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CMI presents scaled-down proposal

By Peter Hanson

Representatives of CMI Senior Housing and Healthcare Inc., the Massachusetts-based developer seeking to build a senior care facility next to Bethlehem Public Library in Delmar, presented a scaled-down proposal to the planning board at its March 4 meeting.



Hasbrouck

CMI is seeking a use variance that will allow it to build in a residential district, and the planning board has refused to vote on the variance several times, choosing instead to ask for revisions to CMI's plans.

At the board's Jan. 20 meeting, Chairman Douglas Hasbrouck listed several environmental and design issues with which the board was concerned, and Daniel Odell requested CMI reduce the number of apartments in its facility by 20 percent.

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Chamber releases survey results

By Peter Hanson

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce recently announced the results of the most wide-ranging survey of town residents since the Land Use and Management Committee's (LUMAC) questionnaire in 1991. Most of the responses came from Delmar residents, and the survey focused on retail and consumer issues.

The main issue chamber officials wanted to explore is why Bethlehem residents are not more supportive of local businesses. The survey results indicate residents shop in Colonie, Guilderland and other towns because local stores have insufficient variety, high prices and inadequate parking.

Of the 1,800 people who responded to the survey, most (67 percent) were females, and only eight percent were under 34 years of age. A majority (63 percent) are Delmar residents.

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Chamber president Marty DeLaney and Chairman Frank Venezia sat down with *The Spotlight* last week to discuss the survey results and what conclusions may be drawn from them.

Not in my back yard

"The bottom line is we're a community that's at odds with itself," DeLaney said. "We want a lot of things, but when (new stores) have been available, we haven't

Chamber of commerce survey

Why residents don't patronize local businesses

Limited selection	75.5 %
Inconvenience	36 %
Prices too high	31.8 %

Where Bethlehem residents take their business

Colonie	74 %
Guilderland	67 %
Albany/other	20 %

These percentages exceed 100 percent because residents said they shop in many places.

What businesses are lacking in Bethlehem

Clothing stores	43.4 %
Variety/dep't store	31.7 %
Restaurants	27 %
Movie theaters	16.4 %

Other responses: Grocery stores, bakeries, upscale shopping center, home supply.

Residents' support for nonresidential development

Limited development	44 %
Small shopping center	27 %
Reuse existing facilities	16 %

Should Bethlehem continue reviewing business proposals the way it does, even if this discourages new businesses?

Yes	52.3 %
No	24.6 %
Not sure	23 %

BOU bears



Phyllis Hillinger, BOU president and Jane Lyman, BOU bucket auction chairwoman show off some of the items to be auctioned on Friday, March 20, at Bethlehem Central High School.

supported them. Attitudes have to change."

Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller agreed. "(Residents) want everything, but 'not in my back yard,'" she said.

The attitude DeLaney and Fuller mentioned has been a recurring theme in re-

cent weeks.

In February, the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency, of which Venezia is also a member, met to discuss ways to lure industrial tenants to the town. The main obstacle is the town's reputation as being

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Middle school honor roll may not meet the grade

By Lisa K. Kelly

Bethlehem Central Middle School's honor roll is a subject of considerable debate within the community. That debate stems in part from the fact that more than 80 percent of the middle school students are on the honor roll.

"What is this — Lake Wobegon?" said PTA and middle school improvement team member Anne Carelli, referring to Garrison Keillor's fictional town "where all the children are above average."

Peter Shawhan of Parents for Excellence, said the numbers illustrate the problem of the existing honor roll system.

He thinks that the current honor roll is too inclusive. "It encompasses students

who aren't working at a level of high academic achievement."

There are 1,156 students in the middle school and 966, or 83.5 percent, made the first quarter honor roll this year.

Of the 351 students in sixth-grade, 87.5 percent were on the honor roll, 81.9 percent of the 419 students in seventh-grade made the honor roll and 81.9 percent of the 386 eighth-grade students

made it.

PTA and school improvement team member Jackie Brilling said parents see the honor roll as a way to help students adjust to the learning environment and feel confident.

Brilling said children entering middle

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What is this — Lake Wobegon?

Anne Carelli

Picotte spending \$1M to renovate Blue Cross building

By Peter Hanson

The former Blue Cross/Blue Shield building in Slingerlands is about to get a new tenant.

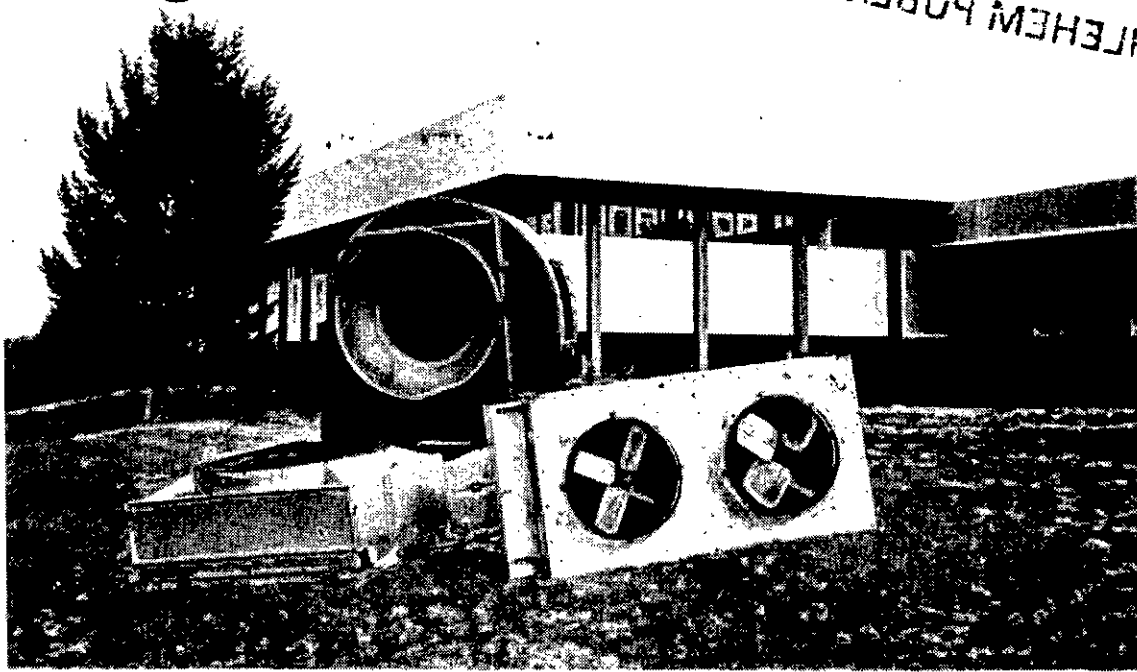
The Picotte Companies, an Albany-based real estate developer, is currently negotiating with several companies interested in the 78,000 square foot office building.

Located at the intersection of New Scotland Avenue and Route 85, the Blue Cross building has been vacant since the insurance company pulled out part-time computer operations about three years ago.

The building has not been fully occupied since 1989, Bethlehem Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller said.

Picotte partner Nancy Carey said the building has attracted interest as a medical facility or an office complex. Carey confirmed that both St. Peter's Hospital in Albany and Albany Medical Center are looking at the location as a possible branch hospital, but Carey stressed those are not the only companies involved in negotiations.

Picotte is currently renovating the site for whatever use a tenant needs. The developer is spending about \$75,000 to remove asbestos from the building, and its investment will easily exceed \$1 million on top of the original purchase price, Carey said.



The former Blue Cross building is getting spruced up before it is rented out to a new tenant.

Peter Hanson

Carey said the renovations are currently in the demolition phase. "Right now it's gutted," Carey said. "It's one big open floor plan."

Carey said her company doesn't shy away from expensive projects like this one because "We develop buildings for the long term." Carey said Picotte was formed 35 years ago and still owns many of the buildings it developed in the '60s.

Until a tenant is named, the next step for Picotte comes March

17, when the Bethlehem planning board hears Picotte's plan to install 100 parking spaces in front of the building. Currently, the area features landscaping and a wide, circular driveway.

Carey said Picotte wants to improve visitor parking in front of the building so the existing lot can become an employee parking lot.

Last week, planning board chairman Douglas Hasbrouck said

he will ask Picotte's representatives why they want 100 additional parking spaces when the building already has about 250 spaces.

Also, Hasbrouck said he wants to know what will happen with the Capital District Transportation Authority (CDTA) space on the Blue Cross parcel.

Carey said an upcoming meeting between Picotte and CDTA representatives will clarify the

bus company's plans for its space on the Blue Cross lot. "Right now, it's just a staging area for buses between routes," Carey said.

Although the space used to be a park-and-ride lot, CDTA has only been using the space for bus parking lately.

Carey said Picotte bought the building in September, so she's not surprised a tenant hasn't signed a lease yet. "It hasn't been on the market very long," she said.

Carey added that it's too early to plan for whatever business may occupy the Blue Cross building in coming months. Although at least two hospital organizations are in serious negotiations with Picotte, office use remains a possibility.

"The use of the building can go either way," Carey said.

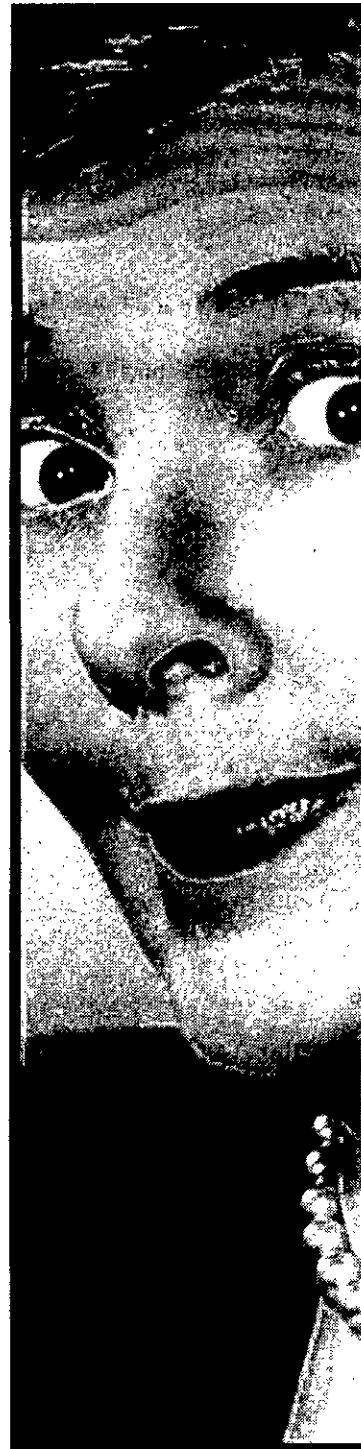
BC Lab School plans dinner and auction

Bethlehem Central Lab School will hold its annual pasta dinner and service auction on Saturday, March 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets are being sold in advance by lab school students. They will also be available at the door.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children.

Takeouts are also available.



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Glenmont site selected for chip-fab initiative

Thirteen prospective factory sites chosen

By Peter Hanson

A 395-acre parcel on Wemple Road in Glenmont was one of 13 sites selected for the Empire State Development Corp.'s "Chip Fab '98" program. The program's intent is to groom sites and then market them for possible computer-chip fabrication plants.

A chip-fab plant could become one of the town's largest employers and one of the biggest contributors to the tax base. It costs about \$1 billion to develop and start operations at a new chip-fab plant; employment at each plant is in the hundreds of jobs.

Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller said she's pleased a site in Bethlehem was selected, but cautioned against early enthusiasm. "This is just the beginning of a long process," she said. "There's no guarantee a plant will move in here."

Fuller said the idea behind the incentive is to get sites large enough to host chip-fab plants ready before presenting them to prospective tenants.

"When they're ready to move in, they have to be able to put the shovel in the ground," Fuller said. "There's no time to be fooling around. We'll be working with the state of New York to have the site ready."

Although some relevant numbers are available — such as the size of the parcel and the amount of state aid Bethlehem will receive to develop it — Fuller said she can't answer the burning question about a possible chip-fab plant.

"There isn't an answer to the 'when' question," she said. "This may never happen."

Because the possibility of luring a tenant willing to invest \$1 billion in Bethlehem is so tenuous,

Fuller said she and other town officials have developed a backup plan for the site, provided obstacles to development can be surmounted.

If a chip-fab tenant can't be drawn to the site, she said, the town will then develop it as an industrial park.

The next step in the process is a two-day workshop the Empire

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Sheila Fuller

State Development Corp. is presenting in March for officials of towns with selected sites. Officials will learn what towns are expected to do to prepare sites and how their state aid can be spent.

