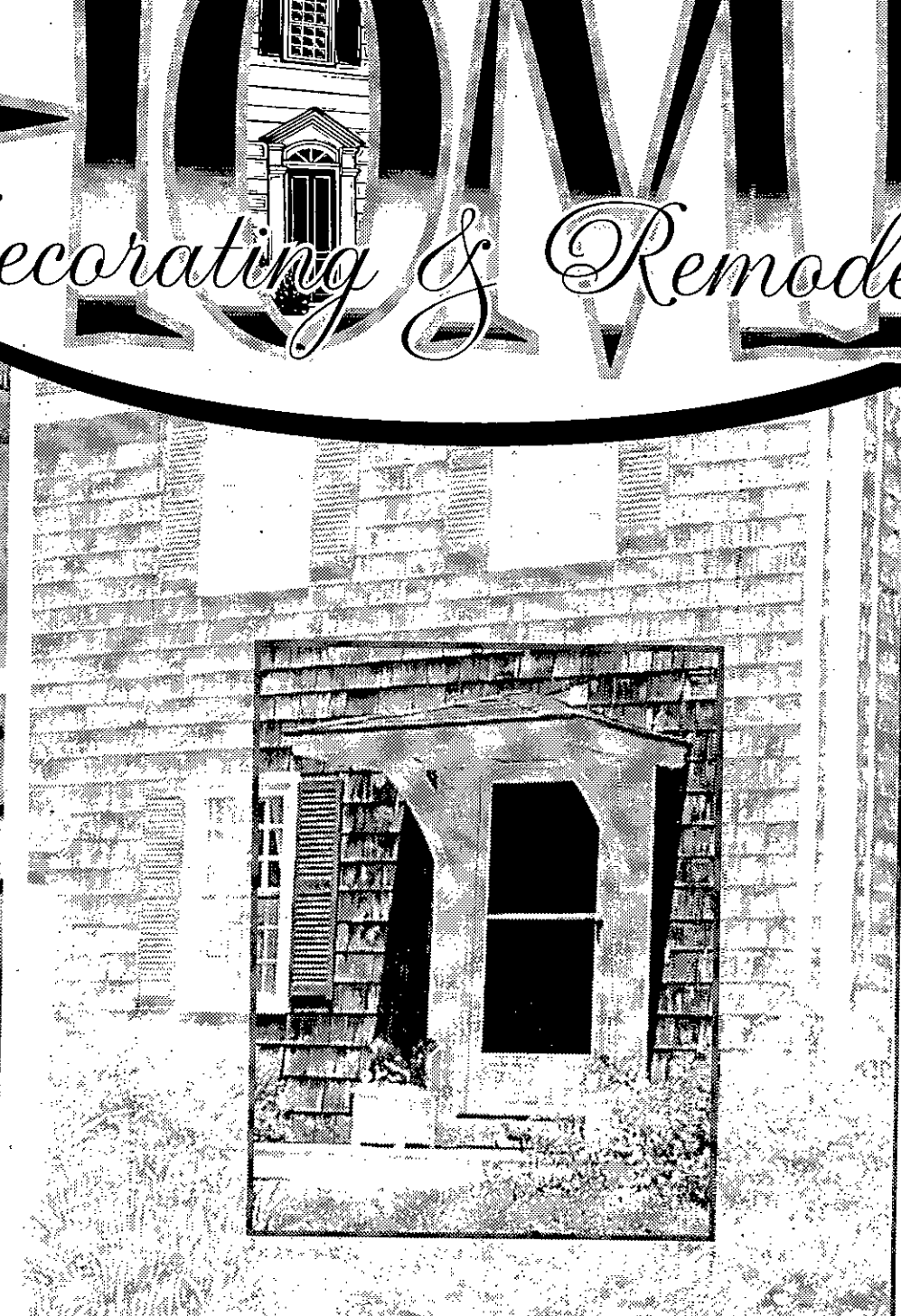
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# HOME

*Decorating & Remodeling*





# Revamping the family room based on specific needs

By DONNA J. BELL

**“F**orm follows function,” American architect Louis Sullivan famously said. That was never truer of decorating and furnishing the family room in your home. A family room can serve as a multi-media center, a space to entertain guests, an art room, a play-room or a quiet space for solitude and reading; depending on the needs of any particular family. If you have preschoolers than the space is likely to be dominated by a toy and play area, if you have teenagers you might opt for high tech electronics or if you

love to have parties you may be looking for a comfortable but sophisticated area for entertaining. What you want to do in your family room should determine how you furnish it. “When someone calls me for help I ask a lot of questions about what it is they are looking for,” said Cheryl Judge-Decker,

an allied member of the American Society of Interior Designers and owner of CJ Designs. With more than 13 years experience Judge-Decker has done everything from designing a single window treatment to conceiving a single room to creating a plan for an entire house redecoration. The

first question Judge-Decker asks the family to answer when starting her consultation is what they plan to use the room for. Just as every family is different, each family room will be called upon to satisfy different



needs. The next thing she determines when she visits the home is what materials and furnishing stay in the room and what goes either in the trash or will be moved to another room. “It’s very rare that people throw everything away and start all over,” Judge-Decker said. “For example, if they have a new plaid couch that they want to keep I know that the design of the room will have to incorporate that item and then I start to build on the colors in the fabric.” If you are a collector you could build a theme for your family room around your antique model car collection, baseball memorabilia or your Americana nick-knacks. Love the Southwest? A few well placed accessories and a color change could give your guests a feel for the true you. After deciding what purpose the room will serve you need to determine your budget for the

space. Sometimes the cost outlay will be small; some rooms can look new and updated with just fresh window treatments. If that 1970’s gold,

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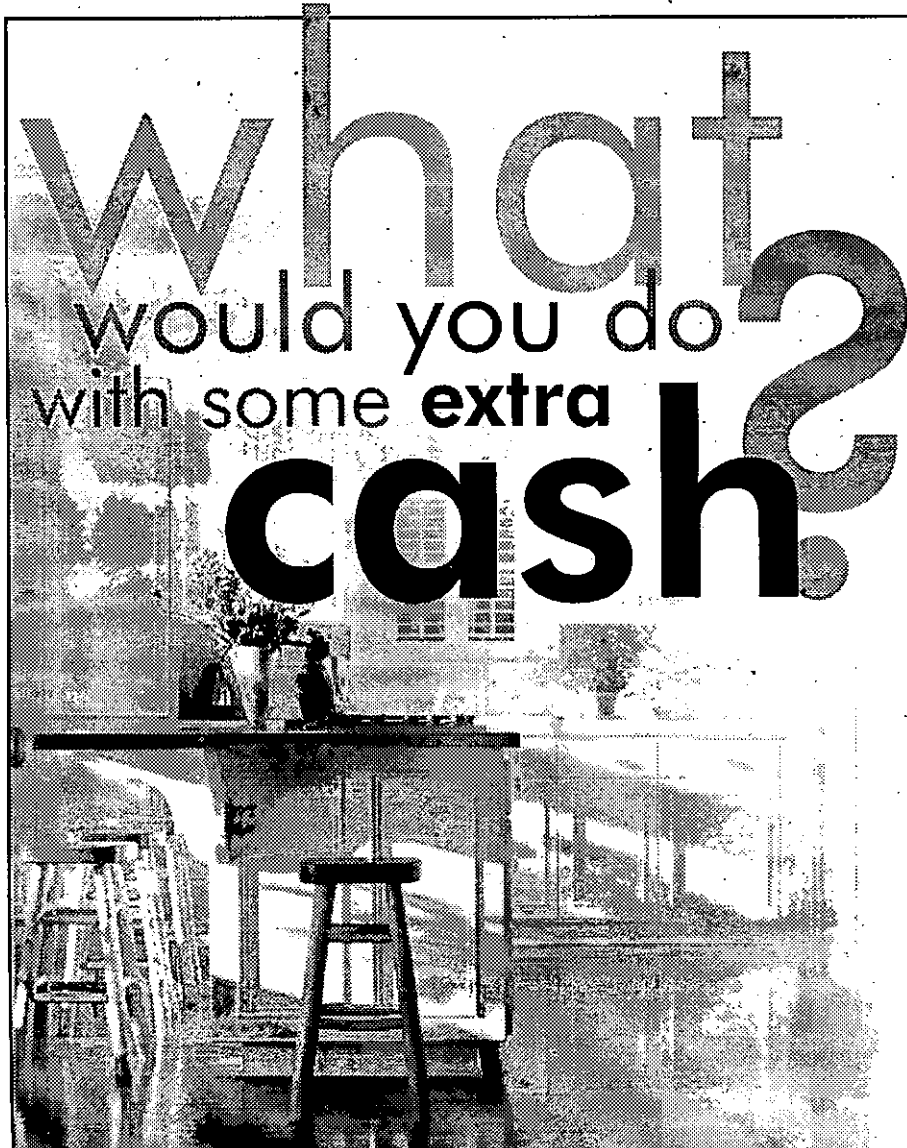


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orange and brown shag carpeting is still on the floor a newer trendy color could bring the room back to this millennium. Then again, you may want to do more of a major overhaul like adding built-in cabinets, putting in a bay window or installing a fireplace. Which brings up the next step; determining your priorities. If you don’t have the money to complete everything you want to do with the room all at once, you need to decide what the most important project you want to finish first. Is it important for you to have custom cabinetry to house your electronics and big screen TV? Are you dying for a wet bar or a new polished-wood floor? “Rooms can be completed in stages,” Judge-Decker said. “To do it right sometimes you have to have a long range plan.” Whether your remodel will be big or small most of all the family room is ideally where the family stays and plays; so be sure to make comfort a major consideration.

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# Yes — you can make your home more energy efficient

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Ever since your mother told you to shut the light off when you left a room, you've known not to waste energy. Today, New York State Energy and Research Development Authority can help

you maximize your home's energy efficiency, purchase products that will save energy, and even help you save money.

Founded in 1975, NYSERDA is carrying its mission of improving energy efficiency into the area of home building, renovating, and purchasing appliances for your home.

The United States Department of Energy started the Energy Star Initiative, whereby appliances are redesigned or manufactured to be energy efficient. NYSERDA administers the Energy Star program in New York, calling its initiatives Energy Smart.

At the Web site Energystar.gov, homeowners can learn about energy efficient products, from refrigerators to dishwashers to air conditioners. There's even information about stores that sell Energy Star products, deemed by NYSERDA to save energy.

"A typical refrigerator from 1990 could use 900 kilowatt hours of electricity every year," Cullen O'Brien, communication information assistant for NYSERDA, said. "That's like leaving a 1250 watt hair dryer on for a month." An Energy Star-certified refrigerator could result in 10 to 30 percent savings in energy. "Energy Star appliances used to be more expensive," O'Brien said. "They're not out of line anymore." O'Brien pointed out that Energy Star products are clearly labeled with the authority's half moon and star logo, along with the words, "Energy Star." Much of the Energy Smart program focuses on home repairs, to encourage energy efficient heating and cooling systems, as well as window installation. Certified Energy Smart contractors can come to your home to conduct an energy audit, and provide you with a computer-produced report recommending energy-saving improvements. NYSERDA sometimes offers low-interest loans to offset the costs of

making those repairs. NYSERDA also works with individuals and builders starting from scratch and looking to build an Energy Smart home.

"I get about six inquiries per week from people looking to build an Energy Smart home,"

O'Brien said, adding that loans are often available to those people, too.

There are a few Web sites that provide information about NYSERDA's programs. They are NYSERDA.org, www.getenergy smart.org, and Energystar.gov. Although nothing's cozier than a fire in the fireplace, that is often a place where a great deal of heat is lost. At Best Fire at 1760 Central Avenue in Albany, formerly known as Alternative Energy Systems, fireplace inserts can help prevent warm air from leaving your home, and gas-burning fireplaces can make the best use of an energy source that, for many consumers, is already in their homes.

"Fireplace inserts can be used as an alternative heat source," said Kyle Jansen of Best Fire. "They can be hooked up to a thermostat, and can be used to efficiently help heat your house. They run on a standing pilot, and create their own electricity, so during a power outage, you'll

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A natural-gas insert is a box that goes into the fireplace, and doesn't require changing the look of your fireplace. "Our are direct-vent units," Jansen said. "They draw air from outside, warm it, then send it out again. They don't rob air from the living area." Jansen pointed out that converting a wood-burning fireplace to one that burns gas logs — a different model than an insert — means that people could use their

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— Kyle Jansen

Natural gas and propane gas burn cleanly, Jansen said, and although gas-burning logs are strictly for looks and not heat, they save people the time, energy and mess of chopping or hauling wood, and cleaning up ashes afterwards.

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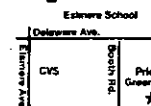
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# Laminate flooring offers a new approach



**Y**ou might not give your floors much thought — until it comes time to replace them. Then you realize that there are many options out there. For busy families whose floors need to stand up to kids and pets, laminate flooring is an excellent choice.

Laminate flooring has been a fashionable option in Europe for more than 20 years, and it's rapidly gaining popularity in the United States. The most common designs have a wood grain appearance; some are made to look like stone or marble. Laminates are designed to look good for many years with a minimum amount of maintenance.

Laminate flooring consists of four main components that are bonded together. A wear resistant decorative surface made of resin-based melamine/aluminum oxide is bonded to a moisture resistant wood composition-based core. A balancing backing is bonded to the underside of the core. On the top is a clear cap sheet of aluminum oxide, which provides the protection and stain

resistance. Since the resin-filled wear layer is so dense, it becomes extremely difficult to stain, scratch or burn.

Ease of installation is one factor that contributes to the popularity of laminate flooring. It uses a tongue and groove interlocking system, which can be installed over the top of an



existing substrate. Plywood, concrete slab, sheet vinyl flooring, hardwood flooring or virtually any other basically flat hard surface is a suitable base for laminate.

Most brands of laminate flooring require that the joints be glued with specially formulated, water-resistant glue placed between the tongue and grooves of every plank. However, Alloc, Inc., located in Racine, Wis., has a patented glueless interlocking system that provides strong, tight joints without messy glue or special tools.

Because installation is so simple, and because you can walk on your new floor immediately (no waiting for glue to dry), beautifying your home with new laminate flooring is truly a project you can do in a weekend. "Installing a laminate floor, especially with our glueless system, is a lot easier than people think," says company president Claes Wennerth.

No matter what your décor or your lifestyle, you can find a laminate floor to fit your needs. Alloc's Home Flooring can be used in virtually any area of your home, such as kitchens, living rooms, dining rooms and bathrooms.

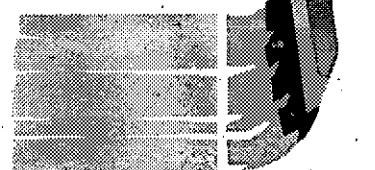
Taking care of a laminate floor is even easier than installing it. To keep your floor looking like new and avoid scratches, simply vacuum or dust mop regularly to remove loose dirt or grit. Glides or cushioned bottom protectors under chairs and table legs also help prevent possible scratching, and floor mats at all outside doorways keep dirt from coming inside.

