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Town details goals of study

Treatment plant is 40 years old, and neighbors say it smells like it

By GREG FRY
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Bethlehem officials have laid out a timeline and framework for a study designed to measure the need for improvements at the town's wastewater treatment facility.

At a public meeting held Oct. 20 in Selkirk regarding a study of upgrades needed at the plant on Dinmore Road, about 15 residents asked questions and voiced opinions about the aging plant, most related to rising waters and horrible smells that are linked back to the facility.

"This was the first of two public meetings on the matter," said Karen Clark, vice president and wastewater operations manager for CHA, the company working with the town on upgrades to the

plant. "This was supposed to be informational as we plan for the next 30 years within the town."

One goal for the project is to increase the capacity of water the plant takes in. Currently, the plant accepts an average of 4.2 million gallons per day (mgd). The capacity for the plant is 6 mgd, and proposed upgrades would bump up that total by 50 percent to 9 mgd.

"We are increasing the peak capacity," said Clark, "and looking at

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Looking ahead

Objectives the town wants to accomplish at the wastewater treatment plant:

- Increase the capacity of water the plant takes in
- Reduce sludge pouring into the plant
- Reduce odors impacting neighbors who live near the 40-year-old facility.



A place to play

On Thursday, Oct. 20, events were held nationwide, including at the Bethlehem YMCA, to promote the need for after-school programs as part of the Lights On Afterschool Celebration.

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25 nations under one roof

Manoj Amerja likes to joke that a trip around the world costs only \$5 at the Festival of Nations.

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Smith sinks Dutch

Christopher Smith rushed for 285 yards and three touchdowns to lead Columbia to a 40-19 victory over Guilderland in last Friday's Section II Class AA quarterfinal game.

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Doctor finishes bike trip

Funds still coming in to help nurse's family

By GREG FRY
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After 4,874 miles on a bicycle, Dr. David Krischer of Delmar admits that he is a little sore.

"When you get back into other activities like taking the dog for a walk, there are other muscles that you don't use that start to hurt," said Krischer.

Krischer, 59, began a cross-country trip on two wheels in early July, and admitted shortly after his return in mid-October that his initial reasons for going were somewhat shallow.

"I was up for an adventure. I worked in the same office for 25 years, and including medical training, I worked for 35 or 40 years. I was up for an, 'I don't know what's going to happen' kind of experience," said Krischer.

So the retired physician decided to help his former nurse, Anita Mullaney, who was terminally ill with lung cancer. He made the choice to use the trip as an impromptu fundraiser for Mullaney's family. During the daunting trip, which took him through states such as Wisconsin, North Dakota and Washington, Krischer was able to speak with Mullaney on a couple of occasions.

"It wasn't about fundraising, but more about how she was doing," said Krischer. "She was already having some trouble breathing by the time I was talking to her."

Mullaney passed away in September, but her memory lived on through the ride, and through

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Dr. David Krischer of Delmar at a waterfall in the Columbia River Gorge in Oregon. The retired physician rode 4,874 across the country this summer, along the way raising funds for his former nurse, Anita Mullaney, who succumbed to lung cancer during Krischer's journey. Mullaney, below, shown holding her grandson, Chase, died in September.

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Making Vista walkable

Bethlehem planners take a closer look at pedestrian plans

By GREG FRY
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As progress continues on the Vista Technology Park project off of Route 85, Bethlehem officials are taking great interest in more than automobile traffic through the development.

At a Town Planning Board meeting Tuesday, Oct. 18, members were shown a pedestrian circulation map relating to the initial stages of the long-awaited project. Jonathan deForest, the executive vice president of BBL Construction Services, which is in charge of construction at the site, showed board members how early development will incorporate 3,400 feet of nature trail, 7,300 feet of pedestrian walkway, and another 6,200 feet of shared bicycle lanes. Those numbers are expected to increase as future phases of the project are developed.

"We're seeing a big shift in corporate America, and in general," said deForest. "People are embracing the green movement, and the idea of walking out at lunch time, and going to the bank or out for a sandwich."

While still focusing on the need for development, and in turn, the creation of jobs at the site, one of the main goals is to allow for the development to be accessible to pedestrians, and to make it accessible for those trying to get to other developments, such as the Price Chopper Plaza up the road from Vista Boulevard.

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YMCA turns the lights on

Bethlehem branch just one location to celebrate nationwide after-school event

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When school ends for more than 15 million children in America, so does their supervision.

It is the main reason why on Thursday, Oct. 20, events were held nationwide to promote the need for after-school programs, as part of the Lights On Afterschool Celebration. The events were part of a project developed by the Afterschool Alliance, a national not-for-profit based in Washington D.C., which focuses on getting children involved with quality, affordable after-school programs.

The celebration was recognized at all branches of the Capital District YMCA, including the Bethlehem branch, where a range of activities are provided from 3 to 6 p.m. each day, as kids from kindergarten to middle school make their way from the classroom to the Y.

"We put together lesson plans, and implement them into nine different centers," said Penny Shaw, the child care site supervisor at the YMCA. "It is never going to

"We treat the children with respect, and teach them how to treat others with respect."

— Penny Shaw, child care site supervisor at the YMCA

be just a babysitting service."

"When you look at the stats, and at that 3 to 6 p.m. time, it's really startling to see the things that kids can get into," said Rob Totaro, the director of communications for the Capital District YMCA. "By having access to a quality child care program, it should give parents peace of mind to know that their kids are in a safe place with caring adults looking after them."

Students are bussed from their schools to the facility as part of an arrangement with the Bethlehem Central School District. On an average afternoon, kids may be outside playing sports with counselors, or inside participating in activities inside and outside the Y's classrooms.

"We treat the children with respect, and teach them how to treat others with respect,"



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Greg Fry/Spotlight

said Shaw "We help them with their homework, we play games, we have art projects, and we focus on the community and our country."

For Derek Martin, the executive director of the Bethlehem YMCA, the work with the children goes hand-in-hand with embodying the mission of the Y, and the core principles of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

"We instill that within all our children in all our programs, as well as within our staff," said Martin. "We see thousands of children come in each day and through our camps, and the guidance they receive and the confidence they receive is invaluable to their growth."

The Capital District YMCA also participates in the Reach Out For Youth Campaign, an effort to raise money to support young students and families who may not be able to afford the after-school programs.

"Some parents can't afford to send their kids to these quality programs, and they end up home alone," said Shaw. "After school, we provide that safe haven and a happy place for the children to develop."

Events like the Lights On Afterschool Campaign help to raise awareness of the programs at facilities like the YMCA. For Shaw, it is also an opportunity to let the community know about the monetary support available

for parents who may not think it is possible to enroll their child in a similar program.

"We want to get the word out about the campaign, so that people can come and say that they heard about it, and that they would like to join," she said.

The afternoon programs were started at the Bethlehem YMCA in 2007. Shaw said the interest has grown, and the program is now full.

The Lights On Afterschool celebration started in 2000 with events in more than 1,200 locations. This year, organizers estimate that more than one million people would celebrate Lights On nationwide.

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A bounty of birds

Price Chopper to donate 9,000 pounds of turkeys to Equinox



Chef Dave Hamlin of Price Chopper prepared a mock Thanksgiving feast for Price Chopper and Equinox's joint announcements.



Kathy Danner, executive director of Equinox, Inc., holds up a logo created for Project Soup by teens from Equinox's afterschool program.

Photos by Alyssa Jung/Spotlight

It takes about 650 turkeys (that's 9,000 pounds) to feed the roughly 9,000 Capital District individuals who benefit from the Equinox Thanksgiving Day Community Dinner and this year, Price Chopper is donating every single turkey needed for the holiday meal.

"It really is with pleasure that I make this announcement," said Mona Golub at a press conference at Westgate Price Chopper in Albany on Thursday, Oct. 20.

Golub said Price Chopper decided to donate the entire turkey load so that Equinox, Inc. could concentrate on the services it provides year-round.

"Price Chopper Supermarkets has had a very long relationship with our friends at Equinox, having donated over the years to support the vital programs that they offer to those victims of domestic violence as well as disenfranchised youth here in our community,"

said Golub. "We'd like to see them focus their time on providing those vital services and programs."

Kathy Danner, executive director of Equinox, Inc., said the organization appreciated Price Chopper's generosity and support.

"We all know that the Price Chopper-Golub Foundation has been very active in supporting community organizations throughout the years and is a vital part of our community," said Tanner. "They're a homegrown business just like we're a homegrown organization."

Equinox, Inc. provides a Thanksgiving dinner at a community location or delivers them to homes of

people who wouldn't have one otherwise. It relies on scores of local volunteers to help prepare, assemble and deliver those meals.

Price Chopper has contributed to the Equinox Thanksgiving Day Community Dinner for years, but this is the first time it has shouldered such a major necessity of the dinner and marks the largest single food donation to the dinner that Equinox has ever received.

"Price Chopper has been a longtime supporter of our thanksgiving dinner tradition where the community comes together to make sure that everyone has a meal on Thanksgiving," said Tanner.

Price Chopper is also

sponsoring a new initiative for Equinox, Inc. called Project Soup. All the excess meat, carcasses and bones from the Thanksgiving turkeys will be turned into a turkey soup for food distribution sites to serve the day after Thanksgiving.

"This is a recognition that people are hungry, not only on Thanksgiving, but throughout the year," said Tanner. "Project Soup will feed people with a nice, hearty turkey soup after Thanksgiving."

Price Chopper will donate gift cards and recipes to participating kitchens to help in soup

preparation.

The idea for Project Soup began bubbling around Thanksgiving last year after a conversation between Golub and her father, Neil.

"What happens to all the turkey carcasses and bones and meat after the dinner? We came to find out that ... Equinox had a plan and all the bones were turned into biofuels," said Golub. "We thought, 'Hmmm, I think there's another meal to be had out of this' and started trying to strategize how the carcasses of all these turkeys could be used to produce another meal."

The logo for Project Soup was created by teenagers who take advantage of Equinox's afterschool program.

"We gave them the assignment of the logo to the teens who come in everyday and this is their artwork," said Tanner.

Thanksgiving Eve kicks off Equinox's giving spree when staff, volunteers and Price Chopper officials gather at the Empire State Plaza on Wednesday, Nov. 23, and finish carving the turkeys. Neil Golub, Price Chopper CEO, also demonstrates for volunteers how to properly carve the bird.

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Police blotter

Inmates arrested for contraband

Two inmates at the Albany County Correctional Facility have been charged with promoting prison contraband.



Tara Kirker

Sheriff's deputies say Tara Kirker, 30, of 16 Equinox Court, Delmar was seen by staff at the facility using a hypodermic needle. Kirker is accused of entering the facility with the needle hidden in a private area. She is charged with possessing dangerous prison contraband in the first degree, a felony.



Michael Mink

Sheriff's deputies say staff at the facility also found two packs of cigarettes, along with a bottle of alcohol, inside a visitor's bathroom. Michael Mink, 34, of Albany, is accused of arranging for a visitor to drop off the contraband inside the bathroom. Mink was apprehended after he tried to bring the items into the secure portion of the facility. He is charged with possessing prison contraband in the second degree, a misdemeanor.

Trash truck topples in New Scotland

A trash truck driver somehow escaped injury following a rollover crash in the Town of New Scotland.

The Albany County

Sheriff's Office reports that Vincent Quinn was driving the truck during the morning of Wednesday, Oct. 19, on a steep portion near 71 Cass Hill Road, when he lost control on a curve, causing the truck to roll over. The truck, which is owned by Robert Wright Disposal, then left the roadway, hit several trees and slid down an embankment before coming to a stop.

Quinn escaped serious injury, but was transported to Albany Medical Center for treatment. Due to the location where the truck came to rest, responders had to cut the body from the chassis to remove it from the area.

Albany County Sheriff's deputies were assisted at the scene by the Onesquethaw Fire Department. The cause of the crash is under investigation.



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State court reverses Ritter ruling

Former United Nations weapon inspector and Delmar resident Scott Ritter has won an appeal filed in a New York State court.

Ritter was convicted this year in Pennsylvania on charges he engaged

in lewd conduct on a web camera viewed by a police investigator posing as an underage girl. Prosecutors in that case used sealed records from Albany County that related to similar charges levied against Ritter in 2001. Police questioned Ritter, and a case against him was adjourned in contemplation of dismissal, and later dismissed.

The New York appellate division court ruled unanimously on Oct. 20 that the sealed records from New York should not have been released and used in the Pennsylvania prosecution. No decision has been made on how the New York decision could impact Ritter's case in Pennsylvania.

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Police blotter

Hughes charged with forging an ID

Blotter

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Law enforcement and Bethlehem town officials are saying very little about a felony charge brought against a notable town police officer who has been on medical leave for years.

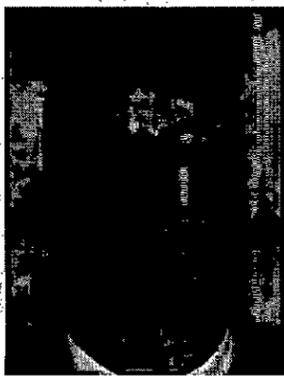
Christopher Hughes, 40, of Feura Bush, was arrested by State Police yesterday and charged with possession of a forged instrument. Police say Hughes submitted a forged police retirement identification card to Galls, a Kentucky-based company that sells equipment, supplies and clothing for emergency responders, and which also processes badges and identifications. Hughes allegedly provided the card in order to have a police retirement badge processed.

State Police were

asked by the Bethlehem Police Department to investigate a possible forgery case, after the company called the department to confirm the processing of the badge. Hughes is not retired, but has been off of active duty and on medical leave for several years. He will continue to draw a full salary until he reaches retirement age under state law.

Bethlehem Town Supervisor Sam Messina referred all calls regarding the charge brought against Hughes to the Albany County District Attorney's Office. The DA's office declined comment regarding the new charge.

Hughes referred all questions to his attorney, who did not return calls.



Christopher Hughes

Documents obtained by *The Spotlight* show State Police executed a search warrant at Hughes' residence in March. Both Hughes and his attorney declined to comment on specifics of the investigation at that time.

Hughes is well-known for allegations he made regarding a racial slur

uttered by Bethlehem Police Chief Louis Corsi during a taped phone conversation. Those allegations sparked an investigation, which led to the discovery of the tape, and a 10-day suspension for Corsi.

Hughes has been vocal regarding town matters in the past. He has arrived at public meetings with signs and has picketed outside of Town Hall. In December 2010, Hughes filed a lawsuit against the town, claiming that Corsi unfairly retaliated to comments and accusations Hughes had made publicly. It's unclear when a final decision will be made regarding the lawsuit.

Hughes was released following his arraignment Oct. 18.

- Greg Fry

Delmar woman charged with DWI

Bethlehem police have charged a Delmar woman with DWI following a traffic stop Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the New Scotland Road/Cherry Avenue extension roundabout.

Police detected a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage while they questioned Sally Ann Reed, 574 Delaware Ave., Apt. B, Delmar, according to arrest reports. A patrol officer observed Reed had impaired motor coordination, impaired speech and glassy eyes, and noticed that Reed kept losing focus when asked for information.

Reed admitted to drinking two glasses of wine in her home. Tests determined that Reed had a BAC of 0.17 percent. Reed was charged with DWI and failure to yield the right of way.

Colonie cops charge S'lands man with DWI

Alija Maslesa, 19, of Slingerlands, was arrested by Colonie police on Saturday, Oct. 15, on charges of operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated, his first offense, operation of a motor vehicle with a BAC of 0.08 percent and failure to stay in a single lane. Maslesa was pulled over for allegedly

Top court upholds Porco verdict

The New York State Court of Appeals has upheld a lower court's decision in the case of Christopher Porco, the man convicted for the murder of his father and assault of his mother with an ax inside their Bethlehem home.

Porco's appeal was focused on his mother's affirmative head nod given shortly after the assault in 2004, when police asked her if Christopher Porco was responsible for the attack. The appeal stated that admission

of the head nod as evidence violated Porco's constitutional rights, but the court determined that the evidence did not sway the jury in either direction.

In the decision released Tuesday, Oct. 18, the court said, "even assuming, without deciding, that the testimony about the nod was constitutionally infirm, any error was harmless beyond a reasonable doubt." Porco's mother testified in court that she could not remember the head

nod or the attack.

The court's ruling cites "overwhelming evidence" that placed Porco at the family's home at the time that the crimes were committed.

That evidence included video recordings from traffic cameras that showed Porco driving from the University of Rochester, where he was attending school, to the Capital District hours before the crimes; the de-activation of the family's home alarm system shortly before the

attack; and the testimony of a neighbor, who said he saw Porco's yellow Jeep Wrangler leaving his parent's home close to 4 a.m. the morning of the attack.

Porco is serving 46 years to life in prison at the Clinton Correctional Facility in the Adirondacks. The decision by the state's top court effectively eliminates the opportunity for another appeal within New York.

- Greg Fry

committing a vehicle and traffic violation. During the interview with the arresting officer, Maslesa admitted to drinking alcohol, according to the police report. He was issued several field sobriety tests, which he failed, and tested positive on a pre-screening device, according to the police report. Maslesa was arrested and taken to the Colonie Police Department where he was issued an appearance ticket that was scheduled for Monday, Oct. 17 at 6 p.m.

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Readers of *The Spotlight*, be they denizens of Bethlehem, Colonie, Schenectady or Saratoga, will have no doubt in past months seen stories about new apartment developments.

They're a hot item right now, not in small part because a stalled housing market has made them more lucrative to developers than building single-family homes. In Colonie, you have the Loudon House. In Bethlehem, Wemple Corners. In Glenville, a new proposal by the New York Development Group of Clifton Park for luxury apartments.

Editorial

We're watching all of these projects and more, and whenever a new apartment development is discussed, there invariably follows an opinion raised during a public hearing, in a letter to the editor or simply at the local coffeehouse, that the development will undoubtedly destroy community character and spirit because apartment dwellers have no stake in their communities.

Sometimes the argument is made with such virulence and animosity you can't help but gaze out the window and ponder in what decade it was last acceptable to demonize whole classes of Americans.

On the surface, the idea almost makes sense. Renters are generally only tied to their apartments for the duration of a lease, which tend to run for about a year. After that time they're free to pick up and move. They don't have to put down roots if they don't want to.

