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## Water system may tap town lawsuit

By Michael Hallisey

As Bethlehem draws ever closer to finding reasons for its new water system's lack of performance, a few residents are smelling a lawsuit.

Town officials, however, said it's too early to say.

The town board unanimously agreed to allow LeBouef, Lamb, Greene & MacRae, the law firm the town retained three months ago, to hire Pennsylvania engineering firm Gannett Fleming.

Gannett Fleming was selected over three other firms, including O'Brien & Gere, to take a closer look at the design and physical plant of the Schermerhorn Island Infiltration System in Cedar Hill.

Gannett Fleming's services will cost Bethlehem \$8,250. Its review is expected to take a month to complete.

In August, O'Brien & Gere stated the present water plant, without silt, would draw at most 4.3 million gallons per day.

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## Deaf woman marks another first

By Katherine McCarthy

On Sept. 11, Delmar resident Brenda Rotolo received the first Bishop Howard Hubbard Scholarship for full tuition toward a master's at Saint Bernard's Institute, a graduate school of theology and ministry in Albany.

For Rotolo, this was another in a long line of firsts. Rotolo was born profoundly deaf, and was the first child to be mainstreamed in her BOCES school district of Saratoga County, where she lived as a small child.

Rotolo was born in 1969, and in 1971, her parents learned that she was deaf. Rotolo's mother, Jaime Rotolo, took her daughter to the Communications Clinic at Albany Medical Center, where, for three and a half years, Brenda learned to speak by watching herself in a mirror, and holding her hand on her throat to feel the sounds she couldn't hear.

"If it wasn't for my mother being so strong," Rotolo said, "I never would have learned to speak. Once, I was so mad, I threw a shoe at my teacher. I remember feeling 'Why are you doing this? Why are you torturing me?' I was very angry as a child; now I'm very thankful."

With hearing aids, Rotolo has normal hearing ability. She can speak on the telephone, and is okay in a group of up to five people. Her speech sounds only like



Bishop Howard J. Hubbard presents a scholarship to Brenda Rotolo.

she has a slight speech impediment, and she is quick to answer and quite conversant with everyday slang. Although she did grade school at a slightly slower pace than her classmates, she was fine on her own throughout the early years. "In grade school, not everyone articulates perfectly," Rotolo said. "The teachers work much more one-on-one with the children, often asking them to repeat something they've said."

In junior high school, Rotolo began to work with an interpreter, and learned sign language. The interpreter, who did not use sign language, helped Rotolo figure out who was saying what and when in the classroom.

The difficulty of work also increased in junior high. "The homework was harder, and the reading level was harder," Rotolo

said. Thoughts and sentences that came easily to other children required much more work on Rotolo's part. "A sentence

## Mother perseveres

By Katherine McCarthy

The story of Brenda Rotolo's success is also the story of her mother's perseverance. Jaime Rotolo is matter-of-fact about all that she did for the daughter who was diagnosed profoundly deaf at 2-years-old, and was told she'd finish high school at the age of 21 with an eighth-grade reading level.

"I was determined that nobody would take my child away from me," Rotolo said. "There were no mainstreaming laws when Brenda was getting

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like 'Children, we're going to the store' comes naturally to most junior high students," Rotolo said. "I had to memorize

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## Jews celebrate holiday with symbolic foods

By Linda DeMattia

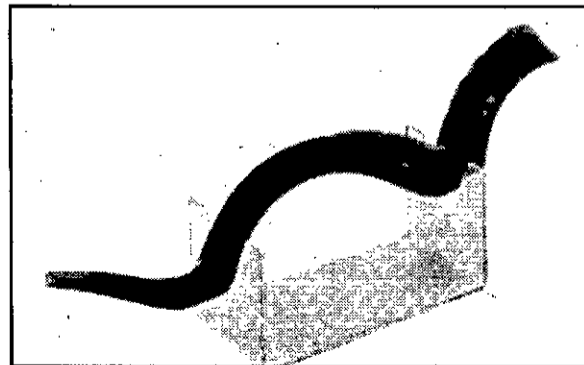
As darkness falls tonight, Jewish families throughout the Capital District will gather to celebrate Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year, the year 5758. While there are many common threads that will

Congregation Ohav Shalom in Albany. "Kids come home from college, we have a big dinner, and we invite our family and friends, Jewish and non-Jewish. We especially love to have our non-Jewish friends come because it is such a warm, happy time." Many families will spend the day in prayer at Temple, Piper said. Then all will gather for a big dinner. Common to all tables will be sweets, Piper said.

"We like to bring in the New Year with sweetness, so we have apples, which also represent the harvest, dipped in honey," Piper said. Also common to all tables is the round chalah bread, according to Piper's wife, Shari.

"Chalah bread is round and sweet and represents a sweet, full year that goes in a circle," she said. While long, braided chalah bread is eaten weekly for the Sabbath, it is only on Rosh Hashana that it is round. Raisins are also added for Rosh Hashana for more

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Rosh Hashana is ushered in by the blowing of the shofar.

join them with Jews celebrating all over the world, each family has its own traditions that they enjoy at this festive time.

"It is a warm, social event," said Neil Piper, who with his family is a member of

## Town looks to collect

Building likely will return to tax rolls

By Michael Hallisey

The sale of the Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield building to a subsidiary of the Picotte Companies is expected to return the property to the town's tax rolls.

But how much money that will produce is yet to be determined.

The building, located where Route 85 joins New Scotland Road in Slingerlands, had been assessed at \$5.7 million, but sold for just \$2 million.

"If that sale does indeed reflect the true

market value of the property, the assessment will go down," said Town Assessor David Leafer. "Even though the assessment may be lower than before, the town will be getting the property back onto the tax rolls. Either way, we win."

Despite the \$3.7 million difference between the selling price and the assessed value, Empire spokeswoman Deborah Bohran said, "We believe we got a good and fair price for the property."

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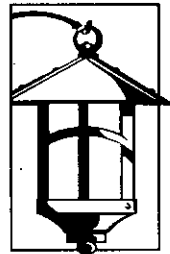
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# Stewart's needs variance for Delaware and Elm store

By Michael Hallisey

Stewart's, the dominant local convenience store chain, has its eyes on the corner of Elm and Delaware avenues in Delmar, a plot of land which has been nothing but the ghost of a former gas station for 13 years.

Stewart's has been interested in the property almost since Gulf moved out in 1984. "for years, in fact decades," said Stewart's real estate representative Tom Lewis.



This long-vacant former gas station may become the site of the fourth Stewart's in Bethlehem. Michael Hallisey

But before the first pot of coffee is brewed, Stewart's must deal with issues of traffic congestion and whether it can sell alcohol within 250 feet of Bethlehem Central High School property.

Town zoning law prohibits selling alcohol within 250 feet of a public or parochial school property, so Stewart's needs a variance from the zoning board of appeals.

Lewis said Stewart's will argue the entrance to the high school is more than 1,000 feet from their proposed store.

"I measured out by hand," said Lewis, "and the distance of the property to the entrance of the school is more than 1,000 feet."

However, the Mobil gas station, with a small store that sells soft drinks, cigarettes and snacks, does not sell alcohol either.

Property owned by the Delmar Presbyterian Church is also within 250 feet of the intersection.

What had stopped Stewart's from moving onto the parcel in the past was the lot's size. At a little more than 21,000 square feet, Lewis said Stewart's would not have been able to sell gas.

So, they won't sell gas there, Lewis said.

In 1986, Cumberland Farms bought the lot to build one of their gas stations and retail stores. However, the ZBA never approved that proposal.

The board thought at the time having a retail store — like a

Stewart's — would bring more traffic to an intersection frequently used by school buses.

Board members were also concerned the Cumberland Farms would become a hangout for high school students.

"We think our reputation is good enough in the town," said Lewis, noting that Stewart's has three stores in Bethlehem, and three more near the town line.

"We would have no difficulty if

the board requests a traffic study," said Lewis. "However, Stewart's has learned over the years who our customers are. And 80 percent of our customers comes from bypass traffic. We are not traffic generators. We are not a destination like a supermarket or mall. Our customers are already on the road."

Town Building Inspector John Flanigan disagreed.

Asked if traffic would be a prob-

lem, Flanigan said, "I would think it would be. But that's up for the board to decide."

As motorists drive by now, they see a site littered with broken bottles and five-foot-high stalks of weeds surrounding a brown, metal canopy.

For years, it has been a hangout for high school students and neighborhood kids.

"Life is boring," is inscribed on a piece of plywood, where a gas station attendant used to sit behind a pane of glass more than a decade ago.

"A part of the case that I have to make to the zoning board is they have to weigh whatever issues to approve a Stewart's versus the reality of the future of that site," said Lewis.

Four years ago, a variance was granted for a two-story office building on the site, as well as property west of the corner owned by John and Gloria LaForte. But the project was never built because it was discovered the land had been contaminated with gasoline.

"What is contaminated has been polluted for many, many years," said Lewis. "One of the assets Stewart's brings as an applicant is our experience dealing with pollution. We always follow DEC regulations and have a good rapport with them because we understand the rules."

The ZBA has set a public hearing on the variance for Wednesday, Oct. 15.

## Pollution resurfaces at North Road

### DEC resumes paying for home filters

By Dev Tobin

The North Road pollution saga has taken an unexpected turn, as pollution readings spiked up this summer after the state Department of Environmental Conservation ended its remediation program.

"We shut the air stripper and pumping system to see if (pollution levels) would rebound, and they did," said Allan Geisendorfer, regional spill engineer for DEC.

DEC suspended the remediation program May 19 and reactivated it July 23 after a recovery well found 275 parts per billion of methyl tert butyl ether (MtBE), more than five times the limit established for drinking water.

MtBE is a gasoline additive that DEC officials believe got into the groundwater after an unreported spill in May 1995 by Kleen Resources, a state spill cleanup contractor.

Wells for about a dozen residences on North and Upper Flat Rock roads were affected by the spill.

For more than two years, the state paid for bottled water and filtration systems, but refused to pay for an extension of the Clarksville Water District.

DEC officials had told residents whose wells had been contaminated by the spill at the Kleen Resources property that the state would no longer fund water filtration and treatment after July.

In a late September letter to residents, Geisendorfer explained that DEC will now pay for filtration through Nov. 30, and reimburse residents for any filtration expenses they had incurred over the summer.

The state attorney general's office is now attempting to recover the state's costs, in excess of \$400,000, from Kleen Resources, which abandoned the North Road site and moved to East Greenbush

after the unreported spill came to light two years ago.

"This confirms there is still contamination there," said Dean Sommer, attorney for the town of New Scotland in the matter.

Sommer said the town will continue to press for a permanent solution to the North Road pollution problem.

"Given the continuous uncertainty caused by the actions of a state spill contractor, the most effective response would be for the state to extend the water line at the polluter's expense," Sommer said.

With the re-appearance of the pollution, Sommer said the state now faces the prospect of "operating this system forever," a costly project that would not be necessary were the state to "have the polluter provide the funds for the water line."

A resident affected by the spill who did not wish to be identified said, "There are little pockets of contamination that will never be cleaned up. That's why we need a water line."

A town engineering consultant estimated that the water line, about a one-mile extension through rocky soil, would cost about \$500,000.

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Dean Sommer

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## BC parents propose full-day kindergarten

By Dev Tobin

To some Bethlehem Central parents, one obvious way to make a good school district better is to have more of it — full-day kindergarten instead of the current half-day.

Parent John Clarkson made the case for full-day kindergarten to the BC school board at its recent meeting.

Clarkson called the "lack of full-day kindergarten a blemish on an otherwise exemplary school district" and "a serious competitive disadvantage."

He argued that full-day kindergarten improves students' social and educational development, and that the additional expense may partially be offset by reduced remedial and special education costs in the future.

Clarkson said more than 200 residents had signed a petition for full-day kindergarten, which he said was offered by two-thirds of the school districts in the state.

"I didn't have a hard time getting signatures, and not just from parents of young children," he said.

Clarkson noted that a new state incentive would provide an estimated \$365,000 in additional state aid to fund the transition from half-day to full-day.

He added that the aid would more than cover the estimated \$300,000 cost of the eight new teachers needed to move to full-day.

Clarkson asked that the board put the issue of full-day kindergarten formally on its agenda soon so that the board could decide on the matter for the 1998-99 school year.

Superintendent Les Loomis said the district had looked at full-day kindergarten before, and found that "the current kindergarten program meets the needs of the students."

He added that only two of the 11 Suburban Council school districts offer full-day kindergarten.

Loomis said that the state incentive aid "raises the issue again. We will analyze the new state aid package and expense implications and give careful consideration to the points advocates of full-day kindergarten are raising."

But Loomis said consideration of the full-day kindergarten issue "is not next on our agenda."

# Consignment shop should be perfect fit for Delmar

By Katherine McCarthy

Lillian Downes is the perfect advertisement for the women's consignment shop she's opening at 266 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. Glamorously coiffed and made-up, and impeccably dressed, she'd be intimidating if she weren't so friendly and enthusiastic about her new business.

Downes hopes to provide a different twist to consignment shopping while also filling a niche. The former fashion model recalls being in Scottsdale, Ariz., and going into a shop that she didn't even realize was a consignment shop.

"The store was run by a mother

and daughter, two very fashionable ladies," Downes said. "They had a mixture of new and consignment clothes, and they really knew what they were talking about."

Downes hopes to replicate that by offering new and used clothing, as well as accessories and furniture, in her shop next to Dinapoli Opticians.

Downes carries clothes in sizes 2 - 42, and will be open Tuesday through Saturday. She has paid a lot of attention to how her store looks.

"When I go into a store, I want it to feel feminine, light and bright. I want a cheery atmosphere. I've



Lillian Downes shows off a fashionable suit.

Katherine McCarthy

Downes pointed out an attractive display of larger-sized clothing. Most of her new inventory comes from a larger ladies store that she bought up. "Just because you're a larger size, it doesn't mean you can't look sharp," she said.

Downes describes consignment as a "win-win situation" for the customer. "People want quality, but not the prices you pay in a retail store," she said.

She said there are many items a woman might wear only once, like a mother-of-the-bride dress or other formal attire. Also, with all the dieting women do, sizes frequently change, leaving a surfeit of clothes that no longer fit.

Past Perfect is a 50/50 consignment shop, where clothes can be left for 60 days. Downes mostly sets the prices herself, confident that "I know my labels." Generally, clothes might sell for half to one-third what a client paid for them. She also asks if there is an item that a client might have paid more for, and so might want a higher price.

Downes is looking for stylish clothes in good shape. No stains, rips or broken zippers, and clothes should be clean and pressed.

"These clothes should look like something you'd reach into your closet and wear," she said.

Downes is also looking for classics, like the \$200 Oleg Cassini suit for sale at Past Perfect for \$60. "Also, I love anything vintage," she said, pointing out an elaborate black gunmetal evening bag. Past Perfect also sells jewelry and accessories. Downes requests that clients call and make an appointment when they have items to sell.

Although she has hired part-time assistants, Downes is flying solo in this business venture.

"I'm 50-years-old, and I have a lot of energy," she said. "I didn't want a partner. Too many people worry about whether to make a career change in middle age. It's the great thing about our society. Women can just do this sort of thing."

tried to create that here with some antiques and nice furniture. It feels homey." Downes has also taken care with other details, like large dressing rooms, with chairs and plate glass mirrors.

"I want people to have room. Also, when it's prom gown season, customers can be comfortable trying on their dresses."

Downes, who lives in Slingerlands, thinks her Delmar location will work out very well. Although this is her first retail venture, Downes owned Act II hair

salon at the Four Corners for 10 years.

Downes is also prepared to act as a personal shopper at her store. "I plan to keep a preferred clients list," she said. "If someone is looking for something specific, and I don't have it, I'll take their name and other information, and if that item comes in, I'll just put it aside and call them."

She is also excited about working with a segment of the market that she feels is often overlooked. "There are lots of clothes for 20-year-olds," she said, "and a lot of matronly looking clothes. There's nothing for women in their mid-30s to late 50s. These are the women in their careers, and out at social events, who really need nice-looking clothes. I'd like to try to cater to that."

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## Holiday

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sweetness. Other sweet cakes can also be served, including sponge and honey cakes. For the main meal, however, families choose dishes that are their own favorites.

"There is no typical main course. We just have good, old fashioned foods that our family likes," she said. This year, the Pipers will enjoy chopped liver, vegetable latkes (pancakes) pot roast and chicken.

Because the 13 month Jewish calendar is based on lunar cycles, the holiday "moves" in relation to the Gregorian calendar. With Rosh Hashana falling mid-week this year, it is difficult for families to prepare, she said.

She praised the Bethlehem Central administration and board of education for recognizing the importance of the holidays for Jewish families by closing school for both Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. "They deserve a great deal of credit," she said. "Bethlehem Central was one of the first in the Suburban Council to close."

Debbie Sokoler, a member of Congregation Beth Emeth, said her family of five will more than quadruple as extended family comes in from downstate and Florida to celebrate together.

"It's a time to be thankful that we can be together as a family, look back on the year on the old year and look forward to the new one," she said. "We take a personal inventory of what our year was like and think about our goals and hopes for the next year." Since many members of her family have moved away from eating red meat, their main entree will be salmon, as well as the sweet cakes and chalah. "Part of the beauty of Judaism is the flexibility," she said.

"You can find a way you want to practice."

While a time for family gathering, the true significance of Rosh Hashana is that it ushers in the Jewish high holy days, according to Rabbi Scott Shpeen, of Congregation Beth Emeth. These Days of Awe culminate 10 days later with Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

"It has much more significance than the secular New Year. It is much more spiritual and introspective, a time for self-evaluation," he said. "The entire month prior to Rosh Hashana is in preparation for the high holy days. It is a time to celebrate the birth of the world, and a day of remembrance. It is a wake-up call to start thinking about how we can ask God's forgiveness. It is a time when we can reflect upon the past year, give thanks for our blessings, reflect on our struggles and renew our faith for the challenges that may be ahead of us."

During Thursday services, the New Year is ushered in with the blowing of the shofar, a ram's horn. Passages significant to the holiday are read from the Torah. On both Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, Congregation Beth Emeth holds special concurrent, age-appropriate services for children younger than the fifth-grade in the religious school wing of the synagogue, Shpeen said. Then it is time for more family togetherness.

"What we like to do after services on Thursday is to go to the orchards and pick apples for the New Year. We seem to bump into many of our friends there," he said.

The high holy days culminate on Yom Kippur, Shpeen said. It is at that time that congregation members must go to each other and ask forgiveness for any wrongs

they did to each other.

"How can you ask God's forgiveness unless you have forgiven others and sought forgiveness from those you have hurt?"

### Special ed parents plan social supper

The Special Education Parent Support Group will hold a get acquainted supper on Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 6 p.m. in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School cafeteria on Route 9 in Ravena.

All students who receive special education services and their families are invited to this covered dish supper.

New students and their families are also invited.

Bill Swartz, school superintendent; Diane Albano, director of pupil services; and Nancy Westcott, director of transportation will speak informally with parents during and after the meal.

For information, call 756-2180.

