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Gregory Sheldon stands with the family at their new home he helped build in the village of Tosagua in Manabi Ecuador. Hugo Palacios, left, stands with this family and Sheldon, far right, at the home.

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Police union seeks silence

Guilderland Town Board members upset over flow of information

By DAN SABBATINO
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An area law firm representing the Guilderland police union issued a statement Friday, Aug. 21, condemning town officials for releasing information about an inquiry into police procedure based on a letter from an officer to superiors in July.

The letter from the Police Benevolent Association's law firm Gleason, Dunn, Walsh & O'Shea comes on the heels of a statement from the PBA asking officials to refrain from speaking about the inquiry.

The matter was raised after officer David Romano sent a letter to his superior officers questioning the lack of petty cash funds available for drug investigations. The PBA said that the matter should have been kept confidential.

Gleason, Dunn, Walsh & O'Shea representatives wrote, "The release of this document [Romano's letter] to the media is a reprehensible dereliction of duty and a clear violation of law."

The letter also said that publicizing Romano's complaint could jeopardize ongoing police investigations and informants.

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He sells hope

Bethlehem man helps Third-World schools and villages by selling their wares and crafts

By JARRETT CARROLL
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Gregory Sheldon still hits up the festivals and concert circuits.

The only difference now is that instead of selling incense and macramé art to score tickets to the next show, he's sending the money to Ecuador and India to help fund ramshackle schools and improve the lives of some of the world's poorest inhabitants.

Sheldon's physical journey

may have brought him around the world, but his personal journey has brought him from a care-free adolescent with an affinity for the party scene to the 28-year-old humanitarian that he is today.

The death of his best friend, Eden Roe, in 2005 was a pivotal turning point in Sheldon's life and sparked the eventual creation of a non-profit organization that he has named "The Eden's Rose Foundation."

Sheldon said it was not simply one event that changed his path in life, but more "a culmination" of events that include several friends dying — including Roe — and his sister being in a "horribly debilitating" accident.

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The Palacios family stands in the foreground in front of their home that burned down on Christmas Eve.

Submitted photo

New charges, new allegations in BPD case

Deputy police chief listens to CDs to try to find alleged racist remark

By JARRETT CARROLL
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After alleging Bethlehem Police Chief Louis Corsi tried to cover up a racist remark made during a phone call, officer Christopher Hughes is still out of work as Deputy Police Chief Timothy Beebe is going

through hours of recorded conversations looking for the three-year-old alleged incident.

Standing his ground, as he puts it, Hughes told *The Spotlight* on Wednesday, Aug. 19, that he was offered a deal by Town Attorney Michael Smith to drop his grievances against back-to-back 30-day suspensions from the Bethlehem Police Department in return for a written disciplinary notice and the loss of three vacation days.

Hughes said he rejected the no-

tion of signing off on any of the department's charges against him.

"I didn't do anything wrong and they know that, my 13-year record speaks for itself," Hughes said. "If they had something substantial on me they would have made this go away along time ago, and not added another charge when they figured out the first ridiculous charges couldn't stick."

On June 8, the town added a charge of "insubordination and failure to act in proper manner to/with

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Bethlehem police officer Christopher Hughes

Police Blotter

Felony marijuana charges brought for pair at strip mall

Guilderland Police arrested Paul M. Pagan, 24, of 12 Hillcrest Ave. in Albany on charges of marijuana and aggravated unlicensed operation of a vehicle and Amanda T. Hepfinger, 21, of 721 State St. in Albany, on the felony charge of criminal possession of marijuana, on Friday, Aug. 14, according to police reports.

Pagan was arrested after being pulled over for a traffic stop, and police allegedly found the pair to be in possession of 8.2 ounces of marijuana the report states. Hepfinger was reported as being in possession of an open bottle of scotch whisky.

Hepfinger is scheduled to reappear in court on Thursday, Aug. 27, and Pagan was arraigned on Friday, Aug. 14. The arrest occurred at 20 Mall, in Guilderland.

Other arrests

• Guilderland Police arrested Loray A. Williams, 24, of 223 Green St. in Albany on felony grand larceny charges on Thursday, Aug. 13, according to police reports.

Williams was said to be working

as a cashier at Crossgates Mall and stole the credit car of one of its customers. She then allegedly used it to purchase items at stores totaling \$527. Williams then allegedly attempted to use the card again at other stores before being apprehended. She is scheduled to appear in court on Thursday, Aug. 27.

• Guilderland Police arrested Daniel P. Heeren, 24, of 71 Carsted Dr. in Slingerlands on charges of felony criminal sex acts dating back to last year, according to police reports.

The report states Heeren was more than 21 years old and the victim was less than 17 years of age.

Heeren was arrested on Thursday, Aug. 13, and was arraigned later that day.

• Guilderland Police arrested Alexander Timofeyev, 18, 36 Ableman St. in Albany, on several charges including DWI on Monday, Aug. 16, according to police reports.

Timofeyev has been charged with leaving the scene of a personal injury accident and leaving the scene of an accident with property damage, and reckless driving, according to the report. It states

he was involved in a crash that led to the injury of his passenger on Veeder Road. He then proceeded to run from the scene. He hid in bushes, according to the report, but later returned to the accident and admitted to driving the vehicle and consuming alcohol.

The passenger was transported to St. Peter's Hospital, the report states.

He is scheduled to appear in court on Thursday, Aug. 27.

• Guilderland Police arrested Barbara A. McLachlan, 43, of 1980 Western Ave. in Albany, on DWI charges, on Sunday, Aug. 16 according to police reports.

McLachlan was arrested near the corner of Venezia Avenue and Western Avenue and is scheduled to appear in court on Thursday, Aug. 27.

• Bethlehem police arrested a 22-year-old Selkirk man for felony DWI after his vehicle was spotted driving into the opposite lane of oncoming traffic.

Jerry J. Jones, of 27 Esplanade St., Selkirk, was charged with felony DWI, felony driving with a BAC of 0.08 percent or greater and failure to keep right on Friday Aug. 21.

Police said Jones was driving

west on Feura Bush Road and that officers on patrol saw him "cross the yellow line with half the vehicle going into the oncoming lane."

Officers stopped Jones near Murray Avenue and could smell alcohol on his breath while conducting an interview and also observed him display signs of intoxication, according to the arrest report.

He was asked to exit his vehicle to conduct a field-sobriety test, which he failed, and Jones tested positive for alcohol before being taken into custody and having his car towed, the report states.

Police said they transported him to the Bethlehem Police Department where he consented to a chemical test that revealed his BAC was over the legal limit of 0.08 percent. A background check revealed that Jones had a prior alcohol-related conviction in Guilderland in 2006.

He was picked up by his mother and is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Sept. 1.

• Steven P. Carbonaro, 17, of 27 B Dowly Road, Albany, was arrested by Bethlehem police on Monday, Aug. 17, for felony intimidating a witness and second-degree aggravated harassment, a misdemeanor.

Carbonaro was stopped by State Police in Clifton Park after a reported property-damage auto accident, according to the arrest report, when it was discovered that he was wanted on an active arrest warrant signed by Bethlehem Town Justice Paul Dwyer.

Bethlehem Police said they took Carbonaro from State Police custody at Stuyvesant Plaza in Guilderland and transported him to the Bethlehem Police Department without incident.

Carbonaro was arraigned by Bethlehem Town Justice Ryan Donovan and sent to the Albany County Correctional Facility in lieu of a \$15,000 cash bail or bond, the report states.

The Rotterdam Police Department were advised to lodge their warrant against Carbonaro at the county jail.

• Damien D. Moore, 34, listed as "undomiciled" by the Bethlehem police was arrested on seven counts of felony second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument; five counts of seventh-degree criminal possession of stolen property, all misdemeanors; and two counts a petit larceny, both misdemeanors.

More was transported from the Albany County Correctional Facility to the Bethlehem Police Department on an active warrant signed by Bethlehem Town Justice Paul Dwyer and he was processed before being arraigned by Justice Ryan Donovan, according to the arrest report.

Donovan sent Moore back to county jail without bail "due to having prior felony convictions," and his trial was waived up to a grand jury.

• The Saratoga County Sheriff's Office arrested Shannon E. Crotty, 22, of 13 Forest Road, Delmar, and charged her with DWI on Sunday, Aug. 9.

Crotty was stopped for vehicle and traffic infractions on State Route 9N in the Town of Greenfield at 4:21 a.m., and deputies found her to be intoxicated, according to arrest reports.

She was processed at the Corinth sub-station and released to a third party. She is scheduled to appear in Greenfield Town Court on Monday, Sept. 14.

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Independence primary nears

Financial filings show candidates spending money on campaign literature leading up to elections

By JARRETT CARROLL
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After posting no income for his campaign in July, Independence Party Councilman Sam Messina now has a modest bankroll to take on incumbent Democrat Jack Cunningham in the election for town supervisor.

A computer snafu on Messina's end delayed his last two filings with the state's board of elections, but after loaning himself \$5,600 and hosting his first fundraiser at his home on Thursday, Aug. 20, Messina said he is ready to move his campaign forward.

"I feel very good about my campaign and am pleased with all of the hard work and dedication of my supporters," he said. "I look forward to being able to continue to talk with the residents of Bethlehem and listen to what they have to say."

Cunningham has not held a fundraiser since March but said there will be more after the primary, which will be held Sept. 15.

He, too, said he is looking forward to the primary and then onto the general election.

"The campaign I think is going well. It's been a very positive experience discussing the issues with the residents," he said. "People tell me they are very happy with what we are doing at Town Hall."

The primary challenge comes from Messina for his own Independence Party line, as well as a write-in "opportunity to ballot" challenge from Cunningham for Messina's Working Families Party line.

According to the 32-day pre-primary filings with the state, Cunningham spent \$1,405 in the last filing period and has \$12,267.77 on hand, and Messina recently spent \$1,048.08 and has \$4,703.30 left over.

Messina held a fundraiser after the filing was handed in and said there was one expense that did not appear in this filing but would be in the next one. Messina and Town Board candidate Fernando (Fred) Di Maggio were named on a lawsuit brought forth by an Independence Party member to disqualify a number of petition signatures gathered by Cunningham and his fellow

candidates running on the Independence line.

The lawsuit cost \$1,400 in legal fees, according to Messina, which was divided between himself, Di Maggio and the Conservative Party. Messina said he is contributing \$500, Di Maggio \$400, and that the Conservative Party paid for the remaining \$500.



Jack Cunningham

"I want [the legal fees] to run through my campaign account because that is the proper thing to do," Messina said.

Messina's campaign filed two contributions other than a loan from himself, which were a \$100 from John Smolinsky, a planning board member and Messina's campaign treasurer, and a miscellaneous \$15 submission.

On the spending side of things, Messina's biggest expenses listed on his filings include two payments of \$271.08 and \$162 to Delmar printers for campaign literature and \$126 to Web Services Group.



Sam Messina

Messina also made some political contributions, including \$50 to the Albany County Conservative Party; \$75 to the Independence Party; \$50 to Citizen's Action; \$25 to "Friends of Corey Ellis"; and \$75 to "Friends of Anton Konev."

Some donations to the Bethlehem Grange and the Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association were made, too.

In Cunningham's campaign, he posted an undisclosed \$25 on the income side along with \$300 worth of "in kind" services from Marty Kerins Jr. for photography for a total receipt of \$325.

His biggest expenditure came in the form of \$750 to Bam Graphics in Selkirk for "Web site development." Cunningham also reported spending \$243 for campaign postcards from REM Printing Inc. in Albany and \$112 reimbursement to himself.

The Spotlight is co-sponsoring a primary debate between Cunningham and Messina with the League of Women Voters at Town Hall on Thursday, Sept. 3, from 7 until 9 p.m.

A golden re-opening



A grand re-opening and ribbon cutting of the McDonalds at 132 Delaware Ave., in Delmar was held on Tuesday, Aug. 18. Elsmere's own Play'n With Fire provided live music under the tent at the VIP event. There were big checks handed out for several local charities before local politicians, along with the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce helped cut the ribbon. The location will continue deals and giveaways throughout August, with KISS FM and Ronald McDonald himself appearing at noon on Saturday, Aug. 29, and a TV giveaway at 2 p.m.

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New party line in area towns

Petitions in Guilford and New Scotland would keep some candidate on ballots even if they lose primary contests

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New campaign lines have cropped up in local elections over the past weeks, most recently in Guilford and New Scotland, according to the Albany County Board of Elections.

Matt Nelligan, a candidate for Guilford Town Board, said he created the Tax Payer's First party line Tuesday, Aug. 18, the deadline to file such a petition.

He said while it is not technically a new party, "there's definitely a set of party principles behind it."

The lines are technically called independent nominating petitions, and are slightly different than a political party in that they are not permanent.

Nelligan said Tax Payer's First is focused on bringing the property tax rate down and putting the pieces in place to attract business to the town.

"Everybody I've met thinks [taxes are] too high," Nelligan said.

John Graziano, the Albany County Board of Elections Republican Commissioner said 703 signatures are required to create the new line.

Nelligan, who already has the Republican endorsement, said he collected nearly 350 signatures for the petition.

"We would, on the face of it, accept it unless there's a challenge," he said of Nelligan's petition. "We'll see if it holds up."

In New Scotland, another group of Republicans have petitioned to create a new line that would allow its members to stay on the ballot even if they fail to win the Republican primary.

Matthew Clyne, the Albany County Board of Elections Democratic commissioner, confirmed that a petition for the New Scotland First Party line was filed on Thursday, Aug. 13.

The line, which was created by Town Board candidates Roz Robinson and Tim Stanton and supervisor candidate Mike Fields, would allow the candidates to have an additional spot on the ballot without affecting any of their other endorsements.

Robinson and Stanton did not receive the Republican endorsement. Fields was endorsed by the GOP.

"Initially, win or lose, we'd like to have another line," Robinson said.

Robinson said the line will allow her and Stanton to stay on the ballot even if they lose the Republican primary, but she said, the main reason for creating the party is to give voters a "third" choice.

"It gives voters a breath of fresh air - to give people a choice," she said. "Being the non-endorsed candidates, we're kind of the underdog."

Doug LaGrange and Chuck Voss are the endorsed Town Board candidates from the Republican Party.

Robinson said she is glad the town will host a primary in the Republican Party because it spurs debate.

"Primaries are healthy in that it shakes up the party," she said.

She said some of her friends in town expressed hesitance to "pull the lever" for a Republican, even if they agree with their politics. The

New Scotland First line allows them to vote for the trio, without having to jump the aisle, Robinson said.

Stanton said giving voters options was the main reason he helped create the line.

"There wasn't going to be much choice in the election," he said.

He said that while it is true the petition allows him to have a line on the ballot regardless of the result of the primary, it is not the most important reason for its creation.

"If I do happen to be on both," he said, "I'm going to tell people to vote for me on the New Scotland First line to send a message."

Fields recently replaced former candidate Karen Moreau, who left the race to pursue a professional endeavor.

He said the other candidates have three lines, and having a second will help him establish himself.

"I think I need it," Fields said.

He said while all four candidates in the Republican primary have expressed reservations about big-box development, a hot topic in town, Robinson and Stanton share his reservations about a size-cap on retail buildings.

He said he is willing to work with everyone to come up with a viable solution for New Scotland.

"We have the laws already; we just have to go in and tweak them," he said. "We're trying to use common sense in dealing with the issues," he said.

In recent weeks, the neighboring Town of Rotterdam has also received petitions for a new party line.

Brian McGarry, John Mertz, Michael O'Connor and Bradley Littlefield filed a petition with the Schenectady County Board of Elections on Tuesday, Aug. 18, to establish the No New Tax Party line.

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Pets, other kids can undo all parenting efforts

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Welcome to the exciting conclusion to a special two-part Pop Culture. If you read last week's column, you are probably a member of my family. If you are not related to me and still read the column, thank you. Anyway, last week I began writing about the many obstacles that parents face in raising children and the unexpected sources of those obstacles.

The list continues this week with some parenting obstacles that masquerade as being benign or even helpful to the child-rearing process.

Pets

Most veterinarians and health-care professionals will tell you pets are great for kids and beneficial to the family as a whole. They'll say the care required for most pets is a great tool to teach children responsibility, and the love and companionship a dog, cat or gopher can provide a child will help them developmentally.

They are wrong.

My dog, a golden retriever/labrador mix named Sophie, has taught my sons nothing but Darwinism. She eats whatever it takes to position herself to get at

what she'd like to eat next. She's big, goofy, begrudgingly lovable, and moves with the calculated precision of a shark to gobble up what she wants next. It's like a mixture of Rosie O'Donnell and Donald Trump in dog form.

After she has torn apart all of my wife's shoes and most of the kids' toys, she stoops to begging for, or just outright lunging after, table scraps. This has resulted in my family eating dinner hunched over our plates every evening, guarding our food against theft as though we were in some Russian work camp out of an Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn story.

Every once in a while, one of us will look up and attempt conversation:

"How was work today, honey," my wife asks.

"Good, good," I say, afraid to look away from my plate. "And yourself—"

"Dog! Dog!" my son, Kevin, starts screaming, and I see Sophie's head appear from under the table.

What happens next is a flurry

of dog acrobatics that would stymie even Robert Ripley. The dog's body remains under the table while she maneuvers her head as to attack the chicken breast on my 2-year-old, Nathan's, plate. Kevin tries to block the attempt, which results in the most amazing thing I've ever seen: The dog shifts her attack to the tray of biscuits on the table and turns her head what appears to be 180 degrees to her body, and takes three biscuits in her mouth.

"Keep your eye on the biscuits, chief!" my wife yells.

"She's going under!" screams Kevin.

"She can't go under!" yells my wife. "Not with three biscuits she can't!"

She does. And then, quick as lightning, she comes back for Nathan's chicken breast and disappears below the table.

"Farewell and adieu to you fair Spanish ladies..." sings Nathan.

My wife

Speaking of "Jaws," my wife, believe it or not, proves to be one the biggest obstacles to what I consider good parenting.

Kevin asked me the other day if he would break his neck if he jumped off the roof of my parents' house.

"Which floor? First or second?" I asked.

"I dunno. First."

"How much do you weigh? Would you wear shoes? How much do they weigh?"