But that assumes renters have no interest in living in a nice place, that like marauding bands of Huns they sweep through the countryside swallowing up quaint village after sleepy town, leaving only despair in their wake.

Many would realize this is a ludicrous fantasy, and that people who live in apartments are no different than the rest of us, with the desire to find happiness, fulfillment and a place in life.

What's more, people might tend to forget that rental housing can provide a valuable steppingstone to young people who will become active and constructive members of a community. Especially in New York, with its high property taxes, one could hardly blame a young couple or small family from settling down in a rental property for a while before deciding whether a particular community is truly where they want to spend a significant portion of their lives.

We would posit that those families would indeed be inclined to move on after encountering the hospitality of a snarling group of homeowners who seem to think sending a monthly check to a landlord instead of a bank is some sort of character flaw.

That's not to mention our older residents who might want to downsize once the kids have left the barn, and stop worrying about the specter of rising property taxes on a fixed income. Where are they to go? Perhaps out of state, a choice so many New Yorkers have already made.

And without a place to live, their children will no doubt go somewhere they can make a future. In many cases, they already have. Let's not be too quick to judge people who want to live in the same great communities we do.

Lessons from Irene and Lee

By JIM TEDISCO

The writer is a Republican Assemblyman representing parts of Schenectady and Saratoga counties.

In the span of a few short weeks, the Capital District was hit with an earthquake, two tropical storms and a tornado. These alarming natural disasters left some wondering, "What's next? The frogs and locusts?"

The body blows our area took from Tropical Storms Irene and Lee has had a devastating impact on the lives of thousands of New Yorkers.

Many people sustained catastrophic damages to their homes and businesses.

Communities across upstate New York have been torn apart by the devastation.

My office was impacted by these disasters not only by the effect on the constituents I represent, but also as one of my staff members lost their home and was forced to move because of flooding and water damage.

As the recovery continues, it's critical that our state continues to do everything in its power to help our neighbors rebuild.

In the past few weeks, many have been working on several fronts to help flood victims rebuild and get back on their feet.

Along with the governor's efforts, I've called on his office to commence an evaluation of how prepared New York was with regards to Irene and how effective its response was in mitigating the storm's impact.

Before Irene landed, most people believed New York City was going to take the brunt of the storm. Obviously, that didn't happen, and our area ended up getting hammered by Irene's fury.

Perhaps New York attempted to do its best, but hindsight is 20/20, and it is important that we evaluate how New York prepared and responded to this horrific situation.

Point of View

That is why I believe it is important for Gov. Cuomo to issue a public report so New York and its communities can better prepare for emergency procedures if we are ever faced with a disaster like this again.

Along with colleagues from both sides of the aisle, I have introduced legislation to temporarily suspend sales taxes on essentials for victims of Irene and recent incidences of flooding in New York State.

The sales tax credits are for moving expenses (i.e., renting a truck, placing belongings in storage) and for replacing appliances, clothing, furnaces, sump pumps, air conditioners, vehicles and re-construction materials that were damaged by flooding.

Eligible recipients must reside in or own a business in any New York county declared a federal disaster area and must show proof that they are a flood victim by being certified by an insurer or government official. This tax credit would be applicable to individuals' or businesses' 2011 and 2012 income taxes.

Sen. Hugh Farley has introduced this measure in the Senate.

The state stands to earn a windfall in sales tax revenue from all the thousands of New Yorkers who must rebuild their lives. This is money that was not anticipated and would never have been part of the state coffers, therefore, the state should not profit off the backs of the victims of these disasters.

Assemblyman Steve McLaughlin and I have also called on state and federal leaders to provide meaningful relief to flood victims by giving first-time home-owner status and benefits to storm victims who lost their homes.

Currently, first-time home buyers have a variety of federal and state programs and services available to help them afford a house.

Better Neighborhoods, Inc. currently has four homes in Schenectady that, if first-time buyer rules were waived, could be available for eligible flood victims.

Along with insurance, FEMA and state aid, and the Governor's appliance rebate program, these solutions are part of a holistic approach to help rebuild affected communities. We also need to enable homeowners who've lost their homes to be re-assessed, as originally proposed by Assemblyman George Amedore, which I and many others support, since their properties are worth much less than before the storms hit, yet are still liable for the same hefty property tax bills as if nothing ever happened.

It would be another type of tragedy not to learn from this experience and improve our emergency preparedness and response procedures.

The unthinkable happened — and it occurred in our own backyard here in Upstate New York. Let's take advantage of the experience and evaluate how we would address another similar event even more efficiently.

In the past few weeks, I've seen first-hand the generosity of residents who want to help their neighbors. Caring citizens have organized fundraisers and food and clothing drives for those who lost everything in the storms, while others have donated their time to help clear debris and rebuild damaged homes and businesses. Amid the heartbreak and devastation have emerged inspiring stories of hope and healing.

But more needs to be done and I believe our state government can, and must, capture this spirit and work together to help our fellow New Yorkers get back on their feet.

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Say no to political puppets in election A message for Bethlehem voters

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
The Bethlehem Democrats who voted in the September 13 primary chose wisely when they elected John Clarkson to be their party's nominee for Town Supervisor. Very likely, a substantial number of the people who voted did not like the idea of having the same candidate on both major party lines, and, I hope that they were deeply concerned that Bethlehem could become a Dan O'Connell style political machine town.

this year? Some people would answer, "I don't know anything about the candidates for Councilmen, so I will vote for the candidates of my party." But I say, "Think again!"
To vote for Kyle Kotary, Joann Dawson, and Jeffrey Kuhn is a vote to turn the town over to the unelected Democratic bosses.
To vote for Clarkson, Dawson, and Kuhn is a vote for a Supervisor who is independent, and four Councilmen who are Democratic bosses' henchmen. This is the situation we have had with Sam Messina and the Town Board for the last two years.

There have been mean-spirited meetings, and times when it appeared the Councilmen were deliberately trying to prevent things, for which Sam could take credit, from happening. The falling of bricks from the roof of Town Hall is one of the results of the Councilmen's lack of cooperation!
A better idea would be to vote for Clarkson and the two Republican candidates, Jeremy Martelle and Jeremy Near. Mark Jordan will resign from his seat to become a Town Justice, and the Town Board will select a new Councilman to replace him. (With two Democrats and

two Republicans that would get interesting!) We would end up with three, four, or maybe even five factions on the Town Board, instead of the present two. The Board members would talk to each other, make compromises, and form coalitions. They would get things done. They would vote independently, as they should. Only one of the current Councilmen would still be there, and, just maybe he will have learned his lesson - the people do not want puppets on the Town Board.

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
My name is Jeremy Martelle and I'm one of the Republican and Conservative endorsed candidates running for Bethlehem Town Board. I've always felt that being active in the community is extremely important. I am currently volunteering my time as a board member for School's Out Inc. an afterschool program; serving as Third Vice Commander of The American Legion Post 1040; and most recently was elected Board Secretary for the Bethlehem Public Library.

private sector economies. As a proven fiscal conservative, I will make it my number one priority to protect our tax dollars and vote against wasteful spending. I will demand better accountability for departmental budgets and use my experience in capital planning, business development, and operating large government managed facilities to assist the town in preparing for its future.
As a current 20 year Senior Air Force Non-commissioned Officer, I understand the meaning of commitment and thus am committed to working on behalf of the residents of our Town to plan for our future and protect our quality of life. I respectfully ask you to vote for me, Jeremy Martelle for Bethlehem Town Board this November 8th.

Nancy A. Benedict
Delmar

Out of control spending, lack of capital planning, and the inability of our town leadership to work together to address major infrastructure problems will continue to negatively impact our town budget. We need town board members with proven leadership skills and experience in dealing with both the public and

Jeremy Martelle
Bethlehem Town Board Candidate

Mendick has served his constituents

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
It is October. The time of year when our doorbells are rung not only by children "trick or treating," but by persons seeking election to local offices as well. As such, this is the time of year when we must start thinking about our elective choices for offices like our local county legislator.
For my husband and I, our choice is clear... Rich Mendick. Through the past year, Rich Mendick has taken it upon himself

to not only contact us, but when contacted help with issues we have encountered. He has always been professional and most importantly very responsive. It is not very often that a county official comes to the aide of people without having to be personally asked.
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In another instance, we had a busing problem regarding our disabled son. Just one call to Rich Mendick and we were put on the right path to getting that situation resolved. My husband and I feel that Rich Mendick is clearly on the side of the constituent and does his part to see

that our community is well-served.
Rich Mendick has also made a difference helping us and our neighbors. Rich Mendick is a true representative to our community and that is why on this election day, we will be supporting Rich Mendick as our choice for Albany County Legislator and we hope you will too.

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Consider Kotary for supervisor Near a welcome change for board

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
I want to start by saying a simple Thank You.

Thank you to the many friends, neighbors, and town residents who have been so kind to me and my family throughout this election-year process and who have encouraged me to press on and ensure Bethlehem voters have a choice this November.

I am still on the ballot as a candidate. I'm on two lines and the voters can choose from among three candidates who all care deeply about this community we call home.

I would be honored to have your vote for town supervisor.

Do you care deeply about our community's future? Have you had enough of high taxes and high spending, and are you concerned about residential and economic development?

If the answer is yes, please consider me for town supervisor. I too share those concerns.

As you are interviewing candidates to be our next town CEO, do you want someone who has actual hands-on experience with town budgets and this town's management? Would you want someone who

can walk in and do the job immediately?

If the answer is yes, consider me for town supervisor. I am ready and prepared for the job.

Would you want someone with a proven record of community involvement and someone with both private and public sector experience to better market our town's resources and bring positive economic development and jobs to our community?

If the answer is yes, please consider me for town supervisor. I have that experience.

Would you support a candidate who successfully fought to lower your taxes, responsibly reduce town spending, cut borrowing in half, reduce spending our savings by over sixty percent, reduce our overtime budget, put highway paving back on the road to "pay as you go," and is committed to a capital plan with increased investments in our aging infrastructure?

If the answer is yes, consider me for town supervisor. I am fighting for those positions now.

Do you also want a town leader who is involved with our youth

groups, has supported senior programs, and is a member of community organizations like the Grange, American Legion, Bethlehem Chamber and Bethlehem Historical Association?

If the answer is yes, please consider me for town supervisor. I am dedicated to our community.

Do you want a leader who actually helps clean the streets after a storm or snow, who personally delivers meals to seniors, and picks up trash at our community clean-up days?

If the answer is yes, please consider me for your town supervisor. I am committed to hands-on helping.

Finally, do you want someone who will listen to you, take time to meet with you, tell you the truth, and work hard for our town each and every day? Do you want someone who will not tax you a dollar more than is absolutely necessary and seek to spend every dollar wisely?

If the answer is yes, please consider me for your town supervisor. I live here too and we're all in this together.

Kyle Kotary
Bethlehem Town Supervisor Candidate

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Over the last decade, I have attended countless Town Board meetings. In the last four years, I have seen the Board go from unanimously voting for all of the items on the agenda, with the only discussion being patting everyone on the back, to unanimously obstructing a large number of items on the agenda in what certainly looked like political bickering. Neither is acceptable.

It is never good to have the same political philosophy controlling all the votes. Disagreements and discussions with different viewpoints are very healthy in

our representative government. It is part of our checks and balances, as well as a way to consider the desires of our diverse population.

This is why we need to change the makeup of the Town Board. It is time to put at least one Republican / Conservative on the Town Board and Jeremy Near is that person.

Jeremy is not a politician with ambitions of using this as a stepping stone to better positions, he is employed in private industry as an Engineer and Project Leader. He has experience to work with all political and personal backgrounds,

he can see that needed projects are timely and accomplished with fiscal responsibility. He believes in open government that will use common sense solutions to keep the Town safe and affordable and a great place to live and work.

I urge everyone to take a look at Jeremy Near for Town Board. You have two votes for board members, one vote cast for Jeremy Near will be a vote well spent for better government, no matter what political party you belong to.

Linda Jasinski
Bethlehem

Tax hike would hurt seniors most

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I read your editorial on October 12th called 'Let's talk about tax' and the accompanying article by Andrew Beam 'County Budget calls for 19% tax hike' with great interest. Your editorial has it right by saying the taxpayer should not be penalized for living in a county that has perpetually lived outside its means. While there's no question that such an increase will affect all county residents, it will more severely affect the seniors in our community who have seen no increase in their social security checks in

almost 3 years.

The proposed budget comes with an increase in taxes but also with a decrease of services for seniors. The County states as reasons for the increase pension payments, health insurance, and an increase in the debt service as if they are automatic. The services being cut are crucial to seniors and allow them to live independently in their own homes. If these services are taken away, the County will be faced with an increasing number of seniors unable to live independently. When

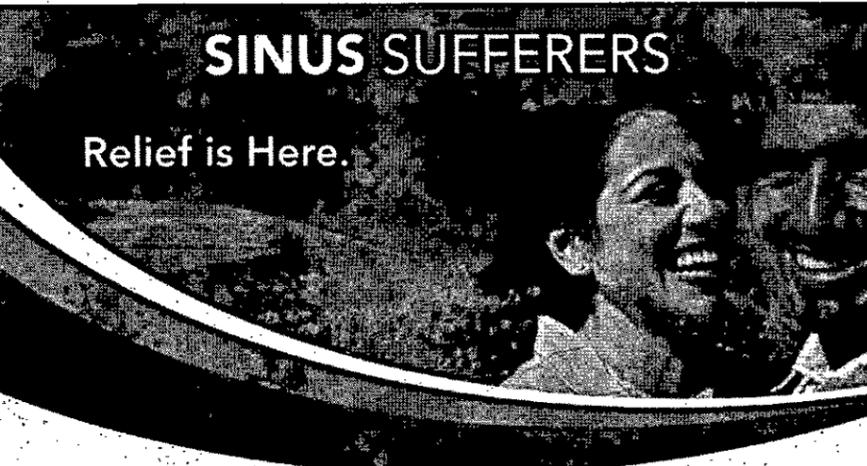
one looks at the County budget of \$600 million what you don't see is how little is available for seniors, who make up 20% of the County population, less than 1/2 of 1% of the budget!

We encourage the community, in particular the senior community, to speak up and have a voice about this issue. Tell your legislators to get serious about evaluating priorities.

Edward Neary
Executive Director
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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Reeves-Ellington breath of fresh air Clarkson has experience to lead

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I have known Richard Reeves-Ellington as a friend and neighbor for a number of years and was delighted when he decided to become a candidate for Town Supervisor. He is a breath of fresh air in politics – a person who has a keen interest in the pressing issues of our day, has thoughtful, insightful, and well informed views, and most of all is a person of integrity who knows what he believes in and can defend his positions which being influenced by the shifting winds of political expediency.

I particularly appreciate Richard's views on our healthcare crisis. Few disagree that we, in fact, have a crisis even though there is no apparent consensus on a solution. Richard has studied the issue and agrees that access to quality affordable

healthcare is a basic human right and that a single payer Medicare for All system is the only appropriate approach to resolving the basic inequities of our current system.

While many view this as a national issue, Richard knows that this is a local issue as well. The high cost of healthcare has a significant impact on our municipal and school budgets – and therefore on our local property tax rates. The exorbitant and ever increasing cost of paying for our current healthcare system impacts, as well, on the stability and quality of life of our friends, our neighbors, our local businesses, and ultimately our community. It's unconscionable that people are forced into bankruptcy because they cannot pay for needed medical care. This is not hype; it is

happening. How many people do you know who are running the risk of being uninsured because they cannot afford to pay health insurance premiums? How many young people entering the job market cannot find a job with benefits? Why do so many businesses only hire part-time employees, and avoid the cost of medical insurance premiums, when people, and our economy, need full time jobs?

These are only some examples of the damage inflicted by our current healthcare system – and clearly we need a different approach. Richard Reeves-Ellington is ready, willing, and courageous enough to address the issues facing our community. I am supporting him for Town Supervisor and I urge you to do the same.

Mary Crangle
Delmar

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

In my view, John Clarkson is far and away the best choice for Bethlehem Town Supervisor. Having had the privilege to have served as Supervisor myself, I know that John has the right qualities for the job, including excellent professional qualifications, people skills, consensus building ability and real leadership qualities.

As many people know, I no longer live in Bethlehem, having moved to Florida. But I still care deeply about the Town, still have many friends there, and come back to visit often. Bethlehem residents have always demanded the best from elected officials and during these challenging times want a leader who is above petty politics and will get the job done.

I came to know John

well over the two years I co-chaired the "2020" Citizens Advisory group, and we also have many professional connections and personal friends in common. In the 2020 deliberations, John emerged as a leader, not only because of his expertise in government, but because he was always willing to listen and build on areas of agreement rather than letting conflicts block progress.

John Clarkson understands the difference between politics and governing, and he knows that real leadership often involves helping people get beyond their comfort zone. I know that many Bethlehem residents are struggling in this difficult economy, and the Town's financial position has declined. Creative solutions will have to be found to

maintain the outstanding services, roads and other infrastructure that residents have become accustomed to.

This will require focus and discipline, thinking "out of the box" and making some hard choices. While he's new to politics, I've seen John in action, and he's just the right sort of person to fill this bill.

My endorsement of John is non-partisan. I served as a Republican Town Supervisor. John is a Democrat, but I believe he would truly be a non-partisan leader, and will always put Town interests first, above any political concerns. I urge you to vote for John Clarkson for Supervisor on November 8th.

Kenneth J. Ringler
The Villages, Fla.

Buying in Bethlehem a pleasure

Having recently purchased a home in town, I thought it might be worth sharing one impression about the Town of Bethlehem stemming from our home search. We tried to be rather deliberate about that process, and as a result, ended up dealing with six different departments of the Town of Bethlehem. Some were basic interactions, while some were rather odd-ball situations.

But in every single interaction with the Town

of Bethlehem, we found the professionalism, level of service, and the care and concern about town residents to be a pleasant surprise.

Over the course of dozens of interactions with Town employees, we witnessed a town government that works for the good of the community. In particular, thank you to the help extended by members of the Assessor's Office, Building Division, Development Planning Committee,

Engineering Division, Planning Division, Police Department, and others behind the scenes.

For full disclosure, I have no political involvement in town, but simply wanted to say that after debating long and hard about where we would live, that experience just reinforced that we're pleased to be settling in the Town of Bethlehem.

