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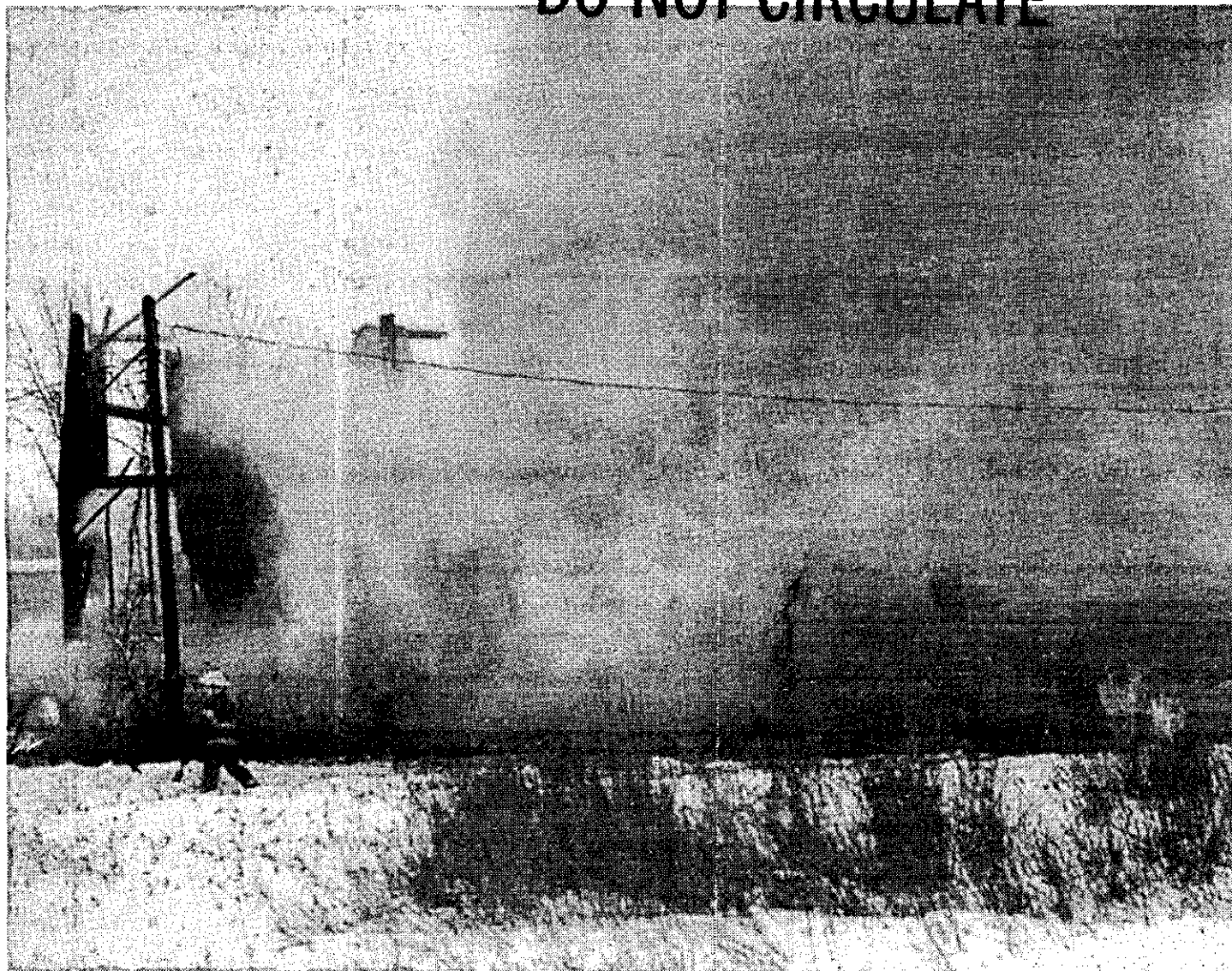
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Selkirk firefighters battle a barn fire on Creble Road last Saturday. No one was injured in the blaze.

Jim Franco

BCMS getting drama ducks in row

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

The usual hubbub reigned as the cast and crew of the upcoming musical at Bethlehem Central Middle School prepared for their first run-through with costumes and make-up last Saturday.

A squadron of geese roamed the stage, the star appeared with pins in his costume, parents painted sets, the orchestra rehearsed, and some kids, moved by a spirit nobody else could see, twirled in place.

"Are we ever ready two weeks before the show?" choreographer Fran Coccozza asked with a grin, as she adjusted a cast member's hair. "We always get there."

"Honk!" is a musical based on the story of The Ugly Duckling. "A parent brought the show to us," director and middle school music teacher Frank Leavitt said, considering the similarities between the show, the way that middle school kids feel about themselves and the changes they undergo between sixth and eighth grades. "You couldn't get a



Olivia Cammisah-Frost, Dan Van Deusen, Rebecca Lewis and Dan Bell rehearse for BCMS's musical 'Honk!'

Katherine McCarthy

more appropriate story for middle school."

A relatively new show that has been popular on the West Coast, Leavitt said the

middle school is probably the first group in the area to do "Honk!"

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IDA hopes to reap high-tech benefits

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Bethlehem's Industrial Development Agency, in a meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 22, continued to sort out how best to position the town to take advantage of technology business development in the region.

The IDA board voted unanimously to approve a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement with New Scotland Road LLC, an entity created by developer Picotte Companies. The agreement, the subject of a Jan. 8 public hearing, will provide tax incentives under the agency's uniform PILOT policy in support of a \$7 million renovation to the former Blue Cross-Blue Shield building in Slingerlands.

Picotte hopes to begin later this year to redevelop the 78,000-square-foot building into office space for anticipated spin-off business ventures likely to be spawned by Sematech, the semiconductor research facility which will be built less than two miles away on the outskirts of the University at Albany campus.

The IDA board also discussed the status of negotiations with another developer, Milltowne Properties, over developing a 90-acre technology business park on property Milltowne owns on Wemple Road.

The board, without a formal vote, reached consensus to halt discussions of a lease-option agreement on the proposed park site with Milltowne, while continuing to assist the developer in proceeding with initial planning.

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Board hears team teaching benefits

By RONALD E. CAMPBELL

The Bethlehem school board heard a presentation from Heidi Bonacquist, Slingerlands Elementary School principal, at its meeting last week.

The benefits of combining a fourth and fifth grade class with team teaching were discussed for the board in detail.

The process involved greater preparation and direction from the faculty involving organizing different learning activities by multi-age groups

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Tips to help stop flow of junk mail

By SHARON FISHER

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

Annoyed with unsolicited mail? Have you taken those extra steps to eliminate these excesses?

A preventive measure is to request companies that you do business with to "Please not sell

or share my name and address."

Then make the commitment to send a postcard and call those numbers to get rid of these annoyances. The postcard will target the national advertisers and solicitors that locate you after using a credit card or ordering from a catalog.

On a postcard, write "In an effort to cut back on junk mail, please remove the following

names and addresses from your mailing lists." List all variations of your name and address including any misspellings that you might have seen. mail the postcard to Mail Preference Service, PO Box 9008, Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008. Once your name is removed from these databases, the result will last for five years.

You can also call 888-569-8622 to remove your name from the list of four major credit card companies. Once registered, your request will last for two years. For a more permanent solution, request the required form that must be completed and returned.

The normal flow of mail will not be disrupted. You will continue to receive all local mail from businesses, government, friends and other entities that you personally have subscribed with.

BC planning committee to discuss cost estimates

Bethlehem Central's Enrollment & Facilities Planning Committee will continue discussion of proposed building and renovation projects to Bethlehem Central schools during meetings in February, at which cost estimates will be presented for the first time.

On Monday, Feb. 3, the committee will discuss proposals for the district's five elementary schools and the high school. The following week, on Monday, Feb. 10, the committee will finish up discussion of the high school and discuss proposals for the middle school.

All planning committee meetings are open to the public, and anyone in attendance is

encouraged to participate in discussions. Meetings are held from 7 to 9 p.m., at the District Office, 90 Adams Place in Delmar.

For information about these meetings, call the district's communications office at 439-3650.

St. Stephen's offers Alpha Course

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at 16 Elsmere Ave, Delmar, will present the 10-week Alpha Course beginning today, Jan. 29, at 6:30 p.m.

The Alpha Course is for anyone who wants to find out more about the Christian faith. Adults of all ages are welcome.

Alpha began in London and is now held in thousands of churches around the world.

Each weekly session starts with an informal dinner, followed by a large group learning time, and ends with a small group discussion and interaction. The small groups give participants a chance to discuss issues raised during the talks.

For information, call Donna Steckline at 439-3265 or June Compton at 439-1356.

To make a reservation, call the church at 439-3265 between 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Let the church office know if you need child care, which will be available during the course.



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may decide which plan will best suit their needs.

For example, a few missing teeth can be replaced with either a fixed bridge or a removable partial denture. The fixed bridge, due to the time involved and laboratory expense will cost more, however it does have the advantage of being fixed into place. Many patients can not afford a fixed bridge so they may opt for the less expensive alternative plan of a removable partial.

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Lutheran church to open preschool

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

About a year ago, the board of elders at Bethlehem Lutheran Church began wondering why there was no preschool at the church. When the notice to form an exploratory committee appeared in the church bulletin, about seven people stepped forward, most of them with early childhood education backgrounds.

"That committee was charged with finding out whether starting a preschool was feasible and whether we should do it," the Rev. Mark Mueller said at a recent meeting for church members. "The group researched the population in the area, the population trends and what sorts of preschools there already are in the area. They came up with two answers — yes, there's a need for our preschool, and yes, we have the ability to run a preschool."

From there, another committee was formed to design a specific preschool program. Last September, the congregation gave the go-ahead on a preschool that would add the unique component of being Christian-centered to a regular preschool curriculum.

"The children will learn to share and form relationships through play, while strengthening their relationships with Christ," Mueller said. "The church exists for all people, and this is another way to bring people to Christ."

Bethlehem Lutheran Church advertised for a director, and Mueller said once they met Kathy Glaser, they knew they'd found the person they wanted. Glaser



Kathy Glaser is looking forward to opening the new preschool.

children age 6 months to 4 years old, for the past 10 years. She was the Christian education director at New Covenant Presbyterian Church in Albany before joining First United Methodist Church in Delmar. She was director of the Govans Presbyterian Pre-School in Baltimore, Md., where she also taught Gymnastics classes. She was in charge of recreation mainstreaming services at the Ithaca Youth Bureau and ran the integrated program at its summer camp.

Kathy Glaser

The Trenton, N.J., native received a bachelor's in sociology and social work from East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania. She and her husband Robert, a research scientist, live in Albany with their 15-year-old son.

"I was thrilled to see the facility here," Glaser said. "The large classroom is where we'll have our main play and meeting area. We have a separate room for arts and crafts and music, and I think it's great that there's a separate worship center."

Three-year-olds will go to preschool two days a week; 4-year-olds for three days, and both ages will go to school from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The preschool will cost \$900 for 3-year-olds and \$1,250 for 4-year-olds.