### Button club to meet at Bethlehem library

Half Moon Button Club of the Capital District will hold a meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 8, at noon at the Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Karen Kammer of Round Lake will be the hostess.

New members are always welcome.

Everyone should bring a bag lunch, coffee and tea will be provided.

## Parks & Rec provides more activities for kids

By Dev Tobin

While the kids themselves may not agree, parents, teachers and pundits are in consensus that no good comes of idleness for pre-teen and young teen-agers.

So the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department is looking to beef up its program of activities for middle-school-age youth to include half-days and vacation days this year.

"Children at this age need more structured life experiences," said Karen Hoogkamp, the department's middle school activity coordinator.

In conjunction with Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited and the Bethlehem Central school district, the department will sponsor several middle school activities a month as part of the new SCREAMS program, according to Nan Hinman, assistant administrator of the department.

SCREAMS stands for Students Craving Really Exciting Activities at the Middle School. The idea was to come up with a catchy name and related logo that would help parents, teachers and kids identify the program, Hinman said.

The previous program of weekend events was "kind of sporadic," Hinman said. "We decided there was a need for something for this age group on half-days and vacations."

The expanded program is not child care, Hinman noted, but a

"series of recreational activities on days when there is a need."

The program also provides an opportunity for "kids to go to neat places that they haven't been to," she added.

Hinman said attendance at events ranges from 25 to 300.

SCREAMS is off to a fast start already this year. Last Saturday, the program took middle schoolers to the Funplex amusement facility in East Greenbush. This Saturday, they are off to a whale watch in Gloucester, Mass.

On the tentative agenda for the school year are a trip to the Herkimer Diamond Mines on Oct. 22, a hayride at VanEtten's farm on Oct. 26, a trip to Liberty Science Museum in New Jersey on Nov. 14, roller-skating at Guptill's on Nov. 21, rock 'n' bowl at Del Lanes on Dec. 14, a sleep-over in the school on Jan. 16, the popular Fire 'n' Ice bonfire/skating/dancing party on Jan. 30, whitewater rafting on May 9, Ausable Chasm hike and rafting for sixth-graders on May 21, and a trip to Six Flags amusement park in New Jersey for eighth-graders on May 30.

Other possible activities include indoor rock climbing, horseback riding, mountain biking, canoeing and hiking.

Hoogkamp said SCREAMS will also sponsor two days full of "creative opportunities for kids to express themselves" at the middle school during the February and April vacation weeks.

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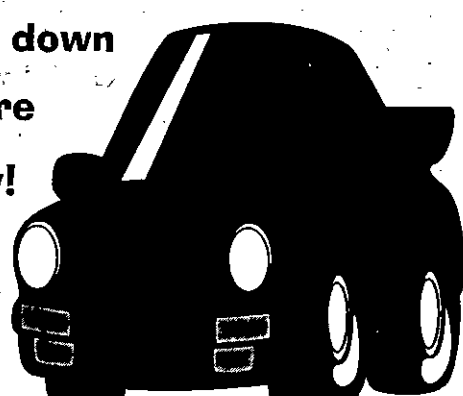
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## Matters of Opinion

### Happy Rosh Hashana

Beginning today, Jews throughout the world will celebrate Rosh Hashana, which literally means the head of the year. Rosh Hashana ushers in the year 5758 and also begins the 10 days of repentance, or 10 days of awe.

During this period of self-reflection that culminates on Yom Kippur, Jews are expected to make amends for mistakes and errors of the past year and to apologize to people they may have wronged.

It is also a period of prayer and atonement and reaching out to others in need. The blowing of the Shofar (ram's horn) is a tradition and something of a wake-up call to think about all the reasons behind the holiday.

The idea of self-reflection for Jews and non-Jews alike is probably more valid today than it ever was. In a hectic, stress-filled world, it's sometimes easy to forget or excuse our own actions and move on.

Rosh Hashana is a reminder to all to take responsibility for ourselves and hope for a sweet and Happy New Year.

### It pays to persevere

This week's stories on Jaime and Brenda Rotolo of Delmar are true profiles in perseverance.

Brenda, who was diagnosed as profoundly deaf when she was 2-years-old, recently won the first Bishop Howard Hubbard Scholarship with full tuition to continue her studies for a master's degree in theology and ministry at St. Bernard's Institute in Albany.

But this very happy ending might not have ever happened were it not for Jaime's determination at every educational step of the way to help her daughter get much more than was ever expected she could achieve.

And Brenda now realizes how right her mother was to insist on "mainstreaming" and fight for it. Although Brenda said she resented her mother's determination when she was a child, she is now extremely grateful to her mother for forcing her to get on the school bus even though she would have rather stayed home.

Both of these women show what can be accomplished in spite of a handicap and in spite of obstacles from the system. Insisting that Brenda get a chance to be mainstreamed, when the practice was not in place, took courage, to be sure.

Both women are an inspiration to all of us to not give up in spite of the odds that most of us feel are insurmountable at some point in our lives.

We congratulate the Rotolos for their strength, their courage and their perseverance.

### Time to spruce up

Fall is a great time to shore up and spruce up the house, and this week's special Home Improvement supplement has some wonderful tips on how to help you get some of those projects taken care of.

Sometimes even the smallest project can brighten up a home throughout the winter.

And for those who bemoan the loss of the garden, consider planting tulips and other bulbs to ensure early color around your home in the spring.

If you're at a loss as to how to redecorate a room or rooms, take a look at the article on interior decorators to see if that might be the route for you to take. The decorator in this story will even come to your home with thousands of samples for you to consider.

And if your main concern is saving energy, look into household controls where computers regulate the temperature so the house is kept cooler when no one is home and warms up when you and your family return after work or school.

This type of home improvement pays for itself over the long run.

## Inside tips for visiting night

By James Yeara

The writer is an English teacher at Bethlehem Central High School.

We'll be wearing business suits or business dresses, name tags neatly scripted and shining morning faces newly shaved or painted, our smiles a welcome any professional hostess would envy.

Our sales pitches will be rehearsed, with a few suggestions from the bosses upstairs, and the brochures will be hot off the Xerox.

But it won't be a Lexus or a Honda or a Ford or a even a Rambler being sold; it's a school open house, and while the experience has about as much in common with what goes on in the classroom every day as looking at cars in a showroom has with driving on the Northway during a blizzard, it's still an essential rite of passage.

Much good can come from it. I've been through open houses as a stepfather, father and, for 17 years, a teacher. The annual invitation to stroll through your child's school, kicking the tires, looking under the hood and wondering where the headlight controls are hidden, is invaluable. What follows is an unofficial, unsanctified, uncommitted "Top 10" list of suggestions to make open house more enjoyable and hassle-free.

No. 10. "Plan your route." The schools send home a map of the school and your child's schedule. Look it over. You don't want to go down the wrong way on a one-way street on your test drive.

No. 9. "Early birds get the parking spots." Parking resembles a one-day clearance sale at Macy's, so arrive early, car pool or walk.

No. 8. "Play Miss Manners." Say hello. Shake hands. You'd be amazed how forgotten simple com-

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mon courtesy is. It's really your showroom after all.

No. 7. "Play Marlin Perkins." Walk around the school; you came early, remember? Walk around the classroom. What's of value here? Look over the environment; play naturalist. Imagine what it would be like to take a class here for 43 minutes or six hours. What's being stimulated, or dampened?

No. 6. "It's a test drive, not the Indy 500." We apologize in advance, but time is limited and we can't get into individual specifics. Check with your child in advance how he/she is doing, and then follow it up with a phone call after the open house. You want an overview, not an oil change, lube job and tire rotation.

No. 5. "Don't play Mulder and Scully." This is a social get-together, not an ambush. You want to meet the teacher, not tenderize him or her. There's an old proverb that's applicable: "If you promise not to believe everything your child says happens at this school, I'll promise not to believe everything he says happens at home."

No. 4. "You're standing too close to this car. Please back away." There are some excellent and useful parent groups that will be congregating in the cafeterias. All the good teachers I know encourage and enjoy parent involvement. Yet this is the toughest call of the night. You're here for a test drive and that begins with the teacher in the classroom. He/she should be your best ally: the engine, transmission and rack and pinion steering. You want to spend as much time with the teacher as possible.

Yet the politics of school districts can be more invidious than the city council meetings of Sodom and Gomorrah, and more incestuous than Thanksgiving at Oedi-

pus and Jocasta's, so unless you're running for political office or serving warrants, simply drive by the cafeteria and connect with the excellent parent groups later with a phone call.

No. 3. "Inertia is a powerful force." A former teacher told me that just before she retired. There are powerful forces that can lead to hesitation and engine knock here. "Inert We Trust" seems to be the motto for some. Ask about "shared decision-making." It's a state mandate for education, and the best hope for the future. The success I've had as a teacher and director convinces me that sharing power is better than wielding power as a club simply to hold on to the club. Democracy is a good thing; oligarchy isn't; and ignorance is bad. You want a quality mechanic, but watch out if he uses a hammer to change a spark plug.

No. 2. "Everyone who remembers his own educational experience remembers teachers, not methods and techniques." I've been fortunate enough to win five National Endowment for the Humanities grants to study at universities with renowned professors and teachers from all over the country, yet some of the finest teachers I've met taught in the Bethlehem school district. I've learned a lot from them. Go play pirate; find the buried treasures. Ask questions about our backgrounds, what the class will be doing, works/topics covered, what we'd like to be doing in the class, special projects, field trips. Field trips and special projects are often the most effective, memorable and cost effective educational tool. They are the best mpg of education. Offer to chaperone; you'll be loved.

No. 1. "Ignorance is the curse of God/Knowledge the wing wherewith we fly to heaven." Henry VI, Part II. Whenever in doubt, simply quote Shakespeare. And never buy a used car that you are told was only driven by a little old lady on Sundays.

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## Your Opinion Matters

## Frustrating experience shows need for change

Editor, The Spotlight:

We are writing to remind Bethlehem voters of the important decision in selecting a town justice in November. Our experience with the court over the last several years illustrates a change is needed.

We brought suit in Bethlehem town court against a local merchant for failing to deliver services we had paid for. A company the merchant had been doing business with to obtain our services went bankrupt, and the merchant refused to return our money.

The case was heard in December 1993 after a nine-month wait to get a hearing date, and several months delay before that for a judge to recuse himself because of a conflict of interest.

At the trial, which involved only three witnesses and took less than two hours, the judge said he would have a decision within 30 days. Almost four years later, we still have no decision.

Recently, court officials advised us that they think they have lost our file. Our calls to the court and letters from our attorney Ken

Munnelly seeking information about the status of the case over the last four years have gone unanswered.

The frustration we have experienced in this case inspired Mr. Munnelly to become a candidate for town justice. We firmly believe Mr. Munnelly is committed to creating an effective court that discharges its responsibilities in a fair and timely manner.

We encourage Bethlehem residents to vote for Ken Munnelly so that no one else has to go through what we have.

Peter and Dawn Lannon  
Delmar

## Town needs development office

Editor, The Spotlight:

Drove to Johnson Stationers — it was closed. Drove to Green's Appliances — it was closed. Drove to Speedy Photo — it was closed. Drove to Woolworth's — got a bargain because it's almost closed.

Why in the town of Bethlehem are there so many closed doors?

One by one, businesses in the town are leaving and buildings are left vacant. Yet, taking a closer look at the town's attributes, one wonders why businesses are leaving.

Bethlehem's proximity to Albany, the port and the rail system are pluses for light industry. Its school system is highly rated, and

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its residential neighborhoods are inviting.

Creating an office of economic development with a full-time person would provide the town with the tools, experience and knowledge it needs to target opportunities that would benefit everyone. Planning decisions would be focused on goals and objectives and would not appear arbitrary.

When Woolworth's announced it was leaving Delaware Plaza, many residents were already aware of its impending departure. We were looking for some leader-

ship, some plan, but none was put forward by the town. Why not?

If the "Spurlock fiasco" (Spotlight editorial Sept. 10) is an indication of how the town conducts its business, then an office of economic development is long overdue.

A plan, the process and accountability are not only necessary, but economic demands in today's business environment.

Susan Burns

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Burns is a Democratic candidate for town board.

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# Resident would like to see change on Bethlehem board

Editor, The Spotlight:

The all-Republican Bethlehem town board recently demonstrated why we need at least one non-Republican on our board.

At the Sept. 24 meeting, the town board unanimously approved, without any discussion, an appropriate

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tion of \$8,250 for engineering fees and \$20,000 for legal fees to study well yield and possible legal recourse relating to a failed water supply.

This will be the fifth engineering firm involved in this water system. The town paid O'Brien & Gere \$5,000 for a study of declining well yield. They reported that the infiltration gallery would not produce six million gallons per day and recommended that an evaluation should be made of water quality, cost, well yield and regulatory constraints.

The board, without any discussion, appropriated \$30,000 to study only well yield and failed to request the engineering firm to evaluate water quality and cost and regulatory constraints.

A ground water source cannot be developed at the current location that will produce six million gallons per day. One alternative

would be to tap the Hudson River. Did O'Brien & Gere recognize the problem when they recommended evaluation of water quality, cost and regulatory constraints?

Does the town board have a face-saving hidden agenda to work out a cash settlement deal, relating only to well yield? On the surface, our elected officials might consider this a victory, but would still leave Bethlehem taxpayers with an inadequate water supply of poor quality.

The \$600,000 ozone unit is not being operated, which might reduce the trihalomethanes, and odor measurements are not routinely performed.

Separation of the two water systems is based on an administrative decision and not a town board resolution.

Let's hope that the water issue becomes a political issue in the November election and the taxpayers determine if we need a more responsive and open government.

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## Your Opinion Matters

# Writer fears Bethlehem ALS service is being compromised

Editor, The Spotlight:

A few weeks ago, The Spotlight ran an article concerning the town of New Scotland signing up with Advanced Life Support (ALS) service of Albany County. This was the result of negotiations between the town and the county that actually went into effect midsummer.

I don't think Bethlehem residents know the full extent of what this arrangement means.

I've been monitoring police and rescue calls for years with a scanner. Changes are beginning to take place that have me very concerned. Unfortunately, many Bethlehem residents probably aren't even aware of this excellent service unless they or someone they know has required emergency medical treatment since our ALS program went into effect.

In 1996, Bethlehem paid a start-up fee of \$419,000 for 24-hour coverage by two paramedics, state-of-the-art medical equipment and two vehicles, one stationed in Glenmont and the other at the firehouse in Delmar. This year, our cost was about \$300,000.

Until now, we were well-covered when someone had a medical emer-

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gency. Response time for calls could be as fast as five minutes.

Now that New Scotland has signed on, the medics are being sent out more frequently to Voorheesville and rural areas of New Scotland. This in turn is beginning to compromise response time for treatment of Bethlehem residents, since the remaining ALS medics must cover twice their normal territory.

Frequently, emergency calls run in pairs. When one of our ALS medics is on a call for New Scotland, the medic in Bethlehem has double duty to perform. There are ALS medics stationed in Coeymans and Knox, but distance does not allow them to treat potential life-and-death situations for Bethlehem residents.

When this "blending" of coverage for Bethlehem and New Scotland first came to my attention in early May, I contacted Thomas Fargione, ALS coordinator, and Sheila Fuller, our town

supervisor.

Inspector Fargione replied immediately, but employed PR rhetoric to try to lessen my concern.

In contrast, Ms. Fuller took six weeks to reply. She also gave little satisfaction to my pointed questions regarding possible repercussions of widening Bethlehem's territory to include New Scotland.

The fee for New Scotland for ALS service for the remainder of the year is only \$37,000. According to an article in *The Spotlight*, the fee for next year will be \$75,000. This is a pittance compared to what Bethlehem has invested.

I am baffled and perplexed about how New Scotland is getting off so cheaply, especially when

this newspaper ran an ad just a few weeks ago showing the average yearly income for both our towns. There was less than a \$1,000 difference per household!

All financial information I've obtained regarding ALS service has come from either *The Spotlight* or the *Times Union* data base library.

This isn't a volunteer service. Bethlehem taxpayers spend a substantial amount to provide ALS service, and we should be entitled to have the fine coverage we had before the New Scotland arrangement.

If a relative falls and breaks a Delmar

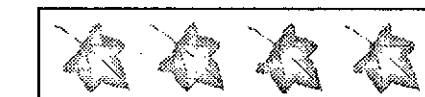
hip, goes into cardiac arrest, or your child has an accident requiring emergency medical treatment, don't you want quality care and the quickest response for your loved ones?

This could become much more difficult for Bethlehem residents who are entitled to and are paying for quality care and the quickest response time when dealing with emergency medical situations.

Unless New Scotland gets an ALS medic of its own, Bethlehem residents will not receive the services they are paying for.

Suzanne Strickland

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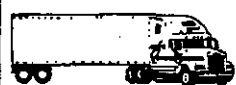
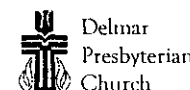
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# Friends hosting art auction at country club Sunday

Friends of the Voorheesville Public Library will host an auction of fine art on Sunday, Oct. 5, at Colonie Country Club on Route 85A. You can preview artwork from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The auction starts at 2:30 p.m.

Artwork to be auctioned is by internationally renowned artists, and is custom-framed and matted. Opening bids are up to 50 percent less than traditional framed gallery prices, and major credit cards will be accepted.

Tickets are \$10 per person in advance and \$15 at the door. Tickets are \$5 for members of Friends of the Library.

Hors d'oeuvres and champagne punch will be served. There will also be a cash bar and door prizes.

A special feature of the auction is the inclusion of artworks by several prominent local artists.

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ville has donated a piece to be auctioned. His award-winning work is represented in the collections of more than 40 colleges and universities, as well as the Smithsonian Institution, Library of Congress, Whitney Museum, Museum of Modern Art, British Museum and the Hermitage.

Works by Ed Cowley, Pauline Boissert, Jean Eaton, Joan Molloy, Bev Carhardt, Joan Lord, Ray Decker and Charles Schade will also be auctioned.

Proceeds benefit the library.

Everyone is invited to join Friends of the Library. Membership starts at \$5 for an individual and \$10 for a family.

Membership envelopes are available at the circulation desk of the library on School Road.

For information, call 75-4091.

## Fire open house set Sunday

Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual open house Sunday, Oct. 5, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the firehouse on Altamont Road.

Community members are invited to watch live fire training exercises, take a ride on a fire truck and bring home fire safety information.

Cider and doughnuts will be served. For information, call 765-4048.

## Farming program slated

Everett Rau, president of the Dutch Barn Preservation Society, will present a program on Early

American farming at a meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road in New Salem.

Rau will discuss the transition from early farming practices to current techniques. He will also display early carpentry tools.

Everyone in the community is invited to this free program. Refreshments will be served.

## Garden club to meet at library

The Helderview Garden Club's next meeting is set for Thursday, Oct. 2, at 7 p.m. in the community room of the public library on School Road.

The group will be making decorations for its entry in the Festival of Trees at the Albany Institute of History and Art.

The tree will reflect Voorheesville's Victorian railroad era.

Participants should bring small paint brushes, scissors and glue

guns to the meeting.

