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Lion in winter



An apparently fake stuffed bobcat and an automobile muffler decorate a bulldozer at the site of the new Jiffy Lube on Delaware Avenue, which opens soon. Peter Hanson

Zoning board gives Stewart's thumbs up

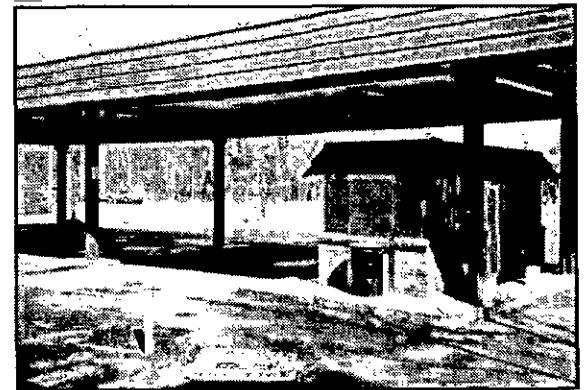
By Peter Hanson

The Bethlehem Zoning Board of Appeals voted Feb. 18 to approve the building of a Stewart's Shop at the corner of Elm and Delaware avenues in Delmar.

The board will vote again on the Stewart's proposal during its March 4 meeting, at which the approval is expected to become official.

During the Feb. 18 meeting, several conditions were attached to the approval of the Stewart's proposal. These conditions will be included in a resolution on which the board will vote March 4.

Although the board's approval was not unanimous — the vote was 3-2 — board members agreed Stewart's was cooperative throughout the application



A Stewart's Shop may be built at this Delmar corner.

process and has run its other Bethlehem stores in a reputable manner.

The store, which will sell beer and cigarettes, will be located within 200 feet of the Bethlehem Central high school

□ STEWART'S/page 28

Oxygen producing plant to be built in Selkirk

By Peter Hanson

A Pennsylvania-based industrial products company recently announced plans to build an \$18 million oxygen production plant on the Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corp. industrial campus on Feura Bush Road in Selkirk.

The announcement from MG Industries said the plant should be operational by early next year, and will employ about 30 people including plant

workers and drivers.

"Hiring will begin approximately six months prior to the plant startup date," the announcement said, "most of (the

□ OXYGEN/page 24

V'ville native skates to Olympic glory

By Lisa K. Kelly

It isn't easy for Ruth Ulion of Voorheesville to express the pride she feels for her granddaughter, Gretchen Ulion, who led the USA women's hockey team to a gold medal in the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

"It's so hard to put into words the way I felt when I saw her make that goal and saw her walk across the ice with the medal around her neck," Ruth said while leafing through two scrapbooks bulging with Gretchen memorabilia. "We're just so happy," she said. "It's been so exciting."

"I'm awful proud and glad she's my granddaughter," said Charles Ulion.

Gretchen Ulion, No. 22, scored the first goal of the gold medal game on Feb. 17. She also received an assist during the game.

"I have almost every article written about her in here," Ruth said.

This is the first time women's hockey was an Olympic event.

In one way or another, Gretchen's entire family kept tabs on the games. Her parents were in Japan for the games, some family members were on a cruise and used CNN to keep up with the events, others used the Internet, while most relied on TV for news.

Gretchen's parents, Marilyn and Nicholas, both graduates of Voorheesville High School, now live in Connecticut.

"We couldn't see or talk to Gretchen for almost two hours after the game," Nicholas said. "It's very hard to put into words the emotion that was connected with the win."

"They've all worked most of their lives for this victory," he said.

"It was just unbelievable to hear and see

□ OLYMPIC/page 28



Gretchen Ulion

Schreiber leaves board to teach in Fujian, China

By Katherine McCarthy

In what he describes as "a bit of a career change," Voorheesville school board member Steven Schreiber has not just left the board, but the United States as well.

On Feb. 14, he flew to China for a five-month stint teaching English at Putian College in Fujian province in the southern part of the country.

In addition to serving on the Voorheesville school board for 15 years, Schreiber had just finished directing a Robert Wood Johnson grant project for the state Department of Health, designed to create a model for providing

□ SCHREIBER/page 24



Schreiber

Bethlehem K-9 locates distraught 7-year-old

By Peter Hanson

A 7-year-old Delmar boy who threatened suicide and ran away from home Feb. 11 was found alive by Bethlehem's K-9, Aaron. The boy was returned home safely.



Shortly after 4 p.m. on Feb. 11 Bethlehem police officer Wayne LaChappelle responded to a 911 call to a residential street in Delmar. He learned the boy had become upset upon hearing that he would be moving from his current home to another house.

The boy allegedly said, "I'm going to kill myself," then ran away. His mother called 911 and

when LaChappelle arrived with Aaron, she gave LaChappelle a bag containing the boy's clothes. Aaron fixed on the scent and tracked the boy for about 15 minutes, LaChappelle said.

Aaron found the boy lying face-down by the side of a house, and his body was so stiff that LaChappelle thought he might be hurt or dead. But when Aaron started licking the boy's face, LaChappelle saw the boy react and began speaking with him.

"We had a conversation sitting there in the bushes," LaChappelle said. The boy talked with LaChappelle for about 10 minutes and petted Aaron, but he did not lift his face from the ground until LaChappelle offered to let him walk Aaron.

Although he was still upset, the boy got up and held Aaron's leash

while they walked back to the child's house, LaChappelle said.

The boy's family was "overjoyed" when the child returned home, LaChappelle said, adding that the boy still seemed distraught when he left the scene.

LaChappelle said the boy's "middle-income" family has been having domestic problems, but the officer did not know what factors provoked the Feb. 11 incident other than the suggestion that the boy would be moving to another house.

LaChappelle said the incident was "heartbreaking" because the child barely seemed old enough to understand the concept of suicide. He said the family's response when the boy returned home "would bring tears to your eyes. It affects a police officer (emotionally), too."

Church youth groups host live music night

The Reformed, Presbyterian, Methodist Youth Group will host a live music night on Saturday, Feb. 28, at Delmar Presbyterian Church at 585 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The night will feature local bands, food, a prom wear sale and fashion show. A \$2 donation is requested.

The sale will run from 7 to 10 p.m. There will be music from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Aaron is the Bethlehem Police Department's second K-9. Grando, the department's first K-9 dog, was put to sleep Jan. 16 due to failing health.

LaChappelle feels the Feb. 11 incident is proof of how useful K-9s are in communities. "These dogs are invaluable tools," he said. "A situation like that is priceless."

Preschool sets open house

Bethlehem Preschool on Route 9W in Glenmont will hold an open house for its kindergarten enrichment program on Tuesday, March 3, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The program is for children who attend half day kindergarten.

The school is open year-round from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For information, call 463-8091.

Diet group slates open house at church

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS), a nonprofit weight-loss support group, will hold an open house on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 1 p.m. at Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

For information, call 439-4857.

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Redevelopment Plan for Albany Steam Station

Niagara Mohawk will conduct a public meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, at the Glenmont Elementary School, Route 9W, Glenmont, to discuss the company's redevelopment plan for its Albany Steam Station electricity generating plant.

Niagara Mohawk plans to submit an application to the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and Environment in mid-1998 seeking permission for the conversion of Albany Steam station into a state-of-the-art power plant. This plant would be a higher-efficiency, lower-emission plant than the current Albany Steam Station.

The company wishes to inform the public of its plans and to establish an ongoing public dialogue as the application is developed. All members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Niagara Mohawk

Cherryvale plan wins OK

By Peter Hanson

The Bethlehem planning board gave preliminary approval to the construction of Cherryvale, a 65-lot development proposed for McCormack Road in Slingerlands, at its Feb. 10 meeting.

The development, proposed by the Schenectady-based Charlew Construction Co., will be located on a 110-acre parcel near the intersection of McCormack Road and Route 140.

Robert Walsh, Charlew's director of land acquisition and development, said Cherryvale homes will be in the \$200,000 range.

Walsh said he anticipates submitting the final plans for Cherryvale to the planning board this week, and he expects the board to request at least one more set of revisions before granting final approval. Walsh said he hopes the project will be formally approved in April or May.

Ground will be broken in June, pending approval, with homes available for sale by December of this year or early 1999. The homes will be around 2,500 square feet, and options will include three, four and five bedroom designs.

Cherryvale is not Charlew's first development in Bethlehem. The company also built Dutchbrook, in North Bethlehem, and Fisher Hollow, in Slingerlands. Dutchbrook has 83 units and Fisher Hollow is designed to contain 59 units. Walsh said that so far, 30 Fisher Hollow units are either sold or in construction.

The planning board's approval document for Cherryvale provided more information about the project:

- It will tap water from the town's supply and use the town's sewer system.
- It will be part of the Slingerlands school and fire districts.
- The town retains the right to enforce a "right-of-way" option along the Cherryvale parcel's northern property line for future highway purposes. "A roadway may be constructed in this area at some future date to connect Delaware Avenue with Cherry Avenue extension," the approval document states.



Homes in Cherryvale will look similar to this one.

Town IDA discusses Bethlehem growth

Oxygen plant is biggest new project

By Peter Hanson

The Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency (IDA) explored strategies for drawing companies to the town at its annual meeting Feb. 23. The agency's six members agreed that developing an industrial park and a marketing brochure are top priorities for the coming year.

Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller opened the meeting by briefing the six-person group about the \$18 million Messer-Griesham Industries oxygen production plant that will be built on Owens-Corning's Selkirk parcel and several large projects that might happen in the future.

Fuller said Bethlehem appears to still be in the running for a computer chip fabrication plant. The Empire State Development Corp. is in the process of whittling down a list of potential sites for 10 proposed "chip-fab" plants, and two of the sites are in Bethlehem. Fuller said the sites under discussion are in the vicinity of Clapper Road and Wemple Road in Selkirk.

Fuller also said the Blue Cross/Blue Shield building in Slingerlands will be added to the town tax rolls in March. Picotte Realty purchased the facility and is in discussions with area hospitals about leasing it as a medical arts building.

Fuller said the lease arrangement is still in the negotiation phase, but she expects a tenant to take occupancy of the building this year.



Venezia

ing brochure might be a way to influence Bethlehem's reputation. "We have to break down this concept that Bethlehem is not friendly," he said.

IDA member Frank Venezia, who is also the chair of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, suggested the IDA, the town and the chamber work together on the brochure concept. Venezia said the chamber is planning its own brochure, so he wanted to ensure the different groups aren't working at cross purposes.

Another project that was discussed was an office park, which agency members said could be located near Exit 22 of the Thruway.

Much of the hour-long meeting was spent updating and revising the IDA's ethics, investment and purchasing policies. During this portion of the meeting, the agency discussed the issue of jurisdiction when an industrial proposal includes land governed by more than one IDA. Several members mentioned an unnamed project that might create a conflict between the Bethlehem and Albany County IDAs.

Ted Putney said "The host town has the right of first refusal, but it's a matter of agreement, not statute." The agency's counsel, Thomas P. Connolly, of the Albany law firm McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, said he will look into the legal issues governing IDA jurisdiction and present a report at a future meeting.

The agency's treasurer, Judith Kehoe, presented an annual report about the group's finances. It has about \$2,000 in cash available and \$232,000 invested. The IDA's total assets are \$255,148.

Kehoe updated the group on outstanding bonds, the biggest of which — a \$391 million bond for Selkirk Cogen — will not mature until 2012. Slightly more than \$2 million was paid on that bond in 1998.

In other business, Michael Tucker, of Albany's Mercer Companies Inc., took office as the IDA's new chairman, replacing Richardson. Tucker suggested the agency meet more frequently than it has in the past, and set the IDA's next meeting for Monday, April 20, at 8 a.m. at Bethlehem town hall.

We have to break down this concept that Bethlehem is not friendly.

Joseph Richardson

Another project Fuller mentioned was an ice hockey facility. She said it is in the discussion phase and did not say where it might be located or when it might be presented to the town for approval.

Fuller said she wanted the agency to explore ways to dispel a perception that Bethlehem is a difficult town in which to establish an industrial facility. She said she meets monthly with the state's Economic Development Agency, and "Spurlock is mentioned at every meeting."

Last year, Spurlock Adhesives Inc. proposed a formaldehyde plant that would have been located on Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation's Selkirk parcel. The project was going smoothly until Spurlock applied to the IDA for a \$7.5 million bond. Any IDA bond has to be preceded by a public hearing.

Fuller said hundreds of residents attended the meeting and the majority spoke against the Spurlock proposal. "Bethlehem got a bad reputation because of that," Fuller said.

IDA member Joseph Richardson suggested a market-

STAR deadline is next week

By Lisa K. Kelly

There are only five days left until the March 2 application deadline for the New York State Enhanced School Tax Relief Program (STAR).

"Right now we have about 1,229 applications processed," Bethlehem assessor David Leafer said Friday. "That includes the people who are already eligible for the senior citizen exemption. I'm guessing we will have around 1,400 applications by the end of next week."

New Scotland assessor Patricia McVee said Friday her office had processed about 400 applications, also including people eligible for senior citizen exemptions.

To apply for the enhanced STAR exemption, seniors need to complete applications available at town offices and submit a copy of their 1996 or 1997 federal or state tax

form to prove an income below \$60,000.

"We are asking for the federal tax form because it includes things like gross Social Security," McVee said. Birth or baptismal certificates can be used as proof of age.

Seniors eligible for the senior citizen general property tax exemption are also eligible for the enhanced STAR exemption. There is a potential for \$250 in tax savings this year; by 2001, senior citizens could save \$1,000 in taxes.

"I think this is good because it decreases ... the ever-increasing tax burden for people with limited income," Leafer said.

"(The state will pay) what the school districts do not receive because of the exemptions," McVee noted. School districts are responsible for letting town residents know about the exemption.

"What is somewhat amazing is how fast the word got around about STAR," Leafer said.

Bethlehem Superintendent Les Loomis said the district mailed a special brochure and letter to residents. McVee said school districts have notified residents in various ways, including district newsletters and newspaper notices.

"The STAR program has received a lot of public attention which has helped a lot of elderly home owners to become aware of other tax reductions they may be eligible for," said Karen Pellettier, director of Bethlehem's senior services.

Both towns' assessors offices have already received applications for the basic STAR exemption

which is available to all residents in 1999. The deadline to apply for the basic exemption is March 2, 1999.

STAR is a school tax relief program that was approved by the state legislature and signed into law in August 1997. The program is financed by the state and will be phased in with two parts.

This year, senior citizens over the age of 65 who are primary property owners and earn less than \$60,000 a year are eligible for the enhanced program, which will be phased in over the next four years. Each year's exemption will increase by \$12,500.

This year, senior citizens eligible for the enhanced program will receive a \$12,500 exemption on their school taxes; in 1999, \$25,000; in 2000, \$37,500; and in 2001 the exemption will be \$50,000.

Leafer said it's conceivable that a resident whose property is assessed at \$50,000 would not have to pay school taxes.

The basic STAR exemption will allow property owners, regardless of age and income, to receive a \$10,000 school tax exemption in 1999. In 2000 the exemption will increase to \$20,000 and in 2001 the exemption will top out at \$30,000.

For information on the STAR program, call the assessor's office in Bethlehem at 439-4955, ext. 103, or New Scotland at 439-9020.

The State Office of Real Property Services' Web site at <http://www.orps.state.ny.us> has additional information and an application.

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V'ville board mulls budget N. Scotland grants disability tax cuts

By Katherine McCarthy

The Voorheesville school board sat down Monday night to continue working on the 1998-99 budget, taking a closer look at staffing requirements, operations, maintenance and BOCES costs.

Superintendent for business Anthony Marturano saw a new tractor as a primary operations and maintenance need. "With the work we're doing on the school fields, we need a good machine," he said. "Snow removal is also difficult. We really need something with four wheel drive."

Marturano estimated the cost for a new tractor to be between \$25,000 and \$27,000, with the state contract allowing savings of about \$11,000.

Elementary school principal Edward Diegel presented his enrollment projections for next fall, based on Feb. 1 data, which shows a total enrollment of 687 for the fall, with an average class size of 24.6 students.

There are 708 elementary school students this year, and the decrease in enrollment means there will be one less section of second-grade next year. It won't be necessary to remove a teacher as two teachers are retiring and one is returning from leave.