Each town will receive \$50,000 from the state to prepare its site, but Fuller said expenses will substantially exceed that amount because each site needs roadways, sewer systems and water access.

Another complication is Bethlehem doesn't own the Wemple Road site — the 395-acre parcel is comprised of three privately-owned lots.

"We can't lose sight of the fact that there are individual property owners involved," Fuller said.

Fuller explained that it's too early to say how the Wemple Road site might be obtained for development, but said she doesn't think the town will be involved. Instead, the Albany County Partnership may lease the land with an option to buy.

In that instance, the town's Industrial Development Agency (IDA) might consider becoming a financial partner in the leasing arrangement, Fuller said.

BC students to learn about respect

By Lisa K. Kelly

Sixth-graders at Bethlehem Central Middle School will have a day with no classes Friday, March 13, to participate in Respect Day.

Coordinator of Bethlehem Networks Project Mona Prenoveau said she thinks the kids will realize how important the program is because the school gave them a day

without classes.

Throughout the day, students will attend different workshops which will focus on a variety of communication skills.

The students got to choose from the following workshops: What does it mean to be a bystander; Help my family drives me crazy; How to make new friends without hurting old ones; Popularity; Understanding disabilities; How to say what you mean in a nice way; Controlling my temper; Assertiveness: Speaking up for yourself in a respectful way; It's OK not to be perfect; and Sportsmanship.

Prenoveau said this program is the result of a "combination of a lot of things in the community. Mostly because the kids were being rude." He also said the program is designed to give sixth-graders the skills to cope with changes they'll soon face.

Community facilitator Jackie Brilling will facilitate the "how to say what you want in a nice way" workshop.

Let the music play



Composer Peter Blair conducts Bethlehem Central students in an All-Band Festival performance March 4. For more on Blair and the festival, see story on page 5.

Doug Persons

School report card assesses quality of V'ville education

By Katherine McCarthy

Voorheesville school superintendent Alan McCartney presented the state school report card at the March 9 board of education meeting. McCartney said numbers often don't tell the whole truth.

When reporting on Regents test results, the state uses an "average grade enrollment" of 100 to present a school's scores. In a small district like Voorheesville, McCartney explained, actual class

enrollment can be much lower than 100, which throws the state's numbers off.

For example, last year's 11th-grade class had an actual enrollment of 84 students, but the AGE was 100. If every student in grade 11 took and passed an exam, McCartney explained, Voorheesville's reported passing rate would be 84 percent, instead of the proper 100.

To clarify the school's results on the Regents Comprehensive Exams, the administration presented passing and mastery rates (which is usually a score of 85 or above) based upon actual grade enrollment. Those rates were:

- English: 92.9 percent passed; 59.5 per cent demonstrated mastery. Other languages: 70.2 percent passed; 51.2 percent showed mastery.

- Math (Course I): 88.6 per cent passed; 76.2 per cent showed mastery. (Course III): 85.7 percent passed; 58.3 per cent showed mastery.

- Biology: 81.1 percent passed; 40.6 percent showed mastery. Chemistry: 63.1 percent passed; 17.9 percent showed mastery.

- Global Studies: 77 percent passed; 18 percent showed mastery. U.S. history and government: 74.7 percent passed; 19.5 percent showed mastery.

"We use the report cards to improve instruction," McCartney said. "We do continuous item analyses to see where we need to improve."

McCartney pointed out that the district is above average in a number of areas, among them the number of students taking Regents

classes and going on to four-year colleges.

At the elementary level, he pointed out, Voorheesville is trying to get more students to pass the tests with distinction. This year, 61.4 percent of third-graders performed with distinction on the reading exams, meaning they could read advanced fiction, like *Black Beauty*.

At the sixth-grade reading level, 84.8 percent performed with distinction, meaning they could read the front page of the *New York Times*.

Board member Erica Sufrin expressed her dissatisfaction with the discrepancies in the reporting system, which McCartney described as "a work in progress."

"This is big concern," Sufrin said. "This report is supposed to give citizens — and school boards — a picture of the district."

Board member Nicholas Faraone said the results indicated to him that "some departments are performing very well, and some are not. That's clear even when looking at unclear numbers. This district should have all departments excel."

Specifically, Faraone referred to last year's parent discussions about global studies and ongoing concerns about chemistry. Faraone said both personnel and program play a role in making these changes, which can happen in a frustratingly slow manner.

"Sometimes it's a matter of waiting until there are opportunities to make these changes," he said, "but often it's too late for the kids who've already gone through that course."

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Sub shop owner takes price dive for kids

By Lisa K. Kelly

The Bethlehem Central junior class prom will be more affordable thanks to the generosity of the owner and operator of The Subway Shop in Delaware Plaza.

"I wanted to do something for the kids," said Haim Ben-Eliezer, owner of Subway. "I want them to have enough money for the prom."

"Kids are coming up to buy cards and they would open their wallets and their credit card holder would be full of them," said Cullen Blake, junior class president.

Ben-Eliezer designed and printed 500 fund-raising tickets to be sold for \$2 each.

Blake said the junior class keeps the proceeds from ticket sales, but they have to pay for the \$100 printing costs.

The card offers eight specials. Students can use one per visit.

Ben-Eliezer said he realizes kids don't have a lot of money to spend and this helps them out.

Blake and Ben-Eliezer got together after Ben-Eliezer expressed interest in helping the junior class



Haim Ben-Eliezer

through a letter.

"I offered a better fund-raising idea to kids," Ben-Eliezer said. "They've made a lot more money from this than selling baked goods."

"It was a really great way for both organizations to come out on top," said Kathleen Cunningham, junior class president.

"As far as I can remember," Blake said, "there is no other business in the area who helps so much without being asked."

Cunningham said the money raised will assist the kids with prom expenses and other activities.

Ben-Eliezer said he also offers a Bethlehem Central Student discount student card. The card entitles students to discounts on value meals, soft drinks and sandwiches.

He said he enjoys seeing the comradery of the kids when they come into the shop. "They come here in large groups, and they seem to take care of each other."

"I'm trying very hard to make it feel like home for the kids," he added. "I feel like their big brother."

"He seems into supporting high school kids," Blake said. "It's just all about helping us out."

Delmar library plans senior legal seminar

Elder law attorney Frederick Fowler will conduct a legal checkup seminar for senior citizens on Friday, March 13, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Individuals age 50 and over can put their legal affairs in order by learning how to organize personal papers and execute important documents.

Participants are required to complete a legal checkup workbook before attending the program. The workbook is available for free at the reference desk.

The program is sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons Legal Services Network and is part of the library's "FYI Fridays" series for senior citizens.

Coffee and tea will be served. Registration is limited. For information, call 439-9314.

Delmar library plans St. Pat's Day program

Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar will host a St. Patrick's Day celebration entitled Shamrock Shenanigans for children and their families on Sunday, March 15, at 2 p.m.

To register, call 439-9314.

Red Cross offers first aid class

American Red Cross of Northeastern New York will offer a free basic first aid course on Wednesday, March 18, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Clayton Bouton Junior/Senior High School on Route 85A in Voorheesville.

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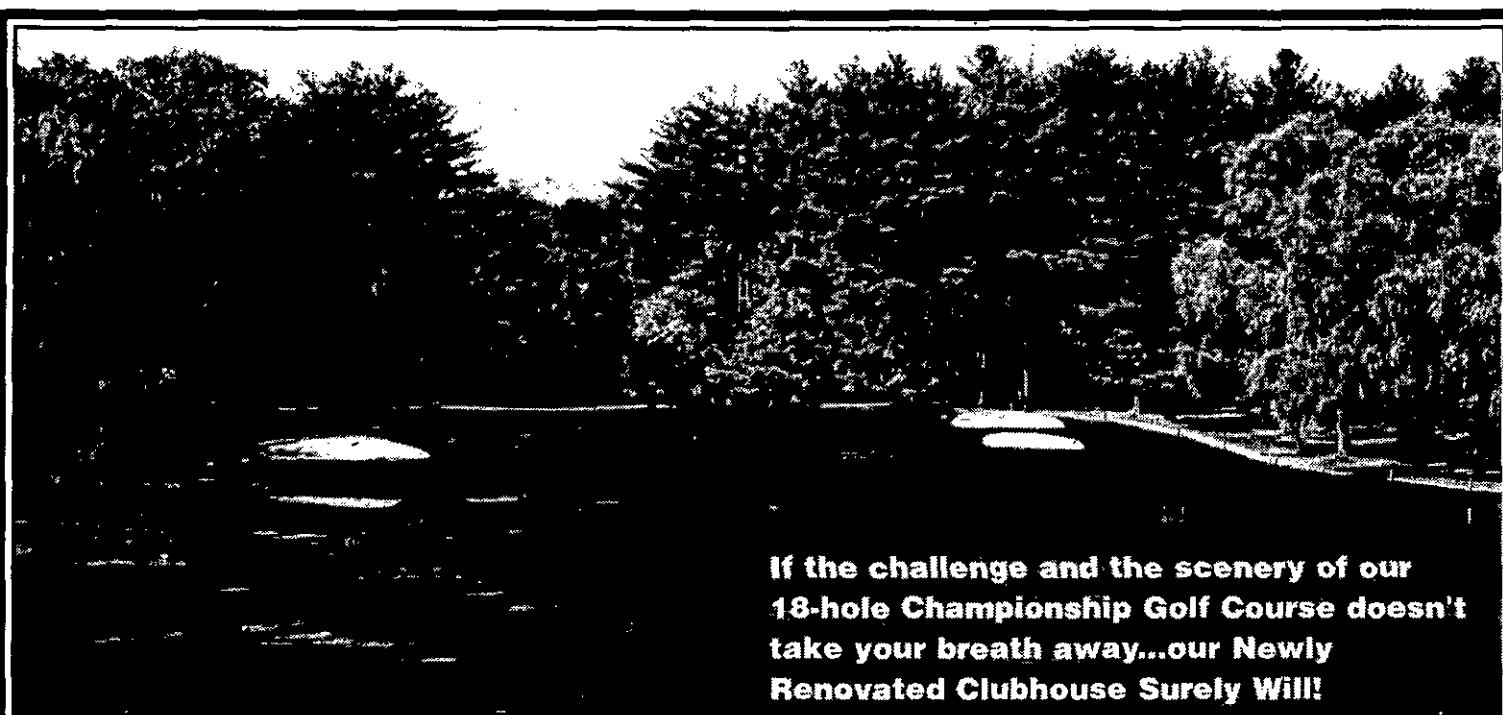
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Norma Weiner needles officials in high places

By Katherine McCarthy

A little bit of Delmar went to the White House recently, when Norma Weiner sent a trapunto pillow she had made of the first dog, Buddy, to President William Jefferson Clinton.

"I told him to not let Buddy sit on my pillow," Weiner, 70, said with a smile. "It's a little joke."

Clinton must have liked the joke; within three weeks, Weiner had a note of thanks on White House stationery. This note is only the most recent in her collection.

During the Gulf War, Weiner sent a trapunto pillow she had made with an Operation Desert Storm motif to President George Bush and received a note of thanks from him.

She also has a letter from General Colin Powell, who received an Operation Desert Storm pillow. "He even mentions his wife by name," Weiner said, proudly showing off the letter from the then-chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

It's appropriate that Weiner's pillows travel long distances because trapunto is an art form she first discovered while traveling in Venice, Italy, 28 years ago.

Trapunto is a hand-sewn, raised quilting technique that gives a three-dimensional effect. On any given pattern, Weiner chooses the part that she would like raised, then stuffs and stitches it to create the desired effect.

"I passed a gift shop and I was attracted to the trapunto pillows," Weiner said. "I asked them if they would teach me how to do it if I purchased some merchandise. I came home and practiced for 15 years, and gave most of them as gifts. I didn't take it seriously until people brought to my attention how unique it was."

Earth Cycles debuts at All Band Festival

Composer Peter Blair led 691 Bethlehem Central students in the premiere performance of his composition, *Earth Cycles*, at the All District Band Festival on March 4.

Earth Cycles, which was written for Bethlehem Central schools, was commissioned last fall with the support of the Bethlehem Music Association (BMA).

BMA is a booster club comprised of teachers, students and other community members.

Funding came from the school and private donations.

Blair has written and/or arranged music for Tony Bennett, Natalie Cole and Aretha Franklin.

The Bethlehem commission and performance will be noted in the sheet music of *Earth Cycles* when it is published.

Students in Bethlehem Central School District's elementary school bands, four middle school bands, high school symphonic band and wind ensemble performed.

The festival is part of a three-year cycle alternating with vocal and string orchestral programs.