At this point, my wife interjects. "Bill, why did you let this get this far? He's only going to think that it'll be OK to jump off the roof."

"Jess, we really haven't gotten that far," I try to console her. "Right now, we're only trying to determine if it'd be life threatening to jump off the roof."

Kevin pops his head between me and my wife. "I weigh 55 pounds and I wouldn't wear shoes."

"I think you'd make it," I say, and my wife storms out of the room.

Kevin watches her leave, and makes sure she's out of earshot before he asks, "Dad, can I jump off the roof then?"

"What are you, crazy? Of course not," I say. "Why would you think that would be a good idea?"

Other children

I'd rather chip a tooth than spend time with children who aren't mine.

Mostly, other people's children are ill-behaved, rambunctious, noisy and too precocious for their own good. They are like walking gastrointestinal disorders for which abstinence is the only treatment.

Unchecked, other people's children will begin to taint your own cherubic offspring and turn them into the aforementioned monstrosities and against you as a parent.

Example: Your kid is playing with one of the neighborhood hooligans around dinnertime. Your child, on his own, has the good sense to know that you do not eat a bunch of unhealthy snacks immediately preceding dinner. However, exposed to the unfettered nastiness of other people's children, he has decided that if Johnny next door can cram a giant Kit-Kat bar into his craw right before supper, then he can too.

Later, after you have removed

what is left of said Kit-Kat bar from his throat with the "hook and sweep" method employed in CPR and taken him to task for ruining his supper, he will say one thing: "Well, Johnny did it, too."

Other parents

Parents who live vicariously through their children make me want to avoid them and their children.

Look, I know kids become the focus when you have a family. If it weren't for my wife and kids, you wouldn't be reading this now (for better or worse). But there's a difference between your kids being a large part of your life and being the entirety of it.

I was at a party a couple of weeks ago. No kids, all adults. I sat down to talk with a guy I haven't seen in more than a few years. The last time we spoke, we were both single. Now we both have families, mortgages, car payments and other things that make you want to sleep in on a Monday morning.

"Hey, how've you been?" I asked.

"Well," he said. "Jonathan is starting youth soccer and Jacob just potty trained."

"That's great," I said, sort of confused. "Where'd you meet your wife?"

"We always said we'd only have two, but now I think she wants to try for a girl," he said, oblivious to my question.

"I hate you and your children."

This snapped him out of it somewhat. "What did you say?"

"It was nice seeing you."

By no means is this a definitive list. I'm sure that any list of annoyances shrinks and grows with a person's disposition, and I'm sure what annoys me may be perfectly tolerable to other people — or to most people, if I am to believe my wife. If there is something that annoys you as a parent, or if there is something annoying that parents do, I'd love to hear about it. As always, feel free to e-mail me at devoew@spotlightnews.com.



WEEKLY WEATHER

Chief Meteorologist Mike Bono



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Record high/low/year

Day	AVERAGE HIGH 77°	AVERAGE LOW 56°
Wednesday, August 26	98°/1948	40°/1942
Thursday, August 27	97°/1948	41°/1969
Friday, August 28	98°/1948	42°/1982
Saturday, August 29	95°/1953	34°/1982
Sunday, August 30	98°/1953	38°/1982
Monday, August 31	93°/1953	37°/1965
Tuesday, September 1	96°/1953	41°/1951

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28.00 inches as of August 21st
3.21 inches above average

This week in weather

On August 27, 1987 Washington D.C. soared to a record high of 100 degrees, while clouds and rain to the north kept temperature readings in the 50s in central and southeastern New York State. In Albany it reached a high of only 60 degrees and .65" of rain fell.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	6:14am	7:39pm
Thursday	6:15am	7:38pm
Friday	6:16am	7:36pm
Saturday	6:17am	7:34pm
Sunday	6:18am	7:33pm
Monday	6:19am	7:31pm
Tuesday	6:20am	7:29pm

Moon Phases
August 27 First
September 4 Full

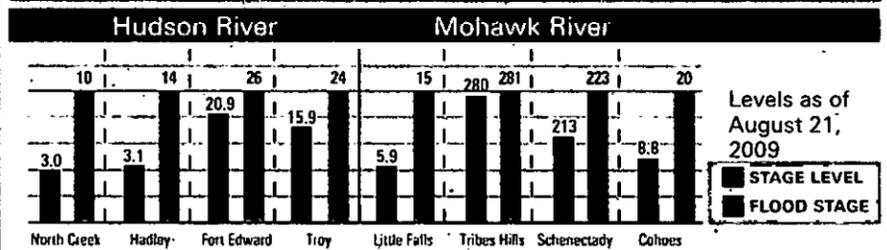


Planets When Where

Planet	When	Where
Jupiter	Evening	Bright E - SE
Venus	Pre-dawn	Bright, East
Mars	Pre-dawn	Dim, East

Rivers & Recreation

River Levels



Water temp.

Lake George	78°
Bolton Landing	77°
Sacandaga Lake	77°
Saratoga Lake	79°
Jersey Shore	75°
Cape Cod	74°

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	10:08am, 10:46pm	4:37am, 4:50pm
Thursday	11:02am, 11:40pm	5:31am, 5:43pm
Friday	12:00pm	6:27am, 6:37pm
Saturday	12:36am, 12:58pm	7:22am, 7:32pm
Sunday	1:32am, 1:56pm	8:16am, 8:26pm
Monday	2:25am, 2:50pm	9:08am, 9:18pm
Tuesday	3:16am, 3:41pm	9:57am, 10:08pm

G'land school tax rate drops

Residents will see a 3 cent per \$1,000 decrease over last year's rate

By DAN SABBATINO
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The Guilderland Central School District set its tax rate lower than in 2008-2009, according to district officials.

The rate will be 0.18 percent less than last year's, making it \$19.34 per \$1,000 of assessed value, down 3 cents per \$1,000 from last year.

Superintendent John McGuire said the town has experienced a growth of \$23 million in assessed value.

"We always try to make our assumptions at budget building time conservative," he said.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Neil Sanders said based on new housing projects and home-sale reassessments, the assessed value in town has experienced an unexpected rise.

"As of mid-August, when tax rates were finalized, the increase in assessments over the previous year was more than \$23 million," according to information provided

by district.

The district had considered raising the tax rate 0.58 percent and pulling in \$400,000 in additional revenue, McGuire said.

"Normally that would have been a prudent thing to do," he said.

However, McGuire said that since the fund balance was strong, the board felt it would be better to pass the savings along to the taxpayer.

Sanders said the tax levy for 2009-2010 will remain the same as predicted earlier in the year, but the recent assessments mean that a broader tax base will be dipped into, allowing the district to lower the overall rate.

The 2008-2009 tax levy was \$56.9 million. This school year, it is \$57.3 million, an increase of about \$300,000.

Residents in Guilderland make up close to 93 percent of the district's tax base. Tax rates for other contributing municipalities are as follows: \$16.44 per \$1,000 of assessed value in Bethlehem; \$16.27 per \$1,000 in New Scotland; and \$30.59 per \$1,000 in Knox, up 5.11 percent.

District seeks candidates

The Guilderland Central School Board is accepting applications to fill a seat left vacant by John Dornbush, who died earlier this summer.

State law allows school boards to fill such vacancies by appointment until the next regular election in May, according to the district.

Superintendent John McGuire said a special election would be time-consuming and costly, which is why the board chose to fill the vacancy by appointment.

District officials will accept applications until Friday, Sept. 11, and review them Sept. 15. The next day it will hold a special public meeting to discuss the matter, and an appointment will be made Thursday, Oct. 6.

In the regularly scheduled May election, there will be four seats up for grabs. The fourth

lowest vote getter will serve the rest of Dornbush's term, which will last one more year. A normal term is three years.

Candidates must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen and a resident of the district for at least one year prior to the appointment.

The board is asking anyone interested to submit a letter of interest and any other documentation that may be helpful in the selection process, including a resume, narrative, letter of recommendation.

The information can be mailed to Richard Weisz, Board of Education President, c/o Guilderland Central School District, 6076 State Farm Road, Guilderland, NY 12084. Online letters can be submitted at www.guilderlandschools.org.

- Dan Sabbatino

20 Mall challenges assessment

Town and School boards hire law firm to defend grievance

By DAN SABBATINO
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The Guilderland School Board and Town Board have entered into an agreement to split litigation fees to defend the assessment of the 20 Mall on Western Avenue, according to officials.

The town board voted 4-1, with Republican Warren Redlich dissenting, to enter into an agreement to hire Girvin and Ferlazzo to handle the litigation.

The school district will handle 70 percent of the costs and the town 30 percent. The school district receives a larger portion of property tax income than the town.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Neil Sanders said the district notified the town board they intended to participate in the matter, and indicated it is willing to share costs with the town board.

"We're going to defend the challenge and argue that the assessment is where it should

be," he said.

Sanders also said it is a good message to send residents that the school board and the town board are working together to share the costs of the litigation and defend the claim for the tax payers.

The property is assessed at \$11.7 million and representatives from 20 Mall are challenging it saying it's only worth \$8 million, said John Macejka, the town's assessor.

Macejka said the property was assessed in 2005, during the town-wide re-evaluation, but is now his responsibility as he has signed this year's assessment roll. He said he finds the \$11.7 million assessment to be fair and equitable, as is his responsibility when signing the roll.

He said the litigation could take years, although it is unlikely.

"We're still very early in the process," he said. "This won't be settled overnight."

Town board member Warren

Redlich said he supports challenging the assessment, but thinks it could be done more efficiently. He suggested that the town instead take its other assessment challenges, nine total and put the litigation costs out to bid, in order to try to get a better rate.

Girvin and Ferlazzo is the firm representing the town and school board in the matter, and Redlich said there are other firms that deal specifically in assessment litigation that could have been better choices.

"Tax assessment cases take years," Redlich said. "We can get a law firm in a couple of months. I think we could save the taxpayer's money."

Redlich also expressed concerns with Girvin and Ferlazzo (see related story, page 1) for not providing him with documents pertaining to an inquiry the firm is conducting in the town's police department.

A representative of the 20 Mall was unavailable for comment.

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Debate over debate

We at *The Spotlight* are finding that it's a tough thing to organize a debate.

And, like most things that involve many moving parts and people, we're finding it is impossible to satisfy everyone's needs or wants — all the time, anyway.

The Spotlight and The League of Women Voters will host a primary debate between incumbent Town of Bethlehem Supervisor Jack Cunningham and challenger Town Councilman Sam Messina on Thursday, Sept. 3, at Bethlehem Town Hall.

The debate is scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m.

A number of our readers have expressed concern over the time and date of the event, some saying it is too late in the week, others saying the week after Labor Day would have been better suited for optimum audience attendance.

And these arguments have their merit. We at *The Spotlight* want to put on the best primary debate possible, to be seen by as much of the community as possible, but planning a debate is a lot like herding cats — as soon as the last element is in place, the first two or three have decided to get up and move.

Thursday, Sept. 3, was the best date to accommodate the candidates, the League of Women Voters, the venue and *The Spotlight* (had we waited until the following week, we would have been unable to get a story in our own newspaper until after the election).

So, while it may not be the best date for everyone, it was the best possible date for most.

If you are unable to attend the debate that evening, we are working diligently on a way to broadcast the debate, either on television or on our Web site, www.spotlightnews.com.

The format of the debates will be established by the time you've read this, but will allow for audience participation. That being said, attendees are encouraged to bring questions, neutral in tone and directed at both candidates.

We at *The Spotlight* hope you mark next Thursday, Sept. 3, on your calendars and turn out in force for what we think will be a very enlightening evening.

Editorial

There is life after late blight

This has been a trying summer for gardeners. The early spring for weather tempted gardeners to plant earlier than normal, but then the weather morphed into a long, wet spell with cooler-than-normal temperatures — the perfect recipe for vegetable diseases, the “perfect storm” in fact.

Back in April, many of the box store seasonal garden centers received vegetable transplants from a southern grower whose plants and soil harbored the spores for *Phytophthora infestans*, better known as late blight. This is the same fungal disease that caused the Irish potato famine in the mid-1800s and although it is seen occasionally, it has never shown up so early in the season and with such a vengeance.

The southern transplants were shipped all over the Northeast, and many were planted in gardens before signs of the disease aroused suspicion. Dr. Tom Zitter, a plant pathologist from Cornell, was asked to diagnose some ill transplants from a local Ithaca big-box store, and he, along with other plant pathologists, was among the first to identify the pathogen as late blight.

By this time, the newly planted tomatoes were producing fungal spores that were picked up by the wind, and the disease was spreading everywhere, infecting plants in the Nightshade (*Solanaceae*) family — mainly potatoes and tomatoes. The vast numbers of plants and the range of planting areas coupled with the prolonged wet weather and cool temperatures made the perfect situation for late blight to take hold. Backyard gardens and commercial fields were all hit by the spores, and the plant decline was swift. For those who know the disease is nearby, Copper sulfate is a fungicide that will set up a barrier against the fungus, but it will not cure it. Symptoms



Many local tomatoes have been infected with late blight.

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include brown streaks on stems, blackened areas on leaves that dry and wilt quickly, and olive green to brown blotches on the fruit that appear shiny or wet but are hard to the touch. Humid weather will often foster a white fuzz or mildew like growth on the fruit or leaves that indicate that the fungus is producing spores. Gardeners often remark that the plants were healthy one day and wilting with symptoms the next. The rapidity of the disease moving through a plant is humbling and not quickly forgotten and so gardeners are wondering what to do to prevent this from happening again.

Since we have no control over weather and winds, we need to take all the precautions that we can to ensure that our gardens are as hospitable as possible for planting next spring:

- Clean-up all diseased foliage and fruit and discard in a plastic bag for the land fill — do not compost! Check that all potato tubers are out of the soil. If you see any signs of potato growth next spring (from leftover tubers), remove promptly as spores can over-winter in living tissue. Spores for late blight will not over-winter in the soil.

- Rotate crops, especially all Nightshade family plants, for example, do not plant peppers where tomatoes, eggplant, or potatoes were growing the previous year.

- Look for the new tomato variety “Mountain Magic,”

which should be available in 2010 as it has resistance to early blight, Septoria leaf spot, and late blight.

- Remember the garden rules when planting and leave room to allow for good air circulation as this will lessen disease. Do not crowd plants.

This fall, incorporate organic matter such as chopped-up leaves, compost or dried manures into the vegetable garden. Plant a green manure crop such as winter rye or buckwheat that can be turned over in the spring to enrich and nurture the soil. Feed the soil and it will feed you.

With phones ringing off the hook daily with callers asking questions about tomato diseases, especially late blight, the most-often asked question concerns the safety of eating fruit from blighted plants. The pathogen will not harm people, only plants. Tomatoes that are picked before ripening should be washed well with a mild soap and water solution, rinsed, and dried very thoroughly. Set the fruit out to ripen on the windowsill out of direct sunlight or in newspaper or brown paper bags. The best advice is to be vigilant in the garden and check often for signs of disease. Do what you can to limit the spread of disease, and salvage what harvest you can. Gardeners are optimistic people who learn from each season's experience and know well that there is always next year.

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Your Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Messina a man of integrity and vision

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I have had the privilege of working with Sam Messina on the Board of Directors of Family and Children's Service of the Capital Region (FCS) for over three years.

Sam has shown me to be a truly compassionate and empathic person whose only agenda is to see that the best service is provided for the clients of FCS. Prior to his accepting a position on the Board of Directors, Sam worked as a tireless volunteer for Samaritan's Suicide Crisis Hotline and suicide survivor services associated with FCS.

I have found Sam to be the type of person that those of us who have worked closely with him know him to be: a man of integrity; vision, energy, and

sympathy.

I also have personal experience with Sam and know him to be as much of an advocate for the Town of Bethlehem residents as he has been for the clients of FCS.

If elected to the office of Supervisor, I am confident that the citizens of the Town would benefit greatly from his high ethical standards, his fresh ideas and his positive solutions.

My only regret is that not being a town resident I won't have the opportunity to cast my ballot for Sam Messina.

Noreen M. Fargione

Albany

former chair of

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Healthcare reform must represent women

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Recently, there has been a lot of media attention surrounding the many issues within the healthcare reform debate, including how it should be paid for citizens.

Yet at the same time, another component of the battle pushing and tugging healthcare reform has to do with the controversies in reproductive health services.

Currently, there have been over 20 amendments proposed by various legislators attempting to restrict the coverage of reproductive services, including abortions and parental permission for birth control. As of Friday, July 31, the Energy and Commerce committee passed an anti-abortion amendment.

As a young feminist and pro-choice advocate, these negative reactions make me feel a mixture of anger, hatred and sadness.

What can I do to stop this? I can stand up for my rights and the rights of the women and young girls that will come

after me.

If I don't, I cannot help but wonder that if healthcare reform is passed with the restriction of certain reproductive health services, women will be worse off than they are today.

As a young woman, I can not allow that be the only option in order to establish universal healthcare.

Although the questions and controversies portrayed in the media about the healthcare reform debate are vital and important, the debate is far more complicated by the threat against reproductive rights.

Women need to be represented in the healthcare reform plan. In reaction, I will continue to fight until these aspects are securely established, because I cannot let the government decide how to control my body with the decisions that only I have the right to make.

Claire Skotnes

Delmar

Messina the one for supervisor

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Sam Messina has been my friend since we attended U Albany Graduate School programs in the 1970s.

His decision to run for the position of Bethlehem Town Supervisor combined with his subsequent endorsement for the position by the Town's Republican Party are important challenges to the arrogance and self-aggrandizing behavior (my opinion) of his Democratic Party opponent, incumbent Supervisor Cunningham.

Sam is a man who will listen and respond to all who need to be heard. He knows that local government and local concerns matter deeply to all of us who make this community our home.

He will give us all a voice in town government and he will do his best to bring us to a 21st century "Town Meeting" forum in which the people's concerns are heard.

If the September 3, 2009

public debate between these two candidates is presented in a fair and open manner for each of the Supervisor candidates, Sam's true interest in giving people a strong voice in local government, his genuine commitment to service, and his character will shine through.

Sam will win the debate, the upcoming primaries, and

the November election.

I urge all the voters of this community who have not already done so to meet Sam, observe his character, and then give him your vote for Bethlehem Town Supervisor.