An increase in special education students will require an additional .25 full-time equivalent special education/reading teacher, .4 FTE speech teacher and .6 FTE counseling.

Additional staff is needed at the high school due to a large interest in art classes and the introduction of distance learning.

Superintendent Alan McCartney said that distance learning, which is essentially instruction by live television, will be in place by July.

In the fall, Voorheesville will be hosting a new AP economics/participation in government course on the distance learning network, which will require an increase of .60 FTE social studies teaching time.

Another .40 FTE teaching time is required for art classes.

The budget also calls for increased teaching aide time. The elementary school needs an additional 10.5 hours of aide time per day to assist special education students.

At the high school, the increased aide time necessary for special education students is 14 hours-per-day.

The high school also needs seven more hours-per-day of aide time for the distance learning lab and to cover study halls.

Providing aide time to cover study halls will free up teachers for a pilot resource room program, where they will offer extra help during normal school hours. Assistant principal William Furdon said teachers are enthusiastic about the idea.

McCartney also presented the BOCES budget, pointing out that BOCES has changed greatly in recent times. "We have students in classes that go on to two-year colleges," he said. "Or students who graduate with auto mechanic certificates, and are able to get a job right away."

The total estimated cost for BOCES so far is \$464,521. After receiving state aid, it will drop to \$247,594.

The next school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m., when more of the budget will be presented. The budget vote is scheduled for May 9.

By Lisa K. Kelly

New Scotland residents with disabilities are now eligible for a partial property tax exemption, if the town assessor receives the application by March 2.

After a public hearing on the issue at a recent meeting, the town board unanimously approved a local law granting partial tax exemption of real property owned by a person with limited income who is disabled.

"I think this is a good thing for people," said town assessor Patricia McVee. "Up until this point, there has been no disability exemption. We've had calls every year from people asking if there is an exemption for the disabled."

Board members and McVee were unsure how many people would be affected. The exemption is similar to one for senior citizens.

To determine eligibility for both exemptions, individuals must provide proof of ownership and income.

The board tabled the portion of the proposal which would allow qualified residents to claim out of pocket expenses for medical and prescriptions expenses. This means any expenses not covered by insurance or reimbursed by Medicaid or Medicare.

"All I see is this causing severe headaches," said board member Mark Dempf.

McVee said the problem with trying to incorporate this part of the exemption is that people don't keep records of what they spend

for medical and prescription costs. "It's up to us to determine what has been reimbursed or not," McVee added.

The board agreed to look at this option again for next year's tax roll.

The board also held a public hearing on a proposed partial tax exemption for the alteration or rehabilitation of historical property. They tabled the issue until more information could be gathered.

The town is required to have a historical zone and a historical commission to decide who is eligible for the exemption.

"We're missing some of the underlying elements," said board member Scott Houghtaling. "Otherwise it would be left up to the assessor," he added.

Houghtaling said the board also wants to make sure there is an interest in the town for this type of exemption.

In other business, the board heard a presentation by C.T. Male, the engineering firm which is designing the Clarksville water district extension.

Engineer Gary McCollum said development of the project is on schedule. The \$725,000 extension project will feed from the existing Clarksville wells, up North Road to upper Flat Rock Road and serve 27 residential parcels and 13 vacant parcels.

"The Clarksville District can serve this district entirely," McCollum said, "and we don't think the numbers are out of

bounds to do this."

The excavation of rock along North Road is the most expensive part of the project and is estimated at \$220,000, McCollum said.

Town water committee member Katie O'Rourke asked McCollum if the pipe could be laid on top of the ground and then filled in, the way North Road seems to have been built. McCollum said they hadn't looked into that, but it could be a possibility.

Supervisor Herb Reilly said he thinks mounding would be too difficult because of driveways along North Road.

McCollum said the board could apply for project funding through the state Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund and U.S. Department of Agriculture's rural development office to help defray some of the costs.

However, McCollum said the Department of Agriculture's application process takes time and probably can't be done in time for the March 23 revolving loan deadline.

"We're (the town) going to make every effort to find other sources of money," said Reilly.

"We expect to hear very shortly ... how much of the engineering costs will be paid by the spill fund."

The town is negotiating with the state Department of Environmental Conservation to pay engineering costs for the project.

Kleen Resources, the firm responsible for the two-year-old contamination, contracts with the state to clean up hazardous waste spills.

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Matters of Opinion

Be an informed voter

If it's a sign of healthiness when residents take an interest in what goes on in their community, Bethlehem must be the picture of good health. Members of the community continue to debate the merits of the library's proposed parking lot expansion on our letters pages and have also voiced their concerns and opinions at recent school board meetings.

One apparent misconception, however, is that the school board has sanctioned the project. It has not. Only the voters can do that. The school board merely gave the library plan approval to appear on the ballot in May.

Bethlehem residents who would like more information about the parking lot proposal are invited to a meeting at the library on Tuesday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. They will also have an opportunity to discuss the proposal during a public budget session May 5.

For those who can't make the meetings, the library encourages anyone with concerns or suggestions to write to Director Nancy Pieri at 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.

A good variance

Despite the high-profile experiences of Southgate, Spurlock and various garbage incinerators, maybe Bethlehem isn't such a bad place to open a new business after all.

A proposed Stewart's Shop at the corner of Delaware and Elm avenues is the latest commercial project to receive a variance from the town zoning board of appeals.

The variance allows the store to sell beer within 250 feet of school property. Stewart's officials have maintained throughout the process that they are law-abiding merchants, and will not sell alcohol, cigarettes or lottery tickets to minors. The ZBA showed good judgment in believing them.

One example of Stewart's corporate responsibility is the restraint shown in promoting beer and cigarettes.

Many convenience stores' windows are plastered with colorful ads for beer and cigarettes to the point that municipalities are beginning to outlaw such promotion near schools.

Stewart's, on the other hand, has none of that. So aside from not promoting positive images of tobacco and alcohol to children, the local chain's stores just plain look nicer.

The new Stewart's will spruce up a run-down site, pay property taxes and provide a handy place for Delmar residents to shop for a few items — milk, bread, ice cream, newspapers, and, yes, beer and cigarettes.

Welcome!

Congratulations

Gretchen Ulion's family in Voorheesville has reason to be proud of her. Only a select few talented and dedicated athletes ever even make it to the Olympics, and fewer still achieve the most coveted prize — the gold medal.

But Gretchen has the gold as the result of her own personal effort and her team's performance on the ice in Nagano, Japan. This was the first year a women's ice hockey team competed in the Olympic event, and Ulion has etched her name on the record books forever.

She has also shown exactly how determination pays off. At the tender age of 6, she told her parents that she wanted to skate. So, being good parents, they enrolled her in figure skating classes. Wrong. Her instructor told them to save their money since all Gretchen did was watch the boys hockey team on the other rink.

Once again, being good parents, the Ulions enrolled Gretchen in a school that had an ice hockey team for girls.

So it was that Gretchen's passion, with help from her parents, was allowed to flourish and shine on the Olympic rink. Congratulations to her and to her supportive family.

Editorials

Lent: A time to give, not to give up

By Sandy Damhof

The writer is pastor of contemporary worship at Delmar Reformed Church.

Today, Ash Wednesday, marks the beginning of Lent. Ask the average "church-type" person what this time of year is for, and you'll get a variety of responses from people — it's a time to remember and reflect upon Jesus' death; it's a time to repent; it's a time to prepare for Easter — while others will simply shrug their shoulders and offer blank stares.

It seems Lent is becoming a forgotten time, even within church circles.

More and more, Lent is relinquished to a mere passing thought on Ash Wednesday if we notice someone with a black smudge of ashes on their forehead. For those who are determined to "give something up for Lent," this is a time to crave the missing sweet, treat or pleasure.

In my work with young people from generation Xers to baby boomers, I've found that Lent isn't even a part of their known vocabulary. Indeed, many of them realize — as I do — that it's difficult, in our modern world, to spend a whole 40 days in contemplation, introspection and reflection.

In fact, I've occasionally speculated that when it comes to Lent, I may have been born way before my time. You see, back in the first three centuries after the birth of Christ, the period of fasting in preparation for Easter did not, as a rule, exceed two or three days. Much more my style.

Yet the fact remains that down through the ages, the church has not only observed the season of Lent, but taken great care to encourage Christians to participate in the spirit of the season. Why do

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they feel it's beneficial? What's the point? And, most importantly, can the season be helpful for any of us in this day and age?

Despite my doubts about the season, I have to answer yes.

The key is to find ways to make Lent meaningful in our time. I believe Lent is about more than fasting and depriving oneself of favorite things. Those practices were developed as a means to an end — as vehicles for reaching our final goal.

The real purpose of Lent was, and is, to give everyone an opportunity to reflect on our lives and respond again to God's love and grace.

This opportunity to reflect is significant because commitment has become almost a dirty word in the modern world. Think about it. What are things to which you are committed? Are there commitments you made that you would like to renew, strengthen or redevelop? Lent can be a time to focus in on these commitments.

If commitment has a less than positive connotation, then the idea of reflection is even more dreadful-sounding. As an off-the-scale extrovert on the Myers-Briggs personality test, I have an ongoing struggle with contemplation. I prefer to leave introspection to other people.

In fact, not too long ago I hit the magical age of 35 and the milestone was perfectly dreadful, not because I think 35 is old or because I think my best years are now behind me, but because my birthday drew me into a weird, introspective realm.

All sorts of questions loomed — Am I satisfied with where I am? Should I have done things differently? Do I need to make changes before I hit 40?

I'm not used to thinking about

my life. I'm used to just living it. So the introspection I went through was sheer torture, but the end result was actually quite positive. I emerged with a sense that I was generally doing OK, although some parts of my life didn't measure up. Armed with this knowledge, I could address the situation.

Lent can be the opportunity all of us — young or old, introvert or extrovert — need to make us reflect on our lives and move along in the physical and spiritual journeys we are on.

While renewing commitment and reflecting on our lives are good things, in my estimation the best use of Lent can be found in the urging it provides for each of us to respond to God's goodness and grace.

Unfortunately, the church, down through the ages, has often gotten tied up in the means of repentance (fasting, withdrawal), while forgetting the purpose of such acts is to help us experience how wonderful God's grace, forgiveness and love can be. We've focused on what we have to give up and do without instead of celebrating what is ours each and every day — God's love.

Perhaps to remind us of God's goodness, we can think about adding things to our lives that mirror God's goodness, like serving another person, improving a neglected talent, including someone new in a circle of friends, "adopting" someone new to a family or bringing a friend along to a church service or study group.

As I see it, the key to Lent is reclaiming the good, reviving the essence and activating positive aspects. We can make Lent part of the vocabulary of our children and young adults — and even make it more meaningful for other generations — if we think of Lent not as something we have to endure, but as an awesome occasion to involve ourselves in things we seldom have the time, or take the time, to do.

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Your Opinion Matters

Glenmont resident glad there's interest in plan

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to make an amendment to my letter that you published last week. In the process of correcting Russ DeYoe's math concerning the percentage of increase to the library's parking spaces, I attempted to make a humorous remark, but it came out sounding mean. I apologize to Russ for any embarrassment I may have caused him. This was not my intent.

As to the issue of the proposed expansion of the parking lot, I'm pleased to see so many taking an interest. Good dialogue should proceed all community decisions. I commend Floyd Henderson for some astute questions and look forward to seeing the answers in *The Spotlight*.

I would also like to see a response to James Murray's statement that our library is "the most expensive to maintain in all of New York and possibly the country." If so, why?

I also agree with Oskar Harmon in that we do need to keep our library up to date as far as technology is concerned. Yet I feel that no matter how advanced the Internet becomes, there will always be a place for a library as a center for community interaction. Nothing the Internet offers can replace the physical place, the live staff and holding

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a real book in your hands. A library is so much more than raw information.

In closing, I would like to remind the community that the library is there to be used by all of us.

To quote Henry Peacham from *The Compleat Gentleman* (written in 1622), "Affect not as some do that bookish ambition to be stored with books and have well-furnished libraries, yet keep their heads empty of knowledge; to desire to have many books, and never to use them, is like a child that will have a candle burning by him all the while he is sleeping."

I read that in a book.

Rick Ryther
Glenmont

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Library fan takes issue with 'facts' on cost

Editor, The Spotlight:

James Murray has certainly missed the mark in his letter about the cost of maintaining the Bethlehem Library. I don't know what the *Times Union* claimed, but Bethlehem isn't the most expensive library in New York and in the country. No way.

In fact, Bethlehem isn't even in the top 10 or 20 for the cost of libraries in New York state.

The Bethlehem library does spend the most per capita on its library compared to other cities and towns in the Capital District. But this is because Bethlehem is providing superior library service.

Bethlehem is open more hours than any other library in the Upper Hudson region. Bethlehem has the second-highest circulation (after Albany which serves four times the population).

Bethlehem residents have chosen to have an excellent library, chosen very directly through votes on the library budget. The Bethlehem library is a credit to the town. In fact, the quality of the library was one of the main reasons my husband and I chose to buy a home in Delmar.

Mara Elliott
Delmar

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Parent praises special place in town

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to tell you about a place in Delmar where kids can learn some very good lessons. Here they learn to wait their turn, to complement their team members, to practice common courtesy and to realize that practice makes perfect. Each week they achieve self-confidence, self-esteem and the satisfaction that comes with self-improvement.

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Karen McCaffrey
Delmar

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You can also continue to mail letters to 125 Adams St., Delmar 12054 or fax us news items or letters at 439-0609.

The deadline is Friday at 5 p.m.

Guard leader says thanks for support in emergency

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank citizens and employers of this community. The support for this command and its soldiers, in their efforts to aid fellow New Yorkers was outstanding. Twenty-seven hundred citizens soldiers were deployed to assist those so savagely ravaged by Mother Nature. Your support of the Guard throughout the year, but especially in this emergency, was the major key to success in the North Country.

As an employer in today's marketplace, I know the strains caused by losing your employee over an extended time and on such short notice. I also know the strain this deployment placed on families within the community. Your sacrifice, though great, pales when compared to the needs of the citizens in Northern New York.

You can take comfort in the knowledge that the soldiers were

part of a team. That team, with pride and self-sacrifice, helped to clear roads and restore power. They provided shelter, water, food and fuel. The most important service, however, was contact with the outside world. The Guard provided reassurance that someone was there who could and would help.

None of which would have happened without the support of all of you. From this command, the citizens of the six counties and myself, we offer a heartfelt thank you. Your support now, and in the future, will help to ensure that when aid is needed anywhere in the state, it will be there.

Brian D. Winter
Brigadier General
NYS Army National Guard

Preschool sets open house

Bethlehem Preschool on Route 9W in Glenmont will hold an open house for its kindergarten enrichment program on Tuesday, March 3, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The program is for children who attend half-day kindergarten.

The school is open year-round from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For information, call 463-8091.

Time to register for kindergarten

Bethlehem Central School District will hold kindergarten registration starting Monday, March 2, at the Early Learning Center at Slingerlands Elementary School.

Parents who are new to the district or did not receive a registration packet in the mail should call 478-0782.

Local pastor to give talk

Rev. James Walsh, pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar, will present a slide show and talk entitled "A Walk through the Holy Land" on Monday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany.

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Slingerlands woman takes over PR job for BC

By Lisa K. Kelly

Slingerlands resident Robin Giddings recently took on the responsibility as Bethlehem Central schools district communications specialist.

Giddings said she is not sure what her role in the budget process is but is looking forward to learning more about it.



Giddings

"The position appeals to me," she said. "It offers an opportunity to participate and assist with the Bethlehem Central School District and to contribute to the town I live in."

With 13 years of communications experience, Giddings said she thinks the job suits her background.

"I have edited newsletters and worked with the media for both not-for-profit organizations and public relations firms," Giddings said.

"She has a depth of background in the field of communication as well as a successful background with another school district," said Superintendent Les Loomis.

Giddings responsibilities include the district newsletter, developing the school calendar and dealing with the media.

"I'll be forwarding information to the media which the district feels is newsworthy," Giddings said. "And as I become more familiar with the job and the district I will develop a comprehensive communications plan for the district."

Giddings is actually a Capital Region Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) employee.

