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Parent wants BC to begin screening for mental problems

By KRISTEN OLBY

A Bethlehem mother is on a mission to make mental health screenings for middle and high school students as routine as annual eye exams.

Lisa Faist-Stanton of Slingerlands has embarked on a crusade to raise awareness about teens and mental illness and her reasons for the mission are deeply personal. Her 17-year-old son Colin quietly battled depression for several years. The Bethlehem Central High School junior's inner war led to suicide in February 2003.

Colin wasn't alone in his struggle with mental illness. It's estimated some 750,000 teens in the United States suffer from depression; some so seriously that it leads to suicide, the third leading cause of teenage death.

"It's really hard to identify mental illness," said Faist-Stanton, who is a nurse practitioner at the Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albany. "It can happen to anybody, and adolescence is such a tough time."

Research from Columbia University has shown that an average of 90 percent of teenagers who commit suicide suffer from a treatable mental illness.

Late last year, Faist-Stanton stumbled upon a newspaper advertisement for a program designed to screen adolescents for depression, suicide risk and other mental disorders. Columbia University's Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry developed TeenScreen in 1991, and Faist-Stanton hopes to implement it in Bethlehem's schools.

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The screening requires parental and student consent and the results are confidential. The program is funded at Columbia through a private benefactor, making it free for schools to implement.

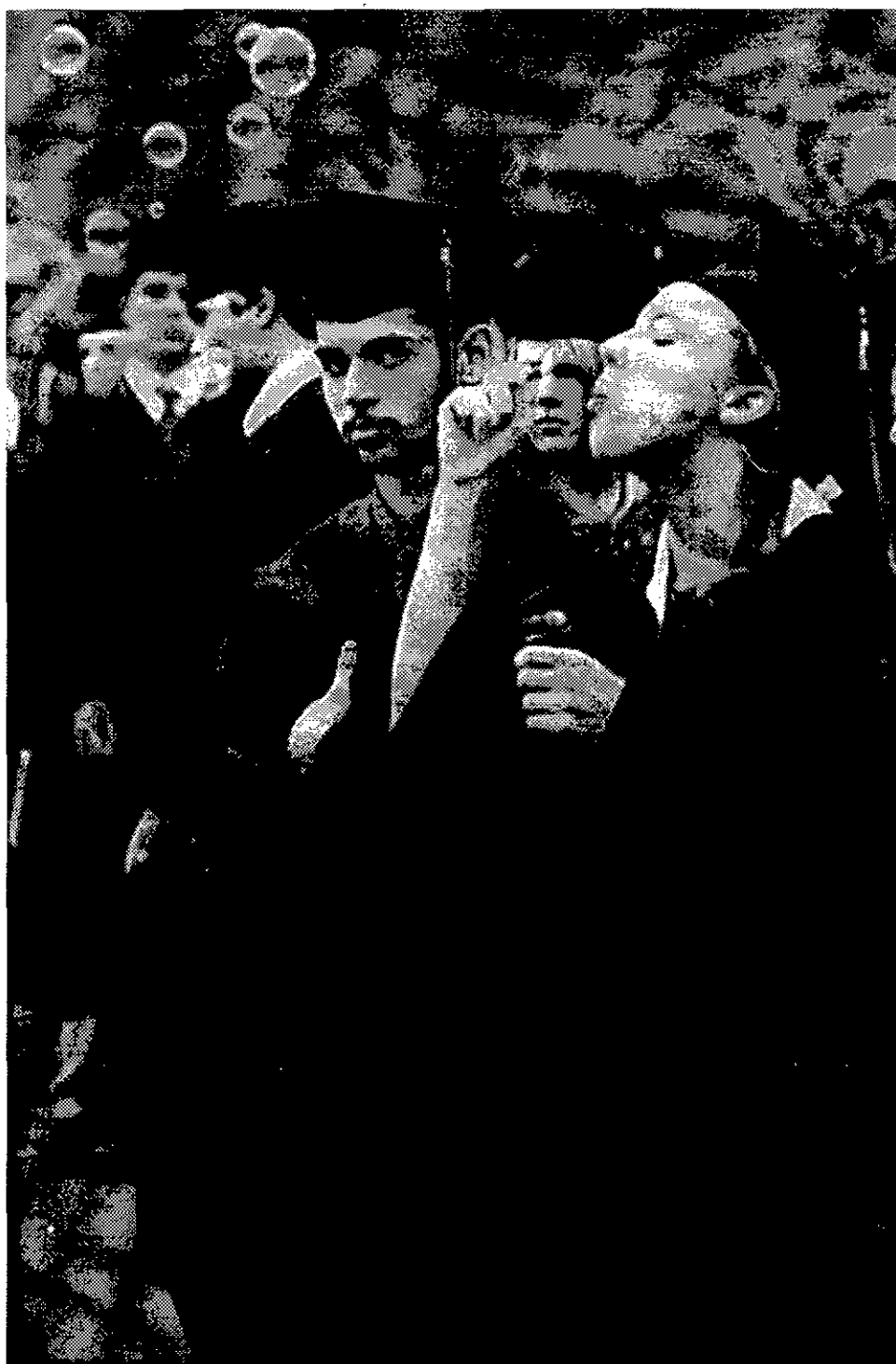
"The ultimate goal of this program is to make mental health check-ups as common and standard as vision and hearing check-ups," explained Tiffany Haick, training director of the program.

Students fill out a 10-minute computerized, self-administered survey that includes questions about anxiety and bipolar disorders, depression, suicide contemplation and substance abuse. A program staff member reviews results, and a meeting is then held with a mental health professional.

"Everybody gets a face-to-face

□ SCREENING/page 15

Moving up



Casey Gillham blows bubbles Friday just before the BC seniors entered the RACC at the University at Albany for graduation ceremonies.

Jim Franco

RCS grads pay tribute to Joe Cherry

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

Mary Mattice said Friday afternoon that she was going to the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School graduation on Saturday.

But she wouldn't see her son get a diploma.

Her son, Joe Cherry, died last August in a motor vehicle accident.

"It's just something I need to do," Mattice said of attending graduation.

Signifying the impact Cherry had on the class of 2004, about 40 people gathered Friday afternoon to remember him. About 150 seniors were expected to graduate Saturday.

At about 3:30 p.m., a rock emblazoned with a prayer written by one of Cherry's classmates was unveiled.

The memorial, which includes a brick pathway leading toward the

□ RCS/page 15

Church hopes to move house for lot

Prospective buyer would move home across the street

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

At its June 20 meeting, the congregation of Bethlehem Lutheran Church unanimously voted to let the buyer of a historic house on property adjacent to the church decide its fate.

The resolution that was passed specified that the buyer remove the house and adjoining garage from the property, which the church owns, for restoration.

"The only thing we can do is negotiate in good faith that that is their intention," said outgoing congregation president Frank Rice, referring to the future buyer or buyers.

Rice said the resolution, which allows

the church property committee to negotiate with buyers on behalf of the church congregation, was purposely left open-ended. With the church having received two more offers from people interested in buying the property since an article in the June 16 edition of *The Spotlight*, the congregation can keep its options open.

Janine Canell, who lives at 75B Elsmere Ave., was the first to express an interest in purchasing the house and moving it across the street.

"Even if that option falls through, there is still a charge to continue on that path," Rice said.

That path includes preventing the destruction of the early 19th century colonial-style farmhouse.

"We've been moving right along with the intent to not destroy the building," Rice said.

"There was considerable debate about whether we could include a statement in (the resolution) that was indicative of our intention that the building not be destroyed," Rice later said.

Rice said an already large

□ HOUSE/page 40



Town police arrest six on DWI charges

Bethlehem police made six driving while intoxicated (DWI) arrests recently.

Thomas J. Martin, 26, of 22B Elm Ave., was stopped for heading the wrong way on a one-way street.

Police said that an officer had to swerve to miss his vehicle around 3:04 a.m. on June 25. Martin admitted to drinking, police said. He was given field sobriety tests, which he failed. He was charged with DWI.

Martin is scheduled to appear in Town Court on July 6.

Shaun M. Keneston, 30, of 97 Dorchester Lane, Selkirk, was

stopped for speeding on June 24 around 3:57 a.m. Police said radar detected his speed at 50 mph in a 35 mph zone on the 400 block of Elsmere Avenue. He was charged with DWI and is due in court on July 6.

Kathy A. Woesley, 44, of 18 Circle Lane, Albany, was stopped June 22 at 12:32 a.m. for speeding. Police said radar clocked her at 71 mph in a 55 mph zone on the Slingerlands Bypass.

Woesley was also observed twice crossing the double yellow line west of Blessing Road. She was charged with DWI and is due in court on July 6.

Edward J. Bardelli Jr., 50, of 42 Ellendale Ave., Selkirk, was stopped and charged with DWI, according to police.

Police said he was observed on June 19 around 12:36 a.m. weaving from left to right within the lane and riding on or at the white line of Elsmere Avenue. Bardelli is due in court on July 6.

Robert M. Sharkey, 35, of 428 Beach 128th St., Rockaway, Queens, was stopped on June 19 around 7:45 p.m. at 542 Route 9W.

According to police, he admitted to drinking a beer at a bar in Catskill. After failing field sobriety tests, Sharkey was charged with DWI and is due in court July 6.

David Kenneth Daniel, of 1135 Western Ave., Albany, was charged with DWI and aggravated unlicensed operation on June 16 after police were called to 6 Barry Court for a domestic dispute around 10:20 p.m., police said. As officers approached, they noticed a vehicle that was exiting the area drive partially on the lawn.

People at the party, including Daniel's live-in girlfriend, said there had been a fight when Daniel said he wanted to leave because she thought he had too much to drink, police said.

Daniel walked back to the party and told officers that he realized he shouldn't be driving.

Rotary tees up for charity

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

Some 75 people on the links Monday morning weren't looking to just improve their scores, but to raise money for local charities. The Rotary Club's first "Teeing for Charity" golfing event was an expansion on the food sale that's been held for the past 20 years, said the club's treasurer Tom Burdick.

"A golf tournament seemed like a good fit for Delmar," Burdick said, "a good way to increase the amount we can give to charities every year."

Members of Rotary had seen the success of golfing events in other towns, and thought it would work well here.

Before the final audit was complete, secretary Dick Gallagher estimated that the fundraiser had brought in \$5,000.

"It went beautifully," Gallagher said. "We'll do it again next year."

Held at Normanside Country Club, the event raised money for nine charities and projects, Burdick said. The charities include Bethlehem Festival Fund, Bethlehem Senior Project, Bethlehem Meals on Wheels and Ravena Seniors Center.

"We'll continue to give to the same organizations that we have in the past," Burdick said. "We may be giving to more or stepping up the amount we give to them."

Golf tournaments for charity have been successful in other towns, Burdick said, and he said the community's response to "Teeing for Charity" was great.

"They know the money is going right back to charities and the community," Burdick said. "It's been a really warm reception. Hopefully, we'll hold it for years to come."

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Mother, son, teachers praise former director

By LINDA DeMATTIA

At a special meeting called to update the board on the bond project, two people expressed their support for the former director of the middle school's seventh and eighth grade Piping Rock choral group, and the administration's decision to restructure the middle school choral program.

Kathleen Bragle and her son John told the board they were upset by the public outcry at last week's meeting, and the plan to abolish the grade six to eight Sound Sensation chorale and create a select chorus only for sixth-graders.

"A sixth-grade group is not questionable, it is very doable," said Kathleen Bragle, a music teacher at Guilderland Central. "Having a sixth-grade chorus is very sound. This district has always challenged its talented kids, and I think you made the right decision. But I have a problem with the fact that (individuals who spoke at the previous meeting said) kids don't

John Bragle, himself about to begin a career as a music teacher, also defended the previous director, who was once his teacher.

"As someone who had been through the program and is ready to go into teaching music, she is a quality educator and I can look back at all she did for me," he said. "There is a difference between teaching fun things and making teaching fun."

Loomis and board president Robin Storey both reiterated their previous commitment to re-energize the middle school choral program through the proposed changes.

The board discussed the topic at hand for the special meeting, the exterior surfaces for the additions at the high school.

At the previous meeting, board members had been told they needed to begin making choices so the project specification could be created and savings could be captured.

Board members initially balked at the use of exterior insulating form surface (EIFS) rather than brick on the gym wing. Architect Richard Peckham and project manager David Rubin said it would save more with EIFS than only a brick exterior and the change in surface texture would give the addition a less institutional look.

"If you want no EIFS, it would be about \$400,000," Peckham said. "If the board feels it appropriate to make the additions to the design, we would leave it to the design technicians to figure out how to do the cost savings."

Board members said they didn't want to simplify the bridge design or cafeteria in order to free up the money necessary to fund the full-brick exterior for all additions.

After looking at the design options, the use of EIFS for the gym addition began to look better to many board members. Lynne Lenhardt said she preferred the textural change offered by the EIFS, and didn't care for the all-brick look.

"It looks too institutional," she said. "I'm looking for the barbed wire."

"To my eye, most additions we do have this kind of look," Rubin said. "It connotes a more modern look, one of technology. All masonry or brick is ponderous and heavy, and just not the right aesthetic feel. I have every confidence that EIFS in these applications will be fine, and this is the kind of light tone we'd like to see."

The board agreed to go with the use of EIFS on the gym wing, but agreed the additional brick on the wing facing Delaware Avenue as well as on one of the wings was more appealing.

Beaming



BC grads, left, Molly Jaffee, Genya Shimkin and Brittany Worgan are all smiles as they stand next to the picture wall at Bethlehem's Graduation Celebration Saturday.

NS tries to help stranded residents

By MARTIN J. BANNAN

Nine New Scotland residents have no access to and from their homes as a result of a bridge collapse on Miller Road.

The bridge, located off New Scotland's South Road, which is County Route 308, gave way June 21 after a gravel truck attempted to cross it that morning. Highway Superintendent Darrell Duncan closed the road after inspecting the site and deemed the bridge unsafe.

A more detailed investigation by engineers from Vollmer Associates in Albany determined that two out of five main beams failed and an additional one twisted. Also, the report indicates, there was displacement of both the wearing surface and the guide rail.

"Our priority is to provide emergency egress and access to the nine homes now cut off from the highway. We are most concerned about safety," said New Scotland Town Supervisor Ed Clark. "We are trying to make a temporary fix by repairing the crossing or building an alternate overland route."

One neighbor, Frank Tate, has reportedly agreed to let residents drive across his property to reach their homes.

Town Engineer Mark Dempf is working with state Department of Transportation officials to span the stream using large metal plates. "This would allow only cars to cross," he said. "Emergency vehicles such as fire trucks would be unable to use the route." The state Department of Environmental Conservation rejected an earlier proposal to run a temporary culvert.

As for a permanent solution, Dempf is exploring nine options, which include replacing the overpass or building a new road

to connect to Miller Road.

"Building a new road poses difficulty because Miller Road borders on protected wetlands," Dempf said. "However, building a new span will be very expensive."

In other news, the board agreed to adopt a 90-day interim application law for wireless telecommunications facilities at its next regular meeting July 14.

This law is in lieu of a moratorium while the town crafts its own telecommunications law. Under the interim application law, applicants looking to build a communications tower will be subject to new local telecommunications regulations adopted within 90 days of its passage. If passed, the law takes effect immediately.

Habitat wants to help man with housing

By MARTIN J. BANNAN

Village trustees in Voorheesville could only listen to a plea on behalf of a resident suffering from a debilitating mental condition for a home in the village. At the village board meeting on June 22, Paul Richards, president of Capital District Habitat for Humanity, spoke to the board about possibly donating the vacant building next to village offices as a home for Bill Kiniski, who suffers from a bipolar condition.

Last month, Mayor John Stevens proposed that the building be removed to add parking and provide better access to Nichols Park. Most important, he said, additional space could allow the village to have handicapped parking, sorely desired by senior citizens. The building, owned by the village, had been rented as an apartment for \$575 a month, until it was vacated in April. Richards said that in six months they can fix it and make it a better building.

Kiniski, who now lives in an apartment in the village, is the father of two boys, ages 13 and 16. Unable to work full time, he collects Social Security and disability. Rehabilitation Support Service pays 70 percent of his rent. He supplements this assistance delivering newspapers.

A resident of Voorheesville

since he was in second grade, Kiniski, 44, wants to stay in the village. "He is passionate to stay," said Richards. "He likes the people and finds it a safe place to raise his family."