John Shipherd

Delmar

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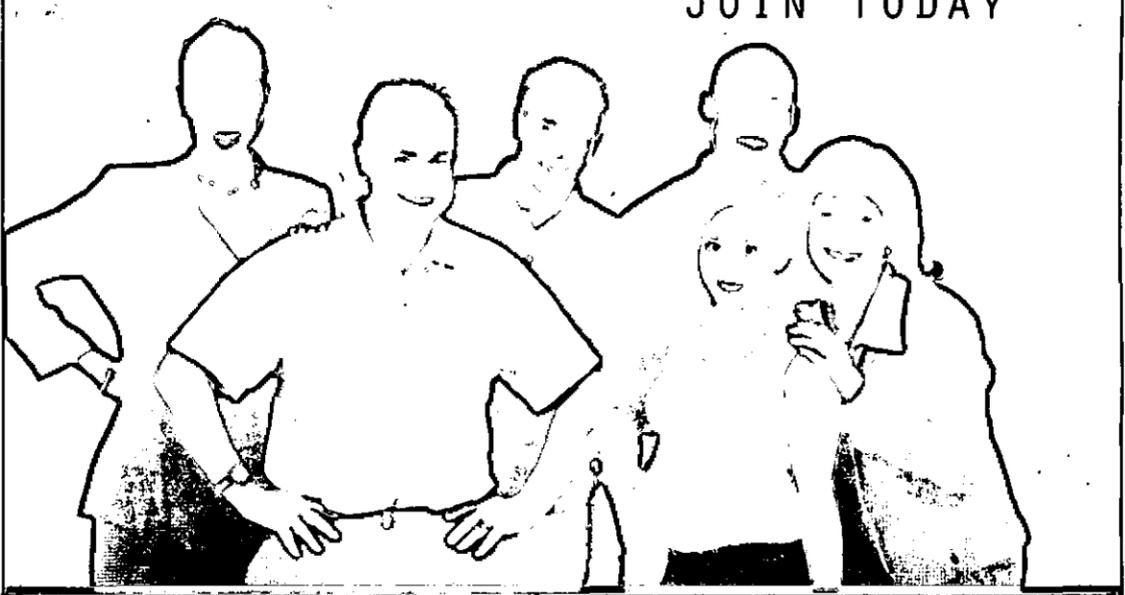
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Budget workshops help outline town's needs

Bethlehem's public budget discussions ushered in by Cunningham help plan financial future

By JARRETT CARROLL
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Much like the capital project plan Bethlehem is fleshing out, the town's budget workshops that have begun help to discuss the town's fiscal health and allocate funds to where they are needed most.

Bethlehem's 2010 Budget Workshops began on Monday, Aug. 17 and will continue throughout the rest of August and into September. Initiated by Supervisor Jack Cunningham after he was appointed by the Town Board to replace former supervisor Theresa Egan, he has continued the practice through his first term of office.

"We only started these workshops after I first came in," Cunningham said. "I just

think it's a great opportunity for the board to hear from all the department heads. ... I'm here all day, they're not."

All meetings are held at Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., in Delmar, and run from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. in room 101 auditorium. The Tuesday, Aug. 25, meeting was canceled due to Congressman Paul Tonko's talk about government-run health care at the Elm Avenue Park in Delmar. (Read the Tonko story online at www.spotlightnews.com)

The topics from that meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 21, at the Town Hall auditorium and will include the comptroller's review of preliminary tax rates, and overall budgets as well as the comptroller presentations on salary; health insurance; fringe benefits; and revenue adjustments.

The first 2009 Budget Workshop dealt with presentations from the receiver

of taxes, the town assessor, town court and the highway department.

Cunningham said there was some discussion on the highway department's budget but that there was no "major" changes in its budget. There were some proposals for new equipment purchases, especially when it came to town trucks.

The discussion became an issue of what vehicle should the town replace and when.

"The problem with the trucks is their useful life is only so long and it can become a safety issue," Cunningham said. "We've consolidated the town's entire fleet under one fleet manager."

Cunningham said the fleet manager, which is in charge of everything from town trucks to entire police department's fleet, helps manage the Bethlehem's assists while monitoring its needs and necessities in terms of vehicles.

A long-term vehicle replacement plan is being tied into the town's capital project plan in terms of an overriding financial forecast and a needs-based priority system.

The supervisor added that all of its older vehicles taken out of the fleet are auctioned off.

Councilman Sam Messina told *The Spotlight* that the workshops are going well and that keeping the Bethlehem budget in check is a top priority.

"The overarching priority for our budget decisions this year will need to be an acute awareness and sensitivity to the increasing costs and decreasing revenues Bethlehem is facing, based on state and county projections," Messina said. "The balance that we need to strike is to maintain essential services at least possible cost. New operating expenditures should be authorized only where absolutely necessary and only when we find ways to pay for them without increasing taxes. We must be willing to look at all programs for possible savings and more efficient ways of operating."

The revenue shortfall Messina spoke of refers to the recent comptroller report that showed a million dollar loss in revenues for Bethlehem, mainly because of sales tax and mortgage tax drop offs in the last two quarters.

The town unanimously voted at its last Town Board meeting for a more than \$900,000 decrease in its budget and filling in the rest of the gap with reserve funds. A big portion of the budget decrease came from salary decreases, according to Cunningham.

"They were salary adjustments done through attrition, no one was laid off," he said. "There was also a decision

not to hire an additional police officer, which we had originally budgeted for mid-year."

Cunningham said most of the town's departments are seeing small decreases in their individual budgets this year.

Councilman Mark Hennessey praised the work of town departments to reduce costs and said he hope to see the reductions continue.

"Supervisor Cunningham, the board and staff are working hard to contain and reduce costs. It is not easy," he said. "Personally I would like to see reductions in many categories on a year to year basis. Many of the department heads have come in with flat or decreased lines and categories in their budgets so that is great."

Overall, Hennessey seemed pleased with the progress of the budget workshops stating, "The work we have done so far shows what we can achieve when we work as a team."

A tentative 2010 town budget will be presented at the Wednesday Sept. 23 Town Board meeting and a public hearing on the budget will be held on Oct. 28 before the board votes on the adoption of the budget on Nov. 10.

Until then, Messina said the Town Board needs to continue looking for ways to save taxpayer money.

"Every program should be the subject of rigorous budget review, with no exceptions," Messina said. "The board's actions must reflect the financial realities our residents and businesses are facing, balanced with the need to deliver quality services for our community."

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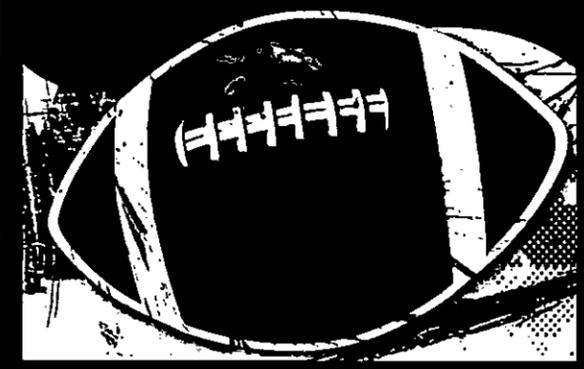
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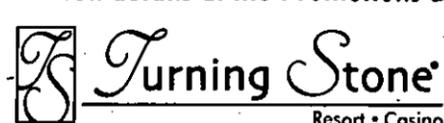
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Zoe Silvestri, 3, of Albany, cuddles up in a blanket and prepares to watch "101 Dalmations" as part of the Guilderland Public Library's summer film series.

Ariana Cohn/Spotlight

Guilderland library extends Disney film series through fall

Showings have drawn more than 100 people

By DAN SABBATINO
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Disney films have captured the imagination of moviegoers for decades, and now they will capture the imagination of Guilderland residents for at least a few more months.

Barbara Randall Nichols, the director of the library, said the popular Friday night movie series the library has sponsored in recent months will be extended through November due to its success.

"What we've found, on our very first night we had almost 60 people," she said.

She said for the last few movies, more than 100 patrons of all ages came out to the library.

"People have enjoyed it," said Randall Nichols. "Most of the families that are coming are preschool age."

The movies are shown outside when the weather is nice, and indoors when it is raining.

Randall Nichols said she is pleasantly surprised by the attendees' faces when they indicate shock and wonder at the movies. She said many have not seen them, possibly because the films draw people from several different cultures.

"You can tell by the way that the audience reacts that they've never seen it before," Randall Nichols said.

The free movie nights began on July 17 and were scheduled to conclude on Aug. 21.

On the last Friday of the first set of movies, a representative from the office of state Sen. Neil Breslin, D-Delmar, was on hand to celebrate its success. Breslin's office helped secure a \$4,200 grant for a video projector, portable speaker and large portable screen that made the movie viewings at library possible.

The portable speaker system is

used for the outdoor viewings.

Kate Barry, Breslin's community liaison, said he is glad to see the grant making such a large impact on the community.

"Sen. Breslin is very happy to secure this grant money for the Guilderland public library. The purchase of new audio-visual equipment will enhance the library's already excellent family friendly events," she said. "In this time of economic peril, the library's role in the community has become even more essential by providing very affordable family outings."

The new slate of films has been scheduled from Sept. 25 to

Nov. 13 on Friday nights at 7.

"We're going through the entire fall," Randall Nichols said, with a small break for the two weeks surrounding Labor Day and the start of the new school year.

The first show of the new slate will be "Peter Pan," on Sept. 18. Following that will be "Finding Nemo," Sept. 25; "Aladdin," Oct. 2; "The Sword in the Stone," Oct. 9; "Snow White," Oct. 16; "The Jungle Book," Oct. 23; "The Adventures of Ichabod & Mr. Toad," Oct. 30; "Cinderella," Nov. 6; and "Mulan," Nov. 13.

"We're just happy what we're offering is what they want," Randall Nichols said.



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School district touts new design as number of virtual visitors continues to grow

The Bethlehem Central School District has redesigned its Web site, giving it what officials call "a new, more modern and user-friendly online face."

Parents, students and anyone else who wants to access the virtual Bethlehem Central can still find the district at its original Web site, <http://bcsd.k12.ny.us>, but the same site can also be found at the easier-to-remember domain name www.bethlehemschools.org

The site's designers said those who have "bookmarked" the school's site on their computers will not have to change anything because the same site can be accessed from both addresses.

The new design features a streamlined site organization, a home page "showcase" of pictures from around the district, and all of its regular features.

"It has become clear that having a vibrant, informative and comprehensive Web site is the best and most immediate way to ensure parents and community members can access the information they need and want about Bethlehem Central," said Superintendent Michael Tebbano. "The newly designed Web site and our commitment to providing timely and relevant information online will strengthen our efforts in this area and serve the needs of a growing Web audience."

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Superintendent Michael Tebbano

The district's Web site has seen traffic multiply over the past few years. During the 2005-2006 school year, it attracted an average of 15,800 unique visitors per month, according to school officials. Three years later, that number had grown by more than 35 percent to about 24,800 unique visitors per month.

Tebbano said that over the past couple of years, the Web audience has increased as the district has tackled issues of particular interest, such as the redistricting process and budget development, and used the site as the primary means of communicating about them.

The district plans to begin featuring video from school activities this year and other events on the new site from time to time. The Web site will also continue to include noteworthy features such as "Superintendent's Notes," links to PTA and community/parent group pages, lunch menus, the BCHS Weather Center, and more.

—Jarrett Carroll

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Stormwater issues key in townhouse proposal

Developer's mitigation plan met with general approval

By DAN SABBATINO
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In an August that has seen many rainy days and flooding streets, stormwater was the hot issue at the Guilderland Town Board's Tuesday, Aug. 18, meeting, which featured a presentation for a townhouse project.

After hearing a detailed stormwater plan, residents and board members voiced concerns about drainage and taxing districts for the proposal made by Amedore Homes.

The board is expected to vote in October to rezone a parcel of land that could allow the builder to construct 42 townhouses.

The board decided to hold on a vote at the Aug. 18 meeting because of some lingering

questions about managing the stormwater drainage district.

Town Board member Warren Redlich said the project's stormwater mitigation plan will ultimately have a broad benefit to the town and the project should move forward.

"The developer would greatly help the area with drainage," Redlich said.

Redlich said he is not a supporter of the town's comprehensive plan, which calls for those types of developments, but in this case, the pros outweigh the cons.

"I think there's plenty high-density residential housing already," he said.

Redlich said he was apprehensive about the development's traffic impact but was sold on the stormwater benefits to the rest of the area.

"If there's basements that are getting wet, let's fix them,"

Redlich said.

The rezone is for a 23-acre parcel with 0.65 acres dedicated to non-retail professional, according to information presented at the meeting.

Bob Smith, who lives in a development to the south of the proposed project, raised issues related to stormwater.

"Basements that were dry are becoming wet," he said.

By the end of Amedore's presentation, Smith said he was satisfied with the mitigation plan.

Other residents who live on Old State Road, where the development will be built, voiced support for the development but had concerns with how the drainage will be managed and how much water will be mitigated.

Daniel Hershberg, of the engineering firm Hershberg and Hershberg, presented the stormwater drainage plan.

In addition to addressing the residents' concerns about drainage, he discussed some terms that have been thrown around in describing storms in recent months that

could possibly be confusing residents.

"The term '100-year storm' should never have been made," he said. He said so-called 100-year storms happen much more frequently than once every 100 years.

Hershberg addressed another common mistake people make when talking about stormwater. The plan he presented shows water slowing as it is constricted through the culverts, not speed ingup. He said making the pipes and culverts too big can actually do more harm than good, and this plan specifically deals with ways to make water flow at the right speed to prevent flooding.

Questions were raised about the possibility of basements being included in the plans for the townhouses. Hershberg said there are plans for basements in most, if not all, of the unit, but they will not penetrate the groundwater table.

Ken Johnson, an engineer with the town's firm, Delaware Engineering, said he met with the highway department and is satisfied with the stormwater

mitigation plan.

"You're lowering the amount of water that's going through the existing culverts," he said.

Johnson said, though, that it would take about a month to work out language for a drainage district plan.

The town could opt to have a homeowners association run the district at first, before eventually creating a separate taxing district.

Roger Stone, the town's zoning enforcement and stormwater management officer called the plan "very, very comprehensive."

Town Board member Paul Pastor said the board is moving in the right direction, but said it might be prudent to delay a rezone based on the fact that the details of the drainage district have not been worked out.

Board member Patricia Slavick said the people involved need to come together and weed out the details of the drainage district and board member Mark Grimm said he supports allowing the HOA to manage the district, so as not to "further the reach of government."

IN BRIEF

Schuyler Mansion to host lecture

Schuyler Mansion State Historic Site will host a lecture, "Harbor at the Headwaters of

Prosperity: Albany's 18th Century Stockade and Waterfront," Thursday, Sept. 3, at 6 p.m.

Christopher Kilkenny, archeologist at Hartgen Archeological Associates, Inc., will

discuss the excavations at the State University Construction Fund archeological site in downtown Albany and what was revealed during the 1999 dig. Kilkenny will also examine how the artifacts found illustrate the transformation of Albany from outpost to prosperous trade center.

Admission is \$20. A reception will be held before the lecture at 5:30.

For information, call 434-0834 or visit www.schuylerfriends.org.

Singles to host talk by food critic

The Northeast Jewish Singles, a social group for men and women, will meet Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 3 p.m. in the Towers of Colonie, Building 2 Party Room, 422 Sand Creek Road. Ruth Fantasia, executive feature editor of the *Times Union*, will present "What's Wrong with Having the Best Job in the World?"

Fantasia will discuss what goes on behind the scenes of a restaurant review in the Capital District and recount some of her most unusual experiences.

Refreshments and pizza will be served. The cost is free for members who have paid their annual dues. The cost is \$9 for non-members. All single Jewish adults are invited to attend.

For information or to reserve a spot, call Vera Gangel at 393-6538 by Monday, Sept. 21.

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Dick's moving to new, two-story spot at mall

Dick's Sporting Goods is preparing for its grand opening in a new two-story space at Crossgates Mall this October, according to information from mall officials.

The new Dick's will be more than 80,000 square feet and located next to Macy's. The two-story format is a feature at fewer than 10 percent of Dick's locations, according to information from the sporting good's supplier.

Jennifer O'Leary, assistant marketing director for Crossgates Mall, said Dick's soon-to-be former location would remain a single-tenant store.

"This new store's design will feature a 'store-within-a-store' concept with extensive offerings for all manner of sports enthusiasts. The Golf Pro Shop, The Lodge [hunting, camping and fishing], the Fitness Center, Footwear, Team Sports and Athletic Apparel will all be found under one roof with the distinct benefits of an authentic merchandise assortment, premier brand selection, access to value-added services and personalized assistance from friendly and knowledgeable sales associates," according to a written statement.

-Dan Sabbatino

Slingerlands soldier earns National Guard promotion

The New York Army National Guard has announced the promotion of Robert Lamorte from Slingerlands to the rank of sergeant.

Lamorte is serving with the Medical Command, and the National Guard released a statement saying, "Promotions are based on overall performance, attitude, leadership ability, and development potential. These promotions additionally recognize the best qualified soldiers and

attract and retain the highest caliber citizen soldiers for a career in the New York Army National Guard."

Maj. Gen. Joseph J. Taluto, the state's adjutant general, announced Lamorte's promotion, along with other members of the New York Army National Guard, on Thursday, Aug. 20, in recognition of "their capabilities for additional responsibility and leadership."

Case

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a superior officer" to original charges of misconduct that resulted in the consecutive 30-day suspensions. *The Spotlight* first reported the issue on May 28.

The police department's union has filed grievances against both of the suspensions. The grievances are in negotiations.

Hughes filed formal complaints against Corsi and others with the district attorney's Public Integrity Unit, and claims to the DA he is being targeted after speaking to Supervisor Jack Cunningham at his home in May about internal problems at police department.

Cunningham claimed Hughes told him he had a copy of a three-year-old audiotape with Corsi telling a former member of Albany County Sheriff's Department, "We have a [racial expletive] in the wood pile," in reference to one of his administrative officers.