The garden club is sponsoring a daffodil drive in conjunction with the village of Voorheesville's Centennial Committee. Bulbs will be sold on Saturdays, Oct. 4 and 18, from 8 a.m. to noon at SuperValu Market on Maple Avenue.

For information, call Marilyn Doyle at 765-4736.

## Church to dish up Saturday breakfast

New Salem Reformed Church on Route 85 will serve an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Breakfast costs \$4 for adults and \$2.75 for children ages 6 to 10. Children age 5 and under eat for free.

For information, call 765-2354 or 765-3468.

## Star gazers planning party

Albany Area Amateur Astronomers will host a free star party on Saturday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. at Thacher Park.

Participants should meet at the swimming pool parking lot behind park headquarters dressed warmly.

The party will be canceled if skies are mostly cloudy.

For information, call 872-1237.

## High school open house

Open house at the high school is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 8 p.m.

The PTA will be selling Entertainment and Value books, as well as excuse pads, bumper stickers and pennants. Voorheesville sweatshirts, hats and jackets will be on display and can be ordered.

There will be a drawing for an Entertainment and a Value book. Chances are two for \$1.

## Banking sparks interest in students

Banking at the elementary school through Cohoes Savings Bank starts on Tuesday, Oct. 7, and will be held every Tuesday. The interest rate is 5.5 percent.

Children can pick up an application to open an account any Tuesday during lunch at the banking table.

Volunteers are needed to help with the program. Training will be provided at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 7.

To help out, call Carolyn Larsen at 765-4124 or Linda Pasquali at 765-4990.

## Reading program to begin

Parents as Reading Partners will kick off its three-week program at the elementary school with two assemblies and workshops with the Zucchini Brothers on Monday, Oct. 6.

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# Art auction on deck for Sunday

This is the big weekend of the Gala Art Auction at Colonie Country Club.

On Sunday, Oct. 5, paintings will be on view at 1:30 p.m. followed by the auction at 2:20. Champagne and hors d'oeuvres will



complement the fine art and good company.

We invite you to come and feel free to browse without any obliga-

tion to bid. Tickets are available at the door or at a reduced rate at the library prior to the gala.

Tonight, Oct. 1, is the Watercolor Adventure with Kathy Krough from the Scotia-Glenville Children's Museum Open Window Traveling Programs for Adults.

It's a hands-on art lesson with the museum providing all the equipment, so all you have to do is be at the library at 7 p.m.

Signup is necessary — call now. The Library Club for grades-four through six holds its first meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 8. Signup is required for the monthly

program. Permission slips are available at the elementary school and at the library and must be signed by parents or guardians.

Transportation is provided by bus from the school to the library. Parents are responsible for pickup at 4:30 p.m.

This weekend marks the return to regular library hours. The library will now also be open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m.

Signups are still being accepted for the Wednesday, Oct. 15, book discussion group.

Barbara Vink

## Historical songs available on tape

"Songs and Ballads of the Anti-Rent Rebellion in New York State 1839-1889" is now available on audio tape. It was recorded live during a recent performance at Conkling Hall in Rensselaerville.

The tape includes 11 songs sung by the cast and three dance tunes. Greg Speck made the recording during the original historic musical, which was written and directed by Richard Creamer of Impulse Theatre and Dance.

A five-page sheet containing words to all the songs and a short history of the conflict is also included with each tape.

The music was cast by area folk singer George Ward.

Tapes cost \$9 each for local delivery, plus \$1.60 for mail delivery. To order, call Janet Haseley at 797-3981 or 797-3194.

Partial funding for the play came from the New York State Council of the Arts Decentralization Program which is administered by the Albany/Schenectady League of Arts.

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# Sports

## Eagles soar in homecoming game

By Andrew Hartman

Bethlehem Central's **Pat Hughes**, coming up with big plays on both sides of the ball, accentuated an overall team effort to defeat Niskayuna 7-0 on homecoming night.

Hughes scampered for a 38-yard touchdown run in the first quarter for the only touchdown in the game. And with only five seconds left in the game, Hughes at defensive back intercepted a pass in the end zone to preserve the win.

"This was a really big win for us," said senior fullback **Rick Petri**. "This game showed every-

one that we deserve respect. We have worked so hard, and have caught a lot of bad breaks, but wins like this make everything worth it."

The Silver Warriors couldn't get their offense going as runs to the inside were stymied by the Eagle defense. Efforts to pass were also stopped.

However, Bethlehem almost let the game slip away when Niskayuna made a desperate push at the end to score.

After suffering a loss on a sack from BC junior defensive back **Dan Heenan**, Niskayuna lofted a pass into the end zone with seconds

remaining, only to get picked off by Hughes.

It was a stirring game for Niskayuna head coach **John Furey** as well.

"I know a lot of people there," said Furey, a BC alumnus, before the game. "It's always exciting to play in front of big crowds."

Three years ago, Furey was looking to replace **Ken Hodge** as BC's varsity baseball coach (Furey was then coaching junior varsity), however the Bethlehem Central school board decided on longtime freshmen head coach **Jesse Braverman**.

When asked if he still held animosity towards the board's decision, Furey said, "No, this (Bethlehem Central) is a great school."

## Birds lose at home

By Meg McGinty

Voorheesville Blackbirds football team suffered a 34-0 loss to Watervliet in their homecoming game.

"I think we played really solid," said coach **John Sittig**. "Especially in the first half. I'm extremely pleased with the way the team played as a whole. The team played great football, particularly the defense. I was really impressed with **Tyler King**. Vliet played a no huddle offense, and Tyler was the one deciding the plays to run defensively."

King wasn't the only one who stood out on defense. **Mike Oliver** led the way with six unassisted tackles and an interception on the 7-yard line. **Eric Papandrea**, who played with a hurt shoulder, also had six unassisted tackles.

"Eric basically played the one side by himself," said Sittig. "He smothered Cannoneers everytime and eventually Vliet stopped moving the ball in his direction."

Voorheesville will play this Saturday against the Chatham Panthers.

## Pop Warner teams have good week

The Hawks beat New Scotland 22-0 last weekend. **Joshua Rucinski** scored in the first quarter on a 40-yard run. **Nate Pannucci** also scored on a 55-yard run in the second.

## Pop Warner

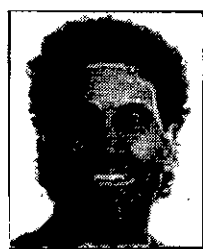
The Bethlehem Pee Wee Falcons lost 30-6 to the Albany Titans despite a touchdown run from **Dan Hjeltness** in the third quarter.

The Junior Pee Wee Condors won 12-0 Saturday night against the Gunderland Broncos. **Geoffrey Wilcox** scored the first touchdown of the game in the first quarter. **Brendan Rhatigan** ran for another touchdown in the fourth.

Bethlehem Jr. Pee Wee A beat Ballston Spa 6-0 last weekend on a defensive touchdown scored by **Brian Trombley**.

The win followed last week's 27-6 victory over Brunswick A, fueled by touchdowns scored by **Shane Connors**, **Trombley** and **Kyle Dignum**.

Connors scored twice in that game.



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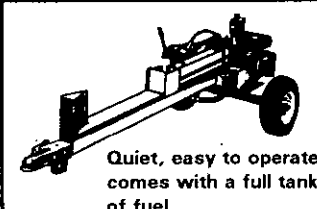
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## Eagle swimmers start off at 3-0 under rookie coach

Bethlehem Central girls varsity swim team boasted a 3-0 record going against Shaker Monday.

BC beat Albany 124-61 in a team meet Wednesday, Sept. 24 at Bethlehem Central High School.

Elyse McDonough won the 200 freestyle with the time of 2:07.50. Susan Toms won the 500 freestyle against Albany last week with a time of 5:47.38.

The resounding defeat of their Albany foes was preceded by a 99-87 team win over Niskayuna. Beth Malinowski, a sophomore transfer from Albany Academy for Girls, set a new pool record in the 500 free with a time of 5:20.4.

Malinowski had set another pool record in the 500 free during a 48-46 team win against Gunderland earlier in the season, with a time of 5:21.04.

Kathryn O'Donoghue, a junior transfer from Holy Names, won the 200 individual medley clocked at 2:24.88.

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## Ladybirds lose to Holy Names

By Andrew Walter

Voorheesville Ladybirds suffered a disappointing 1-0 loss to Holy Names last week.

The only goal of the game was scored late in the first half on a break away goal.

"We knew it was going to be a battle," said Voorheesville coach Jim Hladun. The Ladybirds controlled much of the game, especially in the second half, said Hladun.

Voorheesville's record now stands at 6-2.

The Ladybirds played Averill Park at home earlier in the week.

## BC v'ball wins

By Jeremiah Yourth

After five straight losses Bethlehem Central boys volleyball win three straight against Mohonasen, Scotia and Niskayuna.

"We played the best volleyball of the season by far," said coach Jim Lemire. "We also had the best practices of the season."

The team wrapped up the week at home against Niskayuna. A great team effort was highlighted by hits from Zack Conley, Matt Hauf and Dave Winters.

## Soccer

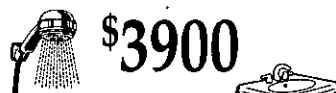
"It was a very good game for both teams," said Hladun. Voorheesville ended up with a 2-1 win.

Senior co-captain Julia Guastella scored both goals.

Guastella has nine goals scored in eight games.

Hladun said he is very optimistic going into the second half of the season. His team plays the two teams it previously lost to, Mechanicville and Holy Names, at home.

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# Freshman standout leads BC to wins **BC defeats Saratoga**

By Karly Decker

Bethlehem Central freshman **Tim Cooper** had an outstanding performance for the boys varsity soccer team this week.

On Tuesday, the team beat Shaker 4-1. Cooper led the Eagles with two goals, and **Jay Seymour** and **Kevin Russell** each scored one.

**Justin Pinchback** has seven saves in goal for BC.

On Thursday, undefeated Bethlehem went up against Shenendehowa on their home field.

Despite the efforts of **Matt**

## Boys Soccer

**Thibdeau**, who had eight saves on the game, Shen won 2-0.

The Plainsmen were able to score twice in the first half, but BC defenders **Josh Plattner**, **Greg Demarco** and **Eamon Brennon**, held Shen scoreless in the second.

"This game came down to a must win situation for Shen, and they played well enough to deserve the win," said BC coach **John Bramley**. "We'll get another chance at them home in a couple

of weeks."

Saturday, Cooper had the winning goal against Colonie, behind Thibdeau's 1-0 shutout.

## Sandy Koufax tryouts set for Oct. 4

Tryouts for the 1998 Bethlehem Sandy Koufax baseball team will be held at the new Line Drive fields on Saturday, Oct. 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For information, call **Craig Brown** at 439-5783.

By Tim Kavanagh

After defeating defending class-B champion Scotia, and Saratoga at home, the Bethlehem Central girls soccer team lost 2-0 to perennial powerhouse Niskayuna Saturday.

The team played without senior captain **Emma Samelson-Jones**, Saturday, who was out with an injury.

The teams were evenly matched, as the first goal came late in the first half on a penalty shot. The final goal was scored

with just minutes left in the game.

"We played very well against Nisky," said coach **Brett Miller**. "It was an even game and Nisky just capitalized on the chances that they took. We played without Emma, and she's very difficult to replace."

The team notched its first home victory, defeating Saratoga 3-0.

**Kate Smith** scored one goal in each half, and **Carrie Getz** added a goal in the second to slam the door on the Blue Streaks.

**Kim Comtois** needed only six saves to preserve the shutout.

"Both of my goals came off great passes," said Smith. "**Emily Haskins** had a great through-pass to set me up on the first goal and Carrie made a great pass off the corner kick to set up my second goal."


"Saratoga doesn't score that many goals," said Miller, "but they also don't give up many. So, it was great to be able to score three goals in that game."

In a break from Suburban Council competition, the girls beat class B champion Scotia 3-2.


Smith, Samelson-Jones and **Helen Bailey** each scored for BC in the first half.

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# Owning a home in the '90s still pays big dividends

During the 1980s, conventional wisdom held that buying a home, waiting a year or so, then selling it was the best "get rich quick" strategy to take advantage of skyrocketing home prices.

At the very least, real estate has always been a good, safe investment. But with a sluggish economy in the Capital District, some potential home buyers are asking if it still pays to own a home.

Owning a home, along with steady employment and obtaining an education, is a component of the "American Dream." These goals are what most people consider necessary for long-term

financial security. Of these, home ownership probably is the most difficult to achieve.

"But low mortgage rates have made home ownership more affordable now than at virtually any point during the 1980s," said J. Gregory Connors, President of the Greater Capital Association of Realtors. "Most economists believe that the economic advantages of home ownership remain hard to beat. Real estate is still a respectable shelter for savings. Add the rent you would pay if you didn't own — plus the generous tax breaks still allowed under federal and some state laws for mortgage interest payments and property taxes —

and the family home looks pretty good."

The monetary value of home ownership is measured by both

the community.

"Prospective homeowners should view paying off a mort-

**Prospective homeowners should view paying off a mortgage as a forced savings plan. Your equity then gives you extra borrowing power — important to consider if you're planning to send children to college.**

J. Gregory Connors

the equity built over the years and the tax benefits.

"These are tangible benefits realized from the time you buy until the time you close on a sale," Connors said. "In addition, prospective homeowners should consider less tangible, but significant, benefits such as privacy and establishing roots in

gage as a forced savings plan," Connors advised. "Your equity then gives you extra borrowing power — important to consider if you're planning to send children to college. In addition, you'll most likely already own that home when retirement rolls around, which will greatly lower your housing costs. If you trade

down to a smaller home, you may walk away with a sizeable return on your original investment. Additionally, new federal tax legislation protects up to \$500,000 of that gain from capital gains taxes."

As a homeowner gradually pays off his mortgage he builds up equity — money available to him when he sells. In addition to equity build-up, owning a home results in more savings than renting does, as much as 30 percent. When renting, the monthly payment doesn't build resources for the future.

And what about those who predict an unstable housing market? "The best way to hedge the uncertainty of future housing costs is to pay them in advance — become a homeowner now," Connors said.

Unlike most rental fees, fixed rate mortgage payments do not rise with the cost of living. Thus, as inflation continues, mortgage dollars become "cheaper" and easier to pay.

Home ownership also provides important social as well as economic benefits to a community. Homeowners vote and volunteer their time for political and charitable causes with more frequency than renters. The stake home ownership gives them in their community provides an incentive to be much more aware of proposals to change zoning or to build roads.

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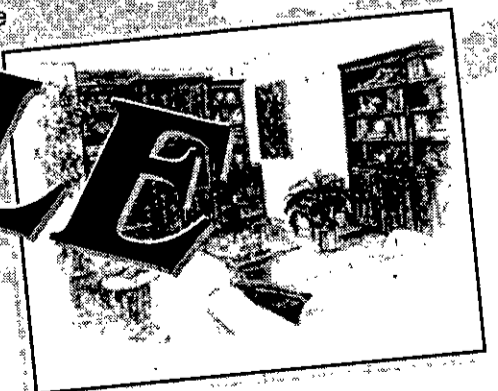
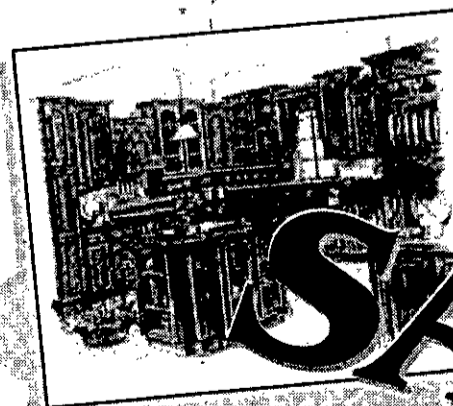
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# Computers help put homes on cruise control

By Dev Tobin

When the Bethlehem Central school district recently considered a variety of energy conservation improvements as a way to save money, the most impressive improvement was installing energy management systems in school buildings.

According to a consultant's estimate, money spent on energy management systems, which use computers to precisely regulate heating, cooling and lighting for maximum efficiency, would be paid back in energy savings in less than four years.

The payback time is somewhat longer with home automation systems, but they do a lot more than turn the furnace down and the lights off, according to Mike Tangora of Tangora Technologies of Delmar.

With his background in heating and air conditioning and a lifelong "love of controls," Tangora picked up the magazine Electronic House a couple of years ago and decided, "This is something I want to do."



Mike Tangora

Tangora installs Aegis Home Systems Plus — "Cruise Control For Your Home" — for a living, and likes them so much he has one in his own home on Orchard Street.

The Aegis system offers user-friendly full-house automation, "a programmable brain that keys in on your lifestyle," he said.

The system includes energy management, indoor and outdoor lighting controls, water detection, burglar alarm security and smoke and carbon monoxide detection, he explained.

Using motion detectors, the system can turn on lights and adjust the temperature whenever someone enters or leaves a room, Tangora said.

Aside from regulating heating, cooling and lighting, the system also provides unparalleled safety features, he said.

For example, in the event of a carbon monoxide detect, the system sounds an alarm, turns off the natural gas supply and calls as many as eight phone numbers of emergency services, family and friends, Tangora said.

In the event of a fire, the system sounds an alarm, turns on all the indoor lights to aid in escape, calls up to eight phone numbers and flashes the outdoor lights to alert emergency services to the fire location.

"You only have about 45 seconds to escape, so timing is everything," Tangora said.

On a less dire note, the system can do things like activate a home theater — dim

the lights, drop the screen, turn on the projector and start the laser disc player or VCR — at the touch of a button.

And you can access the system, for messages or to make an adjustment, from any Touch-Tone phone in the world, Tangora said.

Aegis systems have battery backup, surge protection and carry a five-year warranty. They cost from \$4,000 to \$7,000, depending on the size of the house, not much more than a good burglar security system alone, Tangora noted. With expected energy savings of 10 to 15 percent, the payback period on an Aegis system can be as little as 10 years, he added.

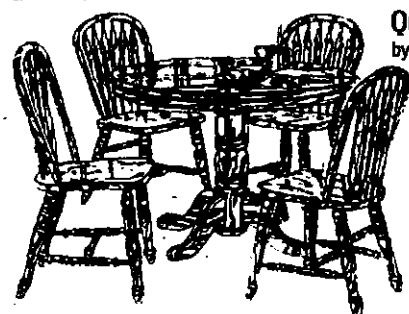
Tangora noted that the system uses a home's pre-existing wiring, so installation does not require expensive rewiring.

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# Tulip bulbs can be planted until ground freezes

By Martin P. Kelly

A sure sign of spring is the sight of blooming tulips and all the varied colors that provide an uplift to spirits and decorative aspects in a garden.

But why talk of tulips when leaves are falling from trees and flowers are disappearing rapidly from gardens?

Well, if you want to tiptoe through the tulips in the spring, you have to select them in the fall and plant the bulbs of whatever type you choose as the leaves begin to cover the ground.

What's wonderful about tulips is that with little care, they'll

keep coming back year after year in the spring. Most varieties will bloom for years.

However, Barbara Schultz of Schultz's Old Wolf Road Flowers, advises that new bulbs be planted each year to assure tulips in the spring. "This is true also of daffodils and hyacinths and any of the perennials," Schultz said. "While many perennials hold up year after year, they don't always come back as strong as you'd like."