It is the result of a collaboration between the Bethlehem Central School District and the BMA.



Morris (left) and Norma Weiner show off some of the trapunto wall hangings and pillows that decorate their living room. The Weiners make and sell the decorative craft items.

Katherine McCarthy

Now, Weiner displays and sells her trapunto pillows at craft fairs, Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady and The Paper Mill in Delaware Plaza. This summer, she sold some at Washington Park Lake House in Albany.

Weiner doesn't attend craft fairs alone, though. Her husband Morris, 81, a retired architect, also makes and sells craft items. His specialty is wall hangings, which he makes with a technique called trapunto framing.

"Kids love these," he said, showing how he makes a frame and

stretches fabric over it. "They'll come up to me at a craft fair with a dollar or two and ask if that's enough. Sometimes I say yes, and sometimes I just give it to them." In addition to trapunto framing, Morris also paints and does other artwork.

With their children grown and gone, the Weiners' family room has become "the pillow room." Both couches — as well as the walls and tables — are filled with their handiwork. The pillows and wall hangings feature teddy bears, patriotic themes, architectural vis-

tas and even holy pictures.

"I used to do this in the evening, while I watched TV," Norma said of the days when she was raising four children and working as a medical transcriptionist. "Now I spend about four hours a day doing it. I find it very relaxing. I can't wait until I finish sewing and stuffing. I really look forward to seeing the finished product."

Weiner insists on doing her

work by hand, although she recently met a crafter who uses a sewing machine to do her trapunto work. "I can't go for that," Weiner said.

The Weiners also collect fabrics and patterns while travelling. They check out fabric stores and craft shops when visiting their son in California and daughter in Westchester County.

The Weiners' trapunto work sometimes takes on an international flair when they incorporate an African theme or use special fabrics from Israel.

"I met an art teacher in Netania, Israel," Norma Weiner said. "She had a gift shop in the King Solomon Hotel and I showed her one of my pillows. She does silk screening by hand (and) sometimes she sends me something, and I trapunto it."

One of those pillows, which features a scene of Netania, remains a reminder of that trip.

The Weiners have lived in Delmar for 27 years and raised their children here. Morris was born in Albany, and recalls picking coal on the street and selling it to help support his family.

Although Norma hasn't been retired for as long as Morris, she is already thinking about returning to work one day a week. But for now, art — especially trapunto — keeps both Weiners busy.

"Sometimes I get up at 2 a.m. and work on a wall hanging," Morris said.

Norma said trapunto can be a great peacekeeper too. "If you're busy, you keep out of trouble,"

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Matters of Opinion

No green derbies

Too often, St. Patrick's Day conjures up images of people in green plastic derbies sloshing plastic cups full of beer while swaying and slurring the words to "Danny Boy."

With Ireland undergoing an unparalleled renaissance, March 17 is a good time to reflect on all that this one small island has given the world, and America in particular.

A survey course of great literature always puts James Joyce and William Butler Yeats in the forefront. Who today has not read and wept over *Angela's Ashes*, Frank McCourt's heart-breaking and heartwarming account of growing up in 1950s Limerick?

Irish music has evolved from songs of English oppression, rebellion and immigrant longing. The Saw Doctors' "Red Cortina" captures perfectly the feeling of first love, Christy Moore's rollicking "Lisdoonvarna" immortalizes summer matchmaking in a small County Clare town and Mary Black's rendition of "A Song for Ireland" describes the country's beauty so vividly you'll be phoning Aer Lingus before it's over.

The Irish in America have come a long way from the railroad builders, gardeners, cooks and maids who made their way in this country in spite of the dreaded NINA (no Irish need apply) signs that first greeted them.

Like many immigrant groups, the Irish worked hard and, using the threads of history, music and literature, added their special material to the fabric of this country.

With special thanks, we wish all our Irish friends a happy St. Patrick's Day.

Town wake up call

Though not really surprising, the results of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce business survey could be a wake up call for community residents — especially those who take their business elsewhere.

There are many local establishments that make up in service for what they may lack in size. Two Delmar bookstores I Love Books and the Bookworm come to mind. Both stores have things you might not even find at the mega stores on Wolf Road in Colonie. Both also have an ambiance, where it's fun to browse as long as you like. But when you need help, it's there — up close and personal.

At the same time, business people here should look at what works to keep people coming back time after time. The key word is service, which means going out of one's way to help patrons.

We all appreciate good service and like to feel good after a shopping trip. Who needs the aggravation that often results after a disappointing outing? The big box stores may have everything under the sun, but what good is that if you can't find it, or get someone to help you find it.

BC band wows 'em

More often than not, we at *The Spotlight* are taken to task when we fail to publicize upcoming events. Last week, however, we were asked by the Bethlehem Music Association to hold a report on the BC Band Festival because organizers feared too many people would show up!

We agreed to do this out of deference to parents and grandparents who deserved a seat at the festival where more than 650 students displayed their considerable musical talents. It's just too bad that more community members weren't able to attend. (Now there's a reason for a community center).

The festival is truly an example of tax dollars well spent. It is a tribute to excellent teaching, a supportive Music Association and the students. The district should take a big bow for its support of this wonderful event.

Perhaps in the future, the district could look into procuring a larger venue to showcase its finest.

Editorials

BCMS aims to teach lofty lesson

By Andrew Baker

The writer is a sixth-grade English and social studies teacher at Bethlehem Central Middle School.

It is shortly after dismissal at Bethlehem Central Middle School. Students weave their way through the halls in a sea of scurrying bodies, amid the din of slamming lockers and excited voices. One student quietly teases another while others look on.

In this situation, and others like it, adolescents are faced with difficult choices. What to do if a friend is being teased, or someone puts someone down, or perhaps you are the one being put down.

As adults, we take these things for granted. For children, it may be earth shattering, even if just for a moment. As educators, one of our main roles is to teach children to make positive choices in their interactions with others.

In order to address disrespectful behavior and foster positive interactions among students, BCMS sixth-graders will take part in an all-day program entitled Respect Day on Friday, March 13. What has carefully been planned as a single day in the lives of more than 300 sixth-graders is expected to have far-reaching effects.

The immediate goal is that students will be stimulated by the experience and talk about it with family, friends and teachers. The long term goal is that students will make better choices when difficult situations arise.

The types of behavior Respect Day will address, and which the Middle School hopes to eliminate, include some of the following: rudeness toward members of the school staff; inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behavior while participating in an athletic event; hurting a friend's feelings, perhaps without meaning to; making judgments

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about others based on the clothes they wear or the friends they have; ignoring a situation where someone is being teased when the best choice, although sometimes not the easiest, is to get involved or seek assistance; and calling someone names or putting someone down because of their differences.

The goal of Respect Day is to offer students a profoundly positive experience in which they can learn about respect, diversity, empathy, friendship, sportsmanship and consideration. We are hoping students will develop a greater sense of the need to respect themselves and one another.

And we hope to give them the necessary tools to accomplish that goal. We expect that students will, in turn, make better decisions, respect others for their differences, be able to speak up for themselves and others in a respectful and mature manner and resolve conflicts in a positive, peaceful way. The best result possible is that more students behave in a way that contributes to the positive climate of our school, and of which they can be proud.

What exactly will the students do on Respect Day? Students will spend the day engaged in three unique experiences. The first part of the day will consist of workshops on a range of topics such as friendship, family relationships, sportsmanship, popularity, assertiveness, disabilities awareness, communication, controlling one's temper and self-esteem.

In the second part of the day, students will participate in a portion of *A World of Difference* program, conducted by formally trained Bethlehem Central High School students and adult advisers. The final portion is a series of presentations by Hoosick Valley High School students on overcoming challenges in their own lives.

Each part of the day will involve students in interactive and meaningful activities to heighten their

awareness of the need for respect, tolerance and consideration of others in their daily lives.

Who is involved? The day is unique because it brings together educators, guidance staff, community volunteers, and students all working toward a common goal. Workshops will be presented by experienced members of the middle school staff as well as professionals in the community. Bethlehem Police DARE officers will conduct a workshop addressing the role of bystanders. High school students from both Bethlehem and Hoosick Valley will share their experiences and expertise. The diversity of those professionals and young adults involved not only represents the differences among us, but demonstrates to our students the importance of people of all kinds working together to achieve something meaningful.

A World of Difference will be conducted by student trainers from the high school along with adult advisers. In this program, sixth-graders will participate in exercises designed to examine their own attitudes about diversity, and explore issues of stereotype, prejudice and tolerance.

Why have a Respect Day? This day is important not only for adolescents' social lives, but their educational lives as well. When young people are exposed to positive life experiences, such as a Respect Day, it enhances their ability to see many sides of an issue, think critically about the differences of cultures in the society and world in which they live, and appreciate the diversity of people in civilization's past, present and future.

When young people are given the tools to treat one another with respect, they can only become better students, family members and people in general. This certainly has the potential to have an enormous effect in the classroom as well as the living room.

Respect Day is critical if we expect to make a positive contribution to the overall climate of our school and our community.

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Your Opinion Matters

Library neighbor puts parking plan under scrutiny

Editor, The Spotlight:

After attending the Feb. 5 meeting of the Bethlehem Public Library board and neighbors regarding the proposed parking lot expansion, and studying documents the library kindly furnished, I have even more questions and reservations.

The library board has cited three sources justifying additional parking: A traffic study, a consultant's report and a user survey. But none ask the most important question: How many times does the parking lot reach capacity?

I have conducted my own traffic count since Feb. 10, taking counts at various hours during the week. For nearly a month now, the lot has never been full. Once, there were only six empty parking spaces, but nearly all my counts indicate at least 20 empty spaces during peak times and more than 40 most of the time.

The library traffic study counted the vehicles that went in and out. Granted, the study was done at a time when there are probably more patrons than during my count. I am sure this was no accident. The library study was in the summer, after school was out and when the library was closed on Sundays. I looked at the busiest day July 6, which followed two consecutive days of the library being closed for July 4. The net number of "ins" never exceeded 80. It seems that during the busiest time of the year, the lot was never full.

Any regular user of the library knows that the lot can fill up. It reaches capacity almost every Wednesday there are summer concerts. The question is, should we pay for unneeded parking or for an insufficient increase for six or eight events a year?

The consultant's report includes three words about parking: "Parking is insufficient." There are no explanations or solutions in it. Most of the report addresses the library's real problems—overcrowding and noise.

The user survey does not contain a single question about overcrowding and noise. Of the 23,000 residents of Bethlehem that board president Susan Birkhead claims to serve, only 277 responded. In survey and marketing terms, this population sample is too small to be reliable. The survey did have one question about parking. Respondents were asked to check: "Good job" or "Could use some work." Forty-four percent, or 122 respondents checked "Good job." We weren't told how many respondents checked "Could use some work," but what does "Could use some work" mean?

The comments section sheds some light. Sixteen people complained about noise and overcrowding, and only 12 people specifically said more parking space was needed. One mentioned that parking was "problematic when running special programs." This same person proposed buying adjacent houses to expand the lot.

Other comments were two users who wondered why staff parking was the closest, three who complained about enforcement of handicapped parking, one who wanted short-term parking, and one who had problems exiting.

What the planning the board has done is even more troubling. The library got an appraisal of 45 Borthwick Ave. of \$125,000 to \$130,000. The board has already

negotiated the purchase of the property for \$150,000. When the board was asked why it is paying \$20,000 to \$25,000 more than the property's appraised value, no one could answer.

The library also obtained a two-sentence estimate from J. Kenneth Fraser Associates for the cost of demolishing the buildings, building the access road, "engineering, and contingency" for "approximately" \$78,000. This is from the same company the town hired to design the Hudson River water system, a project that came in \$4 million over budget. The town is now suing Fraser for negligence on that project. The library board also hired a landscape architect who brought a drawing to the meeting that lacked lighting, drainage details, the correct number of parking spaces or fencing.

Although \$78,000 is a lot of money, when one considers the expense of demolishing a house and garage, paying for the disposal of the debris, clearing trees, grading, paving, painting and lighting, this estimate is undoubtedly low. Where did the money come from to hire traffic and library consultants, real estate appraisers and lawyers, surveyors and landscape architects? Is this money also included in the estimate or has it already been spent? At the Feb. 10 board meeting, \$10,000 was shifted to an escrow account for the Borthwick property.

One solution is to simply ex-

pand parking by 10 or 12 spaces in the back of the Borthwick property and place the house on the market and sell it.

Finally, the timing is poor. Next door to the library is the proposed CMI senior assisted-living development. If the proposal does not go through, would the owner of the property (who has not been contacted about selling since 1989) be interested in selling a portion of it for less than \$150,000 per acre? If the proposal does go through, wouldn't there be more space available that the library might get access to for parking?