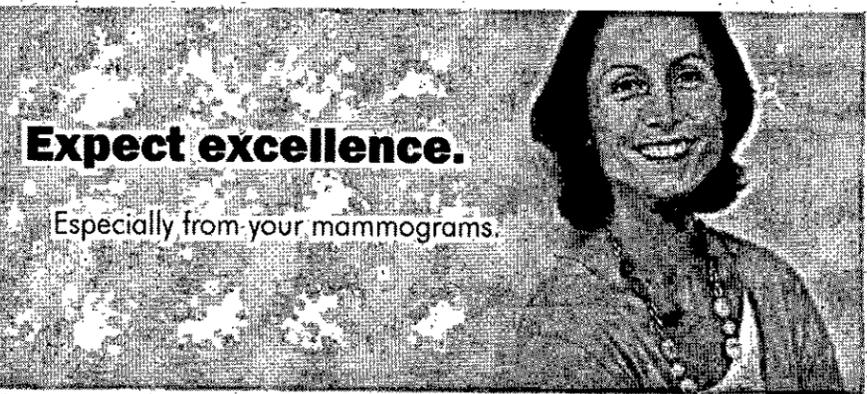
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In their heyday, these songs were essential to the success of Broadway musicals, Hollywood films, the jazz scene, Big Bands, popular vocalists and night clubs. Songwriters who could craft tunes that appealed to the masses were able to make musical history in a country that offered them that chance. The sky was the limit for talented young musicians, many of them Jews who had emigrated with their families to America in the



1800s or fled European pogroms at the turn of the century.

Our library has been awarded an opportunity to host the national travelling exhibit A Fine Romance: Jewish songwriters, American songs 1910-1965. The exhibit honors the contributions of George Gershwin, Rogers and Hart, Oscar Hammerstein, Jerome Kern and others to American life in an era that included two world wars, the Great Depression, and the invention of the radio receiver, the broadcasting microphone, "talkies," and the long-playing record—devices that helped artists and performers reach mass audiences.

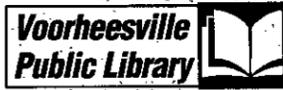
Museum-quality panels
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Enjoy a few scares at the library

Wear your costume to the library! On Saturday, Oct. 29, at 2 p.m., slightly scary stories with bats, spiders, pumpkins, and witches will be on our agenda for little ones to enjoy. Refreshments, an art activity and a costume parade will finish up our afternoon. Please call the library to register for this program.

Angels in the Battlefield

Join us on Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 6:30 p.m. for a storytelling/book



discussion program. First, storyteller Kate Dudding uses Clara Barton's diaries and letters to bring this American heroine to life. Barton's work as a battlefield nurse during the Civil War is a striking example of how one individual can affect many lives. Immediately following, we will be discussing the book "My Name is Mary Sutter" by Robin Oliveira. Oliveira's

novel describes the pitiful state of combat medicine in the 19th century through the eyes of one woman determined to save soldiers. Call the library to register. Each participant can purchase a copy of the book for \$5.

NYC bus trip

Come join the Friends of the Library on their annual NYC Holiday in the City bus trip on Saturday, December 3. The bus will depart at 7 a.m. from the elementary school parking lot and return

at approximately 10 p.m. Spend your day shopping, seeing the lights, attend a show or museum exhibit—it's totally up to you. The bus drops off and picks up in Bryant Park. Bus price is \$35 per seat or \$30 for FOL members. Paid reservations may be made at the Circulation Desk.

Barbara Vink

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March back in time with Civil War discussion

To kick off the "Hearts Touched With Fire" sesquicentennial series, the Guilderland Public Library is holding a Nov. 1 scholar-led book discussion of Geraldine Brooks' "March", a fictionalized account of a family separated by war. Anyone interested in taking part in the discussion should call the library right now to borrow a copy of the book.

"Hearts Touched With Fire" is a joint, grant-funded effort between the Voorheesville and Guilderland public libraries that will help people, through discussions and presentations, understand what it was like to live through the Civil War, and possibly be able to make some sense of this tragic, fratricidal conflict. The program is funded by grants from the American Library Association and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The scholar leading the Nov. 1 discussion is Amy Murrell Taylor, associate professor of history at the University at Albany. Murrell Taylor is the author of "The Divided Family in Civil War America" (2005) and other works. She is working on a book about emancipation during the Civil War; it will cover the social history of slave runaways and refugee (or "contraband") camps. She was the associate director of the Virginia Center for Digital History, and worked as a production and research assistant on the PBS film "The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow."

Geraldine Brooks took inspiration for "March" from the father character in Little Women; it draws from the writings of Louisa May Alcott's

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Amy Murrell Taylor will lead a Nov. 1 book discussion of Geraldine Brooks' "March", a fictionalized account of a family separated by war, at the Guilderland Public Library.

father. "March" is the story of a man who leaves his family to serve in the Civil War and finds his beliefs challenged by his experiences.

To register for this book discussion and borrow your copy of March, please contact the Guilderland Public Library at 456-2400, ext. 7. Visit <http://bit.ly/MARCH-GPL> for details on this program and get links to all Civil War programs at both libraries.

'It was a dark and stormy night...'

"It was a dark and stormy



night..." is judged by many to be the worst opening line of any novel ever written. But so what? It was in a published novel.

At midnight on Nov. 1, armed only with their wits, the vague outline of a story, and a ridiculous deadline, more than 250,000 people around the world will set out to become novelists.

November is National Novel Writing Month, or NaNoWriMo, the world's largest writing challenge and nonprofit literary crusade. Participants pledge to write 50,000 words in a month, starting from scratch and reaching "The End" by Nov. 30. There are no judges, no prizes, and entries are deleted from the server before anyone even reads them.

So what's the point? "The 50,000-word challenge has a wonderful way of opening up your imagination and

unleashing creativity," says NaNoWriMo Founder and Executive Director (and 12-time NaNoWriMo winner) Chris Baty. "When you write for quantity instead of quality, you end up getting both. Also, it's a great excuse for not doing any dishes for a month." (Well, maybe not.)

Maura Lynch, Adult Services Librarian at GPL, is among the more than 650 regional volunteers in 60 countries who are holding write-ins everywhere from coffee shops, bookstores, and libraries. Write-ins offer a supportive environment and surprisingly effective peer pressure, turning the usually solitary act of writing into a community experience. NaNoWriMo Program Director Lindsey Grant said that "completing a draft of the novel they've been contemplating for ages gives participants a tremendous sense of accomplishment and leaves them wondering what else they're capable of."

The first actual writing date at GPL is Nov. 2 at 5 pm. See you there!

Delightful dog movies

It finally happened. GPL's Family Movie Fridays have literally gone to the dogs. From the adventures of caped, canine crusader Underdog to the misadventures of Marmaduke, it's a flea-free film fest of mastiff proportions.

Our first flick is about Shoeshine, an ordinary beagle, who, thanks to the ineptness of Dr. Simon Barsinister, finds himself with extraordinary

powers ... and the ability to talk!

With his superhero costume (adjusted to fit his tail, of course), Underdog vows to protect the beleaguered citizens of Capital District, er, Capital CITY, and, in particular a beautiful spaniel named Polly Purebred.

This first doggy delight will be shown in the Library's Helderberg Room on Friday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. And there will be popcorn (but no doggy kibble).

Openings in Wednesday's Registered Storyhour

There are still some openings in our Wednesday morning 10:30 storytime. These storyhours are for children ages 3 1/2 to 5 years old who are not yet in kindergarten. Children attend without their caregivers. It is an opportunity for them to be in a setting where they can make friendships with other children and start to become independent.

Mark Curiale

For more information on these programs, please call the Library at 456-2400, or email info@guilpl.org. The Guilderland Public Library is located at 2228 Western Avenue, Guilderland. Visit the Library's website at www.guilpl.org. Become a Facebook Fan of Guilderland Library, follow the Library on Twitter (@GuilderlandLib), and get music information and downloads on the library's Freegal page. It all starts at guilpl.org.

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Jewish

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will be on display in our lobby from Nov. 2 to Dec. 16. They contain compelling images from Broadway musicals, classic films, posters, and personal collections.

Book discussions, films, a New York Council for the Humanities talk, and a concert supplement this exhibit. Check out the complete schedule online at www.bethlehempublibrary.org, and in the Nov./December edition of the library newsletter footnotes.

A Fine Romance: Jewish songwriters, American songs 1910-1965 was developed by Nextbook, Inc., an nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting Jewish literature, culture, and ideas, and the American Library Association Public Programs Office. The national tour of the exhibit has been made possible by grants from the Charles H. Revson Foundation, the Righteous Persons Foundation, the David Berg Foundation, and an anonymous donor, with additional support from Tablet Magazine: A New Read on Jewish Life.

Library tour

Friday, Nov. 4, 1 p.m.
Reacquaint yourself with the library and all it has to offer. Supported by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.

Teen time

Friday, Nov. 4, 3 to 4:30

p.m.
Guitar Hero, DDR, Wii, and crafts for grade 6-12.

Time out for tales

Saturdays, Nov. 5 to Dec. 17, 11 a.m.

Stories, songs and activities for children up to age 6 and families.

E-book open house: Nook

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2 to 4 p.m.

Bring your Nook e-reader and a laptop if you have one; learn how to use the library's e-book database.

A little Sunday music

Sunday, Nov. 6, 2 p.m.

Glaston Duo—guitar and flute. Sponsored by Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

A woman's guide to healthy pregnancy

Monday, Nov. 7, 7 p.m.

Parents-to-be—learn about health maintenance before and between babies and more. Presenter Amanda Mulhern is perinatal program coordinator for Community Cradle.

After dinner books

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 7 p.m. "Away" by Amy Bloom. New members welcome.

Louise Grieco

All library programming is free and open to the public. The Bethlehem Public Library is located at 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. For information, call 439-9314.

Seniors can help Scouts beat hunger



"Scouting for Food", is a nationwide initiative to address hunger. It takes place each year during the fall. At no time has this initiative been more important than now, given the highly elevated rate of unemployment from the economic downturn, touching the lives of millions of Americans. Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts from several local service units will be dropping off collection bags in our Town on Saturday, Oct. 29, and picking up donated items the following Saturday, Nov. 5. All the food that is collected will be brought to local pantries in the Town of Bethlehem. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Join us for the always popular dinner out at the Schenectady County Community College Culinary Arts Department. Dinner is served at 5:30 p.m. and the cost is \$25, payable to the Town of Bethlehem. The menu of the evening includes spinach salad with cranberries, pears, hazelnuts and champagne vinaigrette, followed by entrée choices of sirloin of beef with shallots, merlot demi-glace, au gratin potatoes and asparagus;

teriyaki glazed salmon with jasmine rice and sesame broccoli; or penne pasta with asparagus, chevre and lemon zest, followed by dessert of chocolate and banana bread pudding served with crème anglaise. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to arrange transportation. Home pick up is available. Suggested van donation: \$5.

Farmer's Markets are still open at the United Methodist Church in Delmar on Tuesday afternoons and at the Bethlehem Middle school on Saturday mornings.

Sign up now for the Thanksgiving 5K Turkey Trot on Thursday, Nov. 24, at 9 a.m. starting from the Bethlehem Middle School. Walkers and runners are welcome. Registration is \$15.00 before Nov. 14 and \$20.00 after Nov. 14. Send checks to Our Towne Bethlehem, 8 Clermont St. Delmar, N.Y. or call 598-3434. The proceeds will benefit the Bethlehem Food Pantry

and canned food items will be collected on the day of the race. Have fun and help the needy in our town at the same time.

bridge, mah jongg, bingo and pinochle. All seniors are welcome. Bring a sandwich and join others for lunch if you wish.

Tuesday, Nov. 1

• Seniors in Motion
A low level fun aerobic exercise class to music. Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9-10 a.m. No registration is necessary. \$3 fee per class.

Wednesday, Nov. 2

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

Thursday, Nov. 3

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

• Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar at 11:30 am - 3:30 pm. We play

Friday, Nov. 4

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

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

Bethlehem Senior Services and Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc., provide transportation for Town residents, age 60 and over, to medical, dental, therapy, and clinic appointments. Call 439-5770 to make reservations.

Wilma DeLucco,
Bethlehem Senior
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Enthusiastic bridge players wanted

On Fridays, many seniors meet in the Town Hall Board Room to play bridge from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The group welcomes new members to join them. Your only cost to join is your enthusiasm and desire to play bridge. Please contact the Senior Office if you're interested: 356-1980, ext. 1094.

preparations are in the works by Equinox, Inc. for their 42nd Annual Equinox Thanksgiving Day Dinner. In order to get home delivery, we need to update our list of dinner recipients, so please contact the Senior Office, 356-1980, ext. 1095, to make your reservation as soon as possible.

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SENIOR CALENDAR

Coupons are a one-time benefit of \$20 per person per year in NYS Farmers Market checks. They are available to HEAP income eligible seniors every summer whose gross monthly income is under \$2,129 for one

person, \$2,784 for two people, etc.

This nutrition program helps seniors buy locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables at nearby farmers markets. Applicants should contact our office 356-1980, ext. 1094.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

9:00 Line Dancing
10:30 OsteoBuster

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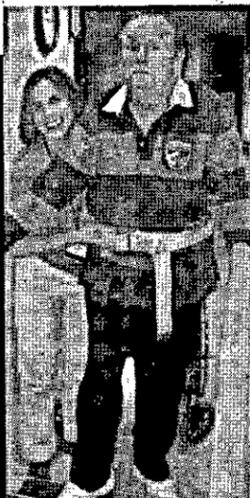


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Traditional Irish ensemble to play at Old Songs □ Bridge

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Old Songs will present traditional Irish ensemble Bua on Friday, Nov. 4, at 8 p.m.

The Chicago-based Bua plays Irish traditional music. Brian O'Airt's singing, often in Irish Gaelic, is central to Bua's unique sound. At Bua's instrumental heart is Sean Gavin's driving style on flute and uilleann pipes. Born in Detroit to County Clare fiddler Mick Gavin, he was immersed in Irish music from a young age.

Devin Shepherd plays fiddle. Shepherd began violin lessons at the age of 4, but at 10 years old fell in love with traditional Irish music. He immersed himself in the Irish music scene of Chicago where

he studied with virtuosos Kathleen Keane and Liz Carroll.

Guitarist Brian Miller comes from Saint Paul, Minn., where transplanted Irish music luminaries Dáithí Sproule and Paddy O'Brien have loomed large in his musical life. His tune backing and song accompaniments on guitar and Greek bouzouki have earned him a strong reputation as one of the best accompanists on the scene today.

The concert will be held at 37 South Main St., Voorheesville. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased online at www.oldsongs.org. Reservations may be made by calling Old Songs at 765-2815.



Bua, which takes its name from the Irish Gaelic word for victory, will play at Old Songs in Voorheesville on Friday, Nov. 4.

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10:30 Sr. Fitness
1:00 Needlecraft
1:30 OsteoBusters

Thursday, Oct. 27
Scheduled Shopping
9:00 Osteobusters
9:00 Aerobics
10:30 Movie: "Walk the Line"
(please call ahead to sign up)
1:00 Mahjongg
1:15 Pinochle

Friday, Oct. 28
Scheduled Shopping
10:00 Painting
10:30 Bridge
1:00 Quilting
1:30 Balance Class

Monday, Oct. 31
Scheduled Shopping
9:00 Aerobics
10:30 OsteoBusters
10:30 Sr. Fitness
1:30 OsteoBusters

Tuesday, Nov. 1
9:00 OsteoBuster
11:30 Luncheon: Chicken Rice/Broccoli Casserole or Cold Plate
12:30 Bingo/Games/Billiards

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Cornell Cooperative Extension Albany County is offering free Lead Renovation, Repair, & Painting Initial (RRP I) trainings.

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All the trainings are free, however space is limited and pre-registration is required. Registration forms can be found on Cornell Cooperative Extension Albany County's website at www.ccealbany.com/ and can be faxed or mailed. For more information, contact Nancy at NKL1@cornell.edu or 765-3521. To register for a RRP

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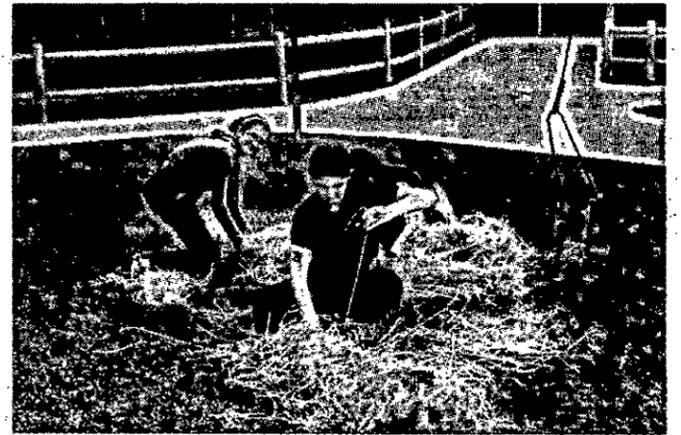
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Scarecrows along Kenwood

The Bethlehem Central Middle School Garden Club gathered after school on Tuesday, Oct. 18, for their annual tradition of building scarecrows in front of the Middle School. Parents, teachers and the 30-plus members of the Garden Club erected 12 scarecrows along Kenwood Avenue. This is the third year the Garden Club has built the scarecrows.

Submitted photos

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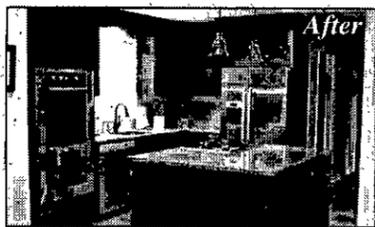
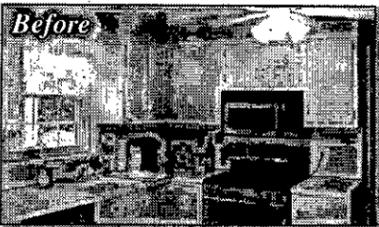
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A point of history in Colonie

Archaeologists say stone tools used in hunting, can tell history of area

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Several farmers in the Town of Colonie have discovered various stone tools after plowing their fields a few years ago, and now the town's historian and two archaeologists are putting on a presentation discussing the artifacts on Saturday, Oct. 29 at the William K. Sanford Library.