Most tulips we see in gardens are hybrids, those with a variety of colors and shapes that are identified generally by their long stems.

What many people don't know is that the "species" tulips are the "unimproved" variety from which modern hybrids were bred.

**You can plant them into November in most cases. The important thing is if the ground isn't frozen at least eight inches deep, it's possible to plant tulip bulbs, even if it snows.**

Barbara Schultz

These "species" tulips are usually no taller than six inches and often are planted in rock gardens and areas that don't have a formal appearance.

When planting new bulbs, you need to do it long enough

before the ground freezes to give the bulb time to root. If the bulb freezes after it roots, it's okay and will produce tulips in the spring.

Surprisingly, there's a chance that if you delayed planting new bulbs and it snows, you can still plant them.

"You can plant them into November in most cases," Schultz said. "The important thing is if the ground isn't frozen at least eight inches deep, it's possible to plant tulip bulbs, even if it snows."

However, if you do plant late, it's smart to cover the area with mulch to keep the bulb warm enough to root.

Tulips do best when they are planted in loose, well-drained soil which is augmented with a good deal of organic material.

Tulip bulbs prefer dry to wet, so adding humus helps the soil

to drain better.

Schultz advises that bulbs be coated with a dip before planting to keep squirrels and other animals from digging them up and eating them.

"The dip is not toxic to the animal," Schultz said. "But its odor is offensive to them and keeps them away."

Tulips should be planted in full sun.

When planting new bulbs for a tulip garden, it's best to plant them in a triangle to give more fullness to the garden. Some gardeners plant tulip bulbs in concentric circles, which also give an appearance of fullness.

When planting tulip bulbs, use a fertilizer with nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium.

Even with older bulbs, this fertilizing is important in the fall to assure good blooming the following spring.

One last thing — place a stick where you planted a bulb so you'll know to expect a plant at that spot.

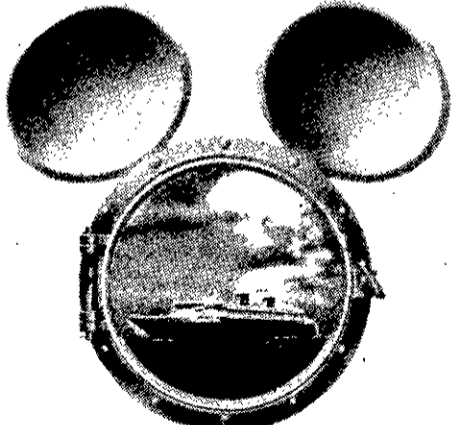
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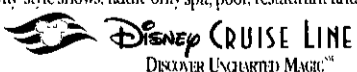
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# Creative use of cabinets improves room ambiance

Consumers are finding that other areas of their home can be designed with cabinetry that blends attractively with other furnishings.

Custom-built storage areas are definitely a growing trend. Consumers are looking for more "open-space" design. If they take out walls when remodeling their kitchen, the adjacent room is sometimes also designed with pieces that integrate the look of furniture with cabinetry from the kitchen.

For instance, media centers are not just for TVs. Custom-built pieces in family and great rooms for TVs, stereo systems and video equipment are turning ordinary rooms into ones that resemble concert halls, movie theaters and video arcades, all

in one.

The cabinetry can then be closed off for formal entertaining, allowing for a piece that's flexible and multi-functional. In addition, many people are consulting designers to plan sophisticated and unique display areas that resemble furniture. Custom or stock cabinetry can be stacked and assembled with glass doors for collectibles or art. Interior lighting can be added to accent your treasures. These designs can create a beautiful visual interest for any room in the house.

Other areas growing in design are desk areas — whether it's a home office or living room space — for computers. More and more people are working from home and doing

household organization on the computer. This opens up many opportunities for other room designs.

Years ago, utility rooms were planned simply with a tub, washboard and a clothesline. Today's room, however, has become one of primary importance to meet housekeeping needs. Custom cabinetry can be designed with fold-down or pull-out bins for sorting laundry, and separate countertop areas can be planned for treating stains, sorting and folding. Storage for laundry supplies can also be incorporated above the washer and dryer. A special area for sewing or mending is also possible, complete with specialized shelving, divided drawers and enough table space for

cutting out patterns.

The utility room can also be equipped with a space-saving, built-in ironing space. Some consumers are even asking that the room incorporate space for such activities as gardening.

Elegant serving areas, such as bar centers, are being included in kitchens, family and living rooms at an ever-growing pace. The bar can be as simple or as elaborate as space will allow.

Cabinetry can be designed to store liquor and glasses, as well as hold an icemaker or under-the-counter refrigerator.

Americans' love for wine is shown in the form of displays or storage areas just for these beverages. The designer can incorporate an area in a bar, or a

separate cellar display designed exclusively for the wine.

If this is the case, the designer can plan more than just bottle storage.

Racks or bins can be installed on three of four walls, while the remaining area can be used for a tasting table and storage for cork screws, tasting cups, decanters, candles, wine labels, copies of your favorite restaurant wine lists and vineyard maps and wine prints. All of these can add those individual touches to reflect the homeowner's lifestyle.

Consumers can seek the advice of a certified kitchen designer and hire a firm that belongs to the National Kitchen & Bath Association when they're ready to plan their project.



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# Bold, earthy colors usher in new decorating look

By Bill Batchelder

Fall is usually the busiest redecorating season of the year. Many people in four-season climates like the Northeast anticipate spending most of their time indoors for many months and decide they need to update their decor as winter approaches. Usually, fall decorating projects carry a sense of urgency, as most apartment or home dwellers aim to complete their work before the holidays.

This year, according to interior decorator Susan Luria, those redecorating will find they are in the midst of a dramatic change in the decorating field.

"The trend over the last several years to neutrals, like beige, white and off white and equally neutral accents, is over," said Luria, who operates a local Decorating Den franchise.

"What's new in decorating this year is color," said Luria. "Bold color like golds and yellows, purples and lavender, bright, citrus greens and strong earth tones."

According to Luria, the new trend also means a return to accenting patterns rather than textures.

Luria explained that, unlike the fashion apparel industry,

trends in decorating last at least three years and often five years or more. She added that, while trends are somewhat cyclical, when it comes to what actual colors will be "in," an international color marketing group, representing auto manufacturers, the fashion industry and the furnishing manufacturers, "forecasts" colors and thereby have a solid impact on what colors will be popular.

"After all," said Luria, "paints and dyes have to be produced well ahead of market demand, and that may be one reason our trends in decorating are not subject to the annual swings seen in the apparel industry."

Not everything in decorating is new this year, however, according to Luria. "One strong, existing trend continues," she reported. "I'm talking about the ongoing emphasis on informal, casual comfort that we've seen in decorating for some time."

According to Luria, formal matching of wood furniture and other materials in a decorated area continues to be "out."

"The emphasis remains on coordinating, not matching," she said, "and we continue to see mixing of materials like different woods with stone, glass and



wrought iron, for example. I don't see the return of carefully matched furniture in a formal setting any time soon."

Luria is one of approximately 1,000 Decorating Den franchise holders in the U.S., Canada and the United Kingdom. She is a full-service decorator who operates out of Carlisle, Schoharie County, but brings her expertise and more than 7,000 samples directly to customers in her Decorating Den van.

"I don't charge for my decorating expertise, there is no hourly fee," she explained. "I am able to provide my customers

with everything needed at great prices thanks to the selection and volume price advantages I can offer through my Decorating Den resources."

Luria also locates any items or materials needed, including accessories, not included in her stock. "I've even antiques for some customers," she said.

No job is too big or too small, she said. "I do any project, from a single window treatment to a whole home, entire office or any commercial space such as banks and restaurants."

"Many of my smaller jobs have led to larger projects due to customer satisfaction," she

added.

Luria said one of the most satisfying aspects of her work is her ability to prevent mistakes. "In this field, mistakes can end up being very costly in the long run and they are more common than you might expect," she said.

In addition to her six years with Decorating Den, Luria's experience goes back to her childhood in western New England where her parents were in the furniture and furnishing business for many years.

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# Vinyl siding can replicate look, charm of long ago

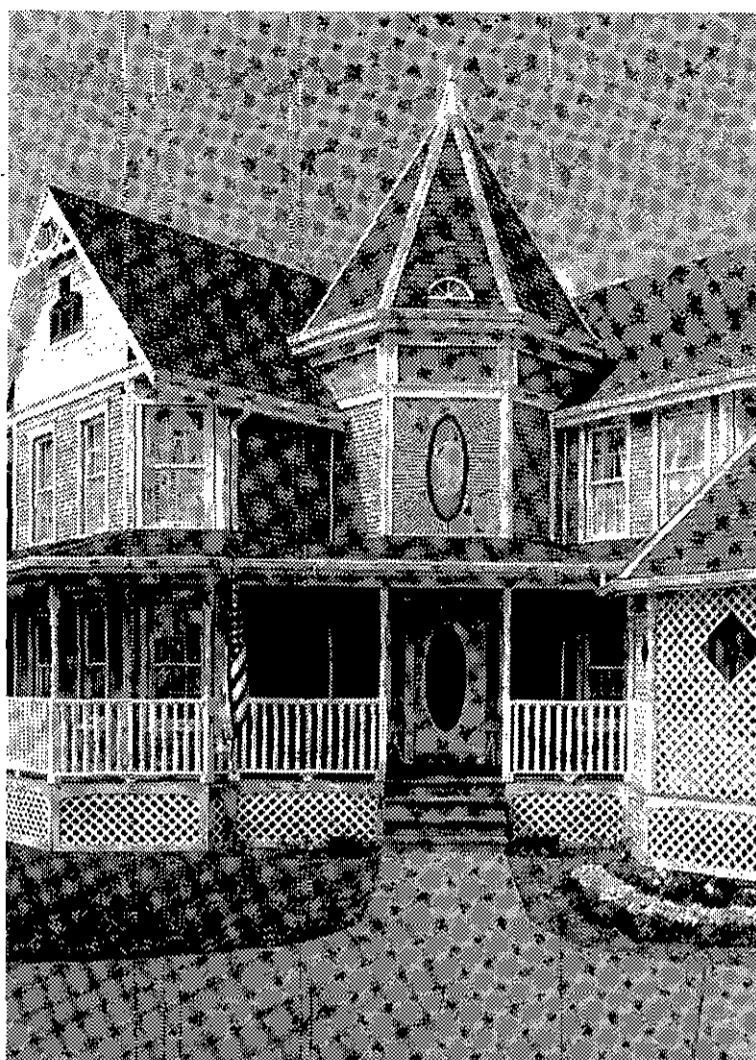
Even with skylights, open floor plans, Corian countertops and other contemporary design elements the vogue in today's home interiors, most homeowners still opt for traditionally-styled cladding materials for their home's exterior, according to recent building industry research.

This is why more and more homeowners turn to vinyl siding and trim. Not only is vinyl affordable, it's becoming increasingly popular because of the aesthetic benefits.

Many contemporary-minded homeowners are selecting vinyl because it fulfills the desire for architecturally interesting siding styles that re-visit the past, yet meet the modern requirement of low maintenance.

Not all vinyl siding panels are created equally, however. Siding styles with nostalgic charm will feature characteristics of traditional wood clapboard panels. These characteristics include panel depth — or profile — and finish. Panels that are not deep enough will not create clear shadow lines. Exaggerated wood graining is not reflective of real wood siding.

In response to this consumer demand for authenticity, Wolverine Vinyl Siding offers The Restoration Collection, according to Walter A. Hoyt, director of marketing. To create the collection, Wolverine design engineers studied the qualities



Vinyl siding is becoming increasingly popular.

of wood siding and trim on homes built in the 19th century. The result is a siding line that replicates traditional clapboard siding profiles with deep shadow lines and a low gloss finish common to homes of this era and still coveted today.

The collection includes two

siding styles: available in triple 3-inch and double 4.5-inch clapboard profiles; and Restoration Portfolio HP, a double 4.5-inch

profile. The historically-inspired line also includes lineals, corner systems and crown moldings that copies traditional window and door trim. Additionally, the range of colors enables homeowners to match or contrast trim with their siding choice.

"The collection's smooth, low-gloss finish — known as Restoration finish — is unique to the

technology now enables manufacturers to offer a wide range of historically inspired colors to further enhance authentically styled siding profiles.

The addition of ultra-violet blockers, which reduce fading and stabilize color pigments, enable today's PVC compounds to hold color and perform better than earlier vinyl formulations.

"For those homeowners who

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industry and replicates the sanded, sealed and painted wood characteristic of traditional and historic homes," said Hoyt.

For additional definition, the collection includes decorative panels (that recreate the "fish scale" style of shaped cedar shingles), rounds, octagons and squares which provide definition for gable areas, dormers and end walls, and vinyl latticework for porches, decks and stairs.

According to Hoyt, advanced

prefer a contemporary look, the collection works equally well," said Hoyt. "By keeping trim selections simple, using smooth as opposed to fluted trim, or applying some siding panels vertically, for instance, a sleek, contemporary style can be easily achieved."

Great looks aren't the only benefits of the Wolverine collection, according to Hoyt. The line was also designed for exceptional quality to last many generations.

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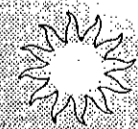
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# Kitchen designers look to past for inspiration

Who would have thought that on the threshold of the 21st century, the most coveted new kitchens look to the past rather than the future?

We want comfortable, personal kitchens that make us think of Norman Rockwell holidays at cozy farmhouses and rambling Victorians.

Fortunately, today's designers understand these yearnings and interpret the looks of past centuries to create charm galore and that's true even if we live in big cities or manicured suburbs.

The new designs can do this without sacrificing one iota of the efficiency we expect from a

kitchen of the 1990s.

"We do it with custom cabinetry that mimics valuable antiques, stone or tile floors that look as if they were quarried from ancient mountains and caverns, hand-painted ceramic tile with a touch of innocence, and yesteryear's deep colors or natural wood finishes," said Mark Bernard, a designer and a partner in Rutt of Los Angeles.

"An important part of this look is unfitted cabinetry," said Bernard. "Cabinet heights and styles are often mixed, and free-standing pieces, such as hutches or pie cabinets, are common. This lends the impression that



Painted wood furniture and cabinets are popular.

the kitchen has served many generations and evolved over time. Of course, one could reproduce this look by going to country auctions and hauling home relevant pieces, one at a time. But that really isn't necessary. We can design the pieces that are needed and still make them look as if they were brought home from far-flung fields and porches."

Michael Quinn, also a member of the Rutt of Los Angeles design team, feels that the extraordinary finishes that are applied to such custom cabinetry are just as important as the country styling.

We use special finishes that age the cabinetry intentionally and artfully, right down to the nicks and scratches that would

occur naturally over time," said Quinn. "The process takes 13 steps of wirebrushing, distressing, sanding, sealing, antiquing and more. In some styles, the corners of the doors even feature two plugs, in the tradition of early craftsmen, and door knobs are wood. It requires the eye, care and touch of accomplished artisans to create such beautiful aging."

These antique finishes can be used both on painted and natural wood cabinetry. The most cherished paint colors are forest green, dusky blue, and cranberry red.

Together, the seemingly casually assembled kitchen elements and the authentic finishes create a kitchen look that's hard to resist.

"It has infinite charisma," comments Debi Oertle, who leads the Rutt of Chicago design team. "And it's a look that's immediately understood. It doesn't matter where you live. New York or Charleston, Chicago or Seattle. This is a kitchen everybody but high-tech devotees loves. It's the kind of environment that draws family and friends."

Indeed, this is no specific style. The designers all agree that it's actually an amalgamation of 18th and 19th century design details from the American melting pot.

However, Oertle pointed out that for all its charm, an "antique" kitchen doesn't overlook today's practical necessities.

A corner cupboard may well house an oven.

A hutch drawer may open, and up swings an ironing board

And an armoire that looks like it came from Provence is as likely to hide a refrigerator behind its aged doors as a collection of heirloom table linens.

Many examples of kitchens designed to look like heirlooms can be seen at Rutt showrooms across the nation and in Folio, a 100-page illustrated book available for \$15 from Rutt Custom Cabinetry, 1564 Main St., P.O. Box 129, Goodville, Pa. 17528.

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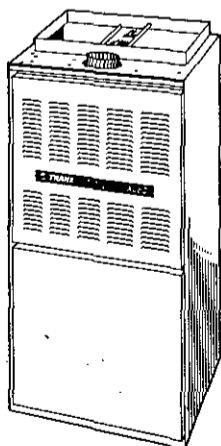
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"Everyone's in a rush to start staining their decks once they're built. But deck owners should first decide what they want to do exactly with their wood, and how they want it to look," said Lisa Shonauer, brand manager for Cuprinol Wood Care Products.

Shonauer said to ask yourself, do you just want to protect the deck from moisture and let it age naturally?

Or maybe you want to add color and still be able to enjoy its texture and grain. Or, if your wood is already weathered, it may look best under a solid-color finish that maximizes the natural texture but minimizes imperfections.

"This process allows you to best choose what to use on your deck," said Shonauer.

But before you start the job, make sure your wood is ready for a finishing project.

To find out, perform a "thirst" test on the wood. If, after watering the deck, there is no beading up of droplets, then it's ready for staining.

If the water beads up, wait a few weeks and test again. If it's ready to take on a stain or seal, use the following guide to help you select what's good for your wood:

- A clear sealer contains no color and won't change the wood's appearance. It acts as a water repellent.

- A clear preservative contains no color and lets wood weather naturally. It protects against mildew and moisture.

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- Semi-transparent stains impart color, but let the natural color and texture of the wood show through. They penetrate to

provide protection.

- Solid color stains impart color and let the texture — but not the grain — show through. They, too, penetrate the wood to provide protection.

If you decide to go with color, consider such things as the look of your home, yard and landscape. You'll want to pick a color that is pleasing to you and blends in well with all that surrounds it.

"Remember that the color you choose may look much different when applied to a redwood or cedar surface," Shonauer said. "Colors will vary depending on the type of wood, the deck's condition or any existing finishes."

To prevent this, prepare an inconspicuous area and test a small amount of stain on it. Here, you'll get an idea of how it will look over the entire deck.