No matter how easy it is to park, the library will be still be noisy and crowded.

The board is making plans for expanding. They have interviewed three architects about it. The parking lot is only the beginning of an apparent multi-phase expansion. Why not present the entire package to voters? The reason is that the total package would scare many voters, so the decision has been made to feed it to us piecemeal, with low estimates. This is why I and others have called for the possibility of building a branch in another part of town.

This project has all the earmarks of another Bethlehem boondoggle. Please come to the March 17 meeting so that you can cast an intelligent vote in May.

David S. Moore
Delmar

Teens would pitch in to build center

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Editor, The Spotlight:

It has been brought to our attention that plans for a community center are being discussed. We also know that *The Spotlight* has received letters on how important this center is from an adult point of view.

The ninth-grade class council at Bethlehem Central High School thinks the teenage side should be heard. We feel that our community could benefit greatly from a community center.

We have all seen the success of the Pit at the middle school, but we high school students do not currently have an officially sponsored place for us to hang out.

We are confident that the citizens of Bethlehem would volunteer their time to maintain and run the center on a day-to-day basis. If the center were built by citizens on a volunteer basis, similar to the Kids Place at town park, we would gladly help out.

Suzanne Cardona
Ninth-grade class council
president

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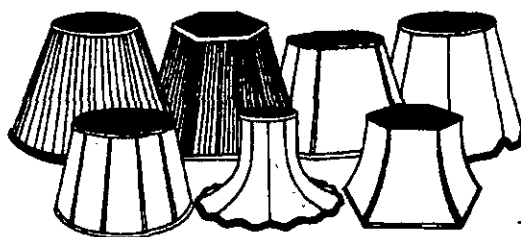
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Library director provides virtual high-tech tour of facility

Editor, The Spotlight:

I read with interest Dr. Oskar Harmon's letter in the Feb. 18 *Spotlight* regarding information technology at the library. I would like to take him on a "virtual tour" of our automated services.

In January, we flicked on the switch connecting us to a network of automated catalogs called UHLAN (Upper Hudson Library Access Network). This network connects our holdings to those of other libraries in the system. Eight

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libraries are currently online, and we hope that eventually all 29 public libraries in Albany and Rensselaer Counties will be linked.

UHLAN's capacity for online access will be tapped very soon. Three public Internet terminals will be available on the premises by early spring, and EBSCOhost, an

online full text periodical index, has just been added to our public access stations. Other CD-ROM indexes available to the public are business directories, national telephone directories, and the like.

The library's automated systems librarian has maintained a home page on the Internet since the spring of 1996. Anyone can visit it at <http://crisay.org/libraries/capreg/bethlehem>.

In the fall of 1996 the youth services department acquired CHILL OUT (Computers for Homework in Local Libraries), funded by a Title I grant administered by the Upper Hudson Library System. CHILL OUT is a multimedia workstation designed to aid students in kindergarten through grade-eight with their school assignments. Our Power Mac 6100 computer and software are compatible with that of local schools. Software is continually updated.

Under the able stewardship of our career resources librarian, patrons have access to the latest career resources on the Internet and CD-ROMs.

In the spring of 1997, the media department inaugurated its circulating CD-ROM collection, which has expanded to include materials for all age groups on a wide variety of subjects. A list of new titles is posted monthly.

Because this is a public library, not an academic one, we must be mindful that our patrons represent many age groups and levels of computer experience. Many are anxious about or resistant to computer technology, but the staff is committed to educating the public about these marvelous, labor-saving tools.

In addition to one-on-one instruction on demand, the library has sponsored the following programs in the last 12 months: "Internet Basics for Senior Citizens," "The Electronic Job Search," "Online Services and Resources for Investors," and "Go There First on the PC" (CD-ROM and Internet travel services).

Yes, the next century dictates that online personal access to libraries is a must. Indeed, UHLAN has that eventual capacity. We must balance budgetary and physical plant limitations with intelli-

gent evaluation of the plethora of electronic resources available, and community readiness to use them. We have made great strides in relatively few years. We will continue to increase our "bandwidth," at the same time making sure we have a transmitter good for the long term, and a standard of excellence equal to that of National Public Radio.

Nancy L. Pieri

Director

Local Toastmasters announce winners

Bethlehem Toastmasters recently announced the winners of its speech contest.

Steve Simmons of Coxsackie won the tall tales contest and Richard Zaranko of Delmar won the international contest.

Zaranko was also awarded the Toastmasters International CTM, Certified Toastmaster, for having completed 10 speeches which were evaluated by the club membership.

Bethlehem Toastmasters is open anyone who wants to improve their communications skills and help others do the same.

The club meets twice a month throughout the year.

Meetings are held at Adams Station off Elm Street in Delmar, at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month.

For information, contact Ray Bell at 439-0871.

Delmar student wins honor

Tara Eaton of Delmar was among 45 student leaders at St. Lawrence University in Canton, St. Lawrence County, to be named to the 1998 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Eaton is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.



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BOU president speaks of auction's 'priceless' items

Editor, The Spotlight:

There are some things that really don't have a price tag. We all know this — good health, a happy childhood, a sense of well being.

When you come to the BOU Auction you really are supporting these priceless aspects of life. And in turn, you might go home with some different experiences, something else that money can't buy.

BOU, Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, has been active in our town for 15 years, raising funds from the annual auction. These monies are then used to jump-start and support a wide variety of programs and projects that basically have one goal: to help encourage responsible decision-making for youth and adults in our community.

Since the March 1997 auction, BOU has given away more than \$17,000. In an average year, BOU has given grants amounting to \$12,000. And all this stays right here in Bethlehem.

BOU funded programs help provide alternative activities for kids so, hopefully, they will not get involved with drugs and alcohol.

Each year the activities change and increase. Examples this year include making it possible to start an art club at the middle school, a hiking club at the high school, and sponsor Show of Love performances at three elementary schools.

As a side benefit, many BOU supported endeavors boost kids' self esteem. Examples this year include funding the expansion of the tutorial program at the middle school called Strive for Success and underwriting peer helper training at the high school and middle school.

BOU educational pieces provide background, language and examples to help parents be better informed. Working closely with task forces of the Community Partnership, BOU helped create and pay for the high school parenting guide, written by experienced parents and loaded with insider information. "Don't you trust me?" was mailed to every student's family this year, and will go home to incoming students in the future.

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In many little ways, and some big ones, BOU has made your child's experience here a little bit healthier and happier.

Let me assure you, before this group of dedicated individuals started to raise awareness, there were many more unsupervised parties where alcohol was served to minors, much less focus on how to help kids transition to middle and high school, and many innovative projects that teachers had no way of starting due to lack of money.

When you attend the auction, you are contributing to lots more than money can buy. Just knowing that there is a funding source, out there, often spurs a teacher to develop a program that will benefit our kids. When the school budget is set, no one can decide mid-year to try a new approach. Where would the money come from? When the girls' softball fields were too wet for play last

spring, and no funds were available, BOU loaned the team the money to fix the problem, knowing the team would fund-raise once the games were in play.

Some of the auction items you bid on really are not available — they are things that money usually cannot buy. For instance, you cannot normally trade places for a day with the town supervisor, the superintendent of schools, or your principal.

Or how about a sail and lunch on a private boat on Lake George, a day of water sports and barbecue on Friends Lake, or a tour of the new Adirondack Railroad?

And of course, there are dinners, movie coupons, car washes and Beanie Babies. Many goods and services that we all use are available in one of three auctions at the high school cafeteria.

There is the "Bucket Auction" where you literally toss your numbered ticket in a bucket and hope that yours gets pulled out. For the silent auction you must add your name and bid to the written list and hope yours is the last and

highest bid before the time is called. The live auction with Dave Murphy and Joe Schaefer, popular comedians, aka principals, offers a wide assortment of fun items for the highest bid.

This is truly a community happening, a real good cause, and a great evening out. You can bring the kids, or leave them home. You can drink Java Jazz coffee, and taste a myriad of gourmet or plebeian desserts all lovingly made by BOU supporters, or you can sip

tea and save your calories for one of the donated dinners.

Just attend. The children of this town need your support. We will all benefit, and you will be helping — the programs, the sense we are all working on making this a better place to live and raise a family, and of course, you will have a great evening of fun and satisfaction — more than money can buy.

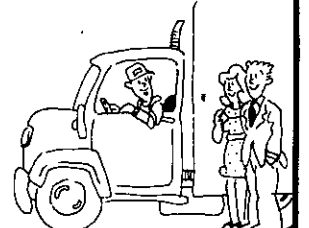
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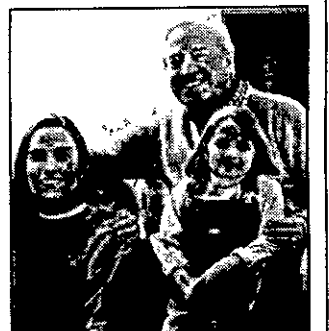
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Senior director makes clarifications *Give gifts that count*

Editor, the Spotlight:

Several statements in last week's article "Senior care facilities come in many varieties" need to be clarified.

Terms of care facilities were loosely based on excerpts from "A Directory for Consumers and Their Families," published by New York Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. To obtain the text, call 449-2707.

The following changes, additions or clarifications in the article

should be made.

- Adult Day Care may be appropriate for a person whose needs are ordinarily met by their own family members, especially when the family members work outside the home, but are generally at home in the evenings and on weekends. There are many adult day care and adult day health programs in the Capital District. For information on adult day care, call 1-800-721-9214.

- Senior Housing facilities consist of apartments for independent

living for the elderly. Senior housing may be subsidized, requiring that applicants meet certain income specifications in order to be considered for an apartment. Senior housing may also be "market rate" and is open to people whose incomes enable them to pay monthly rents.

- Assistive Living is a type of residential facility for independent seniors who may have multiple needs. Residents receive three meals a day, activities, security and usually transportation and housekeeping. Residents may also choose from a menu of other personal care services as needed, provided through a licensed home care agency. (The proposed CMI facility is an assistive living facility, not senior housing as stated in the article).

- The Assisted Living program in New York is a regulated program in the state, which requires licensing by the state Department of Health. Assisted living is administered through adult care facilities. A percentage of residents can be on SSI or Medicaid.

Karen Pellettier

Senior Services director

Editor, The Spotlight:

Well, people have been stopping me on the street and asking that I send something provocative to *The Spotlight* again. It's been a year since my unfortunate review of the state of retail business in town, and I am just now able to go out without a bodyguard.

There is something that occurs to me very often. With small children constantly asking for new toys, more activities and several thousand video tapes, I am faced with the "middle class dilemma." Do we provide the children with everything we can afford? Or do we withhold? Will they hate us? Will they thank us later?

The answer is really simple and very crucial. Giving children all of the material things that they ask for is a big mistake. There is a very large drug problem in this country among young people. It seems to me that the people most apt to want to "escape" from reality are the very poor and the very rich. The poor — because they are unable to surround themselves with all of the luxuries they want. The rich — because they have always had all of the luxuries and now what? Do we remember as children the one special gift that grandma brought? The one thing we dreamed about for months, maybe even years. When it arrived, we were so excited! It was something we obsessed about. We waited for it. We lusted after it. It was because we didn't get immediate gratification that it was so special. We took better care of it.

Parents seem to think that they are doing their kids a favor by

having ponies, clowns, circuses, mimes, fireworks, Billy Crystal and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir at their birthday parties. The problem is that when little Wayne is 5 and gets an actual gorilla to sing him "Happy Birthday" while Irish step dancing, what will he find exciting for his 12th birthday?

You have set yourself up for disappointing your kid, or for bankrupting yourself in order to amuse him and his 11 friends. You see, you can never go back to the simple things without disappointing. Kids are, after all, just kids.

Please don't beat me up because you think I'm rich. I'm not. Just comfortable. But as my children's friends have told me, I throw one heckuva party. I plan games that are fun and spotlight the birthday child. There is laughter and actual playing taking place. Not that I have anything against the cavernous, loud, expensive play places that cater to children's parties. Except they are fine for everything except a party!

This year, go to the library and actually plan a party. And when the holidays come, how about giving less obvious gifts to the kids? Like time together, or a special scrapbook made just for them? We are responsible for nurturing the next generation of adults so that they don't feel the need to get drunk, smoke funny cigarettes or snort unmentionable substances.

I hope I haven't offended anyone. I really do like the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

Helene Sovern

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Hoffman's makes driver nervous

Editor, The Spotlight:

Every time I pass the new Hoffman's Car Wash on Delaware Avenue, my reservations over this development continue to mount.