"The kids will start the day by exploring, playing with a favorite toy or with friends," Glaser said. "We'll start with a prayer, then learn about the world, like talking about the weather."

Glaser will work with different

themes, using different "centers" in the rooms. "I'd like to do science experiments once a month," she said, "like letting the kids see how celery will absorb colored water. I'm hoping to get a fish tank and give the kids chores centered around taking care of the fish, so they can learn to work and play together."

The parish hall, she said, will be a good space for large motor activities, as will the outdoor grounds of the church in good weather. Glaser and the preschool committee will hire an assistant teacher, and Glaser hopes that there will be a parent volunteer each day. There will be a maximum of 15 children in each group, and Glaser hopes to take 4-year-olds on some field trips.

"Children learn from exploration, experience and repetition," Glaser said. "We'll do stories, songs, crafts, and through their play, they'll learn about shapes, colors and the alphabet. My vision is that children will see how they fit into the world and into God's world."

Rebecca Martel is the chair of the preschool committee.

"My daughter is 3, and she's very excited about coming here to preschool," Martel said. "She's my motivation."

Martel said her sense is that the Christian component will appeal to a lot of families. "There will be a Christian feel, but it will be flexible," she said.

The Bethlehem Lutheran Pre-School, at 85 Elm Ave. in Delmar, will hold an open house on Saturday, Feb. 8, from 10 a.m. to noon. Information and enrollment applications are available on the Web site at www.blutheran.org, or by calling the school at 439-3022.

RCS administrator takes Hoosic Valley job

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The Ravena-Coeyman-Selkirk school district, its superintendent already due to leave by the end of the school year, is grappling with another key departure. Business Administrator David Weiser, a Voorheesville native, stepped down on Jan. 2 to accept a similar post with the Hoosic Valley Central School District.

Following Weiser's decision, announced in late December, Superintendent Robert Drake appointed Robert Pierce, retired from the same post with Schoharie County's Cobleskill-Richmondville district, as an interim administrator through June.

"He's a very experienced administrator, so we're bringing him in mostly to concentrate on overseeing our capital projects and on putting together the school budget," Drake said. The 2003-04 budget-drafting cycle got under way earlier this month as a newly-formed Budget Advisory Committee began meeting with Drake and other district officials.

Weiser oversaw drafting of the RCS budget, as well as contracting, bidding and fiscal administration of the ongoing construction and renovation program.

"There've been some very good cost savings Dave instituted," Drake said, particularly in fostering cooperative bidding with other area districts and instituting various purchasing and rebidding controls. "He's also worked very well with our staff on the non-instructional side," he said.

"Financially, we're in very good shape," Weiser said. "I'm turning the reins over to someone very capable of getting RCS through this next budget cycle. There are many interim administrators out there, but Bob Pierce is one of the few interims who continually goes to the same training sessions that sitting officials go to. He's very much in tune with what's going on."

The RCS job, Weiser said, was "very rewarding, very satisfying," but its pressures prompted him to seek a post in a smaller district; Hoosic Valley is about half the size of RCS.

"I started in a small school," said Weiser, who served a year's administrative internship at the

Voorheesville district before joining RCS. "And in the last two and a half years, there are so many things going on here, I didn't have time to really be a part of the school community."

Fiscal oversight of the renovation project took a toll. "Being in the midst of a very large capital project takes a very large amount of time, and that has grown to be a little frustrating," he said. Planning to start a family with his wife, a schoolteacher, "I'm looking forward to going back to a smaller school district and getting back into day-to-day school life. I see Hoosic Valley as an opportunity to balance things a little better in my life. I was concerned about my ability to do that and still do my job to the standards I expected at RCS."

"Dave Weiser left us in good shape," said Drake. "He worked for several days before his departure getting preliminary information together for the budget." Nevertheless, he conceded, the timing "is going to make it a little more difficult. Dave obviously had a very good handle on this, a lot of insight into how the budget is assembled. And he takes away a certain amount of institutional memory. Every business administrator brings his own style to the budget process, and Dave's style is reflected in the current budget."

Drake said his own plans to remain as superintendent until year's end should smooth the transition.

"I am going to be here through this budget development process this year," he said. "That was deliberate on my part. I didn't want to just walk out in the middle of that. There is a lot of apprehension across the state about what the budget crisis will mean, and some difficult choices will have to be made at the district level. The budget is going to take an enormous amount of time."

The search for a permanent new business administrator will proceed independently of the superintendent search.

"We're starting to get some résumés in right now," Drake said. "We're also working on changes to the application process." He said he hoped a new administrator might come on board before his own successor, perhaps as soon as late May.

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David Weiser

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began her job as director of the preschool on Jan. 15. It will open in September 2003.

"I'm very excited," Glaser said. "In the interview, we talked about a lot of ideas — the committee had some, I had some, and it all came together really well. This job will let me put together my love for teaching children with my love for teaching children about God." Glaser has taught at Tumbling Tykes in Latham, a developmental play program for

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Group honors Delmar man

James C. Ross of Delmar, president emeritus of the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities (CICU) of New York, was selected by the nation's private college and university presidents to receive the 17th annual Henry Paley Memorial Award from the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

This year's Paley Award was marked with a special symmetry. The late Hank Paley, who

served as president of CICU from 1975 to 1984, was a colleague, friend and mentor to Ross.

The Henry Paley Memorial Award recognizes an individual who, throughout his or her career, has embodied the spirit of unfailing service toward the students and faculty of independent higher education.

Ross served as president of CICU and its allied Council of Governing Boards (CGB) from 1994 until his retirement in 2001.

More difficult times that try the human soul

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

This will likely go down in memory as a tough week, with President Bush's State of the Union, Governor Pataki's state of the budget, and the United Nations weapons' inspectors' report on Iraq, all to be delivered — perhaps by the time you read this.

As we move further from Sept. 11, 2001, whose repercussions

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continue to reverberate, it seems like the American people have stopped waiting quietly, and we are again voicing our opinions loudly and with great certainty.

It can sometimes be exhausting to witness our differences.

Gone is the unification that the tragedy of Sept. 11 gave us; our diversity has asserted itself, which means that individually, we have to think about what we really believe, and what direction we want our nation to take.

Since having children and traveling on a road that requires perpetual negotiation, I've often wondered if the world wouldn't be better off if it were run by a team of mothers. We could use the model that our elder son learned in the New York City nursery school run by what the writer Calvin Trillin described, in his own daughters' nursery school experience, as "words, not hands, people."

When any two children had a dispute, they sat down with a teacher, each told their side of the story and said what they thought a good resolution would be — using their words, not their hands. The caveat, of course, is that the teacher had final say on the resolution. Unfortunately, when I try this same model to defuse brotherly tensions around the house, my boys' resolutions

generally involve exacting the greatest possible revenge.

A teacher or mother's tempering nature can usually find a resolution that two sides can live with — that teaches lessons of right and wrong, and is appropriate to the crime. Appropriate to the crime seems to be the key to the situation in Iraq, as people remain divided on the danger that Saddam Hussein poses. Are there weapons of mass destruction in Iraq? Probably.

Sometimes it seems that Hans Blix is looking for weapons the way most husbands look for things in their own homes. Nearly every man in the country has probably asked his wife at least once in the past year where the peanut butter is and remained nonplussed at her answer of "in the cupboard."

Opening the door is rarely enough — at first blush, there's only oregano, basil and Tylenol, all obscuring the colorful plastic lid of the peanut butter jar — which the wife can see from whatever job is part of her current multi-tasking mode.

"Iraq," was perhaps too

general an answer to Blix's question of where the weapons are. Frau Blix could probably pull out two or three nuclear warheads, never pausing as she makes the family's Sachertorte for dessert.

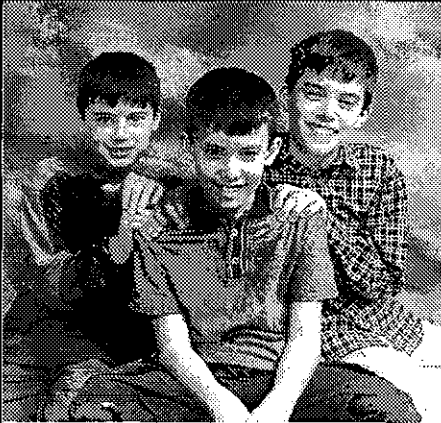
With or without weapons, Saddam seems like the kind of child who has bullied all the other kids on the playground, pushed every button he possibly can, and needs to be stopped before he pushes the one that does permanent damage to the world.

In his own country, he has built palaces of great wealth while his people starve, literacy rates have dropped, and women remain second-class citizens. His rejection of humanitarian aid (until 1996) to feed his people so that he would not compromise his sovereignty revealed his belief that his way is the only one that works.

The problem that I have with the current anti-war sentiment is that it often seems like an apology for Saddam, an expression of anti-Bush sentiment, and a rejection of all things American. Sometimes, in our American eagerness to be accepting of all things, we forget that there are some things in the world that are just plain wrong.

Any country that keeps its people down, particularly when it has a natural resource that could guarantee wealth to all, while its leaders continue to prosper without having worked for it, is

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35	105 ABC Family
34/71	110 Disney
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191	120 Toon Disney
192	125 Discovery Kids
858	139 Cartoon Network On Demand
32	140 Cartoon Network
190	145 Noggin
189	150 WMHT2

The 200's Learning	
76	201 National Geographic
37	205 Discovery
107	210 Discovery Wings
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rong. Saddam's a bad guy, he stands for bad things and we shouldn't be afraid to say so.

There are people in our country who believe that our political system is dysfunctional, but we have never had to cast our vote in blood, as Iraqis often do when they re-elect Hussein, the one candidate on the ballot.

We live in a land of great opportunity, where each person can become who he or she wants to be, and where we can express our dissatisfaction with the government fearlessly. Currently, there are rumors of a dark plot being behind the revelation of a sealed case against Scott Ritter, the former weapons inspector who has made his name speaking up against the administration's defense build-up in the Middle East.

This feels like a combination of Bill Clinton and Cardinal Law come to roost in my little town — which has seen an alarming number of pedophiles of late. Ritter was arrested for arranging to meet a 16-year-old girl for sexual purposes two years ago.

The question shouldn't really be why the case is coming to light now, but why Ritter was dismissed with a slap on the wrist and his promise to "be good."

Is this really how we should punish people whose intent is to harm children? As an aside, did Ritter really think, in this day and age, that he could become a public figure and not be scrutinized more than the average citizen?

We are all free to listen to whom we want, but I do believe that a messenger's actions absolutely color the message. As Americans, we have the luxury of deciding for ourselves what we think the right action in Iraq is.

So far, we've waited for the N. weapons inspectors to finish their job, while concretely showing Saddam the force that we have. Our troop build-up in the Gulf doesn't look like bullying to me; it looks like deterrence.

Our children will watch us closely and listen to what we have to say as times remain tough. They, of course, are who we most want to protect. We want to provide them a world that is safe and full of more people who will work for good than evil.

We must consider carefully what we all think, and as we explain our positions to our children, remind them that our nation's great strength is that we can freely agree or disagree with what's happening around us.