Hughes said he never told Cunningham he had a copy, but said that one merely existed, and wrote a letter to the town stating as such on May 21. Furthermore, Hughes maintains that the problem he reported had more to do with a superior allegedly asking his subordinates to destroy an audio recording then what the actual recording contained.

Cunningham said he was originally under the impression that Albany County held the audio recordings from the police department, but town attorney James Potter said recently that Beebe has 51 CDs on his desk of recorded audio conversations from the time period in question.

"There are hours and hours of conversation inside of those 51 CDs and it's a very tedious and lengthy process," Potter said. "It's like finding a needle in a haystack."

Potter said Beebe is handling the investigation into the alleged epithet. Potter said he could not speculate as to when the investigation would be complete and, citing a "personnel matter,"

said he could not comment any further.

Cunningham also said he could not comment about an ongoing investigation, but questioned Hughes' credibility when told of a new complaint to Albany County District Attorney David Soares about the Bethlehem Police Department.

"The last time officer Hughes made allegations they turned out to be unsubstantiated," Cunningham said. "I hope these are not more of the same."

Hughes said he disagrees. "This all started because I raised some union issues last year and then I began to get treated differently than the other officers," Hughes said. "I have a stellar law enforcement record."

The complaint sent to the DA's office is specifically against Detective Charles Radliff, whom Hughes has formerly complained about on several occasions, and Lieutenant Thomas Heffernan, who was named as the superior officer in question in the town's official insubordination charge against Hughes.

"Det. Radliff was summoned to the scene driving his department-issued vehicle. Within moments of his arrival on scene, it became abundantly clear to myself and Officer [Jeffery] Vunck that Det. Radliff was highly intoxicated," the complaint reads.

Hughes claims Radliff was found intoxicated or under the influence of alcohol on several different occasions and that Heffernan was made aware of the situation and nothing was done.

Heffernan said he could not respond to the allegations.

"At this point we cannot comment," he told *The Spotlight*. Similarly, Heffernan said his officers in question could not comment either.

Hughes was involved in another high-profile police matter: The arrest and guilty plea of Albany police detective George McNally, of Bethlehem, of DWI and reckless driving earlier this month in Albany County Court.

McNally admitted to driving from Albany into Bethlehem intoxicated, hitting a parked car and nearly hitting several others, before being taken into custody at his Delmar home by Albany police.

Ater J. McKenna, was reportedly suspended for his alleged actions that night.

Heffernan said McKenna never communicated directly with his men and that he only went to the Bethlehem Police Department "hours after the incident" to have Bethlehem officers escort Albany officers to McNally's home.

Hughes said Corsi was quoted in an area newspaper as saying he did not want Albany internal affairs investigators interviewing his officers about the incident and that Bethlehem would conduct its own investigation.

However, Hughes said he was ordered to be interviewed by Albany internal affairs in the matter and did so "under protest," and he questioned why some other officers were not ordered to do the same.

"I told the Albany police I didn't know anything about the incident. I was on patrol in Slingerlands and I was never contacted or approached by the Albany PD," Hughes told *The Spotlight*.

Heffernan, who was present with Hughes when he was interviewed by Albany Police, denied that Hughes was used as some kind of scapegoat.

"Officer Hughes was not the only officer interviewed in this matter," Heffernan said. "If that is the insinuation, that's not the case."

Ryan Streeter, a spokesman for Soares' office, said public integrity unit complaints cannot be discussed publicly and he said "no comment" when questioned of the matter.

"The complaint cannot be confirmed nor denied," he said.

Hughes original complaint to the public integrity unit in late May was confirmed by Soares' spokeswoman Heather Orth at the time.

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Around the County

Town of Colonie is abuzz over bees

Board hires beekeeper to remove insects that have moved into salt shed

By ARIANA COHN
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Honeybees are creating a stir in the Town of Colonie as they have taken up residence in a corner of the highway department's salt shed and need to be removed. But because they are honeybees, and not yellow jackets, hornets or another type of bee, extracting the insects from the shed calls for more than just exterminators because the honeybee is just shy of making the endangered species list.

According to Michele Matuszek of the town's highway department, the honeybee colony is about 4 by 8 inches.

"It's quite large," she said.

Matuszek said she started making calls to learn the best way to remove the bees, but because the honeybees are so close to being an endangered species, the state Department of Environmental Conservation asks that a beekeeper come and take the bees out alive. Beekeepers tend to bring the live

bees to a bee sanctuary after they extract them.

It will cost the town about \$600 to have the bees extracted, and funding was approved by the Town Board at its regular meeting on Thursday, Aug. 6.

The company that will extract the bees is Sweet Sunshine/Honey Bee Gone, based out of Johnstown.

The company's owner and president of the Southern Adirondack Beekeeping Association Dan Kerwood said it is paramount to the human existence that the honeybee population stays intact.

"The honeybee colonies are dying off," said Kerwood. "And unfortunately, if the honeybees get wiped out, we're not going to be far behind them."

Honeybees are so important to humans, Kerwood said, because their pollination is crucial for the survival of many crops, including wheat and oats, corn, peaches, plums and "pretty much everything other than root crops." Kerwood, who has been beekeeping for the past 10 years, said the pollination occurs when the bee touches the male and female parts of the flower when it is out collecting nectar.

Without their pollination,

Kerwood said, "food would become very scarce and we would eventually become cannibals."

Kerwood said that some people have speculated that without honey bees, the human population would last three to five years.

"So we gotta do the best we can to keep the bees coming," he said.

Kerwood does this by extracting the live bees and putting them in hives in wooden boxes in a safe location where the bees can flourish and live. Bees hibernate in the winter, he said, so they simply stay in their hives and rest until temperatures reach at least 48 degrees again. When the weather starts getting colder, but it is not yet time to hibernate, Kerwood said the bees feed off of their honey and beat their wings rapidly to create heat. When it is 5 degrees outside, this activity can heat the hives up to between 80 and 90 degrees, he said.

When they are not hibernating, the bees are producing honey. Kerwood lets the bees keep 100 pounds of honey in their hive and everything after 100 pounds he extracts and sells.

This year, Kerwood predicts the honey crops will be light

because bees do not work in the rain, something this summer has had in abundance.

He also sells beekeeping tools and hopes to start up beekeeping classes at one of the Capital District's community colleges this fall.

Kerwood offered some advice for those who have bees in their home and are not sure whether the bees are honey bees. One quick indicator is the physical appearance of the bee, he said.

"The hornets and yellow jackets tend to be very glossy in color," he said, while honey bees are duller. Kerwood also said honeybees are furry, and while bumblebees are also fuzzy, they are much bigger than honeybees, which are about the same size as a dry bean.

But the best way to tell what kind of bee is in your home is to do an Internet search with photos that show the different kind of bees, Kerwood said.

If you are interested in beekeeping, having a beekeeper mentor or would like to have honeybees removed from your home, contact Kerwood at dkerwood@nycap.rr.com or by telephone at 762-9364 or 774-0475.

IN BRIEF

Local Lions Club plans blood drive

The Albany and Troy Lions Club and the American Red Cross Blood Services Albany District will sponsor a "Communities that Care" blood drive Wednesday, Aug. 26 from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites, 400 Loudon Road (Route 9). The

event is part of the summertime campaign to increase blood donations in the area and raise awareness of the need for blood.

Identification is required from all blood donors. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE or visit www.DonateBloodNow.org.

Resource group to hold fundraiser

The Celiac Disease Resource Group will hold its annual gluten-free Outback BBQ fundraiser Sunday, Oct. 4 at 1 p.m. at the Carondelet Hospitality Center, St. Joseph's Provincial House, 385 Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham.

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Rock of ages

N. Colonie maintenance worker unearths monument for teacher who retired in 1964

By ARIANA COHN
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In the summer sun, Doug Williams thought he saw something glistening on the ground as he walked to his car from the Goodrich School building, which serves as the district office.

Thinking it was an exotic stone, he scuffed at the shiny spot with his shoe, just enough to get it to wiggle out of the ground so he could add it to his collection. But as he scraped, he realized the stone was a lot bigger than he originally thought, and when he saw writing on its flat granite surface, he thought for sure he had just found a gravestone.

Williams, a maintenance worker with the North Colonie Central School District, alerted district officials that he had found an unusual stone outside the building.

"If I had found a gravestone, I wanted someone to know about it," he said.

Upon a second look, officials also noticed what appeared to be the root of a tree that, at one point, must have towered over and shaded the stone. Both the stone and the tree root were completely covered when Williams made his find, and he estimates both were more than an inch below the surface.

District officials confirmed the stone was not a grave but a monument to honor and recognize an important school figure.

Using a claw hammer, the maintenance department finally pulled out the mysterious monument, cleaned it off, and district officials began to look into the woman the stone memorialized.

The inscription reads, "Presented in recognition of faithful service of Laura F. Burt by the Latham Business & Professional Women's Club."

Little is known about Laura F. Burt, according to Assistant Superintendent for Business Tom Rybaltowski, who said she was at one time the principal of the Goodrich School when it was an elementary school. Rybaltowski said the elementary school closed in 1980 due to declining enrollment.

Half of the Goodrich School building has been used as district offices since 2001, and the other half is rented out to a daycare service.

Rybaltowski said Burt retired in 1964, at which point she and her family moved to Florida.

Now that the stone has been pulled out of the ground, Rybaltowski said the district plans to do something with it, though he is not exactly sure what.

"We don't have a lot of historical things in this building," he said, explaining that one idea is to preserve the stone in a case in the Goodrich School Building. Another idea is to lay the stone in a garden outside the building.



A monument dedicated to Laura F. Burt was uncovered this summer at the Goodrich School building. Little is known about the educator, who left the area shortly after retiring.

Who is Laura F. Burt?

The Spotlight needs your help uncovering the mystery of Laura F. Burt and the Latham Business & Professional Women's Club. Who was this woman and why was she recognized? Are any of her relatives still living in the area?

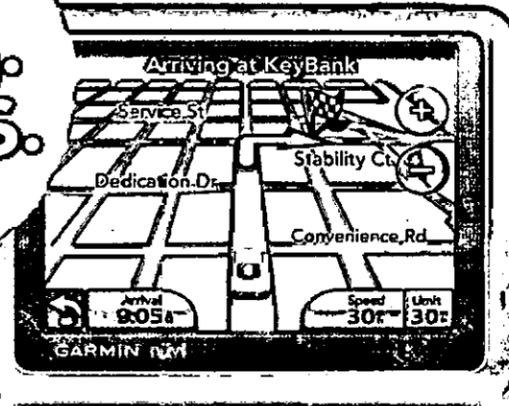
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Doug Williams, a maintenance worker, points to the granite stone he found outside the Goodrich School building when he was walking to his car.

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Hope

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An Albany native, Sheldon finished his junior and senior year of high school at Bethlehem Central.

"Growing up in Albany I didn't exactly fit in here ... I got into a lot of trouble," Sheldon said of his time in Bethlehem. "Me and my man Eden were talking a lot about philosophy and mathematics when all this stuff went down."

The experience of Roe's death proved to be traumatic for Sheldon. "When Eden died, I don't know, that's where it all changed I think," he said. "I don't know what it was about that church but I started going to the Unionville Methodist Church. There were only about 15 of 20 people there, but I would drive in from Albany and sit in the back."

It wasn't long before the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina settled in that a congregant Chuck Phillips told Sheldon, "We're going down to Mississippi."

Sheldon and others went down South for the recovery effort and raised \$15,000 for one project.

Since that trip, Sheldon hasn't looked back.

"I've got to tell you, I've never experienced anything like that before, it was like a welcome home to society," he said of helping natural disaster victims. "It changed me having people accept me for the way I am ... it was like I woke up in paradise."

A couple of months later Sheldon joined a group with Habitat for Humanity to build some homes in Ecuador, but when the entourage left there was still work to be done.

"The weeks goes by and we're building these houses and the end of the trip comes and three houses aren't done, one of them doesn't have a roof on it," said Sheldon. "I can't leave. I don't speak a word of Spanish but I made a last minute decision to stay behind and help the families finish their homes."

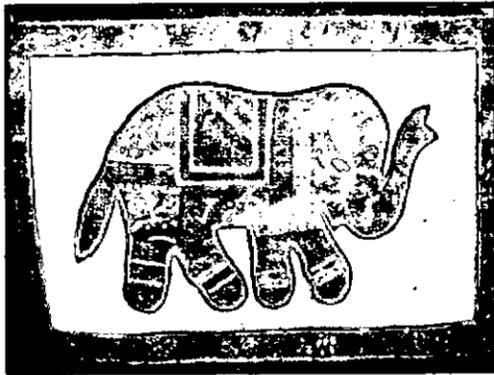
It is a small village outside of Santo Domingo, Ecuador, that Sheldon agrees to stick around and go with the pastor of a small church to help the poor inhabitants of rural villages in the area.

"He tells me, 'I need you to help me ... right now,'" Sheldon said of the original encounter with the pastor. "I say 'OK, I have a camera, maybe we can take some photos and get a local church or organization to help out back home.'"

However, one of the scenes included a family living in a 6 by 6 foot hut, who had an infant baby that was not moving. Sheldon called his mother, Kim, who is in the medical field, begging for help with child.

"He calls me up and says he needs me to come down right away and that there's a baby dying," Kim Sheldon said. "They kept that baby alive with an eye dropper and traveled all over the country before he could save her and get a doctor to treat her."

Sheldon said the first two doctors took one



This is one of many tapestries made by Tibetan refugees that Gregory Sheldon is offering for sale.

Jarrett Carroll/Spotlight

look at the sick infant and said "bring it back to its home, it's dying."

Sheldon came home after the experience to sell his home.

"As soon as I get to the States, I mortgaged my house and I got over to India," he said.

Sheldon went on to continue his adventures in Tibet, India, and several South American countries.

He collects goods and ware made in the countries he visits and sells them at concerts and small store front in America. All of the money goes back to those who make the goods.

His current project is in Ecuador.

Sheldon's girlfriend teaches local women the art of macramé, which is being sold here in order to help improve dilapidated schools and support "basic needs resource centers," which Sheldon said speaks for itself.

"We don't even know what poor is," he said. "In a place like Bethlehem, we have no idea. We are like the top percentile of the entire world in terms of our quality of life."

Eden Roe's mother, Joleen, is a Bethlehem Central teacher. She said she and her husband couldn't be prouder that Greg is carrying on their son's name for such an amazing cause.

"Greg was a close friend of our son, Eden, and after Eden passed away Greg wanted to do his part to make the world a better place, while at the same time keeping Eden's spirit alive," Roe said. "Jim and I are both touched by his efforts and I am sure it will continue to be an ongoing project for him."

"As I believe Picasso once said, 'While we try to teach our children all about life, our children teach us what life is all about,'" said Roe. "The scope of projects that our young people in this great country of ours are involved in will never cease to amaze me. It is possible to change the world one person at a time."

For those interested in purchasing the handmade goods, which include incense, soapstone incense holders, sweaters, macramé and tapestries, e-mail edensrosefoundation@gmail.com, gregorysheldon@hotmail.com, or call Sheldon at 221-9299.

Silence

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Town Supervisor Ken Runion said the union had based its original request on a section of the civil rights law that mandates personnel records be kept confidential during investigations.

The letter from the Guilderland Police Benevolent Association states: "Since this is a pending investigation, public comments are inappropriate and detrimental to not only the internal investigation itself, but also may inhibit the ability of members of the investigative unit to properly perform their duties."

Runion said that by discussing the matter, the inquiry could be jeopardized.

"It's a personnel matter. Even under the freedom of information law, these sort of investigations are not open to the public," Runion said.

The inquiry began in light of a letter from officer David Romano to his senior officers that raises questions about the availability of money for drug purchases and cites an incident at Guilderland Center involving an assault and robbery suspect as the catalyst for his concerns. The investigation of the assault began April 29.

In his letter, dated July 10, Romano said that the lack of money to buy drugs has left the department unable to use the assistance of an informant who could have brought charges closer to bringing charges against the prime suspect in the assault case.

"It is our duty as public servants to, at the very least, attempt to get this public menace off the streets," Romano wrote. "If you would like me to set up a collection box for drug buying funds, let me know."

The inquiry into the questions raised by the letter is being conducted by the law firm Girvin and Ferlazzo.

Police Cpt. Curtis Cox said the department cannot talk about personnel matters, but said all complaints are taken seriously.

"When there's a complaint made, it's to be handled," Cox said. "We take this seriously, and for good reason."

Cox said the inquiry is ongoing, and he is hoping to for a conclusion some time this week. He said it is

unclear what action the department will take without hearing the results of the inquiry.

Chief of Police Carol Lawlor initiated the inquiry, said Runion.

Runion said the firm was hired with money pulled from the police department's budget line, and it was not appropriated from the town's general fund.

Questions were initially raised by Republican Town Board member Mark Grimm about why the Town Board did not vote on the funding for the inquiry, but Runion said a vote was not required.

Runion said he doesn't know how much the investigation will cost.

The matter was brought up at the Tuesday, Aug. 18, meeting of the town board at which Runion left abruptly after exchanging heated words with Redlich.

Redlich said he had hoped to have a motion approved that would allow officers to discuss such issues with the Town Board.

"Our cops' free speech rights should not be impaired," he said. "We can be their voice."

Redlich said he is seeking answers about the "secret police investigation" and said he has some reservations about the use of Girvin and Ferlazzo in the investigation because they have not given him documents pertaining to the inquiry.

Grimm also called for openness in the matter. He said he has the right to know, as a town board member, when inquiries are being conducted.

He said that the matter should have been disclosed, especially in light of department leadership issues raised when former Chief of Police Robert Murley was caught gambling while on sick time.

Grimm said, despite that, he is supportive of the inquiry.

"It's clear he [Runion] should have done it," Grimm said.

Runion said there was no reason to alert the board members of the firm's inquiry since personnel matters of this sort are usually handled by the department.

Normally, in such an instance, the chief of police is alerted first, and then the parties involved are brought in, as well as the unions and council and an arbitrator.

"I've never seen it go to the Town Board," Runion said.

A representative from Girvin and Ferlazzo could not be reached for comment as of press time.