This is the very type of business which benefits from if not necessitates a center turning lane — the very turning lane recently planned for that section of Delaware Avenue but turned down mainly because it would not make for a picturesque roadway. Simply put, I do not want to soon see traffic being backed up in both directions to accommodate drivers turning left into or out of Hoffman's.

I can not think of another Hoffman's in the Capital District which has its ingress and egress so close to the main highway — I would be hard pressed to believe I could build my garage that close to a road.

At 55 mph, a speed not uncommon for drivers coming off the Normanskill Bridge, there is roughly four-tenths of a mile or 20 seconds to react to traffic entering or exiting Hoffman's.

As a matter of fact, since this building sits on top of a blind curve due to the significant upward slope of Delaware Avenue from the bridge, a driver doesn't clearly see the building until half the aforementioned distance or time has lapsed. There is no denying the proximity of this building prevents westbound drivers on Delaware Avenue from seeing how many vehicles are attempting to exit, other than the front two-thirds of the first one. And, what happens if the driver exiting right is further hidden by the one turning left?

I also find the decision to let Hoffman's overbuild on this spit of land ignores the ice cream stand across the street. Think of when you are most apt to go to a carwash

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and an ice cream stand — when it's hot. I am so sure these businesses attract the same type of fair-weather driver, that I am willing to bet anyone that some drivers will zoom across Delaware Avenue to kill two birds — if that's all, we're lucky — in one trip.

Having seen the flow of traffic turning in and out of the stand on a summer night, I can not see how it's going to mesh with Hoffman's, which profits from getting drivers off and back on the road as quickly as possible.

Based on the limitations caused by Delaware Avenue, and in the inherent flaws of design in

the Hoffman's building, I implore whomever has the authority to request that Hoffman's run its operation on a staggered basis — car wash first, then the car maintenance facility — to gradually familiarize drivers with increased traffic in the area.

I am certainly aware of the economics lost and inconvenience of this request, but everything I have seen to date indicates that someone's life is in jeopardy if the car wash and Jiffy Lube open as designed. Again, I recall the decision not to widen the road was to avoid our town looking like Clifton Park — little consolation for what is at risk.

Robert P. Troutman

Delmar

V'ville firemen install officers

Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department recently installed new fire service and civil officers for 1998 at a dinner at the Fuller Road Firehouse.

Fire service officers are: Bud Deschenes, chief; Michael Wiesmaier, first assistant chief; John Hensel, second assistant chief; Richard Blackman, captain; Raymond McDermott, captain;

William Stone, lieutenant; Michael Martin, lieutenant; John Scherer, captain of fire police; and Clark Thomas, quartermaster.

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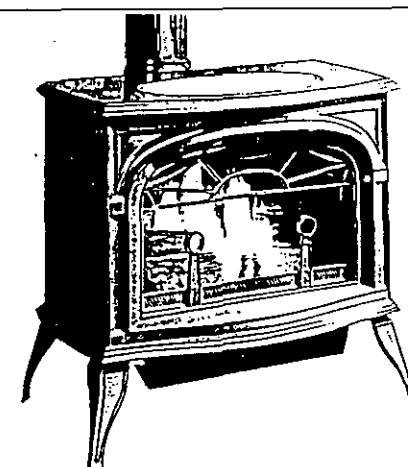
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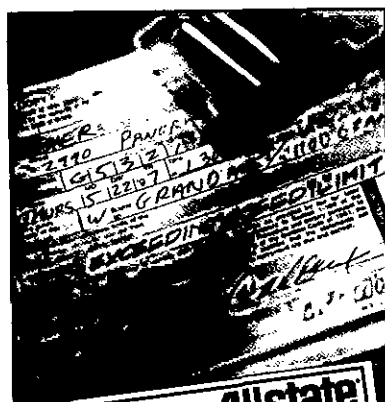
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Two openings on library board

There are two openings on the board of trustees of RCS Community Library for terms beginning July 1.

Candidates must be residents and registered voters of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District.

Nominating petitions, which require signatures of 40 school district residents, are available at the library on 15 Mountain Road.

Completed and notarized petitions must be returned to the library by Monday, March 30. Voting is on Tuesday, May 19.

The seven-member board de-

velops policy, oversees financial affairs and sets the course for library development.

Trustees are active on two or three working committees. For information, call Donna Crisafulli, board president, at 767-2405 or Judy Feltsen, library director, at 756-2053.

Bethlehem offers blood pressure clinic

Bethlehem will hold a blood pressure screening clinic on Tuesday, March 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Bethlehem town hall auditorium.

Bethlehem church offers coffee house

Bethlehem Community Church at 201 Elm Ave. in Delmar will sponsor a coffee house on Friday, March 13, at 7 p.m.

Kevin Doyle and Robin Lensch will perform.

Everyone is invited to share an evening of music, food and fun.

A \$3 donation is requested. For more information, call 439-3135.

DAR to meet at Delmar library

Tawasentha Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will hold a meeting on Wednesday, March 18, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Ann Van Dervort will present a program on dolls.

For information, call 439-1437.

Petitions available for trustee candidacy

Voters in Central School District 6 of the towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland who would like to serve on the library board of trustees may contact the library



director to obtain a petition form. For a candidate to be nominated, a petition must be signed by a minimum of 50 voters in the district.

Trustees Paula Read and Jordan Langner are running for five-year terms, and trustee John

Cody is running for a two-year term. Cody was appointed as interim trustee in December to fill the unexpired term of Roger Beck, who resigned last September. Cody is required to run for re-election.

Petitions must be filed with the district clerk at 90 Adams Place in Delmar by Friday, April 17 at 4:30 p.m. Elections are scheduled for May 17.

The book sale is back! It will be held during regular library hours on Saturday and Sunday, March 28 and 29. Tables will be set up in both public meeting rooms.

Books will be sorted according to type and genre. Pricewise, it's the best deal in town, with hard covers still selling for 50 cents and paperbacks for a quarter. Prices of media materials will vary, up to a dollar for videos. A lot of LPs will be available for sale this year.

To ease crowding, children's books will be displayed separately in the board room. Because this event is heavily attended, parents are urged not to bring very young children or children in strollers.

As in past years, a sealed bid auction for selected books and equipment is a feature of the sale.

Louise Grieco

Fire auxiliary to serve Friday fish fries

Selkirk Fire Company No. 1's auxiliary will serve Friday night fish fries on 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.

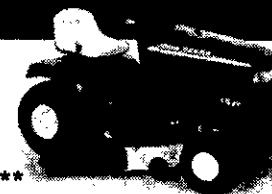
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Grange celebrates 124 years

Bethlehem Grange on Route 396 in Selkirk will host an open house/covered dish supper on Saturday, March 14, at 6 p.m.

Bethlehem town board member Doris Davis will be the guest speaker.

Saxophone Kaity Corbett and the Bethlehem Singers will perform a variety of sacred and secular musical numbers.

Everyone is invited to bring a dish to share and to join in an evening of great food, fun and fellowship.

For information, call Richard Thayer at 439-2057.

RCS Choral concert set

RCS Senior High School will present a concert of choral music on Thursday, March 12, at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to enjoy this celebration of Music In Our Schools month.

Adult courses offered

RCS Central School District's spring continuing education program has begun.

Courses include: Introduction to computers; financial strategies for successful retirement; basic dog obedience; line dancing; basketball; and many others.

For information, contact Marty Case at RCS middle school at 756-5200.

Girl Scout news

RCS Girl Scouts will be roller-

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skating at the Skate Factory in Ghent on Saturday, March 28, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Scouts can participate in a council patch program. Pat Hamilton is chairwoman of the event.

Democrats sponsor victory dance

The town of Coeymans' Democratic Committee is sponsoring a victory dance on Saturday, March 14, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Ravena.

A \$12 admission donation is requested. Music will be provided by Two-Step.

The event begins at 7 p.m. with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, followed by dancing from 8 to 11 p.m. For information, contact Bill Bailey at 756-2885.

Rescue squad presents first aid course

The Ravena Rescue Squad and the American Red Cross are sponsoring a basic first aid course on Saturday, March 14, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Ravena Rescue Squad building.

For information or to register, call 756-2096.

Youth services names chief

The town of Coeymans welcomes Marci Rabinowitz as its new youth services coordinator.

She plans to explore ways of linking new town youth programs with opportunities in the school district.

Honor society sets flower sale

RCS National Honor Society will hold a flower sale on Tuesday, March 17, at the high school. Proceeds benefit honor society programs.

Zoning board sets public hearing

Bethlehem's zoning board of appeals will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m. regarding the application of Robert and Viola Danza of Glenmont.

Bethlehem students score in Odyssey of Mind finals

Two teams of Bethlehem Central Middle School students recently took first place in their categories during the 1998 Odyssey of the Mind Capital District regional finals at RCS middle and high schools.

Paul Black was the coach of the team that took first place with its solution to the "Morph Magic" problem. The team's members are Emily Langner, Molly Jaffe, Virginia Fisher, Mark Black, Peter Privitera and Niek Velvis.

Robin Goldman and Stafford Davis coached the team that took first place with its solution to the "Marvelous Mentor" problem. The team's members are Ali Vail, Katie Himmelfarb, Betsy Hamm, Katherine Madden and Kaitlyn Peterson.

These teams will compete in the state finals on March 21.

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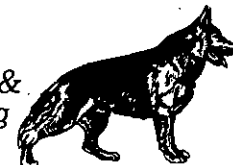
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V'ville general election set for St. Patrick's Day

Voorheesville will conduct a general election for village officials on Tuesday, March 17, from noon to 9 p.m. at the firehouse on Altamont Road.

Three incumbents and one newcomer are on the ballot.

The incumbents are mayor Edward Clark, village justice Kenneth Connolly and trustee Richard Berger.

Berger was appointed to the board of trustees last year to fill the seat vacated by Dan Reh.

Newcomer John Stevens Jr. is running for the trustee seat held by Susan Rockmore, who decided not to run for re-election.

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All candidates are unopposed. For information, call village clerk Lauren Hatch at 765-2692.

Jazz Ensemble to perform

The Humanities Committee and Voorheesville Friends of Music will sponsor a free concert by the Capital District Jazz Ensemble on Wednesday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school.

The 17 piece jazz band is conducted by Leo Russo.

The program is also sponsored by the Music Performance Trust Fund. Everyone in the community is invited to this festive evening of big band music.

Legion to serve breakfast and steak roast

American Legion Post 1493 will serve up a double header on Sunday, March 15, with breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon and a steak roast at 4 p.m. Breakfast includes all-you-can-eat helpings of eggs, home-made corned beef hash, french toast, home fries, toast and beverages.

The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children ages 5 to 12.

Reservations are required for the steak roast. Appetizers will be served from 2 to 4 p.m. with dinner at 4 p.m. A complete meal of steak, salad, corn, baked potato, rolls, dessert and coffee costs \$12 per person.

For information and reservations, call 765-4712.

Pupils tuning up for winter concert

A middle level winter concert of classical and popular music is set for tonight, March 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

The chorus and seventh and eighth-grade bands will perform.

Everyone in the community is invited to this free event.

St. Matthew's hosts program on listening skills

Rev. John Malecki will present a program on The Lost Art of Listening on Sunday, March 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Matthew's parish center on Mountainview Street.

Malecki, a staff psychologist at the Consultation Center in Albany, will talk about the four obstacles to listening and the three ingredients needed to be a full, active, healing listener.

To ensure seating for this free program, register in advance by calling, 765-2373 ext. 9.

Thacher Park slates program on Indians

John Boyd Thacher State Park will host an Iroquois program on Saturday, March 14, at 1 p.m.

Iroquois Museum educator and Mohawk descendant Mike Tarbell will show participants how American Indians from our area spent the cold winter months.

Meet at the Paint Mine area for this free program. For information, call 872-1237.

Social worker to speak at PTA Forum

The high school PTA Forum will sponsor a talk by social worker Betsy Osborn entitled Raising Today's Teen: Who's in Charge on Thursday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the large group instruction room at the high school.

Parents are encouraged to attend.

Fifth and sixth-grade activity night March 13

A fifth and sixth-grade activity night is scheduled for Friday, March 13, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the elementary school.

In addition to activities such as billiards, air hockey and ping pong, there will be music, prizes and snacks.

Tickets will be sold in advance at school. For information, call 765-2382.

Fire auxiliary serving fish fry dinners

Fish fry dinners will be served by New Salem Fire Department auxiliary on Fridays, March 13, 20, 27 and April 3, from 4:30 to 7 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 age 12 and under.