The tools are not that unfamiliar, said historian Kevin Franklin, but they do provide a window into some of what took place in the town of Colonie in 4,000 B.C.

"The town has many, many sites that are archaeologically sensitive or have had Native American occupation," Franklin said. "Farmers

"They would unearth these things, the plow would kick them over, and then they would reach down and put them in their pockets."

- Kevin Franklin, historian

many years ago, before mechanized farming and tractors became more popular, they used to walk behind a team of horses with a plow. They would unearth these things, the plow would kick them over, and then they would reach down and put them in their pockets.

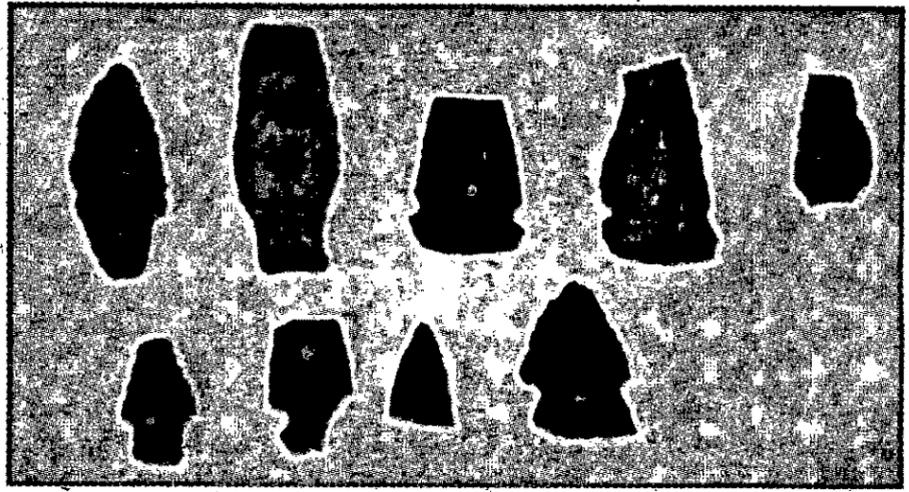
What many of the farmers began to find were pieces of bronze and copper that were used to make a projectile point, though

many people have referred to them as arrowheads. Archaeologist Matt Kirk said most of what people call an arrowhead was never actually used in a bow and arrow, as that particular weapon did not become popular until about 800 A.D. in the Town of Colonie.

The weapon that was used before this time is called an Atlatl, which Kirk said is a crooked piece of wood attached to the end of a spear. The other end is held like an arrow. People would then whip the tool, releasing the spear at a fast speed.

"People who could use it, could use it with deadly accuracy," Kirk said. "It probably had more to do with the manner in the way people were hunting and what types of things they were hunting. Deer was probably the most common."

Franklin said it is important to look at these artifacts because they can tell you whether or



Two archaeologists are putting on a presentation discussing various stone tools found in the Town of Colonie on Saturday, Oct. 29, at the William K. Sanford Library.

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not there was a repeated occupation in a particular area. He added that several sites in the town were occupied several times over hundred-year spans.

The artifacts can also give information as to where some tribes have migrated from, with some of them coming from as far as Maine of the Ohio Valley. Kirk said what he and Frank Cowan will be discussing on Oct. 29, are the type of points that were discovered and what style they are. "Archaeologists, through

radio carbon dating, can say something about the time period in which these came from," Kirk said. "What we understand archaeologically is how native people were living, what the environment was like, what the social conditions were like and what type of trade relations there were."

Kirk said they are able to come to these conclusions through using a whole range of artifacts that were discovered. He said by looking at the morphology of an artifact, you can tell

that they have changed at a steady and predictable rate. Kirk added that Cowan will also be discussing flint knapping, which is how to start with just a regular piece of stone and work it into a specific tool.

Franklin said it is nice to have the knowledge of where these artifacts have come from and that there is always something new to learn. Some of the tools found could have been used to skin hides and some of them could have been used to perforate leather to lace up with string.

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"Registration keeps open the possibility of a wide range of assistance," said Philip E. Parr, FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer. "If your insurance coverage comes up short, or other damage appears later, you need to be registered with FEMA to be considered for disaster assistance."

To register, call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362. Phone lines are open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week until further notice. People with hearing disabilities can use the TTY number, 800-462-7585. Applicants can also register online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or with any web-enabled mobile device or smartphone at m.fema.gov. Follow the link to "apply online for federal assistance."

The registration period and the deadline apply to the major federal disaster declaration signed by President Barack Obama on Aug. 31 that enabled residents and business owners in affected counties to register for federal recovery aid.



Fright night

The Spotlight hosted a special Ghost Trolley Tour Thursday, Oct. 20. Winners of an online contest met at The Spotlight's office in Delmar and traveled to Albany to get up close and personal with local haunts. The tour touched on such haunted hotspots as the grounds of Ten Broeck Mansion and the New York State Capitol. Along the way, storytellers wove tales of terror by the light of lanterns as participants made their way through the darkened historic Graceland Cemetery.

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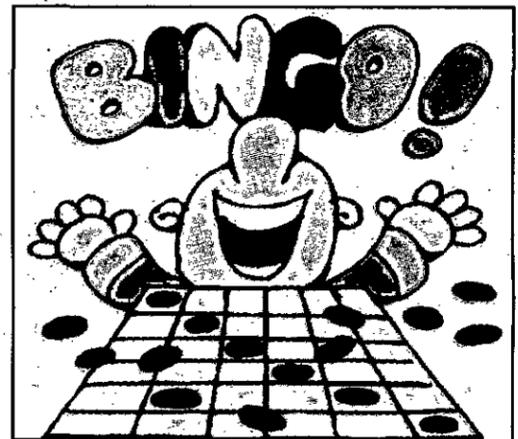
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A haunted thank you

Family attraction more than just a scare fest

Chloe Sova, 9, lives next to an old lumber mill in Middle Grove. And every Halloween, her parents pull out all the stops to transform that lumber mill into a spooky haunted house.

"It's very scary. We do it every Halloween," said Chloe Sova. "It takes a lot of work and I'm out there every time my dad is."

The haunted house

started years before she was born as a fun tradition for family and friends. After Chloe survived a near-fatal heart condition, though, her parents saw a chance to give back to the institution and doctors that saved her life.

"We started using it as a fundraiser. All the proceeds go to Albany Med," said Kim Sova, Chloe's mother. "Chloe

will always know that everything she achieves in her life will be due to Dr. Devejian, her surgeon, and all the other doctors and nurses at Albany Med."

Sova said the \$5 admission price is a steal.

"It's out of control, so professional. I'm so impressed every year," said Sova.

Eleven months of the year, the old lumber mill



is used as storage space. But starting in September, Sova's husband and a friend begin the process of emptying it out and creating the framework for the haunted house.

"They build all these different hallways... a handful of little rooms and each room has a theme," said Sova.

The entire house has a different theme, too. This year, a real estate agent is trying to sell the house, even though it's haunted.

"I've heard a lot of people say it's the best one they've been in," said Sova. "The people that have been coming over and over, they are our regulars, they get psyched because they know it's a whole different thing [each year]."

There's a "pitch dark maze" at the center of the house, rooms with obvious exits, a secret door hidden by a bookshelf and about

13 friends who serve as "scarers."

"It's really artistic and very scary," said Sova.

Since she's the reason for the haunted house turned charity, Chloe helps as much as she can.

"I help staple wood to the floor of the barn and the ceiling of the barn and put up smoke machines and hang up things and zombies and stuff," said Chloe. "It's fun to do because when I get home from the bus sometimes my dad is already out there working on it so I just bring my stuff in and go help."

Her sisters, Haley, 10, and Marie, 8, also help out each night.

And though she's not actually in the haunted house, just ushering tour groups back and forth, Chloe has a frightening costume of her own planned for trick or treating.

"I'm going to be a dead princess... Last year I was a princess but not dead and this year I wanted to be scary," said Chloe. "I have a big red dress and I'm going to have a pretty bracelet that's red. My face will be painted white and [I'll] put black scars on my face."

The event has grown each year and in about five Halloweens has raised nearly \$2,300.

This year, local businesses got involved and donated coffee, donuts, candy and cider for people to enjoy while they wait for a turn through the house. There will also be a bucket raffle with donated gift certificates and gifts and old fashioned horror movies will be projected in a tent.

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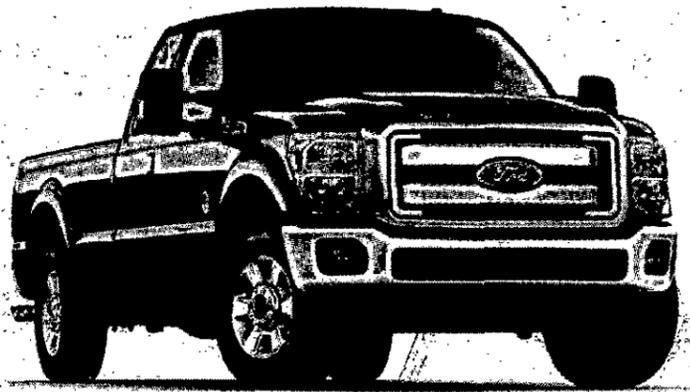
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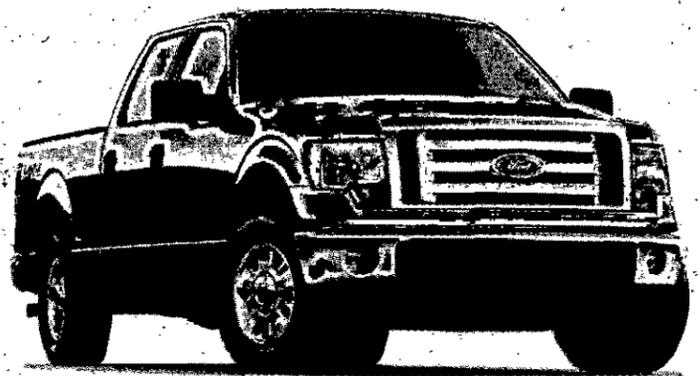
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Developers push Wemple proposals

More apartments, Stewart's, set sights on superhamlet intersection

By GREG FRY
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Developers are showing plenty of interest in projects at the corner of Route 9W and Wemple Road in the Glenmont area. The question, though, is how to make it all possible.

Engineers working with Gordon Development, the company attempting to build 95 apartment units at the intersection, spoke about their plans at an Oct. 20 meeting of the Town of Bethlehem's Development Planning Committee. The one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments would be similar to the company's residential units on Hague Boulevard. Initial plans call for a clubhouse structure to be built as part of the complex and for two access roads to connect to Wemple Road.

The proposal is smaller than the Wemple Corners project, a development that as proposed would include 470 apartment units, 56 twin homes and 145,000 square feet of commercial space. Developers for Wemple Corners have also proposed a one-lane roundabout at the intersection of Wemple Road and Route 9W. At a recent public hearing regarding the environmental review of the project, residents expressed concern over the number of apartment complexes in the town of Bethlehem.

Bethlehem Assistant Town Engineer Terry Ritz said there has been plenty of interest in building apartment complexes in the town in recent years.

"In the 2005 comprehensive plan, the town wanted diversity in housing. Lately, we've gotten a lot of projects before the Planning Board for apartments. I'm sure the town will be looking at the comprehensive plan to see if it needs to be adjusted," said Ritz.

With two significant projects proposed at the same intersection, town officials are concerned about many factors. One raised at the DPC meeting by Michael Morelli, the town's Director of Economic Development and Planning, was the timing of the projects, as well as the need for infrastructure improvements in the area.

Committee members discussed the need for a full depth re-build of Wemple Road due to an expected increase in traffic. That type of work would include reconstruction of the roadway, along with the installation of sidewalks, as the town attempts to follow its own Complete Streets policy adopted in 2009. The policy calls for bicyclists and pedestrians to be considered equally whenever the town undertakes street reconstruction or new construction.

Infrastructure improvements at the intersection would also include the extension of water and sewer lines, with the cost hopefully shared by all parties interested in development at the intersection. There was a brief conversation at the committee meeting about all parties involved picking up their fair share of the infrastructure costs, but no formal proposals have been made thus far.

"We try to have every department at these committee meetings, so that everyone knows what's going on," said Ritz.

A third player has also emerged at the intersection: Tom Lewis, a representative from Saratoga Springs-based Stewart's Shops, told the committee that the company believes the area will continue to grow in the future. Lewis said he's "fairly certain" that Stewart's is going to submit a formal application to build a store at the corner of Wemple Road and Route 9W. He assured members that there is enough business for the store to also maintain its two other locations along Route 9W.

It's unclear if all of the projects will gain approval, or which one would be developed first. Engineers for the Gordon Development said that they have been working with the State Department of Environmental Conservation, as well as the Army Corps of Engineers, on issues pertaining to wetlands conservation. A traffic study would also need to be completed before development moved forward.

Wemple Corners developers are about to undertake an environmental study that would include traffic impacts.

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Vehir's Through Another Season is a new work commissioned for the Saint Rose Camerata by the New York State Music Teachers Association. The piece received its world premiere performance at the New York State Music Teachers Association Convention in 2010.

Directed by Yvonne Chavez Hansbrough, the Saint Rose Camerata is the College's resident faculty ensemble. Founded in 2003, it provides a cultural arts center of classical chamber music for the College community and the Capital Region. Each year, the Camerata presents a series of four concerts of diverse programming. Members of the ensemble perform recognized masterpieces, unfamiliar works and

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Opened in 2008, the critically acclaimed Massry Center for the Arts features the 400-seat Kathleen McManus Picotte Recital Hall, Esther Massry Art Gallery, choral and instrument rehearsal rooms, teaching studios, piano labs and classrooms. Past performing artists include Dave Brubeck, the Boston Symphony Orchestra Strings, Ramsey Lewis, Maceo Parker, Tim Reynolds, Stefon Harris and the Preservation Hall Jazz Band. The \$14 million, 46,000 square-foot gem is certified LEED Gold, ranking it among the Capital Region's most energy-efficient and Earth-friendly buildings.



The Saint Rose Camerata, the college's faculty chamber ensemble will present "Through Another Season" Saturday, Oct. 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Kathleen McManus Picotte Recital Hall, Massry Center for the Arts, 1002 Madison Ave., Albany. Admission to the concert is free.

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Rail Trail group awarded grants

The Albany County Rail Trail project is taking another step forward with the recent award of two grants.

The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy announced today that it's been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Greenway Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley, Inc. It will be used to "develop a graphic and interpretive theme for the Albany County Rail Trail that incorporates the history of the rail line and its relationship to the communities it served."

The grant will also fund the installation of other educational signage and amenities like benches.

A grant of \$2,500 was also received from the Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, which will be used to purchase crushed stone to pave the path.

Though the Rail Trail corridor stretches from Albany to Voorheesville, right now only a 1.9-mile section is open for public use. The cost of making improvements to the trail, namely the repair of bridges, has stalled the opening of the entire length.

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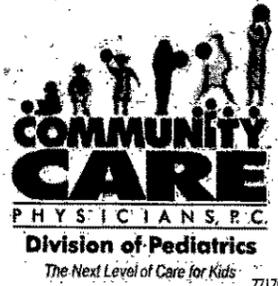
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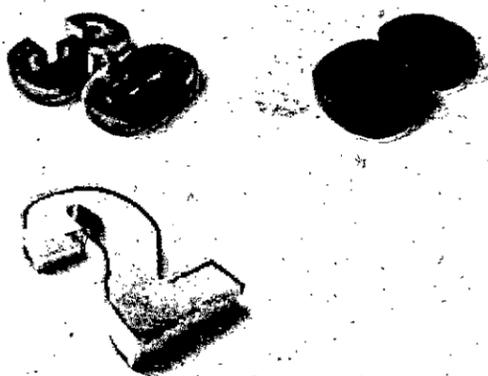
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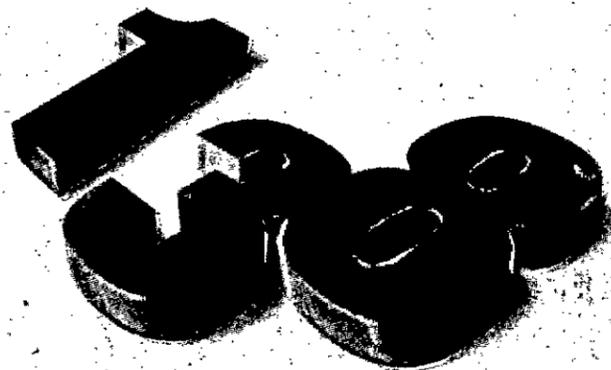
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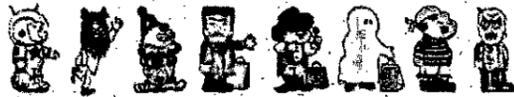
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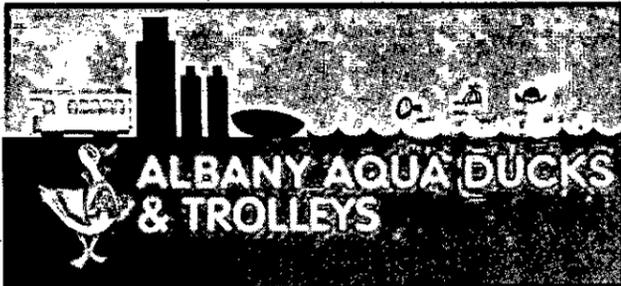
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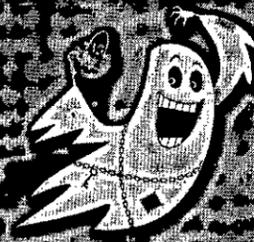
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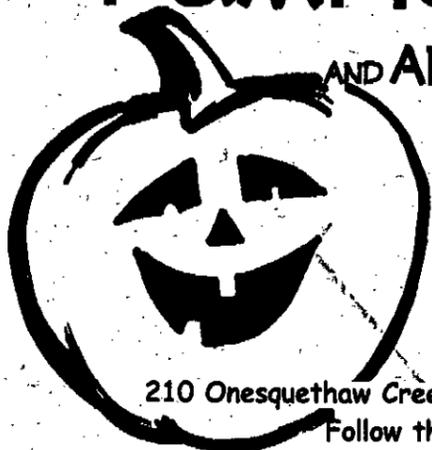
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Entertainment in the Spotlight



A world view in downtown Albany

Festival of Nations features representatives from more than 25 countries

By **JACQUELINE M. DOMIN**
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When Manoj Amerja came to the United States as a college student in the 1960s, he was fascinated by the country's diversity.