Team

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occurring simultaneously. Teachers reported lower student stress by being able to learn at their own pace and not be in competition with the rest of the class. Mentoring occurs with older students automatically helping younger ones when needed. Another benefit was students being able to work with the same teachers two years in a row.

The board also appointed Social Studies Supervisor John Piechnik as the acting principal of Glenmont School. The resignation of Glenmont principal Teresa Snyder was accepted at the last

board meeting. Snyder accepted the position of superintendent of the Brittonkill Central School District in Rensselaer County.

In other business, the board passed a resolution asking for repeal of Section 101 of the General Municipal Law, commonly known as the Wicks Law. This law requires state public school districts to award separate prime contracts for construction projects exceeding \$50,000 for plumbing and gas fittings, steam heating, hot water heating, ventilation, air conditioning and electrical wiring.

It is estimated that dealing with and the coordination of up to three prime contractors can add 15 to 30 percent to the cost of a

project. School districts in New York City and Buffalo have been exempted from this requirement for several years. Copies of the resolution will be mailed.

Superintendent Les Loomis said that at the last meeting of the Facilities Planning Committee, the architects had presented a matrix showing projects for each district school building.

The middle school was discussed at the Jan. 13 meeting. The committee will begin to look

at architectural designs for each building's proposed solutions to crowding and continued growth of the student population, plus cost estimates, for each at the meetings on Feb. 3 and 10.

The board approved a five-year lease with the Buffalo Tractor and Impl. Co. for a front end loader to facilitate snow removal.

The board will hold regular meetings on Feb. 5 and 26 and a special board budget workshop on Feb. 12.



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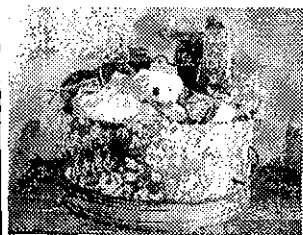
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Lighten up

Albany County legislators are debating the merits of an extensive smoking ban in just about any public place that you can think of, including bars, restaurants, office buildings, jails and even hotels — almost any place except private homes or personal vehicles.

Currently, smoking is already banned in public places. The drastic steps taken in the new proposal are simply too extreme.

We think the county-wide ban would be wrong for a number of reasons.

First, it is too pervasive. Smoking, no matter how offensive to some, is a legal activity that provides a hefty boost to the state and local coffers.

Second, government has a bad track record as far as mandating what's good or bad for us, for whatever reason. Does or should government have the right to dictate health matters?

Many of us don't remember Prohibition, but we know it was a miserable failure that fueled the rise of organized crime in this country. Furthermore, during Prohibition, people openly flaunted the law by frequenting speakeasies, where alcohol flowed aplenty.

If the Albany County ban is enacted, is it reasonable to think it will be enforced?

We think many aspects of it as proposed are unenforceable. There are no smoke police yet, and the real police have their hands full dealing with real crime.

But there's another more compelling reason why the Legislature should steer clear of such an extensive ban. Unless state legislators make this a statewide mandate, counties with a ban will likely lose out financially in several ways.

Let's say you're booking a bowling banquet or an awards dinner or a similar business or social event and you know that some of the attendees will want to smoke. Will you even call a banquet hall in Albany County?

Right now, Saratoga and Rensselaer counties are not considering a ban of this nature. What this means to Albany County — should it pass a ban — is a loss of some serious revenue.

In many instances, event planners will simply go elsewhere if they think their function will be more successful in a more relaxed atmosphere. Given the economic straits of the county, with its recent double-digit tax increase, why add another potential drain on county coffers?

Banning smoking in such a draconian fashion might be politically popular, but would prove costly for taxpayers in the long run.

Editorials

Governor's plan will help state

By JAMES TEDISCO

The writer is an assemblyman representing parts of Saratoga and Schenectady counties.

Gov. George E. Pataki is to be commended for putting aside partisan politics and creating a unified and positive tone in his annual State of the State address.

His message addresses the complex and crucial issues facing our state and outlines a clear plan to strengthen our economy, protect New Yorkers from the threat of crime and terrorism, provide our children with a first-rate education and improve the quality of life for all New Yorkers.

With New York facing unprecedented fiscal challenges, Gov. Pataki has correctly emphasized the need for fiscal restraint. At the same time, we must maintain our commitment to policies that help our state's economy grow and create new jobs.

This means that we cannot retreat from our commitment to tax cuts and other economic incentives that have already been agreed upon and enacted into law by both Republicans and Democrats.

However, regardless of what the financial circumstances are, the governor and my Republican colleagues and I are committed to ensuring that the burden will not be placed on the backs of our children and working families.

The first and best way we can show a unified spirit and demonstrate our commitment to do what is right for all New Yorkers, is to pass a budget before the April 1 deadline. Eighteen years of late budgets have deteriorated taxpayer confidence, and the only way we can get that back is to work together toward an on-time budget. But we need a fair budget, one that does not mortgage our children's future to pay for today's expenses.

Next, we need to enact the kind of meaningful job growth incentives like those outlined in the Assembly GOP minority's "NY First" plan. One of the biggest challenges to our state

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economy is high local property taxes and their impact on our ability to attract new businesses and new jobs.

MetroSTAR is a program whose time has come. It would provide local governments with mandate relief and offer financial incentives, as well as technical advice to municipalities, so that they can develop and implement plans to share services.

In light of the current fiscal problems facing local governments, we need to provide the tools to help them become more efficient, and this program

renewed his commitment to pass comprehensive terrorism proposals, which include eliminating the statute of limitations for all terrorist crimes, and provide for life imprisonment without parole for anyone caught in possession of chemical or biological weapons.

Since the state has abolished parole for all convicted violent felons, we have seen a plunge in crime rates. To continue in this vein, the governor proposes abolishing parole for all convicted felons. He has also called for improving our domestic violence laws by requiring the consideration of past violence in bail determination of accused abusers, lengthening orders of protection and by extending the domestic violence laws.

The governor has strengthened his commitment to keep our schools first-rate. Students have a right to a sound education from properly trained teachers in schools that are safe and well maintained. The

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will protect taxpayers from unwarranted state and local tax increases. MetroSTAR will trim government costs, which translates into lower property taxes.

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This proposal, which is another key aspect of NY First, falls in line with the governor's pro-growth agenda that he outlined in his State of the State. It will mean billions of dollars in relief that can be used to help grow our economy and make our state more attractive to companies that create jobs. Gov. Pataki made it quite clear — the choice is between job-killing taxes and creating jobs. I agree with the governor, we must choose jobs.

We cannot go back to the tax increases and pre-1995 economic policies that discouraged economic growth and job creation. We know what works and we know what doesn't, and we know from experience that "Cuomonomics" did not work.

The easiest thing we could do to balance the budget is to raise taxes and go on a spending spree, but that would be the worst thing to do. It didn't work in the past, and it won't work now.

The governor knows that improving the quality of life for all New Yorkers goes beyond simply building a stronger economic climate in our state. Thanks to his policies, we have made tremendous strides in making our communities safe. However, there is still more that we can do.

As a result, Gov. Pataki has

governor's promise to improve the education of our children is also reflected in the NY First proposal.

As part of our program, we will work with the governor to push for safe schools and quality learning environments, including a Bill of Rights for Parents and Students, and efforts to bring more qualified teachers into the classroom.

Gov. Pataki also pledged to clean our environment by reforming and refinancing the state's Superfund program, and not through the back-door borrowing methods proposed by the Assembly majority last year.

He has made a firm commitment to adopt the proposed California carbon dioxide vehicle emission standards, which can be accomplished through changes in the regulations. Moreover, he wants to make New York a leader in renewable energy usage by directing the Public Service Commission to implement a Renewable Portfolio Standard, thereby, reducing New York state's reliance on foreign oil.

The most important part of government is not the buildings, it's not the agencies, it's not the elected officials. The most important part of New York state government is the 19 million people that government is supposed to serve. The collective power of the people is what makes government work, and we will not abandon them.

Under Gov. Pataki's leadership, we have a clear vision and plan to restore New York state's economy, create a future where our citizens are safe and secure, provide our children quality education, and make our environment cleaner than it has been in generations.

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Kiwanis Club is grateful for community support

Editor, The Spotlight:

Because of the record participation of golfers from New Scotland and other communities in our 2002 Memorial Golf Outing, the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland was able to make substantial equal contributions to the Peter Douglas Scholarship Fund and the Jim Nichols Community Fund.

This typical support of our other fund-raisers — the annual Christmas tree sale and chicken barbecues enable us to accomplish the following additional community services over the past year:

- Send challenged children to Kamp Kiwanis for one week.
- Donate to Kiwanis International Iodine Deficiency Disease Project.
- Sponsor Key and Builders clubs at Voorheesville Elementary School.
- Present our annual Halloween party at Voorheesville Elementary School.
- Sponsor youth leadership training.
- Deliver baby needs from the New Scotland Kiwanis Food Pantry.
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- Sponsor Kiwanis baseball and soccer leagues.

- Conduct monthly blood pressure clinics.

- Award scholarships to high school seniors.

- Contribute to the Albany Medical Pediatric Trauma Center.

We are grateful to our communities for helping us to achieve the club's objectives of caring and sharing — our goals for the present and for the future.

David J. Hopper

Kiwanis Club
president

Religion/government should be separate

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bravo to Lynn Finley for her Jan. 22 letter, "Democracy not Theocracy."

Lynn names but a few of this administration's policies which are destructive to the environment and dangerous to the freedoms on which this country was founded.

National policy based on certain religious beliefs degrade and deny those whose beliefs may differ. The president is encouraging an arrogant, intolerant society based on a "my way or the highway" mentality.

The invasion of religion into government is the most serious threat to individual freedoms in this country today.

Terri Lymburner
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Thanks to GOP for recognizing Elsmere

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you Bethlehem GOP for being one of the very first to recognize in its cocktail reception ad that Normanside Country

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This free program is co-sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects Inc. Call 439-9314 to register.

Upcoming programs for adults

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Nonfictionados meets on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m. to talk about *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the American West* by Stephen Ambrose.

Drawing from Lewis' private journal, this book provides a broad social overview of a young America and a keen insight into a remarkable young man.

New members are always welcome to attend our book discussion groups. Copies of the

books are available at the reference desk. Call 439-9314 to register.

Albany Symphony members Liz Silver and Karlinda Caldicott, aka The Eribeth Chamber Players, join Albany composer Ray Bono in a performance of American music on violin and harp on Sunday, Feb. 9, at 2 p.m.

"Women and Heart Disease: Opportunities for Prevention" is the topic of a talk on Monday, Feb. 10, at 2 p.m. Dr. Ronald Stram discusses the evidence for diet, exercise, vitamins and herbal supplements to reduce the leading cause of death for U.S. women.

Stram was recently featured on WMHT-TV's "Healthlink" with Benita Zahn.

He sees health as a holistic, multi-dimensional and collaborative process. He is director of emergency medicine at Albany Memorial Hospital.