Clam chowder and desserts are available for an additional fee.

For information, call 765-2231.

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 Street. Talks run from 7 to 9 p.m.

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The series is sponsored by the Heldequad cluster of Roman Catholic churches. Rev. Mark Allman, Patricia Baugh and Nancy Paino will lead the programs.

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

St. Matthew's men plan St. Patrick's Day dance

St. Matthew's will host a St. Patrick's Day dance on Saturday, March 14, from 8 p.m. until midnight in the parish center on Mountainview Street.

Tickets are \$10 per person. For information, call 765-2805.

Cub Scouts plan mother/son event

Cub Scout Pack 73 will hold its second annual mother/son dinner dance on Friday, March 27, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere.

A hot and cold buffet will be served and disc jockey Chris Dutkiewicz will provide entertain-

ment.

Reservations are required by Friday, March 13.

For information, call Millie Selby at 439-6216 or Roz Robinson at 765-4470.

Town board to meet tonight

New Scotland's town board meets tonight, March 11, at 7 p.m. at town hall on Route 85.

Dick Berger named firefighter of the year

Congratulations to Dick Berger who was recently named firefighter of the year by the Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department.

A 29-year member of the department, he has served as chief and is currently president.

Berger is also a member of the Voorheesville board of trustees and president of the Albany County Rural Fire Chiefs Association.

Navy commander leaves Arabian Gulf

Navy Cmdr. Dennis Fitzpatrick, son of Eugene and Frances Fitzpatrick of Delmar, recently departed the Arabian Gulf with Strike Fighter Squadron 147 aboard the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz.

Fitzpatrick is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Cornell University.

Mendelssohn club to perform in vocal concert March 18

On Wednesday, March 18, 50 men of the Albany Mendelssohn Club will be featured in a concert of vocal light music to benefit Delmar First United Methodist Church's organ restoration fund.

The program will include folk music, spirituals, contemporary gospel, show tunes and a salute to St. Patrick's Day with several Irish ballads.

Bethlehem Central High School "Sound System" singers and the Bass-on-up Young Men's Chorus will also perform. Both groups are directed by Joseph Farrell.

The Mendelssohnians have been performing in the Capital District since 1909 and are the oldest continuously performing musical organization in the Albany area.

They are currently under the direction of Jeffrey Vredenburg, who is the supervisor of choral music for the Saratoga Springs city school district.

The concert will take place at 8 p.m. in the chancel of the Methodist Church, located at 428 Ken-

wood Ave., one block west of Delmar's Four Corners.

Advance sale tickets - which guarantee seating - may be obtained at the church office and the senior services office in Bethlehem town hall.

A limited number of tickets will be available at the door the night of the concert.

A suggested donation to the Organ Fund is \$8 for adults and \$4 for students and children. Checks should be made out to the Delmar UNC Organ Fund.

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.

The next session is on Saturday, 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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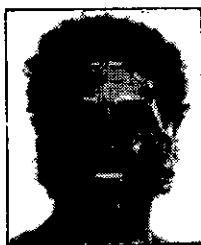
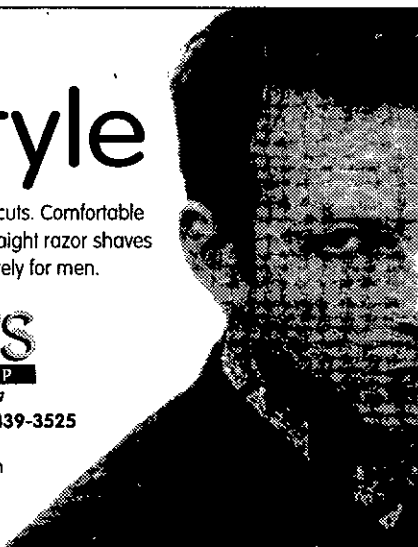
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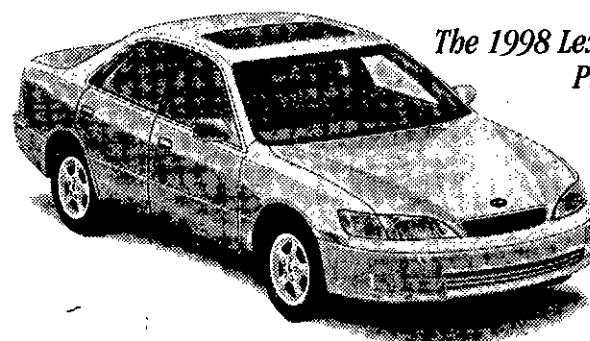
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Clarification

In last week's story about the town of Bethlehem's suit against engineer J. Kenneth Fraser, it was stated that Supervisor Sheila Fuller and other officials "said the water system is worthwhile even if it only pumps two million gallons daily."

After reading the story, Fuller explained the water plant is working, but the system is not receiving enough water from the Hudson River. That shortage is the reason for the suit. "What you have heard us refer to is (the fact that) two million gallons of water daily is fine now, in the winter," Fuller said.

"In the peak time of year, that would not be enough to meet the needs of the community. The town paid for six million gallons per day, and we won't settle for anything else."

Five Rivers slates maple sugaring

Learn how to make maple sugar on Saturdays and Sundays, March 14, 15, 21 and 22, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

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The maple sugaring open house is free of charge.

Scout and youth groups are welcome. For information, call 475-0291.

Church to dish up venison stew dinner

Onesquethaw Reformed Church on Tarrytown Road in Feura Bush will serve a venison stew donation dinner on Saturday, March 14, with one seating at 6 p.m.

Dinner includes venison stew, cabbage slaw, a relish tray, Italian bread and lemon and chocolate pie.

For reservations, call 768-2213.

Learn to cartoon at Delmar library

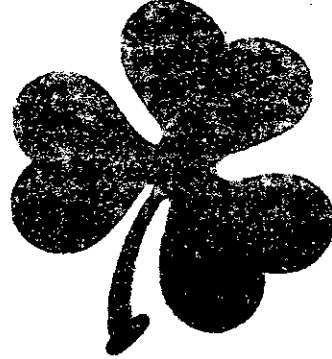
John Hebert of Marvel Comics will talk about comic book art and collecting on Thursday, March 19, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Hebert will offer some hands-on instruction in the art of cartooning. Materials will be provided.

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Sports

Championship slips through Bethlehem's fingers

By Christine Potter

The Bethlehem girls basketball team's undefeated season came to an end in the sectional final Friday night at Hudson Valley Community College, as Albany High won a hard-fought contest by a score of 57-49.

The girls finished their season with a record of 22-1.

Bethlehem's outside shooting was cold in the first half, as Albany jumped out to a 28-14 half time lead.

"We couldn't hit shots in the beginning," said Magan Sellnow. "We picked up in the second half,

Basketball

but couldn't pull it off."

Bethlehem roared back with a 17-0 run in the third quarter. With 1:41 left in the third quarter, Katie Smith gave Bethlehem their first lead of the night, 33-32.

The lead sea-sawed back and forth throughout the game.

Nicole Conway led Bethlehem with 17 points and seven rebounds. Smith followed with 16 and Sellnow had seven and seven rebounds.

Bridget Murray had one three-point basket, along with four as-

sists. Lily Corrigan contributed with four points and five steals. Karly Decker had two points.

"They had a nice comeback in the second half," said coach Kim Wise. "It's tough to come back when you are down 14 points."

"We were a little scared in the first half," said Conway. "Our intensity wasn't up."

"We really did well in the second half. In the third quarter we brought ourselves up."

"This game showed heart in the fact that we were able to come back," added Smith.

At the semifinal game held at Niskayuna on Tuesday, March 3, Bethlehem defeated Colonie 61-40.

Conway had 18 points and five steals.

Decker and Smith were also in the double digits, Decker had 15 and Smith had 10.

Decker's 15 included two three-point baskets.

Sellnow had seven points and seven rebounds.

Bridget Murray had six points including two three-point baskets



BCHS varsity girls basketball team members, No. 32, Katie Smith and No. 52, Magan Sellnow attempt to catch a rebound during the final sectional game Friday. The team lost, 57-49, to Albany High School. Doug Persons

and seven assists.

Lauren Murray and Corrigan contributed to the win with two points each and Kerry Staniels helped out with one point.

"It was a fun season," said Smith. "I've learned a lot. We had a great group of girls. I have a lot

of respect for everyone of them."

"All of the girls this season had excellent commitment and work ethic. Our 20-0 record can't be taken away," said Wise. "I am extremely proud of all of the players. We had a great year."



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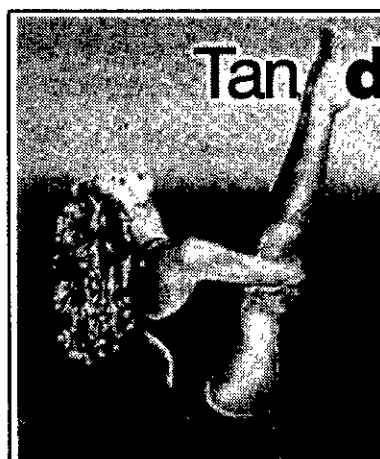
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Ladybirds capture fourth championship

By Chris Bonham

There hasn't been a team yet that has been able to stop the Voorheesville varsity girls basketball team (23-0). They won the Section II Class CC Championship against Hoosick Falls, 51-28.

At the end of the first quarter it looked like it might be a good game, with the Blackbirds up by only three points, 10-7. The second quarter was more relaxing for Voorheesville, were up 24-15 at the half.

In the third quarter action, the Ladybirds defense held Hoosick Falls to only four points, while scoring 15 points.

The fourth quarter was a closer game. Voorheesville outscored Hoosick Falls, 12-9.

"We got off to a slow start," said coach Jack Adams. "The kids hung in there and played good defense."

"This is just one step. We're going to be in for a fight Tuesday." Jane Meade was the leading scorer for Voorheesville, hitting eight baskets and seven free throws, giving her a total of 23 points.

Regan Burns had nine points and 10 steals. Jen Riede ended up with six points.

Voorheesville was set to play undefeated Greenwich last night at Glens Falls High School.

Eagles take 7th in states

Swimming

By Tim Kavanagh

The New York State swimming finals were held at West Point recently.

Bethlehem sent five swimmers, more than any other Section II team.

Steve Corson won the consolation final of the 200-yard freestyle in a time of 1:46.2. He also came in sixth-place in the final 500-yard freestyle with a 4:47 time.

Scott Strickler placed eighth in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 53.9.

Chris Shaffer just missed qualifying for the finals of the 100-yard butterfly in his first state meet.

Junior Ilya Furman swam an outstanding 28.3 split in his breaststroke leg of the team's 200-yard medley relay, which placed eighth in 1:40.00.

Sophomore Pat Davis recorded his personal best in the 400-yard freestyle relay. The relay team placed 10th.

The Section II contingent placed seventh overall, with Section V Rochester winning team championship.

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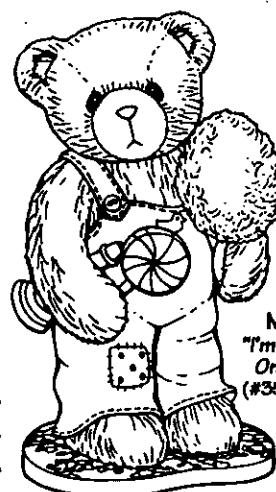
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High scorers at Del Lanes

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Senior Citizen Men: Bob Lynk., 918 in three games; Sy Shields, 563 in three games; Jack Brennan, 279.

Senior Citizen Women: Agnes Neumann, 192 and 489 in three games.

Men: Bill Cornell, 299; Allen Salisbury, 731 in three games; Blane Moss, 1037 in four games.

Women: Heidi Cornell, 255 and 842 in four games; Jill Sharpe, 590.

Adult/Junior Men: Steve Vnuk, 264 and 720 in three games; Chuck

Veeder, 244.

Adult/Junior Women: Beth Matthews, 199 and 527 in three games.

Junior Classic: Rich Antonio, 256 and 918 in three games; Courtney Radick, 246 and 790 in three games.

Majors: Rob Reilly, 246 and 556 in three games; Bridget AuClaire, 215.

Juniors: Nick Kallner, 197 and 573 in three games; Kim Grieco, 168 and 500 in three games.

Preps: Matt O'Brien, 189 and 495 in three games; Emily Malinkowski, 146.

Sign up Saturday for Babe Ruth

Babe Ruth registration is Saturday, March 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium.

The organization has two new playing fields on Line Drive near the Delmar Bypass Extension.

The fields were made possible through the collaborative efforts of Babe Ruth President Peter Bulger, Bethlehem Tom Boys and Tri Village Little League, town Supervisor Sheila Fuller and the department of parks and recreation.