"In India, we didn't learn about all the different parts of the world," he said. "I found it very interesting."

So when the Festival of Nations kicked off in 1972, Amerja was an enthusiastic participant. For the past 21 years, he's been the chairman of the festival, which will be held this year on Sunday, Oct. 30, from noon to 5 p.m. at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center. The festival is celebrating its 40th anniversary.

"People look forward to it at this time of year, like a Halloween parade,"

Amerja said. "It's become a great accomplishment."

Nonprofit groups representing more than 25 countries will take part in the festival, including two newcomers this year: Burma and the Philippines. Each nation typically offers food, arts and crafts, information and some kind of performance. Amerja, in fact, first got involved as a dancer for India.

When Amerja first came to the United States, studying for a master's degree in engineering at the University of Wisconsin, he didn't plan to stay. A native of Bombay, he soon decided he wanted to make a life here after all. He is involved in several social groups and causes, joining

the Rotary in 1967. He's taken fellow Rotary members to India twice, which is one way he's maintained ties with his homeland. The festival is another.

What he likes about the Festival of Nations isn't just the chance to share his heritage. He still loves learning about other ethnic groups, particularly the similarities that cut across cultural lines. Food, he's found, is often a common denominator, at a recent festival planning meeting, groups from both Armenia and Greece brought baklava to share.

The area's restaurant scene doesn't include every nation represented at the festival, which is a fun reason to visit, he said. It's a rare chance to sample cuisine from places as far-flung as Bangladesh, Denmark and Liberia.

Basse Essien talks fondly about his favorite dishes from his native Nigeria. Fufu is a staple of Nigerian cooking, made from flour or Bisquick, it's "formed like a dough" and then used to scoop up stews and soups. "Meats and condiments make it very tasty," Essien said.

Rice is popular, too, along with fried plantains. "You usually have that for breakfast with a fried egg," Essien said. "That's another favorite of mine."

Like Amerja, Essien came to the U.S. as a college student, earning his bachelor's degree in Washington, D.C., before moving to Albany for graduate school. When he finished his schooling, staying here just made sense.

"I started a family and the rest is history," he said.

His involvement with the festival stretches over 20 years, starting when his

family took part as dancers.

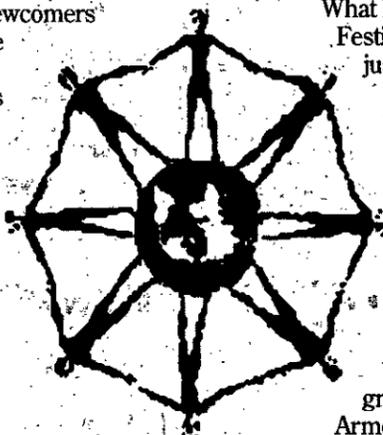
"You meet a lot of different people from different countries," he said. "You get to see the things they do. A lot of times there are similarities."

Essien wrote an essay about the festival, with one paragraph in particular capturing his enthusiasm: "The date chosen for this event — coming on the eve of the Halloween and just two days to All Saints Day — could not have been more significant and joyful. After a short 2011 summer season of earthquake, Hurricane Irene, tornado, and what could easily qualify as torrential rainfall, which left many of our communities in ruins, we needed something to brighten us up and rekindle our sense of unity, survival, and pride."

The event kicks off with a parade of nations at 11:45 a.m. Entertainment throughout the afternoon includes taekwon do (Korea), a wedding dance and fashion show (Bangladesh), modeling of traditional fashions (Pakistan) and numerous song and dance numbers. Another highlight is the crowning of the Miss Festival of Nations.

Admission is \$5, a price Amerja noted has not increased in several years. He encouraged people to take some time to stop by the festival, noting that with the prevalence of DVRs these days, people don't have to worry about missing big football games.

For next year, Amerja hopes to join even more countries to the roster. Although there is a large and vibrant Greek community in the Capital District, it is not represented at the festival, he said. Any community groups that are interested in taking part or learning more can contact Amerja at manorita12@yahoo.com. For more information on the festival, visit www.festivalofnations.net.



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THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK

The harrowing tale of a young girl and her family hiding from the Nazis, presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through Nov. 19, shows 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. Sundays, \$22. Information, 877-7529.

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A musical celebration of love, life and freedom, presented by Home Made Theater, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park, through Oct. 30, shows at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, \$27-\$29. Information, 587-4427.

Music

MIKE HARRISON

Old pop classics and more, with special guests Peter & Elizabeth, Oct. 27, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

ANDY BAKER

Solo acoustic covers, Oct. 28, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

DANIELLE MIRAGLIA

Winner of awards from Telluride and Falcon Ridge festivals performs her blend of folk and blues, with opening act M.R. Pouloupoulos, Oct. 28, 8 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$14, door price \$16. Information, 583-0022.

SONGWRITER NIGHT

Jeff Burger, Rob Jonas and Betsi Kriski perform their songs, Oct. 28, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

A NIGHT OF MURDER BALLADS

Special Halloween-themed show with Ray Murray and the Bomb Squad, Holly & Evan, the Broken String Band, Lost Radio Rounders, Phil Drum & Sonny Speed of The Resonators, Special Creek Bluegrass Band and more, hosted by Christopher Shaw, Oct. 29, 7 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$20. Information, 583-0022.

MARK ZANE

Acoustic folk rock, Oct. 29, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

TIME BENDERS

Folk rock trio, with special guests Nick DeOrto, Los Chinchies and John Jaster, Oct. 29, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

PETER WOLF

J. Geils Band lead singer performs solo show, Oct. 29, 7:30 p.m., Swyer Theater, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$34.50. Information, 473-1845.

LEFT ON RED

Spunky New York City female duo, Oct. 30, 7 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$12, door price \$14. Information, 583-0022.

LINDSEY BUCKINGHAM

One-time Fleetwood Mac lead singer and guitarist performs solo show, Oct. 29, 7:30 p.m., Hart Theater, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$32.50-\$55. Information, 473-1845.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"From the Collections," through April 1; "New York Remembers: Reflecting on September 11," through April 28; 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

"Parker F. Dunn: The Dunn Memorial Bridge," through Nov. 13; "Albany and the Civil War: Medicine on the Home and Battle Fronts," through Feb. 26; "Kid Stuff: Great Toys From Our Childhood," through March 4; "First in the Hearts of His Countrymen: George Washington," through May 20; 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.

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Michael Marston, World Apart," through

January; "Laugh Out Loud," through March 25; plus installations by Paul Katz, Harry Leigh, Harold Lohner, Lillian Mulero, Ken Ragsdale, Nancy Shaver and Joy Taylor. Information, 463-3726.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERY

"Ferraro: Orellana. Enough Said," through Oct. 29, 39 Columbia St., Albany, Information, 462-4755.

BROOKSIDE MUSEUM

"100 Years of Baseball 1850-1950," through Nov. 4, 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa, Information, 885-4000.

CHAPEL + CULTURAL CENTER

"Back in Spirit," through Nov. 29; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2125 Burdett Ave., Troy, Information, 274-7793.

MABEE FARM HISTORIC SITE

"A Journey Through History: The Artistic Works of Len Taniillo," through Dec. 18, 1080 Main St., Rotterdam Junction, Information, 877-5073.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

"Postage Paid: Dance Around the World," through fall 2012; plus a Michael Jackson tribute, a "Dancing with the Stars" exhibit and the C.V. Whitney Hall of Fame, 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs, Information, 584-2225.

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ARKELL MUSEUM

"Rising from the Sea: The Art of Jay Hall Connaway," through May 27, 2012; plus "Arkell's Inspiration: the Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People," ongoing; Canajoharie, Information, 673-2314.

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Call for Artists

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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.

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Milestones

IN BRIEF

Ann Suderley Ten Eyck

Bethlehem — Ann Suderley Ten Eyck of Slingerlands, NY, died peacefully in her sleep on October 15, 2011 at the age of 97. Ann was born on February 20, 1914 in Albany, NY, the daughter of the late John (Jack) and Helen Suderley and sister of the late Frank Suderley. Ann was raised in Coeymans, NY, attended the St. Agnes School in Loudonville and following graduation, attended Wildwood College in Pennsylvania. Ann was the devoted wife of the late Peter G.D. Ten Eyck and spent much of their life together living on the Ten Eyck family farm, Indian Ladder Farms in Voorheesville, NY, where they raised their three children.

She is survived by her daughter Gerritje (Garry) Henault and her companion, Richard W. Bromley; son Peter G. Ten Eyck II and his wife Rose-Marie Weber Ten Eyck; and son John S. Ten Eyck and his wife Sally M. Ten Eyck. Ann, the matriarch of the Ten Eyck clan, had a great love of family. Known affectionately by all of her 23 grandchildren and great grandchildren as "Gaga", she took great joy in spending time with them. She is survived by her grandchildren Margaret Henault Papadakus (Yannis), Peter Henault (Elena), Laura Ten Eyck (Dietrich Gehring), Peter G. Ten Eyck III (Kimberly), Elizabeth Ten Eyck Mitchell (Greg), Jennifer Ten Eyck Scheesley (Ray), Rebecca

Ten Eyck Kimberly (Todd) and Melissa Ten Eyck Hall (Christopher); her great grandchildren Ivan Henault, Arianna Papadakus, Wolfgang Gehring, Emily, Morgan and Taylor Ten Eyck, Gretchen and Kate Mitchell, Ray, Daniel and John Scheesley, Ian and Ella Kimberly, Connor and Griffin Hall; her nieces, Helen-Harris and Ann Rooney; and her nephew, John Suderley.

Ann was very generous with her time and resources, volunteering at the Albany Hospital and serving as a member of the Junior League of Albany. When living at Indian Ladder Farms, she hosted for several decades an annual Christmas Party for farm employees and their families. Ann loved animals, especially dogs, and once raised a large litter of Great Dane puppies. She enjoyed reading and was very skilled at knitting and needlepoint. For years many local nursing homes benefited from the warm lap blankets (referred to by her grandchildren and great grandchildren as Gaga blankets) she knitted for the residents. Ann was also a long time member of The First Church in Albany.

The family would like to thank the staff of The Terrace and The Village Green at Beverwyck for their incredible patience and loving care of Ann while she was a resident there. The funeral will be private at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, contributions would be appreciated to First Church of Albany, 110 North Pearl Street, Albany, NY 12207. Arrangements are by the Reilly & Son Funeral Home, Voorheesville.

Center to hold earrings class

Thacher Nature Center will hold a class on feather and bead earrings Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Participants will learn how to make feather and bead Native American-inspired earrings.

Appropriate for ages 12 and up. There is a fee of \$5 for first pair and \$2 per additional pair. All materials included, but participants should bring jewelry pliers if they have them. No experience necessary. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required.

Call 872-1237 to register. Visit the park's website at www.nysparks.com for additional information on parks programs.

VFW craft fair to benefit troops

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary will host a craft fair Saturday, Oct. 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Village Office in Ravena, 15 Mountain Road., to benefit the men and women in the military.

All proceeds will be donated. Children are invited to make cards for military gift boxes. There will be vendors, food and baked goods.

Turkey dinner planned

The Helderberg Reformed Church, 140 Main St. (Route 146) in Guilderland Center, is hosting a turkey dinner Saturday, Nov. 5.

Seating is by reservation only at 3:30, 5 and 6:30 p.m. with eight per table served family style. Take out dinners are available also. The menu includes homemade roast turkey, cranberry sauce, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, butternut squash, pickled beets, Dutch slaw, green beans, rolls, butter, beverages and assorted pies.

For reservations, call 698-9911. Meals cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 5-12 and free for children under 5.

Button club plans meeting

The Half Moon Button Club will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 11 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library.

Bring a brown bag lunch. Dessert will be provided. We will be discussing buttons with shanks. For more information, call Kathy at 393-3156.

Families invited to recycle

The Guilderland Central School District will be hosting a Fall Recycling Extravaganza on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Farnsworth Middle School.

District residents are encouraged to bring their unwanted papers, metals, and electronics equipment for free disposal and recycling. This service is provided by the district's recycling partners Regional Computer Recycling & Recovery and T. A. Predel's Paper and Metals Recycling.

Any items containing hazardous materials are excluded.

In addition, the district will also be collecting old sneakers (without metal/rivets) which will be sent to NIKE as part of their national ReUse a Shoe Program. For more information, including a list of acceptable items, contact Renee Panetta, district recycling and conservation coordinator, at 518-861-5246 x338 or visit www.guilderlandschools.org.

Book fair planned at mall

On Friday, Nov. 4, students and staff from Farnsworth Middle School will be hosting

their third annual Book Fair Extravaganza at the Barnes and Noble store in Colonie Center.

The event kicks off at 9:30 a.m. and will feature student musicians near the café as well as book readings from the FMS Charlotte Book Club in the children's section. In addition, board games and arts and crafts projects will be available for visitors to enjoy throughout the day.

From 5:30 to 7 p.m., Farnsworth teacher and children's author Larry Tuxbury will be joined by Matt McElligott to sign copies of their books, including the most recent release, Benjamin Franklin Meets the Fright Brothers. McElligott will also have a selection of his primary books available for signing.

The day-long Extravaganza will conclude with the eleventh annual FMS Poetry Jam event, where students in grades six through eight will read original poems in a coffeehouse-type atmosphere. Poetry Jam runs from 6 to 8 p.m.

In addition, Barnes and Noble will donate a portion of all sales of books, media, and café items from throughout the day to the school—simply identify yourself as a supporter of Farnsworth Middle School at the register. Both in-store and on-line purchases will be eligible for the donation. The purchasing opportunity is through Wednesday, Nov. 9. All proceeds donated through Nov. 9 will help fund author visits at FMS throughout the remainder of the school year.

For more information, visit www.guilderlandschools.org

School to hold programs

The first session of enrichment programs at The Bethlehem Children's School begins the week of Oct. 24.

The school will be offering four different

after-school programs; each will run for six sessions: Aikido, led by Rick Wolslayer of the Aikido School of Self-Defense, will be offered on Tuesday afternoons, beginning Oct. 25, and running through Nov.

29. This class is recommended for children in grades K through 6.

Storybook Theatre, led by Allison McArdle, will be offered on Wednesdays, beginning Oct. 26, running through Dec. 14. This class is recommended for children in grades K-3.

Ancient Art of Yoga, led by Toni Smith, will be offered to children in grades 4-8 on Thursdays, beginning Oct. 27, and running through Dec. 15.

Dancing Pencil: Art and Poetry, led by BCS art teacher Jill Crammond, will also be offered to children in grades 4-8 on Thursdays.

All sessions begin at the school at 3:30 p.m.; ending times vary, though no session goes past 5:00 p.m. The Bethlehem Children's School's enrichment programs are open to all area children.

For a brochure and registration form, call the school at 478-0224, or write to aftercare and enrichment program coordinator Amy Cary at acary813@hotmail.com, or the school's director, Ralph Fahnestock, at dpoabc@hotmail.com.

Old Songs slates dance

An Old Songs contra dance will be held Saturday, Nov. 5, at 37 S. Main St., Voorheesville.

A 6:30 p.m. potluck will be followed by dance instruction at 7:30 p.m. and dance at 8 p.m. The caller will be Bob Nicholson, and live music will be provided by Rosie's Ready Mix. No partner is needed and clean, soft-soled shoes are required. Admission is \$10.

For more information, call 765-2815.

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Diocesan regulations concerning memorials and grave decorations are now in effect at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery. Like other Diocesan Cemeteries, a general cleanup will be conducted on or about November 1. At this time, cemetery staff removes and discards all decorations. Lot owners should remove any decorations they wish to save before November 1. In addition, plantings in violation of the new regulations such as perennial flowers, hosta plants, edging around plantings and the like will also be removed.

For more information, please call 463-0134.

Now it's public's turn on budget Study

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Bethlehem's tentative plan keeps 1.27 percent tax hike, but cuts borrowing

By CHARLES WIFF
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The public will be giving Bethlehem leaders comments on a 2012 budget that includes the same tax hike as originally proposed nearly two months ago, but has changed considerably in other areas.

There will be a public hearing on the tentative budget at the Town Board meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 26. The board has met in five budget workshops this season, including an extra one called for Thursday, Oct. 20, to hammer out outstanding disagreements.

The resulting product, which carries a 1.27 percent tax hike in addition to increases in sewer and water user fees, was deemed to be a reasonable compromise to most board members, though there will be time to make changes before a scheduled Nov. 9 budget adoption.

"I'm very pleased we are where we're at right now," said Councilman Kyle Kotary on Thursday. "At this point we're getting closer and closer to a budget that meets the needs of everybody."

The tax hike could still be an issue, though. Throughout the process, board members have

expressed opposition to any increase in taxes, while Supervisor Sam Messina has maintained the proposed hike is a fair one along with the reductions in operation expenses (he said there've been \$1.4 million) and reduction on the use of the fund balances.

"We've done our job. We've done it professionally, and we've reduced expenses," he said.

Since the budget was first presented, a number of proposed projects that would have been borrowed for have been taken out, the most significant being a \$1.4 million bond to secure a new Department of Public Works garage. Another \$350,000 of borrowing was shifted over to capital reserves and several vehicle purchases were sent from borrowing to the regular operations budget.

Even with cuts, the town would end up spending over \$38 million, or around what was budgeted for this year. Some costs, not the least of which the town's mandatory retirement contributions, have skyrocketed year-to-year.

One thing that has changed in recent weeks is the town's approach to road paving. The town has recently been borrowing for its yearly paving projects, and, after the issue was broached in workshops, the new tentative budget includes a measure to draw down

borrowing for that purpose.

Under the plan, the highway fund tax would increase by 3 percent and other monies would be shifted to bring just over \$100,000 worth of paving back into the operational budget of the Highway Department. About \$700,000 worth of paving is budgeted for.

Changes in the taxes to be levied in other funds would bring the blended tax levy hike to the same 1.27 percent.

This plan seemed to sit well with members of the Town Board, who still prodded department heads for more cuts on Thursday in hopes of achieving a flat tax rate.

Acting Commissioner of Public Works Erik Deyoe said his budget was trimmed by \$600,000 in this budget proposal and the effects of years of cuts are being felt.