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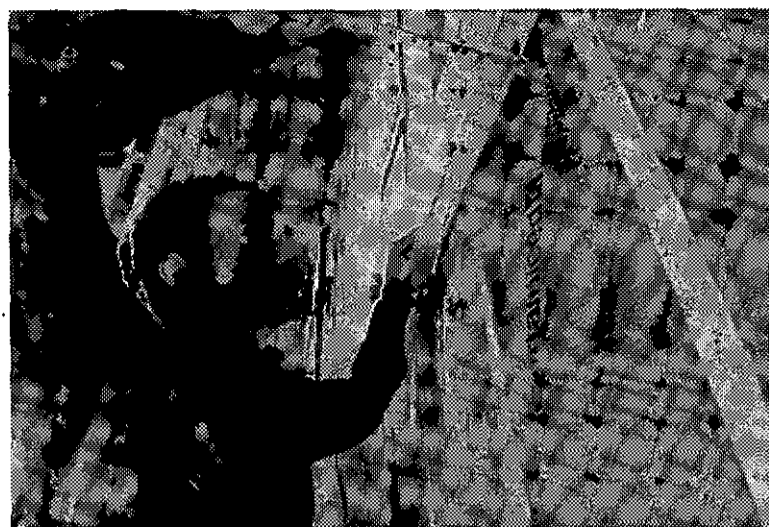
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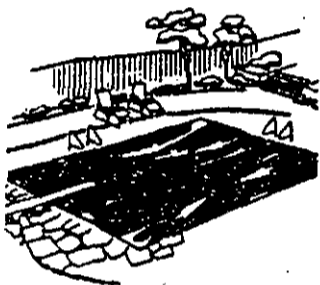
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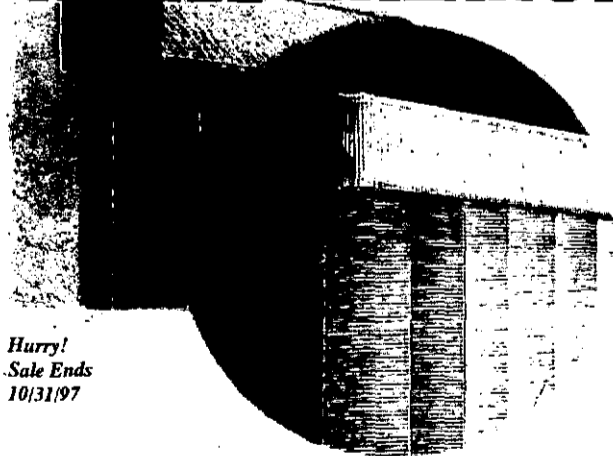


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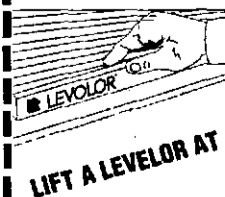


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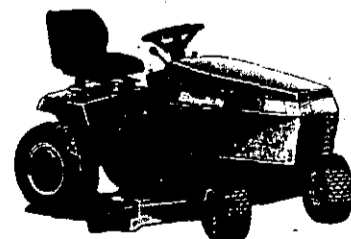
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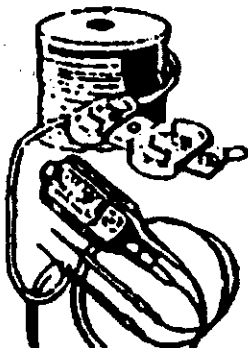
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## Local contractor wins NAHB award

Coventry Construction of Slingerlands, a design-build remodeler primarily engaged in kitchens, baths and room additions, has received the 1997 National Remodeling Quality Gold Award, sponsored by National Association of Home Builders and Remodeling Magazine.

The award was announced in the October issue of Remodeling Magazine citing details of the company's quality procedures. The award will be presented at the NAHB Remodelers' Show on Oct. 17.

Frank Webb, president of Coventry Construction, said, "We are honored to have received this award, which is a tribute to the dedication of our employees and trade contractors to quality excellence in remodeling. We have achieved the industry's highest recognition of quality, while at the same time expanding our market to the most demanding upscale projects through ever-increasing client referrals."

The quality awards are patterned after the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award given by the U.S. Department of Commerce and are designed to be the highest recognition for quality in the remodeling field.

Entries are judged by a panel of experts who evaluate the role that quality plays in the entrant's



Frank Webb

remodeling design and construction, business management and customer relationships.

Winners of the award must direct all features of their operation to the goal of customer satisfaction, including product design, construction processes, management, sales, relationships with customers and warranty service, said Lisa

Bowles, president of NAHB Research Center.

"Companies that win the award have developed a company culture of customer-focused excellence. This includes involvement of all employees in preventing problems, and installing procedures for continuously improving quality instead of regarding it as something that can be installed with a single effort," Bowles said.

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# Repainting doors improves look and feel of rooms

The thrill of building a new house is that you start with a blank slate. Everything from the foundation up is yours to do with as you will. Remodeling a home or freshening up its decor presents more of a challenge because you're operating within a given framework.

Doors are one of the few buildings elements that afford owners of existing as well as new homes the opportunity to dramatically alter how rooms look and feel. Painted doors in particular open up a world of possibilities, thanks to the many colors and finishing techniques that can be applied.

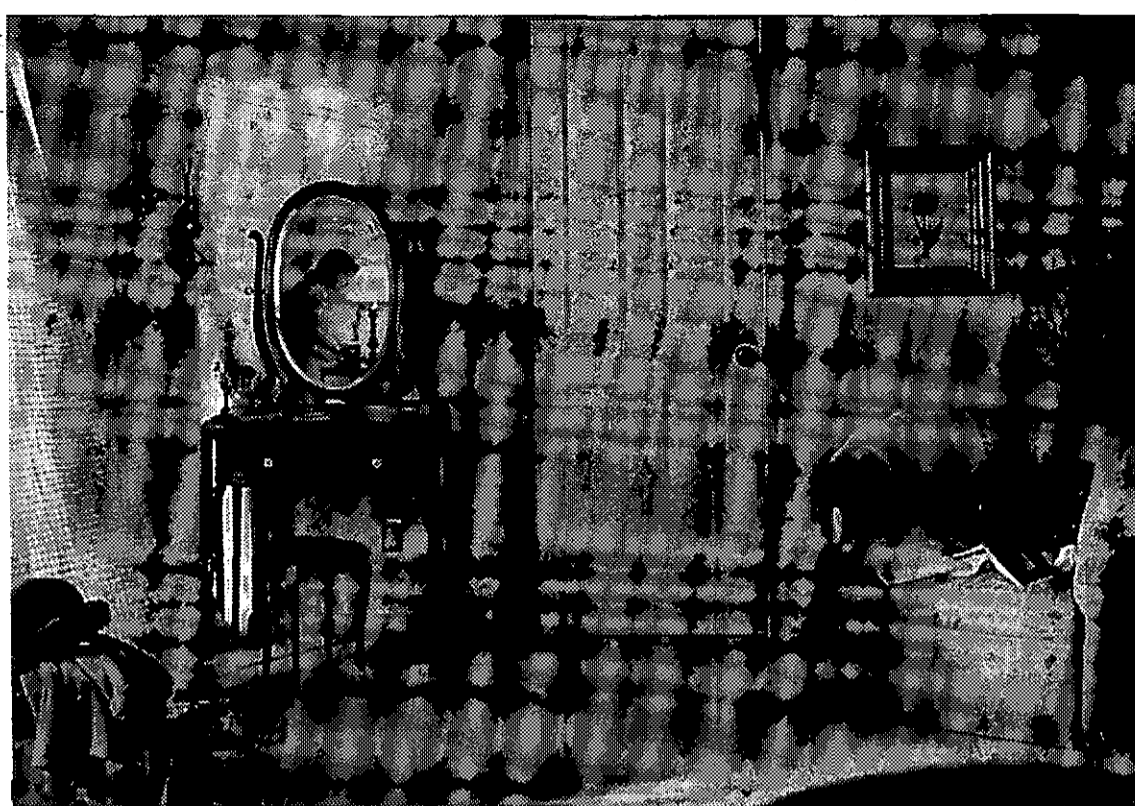
The average home has 16 interior doors. Each makes a statement by virtue of size alone, not to mention daily usage. Given their major presence in a home, doors are canvases for architectural interest and individual expression.

Flat-faced doors are increasingly falling from favor as homeowners become familiar the design potential of door upgrades featuring raised

panels. Sixty-two percent of new homes will use molded panel doors this year, nearly twice as many as a decade ago.

One of the most popular door designs is the six-panel molded Colonist by CraftMaster, a brand of Masonite Corp. Masonite pioneered the process whereby natural wood chips are converted into wood fibers, compressed and heated in specially designed molds that render hardboard panels. The company's innovation is also evident in CraftMaster's smooth finish door facings, which are specifically designed for painting.

"Solid wood doors, with or without panels, are easy to paint," said Richard Schmidt, senior product manager of molded products at CraftMaster. "Trouble is, those doors are subject to swelling every summer and shrinking every winter which can crack the paint film and make maintenance more of an issue. Our smooth finish designs accept paint beautifully. They're also more



resistant to warping, shrinking, cracking or splitting, because they're made from engineered wood fiber. And the cost advantages relative to solid wood are considerable."

Performance concerns covered, the question becomes one of where and how to use doors to contribute to an overall design scheme. To make a door less conspicuous, paint it the same color as walls. To punch up an otherwise neutral palette, introduce a colored door. Popular techniques such as sponging, antiquing, stenciling and pickling may be fitting.

Raised panels invite clever colorations as well, be it an accent color on molding or tone-on-tone shades between face and molding.

A painted doors relationship to adjacent millwork is a consideration as well. Doors done to match millwork create an easy look of uniformity, while painted doors against stained trim become more of a focal point.

A door's front and back sides needn't be painted the same color. Melinda Sechrist, national spokeswoman for the American Society of Interior Designers, said, "Say you have a den that's dark and cozy. The walls are painted rich green and the millwork's a darker taupe color. The outside of the door may be white to match the mill work in the hallway. But, you wouldn't want the door inside the den to be white; it'd stick out like a sore thumb. You want it to look like a continuation of the interior."

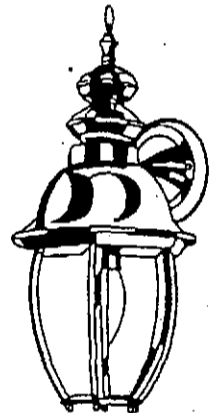
Do-it-yourselfers may prefer using a latex versus oil-based paint, although both deliver

certain benefits. Latex offers hassle-free application and lasting resilience that begins to approach the toughness of oil, which can be tricky to apply. In either case, choose a top-quality gloss or semi-gloss for easier removal of dirty fingerprints, crayons, residue and the like.

Preparation, though minimal, is as important as painting. Lightly sand the door's surface with 150- to 220-grit sandpaper. Make sure the surface is clean and dry. Once dry, use primer to touch up any minor surface scratches resulting from handling and storage.

Painting experts recommend the following steps: Affix masking tape to the floor at the base of the door casing and millwork. Lay down a drop cloth to fit the door opening, keeping a clean, wet rag nearby for spills. Using a 3-to 4-inch nylon brush, first paint the door edges for any drips, using a short-nap roller, roll door faces. Swinging the door out of the way, paint casing and millwork.

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the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, the best way for reducing indoor allergy symptoms is avoiding or lessening your contact with allergens. Some simple, effective ways include: keeping your windows closed and using air conditioning; using air filters or air purifiers; showering and wash-

ing your hair before bed; and drying laundry inside, rather than on an outdoor clothesline.

Walt Lyons, the nation's leading indoor meteorologist and member of the National Council of Industrial Meteorologists, explained, "In today's airtight buildings, airborne allergens, like pollen and dust, get trapped and are recirculated indoors, which can severely aggravate your allergy symptoms. Allergy sufferers can't completely get rid of their affliction, but they can improve the air quality in their homes."

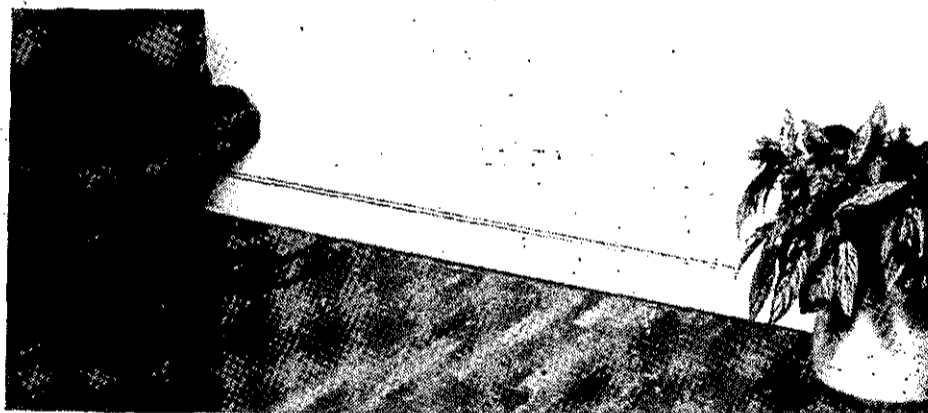
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# Go for cover ups when it come to sins on walls

Do the walls in your house reek of burnt orange and gold from the '70s? Do you pray that your house guests don't notice the cracks in the wall paint? If your walls need cosmetic surgery, don't fret. Countless solutions for "tackling tacky walls" exist, and most of them can be accomplished in one weekend! The following tips will enhance the walls in your home.

- **Moulding.** Dating back to Roman times, moulding can work wonders for any room. Simply installing elegant crown mouldings, chair rails or base moulds can give a room a whole new look for a reasonable price.

- **Wood Paneling.** The natural warmth of real wood paneling can illuminate any room of your home. Install rustic paneling to add a country flair. Or, if you prefer a classic beaded paneling look, choose from available woodgrain shades.

- **Wainscoting.** You may not know its formal title, but love the look: paneling that spans the bottom half of a wall, capped off by a chair rail. This adaptable design is called wainscoting and it can dress up any room. Either cut a 4-by-8-foot piece of paneling in thirds to 32 inches high, or use precut wainscoting panels.

- **Judges Paneling.** The stately elegance of "judges paneling," found in movie classics and aristocratic libraries, will enhance your den or study beautifully. You can create a captivating design by combining hardwood plywood, matching grain lumber and real wood moulding.

- **Painting.** Say goodbye to plain white walls. Create a fashion statement with paint by marbleizing, sponging or



Classic wood paneling and mouldings can transform a room.

texturing a wall. Look for unique items to create your masterpiece: Choose paint brushes of varying sizes, old rags, sponges or even an old toothbrush.

Armed with these artistic devices, practice on a piece of cardboard until you find a design you love, then duplicate it throughout the room!

- **Wallpaper.** A traditional staple in home decorating, wallpaper is often overlooked because of its complex installation process. If you like the look of wallpaper, but don't want to endure the hassle of hanging it, The Paper Works Collection from Georgia-Pacific is the solution. Available in 19 different patterns, the attractive "wallpaper" prints are mounted on paneling for easy installation. Simply nail the 4-by-8-foot panels onto the wall, and cover the seams with matching seam tape. No more hassles with wallpaper paste, matching-up patterns or smoothing wrinkles!

- **Borders.** With borders and stencils, accenting any room is quick and easy. Paper Works Collection borders come in five designer styles and have a peel-off backing that reveals a self-stick border. If you want to spend a little extra time creating your own border, choose a stencil pattern and a paint palette. Use a thick, stiff paintbrush to dab the paint onto the stencil pattern.

- **Tile.** One of the most

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- **Combinations.** Mix and match any of the ideas above to create an exciting, unique look for every room in the house.

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# RCS sports group meets tonight

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## Adopt-a-highway

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk FHA/HERO group is participating in the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup program. The group's fall cleanup will take place Friday, Oct. 3.

## Youth soccer news

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Youth Soccer Club will hold its October meeting at the Middle School Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m.

## NEWS NOTES

### Selkirk

#### South Bethlehem

Linda Marshall  
756-3520



### Becker PTA meets

The Becker School Parent-Teacher-Association will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7 at the Becker School.

### Special Education Parents Night

Parents of children in Special education are invited to a support group "get acquainted" supper. The supper will take place Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 6 p.m. in the

middle school.

### Girl Scout news

The RCS Girl Scout Neighborhood Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the middle school Tuesday, Oct. 7. Preparations are also being made for a Girl Scout hayride on Saturday, Oct. 25.

### Annual Fall Dinner

The Jerusalem Reformed Church of Feura Bush will hold its annual fall supper Saturday, Oct. 4 from 5 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. It will be preceded by a bake and craft sale at 4 p.m.

Reservations can be made by calling Pat Gardner at 439-2212.

## Slingerlands man wins college award

Joshua Muhlfelder of Slingerlands has been designated a Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar and Book Award winner at Bowdoin College.

Book Award winners are those students who receive grades of no less than an A during the preceding year.

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For information, call 725-3253.

## Rev. Walsh explains Mass at St. Thomas

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The entry fee is \$4 for club members and \$5 for non-mem-

bers.

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# Local artist displays oil paintings in gallery

Eleanor Bolduc displays her oil paintings in the northwest gallery throughout the month. Scenes of

1996 Best in Show award in the annual Colonie art show and the Grumbacher Award for Painting in this year's Greene County arts and crafts show.

Watercolors by Charles Argow Schade are in the southwest gallery. A retired architect, Schade is fond of the beauty and history of the Capital District.

He is a member of the Albany and Bethlehem art associations and the Colonie Art League. His paintings have won awards in various local juried competitions.

Decorative painting by the Capitols is on display in both cases this month. Capitols is the

local chapter of the National Society of Decorative Painters.

Library staff member Sue Black has several pieces in the exhibit. She is a Capitoler and decorative painting teacher, who has practiced her craft for 12 years. He work and that of other Capitols is part of the Smithsonian's permanent collection.

She teaches in Bethlehem's adult education program and at the Artist Studio in Delmar. She will introduce basic techniques and answer questions in Introduction to Decorative Painting on Thursday, Oct. 9, at 7:30 p.m. Call 439-9314 to register.



One of Eleanor Bolduc's oils.

Matthew Rodger's collection of old bottles is in the youth services case this month.

And last but not least, Libraries on the Internet is the bulletin board

display by library staff. It focuses on libraries with home pages on the Internet. Local libraries, the Library of Congress and others will be included.

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## Historical group sets dates for farming program

Everett Rau, president of the Dutch Barn Preservation Society, will presents a program on early farming in the New Scotland area at a meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on The Old Road in New Salem.

Rau will discuss the transition

from early farming techniques to current farming practices.

Refreshments will be served after the presentation.

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## Obituaries

### Edward McCaffrey

Edward McCaffrey, 88, of Glenmont died Sunday, Sept. 28, at Our Lady of Mercy Life Center in Gunderland.

He attended Utica schools and Cornell University and was a graduate of Columbia University College of Pharmacy.

He worked for various drug stores before becoming a professional service representative for Winthrop Laboratories. He retired as divisional sales manager in 1972. He also designed and built furniture.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was husband of the late Gertrude Muldowney McCaffrey.

Survivors include three sons, Edward McCaffrey of Red Hook, Kevin McCaffrey of Glenmont, and Timothy McCaffrey of Delmar; a daughter, Mary Kathleen Murray of Delmar; two sisters, Jane Kilduff of Chatham, N.J., and Margaret Long of Orlando, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle on Thursday, Oct. 2, at 11:30 a.m.

Calling hours will be at the McCaffrey home at 4 West Bayberry Road in Colonial Acres in Glenmont today, Oct. 1, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements are by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Church of St. Thomas memorial or building funds.

### David Chambers Sr.

David Owen "Doc" Chambers Sr. of Caldwell Boulevard in Slingerlands and Lake George, died Saturday, Sept. 27, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Albany, he was a lifelong resident of the Capital District.

He was a graduate of Albany Academy.