## Brush up on these painting tips

**B**efore beginning any indoor painting project, you should brush up on these important safety tips:

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# Let there be light — windows enhance living spaces

By DONNA J. BELL

Artists prefer to paint in natural light, photographers spend lifetimes learning how to incorporate the play of light on their subjects and even scientists weigh in telling us that being in sunlight can make us happier.

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Perhaps that is why so many new houses and remodeled homes feature more and bigger windows. "There was a big study done that said people

*We can put in windows where there are no windows or we can put in a larger window where there were two. It is amazing what it does to change the house.*

— Robert Pena

felt better with natural light," said Robert Pena the owner of R.M. Pena Inc. on Route 50 in Burnt Hills. "I remember at time when every one was covering up their windows with

quilts and drapes, but now that we can make the glass in windows better you don't have to close the drapes. Pena knows his glass and throws phrases like "triple krypton" and "argon" around at will, but it all boils down to the fact that new technology has improved the windows we have available now for our home substantially - if you want to know more information, look for the energy star label or check out brochures on energy efficient homes. "If we can make the glass warmer that means you don't have to close the drapes," Pena said. "The house is nice and bright and cheerful and you are only having to cover up at night for privacy."

"People like sunlight," said Cheryl Judge-Decker, an allied member of the American Society of Interior Designers and owner of CJ Designs in Latham.

"A lot of people are stimulated by sunlight,

especially here where we have a long winter". Judge-Decker said there are many benefits to natural sunlight in design: colors look truer in sunlight and adding sunlight adds an open feel to the room.

Strategically placed accessories can also enhance the available light. For example you can use mirrors around your home to reflect and maximize

sunlight. A mirror placed just right in a dark space can "borrow" light from a window across the room. While fading used to be a bigger issue, fabrics for drapes, carpets and furniture are less prone to fading than in the past.

"Windows are like camera lenses, if you want to bring in more light and make the



house appear bigger, bring in a bay window," said Pena. "Just a wide angle camera lenses will bring in more light so does the window." Pena said homeowners should keep an open mind when looking to add light through redesign.

"We can put in windows

where there are no windows or we can put in a larger window where there were two," Pena said. "It is amazing

what it does to change the house."

A major remodeling job like adding new windows or skylights also makes a house more sellable and increases its value Pena added. The first thing to do is to visit a show room to see the products and windows and to see what you feel would fit your family's lifestyle. Pena said that people are often surprised at how different a window looks in person as opposed to a magazine or a catalog. Next ask the contractor to come out to your

home to give you suggestions and an estimate. After you've made your choice it's time to let the sunshine in.

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# The secret to great-looking drywall surfaces

**W**hether you're building a new home, adding a new room or finishing a basement, homeowners can ensure a top-quality drywall installation by following a few basic-but very important-gypsum board application and finishing guidelines.

Installing drywall panels isn't an overly complex process. The panels are available in a variety of sizes, with 4x8-ft. and 4x12-ft. sheets being the most commonly used. If you're doing the work yourself, the smaller 4x8-ft. panels are easier to handle.

Drywall panels are most commonly available in 1/2- and 5/8-inch thicknesses. The 1/2-inch panels are ideal for most wall surfaces, while ceilings

generally require a 5/8-inch thickness to protect against sagging. However, a 1/2-inch-thick, sag-resistant gypsum board panel from United States Gypsum Company, maker of the popular Sheetrock brand of drywall, is specially designed for ceiling applications.

Drywall panel installation techniques are fairly standard. The real trick to achieving great-looking results lies in how well the panels are finished. A poorly finished drywall surface may show visible "joint banding" or "photographing" problems. These terms refer to a noticeable difference in appearance between the drywall panel and the treated joint areas. These problems are especially a concern in larger rooms with an

abundance of lighting or when semi-gloss or eggshell paints are used.

Priming or sealing the drywall surface prior to painting often doesn't solve the problem. Conventional primers can help equalize the texture differences between the drywall face paper and treated joints, but they may not equalize the porosity differences. Sealers, on the other hand, are typically effective at equalizing porosity differences, but often do not correct texture variations.

To completely eliminate drywall joint banding and photographing, drywall contractors use a technique called "skim coating," which

involves covering the entire surface with a thin coat of joint compound. This process leaves a film thick enough to fill imperfections in the joint work, smooth the paper texture and provide a uniform surface for decorating. After the skim coat has dried, a good-quality drywall primer is applied prior to painting.

A growing number of drywall contractors are now using a new spray-applied product, which delivers the same results as skim-coating followed by a primer coat application, but requires less time to apply.

For homeowners who are tackling drywall projects on their own and don't have access

to professional spray equipment, the next best technique is to use Sheetrock Brand First Coat. It's a specially formulated product that provides a superior prime coat over interior gypsum board. This product minimizes both texture and porosity differences in new drywall, and applies easily with a brush or roller.

Whatever option you choose, remember that there are no shortcuts for creating great-looking gypsum board walls and ceilings. Each step must be done carefully and correctly, including board finishing, which has a major impact on how well the finished drywall surface will look.



## Tips for buying a door to suit you

**T**housands of homeowners purchase a new door every year whether it's for a newly constructed home or a remodeling project. In fact, purchasing a new door or window is one of the top five

most popular remodeling projects according to the National Association of Home Builders. To help homeowners make the most informed decision about purchasing a new patio door, consider the following tips.

- Pick a theme for your new home or remodeling project. For a more traditional look, select a swinging or sliding French door with extra-wide stiles. Choose a wood exterior to complement your traditional theme. For a more contemporary flair, consider a Trimline patio door with narrower sight lines and extruded aluminum cladding for low maintenance.

- Consider your home's traffic patterns and living space. Looking to create a more open, spacious look in a room? Select a sliding door to add extra space for furniture. Inswing and sliding doors are also popular choices for entrances to a patio or deck, leaving more space for grills and tables.

- Check the performance rating on your clad exterior. If you opt for a clad exterior, make sure the finish meets the toughest standards set by the American Architectural and Manufacturers Association-2605-98. This finish offers defensive protection against fading, chipping and chalking.

- Look for a multi point locking system for added security. The most practical and secure doors come with a totally concealed locking system that locks at a minimum of two or three points.

- Don't underestimate the importance of structural durability. Look for structural materials that provide a rugged, solid foundation and perform well under daily wear and tear. A significant advancement in creating a worry-free door is Ultrex®—a highly durable material that is not affected by heat, cold or foot traffic. Look for Ultrex in doors manufactured by Marvin Windows and Doors.

- Boost your home's energy efficiency. Add a low E II coating with argon gas to your glazing to help lower heating and cooling costs.

- Select top-hung screens on a sliding screen door. A top-hung design keeps the screen door track free of dirt and debris, allowing the door to perform effortlessly.

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# First impressions: making the most of your walkway

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

**Y**ou never get a second chance to make a first impression, the saying goes. That can mean that the walkway to your home is what people first see of you and yours. With the right combination of materials, you can easily spruce up the path to your house.

Brian Herrington of Horticulture Unlimited at 963 Route 9W in Selkirk designs and installs walkways and landscaping, and is seeing a resurgence in the use of blue stone in walkways.

"Blue stone is a natural stone with an indefinite lifespan," Herrington said. "It dates to Colonial times, but is seeing a resurgence now. It's easy to take care of, and isn't damaged by salt." Herrington is also installing brick walks. Brick has a 40 to 50-year life span. While the initial cost of blue stone or brick may be more than concrete, the payoff comes in

their longevity. A Schoharie-based company, Kwik Kerb, is doing landscape etching that opens up a realm of possibilities for your walkway. Using a machine that looks like a giant Play-Doh squeezer, Kwik Kerb can efficiently install walkways in different colors that look like brick



or stone, or even contain a small bead of light.

Once your walk is in place, some landscaping will add to its beauty, and autumn's not too late to put plants in the ground. "You can plant daffodil bulbs until you can't dig the ground anymore," Dean Plummer of Delmar's Price-Greenleaf said. "September and October are best for these spring-flowering bulbs, and they're pretty if you plant them in clusters."

Best of all, daffodils are deer-

resistant. Sedum, a perennial with succulent leaves and tones of pink and red, is a plant still flowering that could go into the ground now. Sedum grows to be about a foot and a half tall.

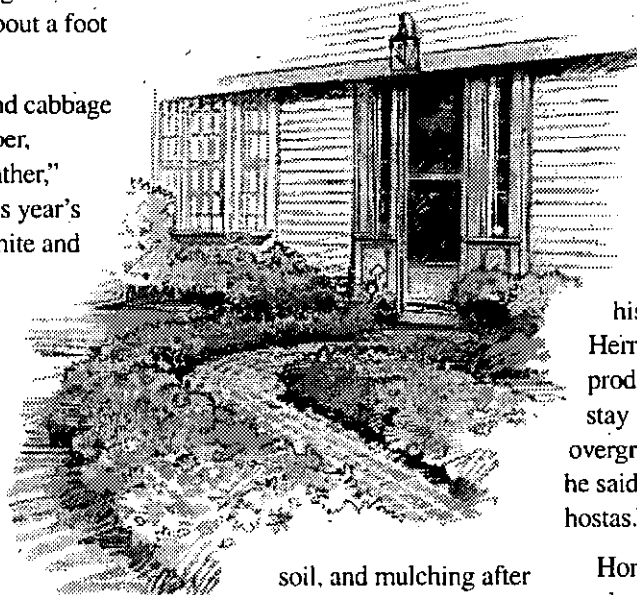
"Flowering kale and cabbage will last until December, depending on the weather,"

Plummer said. This year's devotion to red, white and blue flowers is continuing into the fall, and Plummer said they've just received a truck full of asters in bluish tones.

Ever popular, mums are a great fall flower, although they require mulching over to keep growing.

"Most people use those just as fall color," Plummer said. To

maximize plant growth around your walkway, Plummer recommended mixing in peat moss with the



soil, and mulching after planting. Both will help retain moisture. In the autumn, Plummer said, you won't need to water as much as in the summer.

Fall is also a good time for

planting shrubs, many of which are on sale. "If you're happy with your existing walkway,"

Herrington said, "you can border it with a mixture of perennials, flowering shrubs and evergreens. It makes for a nice, friendly walk."

Horticulture Unlimited has nursery hours by appointment, and having his own plants means Herrington can guarantee his product. "Dwarf varieties, that stay in proportion and don't overgrow, are nice around a walk," he said. "So are daylilies, and hostas."

Horticulture Unlimited can be reached at 767-2004. Price-Greenleaf is at 14 Booth Road in Delmar, 439-9212. Kwik Kerb is part of Pacuk Construction at 5966 Route 30 in Schoharie. Their phone number is 295-6311.

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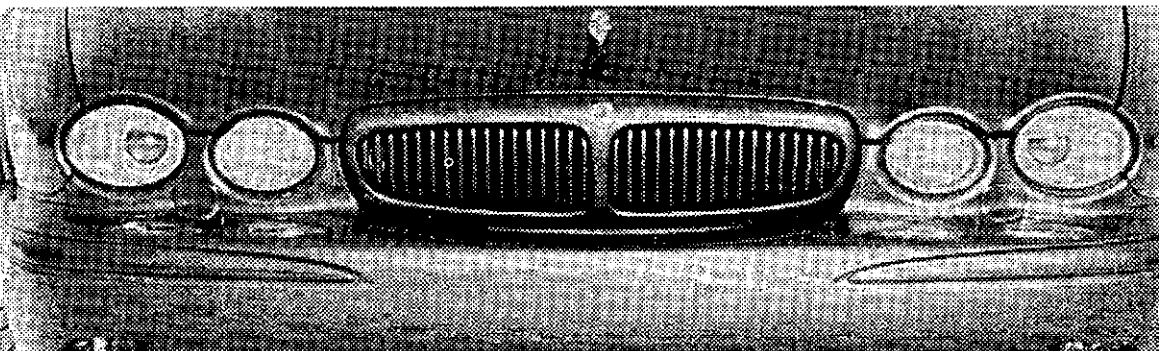
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# Turning a small space into home sweet home

**H**eadling off to college is an exciting time that brings along many new experiences — budgeting money, being independent, doing your own laundry and having to live your life within the confines of a dorm room or small apartment. Many college students are used to living in a home with a large den, a spacious kitchen and a bedroom with tons of closet space. When they head off to school, they'll need to adapt to a new living style and embrace the idea of combining many rooms into just one or two small spaces. IKEA, the leading home furnishings retailer, offers simple solutions and ideas about how college students, even without all of the rooms that they may be accustomed to, can still feel at home in their college dorm, off-campus housing or apartment.

## The Den

With limited space, an easy

way to duplicate the comfort and relaxation of a den is with plenty of pillows. Big and small pillows in different colors and textures are a fun and comfortable way for friends to



sprawl out and get cozy while hanging out. When not in use, the pillows can be piled up in a corner of the room or even on a bed so another function can take center stage.

## The Bedroom

It's always a bonus when it's possible to get two uses out of one item. A futon or sofa bed is the most functional furnishing for any college student, especially in a small living environment. When it's time to go to bed, the sofa opens up, converting the room from living room to bedroom. And visiting guests will appreciate not

having to sleep on the floor.

## The Kitchen

Even though most college students don't cook that often — unless you consider macaroni and cheese a delicacy — it's still important to have an area in your space that can serve as a kitchen. Storage bins can be used for canned and non-perishable goods and the top surface to stack plates, silverware or even a small microwave. Use wall space to hang pots and pans out of the way and a shelf for paper goods, mugs and other kitchen items that can cause clutter. Also, using a half table that can be placed flush against a wall is an ideal space saver with multiple functions including eating, studying and even a late night poker game.

## The Closet

It may be a "culture shock" for some who are used to lots of closets at home and now have to either share one with a



roommate or squeeze everything they own into a closet one tenth the size of their old one. To ensure that the closet isn't overflowing into your living space, invest in clear storage boxes so items can be easily identified; covered bins to hide away private articles you may not want exhibited to the

world; and stacking containers to make the closet seem double the size and hold twice as much. Small space living in a dorm or apartment can be fun and stylish. Students can still maintain the comforts of home while away at college, even if there are fewer rooms and amenities.