"From my perspective, morale is kind of at an all-time low in our department. ... I'm incredibly concerned about retention," he said.

There are no across-the-board raises in the tentative budget. About \$210,000 is budgeted to give "limited merit increases and incentives," to be distributed to employees who haven't seen a raise in recent years or took on additional duties without a pay hike. The town has 236 employees.

Councilman Mark Jordan said he has concerns about the feasibility of the tentative

budget even with the tax hike, which accounts for about \$121,000 worth of revenue. He said a 10 percent reduction in the overtime budget for the Police Department would likely backfire.

"We're not even at where we can't cut anything, we're below," Jordan said. "We're going to have to make a budget modification [next year]."

Highway Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph said his department would try to meet a 10 percent reduction in overtime, but for his job that depends a lot on the weather. He said he's going into the winter season shorthanded, as well, and can't afford more labor because it must be hired at prevailing wages (which Sagendorph referred to as the "elephant in the room").

Councilwoman Joann Dawson, who admitted she's often sought to squeeze pennies from the budget, said getting to a 0 percent tax change is a "laudable" goal, but also irresponsible from a services perspective.

The public hearing on the budget will begin at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Town Hall.

new technologies that would bypass the plant and still allow for flow to continue."

Along with capacity upgrades, the town and outside engineers are also looking to meet goals that would reduce sludge pouring into the plant, and looking to reduce odors impacting neighbors who live nearby the 40-year-old facility. As part of the study, engineers will review the potential impacts of climate change, and will also carry out a planning study as population numbers increase due to new developments in the town.

"We've looked at areas that aren't on sewer, and we need to allow for the possibility of those within the town as well," said Clark.

Energy consumption at the plant will also be reviewed. The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, or NYSERDA, has provided about \$25 million for a study of energy usage at the facility.

Some residents expressed an interest in finding out more about new technologies, asked about joining with other municipalities and even

posed questions about what it would take to build a new plant to serve the town. Town officials said that cost would be much higher than the upgrades proposed for the plant.

As the town's proposed budget for 2012 stands, sewer and water rates would increase next year. With additional costs for work at the treatment plant in mind, the town is in talks with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, or FEMA, regarding possible infrastructure projects, including at the plant.

Town Engineer Paul Penman said the town has a list of over 20 projects of varying size that could be presented to FEMA.

"We have a lot of projects because of [Tropical Storm] Irene," said Penman. "Dependant on the projects, some of those are mitigation."

As the town prepares its case for assistance from FEMA, officials intend to have a plan in place by the end of the year regarding the study of the wastewater treatment plant. A second public meeting will be held in Selkirk in November. Engineers will then present a plan to the Bethlehem Town Board in December. A report must also be presented to NYSERDA in order to secure the funding from the authority.

Vista

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"We're trying to change the paradigm of suburbs being all automobile," said George Leveille, the chairman of the Planning Board.

Leveille said the town's comprehensive plan could not have been clearer about the need for connectivity between separate developments.

"We're making sure that each step of the way, we're putting pieces in place for connectivity," he said.

There are, however, roadblocks that could make that difficult. Leveille says that while the community generally supports the idea of connectivity on a conceptual level, support drops once there is the potential that new development could impact their properties. Vista developers are also working around sensitive wetland areas, while trying to keep a mix of commerce and accessibility.

"The topography of the site was always a

challenge," said deForest. "We want to develop the parcel in a responsible way."

Both town and developers are excited about the prospects of employees within the development venturing around and out of the park on foot. However, without much to compare the project to within the town, all parties are looking at the layout of two developments in Albany for guidance.

Board members and deForest spoke about Stuyvesant Plaza, located on Western Avenue, and also Corporate Woods, a business complex located off of Interstate 90. The expectations from developers are that pedestrian traffic at the Vista park would exceed that at Corporate Woods.

"We're all seeing it as it goes up," said Leveille. "Wherever you can get examples to show the community, we encourage it."

Following the discussion regarding pedestrian and recreational access, the board also approved a minor change

to one of the buildings in the development.

Planning Board members also heard from engineers working with the Capital District YMCA, who are studying the potential need for a left turn lane heading westbound on Delaware Avenue. After a short discussion regarding the need for such a lane compared to the membership numbers seen at the YMCA branch, the board voted to table a resolution until its next meeting.

At the end of the meeting, the board received an initial presentation from John Mahoney of the Elmwood Park Fire District regarding the potential subdivision of the fire department's property along Russell Road. Mahoney told board members that the goal is to reduce the size of the property, while also making more room for fire apparatus, along with training and storage. The board concluded that more information would be needed regarding the delineation of wetland areas on the lots in question.

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Trip

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efforts to raise money for her family. Lisa Snyder worked with Krischer and Mullaney at Community Care Physicians on Delaware Avenue in Delmar. She took on the fundraising responsibilities related to Krischer's trip, sending messages out to friends and family. She also used Facebook to reach a larger audience.

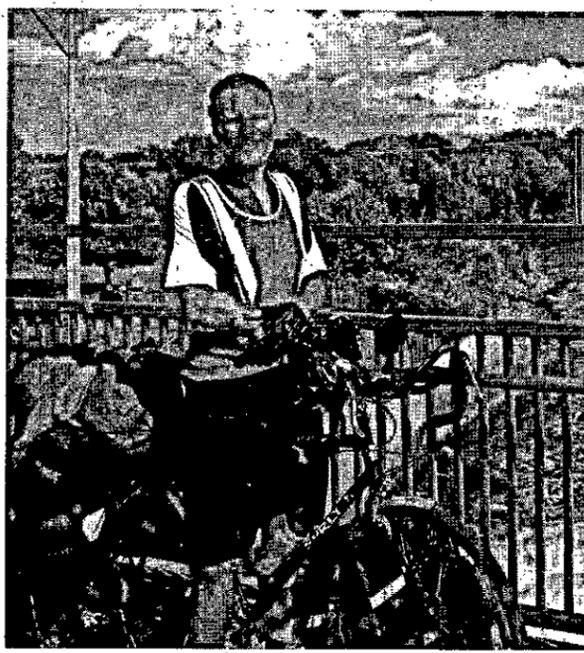
"She was a wonderful friend to me in the years we worked together, and beyond," said Snyder.

Snyder is now reaching out to those who have promised to pledge to tell them that Krischer has returned. As of Oct. 20, Snyder said they had raised about \$2,700.

Mullaney's husband, Gerry, said he is in awe of what Krischer and Snyder were able to do.

"The funds that he generated paid almost half of the entire funeral bill," said Gerry Mullaney. "That was incredible."

While still grieving the loss of Anita, Mullaney said he can't begin to count the number of cards that he has received from her former patients. Ironically, both Krischer and Snyder recall that it was Anita Mullaney who was the one who always



LEFT: Dr. David Krischer stands in front of Charles Lindbergh's boyhood home in Little Falls, Minn.

ABOVE: Krischer in front of a dam on the Mississippi River north of Minneapolis.

Submitted photos

sent out cards.

"She would send cards out on birthdays," said Krischer. "She always remembered holidays."

Krischer's trip included a number of stops where he was able to tell his story, and the story of Mullaney, a non-smoker who was first diagnosed with cancer more than three years ago.

"I was in Osceola, Wisconsin. I parked the bike, and hiked down to see a waterfall," Krischer explained. "As I came back up, there was an older woman who saw that I had a loaded bike. I told her about the trip, and it turned out that her husband was a physician, and had succumbed to lung

cancer. She opened her wallet and said all I have is four dollars but she gave me the cash because she was moved by the story."

As Krischer has started to adjust to his life back in upstate New York following the once-in-a-lifetime trip, he reflected on the reason for the expedition.

"I'm more happy about it than proud," Krischer said. "Happy that I could do something to help the people that Anita loved."

There's one thing Snyder would have

changed about the successful fundraising effort, and the coast-to-coast trip.

"I wish she [Anita] was here to see him come home," she said.

Donations are still being accepted. They may be sent to the Anita Mullaney Benefit Fund, PO Box 254, Ravena, NY, 12143. Donations can also be made at any Key Bank branch. For more information, visit the Facebook group, "Dr. Krischer's Bicycle Ride Across the USA for Anita Mullaney."

IN BRIEF

Fund to hold concert, dance

Bethlehem's Community Fund will hold a concert and dance party fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 19, from 7 to 11 p.m.

Three local bands, Becky & Friends, the Del Martinis and Ready, Steady Go, will perform at the Nathaniel Adams Legion Post, 16 W. Poplar Dr., Delmar. There will also be a cash bar, silent auction, and a 50/50 drawing. The suggestion donation is \$10. Proceeds will benefit the Bethlehem Community Fund, which helps children, families, individuals and the elderly living in Bethlehem.

The fund has begun its annual holiday appeal with an increased goal of \$35,000 to meet the escalating needs of individuals and families hurt by the dire regional economy. It helps more than 300 individuals and families throughout the year, relying on the generosity of town residents to help neighbors who are struggling to pay bills and unusual expenses caused by personal circumstances such as layoffs, medical problems and divorces.

For more information, visit bethlehemfestivalfund.org, email BethFestFund@aol.com or call Greg Jackson at 439-7828.

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Civil War talk to be held

Robert E. Mulligan, local historical and museum curator at Fort Ticonderoga and the state museum, will present "How and Why Do We Remember the Civil War?" at the Tuesday, Nov. 1, program of the New Scotland Historical Association at 7:30 p.m. at the Wyman-Osterhout Community Center in New Salem.

"The first book I ever took out of a library was about the Civil War," Mulligan said. "I was in the fourth grade, and I didn't understand any of it, but the pattern was set." He will present a brief look at some of the aspects of the Civil War in song and story, prose and poetry.

This program is free and open to the public. The museum is open a half hour before the program and features the 40 year history of the Historical Association.

Mooney named ambassador

Cara Mooney of Delmar was named a student ambassador at Marist College. Mooney is a freshman and a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Marist College student ambassadors serve as liaisons between the college and prospective students, families, and guidance counselors. They are mentors for high school students, sharing their own experience in the college search process.

Copeland joins honor society

Mohawk Valley Community College honored Mary Copeland's high academic achievement this fall with the induction to the Lambda Beta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, which was founded in 1960 when the College was known as the Mohawk Valley Technical Institute.

Copeland, a native of Delmar, was offered membership to Phi Theta Kappa for achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher in the graphic design degree program.

Rucinski takes part in bus trip

Edward Rucinski, son of Mary McLaughlin and Stephen Rucinski of Glenmont, spent two days on an educational bus trip across New Hampshire Oct. 10 and 11, engaging Republican presidential candidates and the working press as part of a Saint

Kindred spirits



Deborah Brenner, right, author of "Women of the Vine," signed books at at DP Wine & Liquor in Delmar on Saturday, Oct. 22. Ali Dubin, left, is interested in a career in the food and wine industry and stopped by to meet Brenner. A portion of the wine and book sales from the event was donated to Farm Aid and farms around the state that were affected by the recent hurricanes.

Submitted photo

Michael's College "Media and Politics" class led by Professor David Mindich.

Rucinski, a first-year student exploratory major, graduated from Bethlehem Central High School before coming to Saint Michael's in Burlington, Vt. He participated with classmates on Oct. 10 in Town-Meeting-style candidate events, first in Tilton, N.H., with Jon Huntsman, former Utah governor and U.S. ambassador to China, and later in Hopkinton, N.H., with GOP frontrunner Mitt Romney, former Massachusetts governor. The students also stopped at the Concord Monitor to hear how local pros cover the state's presidential primaries. At both Town Meeting events, students joined questioning of the candidates on issues such as funding to eradicate world AIDS (a subgroup of Saint Michael's students made that their priority) along with a full range of social, economic and foreign policy topics.

The following day, Oct. 11, they spent much of the day on Dartmouth College's central green, interacting with media, political activists and campaign workers readying for that evening's televised national debate on economic policy among the leading Republican candidates. The group heard from and questioned Carl Cameron, national political reporter for Fox News, followed by a Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reporter and later Saint Michael's alumni Adam Silverman '00, a reporter for WCAX-TV in

Burlington covering the event. That evening they joined Dartmouth and local high school students for a debate "viewing party" in a sports arena with big screens near the debate site. After the debate, national presidential candidates Michelle Bachman, New Gingrich and Jon Huntsman came to the arena, spoke briefly and greeted the crowd with handshakes and photo-ops.

Learn about Lyme, disability

The Capital Region Chapter of the Empire State Lyme Disease Association will present a talk by Attorneys Alex C. Dell and Jennifer Storm on "Workers Compensation, Social Security Disability, NYS Disability Retirement, and Lyme Disease" on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. at the Guilderland Public Library.

Dell has nearly two decades of experience in the areas of NYS Workers' Compensation Law, NYS Disability Retirement Law, and Social Security Disability Law. He represents injured and disabled workers in need of wage replacement and medical benefits. He earned his B.A. summa cum laude at the State University of New York at Binghamton, and his J.D. at Queens College School of Law of the City University of New York.

Storm joined the law firm of Alex C. Dell in December of 2010 as a Social Security attorney. Ms. Storm oversees the development of Social Security cases, drafts,

and legal memoranda, attends hearings and prosecutes appeals regarding the denial of benefits and improper benefit calculations.

Victims of Lyme disease often find themselves unable to work due to the severe effects of long-term infections. A complicated disease that is frequently misdiagnosed and mis-treated, victims often require legal assistance to learn what options they have insofar as Workers' Compensation, NYS Disability and/or Social Security Disability benefits are concerned.

The talk is free and open to the public. For more information, contact bjmeslda@yahoo.com. The Guilderland library is at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland.

Troop holds Court of Honor

St. Madeleine Sophie BSA Troop 50 held its monthly Court of Honor on Wednesday, Sept. 28. A total of 53 merit badges, two awards and four rank advancements were awarded to our scouts in recognition of their achievements over the summer.

Ryan Fox earned the Scout Rank. Kyle Dikeman and Ryan Ericson were awarded the Second Class Scout rank and Eric Motler was awarded the 1st Class Scout rank. Eric Wells was awarded the Personal Management, Family Life, Personal Fitness and Communications merit badges.

Ryan Mitchell was awarded the Personal Management and Personal Fitness merit badges. Peter Boeri was awarded the First Aid, Safety, Fire safety and Basketry merit badges. Kevin Blair was awarded the Rifle Shooting, Fingerprinting, Swimming, and Small Boat Sailing merit badges.

Connor Chew was awarded the Rifle Shooting, First Aid, and Emergency Preparedness merit badges. Curtis Ericson was awarded the Safety, Fire Safety and Leatherworking merit badges. Joe Reluzco was awarded the Rifle Shooting, Fingerprinting, Basketry, Leatherworking, and Mammal Studies merit badges. Kevin Waltz was awarded the Rifle Shooting, Fingerprinting, and Mammal Studies merit badges.

Matt Reluzco was awarded Rifle Shooting, Basketry, Leatherworking, and Art merit badges. Matt Marotta was awarded Rifle Shooting, Basketry, Leatherworking, Citizenship In the Nation, Family Life and Art merit badges. Eric Motler was awarded the Rifle Shooting, Fingerprinting, Basketry, Leatherworking, and Life Saving merit badges. Ryan Ericson earned the Basketry, Leatherworking and life Saving merit badges.

Matt Cortelyou earned the Mammal Studies, Oceanography, Nature and Soil and water Conservation merit badges. Ryan Fox earned the Finger Printing, Mammal Studies and Wilderness Survival merit badges. Kyle Dikeman was awarded the Rifle Shooting, Fingerprinting, Mammal Studies, and Wilderness Survival merit badges. Aquatic awards were earned by Connor Chew and Matt Cortelyou for Kayaking.

BSA Troop meets every Wednesday from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. at the St. Madeleine Sophie Parish Center at 3500 Carman Road. Call Scoutmaster Larry Vincent at 859-9633 for more information.

Five Rivers plans turkey program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will hold a family-oriented program on wild turkeys Saturday, Nov. 19, at 10 a.m.

Center naturalists will explore the natural history of these animals through an indoor presentation and a craft project. Afterwards, center staff will lead an outdoor foray in search of wild turkeys and other birds typical of mid-November. Parents and children must accompany each other.

This program is free of charge, but space is limited. Call the center at 475-0291 to register by Wednesday, Nov. 16.

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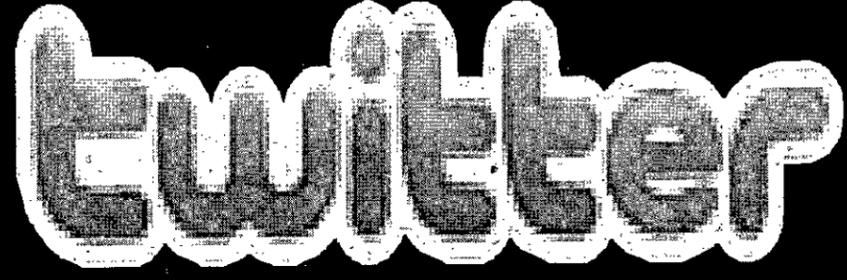
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NOTICE OF FORMATION. DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: 544 DELAWARE AVENUE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, August 9, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County, Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Eitan Evan, 41 Hamilton Lane, Glenmont, NY 12077. 76003 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Cathay Holdings, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/7/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 9/24/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc. (CSI), 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: c/o CSI, 800 Brazos, Ste. 400, Austin, TX 78701. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 76000 (D) (October 26, 2011)

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Notice of Formation 226135NYC LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/7/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 75078 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 43-73 Union St LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/14/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 75079 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 252-06 Hillside Ave LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/14/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 75080 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Quantum LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/13/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 75081 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE: Notice of Formation Family Life Midwifery, PLLC filed with the NY Sec. of State on 8/9/2011. Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC, upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail process to: 20 Elm Street, Albany NY, 12202. Purpose: Midwifery. 76185 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE - SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY - AMERICAN TAX FUNDING, LLC, BMO CAPITAL F/K/A HARRIS NESBITT CORP. AS SECURED PARTY against THERESA ANN WALKER a/k/a THERESA A. WALKER, if living and if she be dead, any and all persons, who may claim as devisees, distributees, legal representatives, successors and interest of the said defendants, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to the plaintiff, and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Successor by merger to FLEET NATIONAL BANK, N.A.