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Residents' effort to save Selkirk bridge mounts

Local resident spearheads petition to stop demolition of Ben's Bridge

By JARRETT CARROLL
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After getting little to no response from the county and state on saving the Route 52 bridge in Selkirk, Christine Frankovic has started collecting signatures on a petition to save Ben's Bridge.

Frankovic, 37, lives in South Bethlehem and said she collected 20 signatures in the petition's first 24 hours and had collected more than 140 signatures by Monday, Aug. 24. Frankovic, along with Albany County Legislator Richard Mendick, C-Selkirk, were collecting signatures Saturday, Aug. 22, at the Selkirk Fire Department's annual "clam steam" at the Selkirk Fire Company No. 3 Firehouse.

"I want to start a neighborhood coalition to get some people together and have some meetings and possibly consult with a bridge company for their thoughts," Frankovic said.

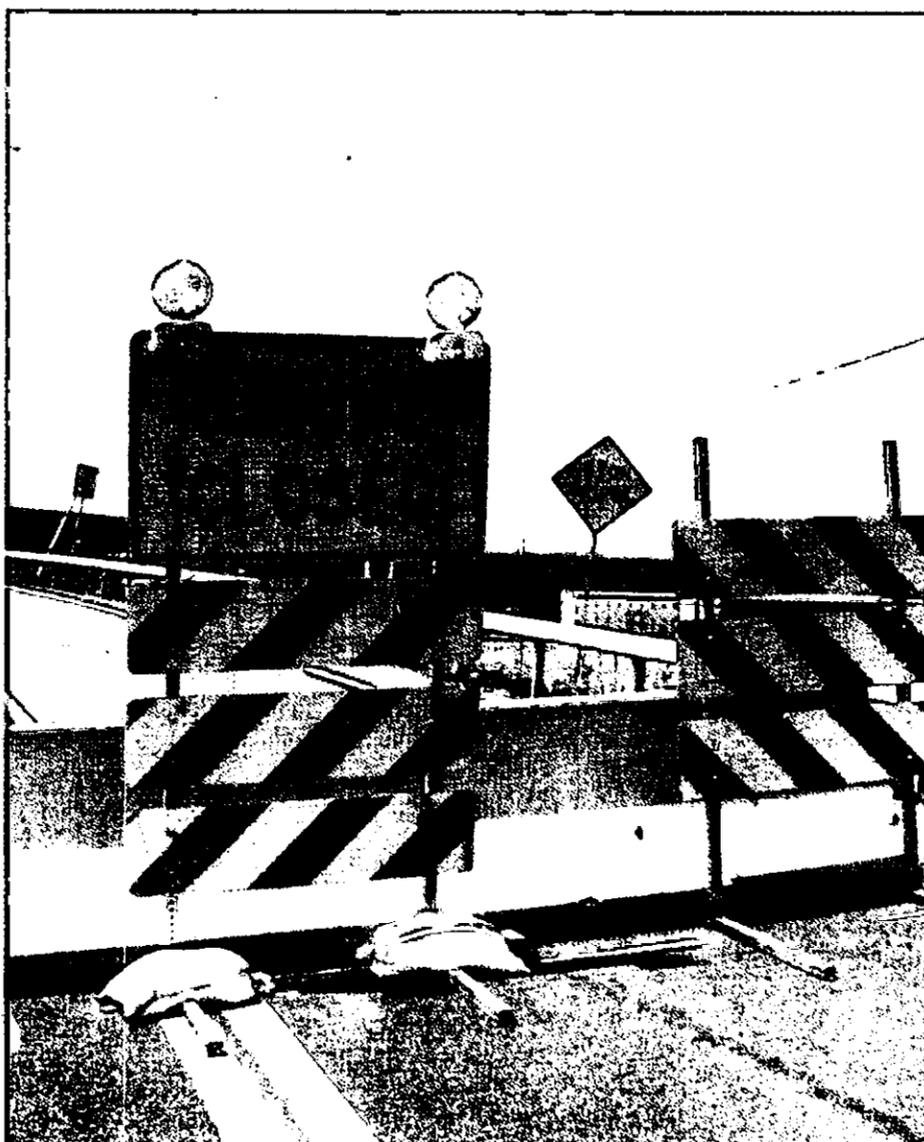
Albany County has recommended the state's Department of Transportation tear down the bridge after it failed an inspection that found it structurally deficient. The bridge has been closed since July 6.

Clough Harbour and Associates was hired by the county to help evaluate three main options for repairing, replacing and removing the bridge. County officials ultimately said the most cost-effective option was to remove the Old School Road bridge that traverses 11,000 feet over about 50 CSX rail lines.

Albany County Commissioner of Public Works Michael Franchini said it would cost \$16 million to replace span, about \$13 million to repair it and just over \$1 million to tear it down.

In a July 31 letter to Frankovic, Robert Hansen, the acting director of planning and program management of the state's DOT, said the final decision is one for the county to make.

"The county has to provide their improvement recommendation (replacement or elimination) to us, and unless it is unreasonable, we intend to support that decision," Hansen wrote.



The Route 52 bridge has been closed since early July, and Albany County is recommending that it be torn down and new permanent detours be adopted. A petition by local resident is being circulated to save the span, known locally as Ben's Bridge.

Jarrett Carroll/Spotlight

The county is supporting the elimination of bridge once plans are reviewed by the DOT, according to Franchini, which could take a "couple months" from when plans were submitted in early July.

Residents, headed by Frankovic, have been critical of the county's decision to permanently close the bridge, citing a slowdown in emergency response times and the inconvenience of being detoured

miles away since the bridge has closed. A similar situation happened in the late 1980s, when a disagreement between the county and then CONRAIL over bridge repairs led to it being closed until 1991.

CSX, the current rail yard owners, did not return a call for comment. The company did pitch in for repairs in the 1990-1991 repairs, as it owns the bridge's superstructure and Albany County owns

the rest.

Mendick told *The Spotlight* in July that he wanted to see the bridge remain open but he did not think the funding would be available.

Frankovic went to the Tuesday, Aug. 25, public hearing of the Albany County Legislature and, citing emergency concerns, made a pitch to representatives to keep the bridge intact, or at least look at other options before tearing it down.

"The very real health and safety concerns created by the bridge's 1986 closure unfortunately came to light in January of 1989. Some of you may recall that Robert H. Rienow, a nationally renowned environmentalist and founder of the state's Audubon Society, died inside of his home on Rarick Road, after embers from a woodstove set his home ablaze," Frankovic said at the hearing. "Had the bridge been open, emergency crews would have arrived sooner, and the outcome might have been different."

"But we'll never know for sure, will we?"

Selkirk Fire Chief William Borger said from his understanding, Rienow was already dead when first responders arrived on the scene, but that if the bridge were open more of the residential structure may have been saved.

Borger said even before the bridge was closed, its 15-ton weight limit prohibited his heavy pumpers and other large trucks from crossing the bridge, but that first responders, police and ambulance crews frequently used the Route 52 bridge.

The petition being circulated by Frankovic reads as follows:

"In the interest of public safety, we collectively petition the Albany County Executive to actively seek and pursue ways and means to rehabilitate or to replace the County Route 53 Bridge - Ben's Bridge - over the CSX rail yards, which has been closed to all vehicular traffic. We further urge that these efforts include a possible financial/technical partnership with CSX and/or the NYS Department of Transportation, toward that end."

Those interested in reaching Frankovic to sign her petition can e-mail her at: chrisfrankovic@hotmail.com.

Kidney foundation to host golf classic

The National Kidney Foundation of Northeast New York's annual Golf Classic will take place at Saratoga National Golf Club on Monday, Sept. 14.

Golfers get the chance to win gifts and prizes. The top two teams will be invited to play in the National Championship, a four-day tournament at the Pebble Beach Golf Links in California.

Foursomes for the Golf Classic are available on a limited first come, first serve basis. Tickets include 18 holes of championship golf, lunch and dinner, golfer gift values in excess of \$400, and one tee sign on the course.

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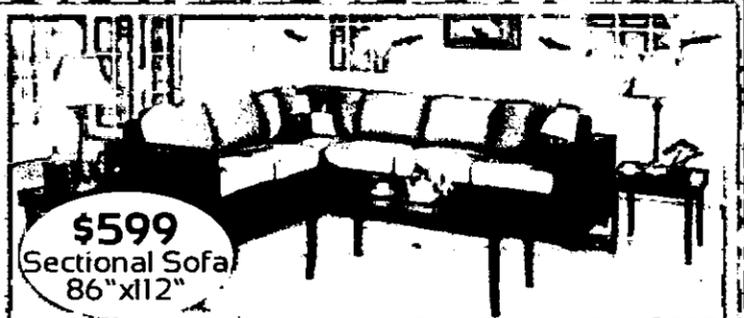
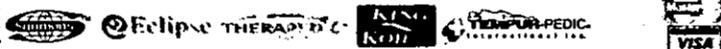
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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN
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Morgan Eserti really can't remember a time when she wasn't part of the U.S. Water Ski Show Team.

Her family – dad Bob, mom Lisa and sister Jackie – have been involved with the team for years, so some of Eserti's earliest memories involve the team that regularly performs behind Jumpin' Jack's in Scotia.

"I've pretty much been on it my whole life," said Eserti, a 14-year-old from Burnt Hills.

Eserti's story is similar to many of the other skiers. In fact, when the people on the team talk about how it's like a big family, that's in no small part because many of the members are family in the literal sense. The crowds they draw to Jumpin' Jack's are also heavy on families, who turn out on Tuesdays to see the show that is a staple of summer. The last show of 2009 is Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 6 p.m. It's always a good idea to arrive early – the hundreds of people who turn out often make a night of it, grabbing dinner from Jumpin' Jack's and then settling in on the banks of the Mohawk River to watch the show.

Eserti's friends are often among those in the crowd.

"They think it's really cool," she said. "They don't know how I do it."

That's because the team does far more than just ski behind boats. Women ski in pyramid formations. Men do jumps. Skiers of both sexes and all ages ski backwards, barefoot and with partners.

Roy DeLarma grew up water skiing on Sacandaga Lake, but he never tried anything like that. When his kids were 12 or 13, he brought them to Scotia to see the water ski team, and the show blew them all away.

"They were just as excited as I was," DeLarma said.

So, soon DeLarma and his wife, Sandra, joined the team with their kids: sons Michael and Brian and daughter Michelle.

Team Spirit – on skis



U.S. Water Ski Show Team a family affair for participants and spectators

Female water skiers return to shore after performing a routine with the U.S. Water Ski Show Team. Below, a large crowd sits on the banks of the Mohawk River and watches the U.S. Water Ski Show perform.



"It gave us someplace to get together," DeLarma said. "The team is really family oriented. It's pretty special."

DeLarma's sons fell so in love with water skiing that both went on to perform for Ski World. Meanwhile, he's stayed involved with the team even now that his kids are grown. He used to drive one of the team's boats during the show; these days, it's common to find him helping on shore, dropping ropes into the water and picking up skis after skiers return to shore.

DeLarma's presence underscores the fact that there's a lot of work that goes into each show. "It's kind of like a second job," said Christine Palleschi, the president of the team.

But there's no pay for being part of the ski team. In fact, everyone on the team pays dues to belong. They also chip in with chores like making costumes and choreographing shows, each of which adheres to a theme. On a recent Tuesday night, some male skiers were called the New York Giants, while female members of the team who were skiing in a pyramid formation were hailed



as the Giants' cheerleaders.

The work doesn't stop when the shows stop. DeLarma said the team is a 12-month commitment. Palleschi said off-season work includes raising money and finding sponsors. There are also practice sessions in local indoor pools.

Palleschi, a Scotia native, was about 12 when she first saw the ski team in action. She had grown up water skiing, but like DeLarma, she'd never tried anything like what the ski team was doing. She remembers seeing her first show: "I was amazed," she said.

But before long, it was Palleschi performing those same kinds of tricks. "It was so long ago, but I know I was

scared out of my mind to try that stuff," she said with a laugh.

She caught on quickly, and before long, Jumpin' Jack's was like a summer home for her, her three brothers and her parents. That was about 13 years ago, and Palleschi isn't the only one in her family still involved – one brother still skis, and her mom helps out.

"It's a great family sport," Palleschi said.

Beyond that, Eserti enjoys the way any cares or concerns she might have fall away on the water.

"I like how it just gets my mind off things," she said. "It's fun."

Fun was what about 40 local teenagers were looking for when the team was first formed on Mariaville Lake in 1968. The team moved to the Mohawk in 1982. In 1986, it started performing behind Jumpin' Jack's in Scotia and was incorporated as the U.S. Water Ski Show Team.

While the roster has changed every year, Eserti said she plans to be part of the team for a long time.

Admission to the shows is free. Parking is at a premium at Jumpin' Jack's, but there are spaces available in and around Collins Park.

For information on the team, including how to join, visit www.uswaterskishowteam.com.

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"Bernice Abbott's Changing New York: A Triumph of Public Art," through Oct. 4; "1609" through March 10; plus "Beneath the City: An Archeological Perspective of Albany," 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 ART

"Life Along the Hudson: Photographs by Joseph Squillante," through Oct. 4; "Hudson River Panorama: 400 Years of History, Art and Culture," through Jan. 3, 2010; plus "The Folk Spirit of Albany: Folk Art from the Collection of the Albany Institute of History and Art" and exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Spirit of Schenectady, FETCH! Lab, collection highlights and planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Out of this World: Transcending the Terrestrial in Contemporary Art," through Nov. 29; "Repetitive Nature," in Concourse A gallery; "Air Craft," photos by Jeffrey Milstein; plus site-specific installations by Larry Kagan and Cara Nigro, as well as installations by Anthony Garner, Baris Karayazgan, Paul Katz, Nancy Klepsch and Victoria Palermo. Information, 242-2243.

LOCAL COLOR ART GALLERY

"The Great Sunflower Show," through Aug. 31, 1138 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 786-6557.

CLEMENT ART GALLERY

"Down by the River," an exhibit of John Whipple's black-and-white photographs, through Sept. 23, 201 Broadway, Troy. Information, 272-6811.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

Ballet Russes exhibit, "On Broadway," chronicling the progression of dance on Broadway, and ongoing exhibits, 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-2225.

SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

"The Syracuse Mile," featuring two of the central New York's famous stock cars, plus ongoing exhibits including "East of Detroit" and New York racing, 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Information, 587-1935, ext. 20.

BROOKSIDE MUSEUM

"A Few Lines to Let You Know: Letters of the Civil War," through Sept. 4, 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa. Information, 885-4000.

TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

"Tim Rollins and K.O.S.: A History," through Aug. 30; "Lives of the Hudson," through March 14, 2010; Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-8080.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"Dove/O'Keeffe: Circles of Influence," through Sept. 7; "Through the Seasons: Japanese Art in Nature," through Oct. 18; 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

THE HYDE COLLECTION

"Degas & Music," through Oct. 18, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

ARKELL MUSEUM

"Moving Frontiers: Early Transportation in the Mohawk Valley," through Nov. 4; plus "Arkell's Inspiration: the Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People," ongoing; Canajoharie. Information, 673-2314.

Call for Artists

SCHENECTADY LIGHT OPERA COMPANY

Holding auditions for its production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," Sept. 14 and 16, 7 p.m., SLOC Musical Theater, 826 State St., Schenectady, actors should prepare 16-32 bars of a Broadway song. Information, e-mail Matthew Telchner mschne1@mac.com.

ARTISTS ON THE STREET

Seeking visual artists, musicians, performance artists and writers for its weekly event on Beekman Street in Saratoga Springs, held on Saturdays from noon to 8 p.m. through Sept. 12, free to participate. Information, e-mail Amejo Amyot amejo51@gmail.com.

SARATOGA ARTS

Seeking local artists and fine crafters to display their works at its downtown gallery shop. Information, Adrianna Flax 584-4132 or aflax@saratoga-arts.org.

CLIFTON PARK COMMUNITY CHORUS

Beginning rehearsals for its winter concert Sept. 13, Shenendehowa Adult Community Center, Clifton Common, Clifton Park, no auditions required to join. Information, 371-6681.

SARATOGA SPRINGS HOLIDAY SHOWCASE OF ART

Seeking fine arts and crafts vendors for second annual show at the Art Center Theatre, 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs on Saturday, Nov. 21, booth cost \$50. Information, Frenchy Loeb 461-4893.

MOP AND BUCKET COMPANY

Holding auditions for a substitute accompanist to provide music for its improvised comedy shows. Information, contact Michael Burns at michaelburns@mopco.org or Kat Koppett at katkoppett@mopco.org.

CAPITLAND CHORUS

Openings for all voice parts for women who love to sing and perform, rehearsals are at 7 p.m. Thursdays at New Covenant Presbyterian Church, corner of Oranston and Western avenues, Albany. Information, 785-3567.

TANGO FUSION DANCE COMPANY

Auditioning professional dancers by appointment at Arthur Murray Dance Studio, 75 Woodlawn Ave., Saratoga Springs. Information, 306-4173.

ADIRONDACK PASTEL SOCIETY

Seeking new artists that work in pastels, meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at the Dave Francis Gallery, the Shirt Factory, Glens Falls. Programs, artist demonstrations and exhibitions are planned throughout the year. Information, 793-9309 or 793-9350.

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, Guilfordland. Information, 861-8000.

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

Openings in women's singing group, focusing on old favorites and show tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Avenue, Delmar. Information, 439-2360.

A CAPPELLA

New, informal, coed a cappella group in Delmar, for adults and teens 16 and older. Information, 439-0130.

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, also need French horn, trombone, flute and bass drum players, 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, 399-1846.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS

Sweet Adelines group based in Niskayuna is looking for women to join group. Information, 346-5349.

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.

ARTISTS WANTED

Exhibit space available for original paintings at Local Color Art Gallery, 1138 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 220-9027.

SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills.

The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers.

Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Italian treats
- 5 Babble
- 10 Drying oven
- 14 Ball film role
- 15 Miller's salesman
- 16 Entreaty
- 17 Hearken
- 20 Decorative ribbon
- 21 "... so ___ a day in June?"
- 22 Scott of history
- 23 Give the eye
- 24 Abrogate legislation
- 27 Elusive needle locale
- 31 Adam and Eve ___ raft: greasy-spoon slang
- 32 Principle
- 34 Perfume oil
- 35 Hubbubs
- 37 Exhausts
- 39 Environmental prefix
- 40 Conductor Georg
- 42 Biological subdivision
- 44 "___ got the whole world ..."