Upcoming programs for children

Toddlers age 24 to 48 months and their caregivers can participate in "Movement and Songs for a Winter Day" on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 11 and 11:45 a.m. Presenter Charmaine Cave teaches music and movement for very young children and their parents at the children's Workshop for Language, Movement and Music in Albany.

She is also a licensed speech/language pathologist who integrates music and movement with her therapy work. Register for one session only by calling 439-9314.

"Groundhogs Galore" offers stories, puppets, flannel board fun and shadow play for children age 3 through 6 this Sunday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m.

Louise Grieco

Children's school to celebrate new year

Bethlehem Children's School will present a Chinese New Year Celebration on Friday, Jan. 31, from 10 a.m. to noon. The community is invited to attend.

There will be a dragon parade, a Chinese tea ceremony, Chinese crafts, games and food.

The school is located on 12 Fisher Blvd. in Slingerlands.

For information, call 478-9113.

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Second community forum on deck

Community Forum No. 2 is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 30, at 7 p.m. and will be held at the high school.

There will be three components to the evening's agenda: Identification and scheduling of middle school and high school activities, a presentation of the "40 assets" to help young people make better decisions and a discussion of resurrecting the Safe Home Contract to assist everyone in helping kids make good decisions.

Site-based committee to meet

An open meeting of the site-based committee will be held on Monday, Feb. 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school commons.

The committee is considering restructuring the valedictory/salutatory recognition process.

For information call John Bub at 765-4357, Linda Pasquali at 765-4990 or Deb Baron at 765-9371.

Faculty/staff showcase planned

An evening of entertainment by the faculty and staff of Voorheesville Elementary School is slated for Saturday, Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the new Performing Arts Center at the high school.

Proceeds will benefit the theater program. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Kiwanis to hold baseball registration

New Scotland Kiwanis Club

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will hold registration for spring baseball on Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 11 and 13, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Voorheesville Elementary School.

Participants must live in the town of New Scotland or in the Voorheesville school district. The program is for boys and girls age 5-12 before August 2003.

The season will start on April 29 and 30 and culminate with the Kiwanis Baseball League picnic for players and families on June 7.

For information about T-ball, call Molly Reilly at 765-3065.

For general baseball questions, call Lew Schedlbauer at 765-2608.

School board to meet

The next regular school board meeting will be held on Monday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school commons area.

Nature Center to offer workshop on trees

The Emma Treadwell Thacher Nature Center is offering a workshop about trees and shrubs in winter.

The workshop will run from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with a break for

lunch. In the morning the program will take place indoors and then, weather permitting, the group will go outside to examine woody plants at the edge of the forest.

Botanist Ruth Schottman will teach participants how to identify trees and shrubs from their twigs and buds, and also by inspecting bud scales and leaf scars.

The group will have an opportunity to discuss favorite books about trees and shrubs and to practice identifying plants and trees in winter mode using keys to common native woody plants.

Participants should bring a bag lunch, a magnifying glass and favorite winter tree shrub identification books.

Wear layers of warm clothing for the outdoor part of the program and bring snowshoes if you have them.

The workshop is geared toward adults and has space for 12 people, so registration is required. The program fee is \$5. For information, call 872-0800.

Program on blacksmithing set at community center

The New Scotland Historical Association's next meeting on Monday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem will feature a presentation by Marty Milner on the history of 18th-century blacksmithing in the area.

Milner will describe early blacksmithing in this region and show part of his collection of early blacksmithing implements and artifacts.

The public is invited to visit the historical museum, which will open at 7 p.m.

The museum's new exhibit is on the Helderberg Ski Club. This social club was founded in 1934, and the exhibit will feature many scrapbooks, newsletters and letters from the 55 members who served in World War II.

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Obituaries

David Cerneck

G. David Cerneck, 62, of Delmar died Wednesday, Jan. 22.

Born in Manistee, Mich., he was a former manager of J.C. Penney's in Crossgates Mall, retiring after 38 years of service.

Mr. Cerneck was a member of Delmar and Albany rotary clubs and the New York State Retailers Council.

He was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

He enjoyed gardening, woodworking and traveling.

Survivors include his wife, Joanne Canino Cernack; three sons, Michael Cerneck, David Cerneck Jr. and Brian Cerneck; a daughter, Francine Fredette; a brother, Michael Cerneck; and five grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Durant Funeral Home in Glenmont.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the Rotary Gift of Life, PO Box

2749, Glens Falls 12801.

Florence Peeney

Florence S. Peeney, 88, of Vero Beach, Fla., and formerly of Glenmont, died Dec. 27.

Born in Climax, she lived most of her life in Glenmont.

Mrs. Peeney was retired from the Postal Service and the town of Bethlehem. She sold Avon products until the time of her death.

She was the widow of Charles Peeney.

Survivors include a brother, Howard Jordan.

Services were from First Reformed Church of Bethlehem in Selkirk.

Contributions may be made to Northeastern Association of the Blind, 301 Washington Ave., Albany 12206 or Lighthouse International, 111 East 59th St., New York 10022.

Ellen Brophy

Ellen Rochford Brophy, 75, of

Voorheesville died Tuesday, Jan. 21, at Community Hospice of Albany County at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Brasher Falls, St. Lawrence County, she received bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from the University at Albany.

Early in her career, Mrs. Brophy was a teacher and later worked for a contractor in Morocco building U.S. airstrips.

She worked for the state Department of Labor for 31 years as chief of internal security.

She was a communicant of Christ the King Church in Gunderland.

Mrs. Brophy enjoyed golf, swimming and bridge.

Survivors include her husband, John J. Brophy; two stepdaughters, Mary Quell and Regina Dunn; both of Colonie; three stepsons, Dan Brophy and John R. Brophy, both of Watervliet, and Thomas Brophy of Santa Fe, Nev.; and two brothers, William Rochford of

Burlington, Vt., and Joseph Rochford of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Services were from the Hans Funeral Home in Albany and Christ the King Church.

Spring burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Brasher Falls.

Lorena Embler

Lorena Reid Embler, 69, of Selkirk died Wednesday, Jan. 22, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

She was admired for her care of the lonely and sick.

Survivors include her husband of 48 years, Robert A. Embler; three daughters, Elise Olson of Virginia, Nancy Tessier of Clifton Park and Jennifer Northrup of Feura Bush; and a brother, Bruce Reid of Averill Park.

Services were from Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Capital City Rescue Mission, 259 South Pearl St. Albany 12206.

Andrew Johnson

Andrew A. Johnson, 72, of Glenmont died Wednesday, Jan. 22, at Albany Memorial Hospital.

He lived in Ravena before moving to Glenmont in 2002.

Mr. Johnson was a Korean War veteran, receiving the Purple Heart, United Nations Service Medal and a Korean Service Medal with two stars.

He worked for the village of Colonie for 18 years, retiring in 1982.

Survivors include a daughter, Sharon A. Johnson; two sons, Andrew Johnson and Kevin Johnson; a brother, Carl Johnson; four grandsons; a granddaughter; and two great-grandsons.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial will be in Claverton National Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service, 1121 Route 9W, Selkirk 12158.

Kim Ann End

Kim Ann Lee End, 33, of Delmar died Wednesday, Jan. 22, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

She was a graduate of Beach Channel High School and attended Schenectady County Community College.

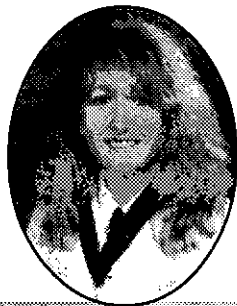
She was a former Girl Scout and a Girl Scout leader.

She was a former member of First Congregational Church in Far Rockaway.

Survivors include husband, Robert End; her parents, George and Nancy Lee of Georgia; two daughters, Melanie J. End and Penny End; and two sisters, Joy Gordon of Saratoga Springs and Elizabeth Lee of Georgia.

Services were from the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

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Dear Chef Sarah:

I need a basic vinaigrette recipe. Please help.

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Dear Rachel:

A vinaigrette is based on a simple 3:1 ratio. The 3 being oil, and the 1 being vinegar. This is the simplest form, but usually other ingredients are added to enhance the flavors, such as minced shallots or garlic.

Try using flavored vinegar, such as Raspberry or Red Wine combined with simple oil, such as canola or safflower. (I don't recommend olive oil for vinaigrettes, unless you're making a salad that can handle the bold flavor of the olives, such as a greek salad with feta cheese.) Also, herbs work well to lift the flavor of salads. Try some thyme or tarragon.

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About Chef Sarah . . .

Sarah Lawrence Longley was born to professional cooks in England. As a graduate from the Culinary Institute of America, she owned a restaurant in the West Indies and has worked for large catering companies around the United States.

Currently, she is the owner of Rent-A-Chef, a personalized Chef Service. Sarah lives in Delmar with her two daughters.

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Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 11, for the classical music concert and Friends' annual meeting.

Steal Away by Jennifer Armstrong is the choice for the kids book discussion on Feb. 11. It is an engrossing tale of the escape from slavery of a young black girl and her orphaned mistress, a story of courage and sacrifice. It's not too late for kids in grades four to six to sign up and receive a copy of the book to read before the meeting.

*Nickel and Dime*d by Barbara Ehrenreich, the fascinating true account of a experiment by a woman attempting to make ends meet with a minimum wage job in America, is the subject for adult

discussion on Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 7 p.m.

Food for Fines begins on Feb. 1. Return your overdue items during the month of February with a canned good or non-perishable food item for a fine reduction. Food donations will benefit the New Scotland Food Pantry.

There is an opening in the library display case for April. If you have a collection you would like to share, call the library at 765-2791.

Barbara Vink

RCS thespians to present 'Turn Back the Clock'

The Drama Club of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School will present "Turn Back the Clock" on Friday, Jan. 31, and Saturday, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m.

The cast includes: Amanda Yackel, Evan Deforge, Billy Aiello, Judi Hendrickson, Tim Sugrue, Tom O'Hanlon, Brittany Edelson, Nick Perez, Jessica Covey, Nick Noblett, Jessica Hall, Sarah Schools, Anna Brooks, Vanessa Persico and Casey Wolfe.

Other cast members include:

Erin Saltis, Molly Carroll, Julie Masa, Tiffany Fredericks, Gabrielle Reith, Samantha Schools, Jackie Noblett, Missy Ball, Susan Diaz, Max Smith, Julianna Visconti, Brittany Davis, Kyle Kleege, Robert Hughes and Luke Yurek.

Tickets are \$5 for adults; \$4 for senior citizens and children age 6 through 12.

Children under age 6 will be admitted for free.

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to your home, let the library know. Staff members would also be happy to take the name of a friend, relative or neighbor you think might be a candidate for this service. Call the library at 765-2791.