LEGAL NOTICE

SCHENECTADY FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK, FLEET NATIONAL BANK, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, To the above named Defendants - YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Amended Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the amended complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded herein.

NOTICE - YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME - If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the tax lien holder who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the tax lien holder will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF YOUR ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (TAX LIENHOLDER) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS - FORECLOSURE - The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Vito C. Caruso dated on August 1, 2011. The object of this action is to foreclose a tax lien encumbering the premises known as 586 ONTARIO STREET, SCHENECTADY, NY lying and being in the City and County of Schenectady, State of New York, known and designated as Section 48.67, Block 2 and Lot 22, Stagg, Terenzi, Confusione & Wabnick, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, BY: Jacqueline M. Della Chiesa, Esq., 401 Franklin Avenue, NY 11530 (516) 812-4500. 76182 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ROCKY CANEY WIND, LLC a domestic Limited Liability Company organized under the laws of New York whose Articles of Organization were filed on September 13, 2011 with the New York Secretary of State. 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 Corporation Trust Company, 3 Winners Circle, 3rd Fl., Albany, New York 12205. New York Office Location: Albany County. Purpose: All lawful activities. 76181 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ROCKY CANEY WIND, LLC a domestic Limited Liability Company organized under the laws of New York whose Articles of Organization were filed on September 13, 2011 with the New York Secretary of State. 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 Corporation Trust Company, 3 Winners Circle, 3rd Fl., Albany, New York 12205. New York Office Location: Albany County. Purpose: All lawful activities. 76181 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Slingerlands Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, State of New York, will hold a public review of the Slingerlands

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Fire District Annual Budget for the year 2012. The review will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Slingerlands Firehouse, 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York. NOTE: As at all public Fire Commissioner's meetings, reasonable accommodations and access are available. Gayle A. Griffiths Secretary to the Board Slingerlands Fire District 75077 (D) (October 26, 2011)

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LEGAL NOTICE

ISLAND SMOKES XVIII LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/14/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210 will be desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: Any Lawful purposes. 76425 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Horse To Water Marketing, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/10/11. Office location: Albany County. United States Corporation Agents, Inc. designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: C/O United States Corporation Agents, Inc. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202 Purpose: any lawful activity. 76424 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 5122 Broadway LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/13/11. 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 CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 76423 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: Preeminent Realty LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on August 8, 2011. Certificate of Amendment filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on August 15, 2011 changing its name to Apic Realty LLC. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to c/o The LLC, 63 Shaker Road, Suite 203, Albany, New York 12204. Purpose: Any lawful business purpose. 76421 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Developmental Psychiatric Consulting LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/15/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76419 (D) (October 26, 2011)

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Flex Stern Insurance Agency LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/15/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76418 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Iketo Eyewear LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/15/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76558 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Entertainment by Gail LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/15/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1848 E. 4th St., Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: any lawful activity. 76557 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Satya Enterprises LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/20/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76554 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Articles of Organization of Mare of Albany, LLC (the ALLC@) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (ASSNY@) on December 17, 2007, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o Elisabeth Ruthman, 14 Aspen Heights, Slingerlands, New York 12159. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. 76553 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Articles of Organization of Fire-Works Film, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on September 15, 2011, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 1 Columbia Circle, Albany, New York 12203, which is the principal business location. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law. 76552 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of RMS Asset Management Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/12/11. Office location: Albany County, Delaware (DE) on 10/1/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agent Solutions, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Principal office Address: 2727 Spring Creek Dr., Spring, TX 77373. Ad-

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Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: Opus e-Solutions, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, September 21, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 1621 Central Ave. Albany, New York 12205. 76551 (D/C) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: PLOTZKER MANAGEMENT CONSULTING, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 8/10/2011. 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: c/o PLOTZKER MANAGEMENT CONSULTING, LLC 545 Dawson Rd, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date. 76543 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of TERM Power & Gas, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/15/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/16/11. 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. DE address of LLC: 1679 S. State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 76542 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Twin Eagle Resource Management, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/15/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/30/10. 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. DE address of LLC: 1679 S. State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 76541 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation MOS Architects PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 9/22/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76540 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of RMS Asset Management Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/12/11. Office location: Albany County, Delaware (DE) on 10/1/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agent Solutions, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Principal office Address: 2727 Spring Creek Dr., Spring, TX 77373. Ad-

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dress to be maintained in DE: 1679 S. DuPont Hwy., Ste. 100, Dover, DE 19901. Arts of Org. filed with the DE Secretary of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 76539 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JACKSFLASH LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/23/11. 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. 76535 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Veritas Property Management L.L.C. Application for Authority filed with SSNY on 9/27/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNJ on 9/7/2007. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Address required to be maintained in NJ: 186 Edgemont Place, Teaneck, NJ 07666. Name and address of the authorized officer in NJ where copy of Arts. of Org. is filed: New Jersey State Treasurer, Division of Revenue, 33 West State St., 5th Floor, Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76533 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Got Poop NY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 9/26/11. 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 Gerald Weinberg PC, 90 State Street, Suite 815, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 76684 (D) (October 26, 2011).

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of KOKI ENTERPRISES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/27/11. 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. 76678 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of TEAM JMANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/27/11. 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. 76677 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Del Designs, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Secy of State (SSNY) 8/22/11. 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 3 Sunset Dr., Delmar, NY 12054. Pur-

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pose: any lawful activities. Latest date 1/1/2110. 76676 (D) (October 26, 2011)

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Notice of Qualification of GFC Lending LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/26/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Arizona (AZ) on 7/8/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. AZ address of LLC: 4020 East Indian School Road, Phoenix, AZ 85018. Arts. of Org. filed with AZ Secy. of State, 1300 W. Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85005. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 76674 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Name: GREY RIDERTHOROUGHBREDS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/06/11. 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 74 Maplewood Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 76671 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: Tiles By Giuseppe Bonaiuto, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on September 28, 2011. Office location: The Street, Address of the limited liability company's office is 76 Stoney Brook, Selkirk, New York 12158, County of Albany. 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 76 Stoney Brook, Selkirk, New York 12158. For any lawful purpose. 76668 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Avatar Security Products, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/30/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated a agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave. Ste. 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful activity. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave. Ste. 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. 76665 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE: The Bethlehem Cemetery Association, Inc. located at 286 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, (518-439-2394) puts deedholders or families of the following named lots that their lot is not in compliance with the cemetery's rules and regulations regarding plantings and decorative items. Those lot-owners have until 10/21/2011 to bring the lot into full compliance before the cemetery takes action, which will include removal of non-compliant decorations and plants/shrubbery which is overgrown, causes encroachment or is unsightly. A charge of \$75 will be applied once this

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action is taken: Section A: Smith, Turner, DeForest, Lake, Vaillancourt, Crocker, Needham, Haverly, Fryer; Section B: Siegel, Collier, Mann, Smith, Prater, Root, Camp, Devlin, McLean, Sellner, VanDerPoel, Murphy, Curran, Myrick, Lussier, Hastings and Zwickbauer. Section C: Almindo, Gmelch, Thornton, Macri, Mosmen. Section D: Dexter, Terhune, Wright, Blanchard, Bardwell, Veino, Whitney, Danker, Dill, Haberer, Biermeister, Cookfair, Baxter and Webb. 76671 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JC Windsor Terrace, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/27/11. 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, c/o Yassky Properties, 424 Madison Ave., 16th Fl., NY, NY 10017. Purpose: any lawful activities. 76666 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW SECTION 206 The name of the limited liability company is DASA INCUBATOR, LLC. The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization was September 16, 2011. The County in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Albany. Its principal business location is Albany, New York. The agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served is the Secretary of State and such shall mail a copy of any process to: 308 Highgate Drive, Slingerlands, NY 12159. The term of the LLC shall commence on the date of filing of the Articles of Organization and continue indefinitely. The purpose of the Company is to provide research services and for any other lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law. 76663 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of FIFS, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/21/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Pennsylvania (PA) on 1/1/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the PA address of LLC: 199 Telford Pike, Telford, PA 18969. Arts. of Org. filed with PA Secy. of State, 206 N. Office Bldg., P.O. Box 8722, Harrisburg, PA 17105. Purpose: any lawful activity. 76662 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Aria Retirement Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/3/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/31/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Principal office address: 101 Montgomery St., 27th Fl., San Francisco, CA 94104. Address to be maintained in DE: 160 Greentree Dr., Ste. 101, Dover, DE 19904. Arts. of Org. filed with the DE Secretary of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 76661 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Chimeria Apparel LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/4/11. 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 Nathan Singer, 75 McGuffey Lane, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 76997 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 2550 HAVILAND AVENUE, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/4/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against it 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. 76995 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of INTERGO SOLUTIONS, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/1/11. Office location: Schenectady County. LLC formed in Pennsylvania (PA) on 8/26/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Richard G. DellaRatta, 147 Barrett St., Schenectady, NY 12305. PA address of LLC: 900 Northbrook Drive, Ste. 320, Trevoise, PA 18053. Arts. of Org. filed with PA Secy. of State, Commonwealth Ave. & North St., Rm 206, Office Bldg., Harrisburg, PA 17101. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 76993 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of LITTLE PEACOCK IMPORTS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State (SSNY) on 09/22/2011. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to NW Registered Agent, LLC, 90 State St, Ste. 700, Off. 40, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. 76991 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of TRAVEL SERVICES CHANNEL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/7/11. 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. 76989 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation DOUGLAS Kaiden MD PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/4/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76988 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Saraboff LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/7/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76987 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Broken, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/3/2011 under the name Check Broken, LLC. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 76986 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: Gladly Me Creativity, LLC Articles of Organization filed by the Department of State of New York on: 10/06/2011 Office location: County of Albany. Purpose: any and all lawful activities. Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 178 Mount Hope Drive Albany, NY 12202 76985 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING BETHLEHEM CEMETERY ASSOC. INC. 7 PM. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2011 AT THE DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH 386 DELAWARE AVENUE, DELMAR NY. THOSE WISHING TO SPEAK AND/OR VOTE MUST CONTACT VIA TELEPHONE (439-2394) FOR OWNERSHIP VERIFICATION. NO LATER THAN 11/1/2011. 76984 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of The Impact Partnership, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/2/11. Fictitious name in NY State: Georgia Impact Insurance Services, LLC. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Georgia (GA) on 4/19/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. GA address of LLC: 225 Town Park Drive NW, Ste. 175, Kennesaw, GA 30144. Arts. of Org. filed with GA Secy. of State, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Ste. 315, Atlanta, GA 30334. Purpose: any lawful activity. 76977 (D) (October 26, 2011)

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LEGAL NOTICE

Legal Notice Notice is hereby given that the fiscal affairs of Bethlehem Central School District for the period beginning on July 1, 2010 and ending on June 30, 2011, have been examined by an Independent Public Accountant, and that the report of examination has been filed in my office where it is available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons. Pursuant to §35 of the General Municipal Law, the governing board of Bethlehem Central School District may prepare a written response to the report of external audit and file any such response in my office as a public record for inspection by all interested persons not later than January 30, 2012. Dated: October 26, 2011
Judith E. Kehoe, District Clerk
Bethlehem Central School District
77136 (D)
(October 26, 2011)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Selkirk Fire District hereby invites sealed bids for the sale of a used 1993 Simon Duplex/Saulsbury Pumper Tanker Fire Apparatus and misc. Bids will be received up to 2:00 p.m. on the 7th day of December, 2011 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Selkirk Fire District - Station 1, 126 Maple Ave. Selkirk, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. Charles Wickham Jr. Chairman, Board of Fire Commissioners, P.O. Box 5, Selkirk, New York 12158. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each shall be submitted. Bid documents may be obtained on the Selkirk Fire District website www.selkirkfd.org. The Selkirk Fire District reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SELKIRK FIRE DISTRICT Dated: October 26th, 2011 77135 (D) (October 26, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 7:00p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, to take action on an application by Slava Golub, 753 Feura Bush Road, Delmar for an area variance under Article V, 128-27, C. Accessory Uses, (1) Location. Applicant constructed accessory buildings in the front yard that do not meet location requirements.
Daniel W. Coffey
Chairman

Board of Appeals

Individuals with disabilities who are in-need of an accommodation in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 439-4955 Ext. 1183. Advanced notice is requested. 77125 (D) (October 26, 2011)

Soccer

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teams ranked in New York State – Albany Academy (No. 16 in Class A) and Voorheesville (No. 12 in Class C).

I'm not sure Schalmont will beat either Ichabod Crane or Broadalbin-Perth, but I wouldn't put it past the Sabres to do it.

Boys Class C

Top contenders: Maple Hill (14-1-0), Voorheesville (8-4-2), Lake George (13-2-1), Galway (12-1-3)

Second tier: Greenwich (12-3-0), Mekeel Christian Academy (12-4-0), Waterford (10-4-0)

There are several teams who could make a run at Maple Hill this season, but the Wildcats should prevail again because of their defense. Maple Hill has allowed a paltry 10 goals this season, three of which came when Ichabod Crane defeated the Wildcats 3-2 in a non-league game earlier this season.

Voorheesville has been solid in the highly-competitive Colonial Council this season, and Mekeel Christian (formerly known as Schenectady Christian) has been racking up goals behind its international connection with Tai and Kenny Aderounmu, Anders Trestick and TK Majekdounmi. But there

are enough inconsistencies with both teams' defenses to cast doubt as to whether they could beat Maple Hill head-to-head.

Girls Class AA

Top contenders: Saratoga (11-2-2), Guilderland (11-2-2)

Second tier: Bethlehem (11-3-2), Shenendehowa (11-4-0), Niskayuna (10-5-0)

This is a wide open class as everybody listed above has beaten each other at least once. So, it's better to look at the strengths and weaknesses each team possesses.

Saratoga, Bethlehem and Guilderland have three of the best goaltenders in the Suburban Council – Liz Rogan (Saratoga), Katie Nickles (Bethlehem) and Jenna Cubello (Guilderland). Bethlehem and Guilderland also have strong offenses, but their defenses have been a little suspect at times this season. Saratoga doesn't score a lot of goals, but with Rogan in goal (seven goals allowed in 15 games), the Blue Streaks haven't needed to score a lot of goals.

Shen has been solid all around this season, but its offense has looked a little lost at times without Katie Trainor on the field (Trainor suffered a broken foot before the start of the season). Niskayuna's offense has been stellar

for most of the season, but the defense and the goaltending need to pick up if the Silver Warriors are going to make a run at the title.

Girls Class A

Top contenders: Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake (13-3-0), South Glens Falls (13-0-2), Lansingburgh (12-3-0)

Second tier: Scotia-Glenville (10-3-0), Queensbury (10-3-1)

There are always teams that can challenge BH-BL in Sectionals, but what sets the Lady Spartans apart from the pack is the depth of talent they possess. Three players – Morgan Burchhardt, Meghan Malone and Skye Kaler – have scored 10 or more goals this season, and goaltender Florie Comley has six shutouts to her credit during a highly-competitive Suburban Council season.

South High's Sam Blizzard is second among all Section II players in goals scored (36), and Lansingburgh, Scotia-Glenville and Queensbury are all playing well entering the playoffs. But all of them will have a hard time matching up with the six-time defending Class A champs from BH-BL.

Girls Class B

Top contenders: Schalmont (15-0-0), Chatham (13-1-1)

Moving from Class A to Class B may finally

give Schalmont a chance to shine in Sectionals after failing to advance out of the region the last several years. The Sabres have a high-powered offense with Megan Strijek and Diana DiCocco leading the way, and their defense has quietly posted 10 shutouts.

Chatham has been nearly as good as Schalmont this season with a trio of double-digit goal scorers and a defense that has posted nine shutouts. But the Sabres look a little bit better after surviving a tough Colonial Council schedule.

Girls Class C

Top contenders: Maple Hill (13-1-2), Middleburgh (13-0-1), Galway (13-2-1), Hoosic Valley (13-0-3), Hoosick Falls (14-1-1)

Second tier: Mechanicville (13-2-0), Voorheesville (9-6-0)

It's going to be tough for Voorheesville to crash into the top tier this season. Maple Hill, Middleburgh, Galway, Hoosic Valley and Hoosick Falls have all been playing at a high level this season, and Voorheesville simply doesn't have the depth of talent to contend.

As for who wins this class, it would be nice to see Middleburgh do it to lift the spirits of a community still reeling from the floods caused by Tropical Storm Irene in August. However, my guess is that either Maple Hill or Hoosick Falls will emerge as the Class C champions.

Now that you know who are the leading contenders and the potential surprise teams, it's time to go to the field and see who comes out on top.

Shaker

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and Brien Miceli (25th, 17:30.22).

Colonie finished fifth in the team standings with 176 points. Jon Holmes (19th place, 17:18.16) was the top runner for the Garnet Raiders, and Ryan Mulson (27th, 17:42.40) added a top-30 finish.

Christian Brothers Academy took eighth place in the nine-team field with 196 points. Kieran Rock (34th place, 18:29.36) had the top time for the Brothers.

On the girls' side, Holy Names took top team honors with 36 points. Colonie was second with 59 points, one point ahead of third-place Guilderland.

Holy Names' Leah Triller won the individual title with a time of 18:33.19, nearly 11 seconds ahead of runner-up Jenna Robinson of Guilderland. Jacqueline Willsey (fourth place, 19:05.04) and Catherine Maloy (fifth, 19:09.64) also finished in the top 10 for Holy Names.

Colonie had two runners among the top 10 – Kaitie Schillaci (sixth place, 19:15.25) and Jackie Malecki (seventh, 19:23.17). Carolyn Pellegrini (11th, 19:47.27) missed the top 10 by 1.23 seconds, while Amy Becker (19th, 20:22.47) and Shannen Kerin (21st, 20:32.17) rounded out Colonie's top five with top-25 finishes.

While Robinson had a second-place finish to lead Guilderland, most of the Lady Dutch packed

themselves between 14th and 20th place. Christina Herkenham (14th, 19:54.41), Anna Pickett (15th, 19:57.46), Taylor Tommell (16th, 20:00.17) and Michelle Fish (17th, 20:13.31) made up the rest of Guilderland's top five, while Alyssa Jourdin (20th, 20:32.17) added a strong performance as the Lady Dutch's No. 6 runner.