Kiniski is the first person in New York state and fourth in the nation deemed eligible by the Habitat for Humanity because of mental illness.

"They want to show the community that someone with mental illness can live in their own home and function in society," Kiniski said. "Not everybody with mental illness lives in institutions or on the street. They can be productive in the community."

Although sympathetic, board members could offer no property.

"Parking has always been a problem here," said trustee Bill Hotelling of the proposed use for the building next to village offices. "This property is our only hope to add parking."

He said the village bought the parcel with hopes of expanding village offices but, having no money, rented it instead.

As for other housing options, Mayor John Stevens said that the village is limited on available land because most of what they own is restricted for well protection.

"We will keep looking," Stevens said. "I think Habitat for Humanity is a wonderful program. We would love to have Bill stay in the village."

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Kathleen Bragle

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Bragle said she was "appalled" when she read the account of the meeting in *The Spotlight*, and read the negative comments about the previous Piping Rock director, who remained unidentified by all at both meetings.

"Everyone knows who they are talking about," Bragle said. "What a hurtful thing for a teacher to read in the newspaper." She defended the previous director's professionalism and credentials.

Superintendent Les Loomis said he understood how the comments came across.

"Mr. Pisanello came along with others, and in defending him they said some things about other people in the program," Loomis explained to Bragle.

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Good friends, good songs start a life together

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

When you go to a wedding, it's customary to give a gift. The Internet has made that easier, and well before we headed to Portland, Maine, for the wedding of one of Chris' college friends, we had that accomplished.

When we were in our 20s and early 30s, we toted gifts around the country as we attended weddings at a fast and furious pace. I learned from other female guests to let Chris enter the pew at the church first, so that I could sit on the end and get an up-close

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look at the bride and her gown as she came down the aisle.

We can recite by heart the Bible reading from 1 Corinthians 13, about love not being jealous, and not sounding like a clanging bell; we grin at each other when a couple has chosen to read from The Song of Solomon. For Chris,

that was a clear negative.

"People will die laughing at the thought of me leaping like a gazelle," he said of the verse meant more for a sprightly hunter than a bespectacled lawyer.

We are connoisseurs of scallops wrapped in bacon as appetizers, and as much as it pains a bride when her beloved asks for mini hot dogs wrapped in pastry, my plebian palate thrills when the little wieners show up on a tray.

We got really good at dancing to "The Girl from Ipanema," and always loved the reunions that led the newly married couple into their life together.

We go to fewer weddings now; Chris has younger cousins who have married recently, and one of my brothers, who's 10 years younger than I, married a couple of years ago.

A friend had a celebration after the wedding this winter, and we gladly traveled to New York City to toast the new couple.

It's rare to celebrate the first marriage of contemporaries, and when Ed and Kim called to say they were getting married in

Maine in June, we gladly blocked the time on the calendar and enlisted Grandma to stay with our boys and make sure the TV didn't swallow them whole during their first few school-free days of the summer.

Ed and Chris share the bond of college and having grown up Irish-American on Long Island. This means that they laugh readily and sing easily, unself-consciously and well, making any time spent with them a delight. Kim is an open, friendly woman with a smile as big as her heart.

paled in comparison to the trip that many of the guests had made. There were people from San Francisco; Seattle; Alaska; Maryland; New York; London; Ireland; and Tasmania. The work that people did was as varied as their geography, and there wasn't a pretentious or unfriendly person in the room.

Ed had requested that people come with their "party pieces" to guarantee an Irish singsong, and a little girl kicked off the evening by singing "Dancing Queen," surprising even her parents by knowing all the words.

The evening was great fun. Stories about the bride and groom yielded to Van Morrison songs; a father-and-daughter duet of "The Candyman"; past performances from school talent shows; a version of "Delta Dawn" that the bride and her siblings used to sing when they went visiting (you know we all knew the words); and readings of love poems by Billy Collins.

It reminded Chris and me of the best part of our vacations in Ireland, those magical nights when we gather in the pub and everybody sings the songs they know and love best. Looking around the room at all the open faces, all the Irish heads of white hair and vivid blue eyes laughing as much as their mouths were, it felt like home.

"I don't know a soul here," one of the guests said as he toasted the couple, "but I feel completely comfortable."

The wedding itself was as touching as the evening before was fun. Chris and I are creeping up on our 18th wedding anniversary, and as the priest talked about all the days of Ed and Kim's life, I couldn't help but marvel at all the days we've had together.

We were young and carefree together; we rejoiced in the births of our children; we held each other tight after our fathers died; we traded the fast-paced world of Manhattan for the deliberate upstate pace that lets us relish our days as a family; and although we have days we'd just as soon forget, most mornings we feel pretty darn blessed to wake up together.

The beauty of being at a wedding where the families are Irish and French Catholic is that people giving toasts don't shy away from the biggest part of married life: children.

"Kids are what it's all about," Ed's brother Dennis said. "They'll break your heart, but they remind you that you have a heart."

Dennis' words were true, for Chris and I have laughed, cried, fought, sighed and smiled about our children. They have kept us alive, and they have kept us honest. In a lifetime of blessings, they have been our greatest gift, even if it's a gift we sometimes take for granted and one that we often despair over.

With our kids nearly 300 miles away and safe with Grandma, it was easy to get choked up about the days we've had with them and vow to see more of the joy they can bring and forget the agony.

It was an unexpected twist, then. With a night full of song and friendly companions, and a wedding celebration that reminded us of what matters most in life, we ended up receiving a bigger gift than we gave.

We were young and carefree together; we rejoiced in the births of our children; we held each other tight after our fathers died; we traded the fast-paced world of Manhattan for the deliberate upstate pace that lets us relish our days as a family; and although we have days we'd just as soon forget, most mornings we feel pretty darn blessed to wake up together.

We don't see enough of them — something that happens with too many people we like too well.

Clearly, many others felt the same way, for when we arrived at the pre-wedding gathering (at an Irish pub in Portland's Old Port), our jaunt from the Capital District

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Local man wants 'under God' taken out of Pledge

By ADRIENNE LANCHANTIN

The words "under God" are two that Donald Whisenhunt could do without.

The Niskayuna resident, father of two and self-proclaimed atheist and humanist, is trying to bring local attention to the national debate over the Pledge of Allegiance.

"The phrase 'under God' doesn't need to be in the Pledge," he said.

Whisenhunt recently became a voice for the argument against what he says is a representation of the state-sponsored promotion of religion. He said he feels the need to speak out since the United States Supreme Court ruled on June 14 to throw out a lawsuit seeking to remove "under God" from the Pledge.

The court's ruling centered on California resident and atheist Michael Newdow. Newdow could not sue because he doesn't have legal custody of his daughter.

Newdow had contested that as an atheist, he didn't want his daughter reciting a pledge that referred to God, since he doesn't believe in God. The ruling overturns a lower state Appeals Court ruling that supported Newdow's request.

The ruling came exactly 50 years after Congress added the words to the Pledge.

Whisenhunt said this is side-stepping the larger issue.

"We're disappointed that the Supreme Court dodged the Pledge case and didn't make a ruling," he said, adding, "It's going to come back again."

A member of the Capital District Humanist Society, Whisenhunt has also teamed up with the Institute for Humanist Studies in Albany, a group working to keep religion out of politics.

Tim Gordinier, a lobbyist with the institute, said the organization gets involved when it determines religion is affecting politics.

"Freedom of religion means freedom from religion," he said. "It's just as bad to put 'under God,' as it would be to name somebody. How would people feel if they put 'one nation, without God?'"

For both Whisenhunt and Gordinier, the issue is larger than just two words.

"It can seep into other areas," Gordinier said of religious references, adding that the idea is to protect individuals, and especially children, who are not religious or don't believe in a Christian God. There is concern, he said, that children who decide not to say the Pledge will be ridiculed by their peers.

The fight over the Pledge is so children aren't put in these positions, Gordinier said.

"People say atheists are winning if the words are removed," Gordinier said. "If this was the case, they would replace it with something else. We're looking for neutrality."

For state Assemblyman James Tedisco, R-Schenectady, taking two words out of the Pledge would be just one step in an attempt to rewrite history.

Tedisco recently introduced a resolution in the Assembly that, among other things, seeks to preserve the Pledge of Allegiance in the form adopted by Congress

50 years ago.

The Assembly adopted the resolution on June 14 — Flag Day — the same day the court threw out the Newdow case.

The state Senate has also adopted a resolution similar to Tedisco's, both of which establish the state's stance on the issue.

For Tedisco, the words "under God," are not so much a religious reference as they are an historic one. For it was under God, he said, that the American forefathers established the United States of America.

"If you take it out, there will be cases to take it off our coins, our currency, and they would declare that the greatest definition of our country doesn't sustain us anymore," Tedisco said. "They want to move toward a more

secular society, which means man and government gave you ungovernable rights and they can take them away."

The argument that taking God out of the Pledge will hurt or confuse young children doesn't cut it for Tedisco, who believes the Constitution protects peoples' rights to offend people if need be.

"She doesn't have to say the Pledge, and she doesn't have to say 'under God,'" Tedisco said.

If Gov. George Pataki signs Tedisco's resolution, it will affirm the state's support for the Pledge as is, but it would mean little in a court case.

As much as people like Whisenhunt and Gordinier are confident that the issue will come up again in the form of a lawsuit, neither is sure exactly what or where the legal action will be.

The Institute for Humanist Studies would be there to support any parent who decided to take up the case and would consider paying for legal costs.

For parents like Whisenhunt, the issue is much more personal than a lawsuit.

Whisenhunt said he is worried about his third-grade daughter's, and first-grade son's, upbringing.

He said he doesn't tell his children not to say the Pledge when they go to school, but when they come home and ask him if he believes in God, he tells them "no."

"It gets complicated to explain why this is in their school," he said. "It makes it seem like the school is disagreeing with their parents."

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Matters of Opinion

Have a safe Fourth

The nation will celebrate the Fourth of July on Sunday, followed by a day off on Monday.

For most families, it will be a three-day respite from the 9-to-5 rat race and a chance to enjoy the summer weather.

Since the Fourth celebrates Independence Day, many will show their patriotism by lighting up various forms of fireworks (most illegal in New York) in the backyard. Exercise extreme care, especially when young children are involved if you celebrate at home.

Far more spectacular are the public fireworks displays in places like the Empire State Plaza and Clifton Common.

And some of us won't find much to celebrate, given the volatile situation in Iraq.

We should all, however, at least think about what Independence Day really means. It means that we live in a free society and have the right to speak our minds regardless of differing points of view.

It means that we enjoy freedoms that people in few other nations have. And these are freedoms that we should cherish and protect for ourselves and for future generations.

Enjoy a safe and happy Fourth of July.

Congrats in order

Over the weekend, thousands of high school students graduated and will now move on to the adult world in college, at a job or in the military.

The members of the class of 2004 will begin to make their mark on the world, and we wish them all the best as they begin their journey.

We hope they will make this journey in a more peaceful world, where words, not guns, bombs or terrorists' acts, are used to resolve disputes.

As we look at pictures of the graduates' beaming faces, we see they are our hope for the future. They are undaunted by life's challenges, and their enthusiasm for the future is contagious.

Commencement means a beginning, much more than just walking across the stage to receive a diploma. It means the graduates are prepared for making a future for themselves and their communities. It means they have the energy and talent to move on and up in the world.

Be all you can be, class of 2004. Live life to its fullest. Savor the task ahead of you and keep your spirits high. We are all very proud of you.

Editorials

Why state budget is such a mess

By BARBARA BARTOLETTI

The writer, a Delmar resident, is legislative director of the League of Women Voters of New York State.

Fund-raising, felonies and frolicking are three words some have used facetiously to describe the regular 2004 session of the New York State Legislature.

However, those words do not describe the depths of dysfunction in state government, which accounts for why so little has been accomplished over the past six months.

The underlying reasons why state government is so dysfunctional need to be discussed to understand why our system is such a mess.

Redistricting

Every 10 years after the federal Census, the U.S. Constitution requires that the states redraw congressional and legislative district lines. These lines are drawn in New York state by the Democratic majority in the Assembly and the Republican majority in the Senate. In a "gentlemen's agreement," each house in power draws designer districts providing for its own permanent incumbency.

In New York state, the incumbency return rate fluctuates between 98 percent and 100 percent. Consequently, legislators seldom fear the wrath of the electorate.

Campaign finance

The lack of limits on campaign contributions and the ability of lawmakers to hold fund-raisers nightly in Albany during the legislative session allows legislators to reap huge amounts of campaign dollars from lobbyists. The resulting campaign war chests serve to discourage challengers and the longer the session goes on, the larger the war chests get.

This explains why there are few competitive elections across the state and why the leadership in the Legislature has the comfort level to continue the gridlock we experienced this session.

Personalities

The disdain felt by the

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governor and legislative leaders toward one another became palpable this session. Their dislike for one another and the petty name-calling have led to mistrust and an inability to work together. Negotiating in this environment is impossible.

Leadership control

The consolidation of power in the Legislature's leadership provides little incentive for rank-and-file legislators to press for breaking the gridlock.

Leadership controls the flow of legislation, appoints committee chairs, including the extra income that comes with these chairmanships, staff appropriations and campaign dollars through the central campaign committees. Often legislators' very political existence depends on their support of the leader.

This system produces immense frustration in rank-and-file legislators who must go back to their districts and explain why so little has been accomplished.

Now for the few pluses of this regular session — the major plus is that it's over! Hopefully, tempers will cool in the next six weeks so that legislative staff and the governor's office can begin to work cooperatively to reach an agreement.

Budget process reform

The one welcome accomplishment of this legislative session was first passage of a Constitutional amendment, which will reform the perennially late state budget process. Second passage of this amendment must occur next session with a newly elected Legislature. It will then go on the ballot for voter approval in November 2005.

The implementing legislation necessary to carry out the Constitutional amendment was passed by both houses on the last night of session and now goes to the governor for his signature or veto. If the governor vetoes this legislation, which is possible, look for a legislative override.

This amendment would put into place a contingency budget in the event the Legislature does not pass a budget by the new fiscal year start date of May 1. The contingency budget would require that spending be held at the previous year's levels, except for public assistance payments and federal funding obligations. The lack of an increase in state education aid or in Medicaid payments will provide a strong incentive to bring the principals to the table to negotiate an on-time budget.

But the minuses in this session are more numerous and more glaring.

No state budget

This is the 20th year that the Legislature and governor have been unable to agree on a state budget on time.

Although state legislators continue to go without their salaries until the budget is passed, a far more notable effect is that local school districts have had to pass budgets with conservative

estimates of the amount of state aid they will receive. Most districts have seen a rise in school taxes, and many property owners will see an increase in their property taxes. Nonprofit human service programs will also soon begin to run out of money, jeopardizing the services they provide.

The Legislature passed a six-week extender before leaving town last week to keep government functioning until Aug. 2, but many believe they will return July 20 if agreement on any significant issue is reached.

Campaign for Fiscal Equity lawsuit

The state Court of Appeals ruled last year in a case called CFE vs. Pataki that current state aid disparities do not provide New York City students with the "sound basic education" mandated by the state Constitution.

The court ordered the Legislature and governor to fix the state aid formula and imposed a July 30 deadline for remedy. If there is no agreement by that date, the Court will appoint a "special master" panel to do it.

Education advocates have lobbied vigorously to address the issue of school funding disparity statewide, however, if the Legislature and the governor do not agree to a remedy, the "special master" remedy would be limited only to New York City schools.

Legislative leaders and the governor have all submitted separate funding plans amounting to between \$6 billion and \$10 billion, but agreement is unlikely before the deadline. In Albany's "Nothing is done until everything is done" mentality, agreement on other issues is doubtful until after July 30 or until a funding agreement is reached.

Drug law reform

For several years, there have been serious negotiations on this issue to no avail; this year, a conference committee tried to bridge the impasse.

The Senate refuses to give in on judicial discretion and the Assembly refuses to give in on B felonies. The impasse continues with little hope for resolution.

Lobbying reform

The convictions of three legislators and one former state labor commissioner for bribery concerning state contracts has helped bring the issue of procurement lobbying to the fore.

The League and other good government groups have been trying for several years to expand the definition of lobbying to include state contracts. The Assembly passes a bill every year, but the governor has managed to derail it in the Senate even though Majority Leader Joe Bruno has said he favors the legislation.

These are just some of the issues that were unaddressed this session. Others include voting reform, Medicaid reform, mental health parity, auto insurance fraud, and power plant siting.