She previously worked as communication relations specialist at Giffin Memorial Elementary School in Albany.

"The district (Bethlehem) pays BOCES for my services and also gets the services of the communications team at BOCES and strong graphic support among other services," Giddings said.

For instance, she said, if the district was having trouble deciding on how to handle an issue, she could take it back to the BOCES communication specialists and get a team perspective on the issue.

"I think there is a great deal of expertise at BOCES, so she is not

working alone," Loomis said. "In effect, it gives the district additional knowledge and expertise beyond what Robin herself can provide the district."

The Western New York native has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Rochester Institute of Technology. She began her career in communications at Blue Shield/Blue Cross in Rochester.

Giddings also worked as director of communications for Community Services of New York State.

"I seemed drawn to public relations so that sort of turned out to be my career," Giddings said. "I like the accuracy and truth aspect of public relations."

"I like to make sure it's right and... everyone knows it and then move on."

Giddings, who has been a Bethlehem resident for 15 years, has two children in the school system, a 13-year-old who attends Bethlehem Central Middle School and a 15-year-old, at the high school.

She is studying for a master's degree in business administration at The College of Saint Rose.

Selkirk man to head up county agency

By Martin P. Kelly

Peter R. Anderson of Selkirk, a 25-year veteran employee of the Albany County Sewer District, was officially named executive director of the county agency at this month's meeting of the county legislature.

He was appointed to the post provisionally last September, following the retirement of William Green.



Anderson

Anderson was born in Albany but lived in South Bethlehem and Ravena during most of his life.

A graduate of Hudson Valley Community College with a degree in environmental health, the former supervisor of operations in charge of the county's two waste water treatment plants, Anderson now heads a department with 86 employees who serve 200,000 county residents.

Currently, Anderson said, the two waste water plants, one at the Port of Albany and the other in the village of Menands, are connected by trunk lines to the cities of Albany, Watervliet and Cohoes and the villages of Menands and Colonie as well as parts of the

towns of Colonie and Guilderland.

The new executive director who will receive an annual salary of \$61,800, said that the Port of Albany plant handles 25 million gallons a day while the Menands plant services 35 million gallons daily.

Both plants, Anderson said, were part of an early 1970s rehabilitation of the county sewer system.

"There has been regular updating of equipment and technology," he noted. "Right now, we're upgrading pumps which move the sewage through the system," he said.

While various communities within the sewage district are responsible for their own sewers, "If they run into severe problems, we are available for technical assistance," Anderson said.

A number of the communities in the district have replaced their sewers in the past 20 years, but "There are still some wooden sewer pipes in existence, especially in the older communities," he said.

These along with the brick-lined pipes are watched by communities for any trouble. "Early in the 1970s, there was a severe break near the state capital," he said. "At that time, they discovered some wooden sewer pipe lines." Modern sewers are made with rein-

forced concrete, he observed.

Philosophical about the nature of his job, he admits with a laugh that he's heard the phrase, "your business stinks," more often than he'd care to admit.

But, he said "I just nod my head and grin as if it's the first time I've heard it."

RCS High School sets parent program

RCS Senior High School on Route 9W in Ravena will hold an orientation for parents of eighth-grade students on Tuesday, March 3, at 7 p.m.

The presentation will include speeches from the administration, guidance counselors and faculty members.

The new regents program and graduation requirements will also be discussed.

Five Rivers slates wetlands program

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Lynn Finley to close Delaware Avenue studio

By Susan Graves

Lynn Finley will close up shop next month.

Finley, who has operated Lynn Finley Photography on Delaware Avenue for more than 10 years, said family considerations and pressure from too much business and not enough hours in the day prompted her to close the studio.

Finley said her love affair with photography began when she was about 6-years-old and got her first camera. "I was always using it. Wherever we went, I had my little red camera," she said. During her high school years, she said she was always "subjecting my friends to slide shows."

Although she majored in political science at McGill University, a summer program featuring photography at Skidmore College rekindled her interest in taking pictures. "It never occurred to me to pursue it as a career until I went to Skidmore," Finley said.

After the Skidmore program,

Finley moved to California where she attended San Francisco Academy of Art and held various jobs related to photography.

When she returned to the Delmar area in 1986, she was eager to open her own studio, which she did after a brief stint working for *The Spotlight*.

Finley first opened for business on Kenwood Avenue, then in Main Square and finally moved to her current location. "Business kept growing — every single year it grew."

Ironically, Finley found herself in a Catch 22 situation. Being a small concern, she really couldn't do all the work herself, yet couldn't afford to hire a professional associate. Combined with a need to spend more time with her 15-year-old son, that created a quandary for Finley. She decided to close the business, at least for now. The studio will remain open until March 31.

Finley will be missed by her



Lynn Finley framed in bottom right photo.

Lauren Trainor

loyal customers. Marty DeLaney, chamber of commerce president, said the photos Finley has done have become family treasures.

"The photo she took of me and my girls and my dog has a prominent place in our household," she

said. "She does a phenomenal job. You can't put a price on it."

Over the years, DeLaney said Finley truly captured the personalities of her family.

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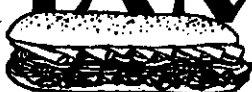
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Five Rivers to host outdoor events

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center at 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar will host a day of outdoor events on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Olympic bird watching, both indoors and out, starts at 9 a.m. It will be followed by outdoor tree identification.

There will be two snowshoeing events, a 200-yard sprint and 1-mile marathon.

Anyone may enter any or all of the events. Guests are invited to cheer on athletes.

Preregistration to participate in Olympic events is required by Wednesday, Feb. 25.

Admission is free. Dress for the outdoors. For information, call 475-0291.

Library slates simplicity talk

Paul Doolittle, president of Northeast Earth Institute, will present "An Introduction to Voluntary Simplicity and Deep Ecology" on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

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Ex-Lab School teacher publishes new book

This week's column is based on a press release sent to the library this month from the State University of New York Press.

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central high school with a wide elective offering, the Lab School offers a highly focused, integrated curriculum, culminating in a senior internship and thesis project. With students and parents closely involved, the school has developed a democratic culture and a high degree of collaboration.

Nehring is currently principal teacher of Francis W. Parker Charter Essential School and Regional Teaching Center in Devens, Mass. He has also written *The School We Have, The Schools We Want: An American Teacher on the Front Line, and Why Do We Gotta Do This Stuff, Mr. Nehring? Notes From a Teacher's Day In School*.

A copy of *The School Within Us* will be on display throughout the end of March in the local history section, along with brochures and ordering information. The book will be retained in the local history reference collection.

Louise Grieco

RCS library schedules events

RCS Community Library at 106 Main Street in Ravena is sponsoring a series of workshops.

Wild Beasts and Wild Things is the preschool story hour theme on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 10 a.m.

No registration is needed for families, but day care and preschool groups should call ahead.

Animal masks will be made in the next paper craft workshop on Saturday, Feb. 28, at 10 a.m. Registration is required.

The book discussion group will talk about *A Lesson Before Dying* on Thursday, Feb. 26, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The group will discuss Charles Dickens *Great Expectations* on Thursday, March 26.

The library will provide copies of the book to people who register 10 days before the discussion. Call the library to register.

RCS Community Library will join the Upper Hudson Library Access Network this year.

The library is issuing new cards that are good at most Albany and Rensselaer County libraries. Patrons must show an ID and proof of address to get a card.

For information, call 756-2053.

Voorheesville Public Library

enable parents and caregivers to check out collections of theme-related materials to recreate library story times at home. The unique program has proven to be very popular, particularly with working parents. This was highlighted in the TV piece, which featured an interview with Aimee

TV personality Elaine Houston, who has been featuring literacy issues on TV Channel 13, recently spent a morning at the library taping a segment. Houston and her cameraman filmed a story time session and spoke with youth services librarian Joyce Laiosa about the library's Take-Out Story Time.

Take-Out Story Times, which were introduced in November,

Duncan, a local working mom, who loves the service. The materials were funded in part by a grant from the Upper Hudson Library System.

This is the season when high school students are preparing for SAT exams and the library continues to offer regular previews on test-taking strategies that enable students to do their best.

Learn to recognize traps, avoid wrong answers, increase your verbal score using powerful analogy techniques and transform the hardest questions into the easiest. Sound good? Parents are welcome to attend with their teens on Monday, March 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sign up is required. Call 765-2791 to register.

The Every Other Thursday Night Poets will meet Feb. 26 at 7 p.m.

Art Expressions sketch club meets on Wednesday, March 4, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Barbara Vink

Delmar library hosts Saturday story times

Bethlehem Public Library's youth services department continues its series of Saturday morning story times to accommodate children of working parents.

Each session of Saturday Storybreak explores a theme through great children's literature, media and hands-on projects.

Sessions are scheduled for Saturdays, Feb. 28 and March 28, at 10:30 a.m. at the library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Saturday Storybreak is for children ages 3 to 6. Parents must attend with their children. For information, call 439-9314.

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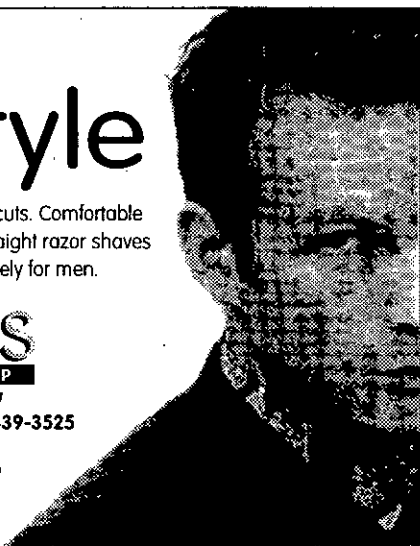
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High school students tuning up for winter concert

High school musicians and singers have been busy practicing for their winter concert on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

The symphonic band, wind ensemble and chorale will perform a wide range of classical and popular music.

Everyone in the community is invited to this free event.

Fire auxiliary serving fish fry dinners

Fish fry dinners will be served by New Salem Fire Department auxiliary on Fridays, Feb. 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the firehouse on Route 85A.

Eat in or takeout dinners include fried fish, french fries, cole slaw and a beverage.

Dinners cost \$6 for adults, \$5.50 for senior citizens and \$3 for children under 12.

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Historical association plans geology program

James Austin, a biology teacher at Cooperstown High School, will discuss the geology of the Helderbergs at the next meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Thursday, March 3, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road in New Salem.

Everyone is invited to attend this free program. Refreshments will be served.

Kindergarten registration slated for March 5

Kindergarten registration is scheduled for Thursday, March 5,

at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary school gymnasium.

Parents of prospective kindergartners are asked to contact JoAnn Donohue at 765-2382 so the school can update its records.

Children must be 5-years-old on or before Dec. 1 to register. Children who turn 6 on or before Dec. 1 must attend school from the start of classes in September.

Church dishes up corned beef dinner

New Salem Reformed Church on Route 85 will serve a corned beef and cabbage dinner on Saturday, Feb. 28, with seatings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Reservations are not required. The cost is \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5 to 10. Children 4 and under eat for free.

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

St. Matthew's to host Lenten lecture series

A special lecture series entitled Echoing God's Word is scheduled on Thursdays during Lent at St. Matthew's parish center on Mountainview Road.

Talks run from 7 to 9 p.m.

Programs will explore the first century communities that gave rise to the Gospels and other New Testament writings.

The first program, The Coming of the Kingdom, is on Thursday, March 5, at 7 p.m.

Sessions will include prayer, meditation and group discussion along with instruction.

Rev. Mark Allman, Patricia Baugh and Nancy Paine will lead the programs which are sponsored by the Heldequad cluster of Roman Catholic churches.

Light refreshments will be served.

Advance registration is required. To register, call 765-2373 ext. 9.

V'ville Rod & Gun Club plans winter clam bake

Voorheesville Rod & Gun Club will hold a winter clambake on Saturday, Feb. 28, starting at 1 p.m. at the clubhouse on Foundry Road. Dinner will be served at 5 p.m. The meal includes a dozen clams, chicken halves, white and sweet potatoes and sausage. The cost is \$13 per person. Reservations are required.

For information and reservations, call 765-9395.

Expert to discuss butterflies

Jerry Divendorf will discuss butterfly habits and show participants how to make butterfly boxes at the next meeting of the Helderberg Garden Club on Thursday, March 5, at 7 p.m. in the public library's community

room.

The program is free of charge.

Methodist church elects officers

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville recently elected officers for 1998.

They are: Bob Becker, president; Steve Dudek, vice president; Rich Frohlich, secretary; and Trudy Closson, treasurer.

Jerry Flewelling, Margaret Klohck, Glen Pfeleiderer, Ron Pearce and John Van Arnam are trustees.

Transportation requests due April 1

Parents of children who will attend private schools during the 1998-99 school year must submit written transportation requests to the Voorheesville Central School District by April 1.

Call the business office at 765-3314 ext. 102 for an official request form.

Seniors may be eligible for STAR program

Homeowners 65 years old and older who live in the Voorheesville Central School District may be eligible for the Star exemption.

Senior citizens are eligible if they own and occupy the home, it's their primary residence, they are 65-years-old before March 1 (if husband and wife, at least one must be 65) and income does not exceed \$60,000.

To receive the tax cut, individuals must file an application with their local property tax assessor by March 2.

For information, call the assessor's office in New Scotland 439-9020, in Guelderland 356-1980 and in Berne 872-1332.

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Sports

Teams move to finals undefeated *Championship eludes Eagles*

Bethlehem Eagles soar into quarterfinals Friday

By Christine Potter

The Bethlehem Girls Varsity Basketball team defeated Mohonasen, 76-48, finishing the season undefeated marks a first for the Bethlehem girls team.

Nicole Conway and Katie Smith led the team with 20 points each. Conway also had five rebounds and six steals.

Magan Sellnow came through with 10 points. Bridget Murray had nine points, which included one three-point basket along with six assists. Karly Decker helped

Basketball

the team with four points and five rebounds.

Lauren Murray contributed to the win with five points. Erika St. Lucia, Kerry Staniels, Megan Fish and Lily Corrigan added two points each.

"We're looking forward to beginning sectionals," said coach Kim Wise. "We're working hard and everyone is ready to play."

"I think we're ready for sectionals. We're working hard," said Smith. "As long as we play consistently and we work together as a team, we'll do well."

"We don't just have one or two stars, we have 14."

Bethlehem has a bye in the first round.

The Eagles will play in the quarterfinals on Friday, Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m. at home.

They will face the winner of the Shaker/Niskayuna game.

By Karly Decker

Last Wednesday the seventh seeded Bethlehem Boys Basketball team lost to the No. 1 seed Shenendehowa in the championship game of the Suburban Council Tournament at Colonie High School.

Trailing by three in the first quarter, Bethlehem outscored the Plainsmen in the second quarter 18-13, giving them a 24-22 lead at the end of the half.

However, Shenendehowa won the quarter and maintained their lead throughout the rest of the game.

Each team scored 23 points in the final quarter, giving Shenendehowa the victory, 67-56.

Chuck Abba led the Eagles with 19 points and shot six for six from the line. Kevin Russell and Geoff Hunter each had 10 points for Bethlehem.

"I thought we played a good game against Shenendehowa, despite our lapse in the third quarter," said coach Charles Abba. "It was a good game in preparation for sectionals."

On Tuesday, Feb. 10 the Eagles went 2-0 in the preliminary games

of the Suburban Council Tournament.

The Eagles took on second seeded Shaker winning with a score of 65-53.

Double-digit scoring Abba scored 15 points, Mark Svare scored 14, Ryan Venter scored 13 and Russell scored 12.

Bethlehem advanced to the semifinal round of the tournament, Feb. 13 where they defeated Niskayuna team with a 79-77 overtime score.

In a continuous head-to-head battle for a ticket to the championship game, the game was tied with 67-67 and ended with two four minute overtime matches.

Svare led the team with 28 points and 23 rebounds, career highs in both.

"This is a good opportunity for us to avenge an earlier loss to them," said Svare.

Russell and Pat Hughes combined for 23 points for the Eagles.

"We are looking forward to facing Shenendehowa in the tournament final," said coach Abba.

Bethlehem who finished the regular season, seven to six in league, is now 12-7 overall.