# Get a good night's sleep with a new generation of sofa beds

**H**ave you ever wondered why out-of-town friends and family continually offer to stay at hotels when they come to visit? Chances are, their insistence to sleep elsewhere isn't related to their

love of swimming pools, room service or even complimentary toiletries. Perhaps the problem lies a little closer to home. Think about it. If they did stay with you, where would you put them? On the couch? On the

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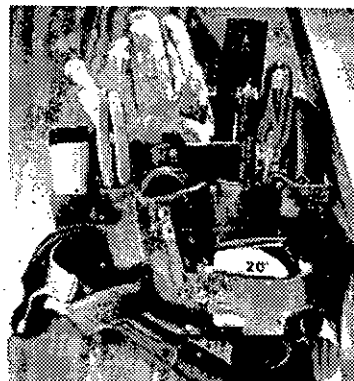
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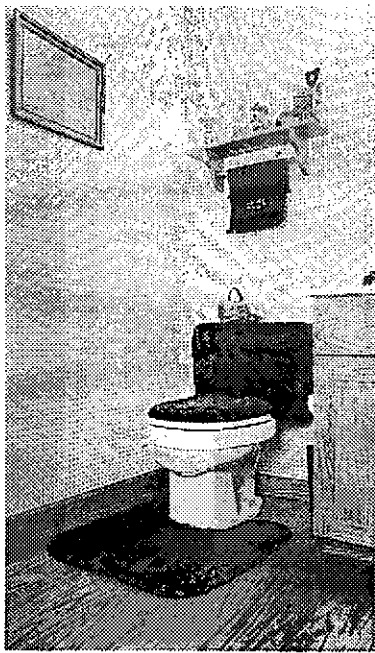


# Brighten up your bathroom

By DONNA J. BELL

The calendar says 2002 but your bathroom looks like 1940. Perhaps it's time to remodel your bathroom. "Many people want their bathrooms to have updated colors and fixtures," said Ric Kaplowitz, owner of Kaplowitz Company located at the Main Square Shops on Delaware Ave. "Now they also add natural lighting to brighten up the bathroom." Natural light makes a room like bigger. This is especially important if space is an issue and you can't add extra square footage.

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allows natural light to come in and creates a more open feel. Kaplowitz recommends you ask a few contractors out to your home so they can get a feel for what your plans are and to give you a free estimate. If you need a complete overhaul and \$10,000 plus you can completely gut your bathroom and start over. But if you just want a more modern look and feel there are some simpler options making your bathroom more functional.

For example, older bathrooms often lack any meaningful storage space by adding decorative cabinets, drawers, shelves or just moveable carts to store all your hygiene products you can add more value at a smaller cost. You can upgrade the luxury of

the room by upgrading the quality of the materials you choose. Cabinets that have molding and glass fronts or decorative knobs increase the visual appeal by giving your bathroom a distinctive look. Kaplowitz said that neutral colors like almond, beige, or

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taupe are in style now with customers looking for new products like solid surface countertops that can more durable. Many of these new surfaces come with a faux finish look like marble.

Tony Lontrato, of Kitchens and bathrooms by Design at the Main Square Shops in Delmar, says that while the tubs and the sinks may be neutral colors customers are choosing to accent with bolder colors. "People should make up a wish list with their color selections and features they'd like to incorporate," Lontrato said.

"We do in home consultations where we pick their brain about what they are looking for from basic or to sophisticated." Lontrato said that about 60% of the total bathroom remodeling jobs she sees are houses built in the 1940s and 1950s. He said that people with houses built in the 70s and 80s are basically looking for a facelift. It helps to have an idea of what type of style you and your family likes. You can start by pursuing design magazines and visiting showrooms and bathroom supply stores.

Next take a good look at your space and your wallet. Ask around for a good contractor that a family member or a friend recommends and ask for recommendations and an estimate for the work you want done. While some shops have a designer on staff you will still need to make some hard design and color choices.

After all that work you'll find a home that not only feels more comfortable but one that has increased in value. "With a bathroom redesign you can recoup your cost almost immediately," Lontrato said.

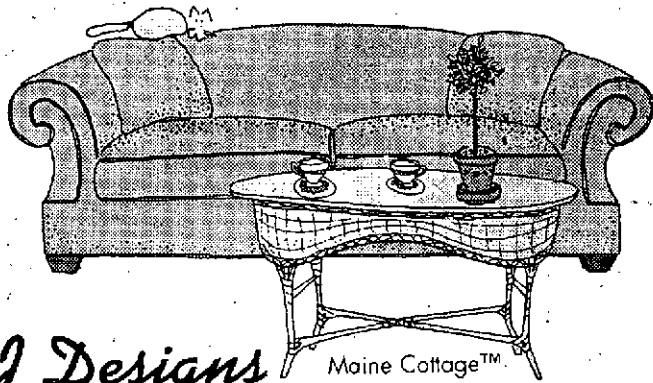
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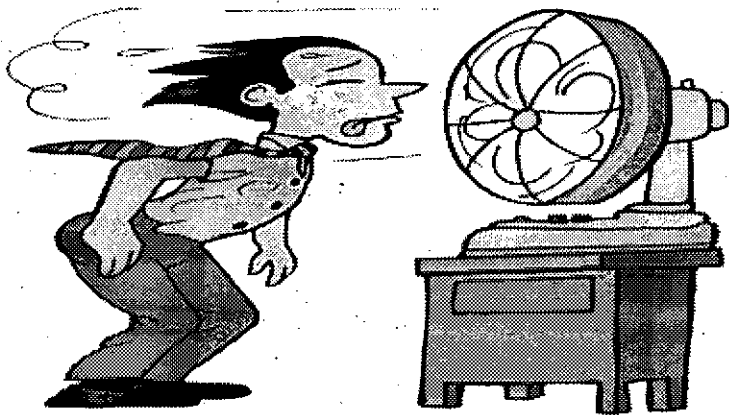
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# Do-it-yourself water gardening adds beauty

Installing a water garden can seem like a monumental task for a homeowner, but it actually can be a fun, do-it-yourself project you can easily tackle on a weekend. It is especially easy if you purchase a kit that includes everything you need.

The first step in creating your water garden is to carefully select the site for your pond in a level area. If you are using a pond kit that operates on a 12-volt power supply, you can locate your pond up to 50 feet away from the system's outdoor power pack.

Outline the desired shape of your pond with a garden hose or a rope. Consult your local pond or water garden club, or a landscaper, as to the recommended size and depth for your area. Also, check for local laws that may regulate the depth of your pond. Some localities require fences around bodies of water at certain depths.

As you plan your water garden, consider the aquatic plants you may want to include in it. These plants can be grown on different levels or "shelves" within your pond. Consult your local garden center for plant varieties and their growing needs.

Using the hose or the rope as your guide, begin digging. Dig from the outside of your pond inward. Level the top edge of the pond by using a carpenter's level on a straight two-by-four placed across the pond. Repeat this process for the width and

length of the pond until the perimeter is completely level.

Remove all roots, rocks or other sharp objects that could puncture the pond liner. Line the bottom of the pond with a 1 1/2-inch to 2-inch layer of sand or underlayment to provide a cushioned surface for the liner and to protect it from punctures. Lightly sprinkle the sand with water and tamp it down before installing the liner.



While digging your pond, open the liner fully and drape it across your lawn. As the sun heats it, the liner will become more flexible and will be easier to install. Once you finish digging the pond, drape the liner across the pond, making sure it overlaps equally on all sides.

Contour and smooth the liner to the inside edges and bottom of your pond. Secure the edges with bricks or other heavy objects. Begin filling the pond with water. Water pressure will allow the liner to sink into the pond cavity and contour around the inside edges and plant shelves. As the pond fills with water, pull the edges of the liner up and smooth out any creases around the inside walls of the pond. Some folds are inevitable, but the fewer the better.

Continue filling the pond while you install the remaining

pond components. Fill to within 4 inches of the upper edge of the pond.

If using a low-voltage pond kit, mount the power pack near a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outdoor electric outlet. Route the low-voltage cable attached to the bottom of the power pack to your pond site. Place the low-voltage controller next to your pond site. Insert the two wires from the end of the power pack cable into the terminals on the bottom of the low-voltage controller and tighten the screws.

Set the pond pump in the pond, keeping the end of the cord out of the water. Insert the two wires from the end of the pump cord into the low-voltage controller terminals and tighten the screws.

A water garden kit should contain a fountain assembly. If you choose to have a fountain in your water garden, place the control valve from the fountain assembly onto the top outlet of the pump. Hand-tighten the telescoping extender from the assembly onto the control valve and affix the desired spray pattern head to the top of the extender.

Attach the inlet tubing to the side of the control valve that will face the site of the above-ground filter. Route the tubing to the site of the filter.

filter above the edge of your pond where you placed the inlet tubing from the pump. You will need to secure tubing in various locations on the pump. Make sure water will drain completely into the pond.

Trim off the excess liner around the edge of the pond, leaving at least a 12-inch lip.

Before stocking your pond with fish and plants, you must remove the chlorine from the water and allow your biological filter to mature. Your kit should include a bottle of chlorine and chloramine remover. Follow the measurement guidelines and add the correct amount to your pond water after filling it with tap water.

Allow your biological filter to operate for three to four days after filling the pond to build up the healthy bacteria needed to purify your pond water.

Use a floating thermometer to ensure the pond's

temperature is at a safe level before adding fish. Generally, most goldfish and koi can survive in temperatures about 50 degrees Fahrenheit, but consult with your fish provider regarding acclimation procedures.

Aquatic plants perform many functions in a pond. Not only do they add to the beauty of your pond, they also help to establish the ecological balance of your pond by keeping water clear, especially if you have fish.



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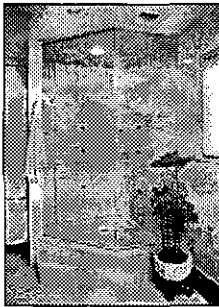
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# State of New York honors energy-savvy builders

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) recently gave out the inaugural Energy Star Builder Awards, honoring builders for their leadership in the field of energy-efficient residential construction.

The awards were created to acknowledge builders participating in the Energy Star Labeled Homes program, an innovative public service developed under the New York Energy Smart program sponsored by NYSERDA.

The Energy Star Labeled Homes program offers builders the advantage of distinguishing their homes from their competitors when it comes to lower energy costs, greater comfort, durability, and value.

Energy Star homes use at least 30 percent less energy than conventional new homes. Energy Star homes are built to



Left to Right, Steve Thomas, Host of This Old House; Doug Ford, General Manager of Curtis Lumber's Ballston Spa, NY facility; William M. Flynn, President of NYSERDA. Curtis Lumber, based in Ballston Spa, NY was honored as an Outstanding Trade Ally for their exceptional efforts in the promotion of Energy Star labeled homes and the recruitment of builders in New York.

advanced building practices and traditional craftsmanship. The Energy Star Labeled Homes initiative is designed to help lower energy costs for New Yorkers, reduce energy demand, protect the environment, and create new economic development opportunities for builders and contractors.

"Our goal is to help New Yorkers lower their energy costs, and that's why Energy Star Labeled Homes are the

smart choice," said William Flynn, NYSERDA President. "In addition, Energy Star Labeled

Homes are a way we can all do our part to improve our energy security by saving energy and reducing our reliance on imported energy."

The awards were distributed on Sept. 18 by program spokesman Steve Thomas, host of "This Old House," and Flynn at the first Build Energy Star - New York conference in Saratoga Springs.

The conference was a two-day training event that offered residential building professionals a chance to learn about state-of-the-art techniques in energy-efficient residential construction, as well as solutions to common building problems.

More than 200 builders were nominated in seven award

categories including Superior Sales, Excellence in Advertising, Outstanding Achievement, Excellence in Energy Performance, Outstanding Partnership, Exemplary Program Ally and Outstanding Trade Allies.

Recognized for Excellence in Advertising were Barden Homes and Robeson Corporation for the overall effectiveness and reach of their Energy Star Labeled Homes advertising campaign. Since 1909, the Barden companies have been family-owned and operated, manufacturing pre-engineered, "panelized" state-of-the-art homes and commercial buildings that yield significant savings in both material and

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Recognized for Outstanding Achievement was Belmonte Builders of Clifton Park for the firm's broad-based support of Energy Star Labeled Homes in marketing, performance and trade ally outreach.

Belmonte Builders, founded in 1977, is recognized as an industry innovator for bringing the world of true custom home building into an affordable price range. One of the Capital District's largest home building companies, Belmonte Builders builds 50 to 60 homes each year, 40 to 45 of which are Energy Star Labeled Homes.

Honored for Excellence in Energy Performance was

Cornacchini Construction of Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, which has been building energy-efficient homes since the late 1980s. Cornacchini Construction received the award for maintaining the highest average Home Energy

building the greatest number of Energy Star Labeled Homes built. NVR Inc. is the corporate umbrella for Ryan Homes, NVHomes, NVR Mortgage and NVR Building Products. One of the top 10 home builders and financial service companies in the country, Ryan Homes has built a successful operation that now spans the Eastern half of the United States, including New York.

The award for Outstanding Partnership for producing the greatest number of Home Energy Ratings conducted for Energy Star Labeled Homes went to Home Performance Professionals of Tonawanda, Erie County. The firm began in 1995 as an energy consulting company. Since then, the company has expanded and provides retrofit services for existing homes, Home Energy Rating System (HERS) ratings for new construction, energy consulting and course instruction for auditor training.



Left to Right, Steve Thomas, Host of This Old House, Art Pakatar of Belmonte Builders of Clifton Park, NY, and William M. Flynn, President of NYSEDA. Belmonte Builders received the award for Outstanding Achievement for their broad-based support of Energy Star labeled homes in marketing, performance, and trade ally outreach.

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Recognized for Superior Sales was NVR Inc and Ryan Homes, for

Recognized as Exemplary Program Ally was National Fuel Gas Co., headquartered in Buffalo, on account of its superior training and recruiting efforts on behalf of Energy Star Labeled Homes. National Fuel offers custom-tailored solutions to meet individual energy needs, big or small. National Fuel continues to be an industry leader, aggressively integrating options and a range of services so its customers can enjoy the safe, reliable delivery of energy at a competitive price.

Four organizations were honored as Outstanding Trade Allies for their outstanding efforts in the promotion of Energy Star Labeled Homes and the recruitment of builders.

• Curtis Lumber Co., based in Ballston Spa, is a full-service, independent retail home improvement supplier for consumers and building professionals in Eastern New York. Curtis Lumber presently has 11 locations in the Capital District with more than 330 employees.

• The Home Builders Association of Central New York in Syracuse, is an organization of builders, remodelers and related industry professionals committed to building quality homes,

protecting the environment and promoting the residential building industry. The association aims to raise the bar of professionalism and customer service while moving toward the goal of keeping housing affordable.

NYSEDA administers New York Energy Smart programs, such as Energy Star Labeled Homes, which are designed to lower electricity costs by encouraging energy efficiency as the state's electric utilities move to competition.

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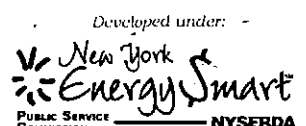
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Tip Top Furniture has been selected as the area's exclusive furniture retailer for Flexsteel's exciting new Christopher Lowell Home Collection. Tip Top Furniture has incorporated a dramatic 1200 square foot custom display area designed by Lowell to showcase the collection. The area includes samples of styles, a fabric kiosk categorized by lifestyle category, and an in store video display featuring Lowell explaining his design philosophy.