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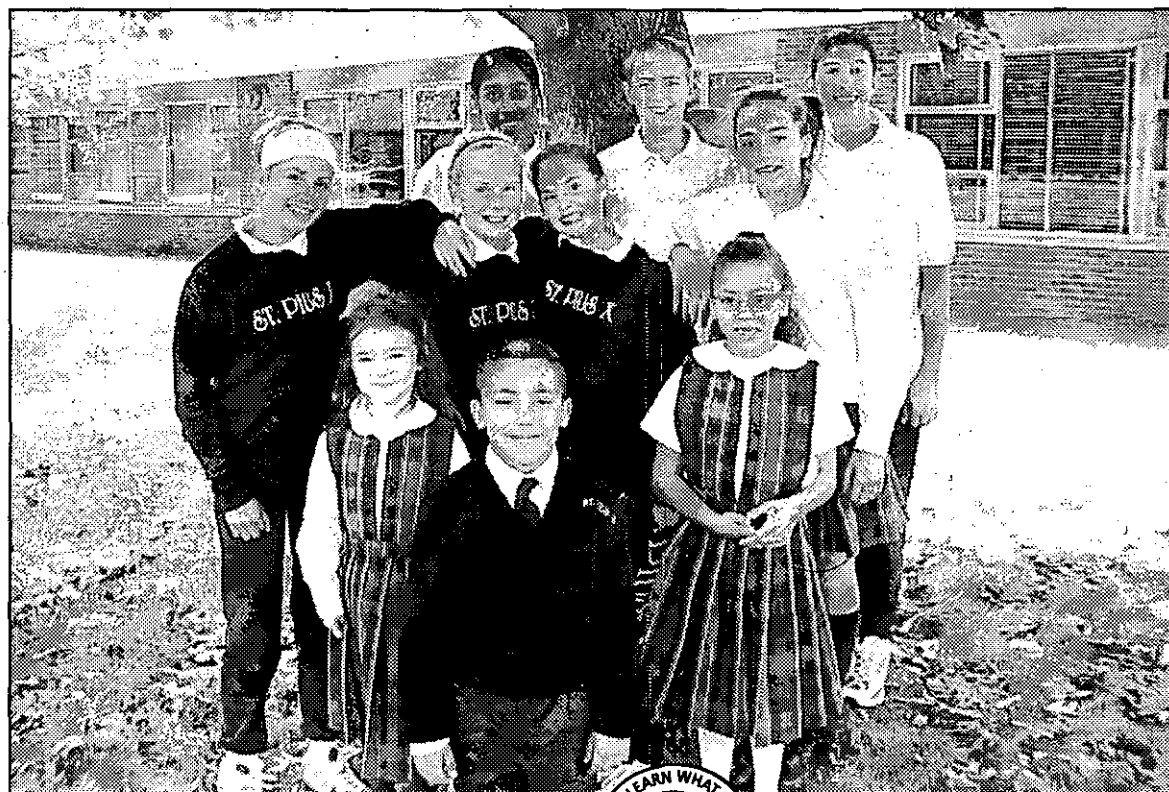
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Organizing your personal financial records and assets

ensures that important information is easily accessible when your financial life changes, for example, when you move, marry, apply for a mortgage or other loan; or in case of a tax audit. In addition, organizing ensures continuity in your personal and business affairs in the event of your being



Thomas X. Geisel

incapacitated by serious illness or injury, or at your death.

A simple way to begin is to record in one place the location and numbers of safe deposit boxes and bank accounts and the whereabouts of your canceled checks, statements, and credit card numbers and issuing company information.

Another important part of this financial inventory is a consolidated record of pertinent information for stock certificates, bonds, notes, bills, mutual funds, annuities and other investments.

In addition, the inventory should include any money you expect from an employer, insurance companies, Social Security and other sources. Your estate might be entitled to benefits from your employer such as life insurance, profit sharing, accident insurance settlements or a pension plan.

Making an inventory of property and vehicles is another important step. Among other things, you will want to record the initial buying price of your residence(s) as well as information on home improvements, plus the location of legal documents including the statement of closing, title insurance, deed and land survey. Information on home mortgages and other outstanding loans should be organized, along with information on life, automobile, health and homeowner's insurance.

When you complete this snapshot inventory of your current financial condition, it's time to look forward.

Personal financial management planning should include a careful review of investment strategies, following this simple checklist.

- Review financial goals because they change with time, such as when children reach college age or retirement nears.
- Develop a financial plan with the advice of your investment bank advisors, including a retirement strategy; or review existing plans in view of life changes.
- Evaluate your 401(k) or IRA allocations.
- Review your investment asset allocation with your financial advisor.
- Take advantage of dollar-cost-averaging by making regular investments.
- Keep debt in check, especially credit cards.
- Make sure you are properly insured, including an evaluation of homeowner's and long-term care insurance.
- Draw up a will and comprehensive estate plan and a business succession plan, if necessary, or review existing plans.
- Evaluate your investment gains and losses for the year just ended, to maximize loss versus gain for tax purposes.
- Review with your tax advisor year-end income tax strategies including investment moves that could help reduce your federal income tax bill.

While you may not get to implement all of these tactics immediately because some take research and planning, these valuable procedures and useful financial tools can bring security and satisfaction, saving time and money in the future.

Now is a good time to begin. Happy New Year!

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Sports

Blackbirds keep rolling toward Section II playoffs

The Voorheesville girls basketball team continued its push toward the Section II, Class C playoffs last Friday with a 56-27 victory over Mechanicville in a Colonial Council game.

The Blackbirds (10-2 league, 4 overall) ran out to an 18-5 lead after the first quarter and never looked back as they kept pace with Watervliet for second place in the Colonial Council.

"You just want to get better,"

Voorheesville coach **Jon McClement** said. "You want to play your best basketball at this time of the year, and that's what we're working towards."

Katie Inglis scored 19 points, and **Brittany Baron** contributed 15 points for the Blackbirds.

"We showed balance in that game," McClement said. "Our post players did a good job, and our perimeter players were effective."

Cougars schedule Skate-a-thon at BIG Arena

The Albany Cougars special hockey club is holding its annual skate-a-thon Sunday, Feb. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at BIG Arena in Albany.

There will be an open skate from 1 to 2:20 p.m., and skate rentals are available. There will also be drawings for sports memorabilia and gift baskets, a

50/50 drawing, refreshments and a bake sale.

Proceeds from the Skate-a-thon will go toward travel expenses for the team's trip to the Special Hockey Tournament April 10-13 in Whitby, Ont.

The Albany Cougars are the only local hockey team for developmentally challenged players.

Bethlehem Pop Warner slates registration

Bethlehem Pop Warner is holding registration for the 2003 season at town hall on Delaware Avenue.

Sessions will take place Feb. 6 from 6 to 8:30 p.m., Feb. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., March 6 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., March 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 10 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and April 12 from 10 a.m. to

2 p.m.

The club is open to boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 14. Parents must bring a copy of the child's birth certificate to the registration sessions.

For information, call Joe Bonacci at 588-3741 or visit the club's Web site at www.bethlehempopwarner.com.

Gymnastics clinic Saturday at BCHS gym

The Bethlehem varsity gymnastics team is hosting two clinics for elementary school students Saturday, Feb. 1, at Bethlehem Central High School.

The clinics are open to children in grades one through five. Sessions run from 9 to 10:30 a.m. and from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15

p.m. and will feature demonstrations by the varsity gymnasts.

The cost is \$15 per session. Registration forms are available from physical education teachers at each elementary school and Bethlehem Central Middle School. Some slots are available for same-day registration.

Cheering to victory



The Bethlehem varsity cheerleading team won its division at the Scotia-Glenville Invitational Jan. 18. The team is, from left: Front row — Tiffany Kasarjian and Jessica Sanchez. Middle row — Nicole Angermeier, Erica Beach, Jessica Wolchok, Elise Puzio, Tara Rossman, Kate Fruscione and Grace Dupuis. Back row — Danielle Frankovic, Tessie Berghela, Jackie Livingston, Erica Hazen, Shannon Crotty, Jenna Foley and Annie Hennessey. In addition, Frankovic was the top individual, Angermeier was the top gun jumper and Fruscione was the top gun tumbler. The team is coached by Michelle Bonificio.

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Family ENTERTAINMENT

CALENDARS ♦ ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

'You gotta have Hart' and Rodgers, too!

Cap Rep revue features old-time tunes

By DEV TOBIN

Capital Repertory Theatre reaches back to the early days of the Broadway musical for its first production of 2003.

"Beguiled Again" is a revue of about 50 songs by Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart, many of which, like "Blue Moon," "The Lady Is a Tramp," "My Funny Valentine" and "I Wish I Were in Love Again," are still familiar even though they are more than 60 years old.

Rodgers, the composer, and Hart, the lyricist, met at Columbia University in 1918, and has their first song performed in a Broadway play the next year. Their collaboration — on 30 musicals, nine movies and a radio show, more than 500 songs in all — continued until Hart's death in 1943, after which Rodgers found a new lyricist in Oscar Hammerstein.

Several scenes of "Beguiled Again" begin with Hart, scribbling in a notebook, and Rodgers, at the piano, working on a new tune with a singer — showing the creative process at work.

The heart of "Beguiled Again" is song and dance, by a cast of three men and three women who put on quite a show.

Erica Schroeder, a Glenmont native, shines as an ingenue in the Hollywood scene with her rendition of "Ten Cents a Dance," and Peggy Taphorn sings and performs a show-stopping "To Keep My Love Alive" about how murdering one's husband is sometimes the only way to go.

The show also touches, in two scenes with lots of laughs, on Rodgers and Hart's work in movies

Tamra Hayden, Peggy Taphorn and Erica Schroeder recreate the 1920's flapper girls as they audition for a part in a musical in Cap Rep's *Beguiled Again - The Songs of Rodgers & Hart*, a musical revue which explores the creative process with 4 decades of music and dance.



Erica Schroeder sings to Tom Kenaston as she tries to "Keep My Love Alive."

and radio. The way that radio was improvised, and the manual "tap dance" by Tom Kenaston, are especially funny.

And the "Striptease" scene, with the six moving from raincoats to choir gowns to street clothes to underwear, while singing appropriate songs, is another winner.

The set is a classy, marble-floored nightclub, with a piano elevated in the center, with a bass player and drummer on the side, surrounded by three sets of "Great White Way" lights.

"Beguiled Again" will be on stage at Cap Rep, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through Feb. 16. Tickets are \$28 to \$38. For information/reservations, call 445-7469.

The Capital Repertory Theatre Guild will sponsor a related fund-raiser, Ay Caramba, Let's Learn to Rumba, on Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Crowne Plaza hotel in Albany.

The evening, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and continuing to 11, will include cocktails, dinner, dance instruction and dancing to DJ Sal Cannavo.

Tickets are \$75. For information, call 462-4531, ext. 236.



Erica Schroeder gets a little lift from props girl Tamra Hayden in the filming of the 1938 "The Boys from Syracuse."

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

Theater

BEGUILED AGAIN

Adgers/Hart musical revue, Capital
peritory Theatre, 111 N. Pearl St.,
ary, through Feb. 16, \$15.
ormation, 877-7529.

HARVEY

iful rabbit comedy, New York State
atre Institute, Schacht Fine Arts
nter of Russell Sage College, Troy,
ugh Feb. 15, \$19, \$16 for seniors
students, \$10 for children.
ormation, 274-3256.