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BCHS junior to travel to Europe as music ambassador

By Katherine McCarthy

Delmar's Rebecca Minor, a junior at Bethlehem Central High School, will travel to Europe this summer as an ambassador for the United States with the American Music Abroad Honor Orchestras, Bands and Choirs.

Joseph Farrell, BC vocal director and assistant symphonic band director, recommended Minor for the group. Farrell directs the honors choir Sound System, one of the many places Rebecca performs.

"He recommended everyone in Sound System," Minor said, "but I was the only one who was able to go."

American Music Abroad is composed of orchestras, bands and choirs, all made up of honors music students from different parts of the country. Minor will perform in the choir with other teens from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Students who are not recommended for American Music Abroad can audition for the program.

Robert Christensen of Schenectady, a retired music teacher, conducts the American Music Abroad choir and said that

American Music Abroad chooses not just musically talented students, but ones with good character.

"We play in smaller towns," Christensen said, "and often this is people's first contact with Americans. Europeans get a lot of their impressions of America from TV, and they're always telling me how surprised they are at how well-mannered and intelligent the kids are. The kids who go with American Music Abroad need to be good citizens as well as good musicians."

Minor will meet and rehearse with the rest of the choir for the first time just three days before the group leaves in July. During the three-week trip, they will perform in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Belgium, France and the Netherlands.

"We're doing a concert almost every day," Minor said. "It will be so interesting to have the intimate concerts and get to meet the audience afterwards. We're also going to see some amazing historical sites, like Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, and the concentration camp at Dachau. I've never been to Europe before, and it's going to be such an amazing cultural experience."

Minor is also looking forward to meeting people from different parts

of the U.S., and trying new things while in Europe. "It will be nice to meet different people from around the Northeast and to share time with them," she said.

"I'm also going to have to conquer a lot of my own insecurities. I'm not really fond of flying, so I'll have to climb that hill. We're going up a glacier on a cog railway, which sounds scary but amazing. I'm also dying to use my French, and looking forward to being more self-sufficient. It sounds like it'll be an incredible growing experience."

Performing, on the other hand, won't require any special courage for Minor. In addition to being in Sound System, she sings in the high school's regular choir, and will play the role of Laurie in BCHS' upcoming musical, "Oklahoma." Her singing career started in elementary school and continued through middle school, where she also played violin in the orchestra. She has played the piano for 12 years, and studied voice with Anne Turner for the past three years.

More recently, she has become interested in dance, having taken ballet for five years, jazz for three years, and in the past year, she's studied modern dance and even donned tap shoes. She's been in



Rebecca Minor performed at Delmar First United Methodist Church to raise funds for her trip.
Hugh Hewitt

many musical productions at the middle and high schools, and was Daisy Mae at Park Playhouse II. She also took second place in the high school's Shakespeare competition this year.

Minor hopes that performing with American Music Abroad will help her as she applies to colleges, and pursues a career in the performing arts. "I'm going to look at colleges for music, and I'm also interested in theater," she said. "I'm very interested in classical voice, which is a lot different than musical theater, so I'm looking for a college that does both." Some of the places she's considering include New York University's Tisch School of the

Arts and Carnegie Mellon Institute.

Minor needs to raise \$2,559 plus \$200 for food by mid-April to participate in the American Music Abroad program. She has approached local clubs and corporations for donations and so far has met with success. "I felt very uncomfortable, but I really want to go on the trip, so I asked organizations for money," she said. The Bethlehem Festival Fund, Kiwanis and Lions are among those who have donated funds for Minor's trip.

Minor is raffling two tickets for Capital Repertory's performance of "Our Town." To purchase a ticket or make a donation, call her at 475-1304.

Youth Network

A BETHLEHEM NETWORKS PROJECT

On Friday, March 13, sixth-grade students at Bethlehem Central Middle School will have a unique opportunity. They will participate in the first *Respect Day* program.

This program arose from a Community Partnership Workshop where participants -- including parents, teachers, administrators, community leaders and police gathered to identify problems and seek solutions.

Many of the participants felt that respect for others and courteous behavior were declining in our community and in our schools.

The group felt that a day spent teaching tolerance and emphasizing interpersonal skills would help to generate a better climate for learning.

Many dedicated people have toiled to make *Respect Day* a success. They are: Becky Marvin, Bruce Oliver, Laurie Karian, Vicary Thomas, Andy Baker, Les Boyer, Lynne Lenhardt, Yvonne Doberman, Bob Salamone, Jim Corbett, David Palmer, Phylliss Hillinger, Evelyn Loeb Garfinkle and Colleen Harrigan.

We thank our facilitators — A World of Difference peer leaders and teachers, Hoosick Valley High School students — and our *Respect Day* volunteers.

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Carey and Michael Lawson

Donohue, Lawson marry

Carey L. Donohue, daughter of Edward and JoAnn Donohue of Voorheesville, and Michael J. Lawson, son of John and Jean Lawson of New Salem, were married Sept. 13.

Rev. Arthur Toole performed the ceremony at St. Teresa of Avila Church in Albany.

A reception followed at Western Turnpike Golf Course in Guilderland.

The maid of honor was Kelly Donohue, sister of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Heather Glock, Cheryl Kerr and Mary Lawson.

The best man was Shane Gonyea. Ushers were Thomas Donohue and Edward A. Donohue Jr., brothers of the bride, and Brian Mein.

The bride is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School and Russell Sage College. She is a physical therapist at Sports Therapy Albany.

The groom is a graduate of Bishop Maginn High School and Hudson Valley Community College. He is a technician at Long Heating & Cooling in Albany.

After a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the couple lives in Guilderland.

Dean's List

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Melanie and Christopher O'Connor

Rosencrans, O'Connor wed

Melanie Nicole Rosencrans, daughter of James and Patricia Rosencrans of Albany, and Christopher Mark O'Connor, son of Susan O'Connor of Delmar and Gerald O'Connor of Florence, S.C., were married Sept. 20.

Justice of the Peace John Hughes performed the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the Lansingburgh VFW Post in Troy.

The maid of honor was Deanna Rosencrans, sister of the bride. The bridesmaid was Darcy Sestito and the flower girl was Sarah Doti,

niece of the bride.

The best man was Paul Romeo. The usher was Eric Bryson.

The bride is a graduate of Albany High School. She works at Just Cats Veterinary Clinic in Guilderland.

The groom is a graduate of Albany High School. He is employed by the Omni Corporation in Albany and the Court Club in Colonie.

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

Myers, Paczkowski to wed

Lisa Catherine Myers, daughter of Peter and Rosemary Myers of Selkirk, and William F. Paczkowski, son of William R. Paczkowski of Turin, Lewis County and Marley Osgood of San Mateo, Calif., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School,

Syracuse University and Albany Law School. She is a staff attorney at Ayco Company.

The future groom is a graduate of St. Lawrence University and Albany Law School. He is a staff attorney at Ayco Company.

The couple plans a May 23 wedding.

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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.



BC Lab School plans pasta dinner and service auction

BC Lab School will hold its annual pasta dinner and service auction on Saturday, March 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the high school on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Tickets are being sold in advance by Lab School students and will also be available at the door.

Tickets cost \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Takeouts will also be available.

Obituaries

Edgar W. Dennin Jr.

Edgar W. Dennin Jr., 79, of Delmar died Sunday, March 8, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Menands, he was an Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Dennin was a pressman at Boyd's Printing Co. in Albany, retiring in 1979.

He was a life member of the Elsmere Fire Co. and a former district commissioner, assistant chief and line officer.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Clark Dennin; two daughters, Elaine Feathers of Lebanon, Pa., and Lynn Peterson of Delmar; a son, David J. Dennin of Delmar; two sisters, Mary Weidman of Watervliet and Ann Brunelle of Menands; a brother, William Dennin of Loudonville; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for today, March 11, at 9:15 a.m. from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 N. Allen St., Albany and St. Joan of Arc Church in Menands.

Burial will be in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Contributions may be made to the Elsmere Fire Co. or the Delmar Rescue Squad.

David Zaron

David Zaron, 76, of Thorndale Road in Slingerlands, died Sunday, March 8, at his winter home in Naples, Fla.

Born in Brooklyn, he was a long-time resident of the Capital District.

He was a graduate of the University of Michigan and received a master's degree from Maxwell School at Syracuse University.

Mr. Zaron retired from the state Department of Transportation as an assistant commissioner. He also worked for Suffolk County, re-vamping its civil service system. He was a former executive director of the Organization of NYS Management Confidential Employees.

Mr. Zaron was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II.

He was a member of Congregation Beth Emeth in Albany.

He was a past president of Colonie Country Club and a former board member of the Daughters

of Sarah Foundation and member of the Northeast Seniors Golf Association.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Karlstein; a son, Steven Zaron of Albany; two sisters, Judith Donow and Bernice Freiman, both of Delray Beach, Fla.; and a granddaughter.

Services are scheduled at noon from Congregation Beth Emeth 100 Academy Road, Albany.

Arrangements are by the Levine Memorial Chapel.

Burial will be in Beth Emeth Cemetery in Loudonville. The Period of Mourning will be observed at the Zaron residence, 29 Thorndale Road, from Wednesday through Friday afternoon.

Anne M. Frone

Anne M. Kulchofsky Frone, 79, of Delmar died Thursday, March 5, at her home.

Born in Albany, she was a life-long resident of the Capital District.

Mrs. Frone worked for the state Department of Commerce for many years. She was a member of Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship Church.

She was the widow of Samuel T. Frone.

Survivors include a daughter, Carol F. Criscione of Menands; two sons, the Rev. John A. Frone of Bethlehem and Kevin Frone of Delmar; and six grandchildren.

Services were from the Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship Church, 387 Krumkill Road, Albany 12203.

Margaret Cozzy

Margaret Louise Pennington Cozzy, 74, of Selkirk died Thursday, March 5, in Texas while visiting with family.

Born in Texas, she was a long-time resident of the Capital District.

Mrs. Cozzy was an account clerk for the state for 20 years before she retired.

She was the widow of Anthony

Francis Cozzy.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Haack of Feura Bush; a son, Dwight Cozzy of Minnesota; four brothers, Jack Pennington of Maryland, Larry Pennington of Caldwell, Texas, Buddy Pennington of Philadelphia, and the Rev. James Pennington of California; five sisters, Ruth Cozzy of New York, Frances Westsinger of Industry, Texas, Dee Pennington of Rye, Texas, and Jean Franks and Jo Lynn Turner, both of Caldwell, Texas; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Dreis Funeral Home in Albany and Our Lady Help of Christians Church in Albany.

Burial was in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 66 Second St., Albany 12202.

Earl R. Holm

Earl R. Holm, 88, of Walton and formerly of Delmar, died Wednesday, March 4.

Mr. Holm attended Humboldt State College and graduated from New Jersey Game Management Institute.

He worked for the state Department of Environmental Conservation and was instrumental in the design and construction of the former Delmar Game Farm, now Five Rivers Environmental Center. He was later appointed superintendent of game farms and retired after 40 years as chief wildlife biologist. When he retired, he was named an honorary Adirondack guide.

He was a past president of North American Game Breeders and Shooting Preserve Operators Association and received its merit award in 1980. Mr. Holm also wrote articles for *The Conservationist*.

He was the husband of the late Eileen Caulfield Holm.

Survivors include a son, Dr. Richard Holm of Fort Lee, N.J.; four daughters, Cristine Holm Lonnstrom of Slingerlands, Kathleen Holm Wood of Walton, Patricia Holm of Medway Mass., and Jeanne Holm of Walton; and three grandchildren.

Services were from the Clark & Winter Funeral Home in Walton.

Contributions may be made to the Northeastern Association of the Blind, 301 Washington Ave., Albany 12206.

St. Matthew's slates program on listening

Rev. John Malecki will discuss *The Lost Art of Listening* on Sunday, March 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Matthew's parish center on Mountainview Road in Voorheesville.

Malecki will talk about the four obstacles to listening and the three ingredients needed to become a full, active and healing listener.

Register to ensure seating by calling 765-2373 ext. 9.

Survey shows center a priority for residents

By Peter Hanson

Sixty-five percent of respondents to the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce's recent survey said they would be interested in a community center. This contradicts the results of a 1990 referendum in which residents voted down a \$6 million community center proposal.

"I'm not surprised (at the results)," said Nan Hinman, assistant administrator of the town Parks & Recreation Department. Hinman is a member of the ad-hoc community center committee that is exploring ways to design and fund a center.