Voorheesville slam dunks season, finishes 20-0

By Chris Bonham

The Voorheesville girls varsity basketball team squeaked by Holy Names last Tuesday, 31-30 winning their third straight Colonial Council Championship in front of a standing room only crowd at Christina Brothers Academy. The victory gave the Ladybirds an outstanding undefeated 20-0 overall record and 18-0 in the Colonial Council.

This was the third time the Ladybirds had played and defeated Holy Names this year. Both teams played an awesome defense, but a jinxed offense.

"This was one of the ugliest games I've ever witnessed," said coach Jack Adams. "It just wasn't pretty."

Jane Meade Voorheesville's leading scorer did not tally a point

before the half, and only had six points in the total game. "Even Michael Jordan has nights like this," Adams said. "Jane struggled, but the other kids stepped up tonight."

In the first quarter, the Ladybirds got off to a good start leading nine to four at the buzzer. Voorheesville continued to out score Holy Names, six to four in the second, leading 15 to eight at the half. The Birds slipped a little in the third, only scoring six points, while giving up 10 points.

"You have to give Holy Names credit. They were very intense and physical," Adams said. "We had a couple of key baskets at the end. The points came hard for us, and them. But my kids didn't give in."

Regan Burns led the birds with four baskets and one free throw, giving her a total of nine points.

Jan Rissacher followed up with a close eight points. Caryn Adams and Meade both had six points each.

As the sectionals begin, Voorheesville was given the top seed, and a first round bye in the class CC bracket in the Section II Basketball Tournaments. The Ladybirds will play the winner of the Watervliet-Cairo-Durham game at home Saturday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m.

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BC goes to sectionals BC track team qualifies for states

By Gregg Ciprioni

The Bethlehem Wrestling Team competed in the Section II Class A meet on Feb. 20 and Feb. 21 at Niskayuna High School.

The Eagles entered the meet with an outstanding overall record, 10-2. They hoped to end Niskayuna's four year reign as class A champions.

Only 12 Bethlehem wrestlers competed in the meet. They captured four individual titles, a meet-high. The Eagles finished third, and their intercouncil rivals Burnt Hills took the title with Niskayuna finishing second.

The Eagles were led by the first-place finishes of sophomore Dave Woodworth, 96 pounds, seniors Tim Leonard, 119, Sean Demarest, 130 and Dave Sherrin, 152.

Woodworth dominated Brandon Polcare of Saratoga to gain a

Wrestling

10 to one victory in the finals.

Leonard continued his undefeated season by capturing the first class A title in a tough one to zero win.

Demarest pinned his opponent in only 2:16 into the match and Sherrin won an eight to five decision.

"It was a very exciting victory, and I think our team, as a whole had a very solid performance," said Woodworth.

The Eagles also got a great second place finish from Paul Rappoccio, 103.

The Eagles will try to capture sectional crowns when they take part in the upcoming section II championships on Saturday, Feb. 28, in Glen Falls.

By Catherine Hartman

Six boys from the Bethlehem Boys Varsity Indoor Track team set school records and qualified for the state championship at the state qualifiers last Saturday.

Setting records and placing first were seniors, Dave Raab, Matt Reuter, Jared Macarin and junior Khalid Umar came in first in the 4X200-meter relay in 1:36.7. Also setting records and placing first was senior Tim Kavanagh who ran 1:24.9 in the 600-meter. Raab placed first in the 55-meter dash in 5.4, Umar jumped 44-feet, seven and 3/4-inches in the triple jump, senior Kris Darlington jumped six-feet in the high jump.

Delmar Dash set

The 10th annual Delmar Dash is set for Sunday, April 5, at 9 a.m.

Runners should register the day of the race at Elsmere Elementary School on Delaware Avenue.

The race will begin and end at the corner of Elsmere and Delaware avenues.

Applications will be available at most businesses after March 1.

For information, call Hank Steadman at 439-9487.

These runners will all continue on to the state meet, to participate in their events.

"I don't think we'll practice much differently," said Macarin.

Also competing well in the long jump was Umar who came in third with 20 feet, 10 and 1/2-inches. Also in third place was senior Keith Campbell, got five feet, 10 inches in the high jump.

The runners going are really dedicated to the sport and had a really good season of practices

Jason Wood

"We will do the same training, practicing and conditioning that has made us successful.

"I think we have a good shot at the state. To send six guys shows that we have a good team."

"The runners going are really dedicated to the sport and had a really good season of practices," said coach Jason Wood. "They deserve to go based on their efforts and hard work."

BCHS opens gym Fridays, 8 - 11 p.m.

Bethlehem Central High School will hold an open gym for high school students who would like to play basketball beginning Friday, Feb. 27 from 8 to 11 p.m. in the

lower gymnasium. The program is open to boys and girls who live in Bethlehem.

Admission is \$1. For information, call 439-4131.

Geneseo female athlete of the week

Delmar native Erika McDonough was chosen as female athlete of the week at Geneseo College for the week of Feb. 9. The freshman won the 400-meter individual medley, swimming in the preliminaries in a school meet record time of 4:40.91. She captured the 200-meter backstroke in a school meet and set in record time of 2:11.21 and the 200-meter butterfly in school record time of 2:14.53, leading Geneseo to their ninth consecutive SUNYAC women's swimming and diving championship.

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Dolphins demonstrate ability in meet

The Delmar Dolphins Swim Club participated in the Capital District Aquatic Club Super Sunday meet at Shaker High School recently.

In the girls 8 and under category, **Hanna Segerstrom** finished second in the 25-yard freestyle and 25-yard backstroke and took third-place in the 25-yard butterfly and 25-yard breaststroke.

The 100-yard freestyle relay team of **Hillary Edmunds, Zoe Edmunds, Kristen Gloeckler** and **Segerstrom** took third-place.

In the boys 8 and under category, **Jimmy Kivlen** finished third in the 25-yard backstroke. **Nate Foley** finished fifth in the 25-yard freestyle.

Alex Parker represented the Dolphins in the girls 9- and 10-year-old category and made a strong showing in the 100-yard individual medley, the 50-yard butterfly and the 50-yard backstroke.

In the boys 9- and 10-year-old category, **Larry Gloeckler** finished in first place in the 100-yard

individual medley, first in the 50-yard butterfly and the 50-yard backstroke. He also took second-place in the 50-yard freestyle and fourth-place in the 50-yard breaststroke.

In the boys 11- and 12-year-old category, **Scott Solomon** took second-place in the 50-yard backstroke and 50-yard breaststroke. He also finished third in the 200-yard freestyle and fourth in the 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard individual medley.

This week's high scoring bowlers at Del Lanes

The following people earned bowling honors at Del Lanes during the week of Monday, Feb. 23:

Senior Citizen Men: **Fred Oliver Sr.**, 258; **Bud Kubisch**, 529; **Bob Lynk**, 258.

Senior Citizen Women: **Helen Ragotzkie**, 186; **Eleanor Moak**, 490.

Men: **Gary Neumann**, 300; **Len Reyngoudt**, 1070.

Women: **Kathy Spillane**, 268 and 922 in four games; **Susan Herzog**, 625; **Darlene Gordon**, 602.

Adult/Junior Men: **Dave Sondak**, 232 and 655 in three games; **Paul Spagnola**, 245.

Adult/Junior Women: **Beth Matthews**, 234 and 604 in three games.

Junior Classic: **Matt Costigan**, 224 and 833 in three games; **Brain Belemjian**, 238; **Amanda Clapper**, 204; **Courtney Radick**, 255.

Majors: **Mark Eberhart**, 208; **Marc Bohen**, 215; **Mary Westphal**, 231; **Bridget AuClaire**, 179.

Juniors: **Zach Hasselbarth**,

185; **Matt O'Brien**, 219; **Emily Malinkowski**, 181; **Michelle Krug**, 146.

Preps: **Jennifer Kerr**, 112; **Jodi Veeder**, 108; **Joe DeVoe**, 178; **Paul Parker**, 210.

The following people earned bowling honors during the week of Monday, Feb. 16:

Senior Citizen Men: **Fred Oliver Sr.**, 266; **Henry Shoddy**, 565; **Harold Singer**, 565.

Senior Citizen Women: **Agnes Neumann**, 198; **Mary Germano**, 188.

Men: **Joe Mazuryk**, 300; **Micky Brozowski**, 739; **Ed Horick**, 730.

Women: **Heather Selig**, 258; **Diane Guyer**, 624; **Erien**

Barkman, 890.

Adult/Junior Men: **Phil Hausman**, 233; **Paul Spagnola**, 243.

Adult/Junior Women: **Beth Matthews**, 208; **Mary Brady**, 196.

Junior Classic: **Chris Willis**, 266; **Zak Radick**, 233; **Amanda Clapper**, 265; **Courtney Radick**, 231.

Majors: **Chris Sifka**, 199; **Bob Reilly**, 244; **Mandy Calvagna**, 192; **Bari Banner**, 200.

Juniors: **Nick Kallner**, 203; **Mike Connelly**, 232; **Aubrey Spaulding**, 202; **Marie Boomhower**, 162.

Preps: **Paul Parker**, 157; **Tim Macri**, 162; **Emily Malinowski**, 155; **Judi Henrikson**, 129.

Helderberg swimmers make a splash

A small contingent of Helderberg Aquatics Clubs Swimmers made a big splash over the weekend at the annual February Freeze invitational swim meet at RPI.

Leading the pack was 12-year-old **Lindsey McKenna** who finished first-place in the 100-yard freestyle and 50 and 100 backstroke.

In the senior girls division **Beth Macinowski** broke the 500 open girls freestyle record by more than 10 seconds. Her time, 5:06.98, is also her personal best.

In the 10 and under division, **Emily Macinowski** finished fourth in the 50-yard butterfly and 50-yard freestyle. She also recored a fifth place finish in the 100-yard individual medley.

BCHS cheerleaders seek donations

Bethlehem Central Varsity Cheerleading Squad has been invited to compete in Florida at the national level.

The team is trying to raise \$20,000 to pay for the trip.

Several fund-raising events have already taken place, but the team is short \$6,500.

The funds are needed by late

February to guarantee eligibility in the competition.

The team would appreciate any help.

Send contributions to Bethlehem Central Cheerleaders c/o **Susan Zophy**, Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12054.

For information, call 439-4921.



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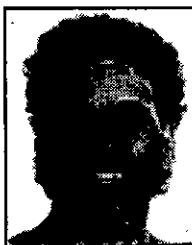
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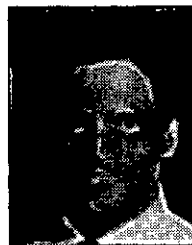
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Sudden wisdom-tooth pain

If you have a partially erupted wisdom tooth that suddenly begins causing you pain, you should contact your dentist immediately for help. Pericoronitis (infection in the wisdom tooth area) is often caused when food and bacteria are trapped under the gum line. Until a wisdom tooth is fully erupted, it may be difficult to keep it free of food particles which begin to decay and attract bacteria. Unfortunately, partially erupted wisdom teeth tend to decay easily. When the nerve is also infected this can cause the severe pain of a toothache.

To help relieve the pain until you get to your dentist, you can rinse your mouth thoroughly with

a solution of warm salt water; usually one teaspoonful of salt to a glass of water. Normally, aspirin is not recommended to relieve this pain because it may cause bleeding problems if the tooth has to be extracted.

Any pain caused by a wisdom tooth infection is considered a dental emergency and should be treated as soon as possible by your dentist.

Prepared as a public service to promote better dental health. From the offices of:

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Correction

In last week's story about Millard Harmon's plane trip to Cuba, the planes that followed Harmon's plane from Florida to Albany should have been identified as Customs Service drug in-

terdiction planes. Also, the Cuban group with whom Harmon originally arranged to distribute medicine was Caritas Cubana, a religious humanitarian group, not the IACC as the story stated.

Internet Seminars

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• The Internet for Business People—\$20.00

This session is intended for business people who want to use the internet as a research tool and/or advertising vehicle. We'll review and discuss the origin of the internet, hardware and software requirements, the differences between direct access and "on-line" services, and how to browse the web. No prior experience is necessary.

- Wednesday, March 11th, 9am to 12pm
- Wednesday, March 25th, 9am to 12pm

• Internet for Parents & Teachers—\$20.00

This session provides an overview of the Internet, and how it can be used for home and educational applications. We will discuss the basic concepts and structure of the Internet, software & hardware requirements and how the Internet can help you and your family. No prior experience is necessary.

- Thursday, March 19th, 5:30pm to 8:30pm

Macintosh Preventive Maintenance—\$25.00

This session is intended for consumers, educators or business people who want to obtain relevant information and learn the techniques necessary to perform simple diagnostics, as well as hardware and software maintenance on their Macintosh based systems.

- Saturday, March 28th, 10am to 12pm

• Creating Web Pages—\$30.00

This session is intended for users that are considering creating a world wide web page for personal or business use. Learn about software requirements, basic layout factors, tips and hazards and how to select a "host server".

- Thursday, March 26th, 6pm-8pm

Register by mail, phone (783-9405), fax (783-6354), or by email (seminars@castlecomp.com).



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Fire company offers spaghetti supper

Selkirk Fire Co. No. 1 will cook up a spaghetti supper on Saturday, March 7, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The menu includes spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, bread, salad and beverage. Takeouts will be available.

PTSA to meet

The Ravana-Coeymans-Selkirk PTSA will meet Thursday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m.

There will be a presentation on the Natural Helpers Program, followed by a brief business meeting.

Mind odyssey event set this weekend

RCS middle school and senior high will host the fourth annual Odyssey of the Mind competition on Saturday, Feb. 28, and Sunday March 1.

Students from throughout the Capital District will compete in the competition of wit and intellectual problem solving.

Sports association slates meeting March 4

The RCS Sports Association will meet at the senior high on Wednesday, March 4, at 7 p.m.

All members of the community are welcome to attend.

NEWS NOTES

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Make a mask at RCS library

RCS Community Library invites all young mask makers to an Animal Mask Making paper craft workshop on Saturday, Feb. 27. To register, call the library at 756-2053.

The library will begin the first in a series of three book talks on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. The first talk will focus on the book *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest Gaines. Linda Marshall will be the program facilitator.

The program is free and open to the public. Copies of the book are available at the library. Call 756-2053 for information.

Orientation scheduled at high school

Eighth to ninth-grade orientation at RCS will be on Tuesday, March 3, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

All eighth-graders and their

parents are invited to this important introduction to high school life.

Track team excels in cystic fibrosis fund-raiser

Congratulations to the RCS track team for raising money to conquer cystic fibrosis. Team members Kristyn Gordon, Matt Collins, Meghan Gorham and Zach Lohmann helped to raise \$33,000. RCS was one of 42 teams competing in the event.

RCS placed second, bringing home a silver medal.

Congratulations in order to RCS scholars

Kudos to Melissa Goodman, Matthew Hamilton, Emily Janssen, Rebecca Marshall, Beth Reinti, Kathleen Roark, Shanna Rock and Eric Skiff for being named AP scholars for their achievement in advanced placement courses and exams.

All the students scored at least 4 or 5 (the highest possible score) on three or more AP exams.

Congratulations are also due to recent graduates Anthony Carrk and Shaelyn Hales for achieving the award with distinction.

BCMS PTA NEWS

<http://www.crisny.org/not-for-profit/bcmspta>

March 2nd PTA Meeting: (7:30 p.m.-Library/Media Center) The SIT Committee and the Faculty are looking at revised criteria for the Honor Roll. Parents will have an opportunity to discuss the subject. Also, a presentation will be made about the March student program on RESPECT AND TOLERANCE at the Middle School.

February 2nd PTA Meeting Report: Nancy Eson, the new BCMS Librarian this year gave parents a tour of the new Library/Media Center now that it is operational and the dust has settled. We also heard about the staffing needs of the Library/Media Center for the coming school year and the implementation of the Cohoes Savings program at BCMS.

Middle School Budget Topics: It is budget time. Priorities for the Middle School will include additional library and guidance staffing. Key School Board Meetings will take place throughout March, especially March 3rd and 19th. We encourage Middle School parents to participate.