THE DRESSER

ng Shakespeare during the Blitz,
enectady Civic Players, 12 S. Church
hrough Feb. 9, \$12, \$10 to students.
ormation, 382-2081.

FIT TO KILL

ld premiere thriller, Curtain Call
atre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham,
ugh Feb. 2, \$15. Information, 877-
9.

Music

THE BAND OF THE GRENADIER GUARDS

ctor's Theatre, 432 State St.,
enectady, Jan. 30, 8 p.m., \$29, \$32
\$36. Information, 346-6204.

DEAD CAT BOUNCE

Van Dyck, 235 Union St.,
enectady, Jan. 31, 7 and 9:30 p.m.,
s. Information, 381-1111.

EDDIE FROM OHIO

Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany,
9, 31, 8:15 p.m., \$18. Information,
8-1845.

MYSTICAL ARTS OF TIBET

y Savings Bank Music Hall, State and

Second streets, Feb. 1, 8 p.m., \$22 and
\$25, \$16 for children. Information, 273-
0038.

LIVINGSTON TAYLOR

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St.,
Schenectady, Feb. 1, 7 and 9:30 p.m.,
\$25. Information, 381-1111.

STEPHEN HOUGH

pianist plays Troy Chromatic Concert,
Savings Bank Music Hall, State and
Second streets, Feb. 9, 4 p.m., \$25 and
\$28, half price for students. Information,
273-0038.

Dance

SOULWORKS/ANDREA E. WOODS & DANCERS

performing "Love Letters" and other
works, The Egg at Empire State Plaza,
Albany, Jan. 31, 8 p.m., \$18, \$15 for
seniors, \$9 for children under 13.
Information, 473-1845.

Comedy

LILY TOMLIN

Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and
Second streets, Feb. 1, 8 p.m., \$35, \$45
and \$55. Information, 273-0038.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

The World Trade Center: Rescue,
Recovery, Response; Burgess Shale:
Evolution's Big Bang, through March 12;
Once Upon a Time: Fiction and Fantasy
in Contemporary Art from the Whitney
Museum, through March 9; plus
permanent collections, Empire State
Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information,
474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

The Beatles: Then and Now, photos by
Harry Benson, through March 2; plus
exhibits on Hudson River School
painting, American sculpture, Egypt and
the history of Albany, 125 Washington
Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Spirit of Schenectady and Collection
Highlights, Nott Terrace Heights.
Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

161 Washington Ave., works by Louanne
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hrough Feb. 14. Information, 462-4775.

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openings for brass players, rehearsals on
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tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at
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rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. for
orchestra, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for
choir, Siena College, Route 9,
Loudonville. Information, 783-2325

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openings in the string section, rehearsals
Thursdays 9:30 a.m. to noon, Nott
Terrace and Eastern Avenue,
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MALE SINGERS NEEDED

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provided, rehearsals at Faith Limited
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Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-
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invitation for new members to join in
singing classical and popular songs.

Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Eyck
Ave., Albany, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Information, 477-4454.

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rehearsals at Columbia High School,
Luther Road, East Greenbush, 7 to 9
p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

CRAFTERS WANTED

for 2003 New Scotland Plum Fest on
Sept. 20. Information, 439-5488.

Classes

DANCE CLASSES

ongoing, all levels, ballet, jazz and
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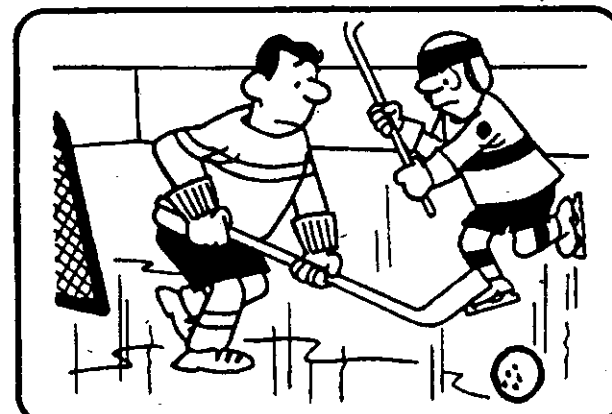
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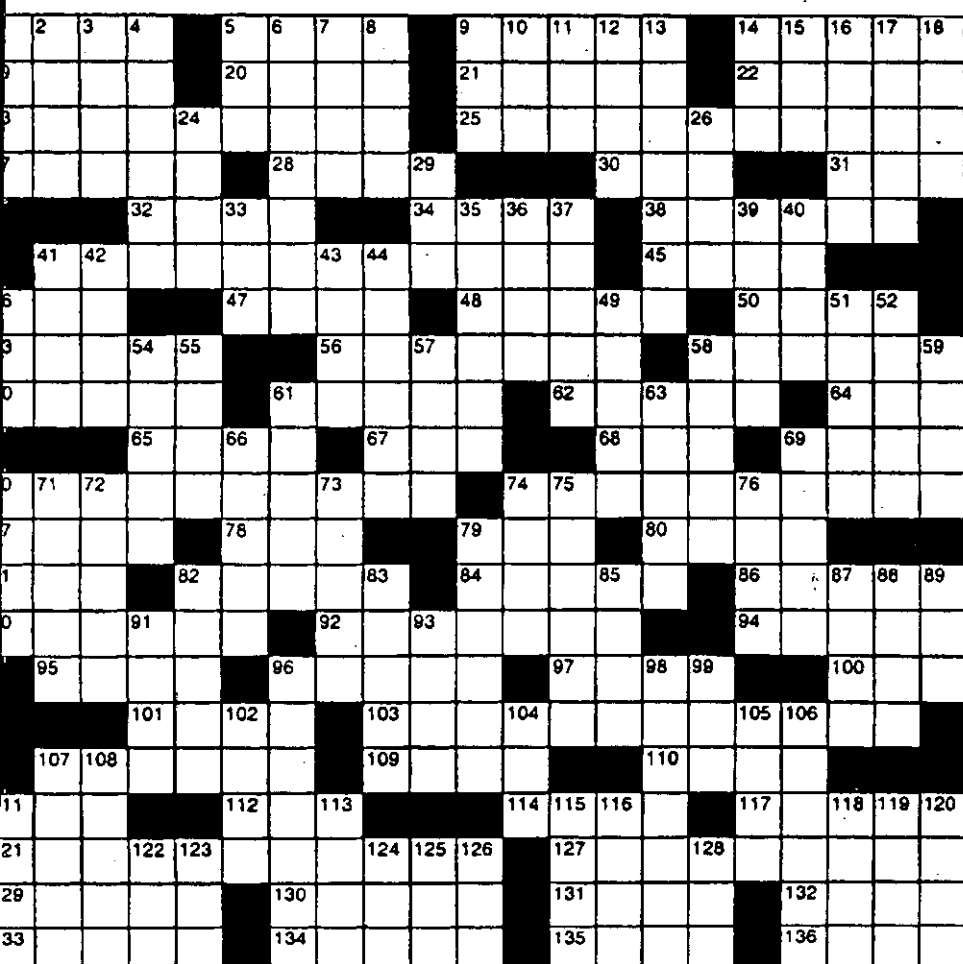
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- 14 Actress Witherspoon
- 19 Gulf ruler
- 20 Computer command
- 21 Work with coffee or linen
- 22 Intense
- 23 Writer born 1/1/1879
- 25 Bandleader born 1/1/1900
- 27 Soprano Anna
- 28 Facts, for short
- 30 Diocese
- 31 Flagon filler
- 32 Vacation location
- 34 Cease
- 38 Join the leisure class?
- 41 General born 1/1/1745
- 45 Adored one
- 46 Paid player
- 47 Athenian arcade
- 48 Musical movement
- 50 Madison's st.
- 53 Wrong
- 56 Splitting headache?

- 58 Donkey's declaration
- 60 Flapjack sauce
- 61 Tacitus' tongue
- 62 Glue guy
- 64 Eggs
- 65 Fancy fabric
- 67 Nationality suffix
- 68 Boathouse item
- 69 Secular
- 70 Patriot born 1/1/1735
- 74 Comic born 1/1/1943
- 77 TV's "McBeal"
- 78 — Tin Tin
- 79 Welcome item?
- 80 Norse deity
- 81 Deteriorate
- 82 More delicate
- 84 Singer John
- 86 Marking post
- 90 Henson amphibian
- 92 Deceive
- 94 Riyadh resident
- 95 "I Am ..."
- 96 Japanese city
- 97 Amazes
- 100 Smith or Stout
- 101 A swan was her avian

- 103 G-man born 1/1/1895
- 107 "Petrouchka," for one
- 109 Novelist Seton
- 110 Memo start
- 111 Fumble
- 112 Supporter
- 114 Nice or Newark
- 117 Abate
- 121 Actor born 1/1/1909
- 127 Seamstress born 1/1/1752
- 129 Buttercream, e.g.
- 130 Northern hemisphere?
- 131 — podrida
- 132 Ages
- 133 "Lovegirl" singer Marie
- 134 Like the Taj Mahal
- 135 Viewed
- 136 Skillful

- 7 Like Steven?
- 8 Medieval menial
- 9 Rig a race
- 10 "— pro nobis"
- 11 Ullmann or Tyler
- 12 Horus' mother
- 13 "Ta-ta"
- 14 — room
- 15 It's found in the Seine
- 16 Actress Samantha
- 17 Panther Bobby
- 18 Ziegfeld Follies designer
- 24 — Hashanah
- 26 Stalk
- 29 Actress Massen
- 33 — Alamos, NM
- 35 Power or Guthrie
- 36 — about (approximately)
- 37 Carnaby Street currency
- 39 London landmark
- 40 Tennise of tennis
- 41 Bunch of battalions
- 42 Film —

- 43 Jedi Instructor
- 44 Restaurant employee
- 46 — de deux
- 49 Actor Alain
- 51 Shallow area
- 52 Find fault
- 54 Tamish
- 55 Practice punching
- 57 Workbench attachment
- 58 "Salome" character
- 59 Texas city
- 61 "The Stepford Wives" author
- 63 Massenet opera
- 66 Earn
- 69 "The Threepenny Opera" star
- 70 Transmision setting
- 71 Fugard's "A Lesson from —"
- 72 Marine leader?
- 73 Foe
- 74 Buttermilk's mistress
- 76 Canada's capital
- 79 Tune
- 82 — Castro
- 83 Sangria
- 85 Scent
- 87 Entice

- 88 Central European river
- 89 Veto
- 91 Grain grinder
- 93 British gun
- 96 Kind of grasshopper
- 98 Carve
- 99 Every guy is one
- 102 College hotshot
- 104 Cumberland
- 105 French airport
- 106 Swerved
- 107 Clamp
- 108 Football's Herber
- 111 Touch up the text
- 113 Therefore
- 115 Bassoon relative
- 116 Depend (on)
- 118 Made tracks
- 119 Lofty initials?
- 120 Classroom sound
- 122 Jillian or Sothern
- 123 Khan opener?
- 124 New Haven
- 125 "— is me!"
- 126 Turf
- 128 Crestfallen

The Spotlight CALENDAR

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

Wed. 1/29

BETHLEHEM

INTERNET WORKSHOP

"How to Search the Internet," hands-on workshop for adults, learning basic techniques and comparing search engines. Registrants must have prior computer experience; each session limited to six registrants, one session only. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 1:30 & 3 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

DELMAR PROGRESS CLUB

Evening Group, "Birds In Our Community" by Bob Budliger. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-3916.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

TOWN BOARD

Special meeting date, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Next meeting Feb. 12. Information, 439-4955.