- 45 Victories
- 47 Doughnut cousins
- 49 Separate
- 50 Bitty predecessor
- 51 Dark dye
- 54 Stand
- 58 Surrender
- 60 List-ending abbreviation
- 61 The Real McCoy
- 62 Overtime causes
- 63 Broadway award
- 64 Actor Keach
- 65 Author Ferber

DOWN

- 1 Rascals
- 2 Shopper's aid
- 3 Moslem bigwig
- 4 Withdraw
- 5 Small tuft
- 6 Lassoed
- 7 Love god
- 8 "The Joy Luck Club" author
- 9 Vigor
- 10 "Sweethearts," e.g.
- 11 Wings
- 12 Evening in Enna
- 13 USSR news agency

- 18 Gold weight unit
- 19 Latin music style
- 23 Like many cereals
- 24 Swelter
- 25 Biblical witch's home
- 26 Indiana town
- 27 "___ to ladies who lunch ..."
- 28 ___ drop of a hat
- 29 Bedouin transport
- 30 Kris ___: pint-sized rappers
- 33 Evening
- 36 In a dumb (and dumber) way
- 38 Finesse
- 41 Insect stage
- 43 Cloys
- 46 Sneaks around
- 48 Whirl
- 50 Architectural style
- 51 "___ a song go out of my heart"
- 52 Western acronym
- 53 Actress Cannon
- 54 Sari's Roman relation
- 55 Like the dust-bowl
- 56 Some Feds
- 57 U.S. weather agency
- 59 Jersey pro

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Calendar of Events *in the* Spotlight

Wednesday, Aug. 26

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m. Information, 767-2015

EVENINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)

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

BINGO

American Legion Blanchard Post No. 1040, 16 Poplar Drive, Delmar. 7:30 p.m. Food available.

PLAYGROUP MEETING

First United Methodist Church playgroups will meet from 10:30 to noon in the nursery. Playgroup provides opportunity for child caretakers and pre-nursery school age children to socialize in a relaxed atmosphere. Information, 439-9976, ext. 228.

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Daytime Caregivers Support Group. Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Every fourth Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 439-4955.

MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

Christian fellowship group for mothers of preschool children, at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., information, call Jennifer at 439-9929 or e-mail, info@drchurch.org. Second and fourth Wednesday during the school year. www.mops.org

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

Evening prayer service 7:00 p.m.; Bible study 7:30 p.m.; 1 Kenwood Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

district office, 90 Adams Place, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

The Clubhouse, Adams Station Apts., 1 Juniper Drive, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0871. SECOND AND FOURTH

HEALING TESTIMONY MEETING

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555

Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

NEW SCOTLAND

TOWN COUNCIL

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4889. Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

PIONEER CLUBS

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

TOWN BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 5:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955. Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

AA MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. 765-2895.

Thursday, Aug. 27

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Meets Thursdays at 1 p.m. in Town Hall Auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave. Activities include cards, games, bingo and conversation. A bi-monthly newsletter is available in the senior services office. Information, 439-4573.

AA MEETINGS

Slingerlands Community Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, noon.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 12:30-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN (SEPTEMBER THRU MAY)

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

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study,

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

Friday, Aug. 28

AA MEETING

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m.

CHABAD CENTER

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

NEW SCOTLAND

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

STORY TIMES

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

Saturday, Aug. 29

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR SATURDAY FARMERS MARKET

The Delmar Saturday Farmers Market will be open June 6 until October 31 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. rain or shine. The market is located at the Bethlehem Middle School, 322 Kenwood Ave. For more info, go to www.delmarmarket.org.

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Information, call 439-4328.

GLENMONT

Story Hour at Tea and Tattered Pages Used Books, 329 Glenmont Road, Glenmont. Information, 447-9910.

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

Sunday, Aug. 30

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 Rockefeller Road, Delmar, 482-2132.
King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.
KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 10 a.m. meditation, 11 a.m. tea, 11:30 a.m. study course, 374-1792.
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.

NEW SCOTLAND

WORSHIP INFORMATION

All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., Guilderland, 475-9086, ESL and Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Services, 10 a.m.
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.DAY --

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS (SEPTEMBER-JUNE ONLY)

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

PLANNING BOARD

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 6 p.m. Information, 765-3356. First Tuesday of each month.

PRAYER MEETING

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Monday, Aug. 31

BETHLEHEM

PEACE VIGIL

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

PLAYGROUP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave. Meets 10:30 a.m. to noon in the nursery. The playgroup provides opportunities for child care takers and pre-nursery school age children to socialize in a relaxed atmosphere. Information, 439-9976 ext. 228

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 12:30-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

DELMAR COMM. ORCHESTRA

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

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 to 10 p.m.

PRAYER MEETING

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Tuesday, Sept. 1

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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CHURCH LUNCH (JUNE, JULY, AUGUST)

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

PLANNING BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., p.m. Information, 439-4955. First and third Tuesdays of the month at 6 p.m..

SLINGERLANDS FIRE COMMISSION

First Tuesday of every month, firehouse. 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

NEW SCOTLAND

STORY TIMES

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

HEALING 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 p.m. Information, 439-4955. First and third Wednesdays of each month.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

district office, 90 Adams Place, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

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AA MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. 765-2895.

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Milestones *in the* Spotlight



Robert and Sara Sonnekalb

White, Sonnekalb wed

Sara White and Robert Sonnekalb were married June 13, 2009 at Twin Orchards Baptist Church in Vestal, NY. Rev. Kyle Kavrin officiated. A reception followed at Our Saviour Lutheran Church in Endwell, NY.

The bride is the daughter of Dan and Kathi White of Endwell, NY. The groom is the son of Thomas and Carolyn Sonnekalb of Latham, NY.

The Maid of Honor was Amy Labzantis. Bridesmaids were Elise Clowser White (Sister-In-Law) and Sarah Sonnekalb (Groom's sister). The Best Man was Matthew James de Waal Malefyt. The Groomsmen were Alex Masti and Justin Sonnekalb (Groom's brother).

Sara is a graduate of Ross

Corners Christian Academy in Vestal, NY. She went on to Cedarville University in Cedarville, OH where she graduated May 2, 2009 with a BS in Social Work and a minor in Bible.

Robert graduated from Loudonville Christian School and Hudson Valley Community College.

Sara and Robert honeymooned in Jamaica at the Sunspree Resort. The couple reside in Latham, NY.

William H. Frueh, Sr.

DELMAR – William H. Frueh, Sr., 96, formerly of Delmar, died August 15, 2009 at the St. Peter's Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Born October 1, 1912, he was the son of the late George F.C. and Anna (Glaser) Frueh. Bill worked for several plumbing, heating and air conditioning businesses in the Capital District. After retiring in 1977, Bill organized senior bus



trips for the Retired Mens Fraternity. He greatly enjoyed this and received much positive feedback on the quality of his tours. Bill entertained a

wide range of listeners with stories of family and local history. He created a slide show of Old Albany and presented it to various senior groups.

Throughout his life, Bill treasured his connection to the Hudson River. As a boy at his grandparent's Bethlehem farm, he and his brother George would sail a small dory called the Aufwiedersehen. As a father, he and his son Bill Jr. built an 11 ft. runabout called the Li' Ark which cruised the Hudson and other local waterways.

The family would like to thank the staff of St. Peter's Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for their excellent and kind care of Bill.

Bill is survived by his son, William H. Frueh, Jr.; grandchildren, Charles (Shyra Murphy) Frueh, Nellie (Ed) Bradley, Sarah Frueh; and great grandson, William Martin Bradley. He was predeceased by his dear wife of 52 years, Dorothy (Molter); his brother, George W. Frueh; and daughter-in-law, Donna Lee (Wilson) Frueh.

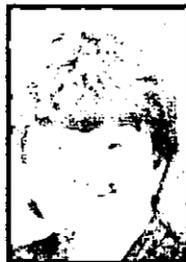
A memorial service will be held at a date and time to be announced. Interment will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery,

Colonie. Arrangements are under the direction of the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, NY 12054.

Nancy Milliman Burnett

SLINGERLANDS: Nancy Milliman Burnett, 77, of Slingerlands, died August 7, 2009 at Albany Medical Center.

Born in Canandaigua, NY, she graduated from Fulton High School in 1949 and received



her Bachelor of Science degree in 1953 from Cornell University, where she was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority. Nancy first

worked as a Cornell Cooperative Extension agent in Watertown, NY, then earned her teaching certificate from Russell Sage College in Albany and taught Third Grade, General Studies, at the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District.

An avid reader and gardener, Nancy was a member of the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women. She enjoyed traveling and spent winters in North Fort Meyers, Fla., with her beloved husband of 55 years, William C. Burnett.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her children Carol Bezanson (Tim Corder) of Tucson, AZ, Bob Burnett (Sue Griffin) of Slingerlands and Tom Burnett of West Sand Lake, and grandsons Mike and Mark Burnett of Slingerlands. She is predeceased by her parents, William B. Milliman and Alice K. Milliman, and her brother Barry Milliman.

Funeral services were held at the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church and burial was in Hector, N.Y. Those who wish may make a donation in Nancy's memory to the Capital City Rescue Mission in Albany. Arrangements were under the direction of the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

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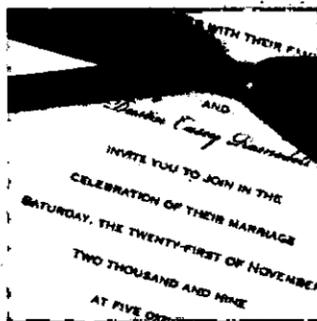


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Salon customers get blue streaks

Rumors puts in colored extensions to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association

By ARIANA COHN
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It's not every day you see a mother and daughter walk into a hair salon and walk out with blue hair.

But that was the scene at Rumors Salon in Latham on Thursday, Aug. 13, as customers came in for \$10 blue hair extensions, with proceeds going to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The MDA is a voluntary health organization that provides medical services and support to people who have neuromuscular diseases. Those services include providing wheelchairs and leg braces, diagnostic procedures, follow-up medical care, camp programs and clinics.

There are more than 43 neuromuscular diseases the MDA covers. Some can paralyze a person's muscles, leading to weakness and the inability to use limbs. Such muscular diseases can affect people of all ages.

The MDA runs several fundraisers every year in addition to its annual telethon, which takes place on Sept. 6 and 7 on WRGB. The money raised goes toward the continuation of programs and services offered

by the MDA.

The MDA's goal for the fundraiser at Rumors is \$1,500, but Thursday was not the only day it will be held.

The fundraiser officially kicks off Sunday, Aug. 16, and will run until Saturday, Sept. 5, during which time a customer can walk into Rumors and receive a blue hair extension for \$10. Rumors will also take the hair extension out, which is strongly recommended to be done by a professional as not to damage the hair.

Jill Johnson, director of customer care for Rumors, said this is not the first time Rumors has put in colored hair extensions in support of a worthy cause. Rumors participates each year in a similar fundraiser for breast cancer in which it sells pink hair extensions, and this year, it has also participated in a fundraiser for Alzheimer's disease research in which hair extensions were sold, she said.

"A lot of the organizations do have their own color," Johnson said when asked why the MDA chose to have blue hair extensions.

Those who would not like to get a blue hair extension but would still like to make a donation can do so at Rumors Salon, 594 Loudon Road, Latham, or by contacting the MDA by phone at 800-572-1717 or at www.mda.org.

McDonald's makes donations

Kudos and many, many thanks, to the new McDonald's of Delmar for its generous donations of \$500 to Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.'s food pantry and \$500 to the school supply drive. The check presentations were made at the grand opening of their new building on Delaware Ave., Delmar, on Aug 18. We are grateful for McDonald's generosity, which will benefit so many of our community's families.

This is a good time for a reminder: During August and September, the Bethlehem Food Pantry sponsored by Senior Projects, Inc. is in need of peanut butter, jelly/jams, canned tuna, canned fruits, macaroni, mayonnaise, mustard, ketchup, canned or boxed juices, crackers, soups and packaged snacks and boxes of tissues.

In addition, school supplies such as composition notebooks; 2-pocket folders; pencils; highlighters; back packs; one-, three- and five-subject notebooks; black/blue pens and other materials are now being collected for the fast-approaching fall semester.

Drop-off areas: Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar; Bethlehem Town Hall Senior Services Office, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar; and Bethlehem YMCA, 900 Delaware Ave., Delmar. As library visits become more frequent with the re-opening of school, don't forget to bring donated items to that drop-off location anytime you go there.

If you have questions, call 439-



Town of Bethlehem

4955, ext. 1176.

Golf tournament

Please save Wednesday, Sept. 23, for the first-ever Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.'s golf tournament at the town's Colonial Acres golf course. Tee-off time is 9:30 a.m., with light brunch and camaraderie.

The event is a fund-raiser for Senior Projects, a non-profit organization that owns half of the vehicles that provide important senior transportation on an almost daily basis; in addition, it sponsors other vital programs for our town's citizens. Reserve the date for a morning of fun. You'll feel good about participating in a most worthwhile cause. For details, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Program highlights Saturday, Aug. 29

• Delmar Farmers, Market, Bethlehem Middle School, 322 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Interesting variety of vendors.

Tuesday, Sept. 1

• Farmers Market, First United Methodist Church parking lot, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, weather permitting. Local

vendors with plants, fresh fruits, vegetables and other delicious products. Bethlehem senior transportation leaves Town Hall at 2:00 p.m. with home pick-up available on a pre-arranged basis. Suggested van donation \$2. For reservations, call 439-5770.1

Wednesday, Sept. 2

• Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, North Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor. For reservations, call 439-5770.

Thursday, Sept. 3

• Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets for an enjoyable social afternoon of games and entertainment, Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 11:30 a.m. All seniors welcome. For information, call 439-4955, ext.1176.

• Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem. For reservations, call 439-5770.

Friday, Sept. 4

• Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Good Samaritan Senior Housing and Van Allen Senior Apartments. For reservations, call 439-5770.

For information on the above or a list of additional activities, call the Bethlehem Senior Services Office at 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Doris Davis
Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.
board member

Luncheon, fashion show on tap

Seniors are invited to a luncheon and fashion show at The Crossgates Restaurant on Tuesday, Sept. 22, at noon.

The entrée choice is roast sirloin of beef or roast turkey with dressing. Fashions will be provided by Ann Taylor.

The cost is \$17 per person.

Checks are payable to: Town of Guilderland

Tickets are available until Sept. 15

Please indicate if transportation service is required.

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

Monday, Aug. 31

Scheduled Shopping
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones +

Tuesday, Sept. 1

9 a.m. Strong Bones +
11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Braised Beef or Cold Plate
12:30 p.m. Bingo/Games/ Billiards

Wednesday, Sept. 2

Scheduled Shopping
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
10:30 a.m. Bridge
1 p.m. Needlecraft
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones+

Thursday, Sept. 3

Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Strong Bones +
9:30 a.m.-12 Healthy Living Class
1 p.m. Pinochle/Games

Friday, Sept. 4

Scheduled Shopping
10 a.m. Painting
1 p.m. Quilting

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Submissions can be e-mailed to news@spotlightnews.com, faxed to 439-0609, or mailed to Spotlight, P.O. Box 100, Delmar 12054.

The deadline for all announcements is noon Thursday prior to publication.

RCS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Library to close for holiday

The RCS Community Library will be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Saturday, Sept. 5, and Monday, Sept. 7.

We will re-open on Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 10 a.m.

PBC First Day Program

As you start your child's school career off at Pieter B Coeyman's First Day Program, visit the library's table and register your child for a library card. The foundation of a good education is based in reading, so make a visit to the library a part of your regular routine. We'll bring schedules for our fall activities, which begin during the following week.

Rewarding Readers

Congratulations to this week's winners in the Rewarding Readers program. Winners Mabel Klenk, Michelle Pemberton and Pat Rudolph will get to choose an item from our gift basket of donations from local businesses. If you've read three books this summer, stop by our circulation desk for a coupon and you may be a winner this summer.

Young writers' book display

Twenty-two young writers completed books this summer in our annual workshops. Magic, mystery, pets, parties, and social dilemmas were this year's main themes. If you want a short, fun read, browse the 2009 Young Writers Workshop display.

What's new

- Juvenile fiction

"Also Known" as Harper by Ann Haywood Leal

"Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Practicing the Piano" by Peggy Gifford

- Young adult fiction

"Bug Boy" by Eric Luper

"Sophomore Switch" by Abby McDonald

"Tales of the Madman Underground" by John Barnes

• All library programming is free (unless otherwise noted) and open to the public. RCS Community Library is located at 15 Mountain Road, Ravenna. For information, call 756-2053 or visit www.uhls.org/RCSCL/.

Eastery to host nutritional luncheon

The Evans Public House at 5180 Western Ave. will host a "Looking for Security?" luncheon Wednesday, Sept. 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Ruthie Getbehead will offer tips on how to improve your health and quality of life, and rid your bodies of harmful toxins. Elaine Chappell will share her story of how and where she found her security blanket. The cost is \$13.50, inclusive.

For information or to reserve a spot, call Nancy at 869-0642.

G'land library launches eNews alerts

The Guilderland Public Library is giving the public a new way to keep abreast of all the GPL programs that interest them: eNews alerts delivered right to the e-mail address (or addresses) of their choice.

The Guilderland Library is pretty active, and the staff there makes every effort to keep patrons informed of what's going on. Every couple of months they snail-mail their newsletter to all households in their service area, they constantly update their Web site to feature upcoming events, and the library is on Facebook and Twitter.

But the library staff wanted to do more, so last week they launched GPL eNews, an opt-in email service enables patrons to get advance notification of programs they're interested in. The library staff emphasizes that this will not be a daily, weekly or monthly message; it will be a service that alerts patrons to only the programs they want to know about.

Want reminders the week

GUILDERLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

www.guilpl.org

before about all the upcoming adult services programs, such as the special Quadricentennial events or the 1969 series?

Want alerts about the Disney Family Fridays movies the library is continuing in the fall?

Need notifications about storytime sign-ups and other kids' programs?

Want to learn about the library's next notable author?