Sports Night Rescheduled: The January Sports night that was canceled because of the weather has been rescheduled for **March 5th**, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at BCMS. Students must be accompanied by a parent.

BOU Auction: The annual BOU Auction will be held March 20th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the BCHS cafeteria. BOU supported over \$5,000 in Middle School activities in the past year. They deserve your support.

Communications-Team Newsletters: The communication committee of the School Improvement Team (SIT) has been working on the concept of team newsletters and an improved school bulletin board. Some teams are developing a newsletter with parent support. Look for some to be published in the second half of the year.

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Obituaries

Perry Westbrook

Perry Dickie Westbrook, 82, of Wedgewood Drive in Elsmere and formerly of Guilderland, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Bermuda Hospital in Bermuda while on vacation.

Born in New York City, he was educated at Trinity School. He received bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from Columbia University. Mr. Westbrook was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

He taught at the University of Kansas, Georgia Tech and the University of Maine. He was a professor of American literature for 37 years at the University at Albany, before he retired in 1983. He had published many scholarly books, five mystery novels and numerous articles and reviews.

He was an avid outdoorsman and loved nature.

Survivors include his wife, Arlen Runslor Birr Westbrook; three daughters, Anne Dominick of Portal, Ariz., Emily Baker of Damascus, Pa., and Tempa Westbrook of Los Angeles, Calif.; a son, Paul Westbrook of Denver, Colo.; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Services were from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany 12210.

John H. Watkins Sr.

John Howard Watkins Sr. of Delmar died Sunday, Feb. 22, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Mr. Watkins was a Postal Service employee for more than 35 years. He was a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers and the National Association of Retired Federal Employees.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Dawn Adams Watkins; a daughter, Cassandra Viscus of Guilderland; four sons, John Watkins Jr. of Danvers, Mass., Thomas Watkins of Guilderland, Gregory Watkins of Earlton and Scott M. Watkins of Salt Lake City; a stepson, Richard E. Kitrick of Harriman; three sisters, Virginia Galka of Albany, Karen Hanlon of Schodack and Susan Watkins of Albany; 10 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at the Meyers Funeral Home, 741 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Calling hours will be from 5 to 8 p.m. tonight at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

James J. Carazza

James J. Carazza, 54, of Slingerlands died Monday, Feb. 23, at his home.

Born in Albany, he was a graduate of the former Cardinal McCloskey High School.

He was an Air Force veteran, serving in Vietnam.

Mr. Carazza worked in the insurance field most recently at the James J. Carazza Insurance Agency in East Greenbush.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Battle Carazza; his father, James J. Carazza of Wynantskill; a son, Michael J. Carazza of Upton, Mass.; two daughters, Jean M. Carazza of Albany and Kathleen G. Carazza of Slingerlands; and a brother, Michael J. Carazza of Valley Glen, Calif.

Services will be from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 N. Allen St., Albany, at 8:15 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, and at 9 a.m. from St. Mary's Church in Albany.

Calling hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. tonight at the funeral home.

Burial will be in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208 or the Fund for Animals, 200 W. 57th St., New York 10019.

Frank Sterrett Jr.

Frank William Sterrett Jr., 80, of Dennis, Mass., and formerly of Delmar, died Thursday, Feb. 19, at Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., he was educated at Moravian College.

He served in the Coast Guard during World War II.

Mr. Sterrett was a manufacturer representative for several companies. He received awards from Mercedes Benz of North America, while working for Keeler Motor Co.

He was a member of Dennis Union Church and Dennis Pines Golf Club.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Miller Sterrett; two sons, Frank W. Sterrett III of Lakeville, Mass., and John K. Sterrett of Delmar; a sister, Margaret Allen of Dennis; and five grandchildren.

Services were from Dennis Union Church.

Burial was in Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne.

Contributions may be made to Dennis Union Church or the American Diabetes Association, PO Box 968, Framingham, Mass. 01701.

Chester A. Davis Sr.

Chester A. Davis Sr., 84, of Delmar died Monday, Feb. 16, at Albany Memorial Hospital.

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

Mr. Davis worked for the former New York Central Railroad as a conductor for more than 34 years. He was a communicant of Church of St. Casimir.

He was the husband of the late

Sophie Bik Davis.

Survivors include his wife Krystyna Wyciszkievicz; two sons, Thomas F. Davis of Ballston Spa and Chester A. Davis Jr. of Westerlo; three daughters, Carol Coumbes of Delmar, Theresa Proper of Albany and Barbara Ulmar of Rensselaer; 20 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Computer enthusiasts to meet at library

Capital District Computer Enthusiasts will hold a general meeting today, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

A beginners workshop entitled "Windows 95 — Crash Course" starts at 6:15 p.m.

Meetings are open to the public. Membership dues are \$15 per year.

For information, call Joseph Pasquini evenings at 346-9997.

Fire department serves fish fries

New Salem Volunteer Fire Department on Route 85A will serve fish fry dinners Fridays, Feb. 27, to April 10, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dinners include fish, french fries, homemade cole slaw and beverage. The cost is \$6 for adults, \$5.50 for seniors and \$3 for children under 12.

New England clam chowder and desserts are \$1.25 each.

Takeouts can be ordered ahead by calling 765-2231.

Mother's group to meet at church

Mother's Time Out will hold its weekly meeting on Monday, March 2, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Sally Fitzpatrick will present a pampered chef demonstration.

Child care will be provided. New participants are always welcome.

For information, call the church at 439-9929.

Park and rec offers free CPR course

Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor a free adult CPR course on Saturday, March 7, from 8 a.m. to noon at Bethlehem town hall.

Preregistration is requested so an adequate number of instructors will be on hand.

For information, call 439-4131.

BCHS grad joins honor society

Jeffrey Rosenblum of Glenmont has been inducted into the Plattsburgh Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society at SUNY Plattsburgh.

Rosenblum is a 1995 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

BC school board plans budget

By Lisa K. Kelly

The Bethlehem school board will hold a budget work session after its regular meeting tonight, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m.

The board will discuss operations and maintenance, transportation, central administration, fringe benefits, insurance and debt service.

Steven O'Shea, assistant superintendent for business, said the budget items to be discussed are on target.

"The fringe benefits are looking good with the drop in retirement and health insurance for the teachers," he said. "The debt service is on line with the recent capital construction."

During the regular part of the meeting, the board will discuss the town's request for bus transportation to parks and recreation department sponsored summer programs.

O'Shea said this is a service that has been provided in the past, and is a low cost way for the town to provide transportation.

"It has no impact on our budget," O'Shea said. "The town reimburses us for the cost."

The school board's next meeting is Tuesday, March 3, at 8 p.m. The board will conduct a regular meeting and budget work session on that date.

Budget issues scheduled for that session include special education, BOCES, athletics and the middle school media center.

The board will conduct a special meeting and budget work session for kindergarten through 12th-grade instructional programming and equipment on Wednesday, March 11, at 8 p.m.

Educational group to award scholarships

High school students with a grade point average of B or higher and college students with a grade point average of B+ or higher are eligible for a \$1000 college scholarship from the Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation.

Winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, extracurricular activities and financial need. A total of \$250,000 will be awarded.

Requests for applications must

include the following: student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of current high school or college, approximate grade point average, and year in school during the 1997-98 academic year.

To receive an application, send a request by March 16, to Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, 721 North McKinley Road, PO Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012.

DEC summer camp applications available

Applications are now available for the state Department of Environmental Conservation's 1998 Summer Environmental Education Camps.

DEC operates three residential camps for campers ages 12 to 14—Camp Colby in Saranac Lake, Franklin County; Camp DeBruce in Livingston Manor, Sullivan County; and Camp Rushford in Caneadea, Allegany County.

The Pack Forest program of environmental studies is designed specifically for 15 to 17-year-old campers.

DEC education camp staff guide campers through a week of activities that take them to fields,

forests, streams and ponds as they uncover the interconnectedness of the natural world. Campers will observe wildlife, debate environmental issues, sample streams for microscopic life and explore the night sky.

Campers have time to pursue and improve their skills in a wide variety of outdoor sporting interests including fishing, bird watching, orienteering, fly-tying, canoeing, hiking, camping and hunter safety education.

Applications can be obtained by writing to DEC Camps, Room 507, 50 Wolf Road, Albany 12233-4500.

For information, call 457-3720.

Death Notices

The Spotlight will print paid Death Notices for relatives and friends who do not or have not lived in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. The charge for a paid death notice is \$25.

We will continue to print Obituaries of residents and former residents of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland at no charge.

In Memoriam, and Cards of Thanks will also be printed for \$25.



Samuel Goldman and Miriam Weiss

Weiss, Goldman engaged

Miriam Weiss, daughter of David and Susan Weiss of Delmar, and Samuel Goldman, son of Arthur and Elayne Goldman of Monsey, Rockland County, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Brandeis University and Columbia University. She is a health care

analyst at Prudential HealthCare.

The future groom is a graduate of Emory University. He has a medical degree from Nova Southeastern University and is completing his internship at Brookdale Medical Center in Brooklyn.

The couple plans a September wedding.

Local student wins poetry award

Julie Mazzaferro of Delmar, a senior at Academy of the Holy Names, will have her poem published in *Celebrate! New York's Young Poets Speak Out*.

Poems are selected for literary merit, creativity and social significance.

Mazzaferro's poem was selected from over 10,000 entries as one of the top 10 in its grade division.

Winners receive a \$75 U.S. Savings Bond.

RCS seniors earn AP award

RCS Senior High School students Melissa Goodman, Matthew Hamilton, Emily Janssen, Rebecca Marshall, Beth Reinti, Kathleen Roark, Shanna Rock and Eric Skiff qualified for the AP National Scholar Award by receiving an average grade of four or higher on eight or more Advanced Placement Examinations.

Delmar student joins honor society

Christine Nelson of Delmar, a student at St. Bonaventure University, was recently inducted into Pi Gamma Mu, the international sociology honor society.



Gweneth Jones and Robert Morton

Jones, Morton to wed

Gweneth Ann Jones, daughter of William and Shirley Jones of Delmar, and Robert Reed Morton, son of Stanley and Julia Morton of Novelty, Ohio, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and William Smith College. She is

managing editor at Dorchester Publishing Company.

The future groom is a graduate of Hobart College. He is studying for a master's degree at New York University.

The couple plans a September wedding.

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A BETHLEHEM NETWORKS PROJECT

Pride of Bethlehem

Recently, a group of community members met to explore ways to honor local youth who are positive role models. While young people are sometimes recognized for sports, music and academics, positive activities such as community service often go unnoticed.

To support and honor the contributions of outstanding young people, we created the Pride of Bethlehem Youth Award. The award is in recognition of and a tribute to such qualities as reliability, leadership, honesty, generosity of spirit and positive attitude.

We will honor young people who demonstrate sensitivity and concern for others. Pride of Bethlehem Youth Award winners will receive a plaque, be publicized in *The Spotlight* and the Bethlehem Library and be recognized by the Albany County Legislature.

You are invited to nominate a very special young person for the newly created Pride of Bethlehem Youth Award. Please help us to recognize and support the positive behaviors and contributions of the youth in our town.

For more information or nomination form call 439-7740.



Club to offer scholarship

State Street Chapter of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs has announced the availability of a \$1,000 scholarship to support one woman in career-related study during the next academic year.

The deadline for applications is

March 31. The winner will be announced on May 30.

To receive an application, send a self addressed, stamped business size envelope to Kathy Macri, Scholarship Committee, PO Box 491, Voorheesville 12186.

Area student tours with choir

Robert McKenna of Delmar will tour the Northeast with the Hamilton College Choir this spring.

Concerts are scheduled in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New York City and Boston.

Hamilton College, an independent, liberal arts college, was founded in 1812. Named for the first secretary of the U.S. Treasury, it features a strong curriculum in the humanities, arts and sciences.

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Robert and Amy Cartwright

Zick, Cartwright marry

Amy Helene Zick, daughter of Robert and Sue Zick of Glenmont, and Robert Howard Cartwright Jr., son of Robert and Dorothy Cartwright of Albany, were married Aug. 2.

The Rev. Robert Kanuck performed the ceremony at First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

A reception followed at the Appel Inn in Altamont.

The matron of honor was Elizabeth Matthews-Sitnik. Bridesmaids were Rebecca Cartwright, sister of the groom, Beth Laub-Zick, sister-in-law of the bride, Deb Morgan, cousin of the bride, Sue Sovie and Tracey Zajac.

The best man was Todd Landry. Ushers were Todd Zick and Brett Zick, brothers of the bride, and Michael Cartwright, David Cartwright and John Cartwright, brothers of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Hartwick College. She is a business analyst at First Albany Corporation.

The groom is a graduate of Albany High School and the University of Vermont. He is a civil engineer at Volmer Associates.

After a wedding trip to the Cayman Islands, the couple lives in Delmar.

Auxiliary to serve fish fries

Selkirk Fire Company No. 1's auxiliary will serve Friday night fish fries on Feb. 27, March 13 and 27, and April 10, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Maple Avenue in Selkirk.

The menu includes fried fish, french fries, cole slaw and a beverage.

Dinners cost \$6 for adults and

\$3 for children under 12.

A spaghetti dinner will be served at the firehouse on Saturday, March 7, from 6 to 9 p.m.

The menu includes spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, bread, salad and a beverage. Dinners cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

Births

St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, Matthew A. Miller, to Sandra and Craig Miller of Delmar, Feb. 5.

Twins, Amy Lynne Ingraham and David James Ingraham, to Denise and E. David Ingraham of Feura Bush, Feb. 7.

Boy, Matthew Robert Rowe, to Tamara and Kevin Rowe of Delmar, Feb. 10.

Girl, Shelby Lena-Anne Ferrigan, to Jane and Thomas Ferrigan of Glenmont, Feb. 12.

Girl, Amy Elizabeth Barba, to Bonnie and Vincent Barba of Delmar, Feb. 16.

Dean's List

Colgate University — Amy Guzik of Delmar.

Hamilton College — Matthew Thornton of Delmar.

Keene State College — Allison Thomas of Delmar.

Saint Michael's College — Leah Staniels of Delmar.

Spencer Business & Technical Institute — Thomas Flynn of Voorheesville and Victoria Ryan of Delmar.

University of Notre Dame — Kristin Person of Voorheesville.

University of Rochester — Allison Voetsch of Delmar.

Western New England College — Joseph Capobianco of Delmar.

BCHS graduate joins honor society

Bethlehem Central High School graduate Annette Grajny recently became a member of the Gatekeeper Honorary Society at Union College.

The society is a select group of student volunteers who serve as tour guides for prospective students.

Bouton graduate completes training

Robert Hadeka, son of Stanley and Rita Hadeka of Voorheesville, recently completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

Hadeka is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton Jr./Sr. High School.



Bethany Mathusa and Steven Billow

Mathusa, Billow engaged

Bethany Mathusa, daughter of Parker and Pauline Mathusa of Delmar, and Steven Billow, son of George and Sandra Billow of Harrisburg, Pa., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, SUNY Potsdam and SUNY Cortland. She is a health teacher

for Gates-Chili Central School District in Rochester.

The future groom is a graduate of Clarkson University and the University of Rochester. He is a chemical engineer for Eastman Kodak in Rochester.

The couple plans an Aug. 29 wedding.

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.



New Salem church to dish up corned beef and cabbage dinner

New Salem Reformed Church on Route 85 will serve a corned beef and cabbage dinner on Saturday, Feb. 28, with seatings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Reservations are not needed.

The cost is \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5 to 10. Children 4 and under eat for free.

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

Here's to a Wonderful Wedding!

INVITATIONS
Paper Mill Delaware Plaza. 439-8123
Wedding invitations, announcements, custom orders, personalized accessories.

JEWELRY
Harold Finkle, "Your Jeweler" 1585 Central Ave., Colonie. 458-6800. Diamonds - Handcrafted Wedding Rings & Attendant's Gifts.

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 \$\$.

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

By Peter Hanson

There's more to preserving family history than taking Polaroids at parties and saving a lock of every new baby's hair. As participants in a workshop taking place in Troy this weekend will learn, telling stories is one of the best ways to save family history.

"It's not just the name that connects one generation to the next," said Mary Zwolinski, who will conduct the workshop. "It's the traditions that get handed down."