Heralded as revolutionary by the design press when it was recently unveiled, Flexsteel's

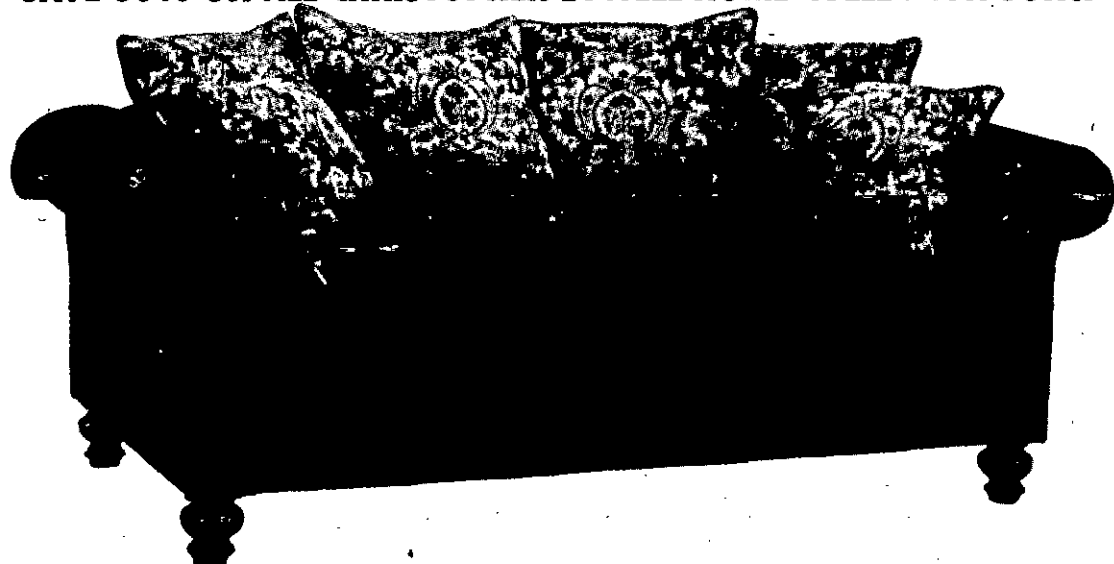
**Christopher Lowell Home Collection** is an upholstery collection aimed at simplifying the decorating process. The collection includes more than 50 styles, including sofas, chaises, love seats, ottomans and backless sofas and settees. Many pieces are available in both skirted and unskirted versions, and with different leg options, so furniture buyers can get exactly the look they want. Leather is also available on many styles.

Designs follow the four lifestyle categories Lowell outlines in his best-selling book, "Christopher Lowell's Seven Layers of Design."

Each lifestyle category - Town, Country, County and Shore - has its own set of color-coordinated fabric packages. The total collection offers more than 200 fabrics (including leathers) from which to choose. Fabrics are organized on easy to use swatch pages by lifestyle category and color, rather than pattern, for mistake-proof decorating.

Host of Discovery Channel's "The Christopher Lowell Show," which airs weekdays at noon and 3 p.m. (eastern and pacific time), Christopher is known for his irreverent - sometimes self-effacing - wit, and common sense advice

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for the design-challenged. His mantra, "stress free, pre-coordinated solutions for the home" has earned him rave reviews and fans from

the number one decorating program on daytime television. His best-selling book, "Christopher Lowell's Seven Layers of Design" published by Random house in 2000, is in its ninth printing. His web site, christopherlowell.com and its links, receive two million hits per month.

Headquartered in Dubuque, Iowa, Flexsteel Industries, Inc. has been crafting fine upholstered furniture for more than a century. Flexsteel information is available on-line at <http://flexsteel.com>.

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fortunate enough to end up in Freehold, you'll find a family-owned business there dedicated to serving its customers, its friends. You've arrived at Tip Top Furniture owned and operated

of helping, serving, and giving; it makes sense that they would operate Tip Top in the same fashion.

Since spring, Tip Top has been receiving a facelift of sorts.

Newly remodeled showrooms are what a customer might notice first upon entering the store. However, it's the customer service and hometown pride of Tip Top's dedicated staff that will leave the lasting impression on everyone who crosses the threshold.

The Dudley's are very family-oriented. That's evident in their own family since their daughter Donna Mae, has become involved in the business. (By the way, if you haven't met Donna Mae yet, stop in and say hello!)

On a grander scale, however, the entire Tip Top family - from the Dudley's to their newest employees - considers it a privilege to serve Tip Top customers to the best of their ability, in every capacity.

This family spirit over-

flows into the community as the entire Tip Top staff work together with a "hometown proud" attitude. Whether it's home decorating advice out on the showroom floor, logging inventory in the warehouse, or delivering purchases to the customer's doorstep, everyone involved at Tip Top gives personal, individual attention to detail.

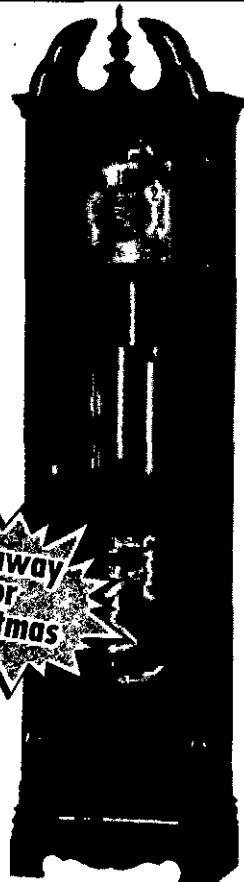
So take a day off of work and have a picnic with the family. Take that autumn afternoon ride. Get involved in your own community and all its worthwhile efforts. It's these simple, but tremendously gratifying efforts that reap the biggest personal rewards. Understand that, and you'll understand what Tip Top Furniture has known for all these years. This philosophy is what Tip Top Furniture demands of itself.

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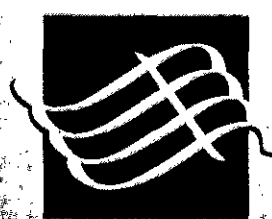
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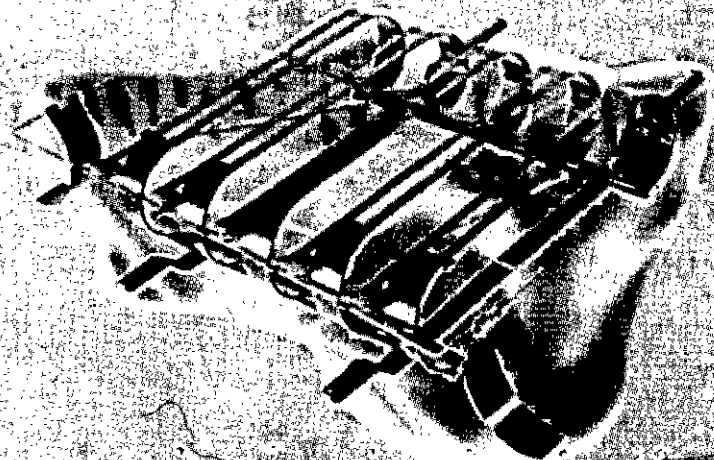
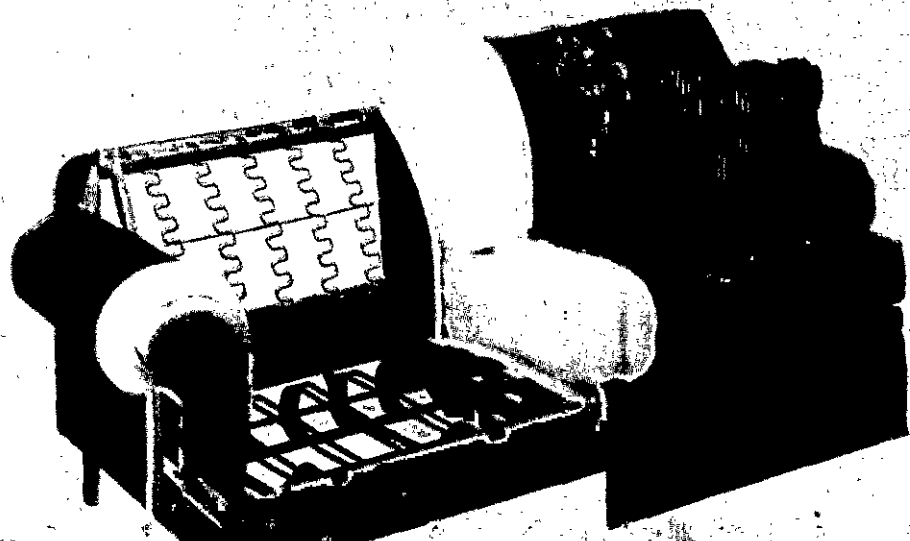


**DONNA MAE DUDLEY SHOWN HERE WITH CHRISTOPHER LOWELL** is excited about the new Christopher Lowell Gallery at Tip Top Furniture.

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## THE COLLECTION

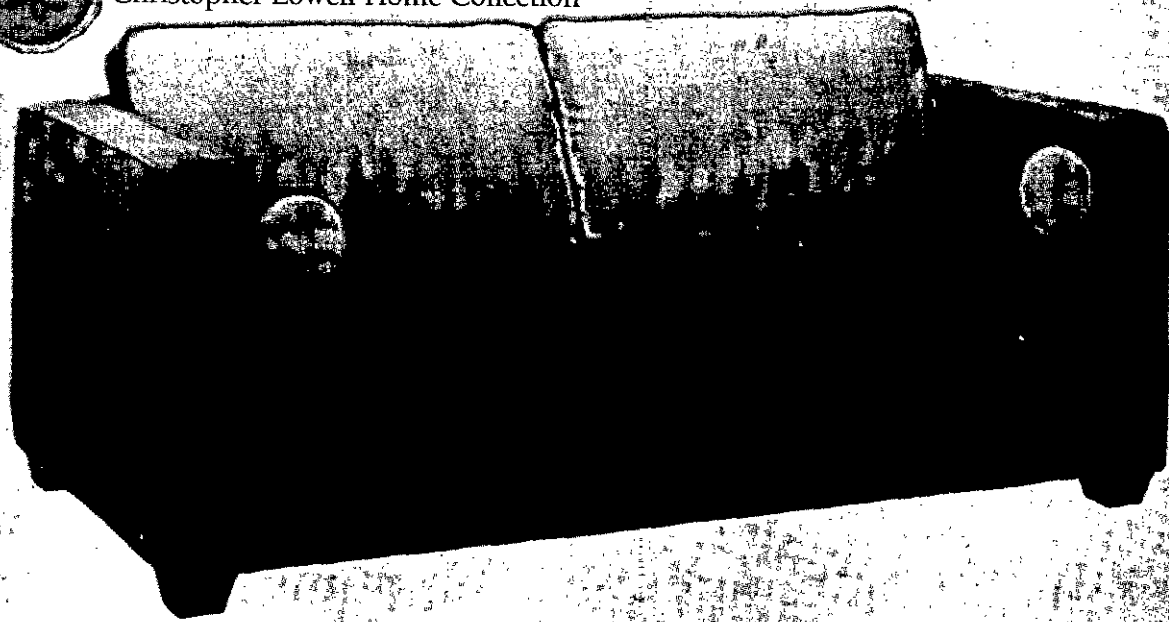
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The Christopher Lowell Home Collection is designed so that every piece goes with everything else. Rather than everything looking matchy matchy, Christopher encourages you to mix and match for that timeless eclectic look. You can interchange pieces throughout the furniture collection in any of the lifestyle themes. All you have to do is choose what you like. How not scary is that?

## WHAT'S YOUR STYLE... TOWN • COUNTRY • CITY • SHORE

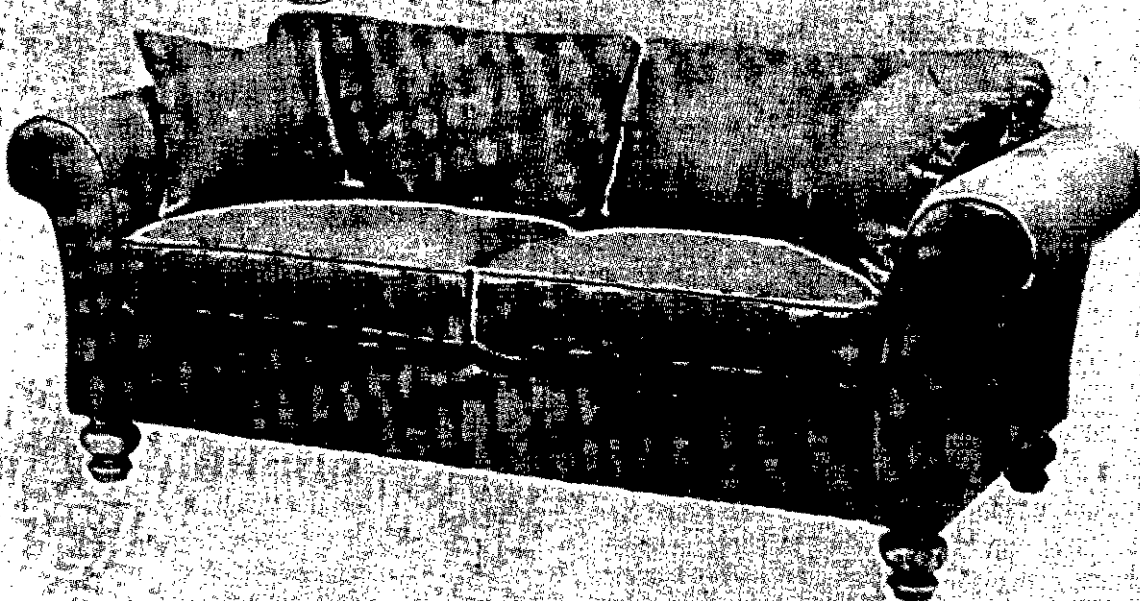
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### MODERNAIRE

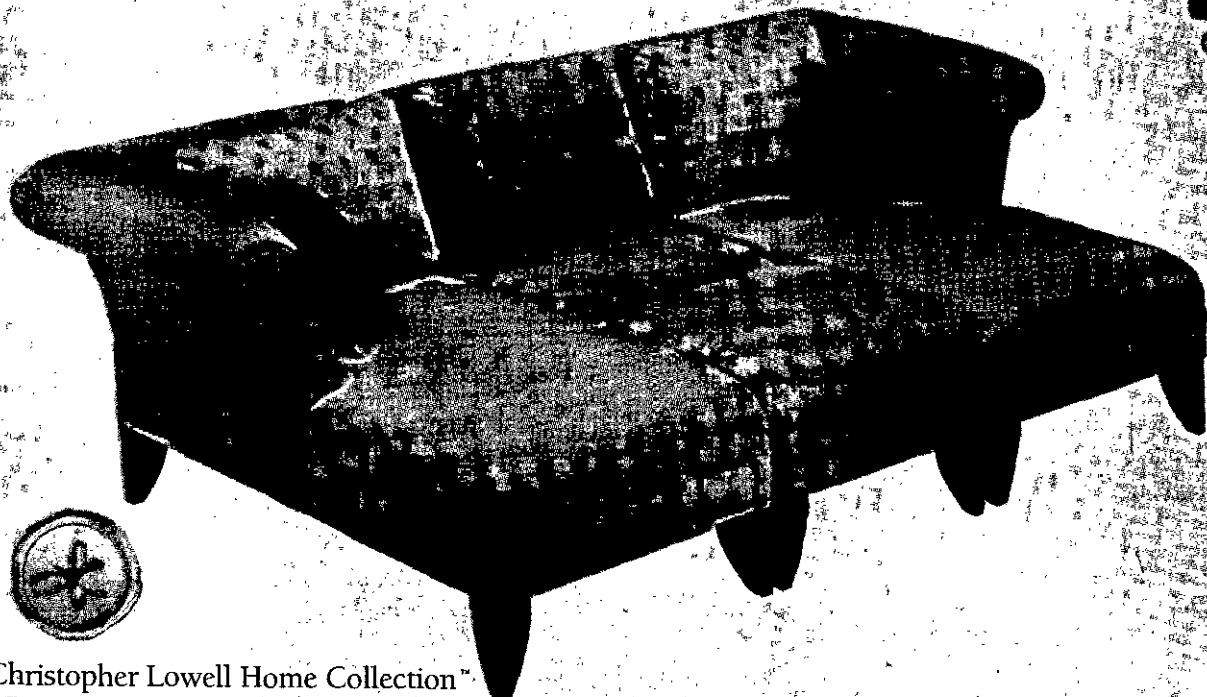
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### MODULIQUE

Modulique addresses those hard to find pieces that every designer looks for. This modular style works ingeniously by forming complete seating that consists of left and right chaise, armless side chair, and ottoman. Separately, each piece is so distinctive that it can stand alone.