Will the Legislature come back with agreements on the budget, and some of these issues or will this session go down as the most unproductive in memory?

My guess is: No and yes.

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Your Opinion Matters

Music lover thinks BC should keep programs

Editor, The Spotlight:

In reading the article concerning the Bethlehem Central School District choral program, I was quite upset to hear of the new proposed plan for the elimination of Sound Sensation.

I was also saddened by the fact that Piping Rock is so severely looked down upon.

As a former member of both groups, I feel that both are important programs. In Sound Sensation, one style of music is studied, while in Piping Rock, a very different genre is focused upon.

I feel that each genre is important in the development of a well-rounded musician and music lover. Just because one is seen as "more fun" does mean that that should be the only one that is focused on.

I found that in each group, valuable music experience was gained, whether the group seemed "popular" or not.

The focus of Piping Rock should not be looked down upon, and the previous director, Joanne Hihn, should most certainly not be condemned for her direction. I enjoyed singing under the direction of both musicians, and the variety of music from group to group offered great opportunities in two different venues. The variety allowed me to flourish in the choral department during my time at BCMS.

With the proposal for an all-sixth-grade choir, I suspect it won't fully serve the purpose it intends to. At that stage of development, a child's voice is not going to be strong enough and developed enough to accomplish the task at hand.

I agree with Mr. Pisanello that sixth-grade singers need the help, guidance and talent of their older students, and this has always been accomplished in Sound Sensation, as shown by its overwhelming success year after year.

If we eliminate Sound Sensation, a group of students from all three levels of the school, we are eliminating a valuable asset to the school. The group was not only a chance to make music, but to bring together students of different ages, grade levels and talents.

With the end of Sound Sensation, sixth-grade students are no longer allowed to make

music with older students, which I have always felt is a valuable asset in the development of a musician.

As an avid member of multiple ensembles in the school district, I always found my work with older students to be very helpful. In addition, when I was an older student, I saw and experienced the very rewarding feeling of helping those younger students become better musicians.

I thank *The Spotlight* for bringing the issue to the public's attention. It is a very important issue that affects our school district more than one would think. Although many regard music as just an extracurricular activity, it is an important cultural and creative aspect of our lives and needs to continue through the generations.

Brenda Schmidt
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Garden club is grateful for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem First and the Bethlehem Garden Club would like to thank the five homeowners who so graciously opened their gardens for the eighth annual Garden Tour on June 16.

They are: Frank and June Mengel, Sorrell and Lorraine Chesin, Joe and Susie Hart, Carl and Nancy Tcuhey and Denis Whalen.

There were 370 visitors who had a wonderful evening to explore the gardens, ask questions of the homeowners and expand their own gardening knowledge.

Thanks also the 20 Garden Club members who helped to manage the event.

And thanks to Bob Horn, Karen Kermani, Shirley Seyler and Ted Howell of Bethlehem First, Supervisor Theresa Egan and the Bethlehem Police

Department, Marty DeLaney and the Chamber of Commerce, Windsor Development Corp., the Price Chopper in Slingerlands and Susan Graves and the staff at *The Spotlight*.

The tour began in 1997 and to date 48 homeowners have opened their gardens, 2,073 visitors have toured the gardens.

More than \$18,000 has been returned to the Bethlehem community in the form of multiple beautification projects.

These projects include: planting daffodils at various spots in town, planting 55 trees

along Delaware Avenue and other areas of town, flower boxes at the Four Corners, donations to Veterans Memorial Park, enhancing the intersection of Kenwood and Cherry avenues, proposed new landscaping of trees and gardens for the library, and a new welcome garden for the Route 32 entrance way with help from the town and state highway departments.

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Village to provide youth activities

The village of Voorheesville will offer several youth clinics during the summer. The clinics are free for village residents and \$5 for town of New Scotland residents.

All activities will be held at the village park unless otherwise noted. For a listing of activities or information, call the village office at 765-2692.

Trash pickup

The town of New Scotland trash pickup is on schedule for the July 4th week. For information, call 475-0835.

School district takes census

The Voorheesville Central School District takes a census every two years.

This census helps keep records on children, newborn through age 18, living in the district.

In addition, this enables the school to gather information on students who may have special

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needs and those who may be attending private schools. This census will take place during the months of June, July and August. JoAnne Donohue will be the census enumerator.

For information, call the elementary school at 765-2382, ext. 514.

Water restrictions are in effect

The village of Voorheesville will enforce watering restrictions from now through Sept. 15.

Homes with even street numbers can water on Mondays and Wednesdays between 7 and 9 a.m. and 7 and 9 p.m. Odd-numbered homes can water on Tuesdays

and Thursdays between 7 and 9 a.m. and 7 and 9 p.m.

Thacher Nature Center schedules weekly walks

On Thursday, July 1, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., there will be a morning walk at the Thacher Nature Center. Participants should meet at the Paint Mine Picnic Shelter at 9 a.m. All walks are free and open to the public. In the event of inclement weather, the walk will be rescheduled to Friday, July 2, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Call the park office at 872-1237 for information. Weekly walks in the woods are scheduled every Thursday morning in June, July and August at Thacher Park.

Nature Center sponsors rainforest program

Beth Bidwell of the Wildlife Institute of Eastern New York will talk about animals of the rainforest on Saturday, July 3, at 2 p.m. at the Thacher Nature Center. All are invited to attend. Also that same evening, there will be stargazing at 8:30 p.m. at the center with amateur astronomer Ken Dubois. Cloudy skies will cancel this program. Rain date is July 4, same time and place.

Tastee Treat to host singer

The Tastee Treat ice cream stand on New Scotland Road will host singer Chris Trombley on Friday, July 2, from 5 to 8 p.m.

All are invited to this free concert.

Presbyterian Church sets summer schedule

The Presbyterian Church in New Scotland has changes in store for the summer months.

Sunday school will not meet for the summer, and workshop will begin at 10 a.m. As the summer progresses, the union services will be shared with First United Methodist Church in Voorheesville.

On July 11, 18 and 25 worship will be at the Methodist church and on Aug. 1, 8, and 15, worship is at the New Scotland church.

Village hosts concert

The first in a series of summer concerts will be held on Wednesday, July 7, at the gazebo in Hotelling Park at 7 p.m. The String Dusters will perform. The rain site will be the Methodist church. All are welcome to attend these free summer concerts.

Committee plans recreational events

The town of New Scotland Recreation Committee has planned several events over the summer.

Hop aboard the Albany Aqua Duck amphibious vehicle on Monday, July 19, at town hall at 1 p.m. and then take a tour of Albany's historic area on land and then into the Hudson River for a river-level view of the city skyline and other sights.

The cost is \$11 per person.

On Tuesday, Aug. 3, see the Tri-City Alley Cats against the Vermont Expos at the Hudson Valley Community College ballfield. The cost is \$9 per person.

For information, call Pat Geurtze at 475-0385.

Writing workshop set at library

Registration is still open for the children's writing workshop at Bethlehem Public Library.

Designed for children entering grade three and up, the workshop meets on five consecutive Fridays, July 9, through Aug. 6, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Guest speakers provide a different aspect of writing at each session.

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Library to launch landscaping program

Thanks to Bethlehem voters, our renovation project has yielded a streamlined, accessible, attractive facility that complements the community. We are now envisioning a landscape to match — one that is inviting, restful and beautiful in all

are on display in our lobby in July. Thirty-six years as a veterinarian familiarized Lynk with the barns, flora, fauna and vistas of the Helderbergs. Now he commits them to canvas.

A native of Schoharie County, Lynk grew up near Sharon Springs on a dairy farm that has been in his family since 1859. He has studied with several notable artists at the Hudson River Valley Art Workshops in Greenville. He currently paints in classes locally with Karen Rosasco and Betsy Apgar Smith. In Delmar, he sketches in the River Front Artists' life-drawing sessions. He is president of the Bethlehem Art Association and a member of the Albany Art Group.

American heroes

Dale Richter's photographs honoring the Selkirk Fire Department are also on display in July. The photos, several of which have been published, were taken at fires and emergency calls over the last five years. The artist, who is also a fireman, is owner of Quality Foto Finish in Glenmont.

Louise Grieco



seasons.

Bethlehem Public Library trustees have authorized the formation of a committee to spearhead a landscape project for the library grounds. The independent committee includes representatives from Bethlehem First, Bethlehem Garden Club, Delmar Progress Club, and Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

The master site plan is being designed by Peter Loyola, principal of CLA Landscape Architecture, Engineering and Planning, P.C. The plan will be on display in the library lobby.

The committee is working with the architect to select perennial and annual plantings. Committee members will recruit volunteers to plant and maintain the gardens. A landscaper will be hired to install the larger plantings. The committee anticipates that work will begin this summer.

A public comment and input session will be held at the library on Monday, July 12, at 7 p.m., prior to the board of trustees meeting. The architect will present the plan and answer questions.

For information on the Landscape Project, contact Randy Fisher, 475-3051.

Helderberg scenes

Watercolors by Robert Lynk

Musical storytellers to perform

Summer Reading Club kicks off July 7 at 7 p.m. with a lively performance for the whole family by musical storytellers Tales 'n' Tunes.

Carol Connolly and Don Darmer perform stories from the folk tradition, with original songs creatively integrated in them to allow for audience participation. They are high-energy performers and their programs have children singing and clapping along, and adult listeners enchanted.



Regular club meetings run July 12 through Aug. 19. Sign-up is ongoing.

Friends of the Library report that it was a fantastic book and bake sale again this year, thanks to a multitude of people. Cadette Scouts from Troop 670 organized and ran the Saturday bake sale. Lots of thanks go to them and the generous bakers who always come through for us. A variety of donations also came from: Voorheesville's Nichols' Market, Hannaford, Price Chopper, and Perfect Blend. Mike Goyer, Bill Kelly and the other maintenance staff were instrumental in the loan of tables from the elementary school, and their pickup and delivery. We would be hard pressed to carry on the sale without those tables!

The list of book volunteers is lengthy, beginning with Beth

Zakrzewski and Georgia Gray, who have been sorting as donations came in during the year. Michele Reilly was the Friends sale coordinator, assisted by Jen Cillis, Chrystie Stafford, Nancy Halpert, Cindy Childs and Jan Kurposka, VPL Trustee Cathy Anderson, and a host of book sorters and sellers who will not be named here in case we leave someone out.

Special appreciation goes to Voorheesville High School student Scott Herzog who expended tremendous energy on our behalf with book lugging and set-up. Director Gail Sacco recruited her family, husband Joe and son Dan, who worked hard on set-up. And, finally, thanks to the library staff who expended extra effort to make the sale a success.

Congratulations go to new FOL members Albert Sanders

and his family who won the 50/50 raffle, and apologies to photographer Craig Shufelt, who lost the glass on one of his terrific car photos that met with an accident while hanging in the hall gallery.

The Friends had a great response to their spring membership drive. If you have not yet returned your membership form, please do so. Membership dues are a major portion of FOL funding.

One of the most popular Friends efforts is sponsoring the free Together at Twilight concerts. This year, the Friends need help to set up and sell soda and snacks at the lawn concerts. Please call the library at 765-2791 and leave your name if you or your family is willing to help

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Help is available for struggling families

When families struggle with alcohol and substance abuse by a teenager, parents are often at a loss as to where to turn for help.

They might not want to ask those close to them for advice or suggestions, preferring to maintain privacy. Their family doctor may refer them to a specialist or to a local hospital program.

Other alternatives to be aware of include the many nonprofit organizations which provide prevention, treatment and advocacy services. One group is the Albany Citizens Council on Alcoholism and other Chemical Dependencies (ACCA).

ACCA offers community-based prevention, education, treatment and recovery services and has a Youth and Family Program specifically designed to serve 12- to 18-year-olds who have been identified as abusing alcohol or other substances or who are living in a family struggling with the negative impacts of substance abuse. The program offers assessment, individual counseling, group therapy and family therapy services. It is located at 789 New Scotland Ave., in Albany. For information, call the ACCA Youth and Family Program at 436-1783.



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Sports

Orioles need winning streak to soar into playoffs

By ROB JONAS

At this point in the season, the Bethlehem Orioles aren't interested in individual wins. They want to start stringing victories together.

The Orioles currently sit in the middle of the Eastern New York Connie Mack League pack with an 8-7 record. In order to move into the top five and earn a state tournament berth, Beth-

lehem can't afford too many stumbles in the last three weeks of the regular season.

"We're hoping we can string off seven or eight (wins) in a row," Bethlehem manager Art Brace said. "I thought we were about to do that (last week). We won three in a row before we lost to Cohoes

Matt Young added a three-run home run.

"Matt Young had a really good ball game," Brace said. "The kid's really been hitting the ball hard and swinging the bat very well."

The Orioles have a busy schedule ahead of them. Following games against Cohoes Monday and Halfmoon Tuesday, they host Clifton Park Wednesday and Burnt Hills Friday. They then travel to Queensbury for a Saturday doubleheader.

"This is a big week," Brace said. "It would be nice to string these six games."

Mickey Mantle team gets back on track

The Bethlehem Mickey Mantle team ended a stretch where it lost two out of three

games by beating Lansingburgh and Central (Albany) last weekend.

Following a 4-3 loss at Saratoga last Friday, Bethlehem (10-6) defeated Lansingburgh 5-1 last Saturday behind a strong pitching performance from Paul Loupe. Loupe tossed a three-hitter and struck out eight to pick up the victory.

Chris Olsen also had an impressive pitching performance for

Bethlehem last weekend. Olsen threw a one-hitter with nine strikeouts in a 6-0 victory over Central Sunday.

Oren Rasowsky and Chris Gray provided much of Bethlehem's offense. Rasowsky belted a home run and a double, and Gray added a homer.

Following a game at Colonie Monday, Bethlehem hosts Sorensco (East Greenbush) Thursday and Chatham Saturday.

Pop Warner club seeks memorabilia

Bethlehem Pop Warner is celebrating 40 years of football and cheerleading tradition.

To commemorate the anniversary, the club is asking former and current members to send pictures, articles, rosters and any other form of memorabilia. The club is also seeking names of former presidents and board members.

The items will be included in a scrapbook that will be unveiled at the club's annual pep rally Sept. 10 at Henry Hudson Park.

Items can be sent to Cara Buckley, 40 Summit Drive, Delmar 12054. Include names and addresses on the back of each item if you want it returned following the pep rally. Photos can be scanned for permanent inclusion in the scrapbook.

For information, visit the club's Web site at www.bethlehempopwarner.com.

High school hosts gymnastics clinic

The Bethlehem Central High School gymnastics team is sponsoring a clinic July 13-16 in the upper gym.

The clinic is open to students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Sessions run from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The clinic will teach proper stretching, basic gymnastic skills and conditioning.

Entry forms are available at all Bethlehem elementary schools and the middle school.

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Art Brace

(last Tuesday)."