Mr. Chambers was a senior analyst for the state Division of Criminal Justice Services for 20 years, retiring in 1992. He was a Boy Scoutmaster and member of the council of Boy Scouts of America. He was a member of the Lakeview Association of Lake George, the Hudson-Mohawk Power Squadron and the Sunbeam Car Club.

He was an Army veteran of the Korean War, serving as a first lieutenant in the 1st Cavalry division.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis Wagner Chambers; three sons, David O. Chambers III of Niskayuna, Daniel P. Chambers of Albany and Douglas G. Chambers of Slingerlands; a brother, Paul S. Chambers of Lake George; and two grandsons.

Services were from the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in Albany Rural Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Albany Academy, Academy Road, Albany, or St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208 or Whiskers, Box 11190, Albany 12211.

### Evelyn H. Essex

Evelyn H. Essex, 88, of Glenmont died Tuesday, Sept. 23, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Dalesville, Ind., she was a longtime resident of Glenmont.

She was a former owner of the Wee Gift Shop in Glenmont. She had also created handmade doll clothes for Macy's and Saks Fifth Avenue.

Mrs. Essex was a volunteer for the Red Cross during World War II.

She was a charter member of Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary, a member of Bethlehem Professional Women's Club, the University Club of Albany and a former member of Normanside Country Club.

She was an avid bridge player.

She was the widow of Dr. Don Essex.

Survivors include two sons, David L. Essex of Glenmont and Michael L. Essex of Lehigh Acres, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter.

Services were private.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

### Kathryn J. Murray

Kathryn J. Murray, 100, of Delmar died Sunday Sept. 21, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Mrs. Murray worked for the former New York Telephone Co., and the Ten Eyck Hotel in Albany, before she retired.

She was the widow of Edward F. Murray.

Survivors include a niece, Carole L. Isdell of Delmar; two grandnieces, Cathy D. Schaefer of Slingerlands and Barbara J. Duclos of Delmar; and a grandnephew, John A. Isdell of Delmar.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in

Delmar.

Burial was in Albany Rural Cemetery.

### Doris Isabel Peck

Doris Isabel Griffeth Peck, 92, of Saratoga Springs and formerly of Delmar, died Sunday, Sept. 28, at Wesley Health Care Center in Saratoga Springs.

Mrs. Peck was a homemaker.

She was the widow of Lawrence J. Peck.

Survivors include two daughters, Doris Sondra Ainscoe of Albany and Diane Kay Rossetti of Chester Springs, Pa.; and a brother, Robert Walker of Valatie.

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at Cortland Rural Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Providence Baptist Church, Fish House Road, Galway 12074.

### SuperValu to host fair and breakfast

SuperValu Centre on Maple Road in Voorheesville will host its second annual fall harvest craft fair and pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 12.

Craft booths will be open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

New Scotland Kiwanis will serve a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon on the green. The cost is \$3 per person.

Clowns Lolli & Pop will entertain from noon to 2 p.m. with balloons, face painting, magic and more.

For information or to rent a table, contact Elaine Nichols at 765-2629.

### Slingerlands woman to head OMCE

Barbara Zaron of Slingerlands was recently re-elected president of the Organization of New York State Management/Confidential Employees.

The other officers are: Donald Kazenoff of Wading River, first vice-president; Richard Polsinello of Troy, second vice-president; Marion Murphy of Bayside, secretary; James Williams of Gunderland, treasurer; and Mark Davis of Dix Hills, member at large.

For information, call 482-7521

## BCHS grad attending MacDowell Colony

Former Delmar resident and Bethlehem Central High School graduate Jenna Spevack is a creative artist in residence at the MacDowell Colony in Peterborough, N.H.

Spevack received a bachelor's degree from the University at Buffalo and a master's degree in fine arts from Rhode Island School of Design.

President Bill Clinton recently presented The MacDowell Colony with a National Medal of Arts

award.

The Colony has provided a place for creative artists to concentrate on their work since its founding in 1907.

Spevack is the daughter of Gil and Judy Spevack of Delmar.

She will concentrate on printmaking during her two-month residency at the MacDowell Colony.

When she was a student Spevack studied with local artist and teacher Sharon Seigel.

## BCCO to meet at high school

The Bethlehem Central Community Organization will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Bethlehem High School.

The BCCO is the high school parent/teacher organization.

All teachers and parents of Bethlehem High School students

are invited to attend.

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month during the school year at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

The meeting dates were inadvertently omitted from the Bethlehem School District's 1997-98 calendar.

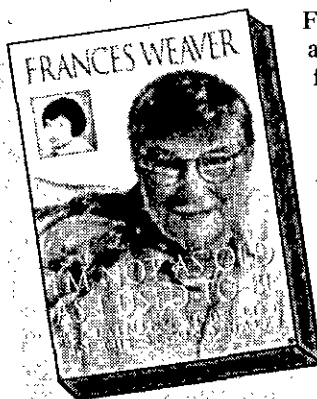
## Death Notices

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## Marks

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the words, and learn the syntax. What was the subject, what was the predicate? Homework that took other kids half an hour took me an hour and a half."

Asked if she felt frustrated, Rotolo rolled her eyes. "Tell me about it," she said. "I used to say 'This is useless, I want to give up.' But my mother said homework was never useless. Now, at Saint Bernard's, I love my homework. I think it takes maturity and perspective. My high school homework was very difficult, but when I was an undergraduate at Siena, I started to see the value of education."

Rotolo's family moved to Delmar when she was 16. Bethlehem schools didn't have mainstreaming then, Rotolo said, so she went to high school in South Colonie, where she graduated with a Regents diploma in 1988. Rotolo said she always felt accepted by her peers, something she attributes largely to the fact that she could speak with them. She also said she was a tomboy, which gave her another way to interact with other children.

"My father used to play ball with me a lot," Rotolo said. "I grew up playing sports. It was easier than trying to communicate." Rotolo played softball in Saratoga and Bethlehem, including the 1988

Bethlehem Tomboys undefeated season. She also played junior varsity and varsity soccer in Saratoga.

Rotolo learned to sign partly because there was another deaf student in her class, and because she thought it would be hypocritical to not be able to talk with other deaf people. Rotolo was the secretary of the Capital District Deaf Center, and feels that sign language should be a required second language. "I found sign language fun to learn," she said. "It's a whole new language and culture. It's kind of like going to France."

Rotolo's path to religious studies was a roundabout one. Raised Catholic, she never gave her religion much thought, and started out studying mechanical engineering at Schenectady Community College and taking some courses at RPI. Then she attended church with her father at St. Paul the Apostle in Schenectady, and met Father George Brucker. "Father George converted me," Rotolo said. "He presented Catholicism to me, and I found I wanted to know more about it. I went to Siena to take some math classes to help with the engineering, and ended up taking religion classes to learn more about Catholicism. Slowly, the engineering got put aside."

Rotolo credits her adviser, Father Dennis Tamburello, who is also head of the religious studies

department at Siena, with encouraging her to pursue her studies. At the same time that Rotolo's mother saw the announcement about the Bishop Hubbard scholarship at Saint Bernard's, Father Tamburello encouraged her to apply for it. Rotolo said she "flipped out" when she found out she had won. "Everything falls into place," Rotolo said. "First Siena, then Saint Bernard's. I really feel that God is telling me what to do."

Rotolo said she feels called to a deaf ministry, which she thinks helped her win the Bishop Hubbard scholarship. "I have something to offer that's needed," she said. "The majority of people don't know sign language. Deaf interpreters and signers aren't always involved with religious education."

Rotolo has specific plans for bringing deaf people into church. For starters, she said, all churches need to have books so that deaf people can follow the Mass. Rotolo said that entire portions of the liturgy can be missed by lip readers who can't see the priest, or deaf people who only catch occasional words. Rotolo would like to always see an interpreter at church and advocates the use of a public address system known as a "loop system." A loop system picks up the sound from the priests' microphone and broadcasts it all around the church.

## Perseveres

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ready for school. I was told our best bets were the Rome School for the Deaf or the Lexington School for the Deaf in New York City."

After three and a half years at Albany Med's Communication Clinic, learning the mechanics of speech, Brenda started her education in a BOCES program.

"They were in their own school, in their own building. I just had this feeling that this was such a limited, isolated life." When the mainstreaming laws were about to be passed in the early '70s, Jaime Rotolo moved into action.

"Because of a measles epidemic in 1965, about 9,000 children in the Albany-Troy-Schenectady area were born deaf," Rotolo said. "About 358 families had come through Albany Med's Communication Clinic, and we contacted every one of them to lobby for this legislation."

Rotolo's next battle was to get the mainstreaming properly applied to her daughter. "I was told Brenda would be mainstreamed into music, art, library and gym," Rotolo said. "I had the power of the mainstreaming law behind me, and I insisted on academic mainstreaming. Brenda was in second-grade then, and they broke the academic portion of her year into two years."

Rotolo said she was right beside her daughter as she worked through the more difficult tasks. "I've read all of her textbooks," Rotolo said, helping Brenda learn syntax and move from concrete to abstract thinking. "The deaf language is so much more direct," Rotolo said. "There's a lack of inference."

Rotolo does not know sign language. "My main concern was to teach Brenda to be oral," she said. "When Brenda was little, I was told not to sign." This is no longer advocated, as it is thought to be stressful and harmful to deaf children, Rotolo explained. Rotolo expresses some concern about this.

"Most deaf people are not taught the whole structure of the English language," she said, which she feels could lead to them missing out on a lot of the written language.

Helping Brenda be oral was not always easy, Rotolo said. "Imagine a 5-year-old with a vocabulary of 30 words—words like up, down; maybe some verbs, but the thought process and intelligence are there. Brenda was so frustrated—how do you put things into words? I've been putting words into her since she was 2-years-old."

Sometimes Rotolo also had to physically put her small child on the school bus. "Brenda would bang her head on the floor. But I insisted that she go to school. I believe in education. Sometimes teachers would say it would be a negative experience for Brenda to attempt a harder class. My response was 'You haven't tried.' We worked so hard on syntax, on diagramming sentences, on vocabulary words."

The payoff has come now for Brenda and Jaime. "Brenda's oral language is so good that people assume she only has a speech impediment," Rotolo said. "When she first started at Siena, her written work was not at the same level as her speech, and I got a letter asking if there was a problem at home."

No problems now for the Rotolos. Jaime shares Brenda's strong faith, and said she has never felt angry at God for all the work she's had to do. "Well," she said with a laugh, "I prayed a lot to St. Jude, the patron saint of miracles. But I never blamed God. He gave me a special child and a special mission. He also gave me strength, patience, perseverance and a sense of humor. And now Brenda can be like a bridge between the deaf and hearing worlds."

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## BCMS PTA NEWS

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### Welcome to the 1997-98 School Year!

The Bethlehem Central Middle School Parent Teacher Association (BCMS PTA) will again, courtesy of **Price Chopper**, provide this monthly notice, to communicate events and issues at BCMS to the BCMS community. Questions and comments may be directed to:

Jeff Zogg, PTA President at 439-6498.

**Join the PTA and Volunteer:** Studies have shown that students do better academically if their parents are involved in their school life in some way. We are convinced good parenting and good teaching will make the difference in our children's education. We hope parents and teachers will join us this year in translating that ideal into a reality by participating in the PTA and other Middle School activities. Last year the PTA worked to develop a stronger partnership between teachers and parents. We began to look for ways to better communicate, and we tried to produce interesting and meaningful monthly programs. We hope to continue to strive toward that goal. We need your participation and support.

**October 6th PTA Meeting:** (7:30 p.m.- Cafeteria) This meeting will focus on grades and the BCMS honor roll. There will be a study of the definition of "learning" by a SIT Task Force this year. This PTA meeting will be a starting point to review current practices and develop questions on this subject to help the Task Force in its deliberations. We will also talk about the "possible" change in the physical education/technology schedule for 7th and 8th graders, later this year, to an alternating 5-week schedule in place of the current alternating day schedule.

**Class Open Houses: (NOTE TIME CHANGE)** Each Open House starts at **7:00 p.m.** in the **BCMS Auditorium**.

7th Grade Open House: Thursday, October 9th  
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Kathy and Michael Alesandrini

## Schenkel, Alesandrini wed

Kathy Schenkel, daughter of Kenneth and Joan Schenkel of Delmar, and Michael Alesandrini, son of Tom and Rita Alesandrini of Niskayuna, were married May 17.

Judge Stephen Safranko performed the ceremony in the Franklin Plaza in Troy, where the reception followed.

The bride is a graduate of

Bethlehem Central High School and Radford University. She is employed as assistant director of a Kinder Care Learning Center.

The groom, a graduate of Niskayuna High School, is employed as a sales manager of a car dealership.

After a wedding trip to the Grand Cayman Islands, the couple lives in Arnold, Md.

## Births

### Albany Medical Center

Boy, Troy Michael Livingston, to Adele and Roger Livingston of Voorheesville, June 11.

Boy, Nicholas William Solomon, to Diane and Barry Solomon of Glenmont, June 12.

Boy, Dimitri Julian Henry, to Elizabeth and Norman Henry of Slingerlands, June 18.

Boy, Bryan Anthony Wilson, to Terrie and Tony Wilson of Selkirk, June 20.

Boy, Harrison James Chen, to Linda and Ronald Chen of Slingerlands, June 25.

Boy, Kevin Michael Grant, to Lisa and Matthew Grant of Glenmont, June 30.

Girl, Brianna Lynn Newcomb, to Sharon and Bruce Newcomb of Slingerlands, June 30.

Boy, Jacob Daniel Stryker, to Marcy and Troy Stryker of Delmar, July 6.

Girl, Laura Breann Farrant, to Theresa VanAlstyne and Daniel Farrant of Selkirk, July 8.

Boy, Patrick Stephen Moore, to Kimberly and Patrick Moore of Selkirk, July 10.

Girl, Lilah Furgison Chase, to Plummy and G.A. Chase of Delmar, July 11.

Boy, Liam Robert Quinn, to Diane and Brian Quinn of Delmar, July 11.

Girl, Mary Grace Barada, to Melissa and James Barada of Delmar, July 13.

Boy, Jason Robert Steiniger, to Kathleen and Joseph Steiniger of Delmar, July 17.

Boy, Justin Patrick Rowe, to Kirsten and Patrick Rowe of Glenmont, July 18.

Boy, Joshua Zachary Rosen, to Margo and Ed Rosen of Delmar, Sept. 23.

### St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Caroline Rose Koenitzer, to Cheryl and Clifford Koenitzer of Voorheesville, Aug. 13.

Boy, Christopher Michael Barror, to Alisa and Christopher Barror of Selkirk, Aug. 15.

Girl, Anne Catherine Crisafulli, to Dr. Kathleen and Mark Crisafulli of Slingerlands, Sept. 5.

Boy, Michael Scott Seavey, to Justina and Scott Seavey of Selkirk, Sept. 9.



Laurel and Steven Skultety

## Ingraham, Skultety marry

Laurel Ingraham, daughter of David and Linda Ingraham of Clarksville, and Steven Skultety, son of Thomas and Karla Skultety of Delmar, were married June 28.

The Rev. Warren Winterhoff performed the outdoor ceremony at the bride's parents' home, where the reception followed.

The maid of honor was Cathy Winne, and bridesmaids were Shalyn Doucous and Audra Smith, sisters of the bride, and Lisa Skultety, sister of the groom. The flower girl was Charlee Ingraham.

The best man was Jason Tice,

and ushers were Greg Doucous, Phil Peters and Andy Sleurs. The ring bearer was James Smith.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and SUNY Oneonta. She is studying for a master's degree at The College of Saint Rose.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Hudson Valley Community College. He is employed as a mechanic by Butler Fleet Services in Albany.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple lives in Albany.

## Mail weddings, engagements

The Spotlight would like to publish your engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement and photo. There is no charge for this community service.

Black and white photos are preferred, but color photos are acceptable. Polaroid photos cannot be printed.

For information and submission forms, call 439-4949. Mail announcements to 125 Adams St., Delmar 12054.

## Here's to a Wonderful Wedding!



### RECEPTIONS

Albany Ramada Inn, 1228 Western Ave., 489-2981. Banquet Room up to 300 people. P.S., do it on Sunday and save a lot of \$\$.

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Harold Finkle, "Your Jeweler" 1585 Central Ave., Colonie. 456-6800. Diamonds - Handcrafted Wedding Rings & Attendant's Gifts.

### LIMOUSINE

Super Special!!!! 3 hours for only \$99. Advantage Limousine. 433-0100 Some rest.

## Community Corner



### Family fun at the Selkirk Firehouse on Maple Avenue next Wednesday

Selkirk Fire Company #1 will be hosting an Open House Wednesday, Oct. 8 at the Maple Avenue fire house from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in honor of Fire Prevention Week.

There will also be a name the mascot contest for children under 13.

Door prizes and refreshments will be served.

# AnimalLovers offers 'paws' for celebration

By Michelle Kagan

**T**his Sunday, Camp Nassau will come alive with a medley of activities to thank animals for the contributions they have given to our lives.

On Sunday, Oct. 5, the Animal Welfare League of the Greater Capital District (AnimalLovers) will hold its third annual Fall Festival fund-raiser.

The festival will include a variety of activities aimed to please those of all ages.

A silent auction offering gift certificates, pictures of actor Tim Allen and autographs from celebrities will be held, along with a 50/50 raffle and a rummage sale.

There will also be vendor booths with jewelry, T-shirts, sweatshirts and other various craft items and a booth selling flea market items.

A professional masseuse will have a massage booth set up to provide quick massage sessions.

During the activities, a member of AnimalLovers will be taking pet portraits of pets and their owners.

"We're doing more with the animals this year — activities such as obedience training, children's activities and dog shows," said Virginia Condon, a member of the board of directors for AnimalLovers.

Cookie decorating, pumpkin painting, face painting and various children's games will take place during the festival.

A number of dog obedience demonstrations will be presented by members of AnimalLovers throughout the course of the day.

The annual blessing of the animals,



Animal lovers will be able to show their appreciation for their pets during the Animal Welfare League of the Greater Capital District (AnimalLovers) third annual fall festival at Camp Nassau Sunday. The festival features dog obedience shows, above.

the main event of the festival, is a non-denominational service to thank the animals for the help that they provided humans over the course of the year and to pray for good homes for the animals that are up for adoption.

Condon said the service is meant to remind people that animals are part of the universe, and we should be thankful for all that they contribute to our lives.

"It passes on values to teach our children through caring for animals and the responsibility that goes along with it," Condon said. "Animals enrich our



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lives with unconditional love and devotion. We like to remind owners that they also have responsibilities to the animals."

The festival proceeds will benefit the Animal Welfare League of the Greater Capital District.

AnimalLovers began holding this event three years ago, said Condon.

"We held our very first one to introduce ourselves to the general population, for the public to get to know Animal Lovers and how we help with animals," said Condon.

AnimalLovers assists homeless, abandoned, unwanted or stray dogs and cats in the Capital District. They provide

placement for animals that are in need of homes, until they are adopted.

"We hold adoption clinics every weekend at locations all around the Capital District," said Sylvia Wheelless who is also a member of the board of directors at AnimalLovers. "We bring the animals that are ready to be adopted to the clinics and show them to people who are interested in them."