### BEECHERT JOINS TIP TOP FURNITURE!

**MEDUSA** - Lena Beechert, whose Medusa home was featured on the Christopher Lowell Show in 2001, has received that television program's "You Did It of the Year" Award.

The Christopher Lowell Show, which airs daily on the Discovery Channel, has a regular segment called You Did It, which features how viewers use Lowell's home decorating ideas.

A big fan of Lowell, Beechert wrote a letter to the show and a camera crew was sent to interview her and film her house. The segment which first aired in October 2001, was then selected as the best for the 2001-2002 show season.

Beechert was informed of the award in January of 2002.

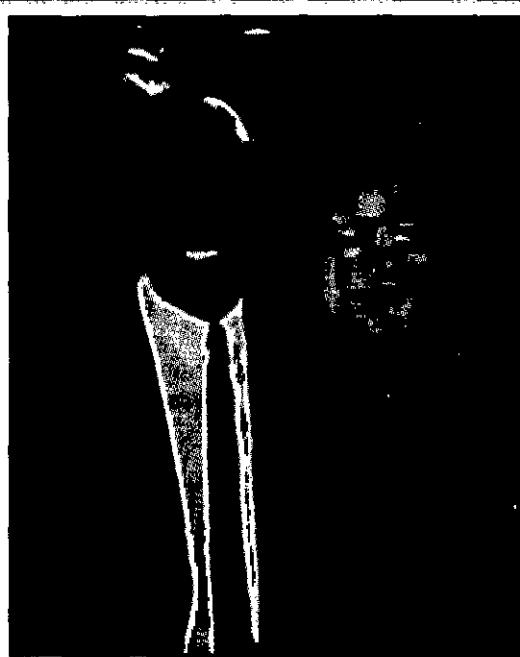
"I was shocked," she says. "The chances for that happening were small."

She was flown to California on March 7 to appear on the show, which was filmed at Universal Studios, and met Lowell for the first time.

"He's an inspiration," she says. "He reaches the everyday person so we can do this stuff for ourselves."

It was also the first time that Beechert was away from her son Brandon, who suffers from a rare brain disorder.

"It was hard to leave him," she says. "It had to be something of this magnitude for me to go."

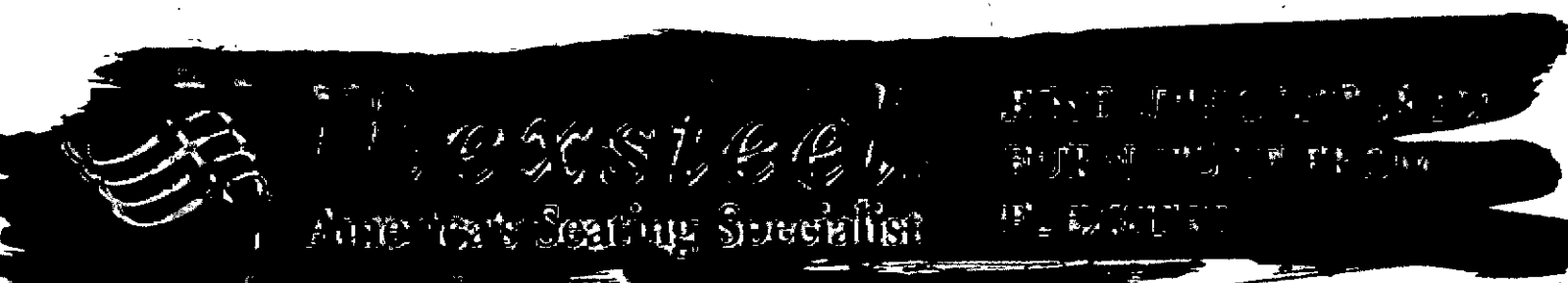


Beechert says she wants to send the message that not everything has to be pushed aside because of challenges.

Her appearance on the show has led to increased exposure for her furniture business, Lilac Cottage Designs, and her workshops on design.

Her original goal had been to get photographs of her work featured in a magazine. She had sent some out before her appearance on television and, more than a year later, her furniture appeared in the March issue of *Country Sampler Decorating With Paint* magazine.





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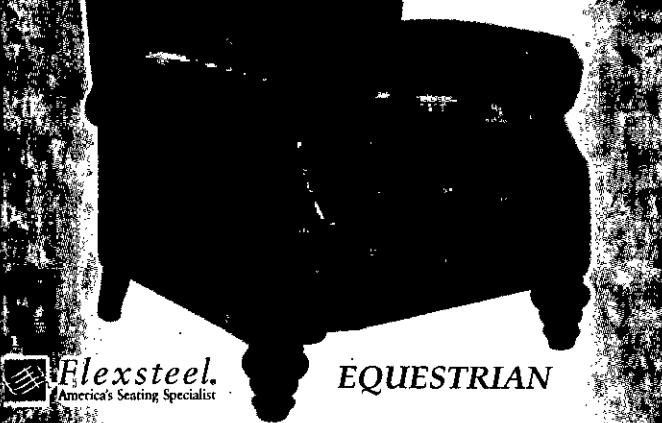
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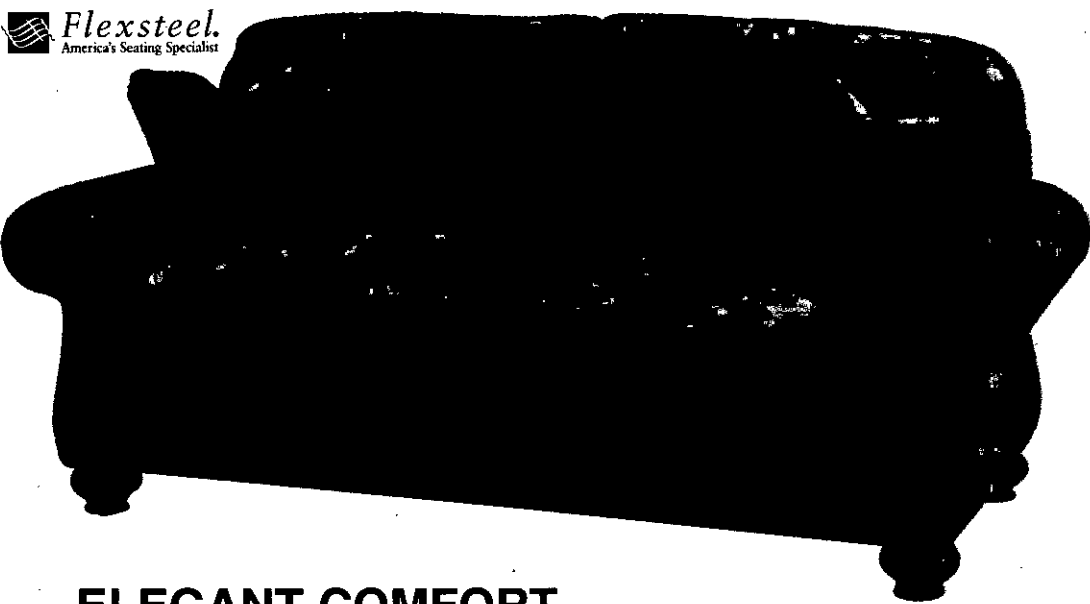
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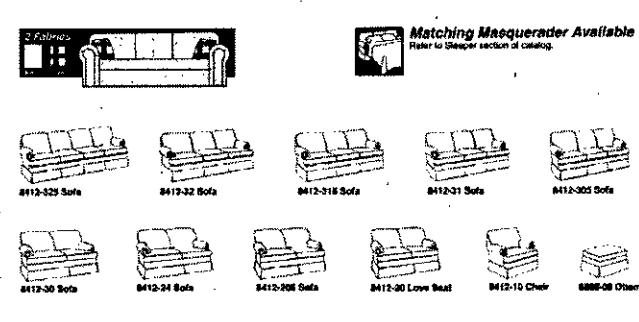
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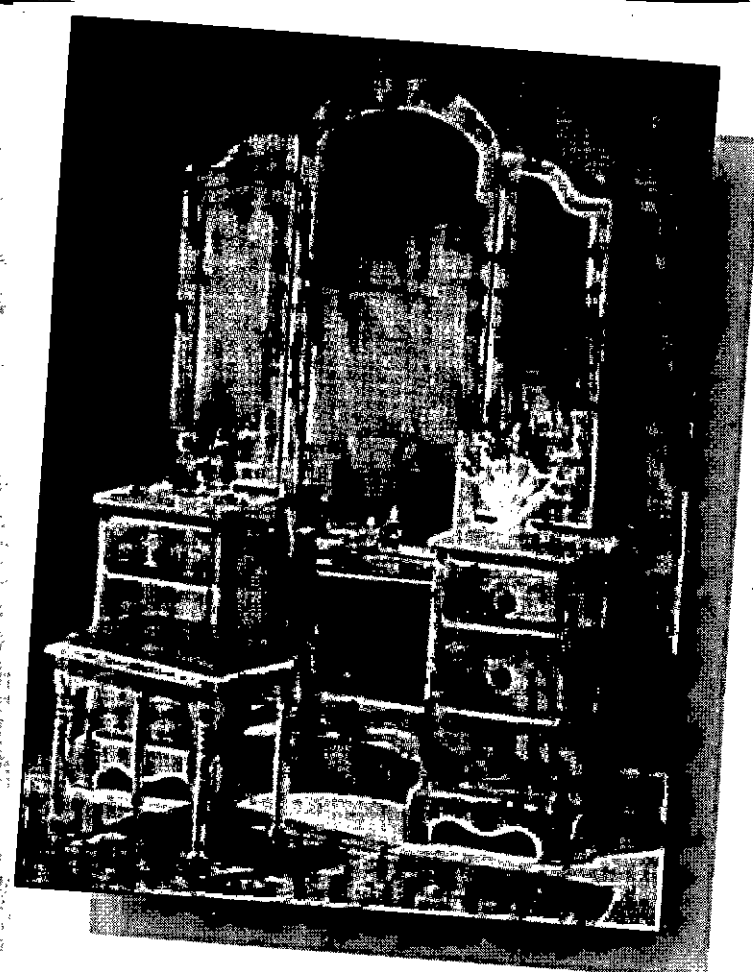
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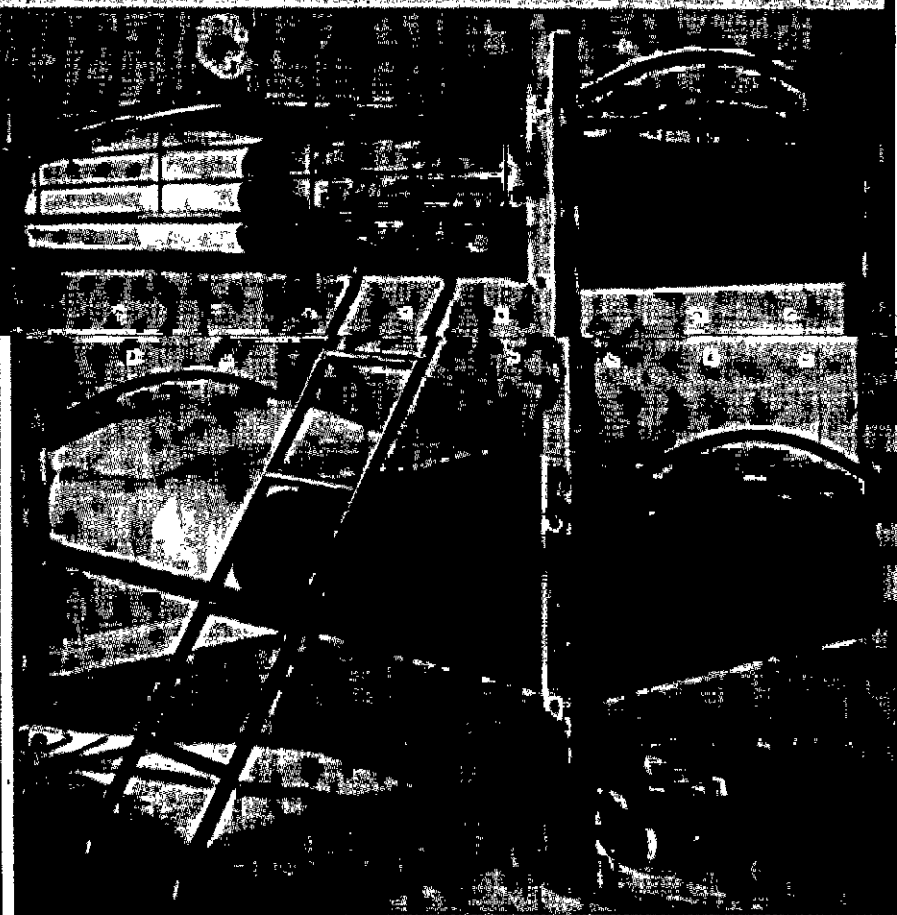
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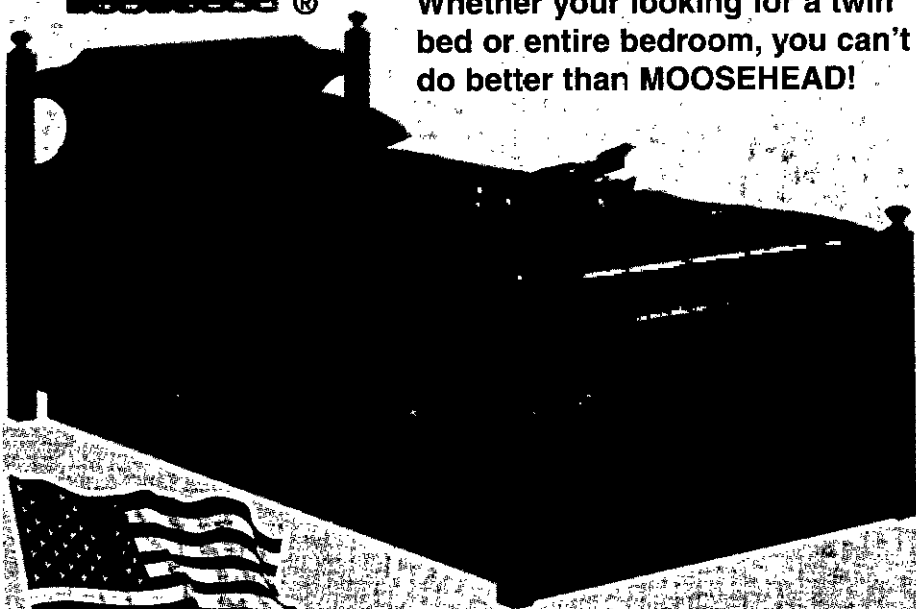
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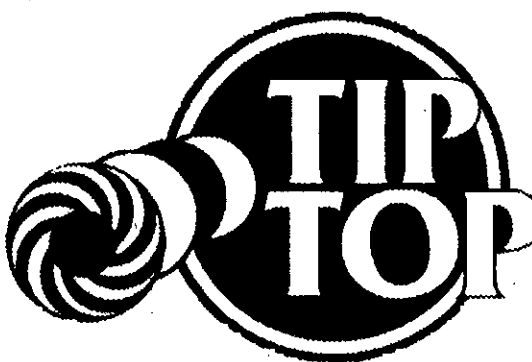
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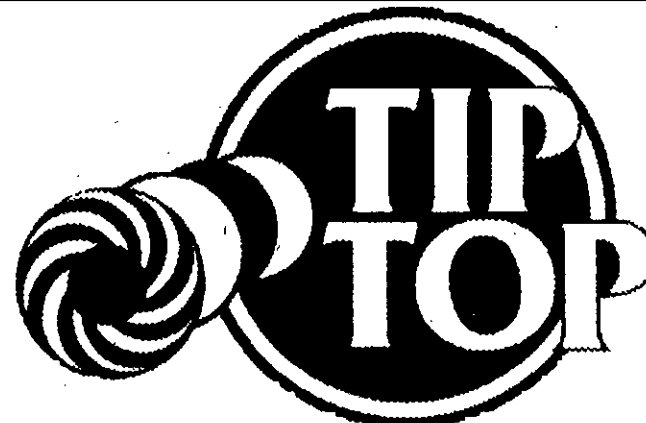
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Jonathan and Lynn Kovach