Bethlehem began what it hopes will be a new winning streak last Thursday with an 8-0 victory over Gunderland. Pitcher Josh Franks went the distance to pick up the win, and first baseman

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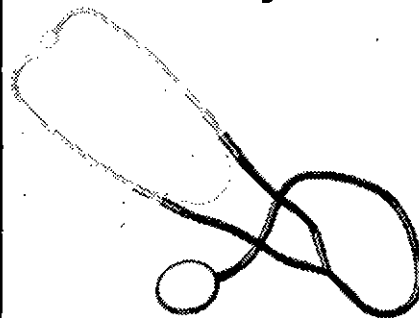
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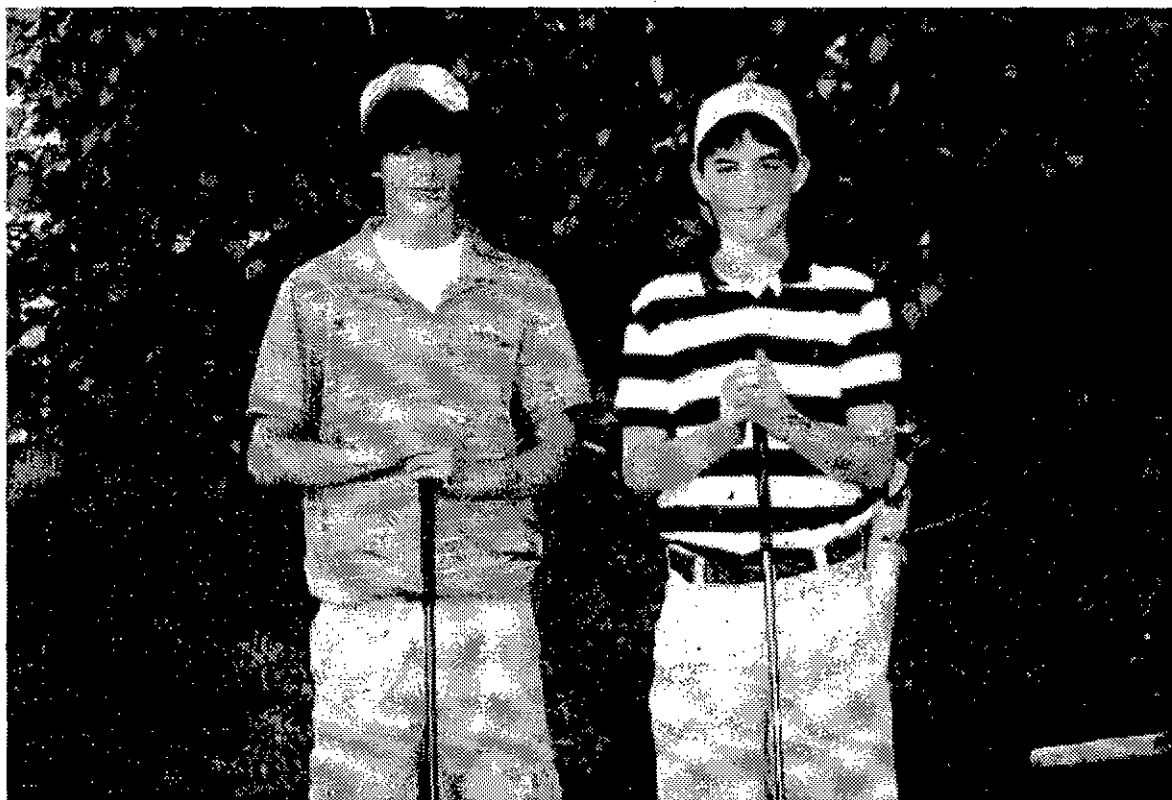
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Erik Hill (left) and Ryan Prinzo of Glenmont were among the top four golfers in the 12-13 age division at the Times Union Junior Amateur Tournament May 16. Hill won with a score of 80, while Prinzo placed fourth.

Bethlehem grads earn all-conference honors

Bethlehem Central High School graduates Carley St. Lucia and Susie Breaznell — both juniors at Boston College — were named all-stars in women's lacrosse by the Big East.

St. Lucia was named a first team all-star following a season in which she tied Breaznell for the team lead in points. St. Lucia had

26 goals and 12 assists, and she led the team in draw controls and ground balls.

Breaznell was a second team selection after leading Boston College with 35 goals in 17 games. She scored five of her team's six game-winning goals on her way to earning her first all-conference award.

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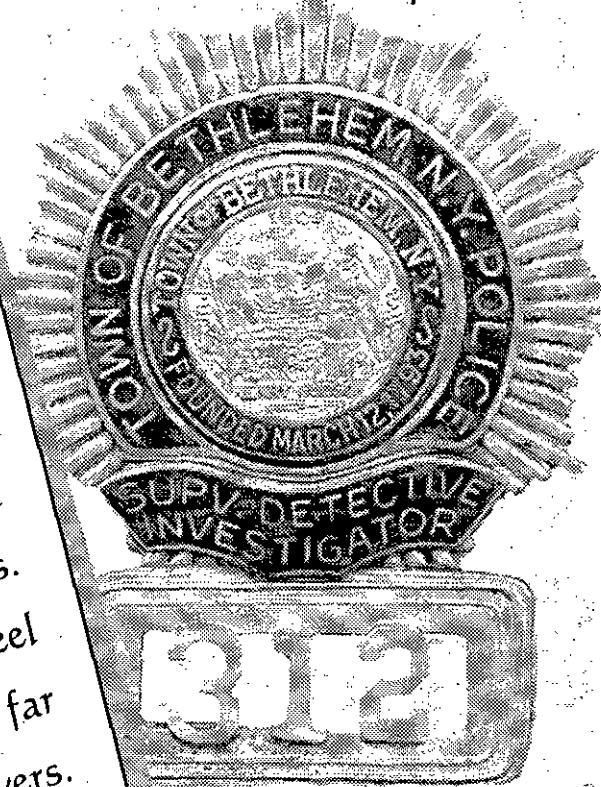
Osterhout is slated to play at wide receiver, while Kieper will play linebacker on the defensive side of the field.

The Friends of John Cox

Would like to thank the 300 plus businesses and individuals for their support at our May 17, 2004 Golf Outing Benefit held at Capital Hills Golf Course in Albany, New York. We will be forever grateful for your kindness and sincere generosity that you expressed to John and his family.

Please continue to keep John in your thoughts and prayers.

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Lori and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to make the golf event such a big success. The outpouring of love and support has been absolutely overwhelming. We are truly blessed to have such great friends and neighbors. We would also like to thank everyone for all their thoughts, prayers and offers of services. We can't possibly express the gratitude we feel and know we would never have gotten this far — if not for everyone's kind words and prayers. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. With love and much appreciation,
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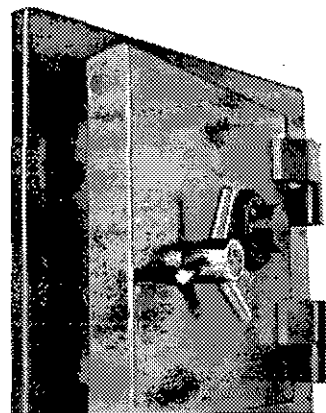
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rock and two maple saplings, will also celebrate the memories of other students who died before they graduated, according to attorney Tracy Brooks. Brooks came up with the idea of a memorial after seeing graffiti around town paying honor to Cherry.

"I wanted to find a more dignified, more permanent way to remember Joe," Brooks said. "Kids were obviously trying to remember him (with graffiti). That upset the village. It was painted over. But it showed up again, and I knew that the students were sad and hurting."

Mattice said she is honored by the existence of the memorial.

"I'm really moved that so many people came together and that my son inspired it," Mattice said. On Friday, Mattice wore a shirt with Cherry's picture and dates of his birth and death.

Those who knew Cherry say he assumed a role in a fight against racism of any kind; that he was warm and caring; that he made others around him smile.

"He couldn't stand racism against anyone," said classmate Greg DeLuca, who played football with Cherry. "I hope people will look at this and remember what he stood for."

Brittany Haner wrote the poem that sits on the rock, dedicated to Cherry's memory. About 20 poems were received, teacher and adviser to the class, Adam Sutton, said.

The class voted on the poem and the site. Sutton said starting this week, parents in the district whose children died before graduation can purchase a brick on which to have their child's name engraved.

"Joe's message really got into a lot of hearts of students and staff," Mattice said. "And that's the way, the only way, he is really going to live on."

Screening

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interview, lowering the stigma for the children who do have some problems," said Haick.

Parents of children at risk are informed of the test results and treatment options. When necessary, families are referred to a local mental health professional for evaluation and treatment.

TeenScreen is a diagnostic tool that seeks to identify students suffering from internalizing mental health disorders and "illnesses with symptoms that may not be outwardly obvious to teachers and parents," said Haick.

"Our model is so different because it is preventative," Haick

said. "It's catching the kids that they are not seeing, who are performing adequately, but are slipping through the cracks. If you screen everyone, you're going to find a lot of kids that nobody knew were having issues."

At Bethlehem's middle and high schools, seven school counselors, a social worker and a school psychologist are all available to meet with students to discuss a myriad of issues.

"We meet with our students for academic reasons and if any student has concerns in the personal or social area, we certainly discuss it with them," explained Patricia Pinchback,

who oversees counselors from grades six through 12.

There is no broad screening program for mental illness at Bethlehem schools, said Pinchback, in part because of confidentiality concerns.

"We don't come in and do an assessment to see if students are depressed; we're an academic high school," she said.

However, a dramatic drop in grades, excessive absences or a noticeable change in behavior can all facilitate a meeting with a counselor, she said.

Subtle clues may not be enough to alert teachers and parents to a problem, Faist-Stanton contends, and catching

the signs too late can have dire consequences.

"The problem with depression is, it's lethal," said Faist-Stanton. She believes students suffering with mental illness struggle to learn just as a student with a sight or hearing impairment would. This fall, Faist-Stanton will host a public presentation on depression in cooperation with Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited.

Late this year, she plans to approach Bethlehem's board of education with the TeenScreen concept and ultimately implement it for students. If adopted, the school district would join approximately 160 schools nationwide using the screening program.



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Board looks to solar heat for highway garage

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

Bethlehem town board members say they see the advantages of pursuing methods of alternative clean energy.

So if the town's application for a grant program offered by New York State Energy and Research Development is approved, the sun will power portions of the highway garage's electricity.

"Any time we have an opportunity to conserve energy, even if it's a drop in the ocean type of thing, it's important," said Supervisor Theresa Egan.

NYSERDA offers a number of solar energy grant programs to residents, municipalities and schools. The idea is to show the innovative use of photovoltaics, or PVs.

PVs are panels that channel sunlight to produce energy. Small or large, they are found in everyday gadgets from watches and calculators to highway emergency phones. Recently, they have been installed on the rooftops of buildings and houses.

The state was awarded \$1.8 million in a court settlement that charged that Virginia Power Co. polluted the air, affecting

downwind states, according to Ray Hull, a NYSEDA spokesman.

"The attorney general asked that our piece of the award go toward bringing solar power into municipalities," Hull said.

The grant requires a financial commitment from applicants, and Bethlehem is willing to put up between \$20,000 and \$27,500.

Charles Manning of Creighton Manning Engineering, who has a 3.6 kilowatt PV system attached to his house, discussed options for a PV system with the town board.

Manning originally suggested

the town opt for a 24-kilowatt system, which would cost \$55,000. With the town agreeing to a lower figure, the size of the system on the shed rooftop adjacent to the highway garage could generate 10 to 15 kilowatts, generating a possible annual savings of up to \$2,000, Manning cautiously estimated.

Egan said that if the program proves successful, the town would upgrade to a bigger system.

Had the town opted to spend \$55,000, which Manning said would strengthen its chances of winning the grant, it could have saved up to \$3,600 on electricity a year.

A town that demonstrates a strong commitment to the program will likely land the award.

"What's going to count is what you are proposing to do," Hull said, "and how much you're willing to put toward what you want to accomplish."

Hull said contracts that NYSEDA typically offers usually call for about a 50 percent financial match, but this program will be less financially restrictive, perhaps giving towns with less money to spend a chance they might not have had.

"It is a finite pot, but we know that municipal budgets are tight and prepared at least a year in advance," Hull said. "They might want to take advantage of this stuff even though it could be a surprise. We want to be as generous as we possibly could."

Hull said some of the systems could cost up to \$240,000 to implement in upstate New York. The first system Manning pitched would have cost \$199,000, with NYSEDA covering the \$144,000

leftover after Bethlehem's contribution.

The panels operate at their optimum when the sun is highest in the sky for the longest period of time. Manning said the system in his house, now in its third year, generates energy year-round.

"It's less in the winter because the days are shorter and the sun isn't out as much," Manning said. "It's more of a philosophical thing; to know that all the energy in my house is renewable."

Another Delmar resident, Chris Greico, has implemented a similar system.

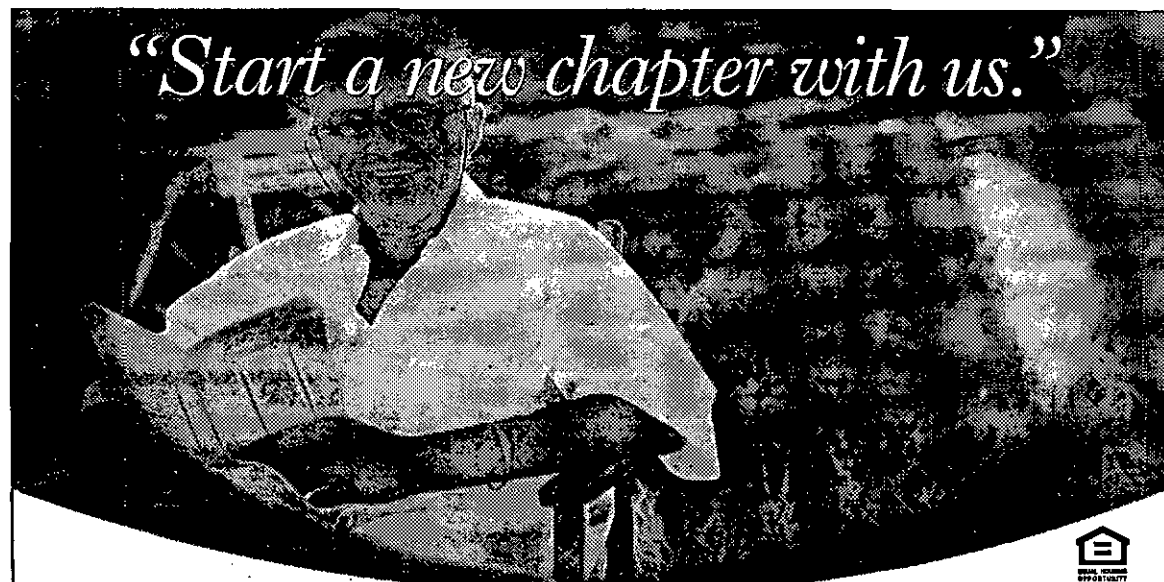
With the system in place, Manning said the town will see a favorable impact on peak demand electricity use, which currently accounts for about 40 percent of the yearly cost for electricity usage at the town garage. As part of the program, NYSEDA offers a loan reduction rate of 4 percent for the first 10 years.

Hull said he wasn't sure of the response NYSEDA has gotten yet. The window of opportunity was a bit limited, with the announcement of the program coming at the end of May, and applications due yesterday, June 29.

PVs have a lifespan of 25 to 30 years. They contain no moving parts, so maintenance costs are minimal. They generate heat themselves, Manning said, so snow melts away and slides off in the winter.

"Unless we see a dramatic drop in (electricity) prices, it looks like we'd be right around the break even point," said board member Tom Marcelle, adding that a chance to diversify the ways energy is used may be more important than a large financial benefit.