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

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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

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. 1/30

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. 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.

NEW SCOTLAND

THE CLOTHING CLOSET

A service supported by area Reformed churches to provide clothing to those in need; volunteers welcome. Clarksville Reformed Church, Route 443, Clarksville, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 4-7 p.m. Information, 768-2916 or 439-5400.

Fri. 1/31

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

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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

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. 2/1

BETHLEHEM

WINTER WILDLIFE OPEN HOUSE

Celebrate Goundhog Day with exhibits, hands-on activities, information — followed by in-depth look at animal tracks and traces on outdoor field study. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., outdoor program to follow. Information, 475-0291.

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

Charmaine Cave teaches "Movement and Songs for a Winter Day," for children ages 24-48 mo., with adult caregiver; register for one session only. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue.

Delmar, 11 & 11:45 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

AA MEETING

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

Sun. 2/2

BETHLEHEM

'GROUNDHOGS GALORE'

For ages 3-6, stories, puppets, flannelboard fun and shadow play. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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, 438-7740.

NEW SCOTLAND

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. 2/3

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.

"AFTERNOONS WITH BOOKS"

Discussion group, featuring "It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life,"

by Lance Armstrong. Copies of the book available at reference desk. New members welcome. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 1:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

DELMAR KIWANIS

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

PROGRAM AT FIVE RIVERS

John Ozard, SUNY College of Forestry, on "The Decline of the Spruce Grouse in The Adirondacks, 1871-2002." Sponsored by Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

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.

ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT

Board of fire commissioners meeting, North Bethlehem firehouse, 589 Russell Road, 7:30 p.m.

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 COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

BLANCHARD LEGION POST

meeting, 16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Temple Chapter No. 5; Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

AA MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. 2/4

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.

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.

TOWN PLANNING BOARD

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

V'VILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

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

NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSN.

Meeting, featuring presentation by Marty Milner, on 18th century blacksmithing in the area. Museum open at 7 p.m., new exhibit on Helderberg Ski Club. Wyman Osterhout Senior Center, Route 85, New Salem, 7:30 p.m. Free. Information, 872-1606.

Wed. 2/5

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.

RCS SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

Public forum to discuss qualities sought in a new superintendent, conducted by BOCES search consultant. RCS Middle School auditorium, Route 9W, Ravena, 6:30 p.m. Information, 756-5255.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

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

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

1016 River Road (Route 144), Cedar Hill, 7 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Two public hearings. 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

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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

V'VILLE ZONING BOARD

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

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Call for title and signup. Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

PRAYER MEETING

AA MEETING

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

Thurs. 2/6

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZEN

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, 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.

NEW SCOTLAND

THE CLOTHING CLOSET

A service supported by area Reformed churches to provide clothing to those in need; volunteers welcome. Clarksville Reformed Church, Route 443, Clarksville, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 4-7 p.m. Information, 768-2916 or 439-5400.

Fri. 2/7

BETHLEHEM

'BOOKS IN THE MORNING'

Discussion of "Metamorphosis" by R. Kalka, sponsored by Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning; Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. - noon. Information, 439-9661.

PRESCHOOL FILMS

For ages 3-6: "One Zillion Valentine," "Mop Top," "Whistle for Willie," and "Noisy Nora." Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

POTTERY PROGRAM AT LIBRARY

"It All Starts With A Lump of Clay," Pottery owner Lisa David discusses various pottery techniques and displays samples. Attendees receive a Valentine ornament. Co-sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

ASTRONOMYLAB AT FIVE RIVERS

Workshop for teachers and youth leaders. Outdoor program, 7-9 p.m.; also indoor program Sat., 1-4 p.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. Information, 475-0291.

AA MEETING

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

Sat. 2/8

BETHLEHEM

ASTRONOMYLAB AT FIVE RIVERS

Workshop for teachers and youth leaders. Indoor program Sat., 1-4 p.m. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. Information, 475-0291.

AA MEETING

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

Sun. 2/9

BETHLEHEM

"A LITTLE SUNDAY MUSIC"

Eribeth Chamber Players perform music by Leroy Anderson and Albany's Ray Bono. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 2 p.m. Information, 4

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1815 PARK HOTEL ASSOCIATES, LLC.

Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/13/02. 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, 235 West 103 rd Street, New York, New York 10025. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD30002688

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF FOUR CORNERS LUNCHEONETTE, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.

THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of at least eighteen (18) years of age and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company (the "Company") hereby being formed under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "SSNY") certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the Company is Four Corners Luncheonette, LLC.

SECOND: The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany County.

THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the Company upon 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 shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary is 2 Grove Street, Delmar, New York 12054.

FOURTH: The Company is to be managed by all of its members exclusively in their membership capacity.

FIFTH: The future effective date of the Articles of Organization which does not exceed 60 days from the date of filing is January 1, 2003.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed these Articles of Organization and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 9th day of December, 2002.

David Heffley, Member
2 Grove Street
Delmar, New York 12054
LD30002654

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of 622 Watervliet Shaker Road, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 19, 2002, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 622 Watervliet Shaker Road, Latham, New York 12210. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. LDG 30002675 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Adirondack Fence Co., LLC, a NYS Ltd. Liability Co., (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 12/12/02. Off. Loc: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Vinciguerra & Brown, 10 Utica Ave., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD30002664 (January 29, 2003)

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

The name of the LLC is BBL GORDON, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 8, 2003. 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. LCD30002701. (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

BLEECKER CAFE, LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company. Articles of Organization of Blecker Cafe, LLC ("LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 13, 2002. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 32 Dove Street, Albany, New York 12210. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes.

File: Law Office of Kara Conway Love
Address: 450 New Karner Road, Suite 203, Albany, NY 12205-3898 LCD30002679 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of C N TOMMELL CATTLE COMPANY, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 11/14/2002. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to the LLC, 254 Stovepipe Road, Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: To engage in the business of cattle dealer and any lawful activity. LD30002655 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Cascade General Agency, LLC was filed with the SSNY on 01/02/03. Office location: Albany County. Ralph R. Penton designated as agent of LLC whom process against it may be served. The address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: Ralph R. Penton, 10823 206th St. SE, Snohomish, WA 98296. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. LD30002739 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

COALITION BUILDERS, LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is COALITION BUILDERS, LLC. The Articles of Organization were filed with the New York Secretary of State on December 6, 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 16 Regina Court, Delmar, NY 12054. LD30002687 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF CONVERSION

FROM A PARTNERSHIP TO A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is COLUMBIAWASHINGTON SQUARE, LLC. The Certificate of Conversion of COLUMBIAWASHINGTON AVENUE ASSOCIATES (a Partnership) to the LLC filed with the NY Secretary of State on November 29, 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 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. LCD30002648 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF CON-WAY LAND HOLDINGS, LLC.

Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/11/02. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/20/00. 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. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered

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agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Art. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Lockerman & Federal Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD30002684 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE: CONTI APPRAISAL & CONSULTING, LLC

Certificate of Limited Liability Company filed with NY Secretary of State on December 30, 2002. Principal office located in Albany County, NYS Secretary of State designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State shall mail copies of any process against it to: CONTI APPRAISAL & CONSULTING, LLC, c/o Jacqueline R. Conti, 1182 River Road, Selkirk, NY 12158. The purpose of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members. LCD300027 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Durham D&M LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/16/02. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/8/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: school bus transportation services. LD30002704. (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Durham School Services, L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/18/02. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/1/02. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LP: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: school bus transportation services. LD30002703 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District hereby invites the submission of sealed bids in accordance with Section 103 of the General Municipal Law for the following: **ELECTRICALLY OPERATED GYM PARTITION RETROFIT PROJECT.** Bids will be received until 1:00 p.m. on February 5, 2003 at the office of the Director of Facilities and Operations at Bethlehem Central School District, Operations & Maintenance Department, 65 Elm Avenue, Delmar, New York at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened at 1:30 p.m. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the Operations and Maintenance Department. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Any bids submitted will be binding for 90 days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Steven O'Shea
Clerk
Dated: January 22, 2003
LD30002758
(January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

FINEWILL MGMT, LLC

Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 03/13/2002. 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 each process served to the LLC, 744 Broad-

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way, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. 0.0, 1.0, 153Legal Notice **FINEWILL PRO CONSTRUCTION, LLC** Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 11/13/2002. 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 any such process served to: the LLC, 10 Airline Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. LCD30002750 (A) (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Fixed Income Analytics, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/9/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/6/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 320 Central Park West, 10H, NY, NY 10025, principal office of the LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (January 29, 2003)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: **FLOORING WAREHOUSE, LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 27, 2002. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to c/o The LLC, 8 Railroad Avenue, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: Any lawful business purpose. (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF FORMATION

OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is GNL PROPERTIES, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 20, 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 Warren 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 149 Route 28N, North Creek, New York 12853. LD30002684 (January 29, 2003)

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

The name of the LLC is HYMAN HAYES ASSOCIATES, ARCHITECTS LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 6, 2003. 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 6 Wembley Court, Albany, New York 12205. LCD30002746 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF FILING OF THE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF JOHNSON CONTACTING, LLC

1. The name of the Company is: Johnson Contracting, LLC
2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on January 2, 2003.
3. The County within the State of New York in which the Company's office is to be located is Schenectady.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon him or her is:
c/o Wallace I. Johnson

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8313 Duanesburg Road
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Delanson, New York 12053

5. The registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the liability company may be served is: Wallace I. Johnson, 8313 Duanesburg Road, route 7, Delanson, New York 12053.