The Fall Festival will be held on Sunday, Oct. 5, from noon to 5 p.m. at Camp Nassau on Veeder Road in Guilderland. Admission is free.

For information, call AnimalLovers at 383-2184.

### Dracula opens at Capital Rep for month's run Friday night

A hundred years ago, Bram Stoker wrote a novel that's been chilling readers ever since with its tale of a man maintaining eternal life drinking the blood of his victims.

*Dracula* became a stage play and then a movie with the introduction of the silents and eventually, every production was compared to Bela Lugosi's early sound film of 1931.

In the 1970s, Frank Langella gave the role a more exotic and erotic tone when he played *Dracula* on Broadway.

Now, contemporary productions lean towards the Langella characterization.

As Jean LeClerc steps on stage this week in preview performances at Capital Rep and the official opening Friday night, it will be obvious the production is leaning towards the Langella version. And why not? LeClerc replaced Langella in the role on Broadway and toured it around the country for several years.

He's also known for his soap opera role of Jeffrey Hunter on *All My Children* which he did for a dozen years or more.

Stoker has been adapted by many writers and this production in Albany is done by Steven Dietz with an eye for blowing the dust off the 100-year old script.

Performances are Thursday, Oct. 2 when Generation Xers pay half price and then the press opening Friday night. The production runs through Oct. 26.

Information and reservations are available at 462-4531

### Kitty Carlisle Hart captivates audience at Empire Center

What happens when a handsome, slim woman with 70 years in the theater steps onstage in a short, black cocktail dress and then talks in a strong, cultured voice and sings with phrasing and interpretation that money can't buy?

## SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

Simply told, Kitty Carlisle Hart captivated an audience for the hour she held center stage telling the history of American musical comedy and singing some of the songs made famous in the 30s and 40s when she was a Broadway star.

There's intelligence in her delivery and humor, often self-deprecating, in her manner as she tells of the men and women, all famous names in the theater, who were her friends and co-workers.

This is not "And then I met" type of conversation. Rather, one gets the impression that these famous personalities — George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and a host of others — felt fortunate in knowing her.

The information she imparts is charmingly illuminating while the songs she sings demonstrate the poetry and musical sensibility these men and women had.

Not a fan of contemporary musical theater, Hart points out the difference very subtly. She tells of Irving Berlin courting the Mackey heiress and being snubbed by her father. (They eventually married and lived 70 years together.) But, the courtship provided two songs, "All Alone by the Telephone" and "Always", which Berlin wrote for the woman he loved. As Hart sings these lyrics with such clarity, you understand the reason for the musical immortality Berlin and his fellow writ-



Martin P. Kelly

ers enjoy.

What the audience didn't know when they saw this 86-year old trouper walk on stage rather stiffly, was that she was recovering from a broken knee. She neither mentioned it or sat down during the performance, preferring to stand by a lectern and read and sing as if nothing was wrong.

And, nothing was wrong except the brevity of the evening. One would want to spend hours with this woman and her tales and her songs.

### Proctor's opens season with gala and Julio Iglesias as star act

For years Proctor's Theater in Schenectady has been opening its season with top acts, including the late George Burns, Tony Bennett and even a production of *Annie*.

This year — Saturday night (Oct. 4) in fact — international star Julio Iglesias will bring his Spanish charm to the Schenectady stage.

The stage show will be part of a gala at the Lower Mohawk Club in the Schenectady Stockade. Iglesias will attend this post-show gala.

The Schenectady Trolley will provide transportation from the theater to the Mohawk Club after the performance.

Tickets for the opening night gala are \$125 which includes the show and a post-show event back at the Mohawk Club. Regular tickets to the show are \$39.50 to \$55.

Information and reservations are available at 346-6204

### Around Theaters!

*Fools*, a Neil Simon comedy at the Theatre Barn, New Lebanon through Oct. 12. (794-8989) ... *Don't Dress for Dinner*, French farce at the Lake George Dinner Theater through Oct. 11 (668-5781) ... *Hedda Gabler*, Strindberg drama at Siena College through Oct. 11. (783-2527)

# ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

## THEATER

### "SHE LOVES ME"

romantic comedy set in pre-war 1934 Budapest, Schenectady Light Opera Company, SLOC Opera House, 826 State Street, Schenectady, 8 p.m., Oct. 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26. Information, 377-5101.

### "MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING"

National Shakespeare Company, Arts Center Theater, Columbia-Greene Community College, 4400 Rte. 2, Hudson, 8 p.m., Oct. 3. Information, 828-4181.

### "IMPROV AND COMEDY"

Second City National Touring Company, Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, 8 p.m., Oct. 25. Information, 473-4168.

### "MAKING UP IS HARD TO DO"

Steamer Theatre 10, 500 Western Ave., Albany, 8 p.m., Oct. 3 and 4. Information, 346-0463.

### "MARVIN'S ROOM"

by Scott McPherson, University Theatre, Performing Arts Center 266, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, 8 p.m., Oct. 24, 25, 29 3 p.m., Oct. 26.

### "HOMEIMPROV-MENT"

Steamer Theatre 10, 500 Western Ave., Albany, 8 p.m., March 27 and 28. Information, 346-0463.

### "ANGELS IN AMERICA, PART I"

epic drama, by Tony Kushner, University Theatre, Performing Arts Center 266, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, 8 p.m., Nov. 21, 22.

## MUSIC

### OUT OF CONTROL

rock, blues, The John Haag Quartet, William Productions, 83 Harvard Road, Watervliet, 9:30 p.m., Oct. 4. Information, 274-0316.

### AL DI MEOLA PROJECT

Jazz Rock Guitarist's Career Retrospective, William Productions, 83 Harvard Road, Watervliet, 9 p.m., Oct. 9. Information, 274-0316.

### MARK MURPHY AND HIS QUARTET

The Van Dyck, 237 Union Street, Schenectady, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Friday, Oct. 3. Information, 274-0316.

### THE FAREED HAQUE QUARTET

The Van Dyck, 237 Union Street, Schenectady, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 4. Information, 274-0316.

### THE IRISH ROVERS

Celtic traditional and folk music, Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, Oct. 9, 8 p.m., to benefit the Irish-American Heritage Museum, \$20. Information, 432-6598.

### EIGHTH STEP

open stage, 14 Willett St., Albany, 8 p.m., Wednesdays, 7. Information, 434-1703.

### ALLAN ALEXANDER

guitar and lute player, Allegro Cafe, Troy, Saturdays, 7 to 11 p.m.

## CALL FOR ARTISTS

### AUDITION

for Capitol Hill Choral Society for the 1997-98 season. All voice parts. Information, 465-3328 or 374-4399.

### HANDCRAFTERS

needed for third annual Festival of Crafts, Center for the Disabled, 314 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, in October. Information, 489-8336.

### SOUP MULTIMEDIA

currently looking for artists, photographers, painters, musicians, writers. Information, 869-0766.

### MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB

#### WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

### CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

singers needed, rehearsals at Columbia High School, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

## CLASSES/LECTURES

### DANCE CLASSES

ongoing, all levels, ballet, jazz and modern, New School of Ballet, 1098 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays. Information, 346-1096.

### MUSEUM ART CLASSES

ongoing, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., \$25. Information, 463-4478.

### ART CLASSES

watercolor and oil, beginner and advanced, taught by Kristin Woodward. Information, 783-1828.

## VISUAL ARTS

### FROEBEL GALLERY

local, regional, national and international artists, 287 Lark St., Albany. Information, 449-1233.

### GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY ART

315 Warren St., Hudson, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursdays through Fridays, noon to 5 p.m., Saturdays, noon to 4 p.m., Sundays. Information, 828-1915.

### GINOFOR GALLERY

photography, painting, sculpture, 38 W. Main St., Cambridge. Information, 677-3288.

### SCHICK GALLERY

Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, 1 to 3:30 p.m., Saturday. Information, 584-5000.

### SCHUYLER MANSION

elegant 18th-century mansion, home and gallery of historical objects related to Gen. Philip Schuyler, 32 Catherine St., Albany. Information, 434-0834.

### SHAKER HERITAGE SOCIETY

four the grounds and buildings of the first Shaker settlement in America, 1848 Shaker Meeting House, Albany-Shaker House, Colonie. Information, 456-7890.

### "THE CAPITAL COMES TO ALBANY"

paintings, photographs, and documents detailing Albany's 200-year history as the state's capital, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 5 p.m., through Nov. 16. Information, 463-4478.

## LEGAL NOTICE

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

Articles of organization of Masterson Enterprises, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on September 8, 1997, 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 89 Deerpark Road, RR#01, Voorheesville, New York 12186. 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. (October 1, 1997)

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

Name: Ferry-Captain Real Estate, LLC. Articles of organization filed with sec. of state of NY ("SOS") on 8/20/97. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to LLC, c/o Whiteman Osterman & Hanna, 1 Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (October 1, 1997)

### CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF RICKENBOB, L.P. STATE OF NEW YORK

ss. COUNTY OF ALBANY The undersigned hereby certify: 1. Name of Limited Partnership: Rickenbob, L.P. 2. County within New York State in which the office of the Limited Partnership is located: Albany County.

3. Rickenbob, L.P. hereby designates the Secretary of State of the State of New York as its Agent upon whom process against Rickenbob, L.P. may be served and notifies the Secretary of State of the State of New York that its address for the purpose of receiving a copy of said process is: Rickenbob, L.P., 17 Riesling Road Schenectady, New York 12309.

4. The name and address of each general partner is as follows: Richard P. Aupperle, Jr., P.O. Box 257 Marcellus, New York 13108 Kenneth J. Aupperle 730 Morning Shadows Drive Chattanooga, Tennessee 37421 Robert W. Aupperle, Sr. 17 Riesling Road Schenectady, New York 12309

5. The latest date by which this Limited Partnership will dissolve is June 1, 2047.

This Certificate of Limited Partnership of Rickenbob, L.P. is executed this day of August, 1997. s/Richard P. Aupperle, Jr. General Partner

## LEGAL NOTICE

s/Kenneth J. Aupperle General Partner s/Robert W. Aupperle, Sr. General Partner STATE OF NEW YORK

### COUNTY OF ONONDAGA

ss. On this 27th day of August, 1997, before me personally came Richard P. Aupperle, Jr., to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged that he executed the same. s/Janet M. Stewart Notary Public STATE OF NEW YORK

### COUNTY OF ALBANY

ss. On this 4th day of August, 1997, before me personally came Robert W. Aupperle, Sr. to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged that he executed the same. s/Maureen R. Mackesey Notary Public STATE OF NEW YORK

### COUNTY OF HAMILTON

ss. On this 15th day of August, 1997, before me personally came Kenneth J. Aupperle, to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged that he executed the same. s/Robin M. Davenport Notary Public 8/15/97 (October 1, 1997)

### ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF BEST COLLECTIONS, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is: Best Collectables, LLC SECOND: The county within this State in which the principal office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is Albany County.

THIRD: The Limited Liability Company shall continue until the occurrence of an event set forth in the Operating Agreement which causes the termination of the Limited Liability Company.

FOURTH: The Limited Liability Company hereby designates the Secretary of State of New York as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against the Limited Liability Company may be served. The post office address of the Limited Liability Company, to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon the Secretary of State, is: c/o Bernard S. Kravitz, 26 Waterford Avenue, Latham, New York 12110.

FIFTH: The Limited Liability Company is to be managed by 1 or more Members.

SIXTH: The name and busi-

## LEGAL NOTICE

ness address of the Organizer of the Limited Liability Company are: Charles B. Dumas, 80 State Street, Albany, New York 12207.

SEVENTH: The Members of the Limited Liability Company are liable for payment of any debt, obligation or other liability of the Limited Liability Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this day of August, 1997, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made here are true under penalties of perjury.

s/Charles B. Dumas Organizer (October 1, 1997)

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

The name of the LLC is Eleven ALD, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 1, 1997. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o Eugene M. Sneeringer, Jr., Esq., 50 Chapel Street, Albany, New York 12207. (October 1, 1997)

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

The name of the LLC is Pin-stripes, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 6, 1997. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o Nia C. Cholakis, Esq., P.O. Box 12753, Albany, New York 12212-1253. (October 1, 1997)

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

The name of the LLC is Columbia New York, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on September 16, 1997. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203. (October 1, 1997)

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# AROUND THE AREA

**WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**FARMERS' MARKET**

Holy Cross Church, Western Avenue and Brevator Street, Albany, 2 to 6 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

**FARMERS' MARKET**

Evangelical Protestant Church, Alexander and Clinton streets, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**SQUARE DANCE**

Single Squares of Albany, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden Street Extension, Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-2888.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**
**RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING**

Glen Worden School, 34 Worden Road, Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-4264.

**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**CHORUS REHEARSAL**

Capitland Chorus of Sweet Adelines, New Covenant Church, 916 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-4384.

**FARMERS' MARKET**

Third Reformed Church, Kate Street and Whitehall Road, Albany, 3 to 6 p.m.

**FARMERS' MARKET**

Albany YWCA, 28 Colvin Ave., 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 438-6608.

**FARMERS' MARKET**

corner of Pine Street and Broadway, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

**SENIOR CHORALE**

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 1 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**SENIORS LUNCHESES**

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**CONCERNED FRIENDS OF HOPE HOUSE**

meeting, support group for families of substance abusers, Child's Nursing Home auditorium, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-2441.

**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**FARMERS' MARKET**

Sacred Heart Church, Walter Street, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**MOTHERS' DROP IN**

sponsored by the Capital District Mothers' Center, First Congregational Church, Quail Street, Albany, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 475-1897.

**ROOFERS RECRUIT APPRENTICES**

applications accepted by those at least age 18, Roofers Joint Apprenticeship Committee of the Capital District, Local 241, 890 Third St., Albany, 8 a.m. to noon. Information, 457-5519.

**SENIORS LUNCHESES**

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**SIBLING CLASS**

prepares young children for the arrival of a new baby, ages 3 to 10 yrs., Bellevue Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 10:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. Information, 346-9410.

**GREYHOUND WALK**

WAJ School, Main Street, Rte. 23, Windham, 10 a.m. Information, 734-3852.

**ANTIQUES IN HISTORIC WINDHAM SHOW**

lawn of WAJ Central School, Main St., Rte. 23, Windham, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Information, 734-3852.

**FARMERS' MARKET**

First Congregational church, 405 Quail St., Albany, 9 a.m. to noon.

**SUNDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**AMERICAN DRIVING SOCIETY**

Horse driving trial, Saratoga Driving Association, Akers Acres Farm, State Farm Road, Kinderhook, 9 a.m. Information, 457-3833.

**DANCE PROGRAM**

"Polka Guys and Dolls," for children 3 and older, Cohoes Polish National Alliance, Cohoes, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-8595.

**SCOTTISH DANCING**

Scottish Church, Washington Avenue, Albany, 7 to 10 p.m. Information, 377-8792.

**MONDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**SENIORS LUNCHESES**

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 4:45 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**
**SCOTTISH DANCING**

Salvation Army, Smith Street, Schenectady, 8 to 10 p.m. Information, 783-6477.

**TUESDAY  
OCTOBER**

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**ALBANY COUNTY**
**FARMERS' MARKET**

St. Vincent De Paul Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**TRUE FRIENDS**

female incest survivors support group, Pineview Community Church, 251 Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 452-7800.

**SINGLE PARENTS MEETING**

sponsored by Parents Without Partners Chapter 380, Colonie Community Center, Central Avenue, 7 p.m. Information, 869-0870.

**BINGO**

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 7:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**LEGAL NOTICE**
**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)**

The name of the LLC is Columbia Realty New York, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 1, 1997. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o Nia C. Cholakis, Esq., 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203. (October 1, 1997)

**PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is KEITHLEY & DYER, L.L.C. (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were

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filed with the Secretary of State on August 1, 1997.

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

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is:

243 Forts Ferry Road  
Latham, NY 12110

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is based solely on events of dissolution set forth in the New York Limited Liability Company Law (the "Law").

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law. (October 1, 1997)

**PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is CROSSTOWN PLAZA, L.L.C. (hereinafter

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referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 16, 1997 and an Amendment to the Articles of Organization was filed with the Secretary of State on August 21, 1997.

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

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is:

100 Cordell Road  
Schenectady, NY 12304

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is based solely on events of dissolution set forth in the New York Limited Liability Company Law (the "Law").

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to invest in real estate and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law. (October 1, 1997)

**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF ROSSWORKS, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Law**

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Rossworks, LLC.

SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany.

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: June 30, 2050.

FOURTH: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is:

1038 A  
19th Street  
Watervliet, New York 12189

FIFTH: The name and street address within this state of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company can be served is:

Doyle & Doyle, Esqs.  
317 Brick Church Road  
Troy, New York 12180

SIXTH: The future effective date of the Articles of Organization is effective upon filing, June 20, 1997.

SEVENTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more members.

EIGHTH: If all or specified members are to be liable in their capacity as members for all or specified debts, obligations or liabilities of the limited liability company as authorized pursuant to Section 609 of the Limited Liability Company Law, a statement that all or speci-

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fied members are so liable. s/Deborah Schwager, Organizer (October 1, 1997)

**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF ROSSWORKS, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Law**

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Rossworks, LLC.

SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany.

THIRD: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is Zappone & Fiore Law Firm, 619 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization are effective as of the date of filing.

FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 22nd day of August, 1997, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury. s/Deborah Schwager, Organizer (October 1, 1997)

**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF GOODMAN WINDSOR REALTY, LLC**

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

THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of at least eighteen (18) years of age and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company (the "Company") hereby being formed under Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "LLCL"), certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the Company is Goodman Windsor Realty, LLC

SECOND: The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.

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

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address within or without the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State is c/o Goodman Windsor Realty, LLC, 29 Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207.

FIFTH: The Company is to be managed by one or more mem-

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bers. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this day of , 1997.

Richard A. Langer  
McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C. Attorneys for LLC  
75 State Street - P.O. Box 459  
Albany, New York 12201-0459  
(518) 447-3200

August 26, 1997  
(October 1, 1997)

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

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is Prescribed Realty, L.L.C. (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 23, 1997.

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

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is:

3761 Carman Road  
Schenectady, NY 12303

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is based solely on events of dissolution set forth in the New York Limited Liability Company Law (the "Law").

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to invest in real estate and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law. (October 1, 1997)

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO SECTION 206(C) OF THE NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY LAW**

1. The name of the limited liability company is CLARK AVENUE PROPERTIES, LLC

2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on June 27, 1997.

3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located in Albany County.

4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: CLARK AVENUE PROPERTIES, LLC, 25 Slingerland Street, Slingerlands, New York 12159.

5. The name and street address within New York of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability

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company can be served is:

Stephanie A. Bolla  
Clark Avenue Properties, LLC  
25 Slingerland Street  
Slingerlands, New York 12159

6. The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is June 30, 2032, unless dissolved before such date pursuant to the New York Limited Liability Company Law or the Operating Agreement of the Company.