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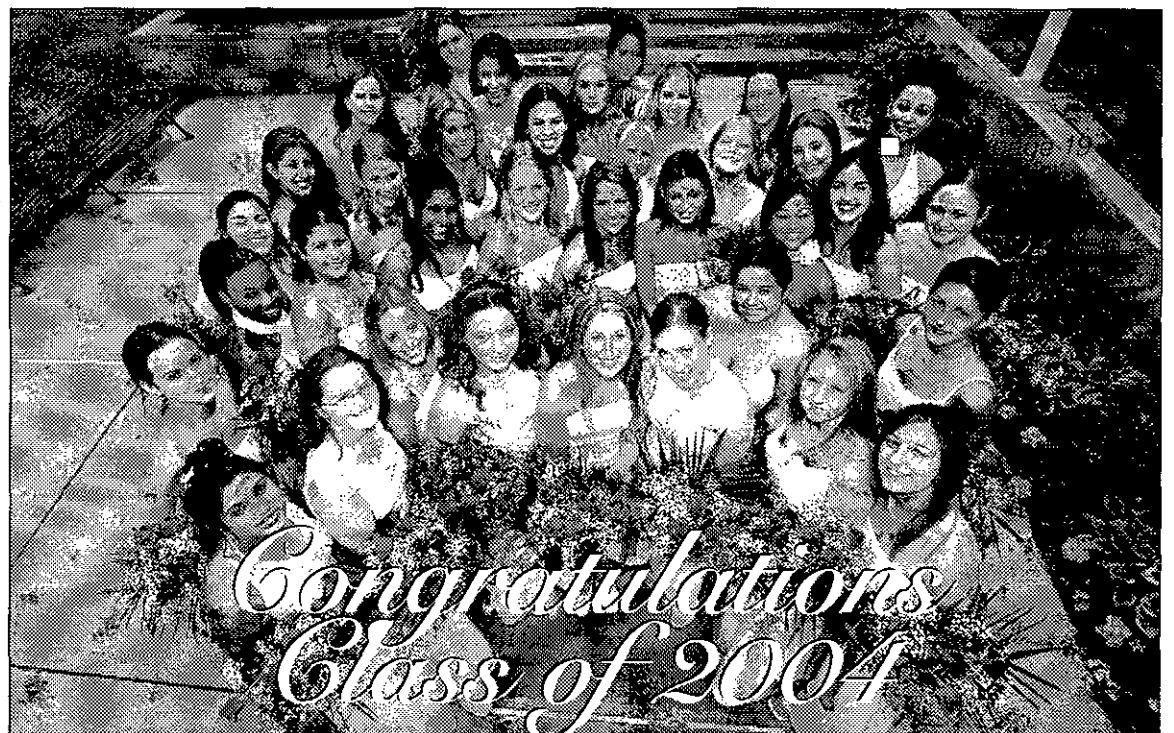
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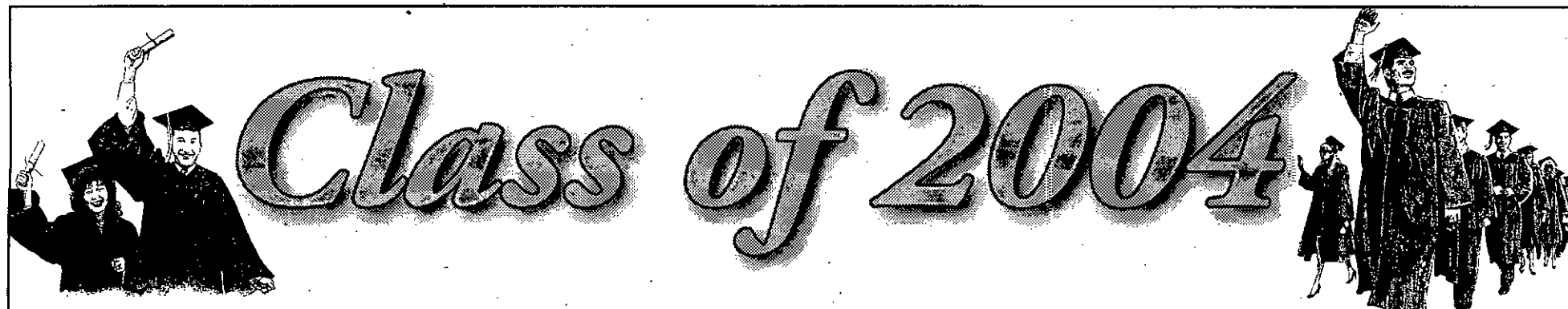
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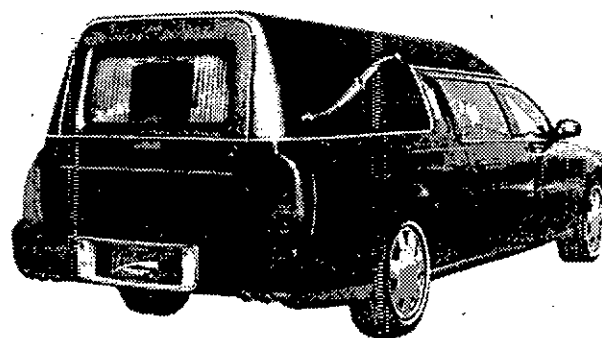
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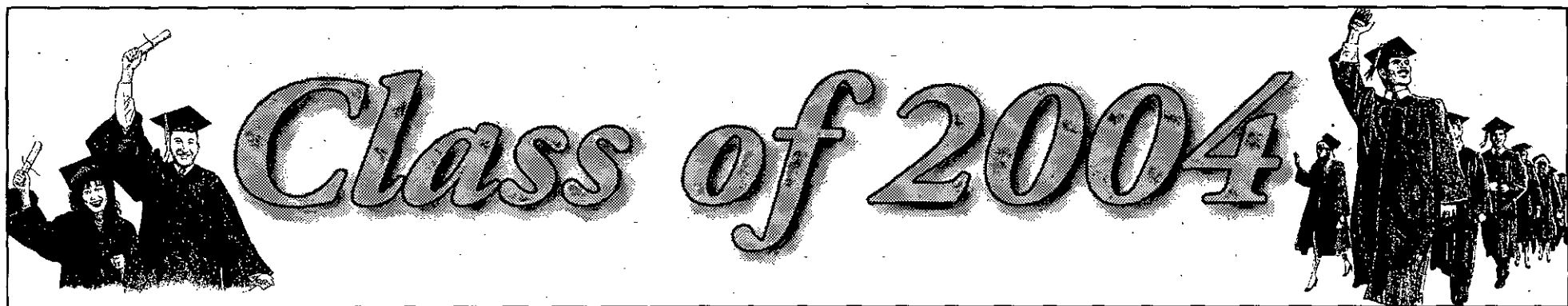
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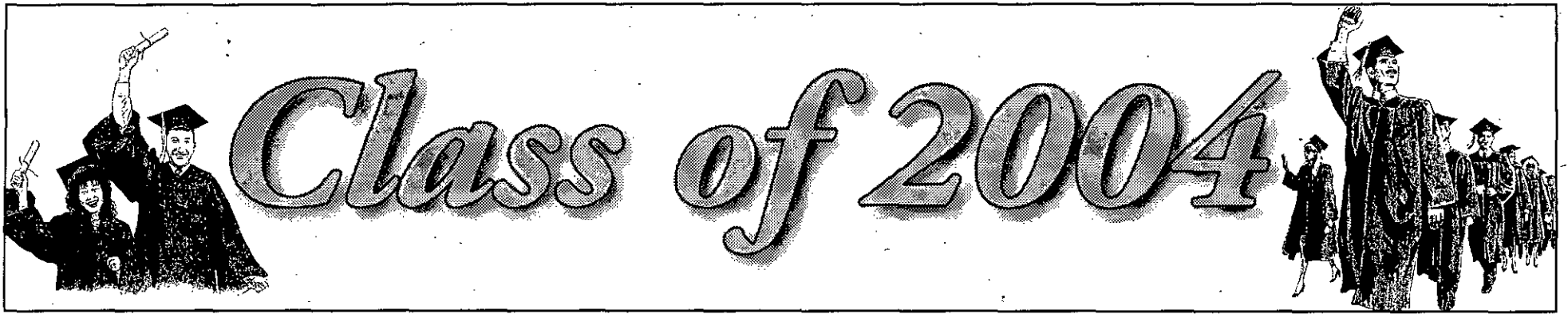
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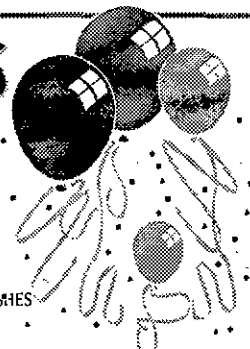
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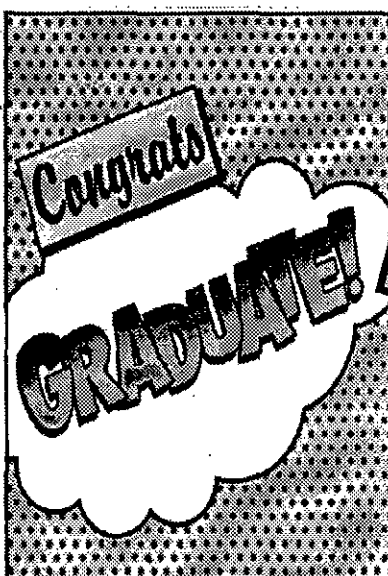
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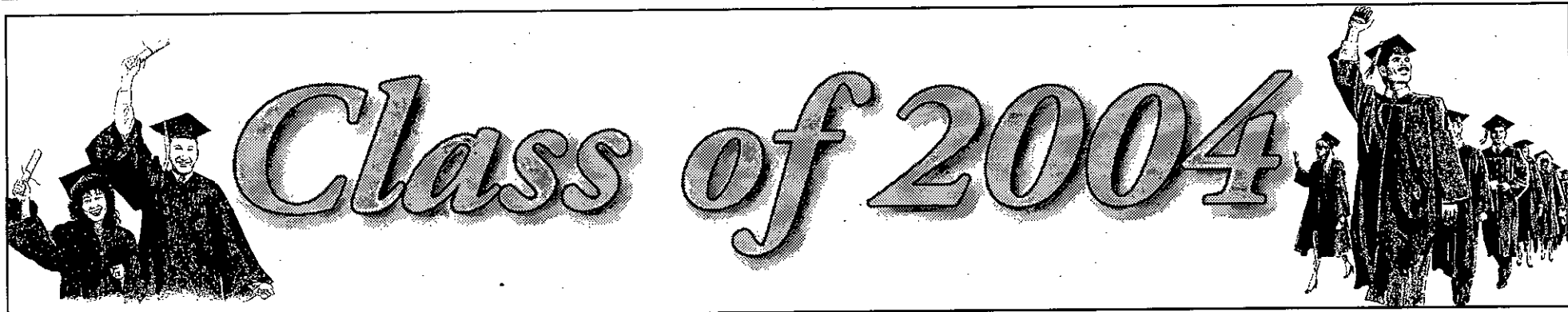
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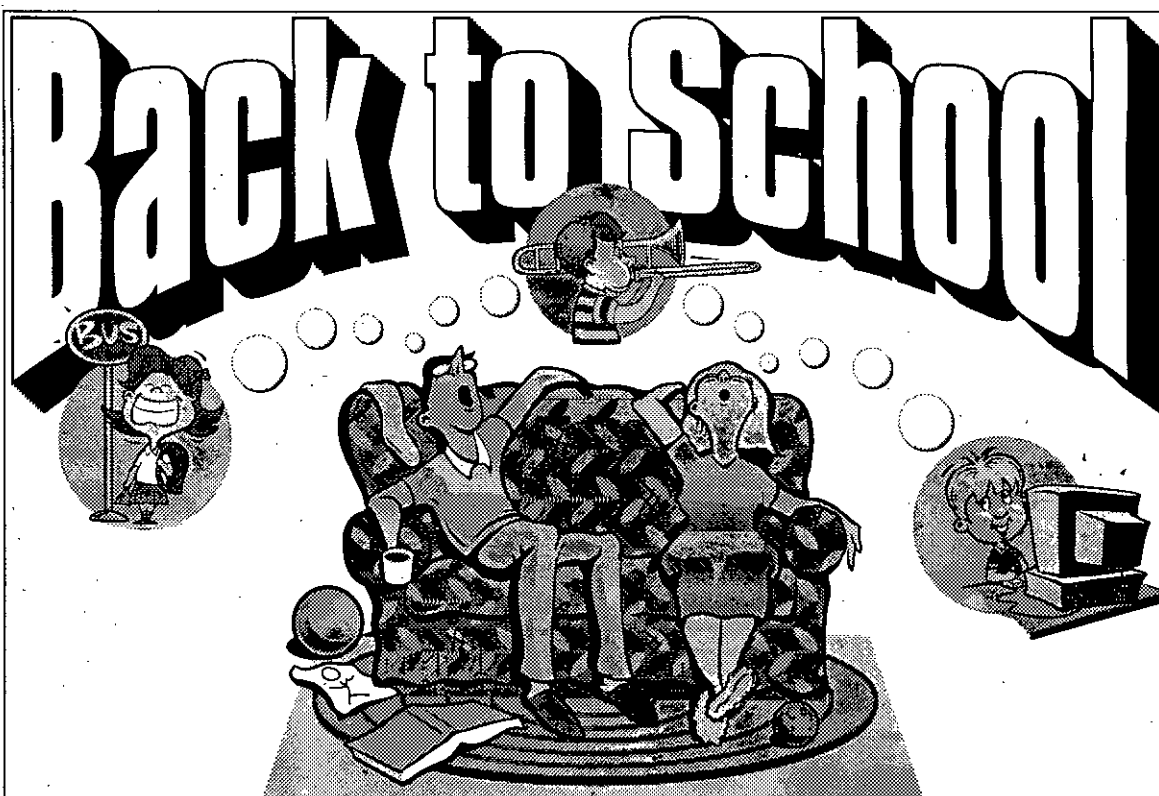
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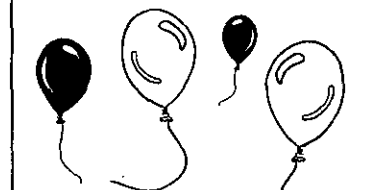
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Obituaries

Ruth O'Connor

Ruth Ann O'Connor, 57, of Selkirk, died June 18, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Gloversville, she was a graduate of Gloversville High School and Marcy State Nursing School.

Mrs. O'Connor worked at several hospitals during her career including, Stratton VA Medical Center in Albany, Memorial Hospital in El Paso,

Texas, and Community General Hospital in Syracuse.

She was also employed by Good Samaritan Lutheran Nursing Home in Delmar and Resurrection Nursing Home in Castleton.

She ended her career as a school nurse at Glenmont Job Corps. Her career spanned 35 years, interrupted twice to raise her children.

Survivors include her husband, Richard M. O'Connor; a son, Chad Jason O'Connor of Selkirk; a daughter, Shannon Rory O'Connor, of Selkirk; her mother, Concetta Ruberti Scoville of Mount Loretto Nursing Home in Amsterdam.

Services were from the Kobuskie-Konik Funeral Home and St. Mary of Mount Carmel

Church, both in Gloversville.

Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Johnstown.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 260 Osborne Road, Loudonville 12211.

Elizabeth Ammenheuser

Elizabeth "Eleanor" Vrooman Ammenheuser, 91 of Frederick, Md., and formerly of Selkirk and Elsmere, died Friday, May 14.

She was a graduate of Albany High School and Mildred Elley secretarial school.

She worked for Curtis Publishing Co. and was a registrar of policy issue for Farm Family Life Insurance for 18 years before retiring.

Mrs. Ammenheuser was a member of Third Reformed Church in Albany and active in its Women's Guild.

She was a life member of the Eastern Star, former matron of Onesquethaw Chapter 818 and past junior deputy of Needa-Bah Triangle Chapter 98.

She enjoyed knitting and

gardening.

She was the widow of John William Ammenheuser.

Survivors include two daughters, Eugenia McGrath of California and Sandra Neander of Maryland; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Restland Memorial Park in Dallas, Texas.

RCS library to host concert

Our summer season begins with Schoolhouse Rock Live, the musical, on Thursday, July 1, at P.B. Coeymans School. The free performance begins at 7:30 p.m. It is open to all and suitable for all ages.

The library's weekly summer programs begin on Tuesday, July 6, and run through Friday, Aug. 13. The programs at the Little Red School House and the library are open to all.

Other school-age library programs are part of local town recreation programs. Contact town offices to register children for the local recreation program.

For information, call 756-2053 or log on to www.uhls.org/rcscl. All library programs are free.

Summer Reading Club schedule

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• Little Red School House, Coeymans Hollow, Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

• RCS Community Library, Ravana, Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

• New Baltimore Town Recreation Program, Cecil Hallock Park, Route 54, July 19 through Aug. 12, Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

• Bethlehem Town Recreation Program, First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Thursdays at 1:30 p.m.

• Food for Thought Program, Grace United Methodist Church, Ravana, Tuesday through Thursday at 10 a.m.

Independent readers may report their reading and choose their prizes at the library trading post without attending scheduled programs.

Judith Felsten

Letters policy

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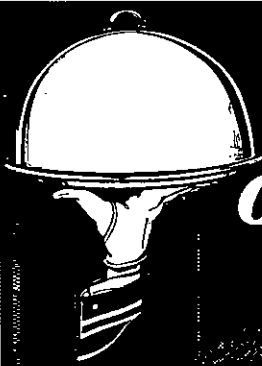
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Obituaries

Elizabeth Tilaro

Elizabeth M. "Liz" Tilaro, 69, of Delmar, died Sunday, June 27.

Born in Little Falls, she received her bachelor's in elementary education from SUNY New Paltz.

Mrs. Tilaro taught in the elementary schools in New Paltz and later was a substitute teacher in the Bethlehem Central School District.

Most recently, she was a library assistant at Bethlehem Public Library until her retirement in 1995.

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

Survivors include her husband, Salvatore A. "Sam" Tilaro; two daughters, Maria Tilaro Higgins of Reading, Mass., and Laura Tilaro of Boxford, Mass.; and four grandchildren.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. today, June 30, at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, 35 Adams Place.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 260 Osborne Road, Loudonville 12211.

Charlotte Spanbauer

Charlotte J. Spanbauer of Slingerlands, died Sunday, June 27, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Avis, Pa., she was widow of Leonard Spanbauer.