Shaker edged Bethlehem 94-96 to finish fourth in the team standings. Laura Libruk paced the Blue Bison with a 10th-place time of 19:46.04, while Kayleigh Lavender finished 13th with a time of 19:51.45. Anne Rehfuess (23rd place, 20:48.12), Hannah Madison (24th, 20:50.59), Amanda Sacca (29th, 21:07.87) and Emily Franko (30th, 21:12.13) all turned in top-30 performances for Shaker.

Christy Macfarlane (eighth place, 19:30.53) and Lindsay Cheu (ninth, 19:33.81) had top-10 finishes for Bethlehem. Danica Jensen (25th, 20:51.32), Julia Champagne (27th, 20:55.06) and Mary deVries (32nd, 21:15.17) rounded out the top five for the Lady Eagles.

Shaker, Colonie, Bethlehem and Guilderland will join the rest of the Suburban Council at Saturday's league meet at Saratoga Spa State Park.

BC one win away from league title

The Bethlehem boys volleyball team looked to wrap up the Suburban Council title Tuesday when it met Shenendehowa in its regular season finale.

The Eagles entered Tuesday's contest with a 17-0 record, while the Plainmen owned a 16-1 mark. Bethlehem handed Shen its lone loss of the season earlier this season in Clifton Park.

Bethlehem maintained its one-game lead over Shen in the league standings by beating Shaker 25-6, 25-15 and 25-10 last Friday. Mike Marshman led the Eagles with 10 kills.

Check www.spotlight-news.com for results of Tuesday's match.

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Eagles

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Kara Carmen, Lexi Fehervari and Michaela Bianca also scored goals for Guilderland, and Ali Cardinal added two assists.

The Lady Dutch had an 18-7 advantage in shots over Averill Park (0-13-2).

Bethlehem kept pace with Guilderland by beating

Mohonasen 4-1 last Thursday in Rotterdam.

Teal tallied twice, and Briana Swete contributed a pair of assists for the Lady Eagles. Jackie Kearney and Cassie Smith also scored, while Nickles had 11 saves in goal.

Tiara Krusinski scored Mohonasen's lone goal, and goalie Kelly O'Brien made six saves.

Guilderland finished its regular season Monday by traveling to Colonie.

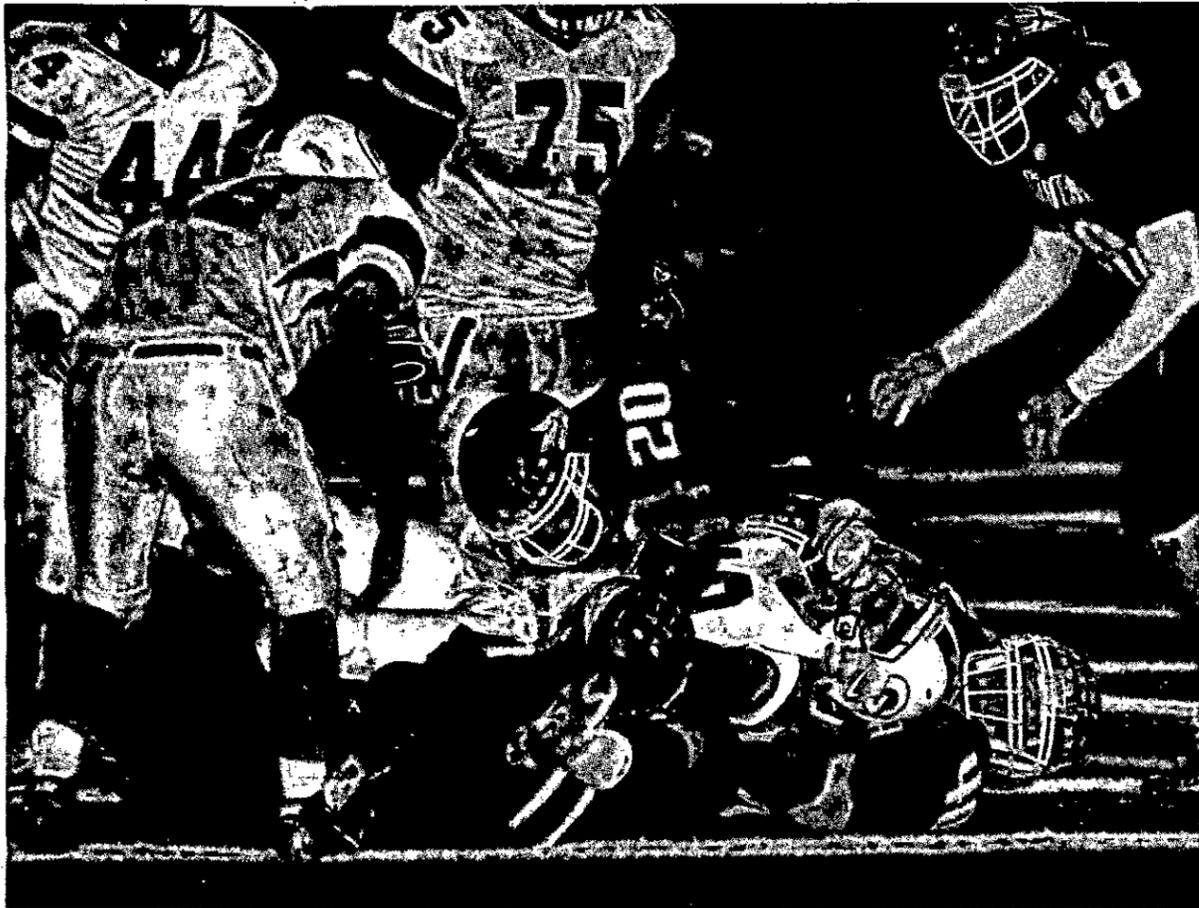


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Guilderland quarterback Tim O'Connor (10) is brought down by three Columbia defenders during last Friday's Section II Class AA quarterfinal game in East Greenbush. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

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Dutch

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defensive line dominated the action in the first half."

Bethlehem will try to bounce back from its loss to Niskayuna when it hosts Bishop Maginn Thursday in a crossover game. The Golden Griffins (5-3) were eliminated from the Class A playoffs with a loss to Queensbury last Friday.

"They have a lot of team speed and some good skill players," Leach said of Maginn. "It will be fun to play a different type of team."

In other Section II play-off action last weekend, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk (6-2) advanced to the Class B semifinals with a 17-14 win against Schuylerville.

Harland Hoose broke a 14-14 tie midway through the fourth quarter with a 25-yard field goal for the Indians. The RCS defense took over from there, as it stopped Schuylerville's offense to preserve the victory.

The Indians took a 14-0 lead with a pair of first-quarter touchdowns. Tailback Cameron Greco scored on a 26-yard run, and Connor Zeoli added a 14-yard scoring strike to Ryan Rivers.

Schuylerville closed the gap on Ryan Mulligan's 4-yard touchdown run in the second quarter, but the two-point conversion failed. That proved to be critical as the Black

quarter on Austin Cook's 27-yard touchdown run and Mulligan's conversion pass to Ryan Carte.

Schuylerville kept RCS out of the end zone in the second half, but Hoose's 25-yard field goal proved to be too much for the Black

Horses to overcome.

Greco rushed for 104 yards to lead the Indians, who advanced to Friday's Class B semifinal game at Schalmont. The Sabres (8-0) eased past Hudson 47-0 in their quarterfinal game last weekend.

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Sports in the Spotlight

Shaker eases to county title

BC boys team places second to Blue Bison

The Shaker boys cross country team turned in a dominating performance at last Friday's Albany County Meet at Colonie Town Park.

Shaker runners swept the top four places to lead the Blue Bison to the team title with 17 points. Bethlehem was second with 55 points, while Berne-Knox-Westerlo edged Guilderland 97-101 for third place.

Mike Libruk led the Shaker pack with a first-place time of 15:44.13. Jon Vallecorsa was second with a time of 15:50.55, and Christian Delago - in his first invitational meet following an early-season injury - placed third with

a time of 16:10.48. Adam Schwenzfeier (fourth place, 16:14.48) and Ryan Recchia (seventh, 16:24.20) rounded out Shaker's top five runners.

Luke Carpinello paced Bethlehem with a fifth-place finish in a time of 16:18.94. McKinley Gray was ninth with a time of 16:32.04, while Ben Fishbein finished 11th with a time of 16:34.07. Matt Crawford placed 13th with a time of 16:40.76, and Chris Shaw took 17th place with a time of 17:03.82.

Guilderland placed its front five runners in a pack between 15th and 25th place. Nico Turek (15th place, 16:53.33) led the Dutchmen, followed by Knute Armstrong (16th, 16:56.10), Nathan Scott (21st, 17:24.62), Alex Campione (24th, 17:29.24)

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Dutch bedeviled by Smith

Columbia RB gains 285 yards in quarterfinal

By ROB JONAS
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Early in the second half, the Guilderland football team had a 12-0 lead on Columbia.

Then, Christopher Smith went to work.

Smith rushed for 285 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Blue Devils (7-1) to a 40-19 victory over the Dutchmen in last Friday's Section II Class AA quarterfinal game in East Greenbush.

"That's a good power running football team we faced tonight," said Guilderland coach Dan Penna. "We knew it was going to be difficult."

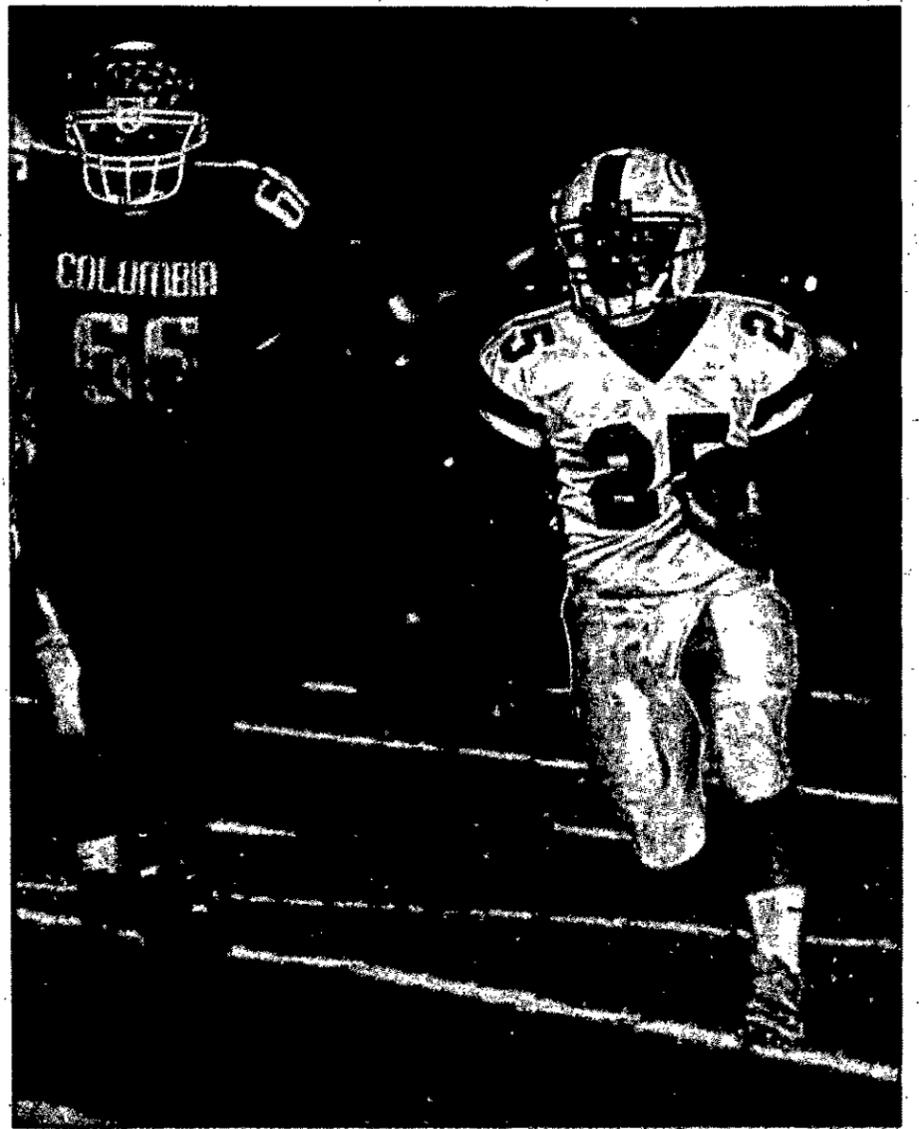
Things looked good for the Dutchmen (4-4) after they scored two early touchdowns. The first came on Tony Stanish's 12-yard scoring run, and the second came on Tim O'Connor's 26-yard sprint.

Smith changed the momentum with one play, though. The junior found a hole on the sideline and took off on a 66-yard touchdown run to bring Columbia to life.

"We were waiting for a big play, and Chris Smith was fortunate enough to find a hole and break off a big run," said Columbia coach Craig Cavotta.

Smith wasn't done, yet. He led the Blue Devils on another second quarter drive that he capped with a 1-yard touchdown run to give Columbia a 13-12 lead. Smith's third touchdown came on a 26-yard run to cap a 94-yard Columbia scoring drive that consumed more than seven minutes of the third quarter.

"It comes down to controlling the line of



Guilderland's Stephen Polsinelli runs wide during last Friday's Section II Class AA quarterfinal game against Columbia in East Greenbush. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

scrimmage," said Penna. "We knew we needed to slow down their running game, and we didn't do that well."

Columbia's lead grew to 26-12 before Guilderland made a bid to get back in the game. Stephen Polsinelli capped a Dutchmen drive with a 6-yard touchdown run that cut the deficit to seven points with more than six minutes left in the fourth quarter.

Columbia sealed Guilderland's fate with a pair of late touchdowns. Jacob Faas caught a 25-yard scoring pass from John Stanley, and Patrick

Keegan added a 2-yard touchdown run.

O'Connor threw for 71 yards and rushed for 52 yards to lead Guilderland, which had a three-game winning streak snapped. "We didn't execute well with our fundamentals, but I was proud of the fight that we had," said Penna.

Guilderland closes out the regular season with a crossover game against Niskayuna (4-4). The Silver Warriors are coming off a 34-7 crossover win against Bethlehem last Friday.

"That was the first game where we didn't play well," said Bethlehem coach

Rick Leach. "We were on our heels right from the opening drive, and we stayed on our heels the rest of the game."

Niskayuna broke the game open with four touchdowns in the second quarter. Nate Martin capped two of the Silver Warriors' four scoring drives with short touchdown runs, and quarterback Rob Singleton added a 13-yard scoring strike to Reed Williams to make the score 34-0 at halftime.

"We didn't move the ball at all, especially in the first half," said Leach. "Their

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Lady Eagles finish strong

Teal tallies four times for BC on Senior Night

The Bethlehem girls soccer team wrapped up its regular season Saturday with a 4-1 victory over Columbia in a Suburban Council South Division game in Delmar.

Tara Teal had her best individual performance of the season on Senior Night in Bethlehem. The senior forward scored all four of the Lady Eagles' goals with assists coming from Autumn Feteroff, Dana Donnelly and Elle Lutz.

Goaltender Katie Nickles made nine saves for Bethlehem, which finished its regular season with an 11-3-2 Suburban Council record. The Lady Eagles finished second to Guilderland (11-2-2) in the South Division standings after the Lady Dutch swept them in their two meetings this season.

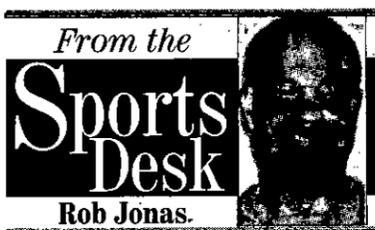
Guilderland locked up the division title with last Thursday's 6-0 victory over Averill Park. Jess Capone scored two goals and added an assist to lead the Lady Dutch.

Lauren Kogelman,

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Soccer Sectionals kick into action this weekend

As the Section II football playoffs hit the semifinal round this weekend, soccer Sectionals are getting underway. So, let's take a look at the leading contenders in classes AA, A, B and C (records listed were as of Monday morning).



Boys Class AA

Top contenders: Shenendehowa (14-1-0), Bethlehem (12-0-3)

Second tier: Colonie (9-6-0), Guilderland (8-4-3), Shaker (7-6-2)

No Suburban Council team has been more stingy in allowing goals than Shen (eight goals in 15 games), primarily because the Plainsmen do a good job of controlling possession of the ball in the midfield. That same ball control in the middle has helped Shen establish a solid attack up front with several players contributing on the scoring front.

Bethlehem was the only team to beat Shen this

season, and the Eagles are even stronger now than they were on Sept. 20 when they beat the Plainsmen 2-1. Forward Zach Rockmore is back from a hip injury that kept him out for much of the season, and he's made up for lost time with nine goals and two assists over his first five games. The combination of Rockmore and Ethan Gunty makes the Eagles dangerous.

Guilderland, Colonie and Shaker have all looked solid this season, but they only have an outside chance of preventing a Shen-Bethlehem final.

Boys Class A

Top contenders: South Glens Falls (12-3-1), Albany Academy (10-3-1)

Second tier: Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake (7-6-2), Scotia-Glenville (11-4-1), Mohonasen (7-8-0)

This is traditionally one of the toughest classes to predict, and this year is shaping up to be no different. South High and Academy have both played well in their respective leagues, but BH-BL, Scotia-Glenville and Mohonasen are all capable of winning the Sectional title.

Scotia-Glenville has picked up its play of late with four consecutive wins to close out the Foothills Council season. The Tartans also handed Foothills champion

Broadalbin-Perth (13-0-3) one of its three ties this season, and half of their four losses have been by a goal to South High. Scotia-Glenville is a dangerous team in this field.

BH-BL and Mohonasen should also be considered threats to win the Sectional title. Both teams have been competitive within the Suburban Council as Class A schools, which usually bodes well for a long playoff push. They both bear watching closely.

Boys Class B

Top contenders: Broadalbin-Perth (13-0-3), Ichabod Crane (13-0-0)

Second tier: Schalmont (10-5-0)

On the surface, there doesn't seem to be much that can prevent a clash between Colonial Council champion Ichabod Crane and Foothills Council champ Broadalbin-Perth in the Class B final. But I put Schalmont in here for a reason.

The Sabres have been on a roll since a 5-0 loss to Ichabod Crane Sept. 17. They have won seven of their last eight games and scored five or more goals six times in that stretch. Along the way, they defeated two

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