6. The character of the business is to conduct any lawful business activity for profit that is not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of New York. LD30002721 (January 29, 2003)

1 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 5, 2003 at 7:30 pm at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Joyce DeSantis, 18 Hedgerose Lane, Delmar, New York for Variance under Article XVII, Side Yards, Section 128-76, Fences and Walls, Article XVIII, Rear Yards, Section 128-82, Fences and Walls of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for an existing fence which exceeds the height requirement at premises 18 Hedgerose Lane, Delmar, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman

Board of Appeals LD30002744
(January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Kforce Flexible Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/2/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 12/20/02. 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: 1001 East Palm Ave., Tampa, FL 33605. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 409 East Gaines St., Tallahassee FL 32399. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD30002694 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

KINGS CORNER, LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company

Articles of Organization of Kings Corner, LLC ("LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 13, 2002. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail; a copy of any process to the LLC, 299 Upper Flatrock Road, Voorheesville, New York 12186. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes. LCD30002671 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

LL3, LLC Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 11/13/2002. 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 any such process served to: the LLC, 10 Airline Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. LCD30002750(B) (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of LFG Technologies Development LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/16/02. Office location: Albany county. LLC formed in Illinois (IL) on 11/7/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. IL address of LLC: 9550 W. 55th St., Suite A, McCook, IL 60525. Arts. of Org. filed with IL Secy. of State, Dept. of Business Services, Rm. 351, Howlett Bldg., Springfield, IL 62756. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD 30002676 (January 29, 2003)

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1 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 5, 2003 at 7:45 pm., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Michael Carey, 31 Oakwood Road, Glenmont, New York for Special Exception under Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-17 (B) (15) Motor Vehicle Sales Agency, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem to Operate a Motor Vehicle Sales Agency with outdoor sales, display and sales at premises 90 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman

Board of Appeals LD30002745
(January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Miller Realty, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/14/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/5/02. 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. (CSC) 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD30002740 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP")

The name of the LP is Montrose Partners of Albany, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on December 24, 2002. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany county. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP is 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. LCD30002680 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

MY OWN, LLC: Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 11/13/2002. 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 any such process served to: the LLC, 10 Airline Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. LCD30002750(C) 0.0, 1.0, 144NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PAULSEN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY OF ALBANY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State (SSNY) on 12/04/02. 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, 5 Palisades Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD30002705 (January 29, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PET SAR, LLC.

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/09/03. 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, 126 Clermont Street, Albany, New York 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD30002738 (January 29, 2003)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: PMJR SERVICES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/21/02. Office

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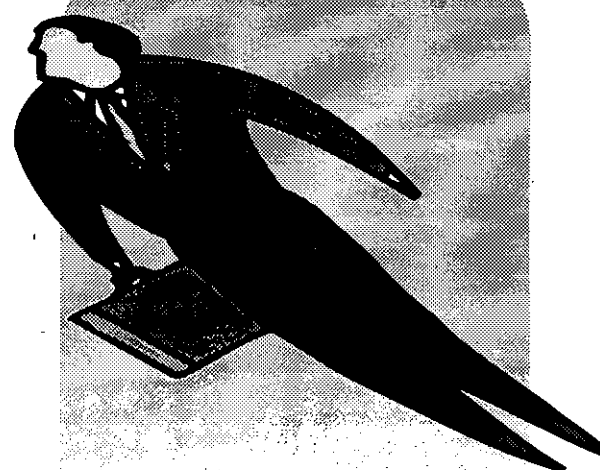
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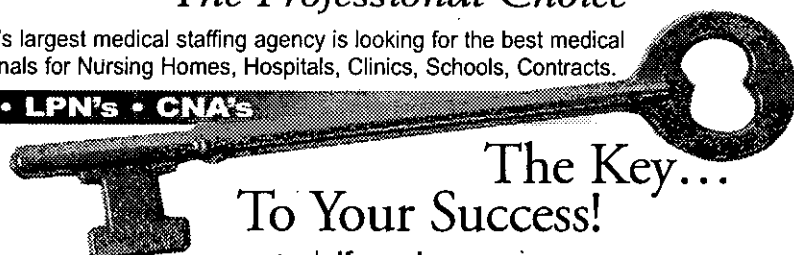
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is RAR DEVELOPMENT, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 16, 2002. The purpose of the LLC is to engage 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 6364 French's Hollow Road, Altamont, New York 12009. LCD30002668 (January 29, 2003)

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CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF SCHUYLER-MECHANICVILLE PARTNERSHIP, L.P.
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4. The name and business address of the sole general partner is:
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596 New Loudon Road
Latham, New York 12110
5. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is December 10, 2102.
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SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM At a regular meeting of Fire Commissioners of the Selkirk Fire District held on January 20, 2003, a Resolution was adopted permitting and authorizing the expenditure from an existing Capital Reserve Account, established for a type of equipment, for the purchase of a new, cab and chassis to replace a 1987 Chevrolet C-30 cab and chassis utilized on the fire apparatus now designated E-45. The expenditure shall not exceed Forty Thousand (40,000.00) dollars, including all necessary costs to place the new cab and chassis in service. The purchase of the new cab and chassis shall be made through the New York State Office of General Services and purchased solely with existing funds contained in said existing Capital Reserve Account. This

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP")

The name of the LP is Somerset Associates Acquisition Company, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on January 8, 2003. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP is 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP")

The name of the LP is Somerset Associates, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on January 8, 2003. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP is 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203. LCD30002713 (January 29, 2003)

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Notice of Qualification of Stock Yards Meat Packing Company, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/26/02. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/19/02. 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. Principal office of LLC: 9755 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, MD 21046. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 32 Lookerman Square, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD30002693 (January 29, 2003)

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Notice of Qualification of Teleglobe USA II LLC. Authority

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: TESCO, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/12/02, with an existence date of 01/01/2003. 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, 13 Michael Drive, Schenectady, New York 12303. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD30002673 (January 29, 2003)

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TRI CITY RENTALS, L.L.C., Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on January 13, 2003. 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 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203. LCD30002743 (January 29, 2003)

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LEGAL NOTICE

ful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. LD30002699 (January 29, 2003)

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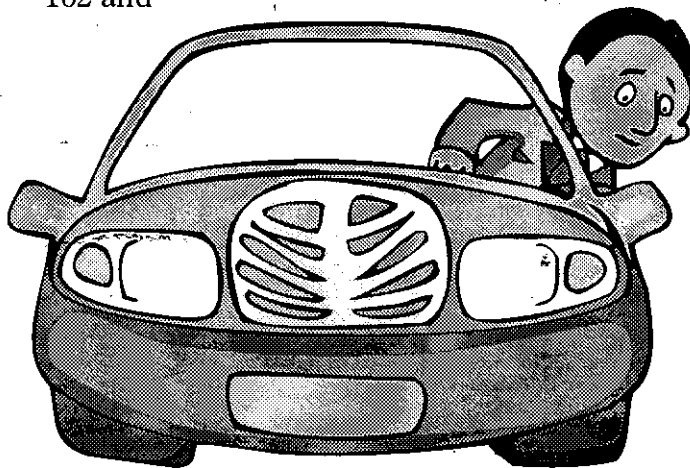
steering all are up to par.

"It's impossible to evaluate the responsiveness of all of the nation's cars," says Rich White, spokesperson for the Council. "However, through annual vehicle check lanes we know that almost nine out of 10 cars are in need of maintenance. That speaks volumes about safety when you consider that these check lanes focus on safety items such as brake fluid, tire pressure, and turn signals."

Coupling deficient cars with the inherent dangers associated with speed compounds the safety issue. A driver's average reaction time, according to the National Safety Council, is $\frac{1}{3}$ of a second. At 60 miles an hour, for example, you'll travel 66 feet (a third the length of a football

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White, who is an advocate of the three-second rule.



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Ducks

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"This is the hardest show we've ever done musically," Leavitt said. "From a musical theoretical standpoint, it would be easier to do for jazz music. The music is more than three notes; it's got a lot of extensions and other color notes."

Originally written for four men, four women and four children to perform, the middle school production has 37 actors. Each actor has three roles and has spent a great deal of time learning their music. One element that Leavitt works with each year is the fact that some of the voices he casts in November have changed by the time the show goes on in early February.

"This past summer, I went to a program given by John Cooksey, who's sort of the guru of the changing adolescent voice," Leavitt said. "You have to have that knowledge, and you have to have flexibility." Leavitt also thinks knowledge of the broader theater world helps the student actors.

On Jan. 19, members of the tech crew (40 kids this year) and some of the cast attended a presentation at Albany's Capital Repertory Theater, which gave the kids insight into the technical world of theater. In March, cast and crew will go to New York to see "Aida" on Broadway.

"Making the connection to Cap Rep and Broadway reminds us all that there's a lot more out there,

and this is just one level of theater," Leavitt said. "We do great productions here, but I like to see what else is out there and if there are things that we could do better."

By January, everyone is working at full force on the play. "We usually rehearse two hours, three to four days during the week," Leavitt said, "and four hours every Saturday."

The January snowstorm knocked out a Saturday rehearsal this year, and the stomach flu took its toll on cast and crew earlier in the year. In addition, there are the other conflicts that today's students face, like athletics, private music lessons, music performances and celebrations like bar and bat mitzvahs. "By January, everyone puts the musical on the front burner," Leavitt said.

He gave credit to the parents involved in the show, recalling in particular one evening when he

and Coccòzza were at the high school, conducting auditions for their upcoming musical and arrived at the middle school at 7:30 p.m. to find the kids rehearsing under the supervision of some of the parents. Parents help out with the tech crew, costumes, props and sets.

"The most rewarding moments for me are watching the development of the kids," Leavitt said. "There are moments when I can be a sentimental fool. The audition piece was from the last 16 to 24 bars of the show and reminds kids to believe in themselves. That's the whole point of the show, and every time we get to it now, I get teary."

Leavitt said it's rewarding to watch the changes in the kids from the beginning of the show to the end. "You see from the first auditions that the kids are diamonds in the rough," Leavitt said. "At the end, they've learned so much, they've become actors

and musicians, and they've made a lot of friends."

Some of the lead characters in the play are Dan Van Deusen as Ugly; Rebecca Lewis as his mother, Ida; Damien Privitera as her father, Drake; Samantha Shrager as Ida's best friend, Maureen; and Jordan Jones-Reese as the cat.

"Honk!" will be performed at Bethlehem Central Middle School on Kenwood Avenue Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 6, 7 and 8, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 9, at 2 p.m.

The Feb. 6 performance is an open dress rehearsal and tickets are \$4. On Feb. 7, 8 and 9, tickets are \$5.

IDA

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In July, the IDA joined forces with Milltowne and its owner, George Haseotes, to secure a \$37,500 BUILD NOW-NY grant through the Empire State Development Corp., to be matched by a similar amount from the IDA and \$75,000 from Milltowne, to be used to underwrite infrastructure and pre-permitting planning for the proposed park. Since the grant was awarded in October, the IDA has been discussing a possible purchase-option deal with the developer.

IDA chairman Michael Tucker reported last week on discussions with Milltowne's George Williams, who indicated that he developer wished to proceed with the park project as sole owner through the permitting stage.

"I think we're beyond discussion of the option," Tucker said. "I think we have consensus on that. We're going to continue to work with (Milltowne) under the BUILD NOW NY grant and see this developed at a technology park" but in a more consultative role.

The board also voted to enter into a consulting agreement with Tech Valley Development Services, recently launched by former city of Albany Economic Development Director George Laveille.

Laveille agreed to conduct an assessment of the IDA's operations and programs, and to provide project support, to help the agency better position the town for technology development opportunities. The board allotted approximately \$25,000 for the six-month agreement.

Board member Dan Plummer raised the issue of the board's meeting schedule last month, citing the board's informal scheduling practices and its meeting time, principally 8 a.m. sessions scheduled at the board members' convenience.

"There's a lot more activity," Plummer said. "An hour and a half at 8 in the morning is difficult for a lot of people to do. When we hold meetings at 8 a.m., it just about eliminates the ability of people to participate because they're going to work."

Plummer urged scheduling occasional board meetings in the evening.

The board set evening meetings for Feb. 25 and March 25 to test public interest.

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