Survivors include a brother, Max Driver of Florida; two sisters, Janet Driver and Hazel Driver of Pennsylvania; two grandsons; and three great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Frederick Funeral Home in Albany.

Graveside funeral services are scheduled for today, June 30, at 2:30 p.m. at Memory's Garden in Colonie.

John Conway

John J. Conway, 76, of Voorheesville, died Sunday, June 27, at Community Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in the Bronx, he was a graduate of the Cardinal Hayes High School in the Bronx, then received his bachelor's degree from Siena College and his master's in business administration from the University at Albany.

He was a veteran of the Marines.

Mr. Conway worked for NBC in New York City for 13 years, and from 1968 until 1990, he worked as a personnel administrator for the state Department of Mental Health.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Joan Dollard Conway; two daughters, Nancy M. Conway of Oakland, Calif., and Margaret Sica of Laconia, N.H.; a son, Brian A. Conway of Sausalito, Calif.; a brother, Joseph P. Conway of East Orleans, Mass.; and two grandchildren.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Wednesday at a time to be announced at St. Matthew's Church on Mountainview Street in Voorheesville.

Arrangements were by the Reilly & Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Contributions may be made to

Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17152, Baltimore, Md. 21298-8452 or Sisters of the Holy Names, 1061 New Scotland Ave., Albany 12208-1098.

John Caswell

John William Caswell, 73, of Feura Bush, died Saturday, June 26, at Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Albany, he was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Caswell ran Caswell's Greenhouse in Feura Bush for many years. He was a member of the Capital District Farmers Market and had served as president of the Schenectady County Jolly Farmers Market.

Mr. Caswell was also a member of the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Co.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn Caswell; a son, John W. Caswell Jr. of Selkirk; two daughters, Donna M. Beckwith of West Sand Lake and Deborah A. Van Alstyne of Voorheesville; a brother, Robert Caswell of Stephentown; and five grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society,

260 Osborne Road, Loudonville 12211 or the Onesquethaw Rescue Squad, Clarksville 12041.

Reed Gordon

Reed R. Gordon Jr., 81, of Tucson, Ariz., died Sunday, June 20, at his home.

Born Schoharie, he was a graduate of Schoharie High School and the Don Martin School of Radio and Television Arts in Hollywood, Calif.

He was a communicant of Our Lady of The Assumption Church in Latham and St. Peter the Apostle Church in Naples, Fla.

Mr. Gordon was an Army combat veteran of World War II. He became an Army interpreter in both French and German.

A radio and television executive, Reed was employed for 25 years at WRGB-TV in Schenectady, where he became general sales manager before retiring in 1983.

After retiring, Reed and wife spent many years in Naples, Fla., before relocating to Tucson in 2002.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Phyllis O'Meara Gordon; two sons, Michael Gordon of Tucson and Tim Gordon of Slingerlands; and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service was held in Tucson.

The Rev. James Daley will also celebrate a Mass at Our Lady of

the Assumption Church in Latham on Thursday, July 22, at 11 a.m. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Interment of cremains will be in Albany Rural Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please give a gift of time to your spouse or a loved one in honor of Reed and Phyllis' long and loving marriage.

Sharon Everson

Sharon Kathleen Everson, 53, died Thursday, June 10, at her home in Solana Beach, Calif.

A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, she received a bachelor's degree from James Madison College in Virginia and a master's in rehabilitation counseling from the University of Virginia at Richmond.

She was an ordained spiritualist minister.

At one time, she ran a group home for troubled youth and worked for the Girl Scouts. She loved dogs.

Survivors include her parents, Warren and Edna Everson of Little Rock, Ark.; a sister, Sally Bates of Little Rock; and a brother, Eric Everson of New Baltimore.

Services were from Second Presbyterian Church in Little Rock and Encinitas Viewpoint Park in Encinitas, Calif. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, Aug. 28, at 2 p.m. at Memory's Garden, 983 Waterlily-Shaker Road in Colonie.

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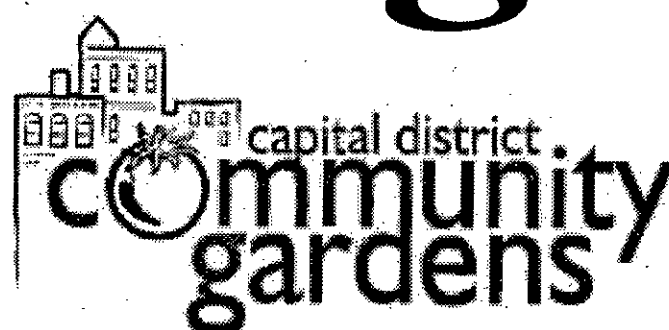
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Student writes book on Ghanaian lifestyle

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

A healthy interest in Africa and six months in Ghana has turned one local resident into an author and fund-raiser for schools there.

Carrie Brown, originally from Glenmont, spent a semester with a group of other volunteers in the village of Woe (pronounced way) in Ghana for an internship requirement.

Born on a Monday is a photographic documentary of life in Ghana that doubles as Brown's final thesis project. Brown got intimate looks at traditional rituals and initiation ceremonies, pictures of which are included in the documentary.

The project evolved, Brown said, with the support of her professors, but she completed the book and put it together on her own, her only help coming from a graphic artist for the cover design.

"I wanted to write a book," Brown said. "I spent about a year when I got back writing essays and editing it."

Proceeds will go back to outfit the schools in Woe with supplies and additions to the building, if there's enough money.

"The schools are just woven palms; no walls separate the classrooms," Brown said. "There just isn't enough room for the kids that go there."

Brown said Friday at the end of a book signing session at Bethlehem Central High School, that some of the schools split the days in half to accommodate the children that need to go there.

Brown corresponds with the friends she made in Ghana frequently by mail and phone.

Beyond that, Brown's stay in Ghana has produced some chance meetings in this area.

At a local bank, for instance, she discovered that the teller's best friend is from Ghana and that the teller had read her book.

Some copies of the book have been sent to people in Woe.

"I haven't heard back from anyone yet. It's too soon, but I guess they're pretty excited about it," Brown said.

Brown's interest in Africa started midway through her high school years, when she went on a

school trip to Kenya that was chaperoned by teachers.

Life is more traditional in Ghana than in Kenya, said Brown, who stayed and traveled with village fishermen and farmers to research portions of the book.

People in Ghana speak Ewe (pronounced ayway).

In Ghana, people are named for the day of the week on which they were born. Brown was born on a Monday, hence the title of her book. Her full name in the language is Adzo Korkor Mefi Ga. Since the words for the days of the week differ depending on which area of Ghana people hail from, there are many different names throughout the country.

"It was just so amazing," said Brown. "It slowed me down a lot."

Brown is currently looking into grant programs and other fund-raising programs so she can return to Ghana within the next year.

Born on a Monday sells for \$24.95 and is available via e-mail orders at Carriebrown.com.

Locally, the book will be on the shelves at I Love Books on Delaware Avenue and The Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza.

Ellen Kelly-Lind, who works at I Love Books, said it is not unusual for the store to carry books by local authors.

"As a local independent bookstore, we like to support local authors," Kelly-Lind said. "We're glad to carry things like that. You look at it and know, gosh, that they put so much work into it."

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Fourth is family-friendly holiday

By DEV TOBIN

While the serious-minded among us may take time on the Fourth of July to reflect on our country's founding declaration, the holiday has primarily become the occasion of wonderful outdoor entertainment, topped of by spectacular fireworks, all for the family-friendly price of free.

The most impressive celebration by far is at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, co-sponsored by the state Office of General Services and Price Chopper.

With a theme of "Out of This World," the 28th concert/fireworks event features the largest fireworks display of the year in the Capital District — more than 1,500 shots and shells by Alonzo Fireworks of Mechanicville, plus a laser light show.

More than 30,000 people (the largest crowd for anything in the area all year) are expected to attend. The crowd may be larger than ever, since a competing show at the Altamont fairgrounds will not be happening this year.

Price Chopper has been a sponsor of the event all along. According to Mona Golub, who heads public relations for the family-owned supermarket chain, "We feel July Fourth is a very special, family-oriented unifying holiday. To be able to sponsor an event that brings families together for the best fireworks show in the Capital Region is the best way to give back to our community."

Golub added that the family theme carries over into the choice of musical headliner — this year, Jefferson Starship.

"We always look for bands with cross-generational appeal who play songs people know and can hum along to," said Golub, who also books acts for

free concerts in Albany's Washington Park, Schenectady's Central Park and Guilderland's Tawasentha Park.

Sunday's schedule features a variety of entertainment, including Rumdummies at 4:30 p.m., Fear Of Flying at 5:30, Radio Disney with Greg Raposo at 6:30, a formal Fourth of July

program at 7:30, Jefferson Starship at 7:45 and the fireworks and laser show at 9:15.

More than 30 vendors will be providing plaza staples like hot dogs,

fried dough, pizza, sausage and peppers, etc., throughout the afternoon and evening.

The grounds open at 4 p.m. Lawn chairs are recommended and coolers are allowed, although glass containers of any kind are prohibited.

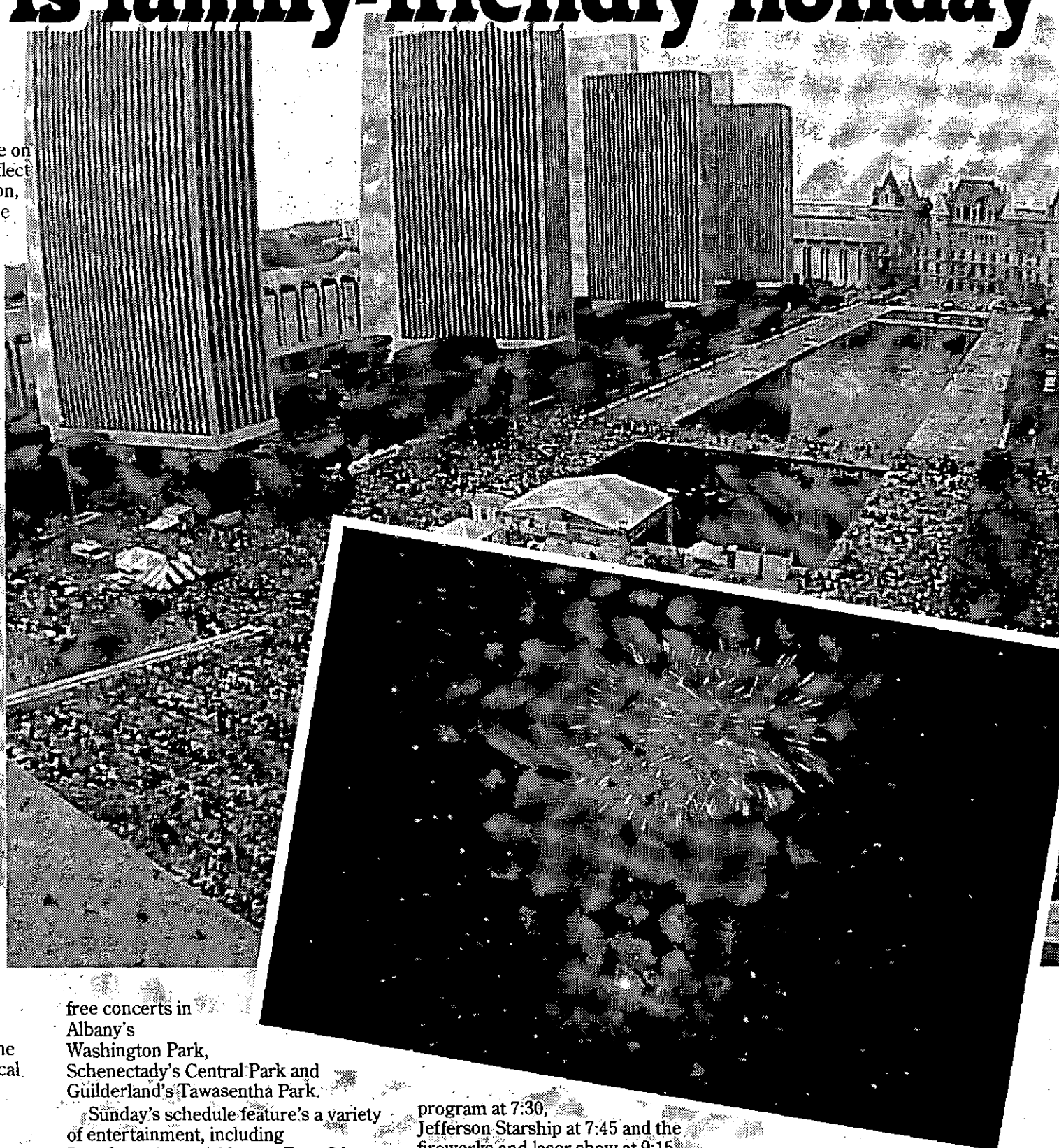
Unlike other plaza special events, parking under the plaza is free on the Fourth, although visitors will need to still show a photo ID. Non-ID free parking will be available in the East Parking Garage and Grand Street parking lot, east of the plaza on Madison Avenue.

The rain date for the fireworks is July 5.

The largest town-level celebration of Independence Day is held on Clifton Common in Clifton Park.

Attracting up to 10,000 people, the event features a parade starting at noon from the Shenendehowa campus to the common, followed by a day of family fun, including food, games, rides, pony rides, a climbing wall, a Civil War encampment, a cruise-in with more than 40 classic cars, music by the Burners UK and, of course, fireworks at dusk.

The town of Bethlehem also hosts its family day on July 4 — a full day of family activities at Elm Avenue Park beginning at noon.



Jefferson Starship is one of several cross-generational bands joining in the celebration at the Empire State Plaza in Albany.

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Alive at Five concert, Albany Riverfront Park, July 1, 5 p.m., free. Information, 434-5412.

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New York State Museum, Madison Avenue, Albany, July 1, 7:30 p.m., \$45, \$38 for museum members. Information, 408-1033.

JEFFERSON STARSHIP

Empire State Plaza, Albany, July 4, 7 p.m., followed by fireworks, free. Information, 473-0559.

LIVINGSTON TAYLOR

Music Haven, Central Park, Schenectady, July 7, 7 p.m., free. Information, 1-866-333-8191.

FLEET BLUESFEST

featuring The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Taildragger and the Chicago All Stars, etc., Empire State Plaza, Albany, July 10,

noon to 10 p.m., free. Information, 473-0559.

WOMEN OF AFRICA

with Maria de Barros and Kaissa, Music Haven, Central Park, Schenectady, July 11, 4 p.m., free. Information, 1-866-333-8191.

BURNING SPEAR

Washington Park, Albany, July 12, 7:30 p.m., free. Information, 1-866-333-8191.

FOUNTAINS OF WAYNE

Empire State Plaza, Albany, July 14, 6 p.m., free. Information, 473-0559.

LEAHY

Alive at Five concert, Albany Riverfront Park, July 15, 5 p.m., free. Information, 434-5412.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

French Painters of Nature: Barbizon School Landscapes from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, through Aug. 22; Lost Cases, Recovered Lives:

Suitcases from a State Hospital Attic, through Sept. 19; plus permanent collections on the 9/11 recovery effort, New York state history and geography, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

Don Nice's Hudson River paintings, plus exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Factory Bands to Funk: Music in the Capital Region, 1900 to the Present, through Sept. 12; plus Spirit of Schenectady, collection highlights and planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT GALLERY

Artists in the Studio: 30 Years at the Millay Colony for the Arts, through Aug. 1, half-hour free parking. Information, 242-2241.

LOCAL COLOR ART GALLERY

961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, Shades of Summer exhibit of original

paintings by member of the Colonie Art League, through Aug. 31. Information, 786-6557.

Call for Artists

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

openings in the string, horn and percussion sections. Information, 439-7749.

COLONIE TOWN BAND

several openings, rehearsals on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

openings for brass players, rehearsals on first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

openings in mixed chorus, rehearsals Sundays at 7 p.m. at Lynnwood Reformed Church, Route 146, Guiderland. Information, 861-8000.

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

openings in women's singing group, focusing on old favorites and show tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at Community United Methodist Church 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Information, 439-2360.

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR

rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. for

orchestra, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for choir, Siena College, Route 9, Loudonville. Information, 783-2325

THE ORCHESTRA ON THE COMMON

openings in the string section, rehearsals Friday at 9 a.m., Shenendehowa Senior Center, Clifton Common, Clifton Park. Information, 372-5146.