Zwolinski, director of the folk arts program of the Rensselaer County Council on the Arts (RCCA), hopes that her workshop — "Family Folklore: Finding It, Making It, Keeping It" — will help people understand that folklore is about more than legends about Paul Bunyan and urban myths about giant alligators living in sewers.

"Part of the workshop is going to be a discussion of what family folklore is," Zwolinski said. "Most people think of folklore as legends and myths. My definition is, it's any kind of communication within a small group."

Zwolinski said people often confuse family folklore with genealogy. "Genealogy is really just the tracking of ancestors," she said. "Folklore is the different things ... that connect different generations. It's about how cousin so-and-so got his name or a special way a family celebrates Christmas."

The workshop will take place Saturday at the offices of the Rensselaer County Historical Society (RCHS) at 59 Second St. in Troy. It will run from 10 a.m. to noon, and admission is free for RCHS and RCCA members. Admission for non-members is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

The workshop is part of an initiative by the New York Folklore Society; Zwolinski is vice-president of that group's board of directors.

After exploring what family folklore is, Zwolinski will teach workshop participants how they can preserve their fami-



Heirlooms like this photo of Troy schoolchildren, taken around 1910, can help keep family histories alive, folklore expert Mary Zwolinski said. Photo courtesy Rensselaer County Historical Society

Homemade history

Workshop offers insight into family folklore

lies' stories. Some of the methods Zwolinski will discuss are family scrapbooks, family cookbooks, audio recordings and keepsake boxes.

Zwolinski said a box with items that have significance to a family can "carry the life of the family through the generations."

Zwolinski hopes participants in the workshop will talk about their own family stories so she can help them find ways to record those stories for posterity. She also recommended two books that people can read

for more information, both of which are published by the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

The books are *A Celebration of Family Folklore: Tales and Traditions from the Smithsonian Collection* (1982) and *The Grand Generation: Memory, Mastery, Legacy* (1987), by Steven Zeitlin. Zeitlin's book talks about how people record the oral histories of their grandparents.

Preserving history is especially important in today's society, Zwolinski said, because families are more spread out, geographically, than they have been in previous generations.

"We don't live in extended family households anymore," Zwolinski said. "Parents and kids may live 1,000 miles from their nearest relative. In (today's) society, there's a real need to connect (with the past)."

Zwolinski doesn't just teach people

about family folklore, though. She also studies the history of her own family.

"My grandparents on my mother's side were part of an arranged marriage," Zwolinski said. She asked her grandparents to describe the events that preceded their wedding, and found that "when you hear both points of view, you get two totally different stories."

Zwolinski said preserving stories creates family bonds that might not otherwise exist.

"I have a 2-year-old daughter," she said, "and I think it's really important to tell her (family stories). My grandparents are dead, so she'll never know them."

Zwolinski added that stories will tell her daughter about herself as well as her relatives. "She'll have a more rounded view of who she is," she said.

"For me, (family folklore) is exciting because I'm collecting these things," Zwolinski added, "and one day I'm going to pass them down to my daughter."

For information, call 272-7232.

Family Entertainment

CALENDAR • ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Former gridder makes name as successful theater artist

John Amos is a strapping six-footer who has what has to be a record of being cut from 13 National Football League teams in three seasons. His choice of a lifetime career might have appeared unusual for a man who made his name at the University of Colorado as a football star. Now a grandfather, Amos looks back on a successful career as an actor, director, writer and producer of the John Harms Center for the Arts, the largest regional theater in New Jersey.

The Newark-born actor will be in Albany Sat., Feb. 28 with his one-man show, *Halley's Comet*, that he will present at 8 p.m. at the Empire Center at the Egg. The play was written after Amos met a man in his late 90s during the spectacular appearance of *Halley's Comet* in 1986. "The man had seen the previous appearance of the comet 75 years before and was reliving his experience," Amos said. "The play is my imagining of what the man experienced in the time between the comet sightings."

A veteran of films and television (he won an Emmy for playing Kunta Kinte in *Roots*), Amos has found his own retirement plan in his one-man show. He has recently toured *Halley's Comet* to more than 25 cities from California to New York with the Albany appearance part of the trip.

Back in the late 1980s, Amos appeared in Albany for an extended engagement at the Capital Repertory Theater shortly after he wrote the play. It has become a popular vehicle among audiences and a crest for his success in theater which has included roles in comedies and tragedies, most notably Eugene O'Neill's *The Emperor Jones*. From Shakespeare to such TV shows as *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*, Amos has been most comfortable and critically acclaimed.

Reservations and information are available at 473-1845.



Martin P. Kelly

SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

Chieftains anticipate St. Patrick's Day with Feb. 27 Proctor's performance

Veterans of more than 30 years of travelling the world, bringing native Irish music to audiences, the Chieftains continue their touring with a performance Fri., Feb. 27 at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady.

An acknowledged inspiration for many of the leading rock musicians, the Irish band has brought the Celtic sounds to audiences unfamiliar with Celtic music and who have been captivated by their performances.

A number of these rock musicians, including Mick Jagger, have recorded with the Irish troupe.

Last year, the Chieftains visited Schenectady and sold out the 2,800-seat theater.

Reservations and information are available at 346-6204.

Leading theater women to appear at Shakespeare and Company

Tina Packer, the English-born founder of Shakespeare and Company, a summer operation on the Edith Wharton estate in Lenox, MA, will take the reins of *The Merchant of Venice* this summer as the play takes its place as the major production of the season, running from July 24 to Aug. 30.

However, the season will run from May 22 through Oct. 31 with other performers such as Olympia Dukakis and Raquel Welch doing limited engagements with their own works-in-progress. Welch will be featured in the Stables Theater in George Bernard Shaw's *The Millionairess*, a show that was last done on Broadway in the 1950s with Katherine Hepburn play-

ing the much-acclaimed lead.

Welch will work with company members in a limited engagement, May 22-25, under the auspices of the Orpheum Theater in Foxborough, MA, which is co-producing the play.

The Orpheum will also co-produce *The Lear Project* which will feature Dukakis and Dennis Krausnick (an associate producer for Shakespeare and Company) in an examination of Shakespeare's tragedy. It will be presented from June 23-28, also in the Stables Theater.

Following that production, the Bare Bard production of Shakespeare's *All's Well That Ends Well* will take over the Stables Theater through Sept. 6. This production, directed by Normi Noel is modeled after an Elizabethan touring company, modest scenery and simple props.

Information on these productions and other events during the season may be obtained by calling 413/637-3353.

Albany native sweating out funding for off-B'way *Richard III* production

Gregory Wolfe, an Albany native who has been testing the theater waters in New York for the last dozen years, is now waiting for a response to his most recent production, a multimedia, modern dress production of Shakespeare's *Richard III*.

Performed as a showcase at the Stella Adler Conservatory in the East Village of New York City, the production garnered favorable comments which gives Wolfe some hope for an angel to appear with funds for a full-scale production in an off-Broadway production.

The recent production ran three weeks and had one of its video scenes shot in Albany where the director's parents John and June Wolfe still reside. His mother is a costumer who works at all the local professional theaters and also works off-Broadway.

Around Theaters!

All My Sons, an early Arthur Miller about World War II, at the Home Made Theater in Saratoga, through March 1 (587-4427).

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

"AN OFFER SHE COULDN'T REFUSE"

by Forrest Stone, The Theatre Department and the Writers Institute at the University at Albany, Studio Theatre of the University at Albany Performing Arts Center, Friday, Feb. 27, 8 p.m., March 1, 3 p.m., March 4 through 7, 8 p.m. Information, 442-3995.

"THE IMAGINARY INVALID"

by Moliere, dinner theater, Roustabouts Playhouse, Troy, Feb. 27, 28, 6:15 p.m. dinner, 7:45 p.m. play. Information, 273-4172.

MUSIC

FINDLAY COCKRELL

concert series, relaxing music with a spoken commentary, Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center at the University at Albany, 12:20 and 4:20 p.m., March 1, April 1 and 22. Information, 442-3995.

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.

THE WOLFE TONES

with Hair of the Dog, to benefit the Doors of Hope Foundation, Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany, March 5, \$15 and \$20, 7:30 p.m. Information, 463-5511.

CLASSICAL CONCERT

Berlin Symphony Orchestra, with violinist and conductor Joseph Silverstein, pianist Derek Han, Troy Chromatic Concerts, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, 8 p.m., March 4. Information, 462-0318.

SWING MUSIC AND DANCING

Michael Benedict Big Band, toe tapping music, North Point Cultural Arts Center, 62 Chatham St., Kinderhook, Saturday, Feb. 28, 8 to 11 p.m. Information, 758-9234.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

AUDITION

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

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

ART CLASSES

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

MUSEUM ART CLASSES

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

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.

VISUAL ARTS

PEACE OFFERINGS

native arts and handicrafts from the Americas, 33 Central Ave., Albany. Information, 434-4037.

FROEBEL GALLERY

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

THE 1998 NEW YORK STATE BIENNIAL

second biennial of contemporary art, New York State Museum, Albany, through April 26. Information, 474-5877.

FRENCH CHILDREN OF THE HOLOCAUST

international exhibition of photographs, March 15 to April 23, Nott Memorial at Union College, Schenectady. Information, 388-6004.

GINOFOR GALLERY

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

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.

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

Shaker artifacts, 1848 Shaker Meeting House, Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie. Information, 456-7890.

LULU GALLERY

288 Lark St., Albany, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Information, 436-5660.

OFF BROADWAY GALLERY

featuring two new exhibits, "June Dipso" and "Fantasy and Reality," Crossgates Mall, Western Avenue, Guilderland. Information, 439-2955.

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF KDP, L.L.C. UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is: KDP, L.L.C.

SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is: The County of Albany.

THIRD: (Optional) The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: December 17, 2027.

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 address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company serve upon him or her is:

P.O. Box 211, Hermon, Oregon 97838.

FIFTH: (Optional) 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:

SIXTH: The future effective date of the Articles of Organization, if not effective upon filing is:

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 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 specified members are so liable.

All of the members are to be liable in their capacity as members of the limited liability company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed on December 17, 1997 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under penalties of perjury.

s/Joanne P. Monagan, Esq.
- Organizer and attorney representing KDP, L.L.C.

(February 25, 1998)

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

Name: Second Street Realty, LLC. Articles of organization filed with sec. of state of NY ("SOS") on 1/2/97. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to LLC, 1770 N.W. 64th Street, Suite 500, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309. Purpose: any lawful business purpose.

(February 25, 1998)

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW SECTION 206(C)

The name of the limited liability company is Glenmont Management LLC The date of the filing of

LEGAL NOTICE

the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State was January 23, 1998. The County in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Albany. The agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served is the Secretary of State and such shall mail a copy of any process to: 37 Chriskens Drive, Glenmont, New York 12077. The business purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which LLCs may be organized under the LLC.

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF WELLINGTON GARAGE ASSOCIATES, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is: Wellington Garage Associates, 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 latest date on which

LEGAL NOTICE

the limited liability company is to dissolve is March 1, 2048.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it 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 Limited Liability Company served upon him or her is: Wellington Garage Associates, LLC, 121 State Street, Albany, New York 12207.

FIFTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.

SIXTH: The Limited Liability Company is to be managed by 1 or more members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these articles of organization have been subscribed this 14th day of January, 1998, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

(s) John J. Lynch

(February 25, 1998)

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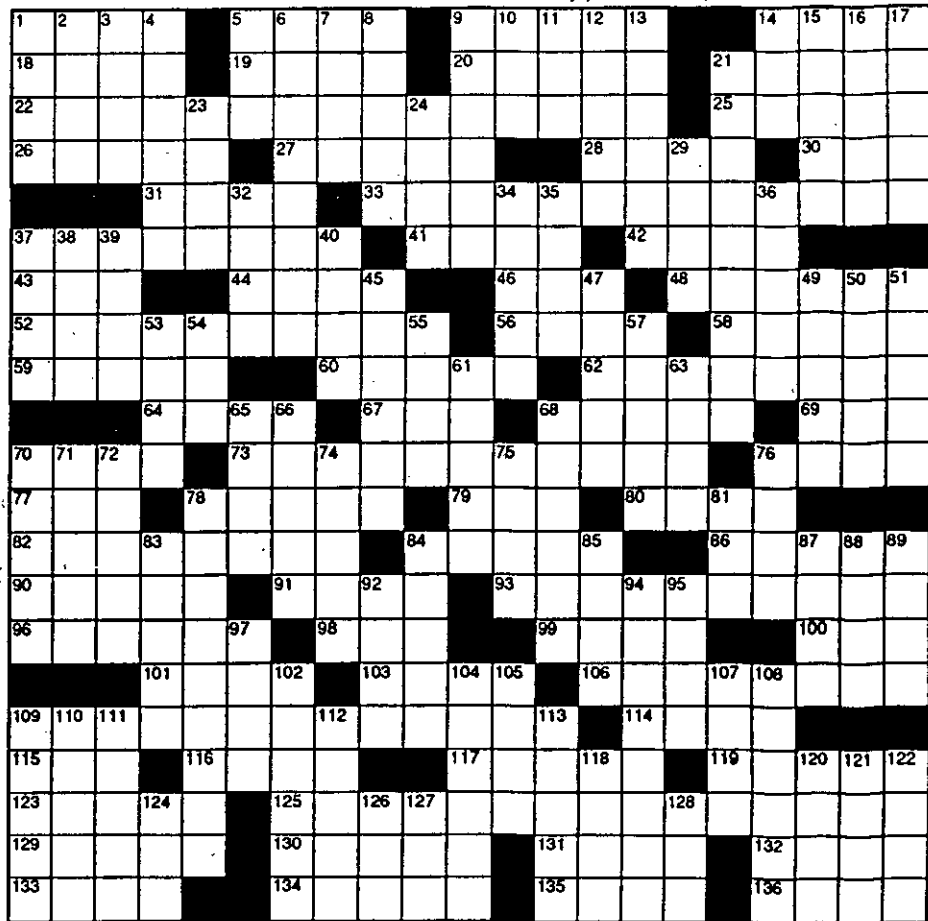
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| | | | 32 "Three Men — Baby" | 81 Be too interested? | 126 Word form for "recent" |
| | | | 34 Boss a waiter? | 83 Columbus' birthplace | 127 Start to paint |
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| | | | 36 Full of joy | | |



AROUND THE AREA

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 25**
ALBANY COUNTY

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
Pine Grove United Methodist Church, 1580 Central Ave., at 7 p.m. Information, 869-6281.

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP
In the Nolan Riddle Day Room on the sixth floor of St. Peter's Hospital, 315 S. Manning Blvd., 4 to 5 p.m. Information, 525-1444.

INFANT CHILD SAVER
CPR for Infants, American Red Cross of Northeastern New York, 2 Clara Barton Drive, 6 to 10 p.m. Information, 433-0150 ext. 3304.

HEALING WITH YOGA
Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., 4 to 5:15 p.m., \$25.

FINANCIAL SEMINAR
Investing for college, School Systems Federal Credit Union, Pine West Plaza Building #4, Washington Avenue Extension, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Information, 286-1611.

INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION
Parsons Child and Family Center adoption orientation, 60 Academy Road, 7 p.m.; \$25, reservations required. Information, 426-2600.

WINTER FARMERS' MARKET
Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m.

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

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
Woman's Health Care Plus, 2093 Western Ave., 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 464-0630.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

BOOK REVIEW
"Open Heart" by A.B. Yehoshua, Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna, 11:15 a.m. Information, 337-8803.

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

ENGLISH GARDENING
program by Gerry Kinney, Schenectady County Public Library, 7:45 p.m. Information, 482-2051.

**THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 26**
ALBANY COUNTY

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

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT GROUP
office of Drs. Jacobs & Lee, 62 Hackett Blvd., 7 p.m. Information, 783-5656.

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

SARATOGA COUNTY

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Four Winds Hospital, Algonquin Activities Building, Crescent Avenue, Saratoga Springs, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

BOOK REVIEW
"Why People Don't Heal and How They Can," Craven Books, 441 Broadway, 7 to 8:30 p.m., \$10. Information, 587-4105.

**FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 27**
ALBANY COUNTY

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.