Then this timesaving and efficient service is for you. In order to receive these alerts, just sign up for eNews on the Library's homepage at www.guilpl.org. There's a sign-up window at the bottom left of the home page. You can get alerts about several different types of programs:

- Family
- Adults
- Teens and tweens

- Children's
- Special events and notable author talks

So if you want e-mail alerts about your favorite GPL programs, just sign up. You can cancel any time.

Improve your exercise output

On Saturday, Aug. 29, at 10 a.m., the Guilderland YMCA's fitness coordinator, Maureen Connolly, will presents Great Ways to Improve Your Exercise Output, part of the library's summer-long Fit for Life series.

This class will focus on exercising at proper intensity, establishing core strength (abs and back) and improving flexibility. We'll also discuss ways to incorporate cross-training exercises into your

daily routine. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and be prepared to do some light core and flexibility exercises. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn from an expert.

This is the last in our series of Fit for Life exercise and nutrition classes. Register for this program by calling 456-2400, ext. 7.

Library closed for Labor Day

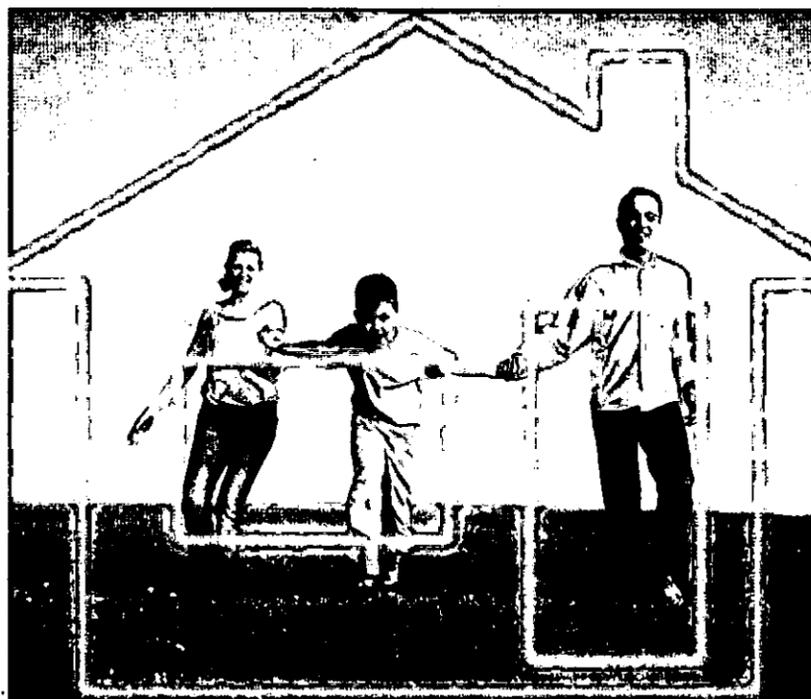
The library will be closed Saturday, Sept. 5, through Monday, Sept. 7, for the Labor Day holiday. The library will reopen at its normal time of 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 8. Starting Sunday, Sept. 13, the library will be open Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m.

Mark Curiale

Note: All library events are free unless otherwise noted. The Guilderland Public Library is at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Call 456-2400, ext. 12, for more information, or visit the library's Web site at www.guilpl.org.

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Library program to teach basics of home canning

It's high summer, and many herbs and veggies in your garden are ready for picking. Have you always wanted to make your own pickles, jam or flavored vinegar but were afraid to try? Learn the basics of home canning in "Preserving the Bounty" next Monday, Aug. 31, at 7 p.m. Call 439-9314 to sign up.

Presenter Sandra Varno is a registered dietitian and nutrition educator for Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County. She holds a master's degree in community health education from Sage, and has presented workshops on a variety of nutrition and wellness topics.

The program is made possible by a grant to the Upper Hudson Library System from the MetLife foundation.

Parking lot update

At press time, the new parking



lot entrance and lot were expected to open today. When the new entrance opens, the old entrance will be closed as construction enters Phase 2. Please exercise caution in the new lot and around construction, read any posted signage and hold small children by the hand. We will continue to provide updates and bulletins on our Web site, on the message board over the circulation desk and in this column.

Tai chi for health

Our Fit for Life series continues in September with two tai chi workshops: Qigong for Relaxation on Saturday, Sept. 12, at 2 p.m., and Introduction to

Tai Chi on Saturday, Sept. 19, at 2 p.m.

Presenter Lorraine Noval, a partner with the Asian Arts Group in Albany, has practiced tai chi for over 15 years.

Qigong is a slow practice that helps cultivate the basic life force, or qi. Qigong fosters relaxation, balance and calm. The slow, dance-like movements of tai chi integrate mind, body and spirit. Tai chi can increase strength and flexibility, improve balance, decrease stress, and help manage pain hypertension and arthritis.

Both tai chi programs will be held on our Green weather permitting, indoors if it rains. Wear comfortable clothing.

Lessons in laughter

Friday, Sept. 11, 1 p.m.

Sr. Anne Bryan Smollin talks about the ability of humor to heal us, help us and bring us together.

Board game Fridays

Fridays, Sept. 11 to Oct. 23, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Bring your own or play one of ours. Family and friends.

Fit for Life: Qigong for relaxation

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2 p.m.

Lorraine Noval of the Asian Arts Group introduces this slow practice that fosters relaxation, balance and calm. Wear comfortable clothing.

Made possible by a grant from the MetLife Foundation.

Winchester and Young

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2 p.m.

Classic songs of the '60s and '70s on the Green for our first open Sunday after Labor Day. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Concert will move indoors if it rains.

Grandparents' Day

Monday, Sept. 14, 11 a.m.

Bring a grandparent for a special storytime, songs and a craft. Ages 2 to 6 with grandparent.

Board meeting

Monday, Sept. 14, 6:30 p.m.

Open to the public.

Knights in shining armor

Tuesday Sept. 15, 3:30 p.m.

Learn about medieval knights, kings and castles, and make up a family crest to put on your very own shield. Grades K to five; call 439-9314 to sign up.

Louise Grieco

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Festival to feature pets on parade

Animals get into the act at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12, on the back lawn of the library. You can bring your favorite buddy - cat, dog, frog, fish, hamster, turtle, snake, ferret or spider - to the Small Town Friends Festival for a pet parade. Be prepared to introduce your pet to the crowd. Lots of cheering will be encouraged and honors will be awarded. All animals must be protected, restrained or contained with leash, carrier or habitat. Accessorizing is optional. And, if you don't have a pet, Greyhounds As Companions will be here from 10 a.m. to noon with some of the sweetest and gentlest dogs in the world, all needing loving homes.



o'bugs and loveable creatures of many shapes, colors and sizes for you to meet and pet at the grand finale of the 2009 Summer Reading Program on Monday, Aug. 31, at 6:30 p.m. Jason will explain what the animals eat, how they sleep and where they live, and get you "movin' and groovin' with the animals". We will also award our grand finale prizes and honor our top readers. Bring blankets and chairs for outdoor seating. In case of rain, we'll move indoors.

Adult fiction group

Also on Sept. 2, the adult fiction group will discuss "Fieldwork" by Mischa Berlinski at 7 p.m. Books are available at the library. You may also pick up a copy of "The Eaves of Heaven" by Andrew X. Pham, non-fiction to discuss on Sept. 14. Signup is necessary.

Ballroom dance

Signups are being taken for a free introduction to ballroom dance at a class with Ron Tritto of Learntodance in the community room on Saturday, Sept. 19, at 1 p.m.

Barbara Vink

• All library programming is free (unless otherwise noted) and open to the public. Voorheesville Public Library is located at 51 School Road, Voorheesville. For information, call 765-2791 or visit www.voorheesvillelibrary.org.

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Grand finale

It's more animal fun for the whole family. Jason will be back, bringing his frogs, his bucket

IN BRIEF

Cabaret singers to perform

The New Scotland Cabaret Singers will perform Friday and Saturday, Sept. 11 and 12, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Voorheesville High School, 432 New Salem Road.

The theme of the evening will be the 1940s swing era. Homemade pie, assorted desserts and beverages will be for sale.

The suggested donation for the event is \$5. Proceeds will benefit the Capital City Rescue

Storytime special

Come for a back-to-school storytime special on Wednesday, Sept. 2, at 10:30 a.m. for preschoolers through grade two.

Mission and the new Scotland Presbyterian Church Building Fund. For information, call 439-6454 or 436-0466.

Button club to hold meeting

The Half Moon Button Club of the Capital District will hold its next meeting Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 11 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library 451 Delaware Ave.

Jane McCormick will present a program on leaves and plants. The event is open to anyone interested in the hobby.

Church plans fundraising events

The McKownville United Methodist Church at 1565 Western Ave., Albany, will hold a Brooks chicken barbecue from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and a pumpkin sale from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3.

The cost of the barbecue is \$9 for an adult dinner, \$7 for half a chicken, and \$6.75 for a child's dinner. The child's dinner is eat-in only, while the rest are take-out or eat-in. The dinner includes chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, rolls and cake. Sauces and marinades will be on sale.

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Estate Sale- Aug 27,28,29. 9am-5pm. 1245 Peaceable St., Ballston Spa. Entire Contents must go. Furniture, tools, farm tools, vehicles, antiques.

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Sudoku Answers

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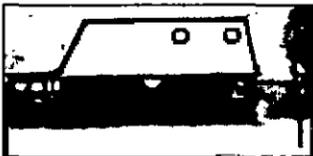
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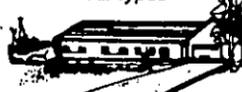
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Notice of Formation of Dowell Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/03/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process against it may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21453 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of First Avenue Dental PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/06/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21454 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: OS-BORN CUSTOM WOODWORKS, LLC
Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 7/2/09. 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 at its principal business location: 18 Elmwood Street, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose LD-21458 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of DecisionQuest Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/10/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/8/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: DecisionQuest, Inc., Attn: President, 21545 Hawthorne Blvd., Ste. 310, Torrance, CA 90503, also the address of the principal office. Address to be maintained in DE: 615 South Dupont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21459 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bounce Energy NY, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/10/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/29/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2802 Albany St., Houston, TX 77006. Address of the principal office: 160 Greentree Dr., Ste. 101, Dover, DE 19904. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21460 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of N302TC LLC. Art. of Org. filed Secy of State (SSNY) 7/2/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 159 Delaware Ave., Ste. 249, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21472 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Daisy Brand, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/13/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 6/26/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 12750 Merit Drive, Ste. 600, Dallas, TX 75251. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, PO Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-21473 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of DEGA REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/18/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28-07 Hobart Street, Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21474 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION CK EXCAVATING I, LLC
Under Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law
First, the name of the Limited Liability Company is CK Excavating I, LLC
Second, the articles of organization were filed with the New York Department of State on June 30, 2009.
Third, the County in which the Limited Liability Company is located is Albany County, New York.
Fourth, The Secretary of State of the State of New York has been designated as

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agent of the Limited Liability Company upon process against it may be served. The principal addresses of the Limited Liability Company is 33 Normanskill Road, Voorheesville, New York 12186 Fifth, the purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which Limited Liability Companies may be organized under the New York Limited Liability Law. LD-21477 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Santa Barbara Medical Innovations, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/7/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/30/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-21481 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SELECT PERSONNEL SERVICES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/08/09. 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, 570 7th Avenue, Suite 500, New York, New York 10018. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21485 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of SAN-BORN GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/21/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21489 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of LAUREL HILL LANE, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/22/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21494 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company. Name: MIMI Co Deli, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 6/9/09. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent to the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC c/o Michelle Hughes 113 Eileen Street Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21496 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of PHILIP TURNER BOOK PRODUCTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State

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of NY (SSNY) on 7/24/09. 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 Frankfurt Kurmit Klein & Selz, P.C., 488 Madison Ave., NY, NY 10022, Attn: Michael R. Williams, Esq. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21499 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC The Capital Region Strategic Employee Benefit Services, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on 07/21/09. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, 1201 Troy Schenectady Road, Suite 120, Latham, NY 12110. The street address of the principal business location is 1201 Troy Schenectady Road, Suite 120, Latham, NY 12110. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. LD-21504 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MS-NYC REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/24/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21505 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BIG JOHN'S, LLC Under Section 206(c) of the Limited Liability Company Law
FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is BIG JOHN'S, LLC.
SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Limited Liability Company were filed with the Secretary of State for the State of New York on July 13, 2009.
THIRD: The office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located within the County of Albany and State of New York.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as the Company's agent on whom process against the Company may be served.
FIFTH: The Post Office Address within the State of New York to which the Secretary of State will mail a copy of any process against the Company is 100 Deer Path Lane, Altamont, New York 12009.
SIXTH: The Company's purpose is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which the Limited Liability Company may be organized under the Limited Liability Law for the State of New York. /s/ John R. VanWormer
JOHN R. VAN WORMER
Organizer /s/ Joshua M. VanWormer
JOSHUA M. VAN WORMER
Organizer LD-21509 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Pacific Grand Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/15/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: profession of medicine. LD-21516 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JGDO, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/21/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21517 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: Silver Pines Properties, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/09/09. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 3215 Traber Road, Schenectady, New York 12303. LD-21510 (August 26, 2009)

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HAMILTON STREET TWO, LLC (the "LLC") filed Articles of Organization with the NY Secretary of State ("SOS") on 7/14/2009. LLC office is in Albany County, NY. SOS was designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SOS shall mail copy of process served to Hamilton Street Two, LLC, 773 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York 12208. The purpose is any lawful act or activity. LD-21512 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Newkirk Associates LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/17/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21514 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Del-Mar Real Estate Services LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/24/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Romulo E. Samaniego, 57 Beverly Dr., Avon, CT 06001. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21515 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Acute and Chronic Pain Management and Medicine, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/06/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: profession of medicine. LD-21516 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Pacific Grand Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/15/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21528 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of AT-LANTIC LEASE HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/30/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21529 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF E WIRED AUCTIONS, LLC
1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: e Wired Auctions, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on September 1, 2004.

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Notice of formation of CO-HERE STUDIO, LLC a NYS LLC Formation filed with SSNY on 06/19/09 Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 190 Waverly Place, New York, NY 10014. Purpose: Any lawful purposes. LD-21522 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: EMPIRE EDISON DEVELOPMENT, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 15, 2004. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to PO Box 2183, Malta, NY 12020. LD-21525 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of THANK YOU HAVE A NICE DAY, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/31/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21526 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of 147 Greenpoint Ave. Entertainment LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/31/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21527 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of JIEDA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/30/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21528 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AT-LANTIC LEASE HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/30/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21529 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF E WIRED AUCTIONS, LLC
1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: e Wired Auctions, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on September 1, 2004.

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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: c/o Brian B. Selchick 12 Blackwood Street, Apt. 422 Boston, Massachusetts 02115-5126
5. The registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the liability company can be served is: e Wired Auctions, LLC, 12 Blackwood Street, Apt. 422, Boston, Massachusetts 02115.
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-21531 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Lorraine-Michaels Dance Centre, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/3/09. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 69 Fuller Rd., Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21532 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Vincent Best Holding LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/31/09. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Harvard Business Services, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805-A, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21533 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of One World Enterprises, LLC. Fictitious Name: One Natural Experience, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/31/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/15/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1401 Westwood Blvd., Ste. 200, Los Angeles, CA 90025, also the address of the principal office. Address to be maintained in DE: 108 West 13th St., Wilmington, DE 19801. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21534 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ENGINEERED SUCCESS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/28/09. 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: 16 Manor Drive, Glenmont, NY 12077. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21535 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of FASHION BIBLE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/3/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served.