ELECTRIC CITY CHORUS

male singing group, training provided, rehearsals at Faith United Methodist Church, Brandywine Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-4807.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS

Sweet Adelines group, based in Scotia-Glenville area, rehearsals on Tuesdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m., call for location. Information, 399-9480.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

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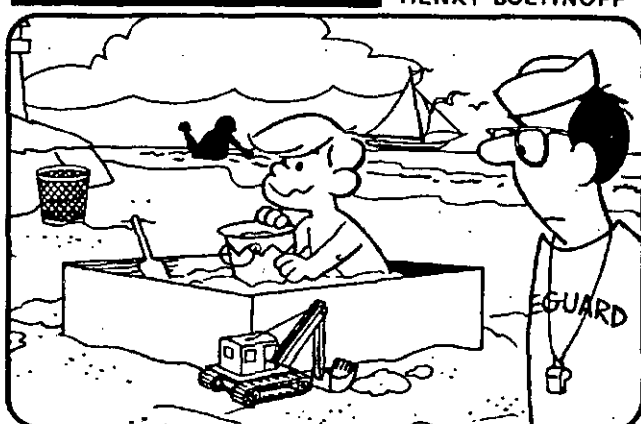
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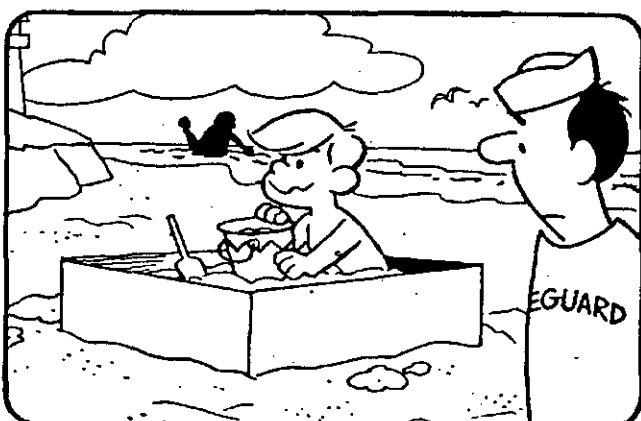
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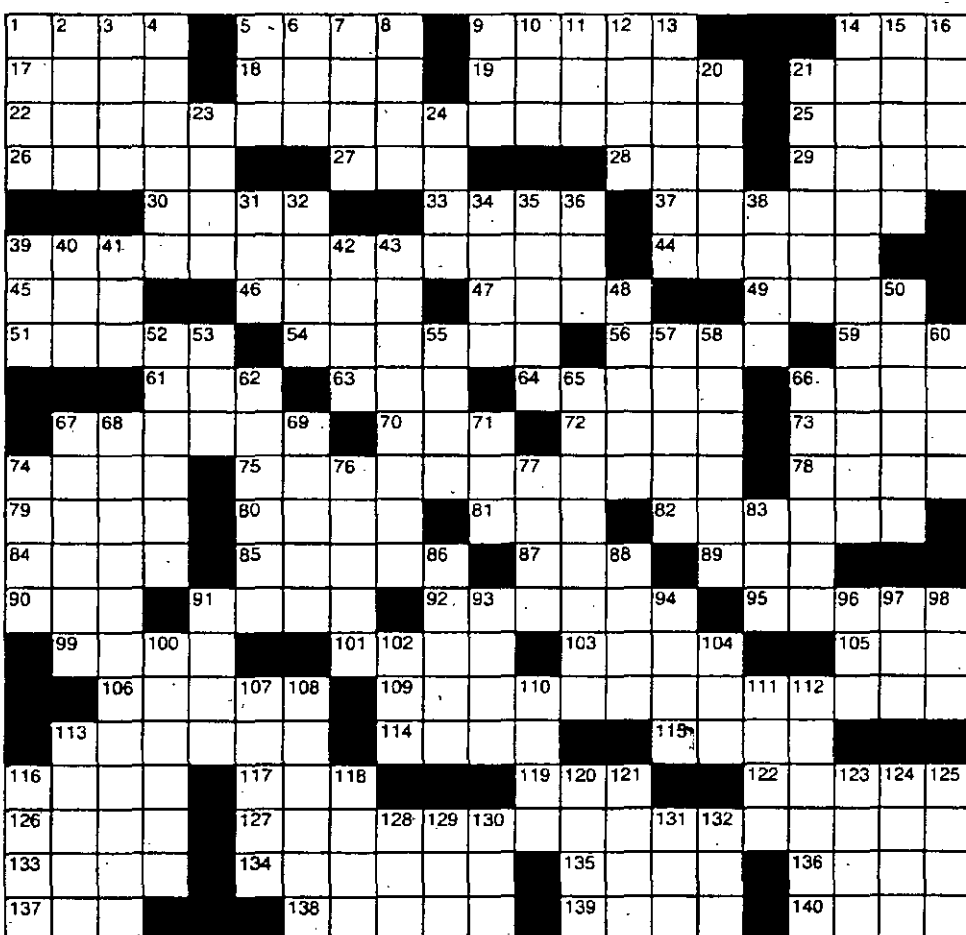
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ACROSS

1 Sagan or Sandburg
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18 Piece of fencing?
19 He was "The Thing"
21 Pipe part
22 WREN
25 Broddingnagian
26 For — (cheaply)
27 Comic Costello
28 — Na Na
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30 Poet Wilcox
33 Lohengrin's bird
37 African antelopes
39 LARK
44 "The Optimist's Daughter" author
45 Bonanza material
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49 Tip one's topper

51 Long-tailed parrot
54 Sanford of "The Jeffersons"
56 Scandinavian city
59 Griffon greeting
61 Fool
63 Missouri airport abbr.
64 Valuable instrument
66 Stowe sight
67 Screenwriter Nora
70 Eli
72 Dash
73 Sarah — Jewett
74 Inland sea
75 QUAIL
78 Depravity
79 Easy stride
80 Bit of gossip
81 Parenthesis shape
82 Physician Fermi
84 Corset part
85 Alfredo ingredient
87 British big shot
89 Monsarrat's "The Cruel —"
90 Tulsa commodity
91 Cheat at hide-and-seek

92 Preposterous
95 Sweetheart
99 Turn over
101 Darjeeling dress
103 Invasion
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106 Rent
109 CRANE
113 Church official
114 Oriental staple
115 Big rig
116 Channel
117 Actress Hagen
119 Plutarch character
122 Tole material
126 Be important
127 PAR-TRIDGE
133 Actor Novello
134 Kindle
135 Heart burn?
136 Time for a sandwich
137 According to
138 German port
139 Racing legend
140 Guy Fri.

3 "— Man" ('84 film)
4 Not as fatty
5 Neighbor of Ger
6 Prosperous times
7 Non-non-chalance?
8 Nil
9 Crank's comment
10 Swiss canton
11 Explosive initials
12 Goller's gadgets
13 Avoid
14 DUCK
15 Toomey or Philbin
16 Iowa city
20 Musty
21 Japanese religion
23 Hard on the eyes
24 Astrology term
31 Brown or Baxter
32 Vito center
34 Corduroy ridge
35 Writer Rogers St. Johns
36 Formerly known as
38 Moro of Italy
39 One who no's best?

40 Distinctive period
41 — room
42 Singer Elliot
43 Bete noire co-star
48 Adorable Australian
50 Tenor Corelli
52 One of the Judds
53 Tolstoy title start
55 Coalition
57 Playground?
58 Bedding
60 At large
62 Word with dog or state
65 "Never on Sunday"
66 Good-humored
67 Amatory
68 CARDINAL
69 — Dame
71 Anaconda, for one
74 As well
76 Pursues
77 Coffee pots
83 Ring counter
86 Andretti or. Cuomo
88 Fiber source
91 Swamp stuff
93 "Death of a Salesman" son
94 Pad Ryan's "Love Story" co-star
97 Bud
98 Fluffy female
100 Crime writer Colin
102 PC key
104 SHAEF commander
107 "The March King"
108 Whole
110 Stamping ground
111 TV award
112 Strauss city
113 Debonair star
116 — coffee
118 Energy source
120 One of a pair
121 South Seas novel
123 New Mexico resort
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Wed. Jun. 30

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m.
Information, 767-2930.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

BINGO

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

TESTIMONY MEETING

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555
Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information,
439-2512.

NEW SCOTLAND

FAITH TEMPLE

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

AA MEETING

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

Thurs. Jul. 1

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

AA MEETINGS

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

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem,
7 p.m., Route 9W, Selkirk. Information,
767-2243.

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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. Jul. 2

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

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

CHABAD CENTER

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

NEW SCOTLAND

PIONEER CLUBS

For children grades 1 through junior
high; Mountainview Evangelical Free
Church, Route 155, 3:45-5 p.m.
Information, 765-3390.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

Sat. Jul. 3

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

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

Sun. Jul. 4

BETHLEHEM

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm
Ave., 439-3135.
Bethlehem Congregation of Jehovah's
Witnesses, Elm Avenue and Feura Bush
Road, 439-0358.
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm
Ave., 439-4328.
Delmar Full Gospel Church, 292
Elsmere Ave., 439-4407.
Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585
Delaware Ave., 439-9252.
Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware
Ave., 439-9929.
Family of God Nazarene Church, Krumkill
Road at Blessing Road, North Bethlehem,

453-9953.

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.
Gospel Fellowship, 10 Rocketteller Road,
Delmar, 482-2132.
King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont,
426-9955.
Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W,
Glenmont, 426-4510.
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.

WEDDING GOWN EXHIBIT

Bethlehem Historical Association, 1003
River Road, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

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. Jul. 5

BETHLEHEM

PEACE VIGIL

Bethlehem Neighbors For Peace, weekly
peace vigil, Four Corners intersection,
Delmar, 5-6 p.m., Information, 439-
1968.

DELMAR KIWANIS

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

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

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 ORCHES- TRA

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

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. Jul. 6

BETHLEHEM

FARMERS MARKET (SUMMER ONLY)

Market and Chicken Barbeque,
2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. rain or shine. First
United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood
Ave.

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

CHURCH LUNCH (JUNE, JULY, AUGUST)

Sponsored by the South Bethlehem
United Methodist Church, Willowbrook
Avenue, weekly on Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.
to 1 p.m. Information, 767-9953.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES (SUMMER ONLY)

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

ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

PRAYER MEETING

At Gospel Fellowship, 7 p.m., 10
Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, beneath
Normans Kill bridge, Information 482-
2132.

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

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS

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

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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

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.

Wed. Jul. 7

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m.,
Information, 767-2930.

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.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

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

EVENINGS ON THE GREEN

Bethlehem Public Library's Free Summer
Concert Series, 7:30 p.m. Information,
439-9341.

TESTIMONY MEETING

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555
Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information,
439-2512.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

BINGO

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

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

SKY CAMP

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School
Road, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Information,
765-2791.

V'VILLE ZONING BOARD

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

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

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Wyman Osterhout Community Center,
New Salem, call for time. Information,
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PRAYER MEETING

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

Bible study, New Salem, 7:30 p.m.
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AA MEETING

First United Methodist Church of
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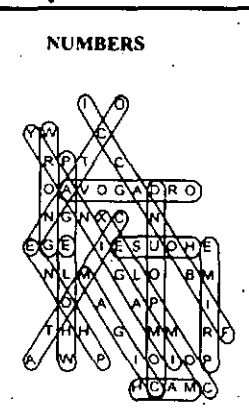
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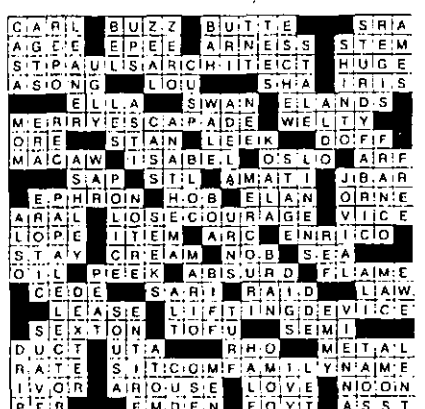
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Notice of Conversion of Tupper Lake Development Company, a general partnership, to Tupper Lake Development Company, LLC, a limited liability company. Cert. of Conv. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/19/04. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: c/o Mercer Companies, Inc., Three E-Comm Square, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCD-10001 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Clark-Wildomar, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/17/04. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: c/o CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Latest date 5/31/2029. LCD-10002 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP") The name of the LP is 155 & 5 of Albany, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on May 21, 2004. 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. LCD-10009 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP") The name of the LP is 155 & 20 of Albany, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on May 21, 2004. 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. LCD-10010 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP"). The name of the LP is Elk Street Partners L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on May 20, 2004. 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 9 Elk Street, Albany, NY 12207. LCD-10026 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

"Northshield Int'l Shipping & Trading U.S.A., LLC" was filed with the SSNY on 06/02/04. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom service of process may be served. The P.O. address which the SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: 83 Speen St., Second Floor, Natick, MA 01760-4168. The Registered Agent is SSNY. Purpose: any lawful business.

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LCD-10083 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is CHUDCO, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 7, 2004. 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 c/o Marvin Chudnoff, Hudson Preserve, 587 Broadway, Menands, New York 12204. LCD-10100 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

AUDIT COMMITTEE ADVISORS, LLC Notice of formation of Audit Committee Advisors, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 6/10/04. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purpose of the LLC are to provide consulting services to audit committees, boards of directors and boards of trustees to assist them in meeting their fiduciary duty and responsibilities. LCD-10102 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Meridian Insurance Group, LLC D/B/A Meridian Insurance Agency LLC was filed with the SSNY on 6/16/2004. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against may be served. The address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: Gregory J. Cryan, 301 Yamato Road, Suite 3190 Boca Raton, FL 33431 Purpose: Any lawful purpose. LCD-10106 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Mercer Holding Co., LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/20/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: Three E-Comm Square, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCD-10113 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Bear Electrical, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/12/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: 228 Drumm Road, Delanson, NY 12053. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCD-10114 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR TECH VALLEY ENTERPRISES, LLC 1) The name of the foreign limited liability company is Tech Valley Enterprises, LLC. 2) The Application of Authority for the Company was filed with the Secretary of State on March 31, 2004. 3) Tech Valley Enterprises, LLC was organized as a limited liability company on December 9, 2003 in the State of Delaware.