## Stolper, Kovach to marry

Lynn Kovach, daughter of Rainy and Stu Kovach of Delmar, and Jonathan Stolper, son of Judith Schaeffer and the late Arthur Stolper of Philadelphia, are engaged to be married next summer. The ceremony will take place in Saratoga Springs.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School

and Cornell University.

She is a national account manager for Holtzbrinck Publishers of Manhattan.

The future groom is a graduate of Pennsbury High School and Syracuse University.

He is the vice president of sales for Harry N. Abrams Publishers of Manhattan.

## Syracuse University names area academic peer advisers

The following area students were named academic peer advisers at Syracuse University for the 2002-03 academic year.

Stella Albanese of Slingerlands was named peer adviser for the School of Education.

She is a sophomore, majoring in inclusive elementary and special education.

Gregory Bauer was named peer adviser for the School of Information Studies.

He is a junior, majoring in information management and technology.

Peer advisors work with faculty and staff to help first-year students with the academic, social, cultural and emotional transition from high school to college. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 to be eligible for the position.

Throughout the academic year, peer advisers maintain a relationship with student advisees.

Michelle Cavalieri of Voorheesville was named first year guidance assistance person for the College of Law. She will help first-year students transition to law school during orientation.

Megan Sweeney of Delmar completed the Syracuse University summer college program in public communications.

The summer college program enables high school students to participate in one of 10 six-week academic programs taught by Syracuse University faculty.

## Births

### Albany Medical Center

Girl, Julianne Marie Henry, to Elizabeth and Norman Henry of Slingerlands, June 5.

Boy, Matthew Robert Tiberia, to Kimberly and Robert Tiberia of Glenmont, June 12.

Twins, William John Devane and Mary Patricia Devane, to Elizabeth and Brian Devane of Slingerlands, June 16.

Girl, Victoria Rose Smith, to Margaret Tabak and David Smith of Slingerlands, June 16.

Boy, Thomas Robert Rittner, to Starr Wensley and Paul Rittner of Voorheesville, June 19.

Girl, Dacoda Marie Germain, to Shannon Germain of Voorheesville, June 26.

## Egid graduates ROTC camp

Adin E. Egid, son of Kathleen Arcaro of Voorheesville, graduated from the Army ROTC National Advanced Leadership Camp at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash.

The camp provides training and evaluation for all cadets in the aspects of camp life, administration and logistical support.

Egid is a graduate of the Clarkson School of Potsdam.

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## Astor board appoints G'mont man to executive director

The board of directors of The Astor Home for Children, in Rhinebeck, appointed Dr. James McGuirk of Glenmont to the position of executive director.

McGuirk assumed his new responsibilities on July 1. Though he was one of a select group of qualified candidates, his commitment to the mission established by the Daughters of Charity convinced the board that he was the best candidate.

McGuirk received his bachelor's of science and Ph.D

from the University at Albany.

He serves on the New York State Office of Mental Health Advisory Committee for Children and Youth, and the New York State Coalition of Children's Mental Health Services. He also chairs The Children's Services Council of Dutchess County.

In addition, he is a member of the American Psychological Association, NYS Psychological Association and the National Register for Health Care Providers in Psychology.

## V'ville woman helps student careers

Renee G. Swift of Voorheesville was recently named assistant director of the Center for Careers & Employment at Hudson Valley Community College.

Swift has a bachelor's degree in Broadcasting and a master's degree in Student Personnel Administration from Buffalo State University.

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**G'mont Community Reformed Church holds Garage Sale**

The Glenmont Community Reformed Church will hold a garage sale on Oct. 4 and 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Household, baby and children's items, clothing and appliances will be for sale. Lunch will be available both days and a bake sale will occur on Saturday. For information, call 436-7710.

# Obituaries

## Philip Murray

Philip R. Murray, 87, of Delmar died Monday, Sept. 16, at his home.

He was a graduate of Bethlehem High School, Villanova University and Albany Law School.

He was an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II, serving in the Pacific Theater. He retired with the rank of major.

Mr. Murray was an attorney in Albany and Rensselaer.

He was a past president of the Albany County Bar Association and also headed the legal department at Albany County Department of Social Services.

He was active in the Democratic Party and served as Bethlehem party chairman in the 1950s and 1960s.

Mr. Murray was recently honored as the longest active member of the University Club. He was also a longtime member of Normanside Country Club, where he served as an officer and board member. He was an active organizer and volunteer for the Albany County American Legion Junior Baseball League.

He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Albany.

He was husband of the late Frances M. Murray.

Survivors include a daughter, Jean M. Peterson of Middlebury, Conn.; a brother, John Murray of Albany; two grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Services were from St. Mary's Church.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Mary's Church, 10 Lodge St., Albany 12207.

## Jeffrey Hines

Jeffrey N. Hines, 45, of Delmar died Friday, Sept. 20.

Survivors include his mother, Adelaide L. Scoons Hines Moloney; his wife, Gretchen Haas Hines; a daughter, Sarah Jane Hines; a son, Jeffrey Charles Hines; a stepson, Harley David Suito; a sister, Kim Elizabeth Hines; and two grandchildren.

Services are scheduled at 9:30 a.m. today, Sept. 25, at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Burial will be in Calvary

Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements are by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home in Albany.

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

## Donna Louise George

Donna Louise George, 52, of Albany, and formerly of Delmar, died Saturday, Sept. 21, at Community Hospice of Albany County at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Albany, she graduated from Bethlehem Central High School.

She earned a bachelor's and master's degree from Empire State College.

A former reporter and public relations specialist, she was most recently employed by the SUNY Research Foundation as a development specialist.

Prior to that, she was a reporter for the *Times Union* and later did public relations policy and advocacy work for the Center for Women in Government.

She wrote the successful grant proposal which established the Tri-City Shalom Americorps, a

Capital District faith-based initiative. Her fund-raising skills also helped to bring \$52 million to the United Methodist Society to establish pre-school, food pantry and summer youth employment programs.

She was chairwoman of the Commission on Religion and Race of the Troy Conference of the United Methodist Church and a member of the Troy Conference Diversity Concerns Groups.

Survivors include her parents, Philip and Elisabeth George of Delmar; a sister, Carol Gilbert of Delmar; a brother, Clayton George of Delmar; and her longtime companion, Thomas Garvey of Albany.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

A memorial service is scheduled at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 29, at First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

## Eugenia Daudiss

Eugenia Kanthak Daudiss,

103, of Selkirk died Thursday, Sept. 19, at her home.

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

She was a member of Westerlo Baptist Church.

She was the widow of Adam Daudiss.

Survivors include a daughter, Krista Daudiss of Selkirk.

Services were from the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to Westerlo Baptist Church, PO Box 130, Westerlo 12193.

## Grange to serve family style dinner

The Bethlehem Grange will host a family style roast pork dinner on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 4 to 7 p.m. The dinner will be at the grange hall on Route 396 in Selkirk.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

The hall is handicapped accessible, and take-outs will be available.

For information, call 767-3342.

## Church to host Catholicism program

The Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar is planning an informational program on becoming a Catholic tonight, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m.

The church is located on 45 Adams Place.

For information, call Sally Peyrebrune at 439-7133.

## Will Moses to visit Indian Ladder Farms

Artist and author Will Moses, great-grandson of folk artist Grandma Moses, will be at Indian Ladder Farms on Sunday, Oct. 6, from 1 to 3 p.m. to sign his children's book *Johnny Appleseed: The Story of a Legend*.

The beautifully illustrated book published by Philomel Books, a division of Penguin Putnam Books for Young Readers, tells the real life story of John Chapman, who traveled along the western frontier planting apple trees in the late 1700s.

Moses' books will be available for purchase in Indian Ladder's farm market.

## Clarksville church to serve dinner

Clarksville Community Church will serve "The Best Turkey Dinner Around" on Saturday, Oct. 12, with seatings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. at the church on 1997 Delaware Turnpike.

The menu included turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, rolls, gravy and a relish tray. Homemade pies will be served for dessert.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children age 5 to 12. Kids age 4 and under eat for free.

Takeouts will be available and walk-ins are welcome.

For information or to make a reservation, call 768-2424.

## Death Notices

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

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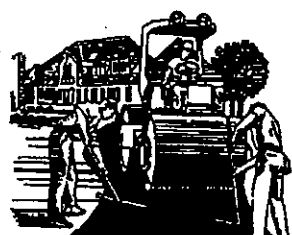
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### Museum exhibit highlights Albany's Dutch heritage

By BILL FONDA

In the 17th century, the Netherlands was a major maritime power, and its people were among the wealthiest and most literate in the world.

"They took their leisure seriously," Albany Institute of History & Art spokeswoman Penny Vavura said. "They enjoyed their life."

The paintings in "Matters of Taste: Food and Drink in Seventeenth Century Dutch Art and Life," on display at the museum until Dec. 8, demonstrate that they also enjoyed their food. The 55 Dutch and Flemish paintings from American museums and private collectors show the foodstuffs of the time, and Vavura said that although the Netherlands is not known for its cuisine, its large middle class meant that what people ate, everyone ate.

"These were more universal," she said.

"The Baker" by Job Berckheyde includes all types of breads and equipment, as well as the horn used by the baker.

"This has a lot of imagery that is particular to the time period," Vavura said.

Many of the paintings are accompanied by decorative arts pieces similar to those included in the works. For example, the milk bottle sitting next to "The Baker" is just like the one in the painting.

The pieces include a number of glass items loaned from The Corning Museum of Glass, including drinking glasses with raspberries on the handle.

"We can't imagine how you would hold that comfortably," Vavura said.

The importance of maritime business is shown in paintings such as "The New Fish Market in Amsterdam" by Emanuel de Witte, and the variety of available vegetables is illustrated in "Market Scene" by the circle of Pieter Aertsen, although Vavura said the painting is more representation than reality.

"It couldn't have been painted from real life because the vegetables are from different seasons," she said.

"Breakfast of Mussels, Cheese, Bread and Porridge" by Floris Gerritsz van Schooten contains different kinds of bread, cheese and salt, all of which were included in breakfast.

"This was an elaborate breakfast," Vavura said.

Several of the paintings involve celebration, be it the simple meal-as-

celebration of "Prayer Before the Meal" by Jan Steen or his depiction of a rowdier party in "Twelfth Night."

"Still Life with Crabs, Shrimps and Lobster" by Clara Peeters is the only painting in the collection done by a woman. The breads depicted in the painting include white bread.

"Obviously, white bread was for a more refined palate," Vavura said. "It was the gentleman's bread."

Of course, before food is eaten, it must be prepared. "The Slaughtered Pig" by Caspar Netscher, shows a pig hanging, ready for cooking, while a child is blowing into the bladder to use it as a ball.

The exhibit also includes cases of recipe books, recipes and how-to manuals from the Hudson Valley, written in Dutch.

The exhibit, curated by Hofstra University education professor Donna Barnes and food historian Peter Rose, will only be shown at the Albany Institute and celebrates the 350th anniversary of Albany's founding as the Dutch colony of Beverwijck. Two displays containing many items from the museum's own collection complement the exhibit, and will be on display until March 2.

The open storage room includes a display of Delft floor tiles that were decorated even though their primary uses were as baseboards to keep water out and around fireplaces because soot could be wiped off easily.

"It was really practical, but why not dress them up a little bit?" Vavura said.

"Albany Underfoot" contains relics from four sites in Albany. One was a boarding house at 40 Howard Street, which includes glassware and ceramics typical to a bed-and-breakfast but also contains a hair file with a profile of Queen Victoria.

The state Department of Environmental Conservation building sits on a parcel formerly used by importer and merchant John Fondy Jr., who specialized in glass, ceramics and mirrors. When the building burned down and the site was bulldozed, most of what was left was shards of burned pearlware.

"There wasn't anything they could do with it," Vavura said. "The best they could do was reuse the site."

The former Yates-Landing site was home to 18th-century political leader Abraham Yates Jr., and is now the site of the state Dormitory Authority offices. Its household objects were more aristocratic, including fine glassware and imported porcelain.



Job Berckheyde (1630-1693), *The Baker*

The Vereberg Tavern site in the Pine Bush is now a parking lot halfway between Albany and Schenectady.

"That was crucial, because they were shipping things back and forth," Vavura said.

"Albany Underfoot" was the handiwork of Wes Balla, the museum's curator of history.

"This is his bailiwick," Vavura said. "This is his specialty, the founding and changing in Albany."

Programs include 45-minute gallery talks conducted by museum staff Sunday, Oct. 20, at 2:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Oct. 30, at 12:15 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 2, at 2:30 p.m. on "Albany Underfoot"; Sunday, Nov. 10, at 2:30 p.m. on traders and culture; and Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 12:15 p.m.

James Welu of the Worcester Art Museum will present "Job Berckheyde's Baker: A Celebration of Dutch Daily Bread" Sunday, Sept. 29, at 2:30 p.m., and Barnes and Rose will talk about Dutch art and food Sunday, Oct. 6, at 2:30 p.m.