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SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 167 Eagle St., Albany, NY 12202. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21536 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF MOND SOLUTIONS OR. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/4/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21543 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: Airside HVAC, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on: 7/24/09. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process c/o James R. Schultz, Esq., of counsel, Mainard, O'Connor, Smith & Catalinotto, LLP, 6 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203. Term: No specific date of dissolution. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized. LD-21545 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: 40 NS HOLDINGS LLC. Original Articles of Organization under the name 40 NS INVESTMENT LLC filed with NYSOS, June 22, 2009. Certificate of Amendment changing name to 40 NS HOLDINGS LLC filed with NYSOS June 25, 2009. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext, Albany, NY 12203. LD-21546 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Registration of Horne LLP. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/3/09. Office location: Albany County. LLP registered in Delaware (DE) on 12/21/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capital Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. LD address of LLP in jurisdiction of organization: 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: practice the profession of Certified Public Accountants. LD-21547 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MULROY RE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/27/09. 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, 154 St. James Place, Brooklyn, New York 11238. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21548 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CDM CARE LLC. Articles of Organization were

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filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/20/09. 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, 317 Madison Avenue, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10017. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21549 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Publication TOWERSHIP LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/10/2009 Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-21551 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Publication VESPERTILLIO TRADING LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/10/2009 Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-21552 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Abby Travel Multi Services LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/12/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21553 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Printing Factory LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/04/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21554 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Great C & C LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/04/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21555 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of MDS Asset Management, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/15/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington

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Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21556 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of D & D Mazel LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/29/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21557 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Creste Marrero Baseball Club, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/29/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21558 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of EP Deliveries LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/10/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21559 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Villa Pacri Leasehold LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/05/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21560 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SOFTER INGENUITY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/03/2009. 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 c/o Softer Ingenuity, LLC, 135 Van Wies Point Rd, Glenmont, New York 12077. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21567 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Arsenal Plaza Associates, LLC (LLC). Ar-

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ticles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/8/09. Office location: Albany County. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent. SOS shall mail copy of process to 20 Corporate Woods Boulevard, Albany, NY 12211. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. LD-21568 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Statebridge Company, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/30/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Colorado (CO) on 8/13/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Incomp Services, Inc., One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805A, Albany, NY 12210-2822. Address to be maintained in CO: 4600 South Syracuse St., Ste. 700, Denver, CO 80237. Arts of Org. filed with CO Secy. Of State, 1700 Broadway, Ste. 200, Denver, CO 80290. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21569 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Lead Consulting and Coaching LLC Notice of formation of Lead Consulting and Coaching LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on June 30, 2009. 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, at 60 Adams Place, Delmar, New York 12054. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the LLC; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LD-21570 (August 26, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Anvertainment Recorders LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/17/09. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Shana R. Fried, Reed Smith, LLP, 136 Main St., Ste. 250, Princeton, NJ 08543. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21572 (August 26, 2009)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS Elsmere Avenue and Feura Bush Road Sidewalk Connections Project Town of Bethlehem, New York Sealed bids will be received by the Town Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 until 3:00 p.m. on September 14, 2009, at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read. The work includes providing all labor, materials, machinery, tools, equipment, supervision, and other means of construction necessary and incidental to the completion of the work shown on the plans and described in these specifications including, but not necessarily limited to the following: -Forming, reinforcing, placing, finishing, and curing concrete needed for the construction of approximately 2,300 linear feet of new concrete sidewalks. -Construction of associated handicapped access ramps,

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to include detectable warning strips. -It is noted that the Town of Bethlehem will be clearing, grubbing, grading, installing subbase, installing drainage, restoring the site and maintaining protection of traffic. All work is to be substantially complete by December 4, 2009, and fully completed and ready for final payment by December 18, 2009. Complete sets of the drawings, specifications and bid forms may be examined after August 24, 2009 at the Town of Bethlehem, Town Clerk's office, Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Copies may be obtained upon a refundable deposit of \$25.00 in the form of a check made payable to the Town of Bethlehem and a separate non-refundable handling charge of \$5.00. Checks shall be made payable to the Town of Bethlehem. Questions pertaining to the bid package should be directed to Monika A. King, P.E., Asst. Engineer, at (518) 439-4955 ext. 1136. All bids must be made on the official Bid Form or an exact copy by reproduction thereof and enclosed in a sealed envelope labeled with the project name and the text "Bid Documents Enclosed". This is a unit price bid as described in the Instructions To Bidders. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within forty five calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security in the amount of five percent of the base bid in accordance with the Instructions To Bidders. If a bid deposit is not submitted with the bid, the bid may not be considered. Bids may be submitted by mail, however, it shall be the responsibility of the Bidder to ensure the bid is delivered by the date and time as specified above. The Town of Bethlehem reserves the right to reject any bid delivered after the date and time specified above. The Owner is exempt of sales and consumption use taxes of the State of New York and of cities and counties on all materials to be incorporated into the Work. These taxes shall not be included in the Bid. The owner will furnish the required certificates of tax exemption to the Contractor for use in the purchase of supplies and materials to be incorporated into the Work. The Owner's exemption does not apply to construction tools; machinery, equipment, or other property owned by or leased by the Contractor, or to supplies or materials not incorporated into the Work. The Contractor shall be responsible for and shall pay any and all applicable taxes, including sales and consumption use taxes, on such tools, machinery, equipment, or other property, or such supplies and materials not incorporated into the Work. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish construction performance and payment bonds in the full amount of the contract price. The successful bidder will be required to comply with all provisions of the Federal Government Equal Employment Opportunity clauses issued by the Secretary of Labor on May 21, 1968 and published in the Federal Register (41CFR Part 60-1, 33 F.2 7804). All bidders must also comply with General Municipal Law section 103 and Sections 220-223 of the New York State Labor Law. Owner reserves the right to waive any and all formalities and the right to disregard all nonconforming, non-responsive or Conditional Bids. OWNER'S CONTACT Monika A. King, P.E., Asst. Engineer Town of Bethlehem Department of Public Works, Engineering Division Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue Delmar, New York 12054 Phone: (518) 439-4955 ext. 1136

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Fax: (518) 439-5808 ENGINEER'S CONTACT: AS above. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, CMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: August 20, 2009 LD-21575 (August 26, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold the continuation of a public hearing on Wednesday, September 2, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on the application of Richard Bohl, The Pines @ Normanside, for a Use Variance to allow access to a commercial use in a mixed use zone through a residential zone for the portion of property fronting Delaware Avenue, Delmar (86.05-3-10.1). Michael C. Hodom Chairman Board of Appeals NOTE: The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate in the public hearing, should contact the Town Clerk's Office at (518) 439-4955 ext. 1183. LD-21577 (August 26, 2009)

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1. The name of the Professional Service Limited Liability Company is DeLucia Realty, L.L.C. 2. The Articles of Organization were filed August 12, 2009. 3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as the agency of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. 5. The purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to engage in any lawful activity for which a Limited Liability Company may be formed. LD-21582 (August 26, 2009)

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TOWN OF BETHLEHEM PUBLIC HEARING ANNUAL PLAN FOR 2009 SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM 06-00 P.M. The Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the Town's proposed Agency Plan for 2010 for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program. Copies of the Agency Plan and all supporting documentation are available for review by the public at the following locations: Town of Bethlehem 445 Delaware Avenue Delmar, NY 12054 (518) 439-4955

Joseph E. Matrianni, Inc. 242 Union Street Schenectady, NY 12305 (518) 372-4739 Ext. 26. All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing. The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's office at 439-4955, Ext. 1183. Advanced notice is requested. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: August 20, 2009 LD-21583 (August 26, 2009)

Best

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player to have his jersey retired. (The second? Kenny Hasbrouck, who placed third in the voting.)

5. Who is the greatest RPI hockey coach?

All hail Ned Harkness. The man who guided the Engineers to 176 victories and an NCAA title before going to Cornell and led the Big Red to a national championship ran away with this category, outdistancing Mike Addesa by a wide margin.

Dan Fridgen didn't receive a vote, despite being RPI's all-time leader in career wins. I guess when you don't win a national title, you don't rate. Still, it's kind of a sad statement that no one voted for Fridgen.

6. Who is the greatest RPI hockey player?

The Oates half of the old Hull and Oates duo skated past his competition here, as Adam Oates breezed past Joey Juneau, Frank Chiarelli and John Carter to take the title.

Never mind that Chiarelli is still RPI's all-time leading scorer more than 50 years after he graduated from the Troy engineering school. Oates likely took first place honors because not only did he help RPI win the 1985 national title, but he went on to have a stellar NHL career including his time playing alongside Brett Hull in St. Louis.

7. Which minor league team has a more storied history?

This category produced a tight finish as the Adirondack Red Wings tied the Albany Patroons for first place, with the Albany-Colonie Yankees making a late charge to finish a close second.

The Patroons and the Red Wings gained their popularity in the 1980s when they were the only minor league teams playing during the winter. Both teams produced great players, with the Wings sending several players on to stellar NHL careers (including Adam Oates). Meanwhile, the Patroons' biggest contribution to the NBA has to be Phil Jackson, who has coached the Chicago Bulls and Los Angeles Lakers to

a combined 10 NBA titles.

Among the other teams that got votes were the Albany Senators and the Albany Metro Mallers - specifically, the Metro Mallers of the 1970s and 1980s.

8. Who was the greatest athlete to play for a Capital District minor league team?

It came down to two baseball players from two different eras - Ralph Kiner and Mariano Rivera. And when the dust settled, Kiner pulled away to defeat Rivera and claim the crown. Nice job by the former Albany Senator.

"Touchdown" Eddie Brown needed a late rally to take third place. Otherwise, that honor might have gone to write-in candidate, Derek Jeter, who apparently was impressive enough during his cup-of-coffee time in Colonie to garner some votes.

9. Greatest high school coach

I deliberately left this to the voters to write in their choices, since I didn't want to be accused of singling anybody out. The leading vote-getter was Shenendehowa football coach Brent Steuerwald for guiding the Plainsmen to

295 wins and numerous state playoff appearances in more than four decades of service. Larry Mulvaney, Sig Makofski, Wali Pryzybilo and George Mardigan were the other coaches who received multiple votes.

Other vote getters: Brian Melanson, Art Ritchko, Bob Wilsey, Larry O'Neil, Bill Boehner, Jim Obermayer, Jim Zullo, Jack Burger, Mike Vorgang, Mike Black, Jesse Braverman and Matt Shell. Nice mix of the past and the present.

10. Greatest high school athlete

This was another write-in category, and when the votes were tallied, it was determined that Sam Perkins was still the man. Shaker's only NBA product edged out Schenectady legends Barry Kramer and Pat Riley for first place. Football players Charlie Leigh and André Davis also got multiple votes, as did Shen basketball great Greg Koubek.

Others who received votes: Gary Trout, John Stokie, Gerald Thomsen, Greg Donahue, Paul Reinisch, Paul Layton, Mike Caruso, Dr. James Nolan and Bill DeVoe. (Wait... how did DeVoe's name get on this list? Who's monitoring the ballots here? Oh wait, that would be me.)

Bonus question: What is the best sports facility to watch a game in (past or present)?

Maybe I should have specified the best Capital District sports facility because Fenway Park, Giants Stadium and Madison Square Garden all received votes. But at least most of the responders picked local venues.

Tied at the top was Albany's Times Union Center and Troy's Joseph Bruno Stadium. Both facilities were lauded for their nice sightlines and how close the fans can get to the action. The Glens Falls Civic Center was next on the list, followed by the Washington Avenue Amory.

Other facilities receiving votes: Siena's Alumni Recreation Center, RPI's Houston Field House, University at Albany's SEFCU Arena, Albany's Bleecker Stadium, Saratoga Springs' old Convention Hall and a split vote between Latham's Boght Baseball Complex and Clifton Common. (Missing from the list: Saratoga Race Course, Colonie's Heritage Park and Albany's Hawkins Stadium.)

So with that, this year's Spotlight Sports Survey is hereby declared closed. Be sure to tune in next summer for a new set of questions about the Capital District sports scene.

Rockers win tournament title



The New York Rockers 14-and-under softball team won the recent Avalanche ASA Invitational Tournament and qualified for the PONY National Championships in Raleigh, N.C. The Rockers outscored their opponents 44-3 in going 5-0 in the tournament. The team is, from left, Zach Blum (sitting), Shamani McNight, Kayla Doty, Jaclyn Welch, coach Welch, Leah Layton, Megan Martel, Lauren Nardacci, Samantha Blum, Steph Reinhardt, Rebekah Kitchen, Jackie Rossi, coach Pat Blum, Gabby McNary and Steph Sickles. Submitted photo

Turchi Golf Classic Sept. 24

The third annual Gino Turchi & Family Golf Classic takes place Thursday, Sept. 24, at Eagle Crest Golf Club in Clifton Park.

The golf tournament begins at 9 a.m. with a shotgun tee-off. Participants will play their own ball using a best two-of-four-ball format.

Prizes will be awarded for the top foursomes. Last year's prizes included tickets to a New York Jets-Buffalo Bills game, tickets to

the Preakness and a free round of golf at several area courses.

The entry fee is \$900 per foursome and includes greens fees, a golf cart, beverages, lunch, a memento and a buffet dinner. Those wishing to only attend the dinner may reserve a spot for \$50. All proceeds benefit the Turchi Family Athletic Fund.

For information, call the Siena College athletic office at 783-2530.

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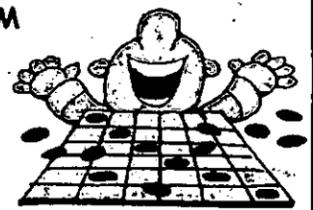
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Sports *in the* Spotlight

The best shine through in this year's poll

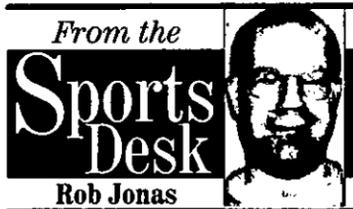
First of all, I'd like to thank all the people who voted in this year's poll. We had a better response than last year, which is always good to see.

With that said, here's a breakdown of this year's "Simply the Best" poll results (opinionated comments purely mine):

1. What is the greatest individual achievement by a Capital District native?

In the end, this turned out to be a two-horse race, and Funny Cide wasn't involved. It came down to Jeff Blatnick and Pat Riley, and after several lead changes, Blatnick pulled out a slim victory.

It shouldn't come as a surprise to many that this happened. Blatnick's Olympic gold medal in 1984 was one of the best stories to come out of the Los Angeles games, while Riley's five NBA titles (four with the L.A. Lakers,



one with Miami) is one of the top coaching achievements in league history. Very hard to choose between the two of them, since both are deserving of this honor.

Three people got write-in votes: Johnny Podres for pitching the Brooklyn Dodgers past the New York Yankees in Game 7 of the 1955 World Series, Shirley Muldowney for her drag racing skills and Pink Gardner for his professional wrestling achievements.

2. What is the greatest moment in Siena men's basket-

ball history?

Again, it came down to two events, and again, it ended in a tie. Siena's victory over Stanford in the 1989 NCAA Tournament and the Saints' double-overtime win against Ohio State in this year's March Madness each got the same percentage of votes, while their blowout win against Vanderbilt in 2008 pulled in a distant third.

Secretly, I was hoping someone would mention Siena's 1994 NIT run that ended with a third-place finish and Doremus Bennerman earning Most Valuable Player honors. It may only be the NIT, but beating the likes of Georgia Tech and Kansas State is no joke. But I guess that if it's not the NCAA Tournament, it doesn't mean a thing - even if Saints fans crowded onto trains to fill up Madison Square Garden during the NIT Final Four.

3. Who is the greatest Siena men's basketball coach?

At first, this looked like a runaway for Mike Deane when he raced out to a big lead. But Deane had to fend off a furious rally by Fran McCaffery to lay claim to this honor.

Frankly, I was a little surprised by this result. Granted, Deane's résumé is very good with 166 wins, an NCAA Tournament appearance and three NIT appearances, but he never guided the Saints to consecutive NCAA Tournaments like McCaffery has. And McCaffery had more wins in his first four seasons in Loudonville (85) than Deane (81). Of course, Deane's 1989-90 Siena team had to make the transition from ECAC North to the MAAC, which probably cut down on the number of wins it had that year. But the voters went with Deane - at least, for this year.

As for the other coaches on the list, I was glad to see Dan Cunha get some votes. Not many people remember that Cunha guided Siena to four 20-plus win seasons during a five-year stretch from 1947 to 1952 and earned the school national recognition. We'll have to see if McCaffery can match Cunha's feat over the next two years.

4. Who is the greatest Siena men's basketball player?

This was a tight battle, but Marc Brown managed to pull out the victory over Billy Harrell.

Both players had impressive runs at Siena, but Brown had the advantage of being the school's all-time leading scorer and the one who led the Saints past Stanford in the 1989 NCAA Tournament. Still, Harrell - the school's first All-American - is the first Siena

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The final tally

Once again, a big thank you to all the people who voted in this year's Spotlight Sports Survey. We had loads of ballots mailed to Spotlight headquarters and e-mailed to jonasr@spotlightnews.com. Please join us next year when we'll have a different set of questions for you. And now, here are the final percentages for this year's poll.

1. What is the greatest individual achievement by a Capital District native?

1. Jeff Blatnick strikes gold — 47.22
2. Pat Riley wins five NBA titles — 41.67
3. Pink Gardner pro wrestler — 5.56
4. Johnny Podres wins Game 7 — 2.78
5. Shirley Muldowney drag racer — 2.78
6. (tie) Dottie Pepper and Funny Cide — 0.00

2. What is the greatest moment in Siena men's basketball history?

1. Beating Stanford (1989) — 47.06
1. Beating Ohio State (2009) — 47.06
3. Beating Vanderbilt (2008) — 5.88
- D. Other — 0.00

3. Who is the greatest Siena men's basketball coach?

1. Mike Deane — 42.86
2. Fran McCaffery — 34.29
3. Dan Cunha — 11.43
4. Bill Kirsch — 8.57
5. Paul Hewitt — 2.86

4. Who is the greatest Siena men's basketball player?

1. Marc Brown — 38.71
2. Billy Harrell — 35.48
3. Kenny Hasbrouck — 22.58
4. Doremus Bennerman — 3.23
5. Other — 0.00

5. Who is the greatest RPI hockey coach?

1. Ned Harkness — 85.29
2. Mike Addesa — 14.71
3. Dan Fridgen — 0.00
3. Other — 0.00

6. Who is the greatest player in RPI hockey history?

1. Adam Oates — 68.75
2. Joey Juneau — 15.625
3. Frank Chiarelli — 9.375
4. John Carter — 3.125
5. Paul Midghall — 3.125

7. Which minor league team has a more storied history?

1. Adirondack Red Wings — 22.86
1. Albany Patroons — 22.86
3. Albany-Colonie Yankees — 20.0
4. Albany River Rats — 14.29
5. Albany Senators — 11.43
6. Albany Firebirds — 5.71
7. Albany Metro Mallers — 2.86

8. Who was the greatest athlete to play for a Capital District minor league team?

1. Ralph Kiner (Senators) — 42.86
2. Mariano Rivera (A-C Yankees) — 28.57
3. Eddie Brown (Firebirds) — 14.29
4. Derek Jeter (A-C Yankees) — 8.57
5. Geordie Kinnear (River Rats) — 2.86
6. Orie Anson (Senators) — 2.86
7. Derek Rowland (Patroons) — 0.00

9. Greatest high school coach:

1. Brent Steuerwald (Shen football)
2. Sig Makofski (Mt. Pleasant)
3. Larry Mulvaney (Mt. Pleasant)

10. Greatest high school athlete

1. Sam Perkins (Shaker basketball)
2. Barry Kramer (Linton)
3. Pat Riley (Linton)

News & Notes

Starfish slate team tryouts

The Albany Starfish Swim Club is holding tryouts and registration for its 2009-10 short-course season.

Tryouts for new members are scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at Siena College's Marcelle Athletic Complex and 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, at Niskayuna High School.

Parents need to bring non-returnable copies of one of the following: birth certificate, baptismal certificate, passport, visa, consular report of birth abroad, foreign passports, foreign birth certificates (translation needed if necessary), adoption papers, name change papers or driver's licenses for those of age.

The Albany Starfish offers year-round competition and instruction for all ages and abilities. Club coaches are members of USA Swimming and the American Swim Coaches Association.

For information, visit the club's Web site www.albanystarfish.org.

Holden leads Guilderland team

Black belt Alexia Holden finished first in her creative board breaking division at last month's Northeast Open martial arts competition.

Holden was part of the Guilderland Martial Arts team along with Ray Spees, Mete Rice, Sean Clark, Thomas Hosey, Hunter Gerasimovich, Victoria Carl, Matthew Dean, Lucas Mitchell, Bill Fleming and Kaelyn Lawson.