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4) The Company will have an office located in Albany County, New York. 5) The Secretary of State of New York has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the Company may be served and the post office address within the state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon him shall be: 9 Winchester Place, Loudonville, New York 12211. 6) The Company does not have a registered agent in the State of New York. 7) The principal office of the Company is as follows: 9 Winchester Place, Loudonville, New York 12211. 8) The Company shall provide, on request, a copy of the Certificate of Organization with all amendments thereto. Such requests shall be directed to the following person: Michael J. Calabucci, Principal, Tech Valley Enterprises, LLC, 9 Winchester Place, Loudonville, New York 12211. 9) The purpose of the Company is to conduct any lawful business activity for profit that is not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of New York. LCD-9971 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the corporation is PRIAM LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NYS Secretary of State on March 1st, 2004. 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 57 Patroon Place, Loudonville, NY 12211. LCD-9974 (June 30, 2004)

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MDG Associates of Connecticut, LLC LLC was filed with the SSNY on 5/14/2004. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against may be served. The address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: Martin D. Guyer, 111 Founders Plaza, Suite 1803, East Hartford, CT 06108 Purpose: Any lawful purpose. LCD-9979 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: Saratoga Self-Storage Company, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 21, 2004. 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 Saratoga Self-Storage Company, LLC, address 2 Hemphill Place, Suite 153, Malta, NY 12020. Purpose: to engage in any lawful business of every kind and character for which LLCs may be organized under the New York LLC Law, or any successor statute. LCD-9992 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

FOREIGN LLC PUBLICATION NOTICE Name of LLC: AVCAP, LLC App. For Auth. filed with Sec. of State 05/19/04. Jurisd. And date of org: DELAWARE ON 05/10/04. NY State office loc: ALBANY COUNTY. Sec. of State of NY designated as agent of LLC. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy

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of any such process served upon him/her is: 23622 Calabasas Road, Suite 200, Calabasas, CA 91302. Address of principal office: 23622 Calabasas Road, Suite 200, Calabasas, CA 91302. Copy of cert. of org. is filed with Delaware Secretary of State, Division of Corporations, John G. Townsend Building, 401 Federal Street, Dover, DE 19901. Purposes: is to transact any lawful business. LD-10004 (June 30, 2004)

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FOREIGN LLC PUBLICATION NOTICE Name of LLC: CHARGE ANYWHERE LLC App. For Auth. filed with Sec. of State 05/17/04. Jurisd. And date of org: DELAWARE ON 05/05/04. NY State office loc: ALBANY COUNTY. Sec. of State of NY designated as agent of LLC The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon him/her is: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 501, New York, NY 10001. Address of principal office: 6452 River Run, Columbia, Maryland 21044 Copy of cert. of org. is filed with Delaware Secretary of State, Division of Corporations, John G. Townsend Building, 401 Federal Street, Dover, DE 19901. Purposes: is to transact any lawful business. LD-10005 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SB DESIGN ENGINEERING, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/13/04. 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, 26 Windrose Way, Watervliet, New York 12189. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Engineering. LD-10011 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: C & C VENTURE, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/25/04. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2103. 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, 10 West Terrace Court, Ballston Lake, New York 12019. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-10025 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of 12 and Holding, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/26/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10028 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of KSL II Management Operations, LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/24/04. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/9/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to principal office of LLC: The LLC, 50-905 Avenida Bermudas, La Quinta, CA 92253. Arts. of Org. filed with DE

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Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-10029 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of Rensselaer Plant Holdco, L.L.C. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/2/04. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/21/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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 Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-10030 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of Harbour Productions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/26/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207; Attn: Corporation Service Co. registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-10058 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of USRP (JVI), LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/27/2004. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 7/6/1999. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. TX address of LLC: 12240 Inwood Rd., Ste. 300, Dallas TX 75244. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Sec'y of State, Corp., Div., 1019 Brazos St., Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-10059 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of Crosscut LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State on NY (SSNY) on 5/24/04. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/29/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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: 11 Joyce Lane, Red Bank, NJ 07701. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10063 (June 30, 2004)

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STAPLETON REALTY LLC 1. The name of the foreign limited liability company is STAPLETON REALTY LLC. 2. The certificate of formation of Stapleton Realty LLC creating the limited liability company was filed in the Office of the Delaware Secretary of State on May 19, 2004. 3. The Application for Authority of the foreign limited liability company was filed in the Office of the New York Secretary of State on June 3, 2004, and became effective on said date. 4. The principal office of the foreign limited liability company within the State of New York is in Albany County. 5. The New York Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any

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copy of process against it is Stapleton Realty LLC, 13 Verdun Street, Watervliet, New York 12189. 6. The address of the office required to be maintained in the jurisdiction of the foreign limited liability company's organization is 2711 Centerville Road, Suite 400, Wilmington, Delaware 19808. The name of its registered agent at such address is Corporation Service Company. 7. The name and address of the authorized officer in the jurisdiction of the foreign limited liability company's organization where a copy of its Certificate of Formation is filed is the Secretary of State, Division of Corporations, State of Delaware, PO Box 898, Dover, Delaware 19903. 8. The limited liability company is formed for the purpose of engaging in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized and any other business purposes permitted by law. Dated: June 10, 2004 NOLAN & HELLER, LLP Attorneys for Stapleton Realty LLC 39 North Pearl Street Albany, New York 12207 LD-10065 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Ace Hotel Group LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/7/04. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/17/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 1605 Boylston Ave., #202, Seattle, WA 98122. Attn: Scott Shapiro. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10067 (June 30, 2004)

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TOWN OF BETHLEHEM BOARD OF APPEALS 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, July 7, 2004, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Harold Denkers for Variance under Article XVI, Front Yards, Section 128-71, Accessory Buildings of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of a detached garage which will encroach into the Front Yard setback requirement at premises 201 Bender Lane, Glenmont, New York. Michael C. Hodom Chairman Board of Appeals LD-10072 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF THE ORGANIZATION OF YOGADA, LLC PURSUANT TO SECTION 206 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law, of the filing of Articles of Organization of YOGADA, LLC with the Department of State. 1. The name of the limited liability company is: YOGADA, LLC. 2. Articles of Organization were filed with the Department of State on May 11, 2004. 3. The county within this State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Albany County. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within this State to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served

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upon him or her is: P.O. Box 446, Glenmont, NY 12077. 5. The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: December 31, 2029. 6. The business purpose for which the limited liability company is formed is to acquire, hold, manage, refurbish, improve, lease, mortgage and/or sell real property, and to engage in any and all activities for which a limited liability company may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York. Matthew J. Clyne Attorney for the Company 90 State Street - Suite 501 Albany, NY 12207 518 626-0015 Dated: June 14, 2004 LD-10074 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice hereby given that a Liquor License 2121996 for Beer Win and Liquor has been applied for by the undersign to sell Beer Wine and Liquor at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at Bella Belsito Corp. 9 Frontage Rd Glenmont, NY as the undersign for on premises consumption. LD-10082 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of Shab Realty, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/14/04. Office location: Kings County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1274 49th St., Brooklyn, NY 11219. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-10087 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF SELKIS, LLC 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: SELKIS, LLC 2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on June 7, 2004. 3. The County within New York State which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the Company may be served and the post office address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon it is: Selkis, LLC P.O. Box 699 Latham, NY 12110 5. The registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the liability company can be served is: Selkis, LLC, P.O. Box 699, Latham, NY 12110. 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. LD-10089 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of Wood Group Power Operations (Freeport), LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/15/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10094 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of Stellar Enterprises, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/16/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom

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process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Suite 501, NY, NY 10001, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10095 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Safeguard NY LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/2/04. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/27/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 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 activities. LD-0096 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of MEPT Octagon LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/14/04. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/2/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: c/o Riggs Bank N.A., 808 17th St., NW, Washington, DC 20006. Attn: Patrick O. Mayberry. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10097 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Publication 59 Lodge Street Associates, LLC was filed with SSNY on 12/07/01. Office: Albany County, SSNY designated agent of LLC against whom process may be served. P.O. address which SSNY shall mail process against LLC served upon him: 48 Howard Street, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful business. LD-10101 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of WEST 16 STREET, LLC a NYS limited liability company (L.L.C.). Formation filed with SSNY on 06/16/2004. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail

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copy of process to: The LLC, 2705 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11235. Purpose: All Lawful purposes. LD-10104 (June 30, 2004)

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On June 21, 2004, Executive Computing LLC, which is located at 11 Callaway Circle, Loudonville, NY in the County of Albany, filed its Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State. The Secretary of State has been designated the agent of the company upon whom process may be served. The business purpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York, including, but not limited to, providing computer services and products at the above address. LD-10105 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of CBA COMMERCIAL, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/3/04. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/1/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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: 695 East Main St., Suite 103, Stamford, CT 06901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10115 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of Energy Conversion Systems Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/3/04. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/5/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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: One Morganite Drive, Dunn, NC 28334. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-10116 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the

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County of Albany, State of New York has on the 23rd day of June 2004, duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution as follows: WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is necessary to fund the purchase of a sludge tanker for use by the wastewater treatment plant, and WHEREAS, it is estimated that the costs of said purchase will not exceed \$150,000; and WHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purpose are in the Sewer Fund Capital Reserve Fund; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to purchase the sludge tanker; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of the reserve moneys to fund this project up to a maximum amount of \$150,000 and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the Sewer Fund Capital Reserve Fund the funds necessary up to \$150,000 in said reserve fund; and This resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law. The motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Plummer, was seconded by Mr. Marcelle and duly adopted by the following vote: AYES: Ms. Egan, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Lenhardt, Mr. Marcelle. NOES: None. ABSENT: Mr. Gordon. DATED: June 23, 2004 LD-10123 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the fiscal affairs of the Town of Bethlehem for the year ending on December 31, 2003 have been examined by Marvin & Company, Certified Public Accountants, and that the report of the independent public accountant has been filed in my office where it is available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons. Pursuant to Section 35 of the General Municipal Law, the governing board of the Town of Bethlehem may in its discretion, prepare a written response to the report of external audit by the independent public accountant, and file any such response in my office as a public record for inspection by all interested persons, not later than July 31, 2004.

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK,
CMC, RMC
TOWN CLERK
DATE: June 23, 2004
LD-10124
(June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for One sludge tanker for the Department of Public Works. Bids will be received up to 2:30 p.m. on the 14th day of July, 2004 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Ms. Theresa Egan, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, and 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes, which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informality in and/or to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC, RMC
TOWN CLERK
Dated: June 23, 2004
LD-10125
(June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Hyjinks LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/30/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 530 Feura Bush Rd., Glenmont, NY 12077. Purpose: real estate holding company. LD-9956 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CAPITAL CONSULTING ENTERPRISES LLC
The name of the LLC is CAPITAL CONSULTING ENTERPRISES LLC. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the N.Y. Secretary of State is: 04/20/04. The office of the LLC shall be in the County of ALBANY and State of N.Y. The N.Y. Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon him/her is The Company, 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, Delaware 19958. The purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-9972 (June 30, 2004)

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FOREIGN LLC PUBLICATION NOTICE
Name of LLC: EQUUS GP HOLDCO LLC App. For Auth. filed with Sec. of State 04/22/04. Jurisd. and date of org: DELAWARE ON 02/09/04. NY State office loc: ALBANY COUNTY. Sec. of State of NY designated as agent of LLC. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon him/her is: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State Street, Albany, New York 12207-2543. Address of principal office: One Riverchase Parkway South, Birmingham, Alabama 35244. Copy of cert. of org. is filed with Delaware Secretary of State, Division of Corporations, John G. Townsend Building, 401 Federal Street, Dover, Delaware 19901. Purposes: is to transact any lawful business. LD-9980 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of P&O NEDLLOYD LOGISTICS LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/11/03. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/1/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: One Meadowlands Plaza, East Rutherford, NJ 07073. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-9981 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of Bellevue Ventures, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/14/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Pacific West Ventures, LLC, 1556 Veteran Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90024. Registered agent upon whom process may be served: Capitol Services, Inc. 40 Colvin Ave., Ste. 200, Albany, NY 12206. Term until 5/14/2029. Purpose: to buy, sell, or refinance Bellevue Center, and related activities. LD-9983 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Qualification of Briad Restaurant Group, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/18/2004. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 7/7/1994. SSNY design-

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nated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. NJ address of LLC: 30 A Vreeland Rd., Florham Park, NJ 07932. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Dept. of Treasury, 225 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08625. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-9987 (June 30, 2004)

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Notice of Formation of C Realty Associates LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/19/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Mallow, Konstam & Hager, 321 Broadway, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-9990 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Organization of M & E PROPERTY, LLC
Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is M & E PROPERTY, LLC
2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on May 18, 2004
3. The principal office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located in the County of Albany, State of New York.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. The Post office address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon him or her is: 1511 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159
5. The Limited Liability Company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
6. None of the members of the Limited Liability Company (the "Members") in their capacity as Members, shall be personally or individually liable for any debts, obligations or liabilities of the Limited Liability Company.
7. The Limited Liability Company shall have all powers and purposes allowed it by law.
LD-9991 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Archland Property I, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/18/04. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/8/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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: c/o U.S. Realty Advisors, LLC, 1370 Ave. of the Americas, NY, NY 10019. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-10118 (June 30, 2004)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE, LLC
(PURSUANT TO SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

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that the Articles of Organization of FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE, LLC (the "Company") were filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on May 19, 2004. The purpose of the Company is to lay out, fabricate, install and test interior fire protection sprinkler systems and to engage in any lawful act or activity incidental thereto for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. The office of the Company is to be located in the County of Albany, State of New York. The Secretary of State has been designated as the agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State is 157 Helderberg Avenue, Altamont, New York 12009. LD-9995 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW SECTION 206
The name of the limited liability company is ELEGANT SOLUTIONS, LLC. The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State was 05/13/04. The County in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Albany. The agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served is the Secretary of State and such shall mail a copy of any process to: Burke & Casserly, PC, 255 Washington Ave Ext, Albany, NY 12205. The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law. LD-9998 (June 30, 2004)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Archland Property I, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/18/04. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/8/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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: c/o U.S. Realty Advisors, LLC, 1370 Ave. of the Americas, NY, NY 10019. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-10118 (June 30, 2004)

Spotlight Newspapers

Getting the News to You

House

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congregation is expanding, leading to parking problems that started a couple of years ago when the church lost a piece of its property to an Elm Avenue project.

As it stands now, said church property committee member Wolfgang Wehman, the ratio of parking spaces to members is

inadequate.

With 906 listed members, the 150 or so parking spaces don't do the job, Wehman said.

On any given Sunday, Rice said about 400 people attend church. Attendance at Christmas Eve ceremonies can top off around 600 people, Rice said.

"We should normally have

more than 200 spaces," Wehman said.

Wetlands surrounding the property make some development impossible, Wehman said.

Other land owned by the church cannot be developed because of a pre-school program.

"You have to have a certain amount of ground per child for play space," Rice said.

Weather and church members with young children or older family members make the use of two empty parking lots south of the church and across the street "not a good option," Rice said.

Rice said he originally considered restoring the house for use by the church, including a parsonage or school.

The cost of refurbishing the house was estimated to be \$80,000.

"That figure was just to stabilize it," Rice said. "It would be a couple hundred thousand dollars, or more, to restore the house to its historic value," Rice said.

Incoming congregation president Bill Collins, who takes office in July, said he views the resolution as a win-win-win solution.

"It's really a fortuitous situation," Collins said. "For everyone involved. We don't have a use for the building on that property. (Canell) has expressed a desire to use the house and restore it. And it's a totally nice thing for the people involved in preserving Bethlehem's history."

One of those men is Floyd Brewer, town archaeologist. Brewer said he views the moving of the historic home as "a last resort," and symbolic of a bigger problem.

"They have every legal right to do what they wish, but maybe that's one of our problems in Bethlehem: That we don't have any guidelines in Bethlehem for owners of historic homes," Brewer said, adding that he's pushing for time in front of the town board to form a historic preservation committee.

A portion of the land that is home to the historic house will go toward alleviating the current parking situation at the church. Beyond that, only time will tell what kinds of expansion the church will undergo, Collins said.

"I wouldn't say we're strapped for space," Collins said, though he did note the success of the pre-school program, which could merit an expansion of floor space dedicated for that purpose.

Both Collins and Rice mentioned disappointment with the June 16 article in *The Spotlight*.

"To suggest that the congregation and the board of church properties were completely indifferent to what was going to happen and were just going to callously pave over the area was completely inaccurate," Collins said.

Resident tapped for IDA

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

The Bethlehem town board unanimously appointed resident Sam Messina to the town's Industrial Development Agency.

With Messina's appointment, the board is now full at seven members.

A longtime Delmar resident, Messina said the economy is an important issue in the town.

"The IDA has an opportunity to look at economic development, encouraging it in the right places, in the right ways, helping the tax base and providing employment opportunities," Messina said.

The ordinance that sets up the IDA allows for seven members, Supervisor Theresa Egan said.

"There's a problem we're running into with conflicting people out on some issues," Egan said at last week's board meeting.

Six had been serving, making quorums hard to come by at some meetings that are held at 8 a.m., said board member and IDA member Daniel Plummer.

Messina, deputy director for the New York State Coastal Resource Program, said he's pleased to be on the board.

Plummer said Messina's background will add some diversity to the board.

"It's pretty much made up of people from the private sector," Plummer said. "We run into issues where someone with a public sector background would be very helpful. I know Sam really well and know he'd be an asset to the IDA."

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1. Purchase equipment that fits. Don't try to adapt your swing to the wrong clubs. A six-footer playing with irons designed for someone five inches shorter is begging for trouble.

2. Recognize gender differences. Women typically play better with clubs composed of lighter, more flexible material, such as graphite. Those "inherited" clubs may be too long and the shaft not flexible enough for a woman's grip. Men need to spend extra time performing quality

stretches before and after the game. Increased flexibility will help maintain an even and consistent swing plane. See a doctor of chiropractic for evaluation and to set up a stretching and/or exercise routine.

3. Take Lessons. Learning proper swing technique is critical.

4. Wear Orthotics. Custom-made shoe inserts support the arch, absorb shock and increase coordination. Orthotics can improve the entire body's balance, stability and coordination.

5. Pull your golf bag. Carrying your heavy bag can cause the spine to shrink and lead to disk problems and nerve irritation. If you must ride in a cart, alternate riding with walking.

6. Drink lots of water. Dehydration causes early fatigue, leading you to compensate by adjusting your swing, thus increasing the risk of injury. Avoid alcohol and tobacco.

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