The museum will host a Museum Explorer's Day Saturday, Nov. 2, from 10 a.m. to noon, with art activities and a gallery program for children ages 5 to 10 and accompanying adults.

Walter Liedtke of the Metropolitan Museum of Art will discuss Vermeer and his contemporaries Sunday, Nov. 17, at 2:30 p.m.

All programs are free with museum admission of \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and students, \$2.50 for children ages 6 to 12 and free to museum members and children under 6.

For information, call 463-4478.

### Renée Taylor as Golda Meir

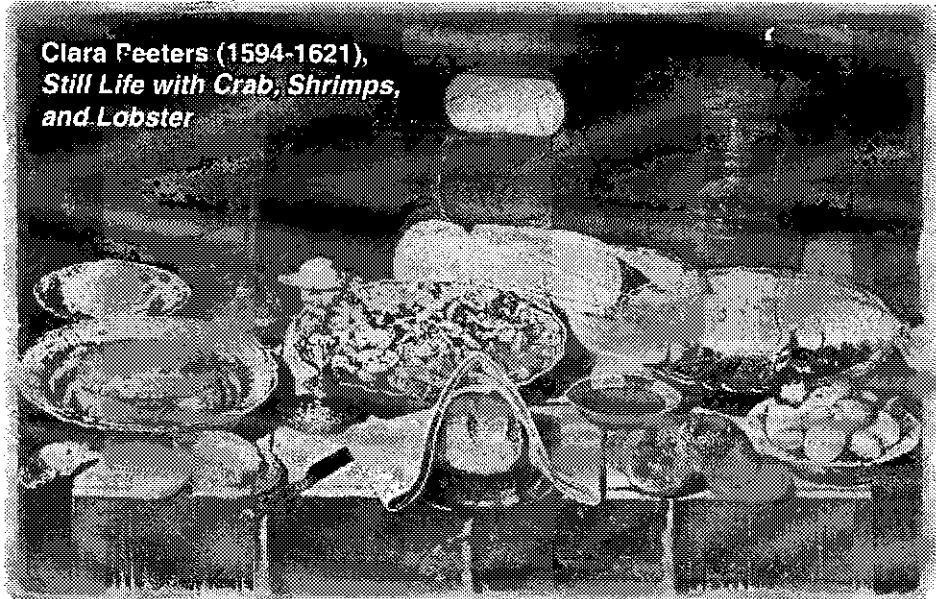
Renée Taylor, the Emmy-nominated actress who played the role of Fran Descher's mother in the hit comedy series, "The Nanny," will recreate Golda Meir in a one-woman show directed by her husband, Joe Bologna.

The play, will be performed for a limited engagement of four performances at the NYS Theatre Institute from Sept. 28 through 30.

Performances will take place at the Schacht Fine Arts Center on the campus of Russell Sage College in Troy. Tickets and directions to the theatre call the box office at 274-3256.



Clara Peeters (1594-1621),  
*Still Life with Crab, Shrimps,  
and Lobster*



# ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

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David Auburn's math/madness comedy/drama; Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through Oct. 6, \$28 to \$38. Information, 445-7469.

### GOLDA

one-woman show starring Renée Taylor, New York State Theatre Institute, Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College, Sept. 28 at 8:15 p.m., Sept. 29 at 2 p.m., Sept. 30 at 10 a.m., \$19. \$16 for seniors and students, \$10 for children under 13, special benefit performance Sept. 29 at 8:15 p.m., \$30, includes reception after the play. Information, 274-3256.

### K2

Patrick Meyers mountain thriller, Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through Oct. 6, \$15. Information, 877-7529.

## Music

### ACOUSTIC ALCHEMY

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, Sept. 26, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$16. Information, 381-1111.

### JOHN ROBERTS AND TONY BARRAND

with Christopher Shaw and Bridget Ball, Bill Spence as MC, 25th anniversary benefit for Old Songs, Dutch Barn, Altamont Fairgrounds, Route 146, Sept. 27, 8 p.m., \$15, \$5 for children. Information, 765-2815.

### FROM THE TOP

young classical musicians, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Sept. 27, 8 p.m., \$24 and \$27, \$20 for children under 17. Information, 273-0038.

### JOAN OSBORNE

Northern Lights, Route 146, Clifton Park, Sept. 27, 8 p.m., \$12 in advance, \$14 at the door. Information, 371-0012.

### RIVERFRONT JAZZ FESTIVAL

Dianne Reeves, Nestor Torres, Euge Groove, Two Siberians, etc., amphitheater at Corning Preserve, Albany, Sept. 28, noon, free. Information, 434-5412.

### PATTY LARKIN

Eighth Step at West Hall, RPI, Troy, Sept. 28, 8 p.m., \$17. Information, 434-1703.

### BRUCE HORNSBY

The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, Sept. 29, 7 p.m., \$29.50 and \$32.50. Information, 473-1845.

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### JANIS JOPLIN TRIBUTE

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### TOM CHAPIN

The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, Oct. 5, 1 p.m., \$10. Information, 473-1845.

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"Matters of Taste: Food and Drink in 17th-century Dutch Art and Life," through Dec. 8, Delft Tiles, through Jan. 12, "Albany Underfoot," through Jan. 12, Marcia Clark's World Trade Center painting "Twilight," through Sept. 29, plus exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

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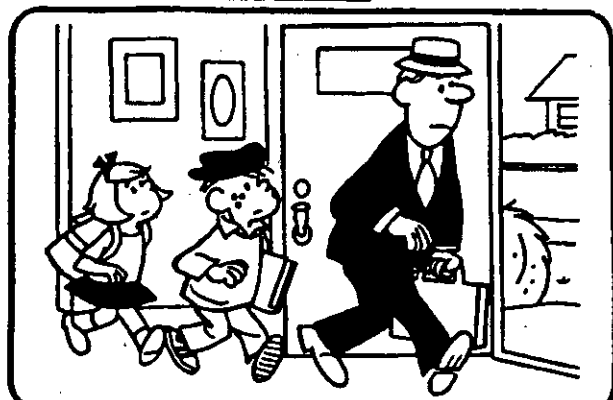
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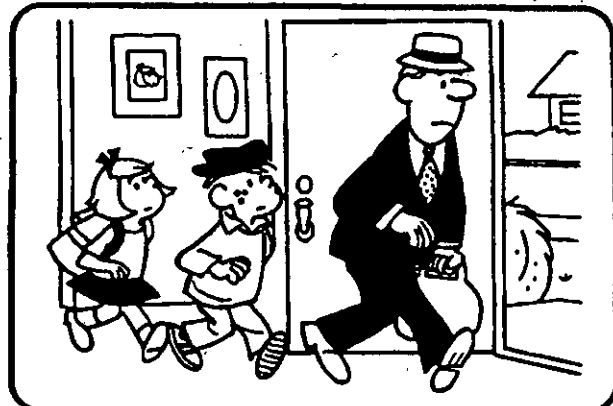
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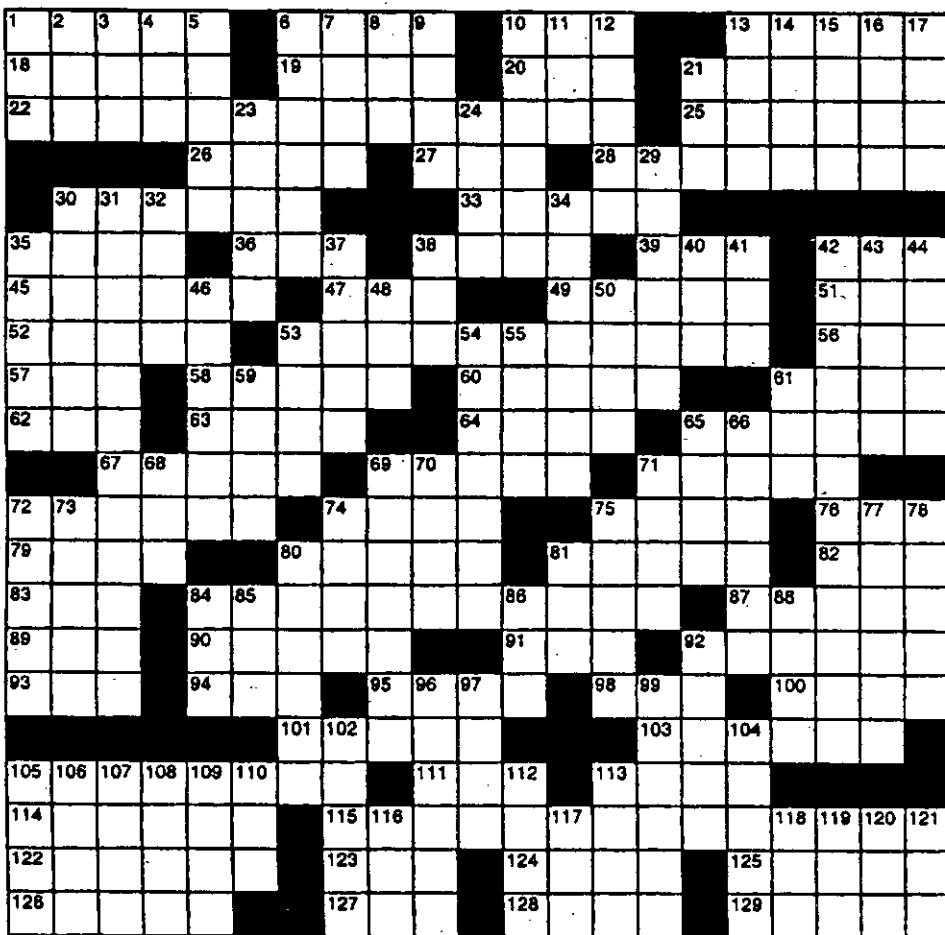
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- 71 Casals' instrument
- 72 Messenger
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- 75 Exceptional
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- 127 TV's "Too Close — Comfort"
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- 3 Mongrel
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- 13 Art Deco name
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- 29 Foul
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- 32 Genesis figure
- 34 Suits
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- 37 Fills to the gills

- 38 Moist
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- 41 Machine part
- 42 Kremlin tomb?
- 43 Hawk's home
- 44 One of the Yokums
- 46 "Swingin' School"
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- 53 Landed
- 54 Centipede's sensor
- 55 Departs
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- 81 Triangular sail
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- 92 Forms a dart
- 96 Trudge
- 97 Big rig
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- 102 Employees
- 104 Ms. Midler
- 105 With 51 Across, central Asian lake
- 106 Lucy Lawless role
- 107 Shrewd
- 108 Land in the ocean
- 109 Action figure
- 110 Greene's "The — of the Affair"
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# The Spotlight CALENDAR

To update or correct calendar listings, call 439-4949, ext. 28.

## Wed. 9/25

### BETHLEHEM

#### DISCUSSION SERIES

"A Moral Response to Terrorism": Weekly discussion group Wednesdays through Oct. 16, sponsored by Bethlehem Ministerial Association. This week: "Why Did This Happen?" \$7 charge for study guide materials. Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 7:30-8:45 p.m. Information, 439-9252.

#### SOLID ROCK CHURCH

1 Kenwood Ave., evening prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.  
TOWN BOARD  
Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

#### 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.

#### BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

#### TESTIMONY MEETING

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

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### FAITH TEMPLE

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

#### PRAYER MEETING

evening prayer meeting and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

#### NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

#### AA MEETING

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

## Thurs. 9/26

### BETHLEHEM

#### BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

#### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Weekly meeting at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1-2:30 p.m. Information, 465-8732.

#### YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2-5:30 p.m. Also Tuesday. Information, 439-0503.

#### BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

children's choir, 6:15 p.m., senior choir, 7 p.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

#### AA MEETINGS

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

## Fri. 9/27

### 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.

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### PIONEER CLUBS

For children grades 1 through junior high; Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 3:45 - 5 p.m. Information, 765-3390.  
YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS  
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

## Sat. 9/28

### BETHLEHEM

#### AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

## Sun. 9/29

### BETHLEHEM

#### WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 439-3135.  
Bethlehem Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road, 439-0358.  
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 439-4328.  
Delmar Full Gospel Church, 292 Elsmere Ave., 439-4407.  
Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 439-9252.  
Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 439-9929.  
Family of God Community Church (Nazarene), Krumkill Road at Blessing Road, North Bethlehem.  
First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 439-2512.  
First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Selkirk, 767-2243.  
First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., 439-9976.  
Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 436-7710.  
King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.  
Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510.  
Normansville Community Church, Mill Road, Delmar, 439-5710.  
Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766.  
Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314.  
South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953.  
St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.  
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue, Delmar, 439-3265.  
St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 35

Adams Place, Delmar, 439-4951.  
Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship, 436 Krumkill Road, North Bethlehem, 439-7740.

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

in the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 765-4446.

#### WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethel Baptist Church, meeting at Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85, 475-9086.  
Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.  
Family Worship Center, 92 Lower Copeland Hill Road, Feura Bush, 768-2021.  
Faith Temple, New Salem, 765-2870.  
First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 765-2895.  
Jerusalem Reformed Church, Route 32, Feura Bush, 439-0548.  
Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, Voorheesville, 765-3390.  
Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush, 768-2133.  
New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 439-6454.  
St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 765-2805.  
Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.  
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 765-4410.

## Mon. 9/30

### BETHLEHEM

#### MOTHERS' TIME OUT

Christian support group for mothers of preschool children. Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

#### DELMAR KIWANIS

Quality Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-2437 or 439-6952.

#### CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

#### INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Also Tuesday. Information, 439-0057.

#### EXPLORER POST 157

For boys and girls 14-21, focusing on environmental conservation, 310 Kenwood Ave., 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

#### DELMAR COMM. ORCHESTRA

rehearsal, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-7749.

#### AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### QUARTET REHEARSAL

United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7:15 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

## Tues. 10/1

### BETHLEHEM

#### DELMAR ROTARY

Quality Inn, Route 9W, 7:30 a.m. Information, 767-2930.

#### TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

#### THRIFT SHOP AND LUNCH

sponsored by the South Bethlehem United Methodist Women's Organization, next to the church on Willowbrook Avenue, weekly on Tuesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 767-9953.

#### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Glenmont Community Church, Weiser Street, 6 p.m. weigh-in, 6:30 p.m. meeting. Information, 449-2210.

#### ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSIONERS

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

#### PLANNING BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

#### BINGO

at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Route 144, 7:30 p.m.

#### A.W. BECKER PTA

Becker Elementary School, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m. Information, 767-2511.

#### SLINGERLANDS FIRE COMMISSION

firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Weekly at Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:15 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

#### NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

#### PLANNING BOARD

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356.

## Wed. 10/2

### BETHLEHEM

#### OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

Board meetings first Wednesday of each month, open to public. Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 4 p.m.

#### BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN

Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m.; dinner 6:30 p.m., program and meeting to follow dinner. Information, 439-7237.

#### DISCUSSION SERIES

"A Moral Response to Terrorism": Weekly discussion group Wednesdays through Oct. 16, sponsored by Bethlehem Ministerial Association. This week: "Paths of Love and Justice." \$7 charge for study guide materials. Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 7:30-8:45 p.m. Information, 439-9252.

#### BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

Quality Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

#### BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

Route 144, Cedar Hill, 7 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

#### BC SCHOOL BOARD

district office, 90 Adams Place, 8 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

#### ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Onesquethaw Chapter, Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2181.

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### V'VILLE ZONING BOARD

Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 765-2692.

#### NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

#### AA MEETING

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

## Thurs. 10/3

### BETHLEHEM

#### BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

#### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Weekly meeting at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1-2:30 p.m. Information, 465-8732.

#### AA MEETINGS

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

## Fri. 10/4

### BETHLEHEM

#### AA MEETING

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

## Sat. 10/5

### BETHLEHEM

#### AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

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LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION TO ANY NY LLC PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW SECTION 1203 (c)**  
The name of the professional service limited liability company is 1254 New Loudon Road, LLC. The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State was May 13, 2002. The County in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Albany. The agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served is the Secretary of State and such shall mail a copy of any process to: 1254 New Loudon Road, LLC, c/o Edmond J. Duncan Jr., 1254 New Loudon Road, Cohoes, New York 12047. The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law.  
(September 25, 2002)

**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF 75 WATERVLIET HOLDING COMPANY, LLC**

First: The name of the Company is 75 Watervliet Holding Company, LLC.  
Second: The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on May 24, 2002.  
Third: The county within the State of New York in which the company's office is to be located in Albany.  
Fourth: The Secretary of State is designated as the Company's agent on whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address within or without the State of New York to which the Secretary of State will mail a copy of any process against the Company is PO Box 6268, Albany, NY 12206.  
Fifth: The Company's purpose is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCCL.  
(September 25, 2002)

**PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED COMPANY**

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is B.A.V. Airport Park, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").  
SECOND: The articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 3, 2002.  
THIRD: The county within New York State in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany.  
FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: B.A.V. Airport Park LLC, 4 British American Boulevard, Latham, New York 12110.  
FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2052, unless said period is further extended by amendment of this Agreement or sooner terminated in accordance with this agreement.  
SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity pursuant to Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Law.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.**  
NAME: BACKROADS TRANSPORTATION, LLC.  
Articles of Organization were filed with then Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/27/02. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 1255 Tenth Avenue Schenectady, New York 12303.  
Purpose: any lawful purpose.  
(September 25, 2002)

**TOWN OF BETHLEHEM**  
**ALBANY COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New

LEGAL NOTICE

York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 2, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of John Sodergren, 22 Sheffield Drive, Delmar, New York 12054 for Variance under Article XII, Percent of Lot Occupancy. Section 128-50, Single Family Dwellings of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of a sunroom addition that would exceed allowable Percent of Lot Occupancy at premises 22 Sheffield Drive, Delmar, New York.  
Michael C. Hodom  
Chairman  
Board of Appeals  
(September 25, 2002)

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

The name of the LLC is BonJay LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 23, 2002. 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 1465 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Crocker Securities, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/12/02. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 2/19/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. CA address of LLC: 2999 Oak Road, Suite 230, Walnut Creek, CA 94597. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, Business Filings, 1500 11th St., 3rd Fl., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: Broker dealer firm.  
(September 25, 2002)

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

NAME: FUTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/12/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 416 Green Hill Court, Albany, New York 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.  
(September 25, 2002)

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Articles of Organization of Garner Street Associates, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on July 5, 2002, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC, P.O. Box 285, Cohoes, New York 12047. 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 LLCCL.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of filing of articles of organization of a limited liability company ("LLC") named Historic Albany Foundation Holdings, LLC. Articles filed with NY sec. of state ("SOS") on 8/6/02. Office location: Albany County. SOS, designated as agent for service of process, shall mail copy of process to The LLC, 89 Lexington Avenue, Albany, New York 12206. Purpose: any lawful business purpose.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

**LEARNING TECHNOLOGY VISIONS, LLC**  
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Learning Technology Visions, LLC ("LLC") were filed

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with the New York State Department of State ("NYDS") on August 12, 2002. Office location: Albany County. NYDS is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYDS shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 1 Myron Lane, Menands, New York 12204-1309. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes.  
Filer: Law Office of Kara Conway Love  
Address: 450 New Karner Road, Suite 203  
Albany, New York 12205-3898  
(September 25, 2002)

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

NAME: MCR ASSOCIATES, LLC  
Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/26/02. The latest date of dissolution is 08/01/2102.  
Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process

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to the LLC, c/o Mark Reith, 56 Laura Avenue, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Mercer Films and Digital Productions, LLC  
Notice of formation of Mercer Films and Digital Productions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) 3/7/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy process to: 39 Clifton Way Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: writing, producing, directing films, digital and other media and any other lawful purpose.  
(September 25, 2002)

**NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF PHILIPS MEDICAL CAPITAL, LLC.**

Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/21/02. Office location: Albany County.

LEGAL NOTICE

LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/21/02.  
SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Corporation Service Co, 80 State St. Albany, NY 12207; registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: 1111 Old Eagle School Road, Wayne, PA. 19087. Arts of Org. filed with  
DE Secy of State 401 Federal St. Dover, DE 19801. Purpose: any lawful activity.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

1. Name of the Limited Liability Company, (hereinafter LLC) is RASH Properties, LLC.  
2. Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State is August 13, 2002.  
3. The office is located in Albany County.  
4. Secretary of State is designated as Agent of the LLC upon whom process it may be served.  
5. Post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a

LEGAL NOTICE

copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: RASH Properties, LLC 71 Oliver Street, Cohoes, New York 12047. The LLC shall not have a registered agent.  
6. The company has no specific date of dissolution. The LLC is formed for any lawful business purpose and shall have all the powers set forth in Section 202(a)-202(q) of the New York Limited Liability Company Law.  
(September 25, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

RHINO HOLDING L.L.C. was filed with the SSNY on 08/09/02. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be serve. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: 4001 Kennett Pike, Suite 300A, Wilmington, DE 19807. The Registered Agent is the SSNY. Purpose: any lawful purpose.  
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## CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED

## PARTNERSHIP OF ROUTE 22

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(UNDER SECTION 121-201 OF THE REVISED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT)

1. The name of the limited partnership is "Route 22 Amenia Partners, L.P."  
2. The county in which the office of the limited partnership is located is Albany County, New York.  
3. The Secretary of State is hereby designated as agent of the limited partnership upon whom process against it may be served, and the office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited partnership served upon him is 596 New Loudon Road, Albany, New York 12211.

4. The name and business address of the sole general partner is:

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5. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is August 31, 2002.  
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This Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the following: **SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES FOR SALE**. Bids will be received until 2 P.M. on October 22, 2002 at Bethlehem Central School District, Operations and Maintenance, 65 Elm Avenue, Delmar, New York at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened. Details of items to be sold on an "as is" basis are available at the same office or by calling 439-2123. 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

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Notice of Qualification of TDS Metrocom, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/1/02. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/15/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 301 S. Westfield Rd., Madison, WI

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53705. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 25, 2002)

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

The name of the LLC is Vandenburg Donuts, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 7, 2002. 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

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Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 1676 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159. (September 25, 2002)

## NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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## NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC

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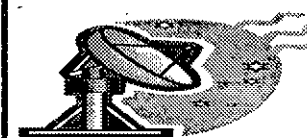
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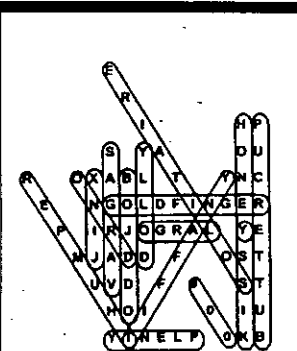
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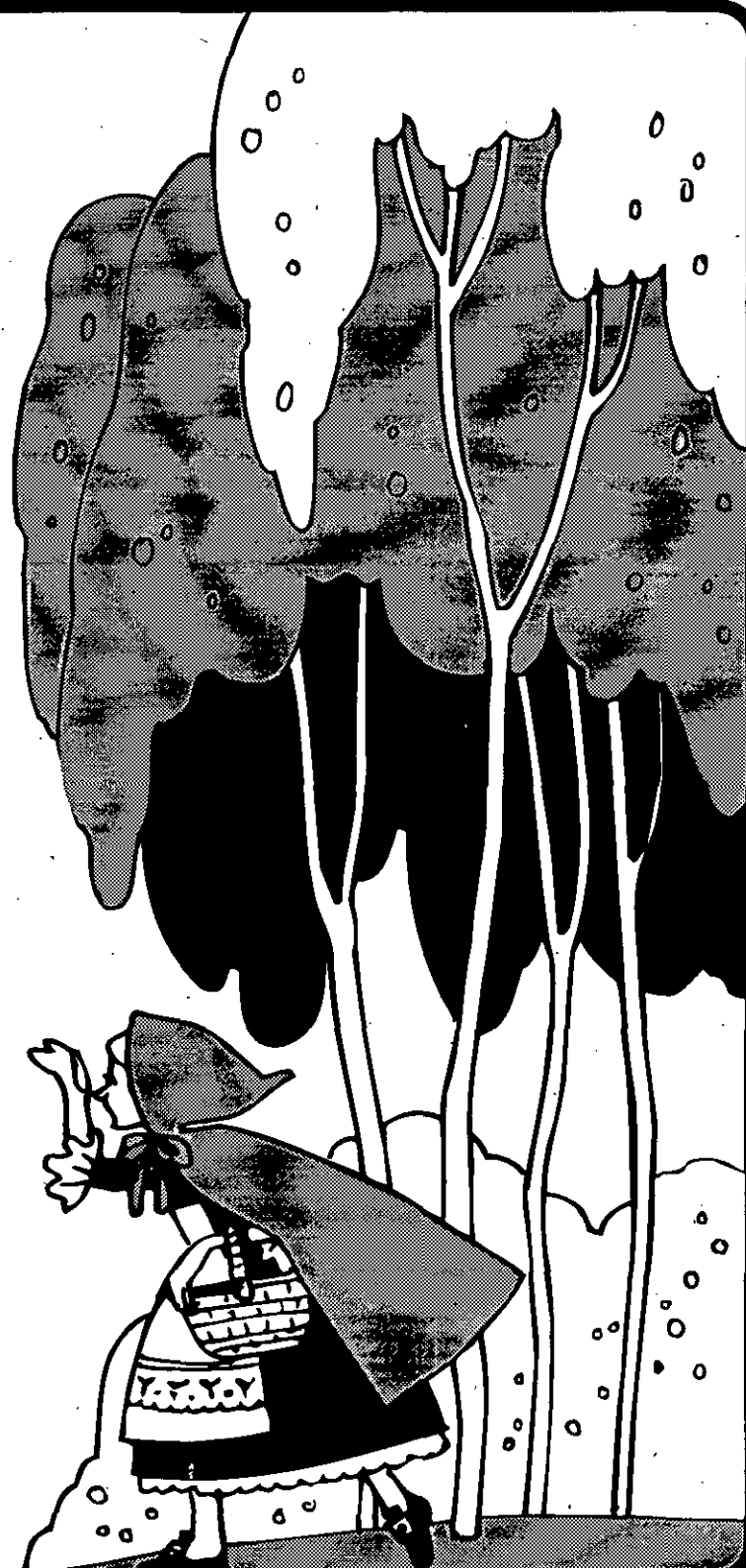
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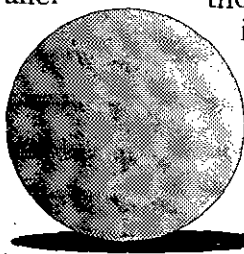
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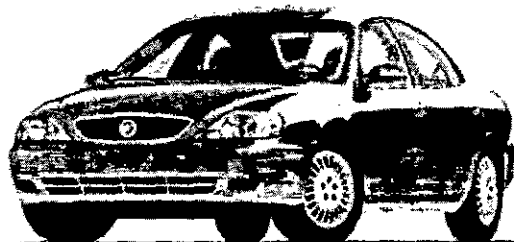
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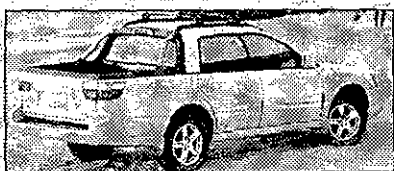
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## Tax

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relatively high level (about 68 percent of students achieving all the standards).

"The good news is that the number of fourth grade students who showed serious academic problems by scoring at Level 1 dropped. Statewide middle school results are still low but increased 8 percentage points to 47.7 percent achieving levels three and four."

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction John McGuire reported on district results. "In the elementary schools, 390 students were tested and 400 in the middle schools.

And this year, it was required that all special education students be tested and scores included for both disabled and other students," he said.

Eighty-nine percent of the district's elementary school students scored in level three and four, achieving or exceeding state standards. Bethlehem's elementary students tied for No. 1 in schools in the region tracked by the district.

That would include the Suburban Council, plus several other districts.

The middle school had 73 percent achieving or exceeding standards and tied for No. 4 in the

same selected comparative group used for the elementary schools.

Loomis also said, "The district received four national awards from the National School Public Relations Association and complimented Jessica Scheckton, district communications specialist, for her contributions to achieve these awards."

The board then adopted a sweatshop-free purchasing policy after the second reading and some discussion.

The next board meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the district offices, 90 Adams Place, Delmar.

## Robber

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robber wanted in connection with a Key Bank branch robbery near Kingston in April.

Under questioning by FBI agents, as well as a Bethlehem police detective dispatched to interview him at Greene County jail, police said Podsiadlik confessed to that theft, as well as one at the Pioneer branch in Town Squire Plaza and the Trustco Bank on Delaware Avenue. He also admitted to similar robberies beginning with Central National Bank near Oneonta, Otsego County, on March 9 and concluding with Guilderland's M&T Bank on July 16 — including one at Farmers National Bank in Clarion, Pa., in late March.

The arrest concluded a joint investigation that involved FBI field offices in Kingston, Albany and Pittsburgh, as well as state police, the Ulster County district attorney's office and local law enforcement. Police suspected a

connection among the robberies because of Podsiadlik's apparent signature attire.

"One of the things we had been looking for prior to arresting him was that the individual had worn a Qwik Draw lottery baseball cap in all of these robberies," said Dan Matthews of the Kingston FBI field office.

Podsiadlik was arraigned Aug. 31 before U.S. Magistrate Judge David Homer, who conducted a detention hearing on Sept. 3 and ordered Podsiadlik to the custody of federal marshals, pending further action on bank robbery charges to be brought by the U.S. Attorney's office for the Northern District of New York.

Podsiadlik also remains under investigation for any possible links with other bank robberies. Given the distance between the Capital District and Pennsylvania thefts, "You would certainly conduct an investigation to make sure this (confession) is all inclusive," said Matthews.

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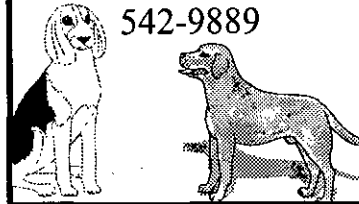
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