7. The limited liability company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes. (October 1, 1997)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 21, 1997, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, New York, at 7:30 p.m., to take action on the application of Harry O. Gochee, 329 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY, for approval by said Planning Board of a three (3) lot subdivision of a 1.7 acre parcel located on Delaware Ave. and Kenaware Ave. as shown on map entitled, "Map of Proposed Subdivision, Street No. 527 Delaware Avenue, Property of Harry O. Gochee, Town of Bethlehem, County: Albany, State: New York" dated September 30, 1994, as revised and made by Paul E. Hite, LLS, Delmar, NY.

Douglas Hasbrouck  
Chairman, Planning Board  
NOTE: Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate in the public hearing should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advance notice is requested. (October 1, 1997)

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)**

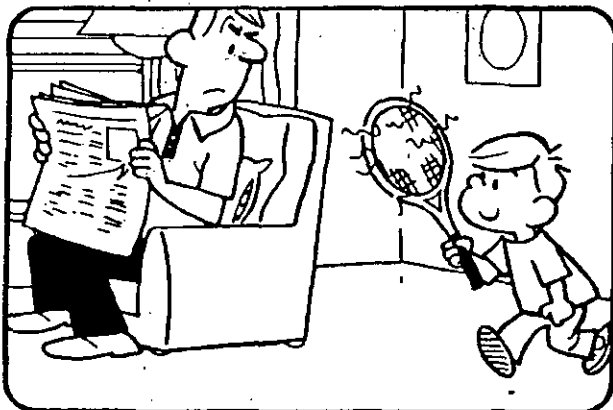
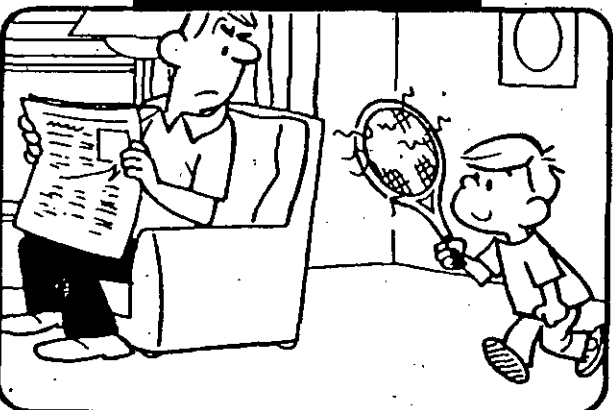
Name: Ferry-Capitan Industries, LLC. Articles of organization filed with sec. of state of NY ("SOS") on 9/ - 97. Office location: Al any County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to LLC, c/o Whiteman Osterma & Hanna, 1 Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (October 1, 1997)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Stephen and Lynn Bearup, 22 Longmeadow Drive, Delmar, October 1, 1997, 7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems/DBA CellularONE/Sprint Spectrum, L.P./A Lot in Delmar, Inc., Delaware Avenue and Mason Road, Delmar, October 1, 1997, 7:45 p.m.

Jo Mary Dragon  
Secretary,  
Board of Appeals  
(October 1, 1997)


**HOCUS-FOCUS**

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Differences: 1. Paper is different. 2. Buttons are missing. 3. Pillow is missing. 4. Picture is moved. 5. Handle is shorter. 6. Leg is moved.

# The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY  
OCTOBER**
**1**
**BETHLEHEM**
**BINGO**

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

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 58**

Elsmere Elementary School, 247  
Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.  
Information, 439-4205.

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

Parks and Recreation Office,  
Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m.  
Information, 439-0503.

**WELCOME WAGON**

newcomers, engaged women  
and new mothers, call for a  
Welcome Wagon visit, Monday  
to Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Information, 439-1531.

**TESTIMONY MEETING**

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

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**

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

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**PAINTING CLASS**

"Watercolor Adventure" adult  
program, Voorheesville Public  
Library, 51 School Road,  
Information, 765-2791.

**NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR  
CITIZENS**

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

**AA MEETING**

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

**AL-ANON MEETING**

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

**FAITH TEMPLE**

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

**MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL  
FREE CHURCH**

evening service, Bible study and  
prayer, Route 155, 7:30 p.m.  
Information, 765-3390.

**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER**
**2**
**BETHLEHEM**
**RECOVERY, INC.**

self-help for chronic nervous  
symptoms, First United Methodist  
Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 10  
a.m. Information, 439-9976.

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

Parks and Recreation Office,  
Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m.  
Information, 439-0503.

**BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS**

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave.,  
12:30 p.m. Information, 439-  
4955.

**AA MEETINGS**

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

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

children's choir, 6:30 p.m., senior  
choir, 7:30 p.m., 85 Elm Ave.  
Information, 439-4328.

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY  
CHURCH**

women's Bible study, 9:30 to  
11:15 a.m. or 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. in  
a local home, children's  
program and nursery provided  
for morning session, 201 Elm  
Ave. Information, 439-3135.

**CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM**

Delmar Chabad Center, 109  
Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m.  
Information, 439-8280.

**NEW SCOTLAND  
FEURA BUSH FUNSTERS**

4-H group for ages 8 to 19,  
Jerusalem Reformed Church,  
Feura Bush Road, 7 to 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER**
**3**
**BETHLEHEM**
**AA MEETING**

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

**CHABAD CENTER**

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

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**YOUTH GROUP**

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

**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER**
**4**
**BETHLEHEM**
**AA MEETING**

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

**AL-ANON MEETING**

The Crossroads, 4 Normanskill  
Blvd., 5:30 p.m. Information, 489-  
6779.

**STORYTIME**

"Saturday Storybreak",  
Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30  
a.m., Parents must attend,  
Information, 439-9314.

**VETERANS NIGHT**

Anniversary and Old Timers  
Night, 4 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., 1016  
River Road, Selkirk, Information,  
768-2411 or 767-2886.

**ANNUAL FALL SUPPER**

There will be a dinner at  
Jerusalem Reformed Church in  
Feura Bush. The serving times  
are 5:00 and 6:15. Also with a  
Bake and Craft Sale from 4:30  
until closing. Information, 439-  
2212.

**STAR PARTY**

Hosted by the Albany Area  
Amateur Astronomers, Inc.  
Information, 872-1237.

**SUNDAY  
OCTOBER**
**5**
**BETHLEHEM**
**DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH**

traditional worship, 9 and 11  
a.m., T.G.I. Sunday  
contemporary worship, 5:30  
p.m., nursery care and Sunday  
school for children during all  
worship service, 386 Delaware  
Ave. Information, 439-9929.

**UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN  
FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship  
service, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill  
Road. Information, 438-7740.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,  
SCIENTIST**

Sunday school and worship  
service, 10 a.m., child care  
provided, 555 Delaware Ave.  
Information, 439-2512.

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY  
CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship  
service, 10 a.m., nursery  
provided, 201 Elm Ave.  
Information, 439-3135.

**ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH**

Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:30 a.m.,  
coffee and fellowship, nursery  
care provided, church school,  
9:30 a.m., Poplar Drive and  
Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-  
3265.

**SELKIRK CONGREGATION OF  
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**

Bible lecture, 9:30 a.m.,  
Watchtower Bible study, 10:25  
a.m., Elm Ave. and Feura Bush  
Road. Information, 439-0358.

**SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

worship service and church  
school, 10 a.m., fellowship hour,  
nursery care provided, 1499  
New Scotland Road.  
Information, 439-1766.

**SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.,  
worship service, 11 a.m.,  
followed by coffee hour,  
Willowbrook Ave., Information,  
767-9953.

**DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

worship service, church school,  
nursery care, 10 a.m., fellowship  
and coffee, 11 a.m., adult  
education, 11:15 a.m., family  
communion service, first Sunday,  
585 Delaware Ave. Information,  
439-9252.

**DELMAR FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**

Sunday services, 8:30 and 10:30  
a.m., 292 Elsmere Ave.  
Information, 439-4407.

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF  
BETHLEHEM**

church school, 9:30 a.m.,  
worship service, 11 a.m., child  
care provided, Route 9W,  
Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

**GLENMONT COMMUNITY  
CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship  
service, 10:30 a.m., child care  
available, 1 Chapel Lane.  
Information, 436-7710.

**CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE  
APOSTLE**

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m.  
and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30  
a.m. and noon, 35 Adams  
Place. Information, 439-4951.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH**

Latin Mass, 10 a.m. Sunday, 5:30  
p.m. daily, Route 9W at Beacon  
Road, Glenmont. Information,  
462-2016.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**

worship service, 11 a.m., 1  
Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-  
4314.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH**

church school, 9:45 a.m.,  
worship service, 9:30 a.m., adult  
classes, 11 a.m., 428 Kenwood  
Ave. Information, 439-9976.

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

continental breakfast 8:30 a.m.,  
worship services, infant and  
preschool nursery care, assistive  
listening services, handicapped  
accessible, 9:30 a.m., coffee  
and fellowship, 10:30 a.m., 85  
Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

**MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES**

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.,  
morning worship, 11 a.m., youth  
group, 6 p.m., evening service, 7  
p.m., Route 9W, Glenmont.  
Information, 426-4510.

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL  
ASSOCIATION MUSEUM**

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

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.,  
worship service, 10:15 a.m.,  
Auberge Suisse Restaurant,  
Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

**FAITH TEMPLE**

Sunday school, 10 a.m., worship  
service, 7 p.m., New Salem.  
Information, 765-2870.

**ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Masses Saturday at 5 p.m. and  
Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.,  
Mountain View Road,  
Voorheesville. Information, 765-  
2805.

**JERUSALEM REFORMED  
CHURCH**

worship service, 10:30 a.m.,  
followed by coffee hour, child  
care provided, Route 32, Feura  
Bush. Information, 439-0548.

**NEW SALEM REFORMED  
CHURCH**

adult Bible study, 9 a.m., junior  
choir or chime choir practice, 9  
a.m., worship service, 10 a.m.,  
recorder group practice, 11  
a.m., nursery care provided,  
Route 85. Information, 439-6179.

**VPL ART AUCTION**

Colonie Country Club, Rte. 85A,  
Voorheesville, 1:30 p.m.  
Information, 765-2791.

**ONESQUETHAW REFORMED  
CHURCH**

worship service, 9:30 a.m.,  
Sunday school, 10:45 a.m.,  
Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush.  
Information, 768-2133.

**UNIONVILLE REFORMED  
CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.,  
worship service, 10:30 a.m.,  
followed by fellowship,  
Delaware Turnpike. Information,  
439-5001.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN  
NEW SCOTLAND**

worship service, 10 a.m., church  
school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care  
provided, Route 85. Information,  
439-6454.

**MONDAY  
OCTOBER**
**6**
**BETHLEHEM**
**INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING**

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

**MOTHERS' TIME OUT**

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

**BLANCHARD AMERICAN  
LEGION POST MEETING**

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

**DELMAR KIWANIS**

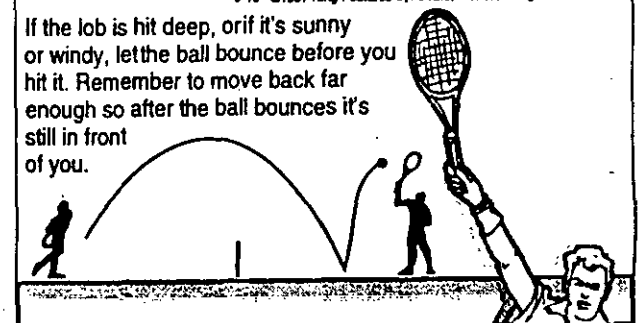
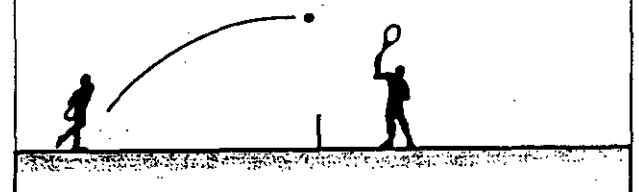
Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m.  
Information, 439-5560.

**DELMAR COMMUNITY  
ORCHESTRA**

rehearsal, town hall, 445  
Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m.  
Information, 482-1100.

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**LET IT BOUNCE OR NOT?**

It is best to hit your overhead in the air, since it gives  
your opponent less time to get ready for the return.


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Chateau	Fortified	Postern	Ward
Chatelaine	Halls	Royalty	

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#### NEW SCOTLAND

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

**TUESDAY OCTOBER 7**

#### BETHLEHEM

**PLANNING BOARD**  
town hall, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING**  
Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-0057.

**TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP**  
First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**  
Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

**ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS**  
firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

**DELMAR ROTARY**  
Howard Johnson's, Route 9W, Information, 439-9988.

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

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

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town hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356.

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

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8**

#### BETHLEHEM

**TOWN BOARD**  
town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS**  
The Clubhouse, Adams Station Apts., 1 Juniper Drive, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0871.

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

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 58**  
Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

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firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3851.

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

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

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

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

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

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open house, 250 Delaware Ave., 6 and 8 p.m. Information, 783-1864.

**BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS**  
town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

**DELMAR FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY**  
firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM MEMORIAL VFW POST 3185**  
404 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-9836.

**ELSMERE FIRE COMPANY AUXILIARY**  
firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m.

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

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**FRIDAY OCTOBER 10**

#### BETHLEHEM

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

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#### NEW SCOTLAND

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

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 11**

#### BETHLEHEM

**AA MEETING**  
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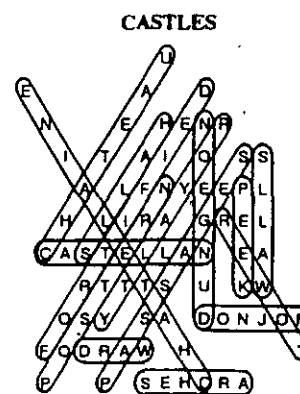
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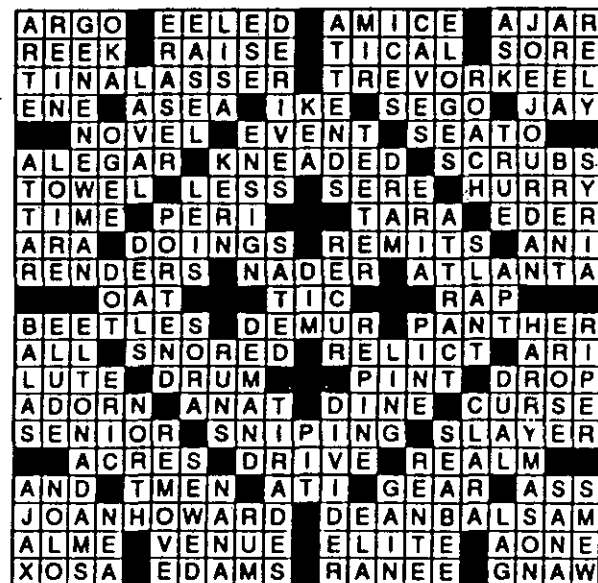


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## Tap

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Fuller has said in the past there is a possibility of a lawsuit with Rensselaer engineering firm Fraser & Associates and Dunn Geoscience. The system was designed by Fraser, under parameters specified by Dunn Geoscience, to draw approximately 6 million gallons per day.

However, because of silt and man-made structures in the river, the \$13.1 million plant is only producing 2.4 million gallons a day.

While Gannett Fleming prepares its report, LeBouef, Lamb, Greene & MacRae will search for possible claims available to the town based on the engineering firm's report.

The entire process, including Gannett Fleming's services, will cost the town approximately \$30,000.

In the end, Supervisor Sheila Fuller said, "We'll get exactly what the community paid for."

William Kelleher, a member of Clearwater for Bethlehem, said it will take legal action before the town will see any money.

"How can you claim your money without malpractice insurance?" Kelleher asked Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz.

"Are you asking if there will be additional costs?" Kaplowitz responded. "We have no way of knowing that yet. We hope not. You're jumping into something no one knows about."

Kelleher asked the board if the town knew how much money Fraser and Dunn had set aside for

malpractice insurance. Kaplowitz said the town did not know, and if it had asked the two companies, neither would respond.

"I've been around long enough to know that is not true," said Kelleher.

"I've been around long enough to know that your statement about not getting money without malpractice insurance is hogwash," replied Kaplowitz.

When Kelleher continued to ask about a possible lawsuit, Kaplowitz said, "I don't want to continue with you any further. I don't want you to come back here and say I've misled you."

The plant was designed to supply water to the southeastern corner of town, as well as provide water to industries such as General Electric and Selkirk Cogen.

Shortly after opening service in January 1996, the system encountered problems when a heavy rainstorm caused flooding and siltation in the river.

Over the past year, both O'Brien & Gere and Fraser conducted separate reviews, both citing silt as the leading cause for lack in yield. Fraser's review convinced the town to seek approval from the state Department of Environmental Conservation and Army Corps of Engineers to dredge the river bottom of silt.

After receiving approval, and getting a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant, the town dredged the river bottom in March. The yield increased immediately after the project, but declined afterwards.

Last month, O'Brien & Gere stated that a clay barrier surrounding the infiltration system, along with a timber pile bulkhead along the river's shore, combined with the silt to contribute to the lack in yield.

But O'Brien & Gere did not assess the design of the infiltration gallery.

## Tri-Village Squares sponsor dance

Tri-Village Squares will hold a square and round dance on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 8 to 10:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church on 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

## Collect

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Leafer said the town has yet to receive a report on the sale. The report may take a few weeks, as Empire is now battling with the state over mortgage taxes, Leafer said.

Empire, a not-for-profit health insurer, had owned the building since 1967. Its not-for-profit status allowed the company to be wholly exempt from town, county and school property taxes.

Picotte Companies, owners and managers of developmental real estate, have been aware of the property for years, said spokeswoman Nancy Carey, as Empire

has been tenants of the company's Corporate Woods for a number of years.

"It made good business sense," said Bohran.

Carey said Picotte is still analyzing how the company will use the building.

So far, Picotte plans to renovate and lease the building out.

## Glenmon church holds rummage sale

Glenmont Community Church on Chapel Lane will hold a rummage sale on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 3, and 4, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



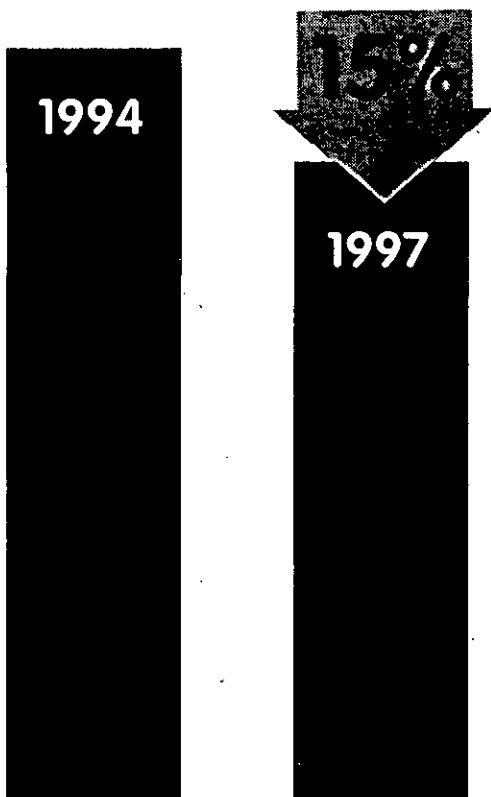
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