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

SARATOGA COUNTY

"A PARTY FOR BORIS"
presented by the Skidmore Theater Department, Janet Kinghorn Bernhard Theater, Skidmore College, today through March 1. Information, call 580-5439.

**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 28**
ALBANY COUNTY

HAM DINNER
fresh ham dinner, adults \$8, children 4 to 12 \$4, under 4 free, Trinity United Methodist Church, Route 143, Coeymans Hollow, 4 to 7 p.m. Information, 756-2318.

ANNUAL AUCTION
The Women's Building, 79 Central Ave., viewing at 6 p.m. and bidding begins at 7 p.m. Information, 465-1597.

WINTERWALK FOR DIABETES
Crossgates Mall, 8 to 9 a.m., breakfast and stretch before walk. Information, 489-1755, ext. 325.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

SNOWSHOE TOUR
Pineledge Cross and Country Ski Area, Plank Road, outside Poestenkill, 10:30 a.m. Information, 283-3652.

**SUNDAY
MARCH 1**
ALBANY COUNTY

GALLERY WALK AND PANEL DISCUSSION
"Abundant Vision: Curating the New York State Biennial," New York State Museum, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 474-5877.

COPING AND CARING
support group for adult children of aging parents, Senior Quarters at Albany Shaker, 345 Northern Blvd., 2 p.m. Information, 465-4444.

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

RENSSELAER COUNTY

SUPER SCIENCE SPECTACULAR
various experiments for children, The Junior Museum, 282 Fifth Ave., noon to 5 p.m., \$3. Information, 235-2120.

**MONDAY
MARCH 2**
ALBANY COUNTY

SENIORS LUNCHES
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.

ALL ABOUT INFANTS
developing newborn, feeding options, bathing, signs of illness and car safety seat discussed, registration required, Bellevue Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 346-9420.

**TUESDAY
MARCH 3**
ALBANY COUNTY

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.

RECOVERY, INC.
self-help group for former mental and nervous patients, Unitarian Church of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

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

CIVIL AIR PATROL
Albany Senior Squadron, Albany Airport, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4406.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

MS SELF-HELP GROUP
multiple sclerosis self-help group, Sunnyview Hospital, Belmont Avenue, Schenectady, 9:30 a.m. Information, 427-0421.

RECOVERY, INC.
self-help group for former mental and nervous patients, Unitarian House, 1248 Wendell Ave., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

SECULAR SOBRIETY GROUP
group for recovering alcoholics, Temple Gates of Heaven, corner of Ashmore Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-5569.

EATING DISORDERS GROUP
Union College, fourth floor campus center, Schenectady, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

BREAST FEEDING PREPARATION
benefits of breast feeding discussed, fee is \$15, Bellevue Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 346-9420.

SENIOR SHAPE UP
Osteoporosis prevention exercise program, Bellevue Hospital's Medical Arts Building, 1222 Troy Road, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Information, 346-9410.

SARATOGA COUNTY

TUESDAYS FOR TOTS
The Children's Museum, 36 Phila St., 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 584-6059.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

REGISTRATION AND OPEN HOUSE
Catholic Central High School registration and open house for grades 7 and 9, academic records needed prior to registration, \$25 fee, Catholic Central High School, 625 Seventh Ave., 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information, 235-7100.

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is Davey Jones Locker, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").
SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on December 30, 1997.
THIRD: The county within New York State 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 386 Delaware Avenue, Albany, New York 12209.
FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2047.
SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity permitted under the Limited Liability Company Law. (February 25, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name: United Rehabilitation Management Group, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY ("SOS") on 2/4/98. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail a copy of process to LLC, c/o Whiteman Osterman & Hanna, 1 Corporate Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (February 25, 1998)

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, March 3, 1998 at the Town Offices,

COLUMBIA COUNTY

COMMUNITY FIRST AID AND SAFETY
adult, child, and infant first aid, 21 Healy Blvd., 5:30 to 10 p.m. Information, 828-6715.

**WEDNESDAY
MARCH 4**
ALBANY COUNTY

FREE IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
for children who are Albany County residents, county Department of Health, 175 Green St., 4 to 6 p.m. Information, 447-4602.

WINTER FARMERS' MARKET
Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 11 a.m.

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

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

APPLE COMPUTER USERS CLUB
Farnsworth Middle School, State Farm Road, Guilderland, 7 p.m. Information, 482-2609.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING OF INFANTS
Bellevue Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 346-9499.

LEGAL NOTICE

445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY at 7:30 p.m. to take action on the application of Terrence and Barbara Ritz, 351 Maple Ave., Selkirk, NY, for approval by said Planning Board of a one (1) lot subdivision of a 6.022 acre parcel located on the west side of Maple Ave., 900 ft. south of Cottage Lane, Selkirk, as shown on map entitled, "Map of Proposed Subdivision, 'Outcast Acres', Lands of Terrence W. and Barbara A. Ritz, Town of Bethlehem, County: Albany, State: New York" dated January 23, 1998 and prepared by Paul E. Hite, LLS, Delmar, NY.
Douglas Hasbrouck
Chairman, Planning Board
Note: Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advanced notice is requested. (February 25, 1998)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 4, 1998 at 7:45 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to take action on the application of The Michaels Development Group, Inc., 282 Ushers Road, Clifton Park, New York 12065 for Area Variance under Article XII, Percent of Lot Occupancy, Section 128-50, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of a single family home with handicap accessibility which would exceed allowable percent of lot occupancy at premises 19 Whitestone Way, Slingerlands, New York 12159.
Michael C. Hodom
Chairman,
Board of Appeals
(February 25, 1998)

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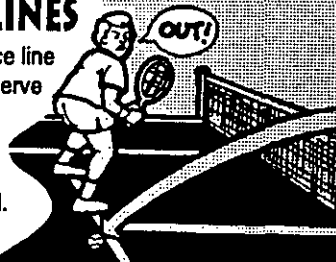
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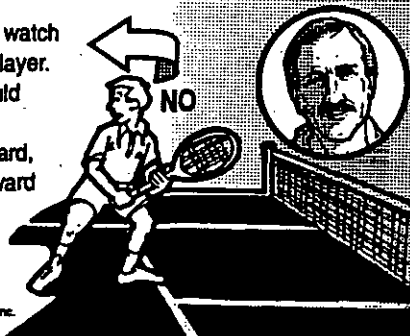
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The Spotlight CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 25

BETHLEHEM

ASH WEDNESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.

COMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS' GENERAL MEETING
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 346-9997.

TOWN BOARD
town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

ASH WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST
Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 9:30 a.m. Information, 439-4857.

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.

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

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
FEBRUARY 26

BETHLEHEM

OPEN GYM
BC High School lower gym will be open for high school students interested in playing basketball, Bethlehem Central High School, 8 to 11 p.m. Information, 439-4131.

RECOVERY, INC.
self-help for chronic nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9976.

TOPS
weight loss support group, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-4857.

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.

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.

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 27

BETHLEHEM

ANNUAL FRIDAY NITE FISH FRY
adults \$6 and children under 12 \$3, Selkirk Fire Co. #1 Ladies Auxiliary, Maple Ave., 4:30 to 7 p.m.

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

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 28

BETHLEHEM

SATURDAY STORYBREAK
Storytime to accommodate children of working parents, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

AARP TAX COUNSELLING SERVICE
Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 439-4955, ext. 170.

PRINCETON REVIEW
Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 1 p.m. to register, call 439-9314.

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.

NEW SCOTLAND COUNTY

CORN BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER
Adults \$7.50, 5 to 10 years \$5, and 4 and under free, New Salem Reformed Church, Route 85, New Scotland Road, Voorheesville, 4:40, 5:30, and 6:30 p.m. Information, 765-2354 or 765-3468.

SUNDAY
MARCH 1

BETHLEHEM

RPM LIVE MUSIC NIGHT
Reformed Presbyterian Methodist Youth Group, night features local bands, food, fashion show, and prom wear for sale, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. Information, 439-1731.

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 services, 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 Avenue. Information, 439-3265.

SELKIRK CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Bible lecture, 9:30 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:25 a.m., Elm Avenue 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 Avenue. 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 service, 9:30 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, home groups, women's Bible studies and youth group, 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.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH
worship service, 11 a.m., 1 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-4314.

GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child care available, 1 Chapel Lane. Information, 438-7710.

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.

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
worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m., Sunday school and Bible classes, 9:15 a.m., nursery care, handicapped-accessible, large-print materials and assistive listening devices, coffee and fellowship following services, 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

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.

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.

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., choir rehearsal, 5 p.m., evening service, 6:45 p.m., Route 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
early worship, 8:30 a.m., worship celebration, 10 a.m., church school classes for nursery through high school, 10 a.m., choir rehearsals, 11:15 a.m., 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville. Information, 765-2895.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
worship service, 9:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided, Route 443. Information, 768-2916.

MONDAY
MARCH 2

BETHLEHEM

MOTHER'S TIME OUT
Meeting, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 9:30 to 11 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 9 a.m. to noon. Information, 439-4955.

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.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM
Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

ONESQUETHAW UNION CEMETERY
Clarksville Reformed Church, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY
MARCH 3

BETHLEHEM

PLANNING BOARD
town hall, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

BETHLEHEM PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
Bethlehem Preschool, 397 Route 9W, Glenmont, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information, 463-8091.

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.

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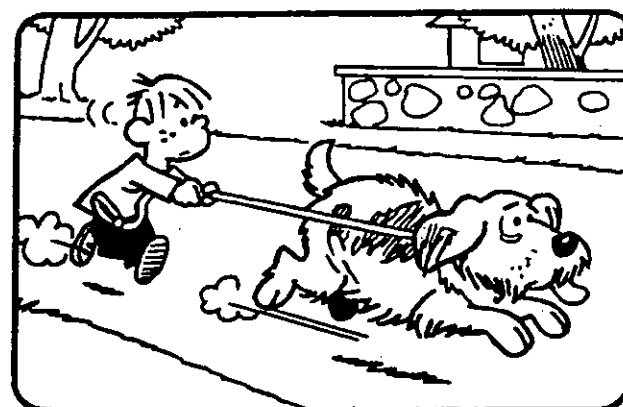
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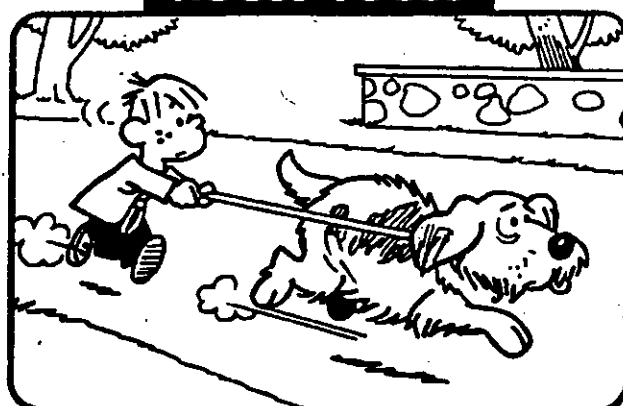
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Schreiber

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technical assistance to improve health care in rural and urban communities.

"I made this arrangement to go to China through the Foundation for Educational Futures, located in Florida," Schreiber said. "It's one of a number of organizations that assists in placing academics abroad. This comes out of a long-standing interest in China, and Chinese, which I started studying in college."

While in China, Schreiber also wants to get a better understanding of the health care system there. He hopes to meet with health care providers and government officials. "I've been studying and reading a lot about it, and one of my goals is to look for professional opportunities in the health care field."

Schreiber spent a year studying Chinese and teaching English in Taiwan after graduating from Harvard in the 1960s. "I was at a foreign language training center in Taiwan," he said. "I was interested in seeing that part of the world, and went there to study the language more."

Schreiber has a good reading knowledge of the complex Chinese language, although speaking and understanding can be much more difficult. "If people are speaking about a familiar subject, I understand them better," he said.

Language seems to be a common thread in the Schreiber family. Joyce Schreiber teaches Spanish and French at Bethlehem Central Middle School, and the couple's 17-year-old son Matthew is spending a year in Norway after graduating from Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School.

"He didn't know Norwegian when he went," Schreiber said, "but he claims to speak it fluently." The Schreiber's other son, 22-year-old Daniel, is a student at the University at Albany.

Schreiber first visited the People's Republic of China in 1985, when he was the director of health services for the state Division for Youth.

On that business trip, he met with a group of adult and juvenile justice officials and visited a variety of criminal and juvenile justice

settings. In those pre-Tianamen Square days, Schreiber said his overall impression was that things were a lot more open than he had expected.

"I had read about how foreigners were regarded from 1966-76, with the impact of the Cultural Revolution," he said. "Anyone who had contact with foreigners was suspect. But in '85, we could walk around and talk to people, with no feeling of surveillance, and I felt a real interest on the part of the Chinese about the United States."

"I've been told to expect further change. I'm guessing that politically, it's not a lot different, but there's been a lot of economic growth."

Schreiber looked back on his 15 years on the school board with satisfaction. "There are five things one would look for in any job," he said. "Is it interesting? Is it worthwhile? Is there an opportunity to contribute? Is there an opportunity to learn; is it enriching? Does the job pay?"

Although being a school board member doesn't come with a salary, Schreiber said he found it a great opportunity to do interesting and worthwhile things.

"What's been nice about Voorheesville is that I've never seen any single-issue people on board. Any disagreements we've had have been based on what board members genuinely feel is best for the kids, and not as if anyone had a particular issue with one teacher or a program."

He added that "had the board been more factionalized, I might not have stayed so long."

Schreiber is pleased he was able help with the development of a middle level philosophy. He noted that "there had been a very abrupt sixth to seventh-grade transition, and a lot of people felt we needed a different experience."

"Literature suggests that middle schoolers have a separate set of needs, and our current sixth to eighth-grade structuring has allowed those needs to be met, with programming and team teaching. The board's most recent facilities discussions will strengthen that program into our expanded school."

He also pushed hard for educational technology. "Not just computers, although they are the main

tool," he said, "but distance learning and the like. We've seen tremendous growth in computers in the last 15 years, and I've pushed hard to develop the physical resources and get people trained."

Schreiber pointed to Voorheesville's honors program as a reflection of how the district provides different educational experiences for children with different needs. "In a heterogeneous classroom, you need to differentiate the process or not all the kids will benefit," he said.

"The honors program reflects the fact that we want to challenge the kids who are more advanced learners. The school had drifted away from honors classes, but more have been reinstated in the last couple of years, in addition to AP courses."

Schreiber also had praise for the school-to-work program, which gives the kids experience and enthusiasm. "It involves mentoring, and the kids spend time at work sites, with the intent to integrate that into the curriculum."

Schreiber said the biggest change he has seen in education in the last 15 years is the evolution to a more open system.

He said the issue of quality and how to develop high standards will always be a challenge to education. "You have to look at how to individualize education and move kids forward, rather than saying one size fits all," he said. "That strategy won't get the best results."

Schreiber is clear about one way to continuously improve education. "I very much believe you won't see significant improvement in the quality of education unless schools and parents are in this together. I find it amazing and appalling that Americans watch between 25 and 30 hours of TV per week."

"Most of the time, what teenagers are watching isn't worthwhile or advancing their education. In terms of generating real quality and improving standards, there needs to be reinforcement in the home. Parents need to be reading books, and not watching TV. By example, this will affect students."

Schreiber, who earned his doctorate in social welfare in 1995, said that there are a million rea-

sons to get a good education. "One point that sometimes comes across in dialogue," he said, is that improving our education makes us more competitive, and helps kids get a better job.

"That's obviously important, but bothersome, because the point stops there. It's risky and short-sighted. There are reasons for education that go way beyond getting a better job."

"If you look at education too narrowly, why study art or English literature? Well, it makes you a better thinker and a fuller human being. It gives you a broader exposure to things, and isn't just vocationally relevant. It's important to be a good citizen with some understanding of history and why things could be different."

Schreiber's way of thinking earned praise from superintendent Alan McCartney. "Steve is one of those highly intelligent people; he's a real intellect," McCartney said.

"Good board members have open minds, and they do their homework. Board members always have information before the meetings, and Steve always had notes, and called if he had questions."

"He took the time to get the information. He always had the kids at heart first, particularly in terms of student rights and respect. He'll definitely be missed."

Schreiber's successor will have big shoes to fill, and a legacy to bear in mind. At his last school board meeting on Feb. 11, Schreiber pointed out the inherent danger in running for his now empty seat. "I was in this seat for 15 years," he said, "and my predecessor for 25. There's only been two of us in 40 years."

Historical group sets geology program

James Austin, a biology teacher at Cooperstown High School, will discuss the geology of the Helderberg region at a meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Tuesday, March 3, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road in New Salem.

Everyone is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Oxygen

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workers) will be hired locally."

The plant, which will operate 24 hours a day and seven days a week, will supply oxygen that will enhance Owens-Corning's production process as well as 250 tons daily of liquefied oxygen, nitrogen and argon, the announcement said.

David Wolff, MG's director of marketing, said the choice to build on the Owens-Corning site was based on Owens-Corning's promise of buying oxygen from the plant. Having a ready-made customer eliminated some of the risk in building the plant.

Another possible customer for MG's oxygen would be a computer chip fabrication "chip-fab" plant. The Empire State Development Corp. is choosing 10 sites for chip-fab sites throughout the area, and two potential sites are in Bethlehem.

MG, which is based in Malvern, Pa., is the North American operating affiliate of the Messer Group of Frankfurt, Germany. Last year, Messer's sales were about \$1.4 billion, of which \$350 million was brought in by MG, Wolff said.

Messer is comprised of over 150 companies and 11,000 employees in 40 countries. By contrast, MG employees 1,500 people in the United States and Canada.

According to MG's announcement, the gaseous oxygen the company produces will improve Owens-Corning's production efficiency and product quality, as well as reducing emissions from the Owens-Corning plant.

"We are delighted to be entering the Albany market in a strong partnership with Owens-Corning," MG president James Doerr said. "We appreciate the assistance of the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., and we are pleased to be working with the town of Bethlehem."

MG's announcement included a claim that the increased efficiency gaseous oxygen and other MG products will give to area industrial facilities will create jobs.

"Industrial gas facilities are generally believed to create significant numbers of spinoff jobs, because of the productivity ... the gases provide," the announcement said.

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

The name of the LLC is Yorkshire Properties, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with NY Secretary of State on January 6, 1998. 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 Segel, Goldman & Mazzotta, P.C., 5 Washington Square, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205, c/o Paul J. Goldman, Esq. (February 25, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 10 PETRA LANE ASSOCIATES, LLC.

UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the Lim-

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ited Liability Company is:

10 Petra Lane Associates, LLC. SECOND: The county within this State in which the principal office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located in Albany County.

THIRD: 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: 10 Petra Lane, Albany, New York 12205.

FOURTH: The Limited Liability Company is to be managed by one or more members.

FIFTH: The existing Members shall have the right to admit additional Members to the Limited Liability Company, by the unanimous vote or consent of the Members, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Operating Agreement of the Limited Liability Company.

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SIXTH: The remaining Members of the Limited Liability Company, by the unanimous vote or consent of the Members (other than the Member who caused the Withdrawal Event), may continue the Limited Liability Company upon the death, retirement, resignation, expulsion, bankruptcy or dissolution of a Member or the occurrence of any other event which terminates the continued membership of a Member in the Limited Liability Company.

SEVENTH: The names and addresses of the Members and Organizers of the Limited Liability Company are: Robert S. Womer, having an address at 833 County Highway #110, Broadalbin, New York 12025 ("Managing Member"), and John D. Womer, having an address at 1094 Westline Road, Amsterdam, New York 12010. Margaret A. Homer, having an address at RR 1, Box 394A, Athens, New York 12015 and C. David Newton, having an address at 717 Sacandaga Road, Schenectady, New York 12302.

EIGHTH: None of the Members of the Limited Liability Company are liable for payment of any

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debt, obligation or other liability of the Limited Liability Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 20th day of January, 1998, by the undersigned, each of whom is a Member of the Limited Liability Company, who affirm that the statements made herein are true under penalties of perjury.

s/Robert S. Womer
s/John D. Womer
s/Margaret A. Homer
s/C. David Newton

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ALBANY, SS.:

On the 20th day of January, 1998, before me personally came Robert S. Womer, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Agreement, and acknowledged that he executed said Agreement.

s/Charles B. Dumas
Notary Public
Commission expires Nov. 30, 1999

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ALBANY, SS.:

On the 20th day of January, 1998, before me personally came to me known to be the individual

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described in and who executed the foregoing Agreement, and acknowledged that he executed said Agreement.

s/Charles B. Dumas
Notary Public
Commission expires Nov. 30, 1999

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ALBANY, SS.:

On the 20th day of January, 1998, before me personally came Margaret A. Homer, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Agreement, and acknowledged that he executed said Agreement.

s/Charles B. Dumas
Notary Public
Commission expires Nov. 30, 1999

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ALBANY, SS.:

On the 20th day of January, 1998, before me personally came to me C. David Newton, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Agreement, and acknowledged that he executed said Agreement.

s/Charles B. Dumas

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Notary Public
Commission expires Nov. 30, 1999
(February 25, 1998)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 4, 1998 at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to take action on the application of Edward Nadeau/Kathleen Knight/Celeste Kwak/Kathryn Ricci, 709 River Road, Glenmont, New York 12077 for Modification to a previously granted Special Exception under Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-20, Light Industrial District, C (13) Dog Kennel of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem to permit a kennel to harbor 8 to 10 dogs for a personal hobby at premises 709 River Road, Glenmont, New York 12077.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman,
Board of Appeals
(February 25, 1998)

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NOTICE
The Annual Meeting of the Bethlehem Soccer Club will be held on March 2, 1998 at 7:00 pm, at the Bethlehem Town Hall.
Members will be asked to vote on the election of several directors. Any one interested in serving on the Board of Directors should submit their name, address, phone number and a statement of why they are interested in serving on the board, in writing, ASAP, to:

Bethlehem Soccer Club
c/o Alan Metevia
PO Box 305
Delmar, NY 12054
(February 25, 1998)

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

The name of the LLC First Columbia New Palitz Group, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 30, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 6 Majestic Court, Loudonville, New York 12211.
(February 25, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF AQUA CLEAR ACQUISITION CO., LLC

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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 Aqua Clear Acquisition Co., 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 Company does not have a specific date of dissolution, in addition to the events of dissolution set forth in Section 701 of the LLCL.

FIFTH: 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 Aqua Clear Acquisition Co., LLC, 2550 - 9th Avenue, P.O. Box 387, Watervliet, New York.

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New York 12189.
SIXTH: The Company is to be managed by one or more managers.
SEVENTH: Pursuant to Section 206 (a) (8) (b) of the LLCL, no member of the Company, solely by reason of being a member, is an agent of the Company for the purpose of its business, and no member shall have the authority to act for the Company solely by virtue of being a member.
EIGHTH: The Company shall have the power to indemnify, to the full extent permitted by the LLCL, as amended from time to time, all persons whom it is permitted to indemnify pursuant thereto.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 9th day of January, 1998.
Richard A. Langer
Attorney-in-Fact
(February 25, 1998)

NOTICE OF FILING OF THE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF MORIZIO HOLDING, LLC UNDER LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 206
1. The name of the limited liability company is: MORIZIO HOLDING, LLC.
2. Articles of Organization were filed on November 24, 1997 with the Secretary of State.
3. The office of the limited liability company is in Albany County, New York.

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4. The limited liability company shall dissolve on December 31, 2047.
5. The Secretary of the State of New York is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him is C/O Shartrand and Shartrand, 19B British American Boulevard, Latham, NY 12110.
6. The purpose of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed, both within and without New York State.
(February 25, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Majestic Tree Farm, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on January 15, 1998, 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 185 Pictuay Road, Selkirk, New York 12158. 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 LLCL.
(February 25, 1998)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is ACA Merchandising, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with NY Secretary of State on December 26, 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 Hamilton News Co., Inc., 41 Hamilton Lane, Glenmont, New York 12077.
(February 25, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is Davey Jones Locker, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").
SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on December 30, 1997.
THIRD: The county within New York State 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 pro-

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cess is 386 Delaware Avenue, Albany, New York 12209.
FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2047.
SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity permitted under the Limited Liability Company Law.
(February 25, 1998)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on March 11, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider proposed Local Law No. 4 of 1998, amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem, Chapter 128, Zoning, Article XI, Height Regulations, Section 128-44.

All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advanced notice is requested.

By Order Of The Town Board
Town Of Bethlehem
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC
TOWN CLERK
DATED: February 11, 1998
(February 25, 1998)

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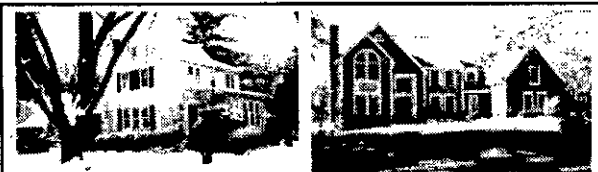
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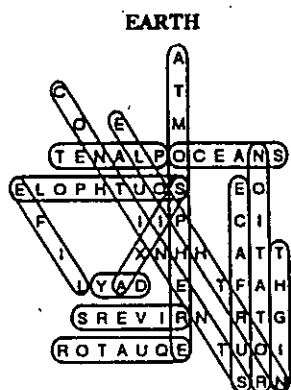
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Olympic

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her name on the ice," said Dennis Ulion, Gretchen's cousin and a fifth-grade teacher at Voorheesville Elementary School. He said he kept track of her on the Internet through e-mail and the CBS Olympic Web site.

"The whole family gathered around to watch," he said.

Terry Ulion, Gretchen's uncle went on a cruise, which Ruth said had been planned for more than a year.

"We picked it up on CNN," said Terry. "But we didn't know until now that she scored."

Ruth who said her head is still in the clouds, said Gretchen has called five times already.

"She said it was a hard-won game," Ruth said. "The only problem was getting over the wall," according to Gretchen.

The wall around the ice rink in Japan was higher than in American rinks, and at 5 feet, 2 inches she found it difficult to get over it.

Gretchen has also been using e-mail to communicate with family members and fans.

Nicholas said a kindergarten student e-mailed Gretchen and asked her how it felt to win the gold medal.

"Gretchen wrote back saying, 'It feels like a million butterflies bouncing in your stomach and suddenly they all go free and you just watch them fly away in all their beauty and you feel really happy.'" Nicholas said the game was harder psychologically for Gretchen than physically because the record between the USA and Canadian teams was so close.

Ruth said that going into the Olympic game the USA and Canadian teams were tied at seven wins apiece.

"In pre-Olympic 97-98 play, they played Canada 13 times since August," said Dennis.

In 1996, Gretchen thought her dreams of the 1998 Olympics were over when she was not asked to come back to the National team. But she was asked back this year and that made all the difference.

Gretchen knew she wanted to play hockey from an early age, her grandmother said.

"She used to go and watch her brothers play hockey and tell her

mother that she wanted to do that," Ruth said.

Ruth said her parents thought she wanted to skate, so they signed her up for figure skating lessons. But the coach told Marilyn that she was wasting her money because all Gretchen would do during lessons was watch the boys play hockey on the other ice rink.

Gretchen, now 25-years-old, began playing hockey when she was 6-years-old, Nicholas said.

He said the boys had become more physical in the game, and he and Marilyn were worried about their daughter's safety.

"She was checked from behind by a boy twice her size so hard that when she hit the boards, her helmet split in half," he said.

"This was not acceptable, and we felt we had to find alternatives for her to continue playing the game," Nicholas said.

The Ulioms found a private school, Loomis Chaffee in Connecticut, which had a girls hockey team.

"Because she has always done well in school and played other sports like lacrosse and soccer, the school was happy to have her," Nicholas said.

After graduating, Gretchen attended Dartmouth College, where she set 11 records for Dartmouth and four records in the Ivy League.

Ruth said Gretchen thinks of Voorheesville as a second home. "She would always visit whenever she had a couple of days off. Even when she was traveling to Lake Placid she would stop here to stay overnight."

Ruth said Gretchen doesn't plan to hang up her skates and hopes to work with children and play a pickup game once a week with her fiancé.

Church to serve pancake breakfast

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

No reservations are required. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2.75 for children ages 6 to 10. For information, call 765-2354.

New assessments out next month

Bethlehem homeowners will receive their 1998 property value assessments on or about March 1, assessor Dave Leafer said last week.

"We're finishing up the valuation phase of the '98 town-wide assessment update," Leafer said. "Around March 1, homeowners will receive impact disclosure notices telling them what their new assessments will be and comparing those with their '97 assessments."

The notices will also tell homeowners their new property tax amounts and compare those to '97 tax numbers.

"Accompanying the notice will be a cover letter that will explain how they can contact the assessor's office to set up an informal hearing if they feel the new assessment is out of line," Leafer said.

The cover letter will list office hours when hearings can be scheduled and the phone number homeowners call to schedule hearings. Leafer said some evening appointments will be available so people who work during the day can see the assessor at their convenience.

"If, after the hearing process, (homeowners) are unhappy, they can go through the normal grievance process," Leafer said, adding that the grievance process begins May 1.

Tomorrow (Thursday, Feb. 26) at 7:30 p.m., Leafer will hold an informal meeting at Bethlehem town hall to present information about the impact disclosure updates to anyone who attends. He will also answer questions from residents.

Forensics team plans tournament

The Bethlehem Speech and Debate Team is planning its second tournament for March 7.

Tournaments help the team raise funds to pay for activities.

Revenue raised by the tournament will be used to offset the team's transportation, accommodation and entry fees at national tournaments at Harvard University, College of the Holy Cross and St. Joseph's University.

Stewart's

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campus. The proximity to the school led the board to demand that Stewart's not advertise either alcohol or tobacco products on the exterior of the store.

The proximity to BCHS also led to a pledge by Stewart's representatives that alcohol will be pulled from the store if an employee sells it to a minor.

Board member Gilbert Brookins said that if Stewart's takes occupancy, problems at the corner location — which is currently overgrown with vegetation and the remnants of a filling station — would be fixed.

When the filling station occupied the site, gasoline seeped into the ground underneath the station. This contamination is one reason the site has been vacant since the gas station closed, which Bethlehem building inspector John Flanigan said happened about a decade ago.

Tom Lewis, Stewart's real estate manager, said the company will spend around \$85,000 to clean up contamination at the site before building a store there.

"If everything goes as we hope it will (March 4)," Lewis said, "we'll probably start the demolition of what's there in the first week in May. We would hope to open the store in the first week in July. However, these schedules do tend to change."

Lewis said the store will cost about \$115,000 to build, in addition to the cleanup costs. He also said the store will employ about 10 people.

Brookins said having a new tenant at the long-empty site will "improve the quality of life in that neighborhood," and board member Robert Wiggand agreed with him.

"I think Stewart's will do a great job," Wiggand said.

Board chairman Michael Hodom, who voted against the proposal, listed several conditions to the board's approval. Among them were:

- Gasoline can never again be sold at the site.
- The proposed parking spaces must be expanded by two feet to make traffic on the site safer.
- Snow cannot be piled at the

site during the winter. Instead, it must be removed and dumped elsewhere. The board said the site is too small to accommodate snow storage.

• Garbage trucks cannot empty the store's Dumpster until after 7 a.m. because doing so earlier would create a disturbance. Flanigan said regulating garbage removal would be next to impossible, but added that garbage trucks probably wouldn't come before 10 a.m. because of morning traffic at the intersection.

Some of the conditions in the resolution will require mandatory compliance, but some, like the garbage removal scheduling, will be put to Stewart's as requests.

Although two board members voted against the use variance that will allow Stewart's to build at the site, which is zoned "A" residential, the board members were unanimous in expressing respect for Stewart's corporate integrity and financial security.

"I can't think of too many firms that would be willing to put in this kind of investment to a property (in order) to make it right," board member Richard J. Lewis said.

NiMo info session set for tonight

Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. representatives will hold a public information session tonight, Feb. 25, at the Bethlehem town board's regularly scheduled meeting.

The subject of the information session will be the proposed conversion of the Albany Steam Station, located on River Road in Glenmont, to the Bethlehem Energy Center. The proposed conversion is part of NiMo's divestiture of power plants in accordance with state deregulation rulings.

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