"I hear all over town that we need more space," she continued, "to be able to schedule more programs without conflicting with school programs."

As an example, Hinman pointed to Parks & Recreation's adult basketball program, which uses Bethlehem Central gymnasium facilities. "We can't get into the gym until 8:30 p.m., we don't use facilities during school holidays and vacations (and) summertime is very difficult because renovations are going on," Hinman said.

More than 200 survey respondents said they would be willing to assist in the planning of a center, although a majority (50 percent) said they would not. Respondents also named features they would like to see included in a center.

The most popular features were: Teen activities (20 percent); social gatherings (10.9 percent); meeting rooms (10.2 percent); sports facilities (9.8 percent); an indoor pool (7.0 percent); fitness activities (5.7 percent); and entertainment facilities including a stage (5.4 percent).

The support for a community center raises the question of why residents voted against it in 1990. According to community center proponents, the 1990 proposal grew too large during nearly five years of development. Also, new tax assessments were released that year, so residents may have been reluctant to endorse a large, publicly-funded project.

Despite these perceptions, residents who responded to the survey suggested a community center should include many of the same features that were proposed in 1990, such as an indoor pool and a theater for live entertainment.

"We've been waiting for the results of the chamber survey to see if the need (for a center) is there," town Supervisor Sheila Fuller said. "Where we're at is basically in the discussion phase. Many people ask about the lack of space for meetings, and we also hear the need for our young people to have a place to go and hang out."

Fuller, who is on the ad-hoc committee, said the group is holding a "listening session" at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, in town hall. Fuller said she hopes members of the public will share their feelings about a community center at the meeting.

"What we need to do — other than continuing our own discussions — is learn how real the need is for a community center," Fuller said, "and if the need is there, what would (residents) like to see included."

Fuller said the ad-hoc committee is trying to compile a list of groups that might use a community center. "Letters have been sent to every organization that ever used space in town to (get) their ideas on the need for additional facilities," she said.

Ironically, one group that ran into difficulties finding space for a meeting was the ad-hoc committee itself. "We discussed having the listening session," Fuller said. "We then asked about space to hold the meeting and selected the only day available before the month of May."

Phyllis Hillinger, another member of the ad-hoc committee, has been active in raising awareness — and funds — for the project. Hillinger is president of Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited (BOU), a 15-year-old nonprofit group that raises funds for local youth programs. Last year, BOU dedicated some of the profits from its annual auction to a community center fund.

Committee member Fred Tubbs estimated the fund's assets at about \$13,000 in cash and pledges as of last November. Some of the money is from private donations, but most came from last year's BOU auction.

BOU plans to donate some of the profits from this year's auction, which takes place Friday, March 20, in the Bethlehem Central High School cafeteria, to the fund.

Hinman said the committee doesn't have an exact figure of how much the community center would cost. "We haven't tried to fix on a dollar amount," she said. "Our main focus is to try and rally support." Hinman said the purpose of the March 31 listening session is to figure out what the next step should be to move the center project forward.

Although the cost of the project hasn't been determined, Hinman said the next estimate the public will hear will be lower than the one the public voted against in 1990.

"Let's just say \$6 million was quite a bit too high," she said.

Fuller said the similarities between the vision of a community center suggested in the survey and the one proposed in 1990 are telling. "I saw real support back in 1990," she said, "and when (the proposal) was defeated by a significant margin, questions were then asked why it was defeated. It may have been too ambitious."

Fuller added that community center advocates learned from the 1990 referendum and residents' opinions on the topic have evolved as well.

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.

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LOSS OF INNOCENTS

Remembering the Holocaust's littlest victims

By Dev Tobin

Wartime images of suffering children are seared into memory — one generation can see in its mind's eye the sitting baby bawling during the Rape of Nanking, another the napalmed naked Vietnamese girl running toward the camera.

But, of course, most such suffering and death inflicted on innocent children has occurred beyond the lenses of photojournalists.

Especially the Nazis' murder of more than a million Jewish children.

There are two reasons for the lack of photographs of children in the death camps in Poland — the "Final Solution to the Jewish question" was a deep state secret and most children were taken directly from the trains to the gas chambers.

The way that thousands of French Jewish children disappeared into the crematoria haunted Serge Klarsfeld, the renowned French Nazi-hunter, for years.

Klarsfeld and his wife Beate have worked for 30 years to bring to justice

German and Vichy French officials responsible for deporting 80,000 French Jews.

"Some of the deported children were listed only by number — they were too young to know or say their names," he recalled. "I felt a deep shame that they died nameless to the world. I was gripped with an obsession to know all their names, to discover the places where they lived, to know their faces."

Klarsfeld's obsession led him to research and publish the 1,200-page "French Children of the Holocaust," containing photos, documents and biographies of many of the 11,400 French children deported to the death camps,

of whom only 300 survived.

A museum exhibit of the same title, on loan from the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York City, will open March 15 in the Nott Memorial of Union College, along with a related photograph exhibit, *Of Light Amidst the Darkness* — The Danish Rescue. The combined exhibit is called *Lessons for Humanity*.

The faces of these murdered children — the mischievous Michel Beniacar, the



Georges Halpern, above, and Charles-Israel Cynamon, left, are some of the Holocaust's young victims whose photos are featured in "French Children of the Holocaust."

serious Charles-Israel Cynamon, the brightly smiling Jeanine Ojalvo, the jaunty Georges Halpern — will linger long in your mind's eye.

By showing in intimate detail, through photos and letters, who these innocents were, the exhibit "leads to an understanding of the dangers of dis-

crimination today," said Shelly Shapiro, executive director of the Holocaust Survivors and Friends Education Center of Latham, which co-sponsors the exhibit with Union

Shapiro, who is a professional educational consultant on how to teach

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New York State Theatre Institute plans *Elephant Man* revival March 15

A play which hasn't been done in the region for almost a dozen years is being revived by the New York State Theatre Institute for a two-week run beginning Sunday, March 15.

The production of *Elephant Man* at the Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College in Troy, will feature New York actor David Johann in the lead role of John Merrick, a man in Victorian England who suffered disfigurement that made him a "freak show" exhibit.

His rescue by a leading physician in London is the basis of the play by Bernard Pomerance. The award-winning play which won a Tony, the New York Drama Critics' Circle and the Outer Circle Critics' awards in 1979, is being directed by Ed. Lange.

The character of Merrick has inspired numerous books, articles and at least four plays but the work by Pomerance has been the definitive statement on the subject of a disabled man attempting to lead a life free of the revulsion and pity of the world.

Johann who plays Merrick, most recently appeared in the dual roles of Black Dog and Tom in *Dragonwings* at NYSTI. Has worked in regional theater from coast to coast and in numerous roles off-Broadway in New York.

NYSTI company member David Bunce plays the role of Treves, the doctor who helps Merrick. In addition to appearing with NYSTI, he is also the writer and director of an independent feature film now in pre-production.

Amelia Adams, a regional actress who has appeared in summer theater locally and some community theater, will be playing Mrs. Kendal, an actress who befriends Merrick.

Other company members, Joel Aroeste, John Romeo, John McGuire and Michael Steese round out the cast.

Following its opening March 15, the production will play morn-



Martin P. Kelly

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By Martin P. Kelly

ings at 10 a.m. and weekends through March 28.

Reservations and information are available at 274-3256.

Well-known comic actor plays role in Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*

John Fiedler, joins the Capital Repertory Company in the production of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*.

First produced in the 1930s, *Our Town* will have Fiedler playing the "stage manager" a character who speaks directly to the audience, setting up scenes and providing background information as he pieces together the stories of the people who live in the small town of Grover's Corners, New Hampshire. Character actor Frank Craven became identified with the role in the original Broadway production and the movie version of the early 1940s, and Wilder himself often played the part in summer stock. It was last done on Broadway with Henry Fonda in the role.

Fiedler can be seen regularly in the reruns of *The Odd Couple*. He's the guy that always wants to leave the poker game early and in the original script he was laughed at for going on his honeymoon to Miami Beach in September. Fiedler played this role on Broadway, in the film version and on TV.

Our Town is done with very little scenery and only a few props. The lack of these theater conventions enable the writer and the audience to concentrate on the substantive nature of the material. The story of Emily Webb and the other folk who reside in the town is deceptively simple. As the play progresses Wilder takes the audience on a journey that begins with specific details of daily life at the beginning of the 20th century and gradually brings the story to a point in which timeless questions involving life, death, relationships and our spirituality are vividly and perhaps even profoundly

examined.

Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill, the producing artistic director at Capital Rep, is staging this play which has previews tonight, March 11, and March 12. The official opening is Friday, March 13. The production continues through April 12. Information and reservations are available at 462-4531.

Kitty Hart still doing one-woman show on the history of musical comedy

The audience who saw Kitty Carlisle Hart do her one-woman show last December at The Egg in Albany were amazed at the actress's command of the stage and material even at the age of 85.

They would be more amazed to know that she is still doing the show. Last week (March 4) she performed in her *Hart to Heart: An Evening with Kitty Carlisle Hart* as part of the Sanibel Music Festival in southwest Florida near Naples.

Local admirers in Albany will be glad to know that she has recovered from the broken knee cap she suffered the week before her Albany appearance.

Former ACT president and performer now working theater in New Zealand

Jerry Duckor of Albany who spends six months a year in a New Zealand condominium to be near his grandchildren, has succumbed to the lure of theater half way around the world.

The former president and performer with the Albany Civic Theater, is appearing in a production of *Twelfth Night* with the Butterfly Creek Players in Eastbourne. He is also the assistant director of the Shakespearean play.

He returns to Albany to spend the summer and fall.

Around Theaters!

Irish Echoes, a musical review, plays at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar Saturday, Mar. 14 as a dinner theater presentation. (279-9247) ... *Puttin' On The Ritz* with Carol Lawrence at Proctor's Sat., Mar. 14 (346-6204) ... *Cirque Ingenieur*, Canadian circus, at Proctor's Tues. and Wed., Mar. 17 and 18 (346-6204).

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"OUR TOWN"

by Thornton Wilder, Capital Repertory Theatre, 11 N. Pearl St., Albany, Tuesday through Sundays, through April 11. Information, 462-4531.

"THE ELEPHANT MAN"

New York State Theatre Institute, Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m., March 15 to 28, \$16, \$14 for seniors and students, \$8 for children under 13. Information, 274-3256.

"THE LITTLE FOXES"

Albany Civic Theatre, 235 Second Ave., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m., March 13 to 29, also March 21 and 28 at 4 p.m., \$10. Information, 462-1297.

"SWEENEY TODD"

Schenectady Light Opera Co., 826 State St., March 12, 13, 14 and 15. Information, 377-5101.

"MIDDLE AGED WHITE GUYS"

alternative comedy by Jane Martin, Empire Center at the Egg, March 13 and 14, 8 p.m., \$18. Information, 473-1845.

"FAITH HEALER"

by Brian Friel, Steamer 10 Theatre, West Lawrence Street and Western Avenue, Albany, March 19, 20, 21 and 22, \$17.50. Information, 436-0402

"DIAL M FOR MURDER"

presented by the Clifton Park Players at Cohoes Music Hall, Remsen Street, March 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. and March 15 at 2 p.m., \$10. Information, 237-7999.

"BELLES"

by Mark Dunn, Circle Theatre Players, Church of the Covenant, Route 43, Averill Park, March 20 and 21 at 8 p.m., with dinner, \$18, March 27 and 28 at 8 p.m., \$8, March 22 and 29 at 2:30 p.m., \$5. Information, 674-3151.

"WAITING FOR GODOT"

Samuel Beckett's classic, The College of Saint Rose Campus Theater, 1000 Madison Ave., Albany, March 14 at 7 p.m., March 15 at 2 p.m. Information, 454-5102.

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Sweet Music for Lent and Spring, March 21 at 8 p.m. in St. John the Evangelist Church, 812 Union St., Schenectady, and March 22 at 3 p.m. in Blessed Sacrament Church, 607 Central Ave., Albany, \$15, \$13 for seniors, \$7.50 for students. Information, 273-6510.

CAPITOL CHAMBER ARTISTS

classical romance concert, March 14 at 7 p.m., First Congregational Church 405 Quail St., Albany, \$16, \$8 for students. Information, 458-9231.

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.

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 11, April 1 and 22. Information, 442-3995.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

MUSICIANS

needed for Capital Repertory production of "A Little Night Music" April 28 to May 24, violin, cello, harp, woodwind/flute/oboe. Send resume to Capital Rep, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany 12207.

SHAKESPEARE ON THE HUDSON, ASPEN PLAYERS

audition for "A Midsummer's Night Dream" and "Romeo and Juliet," prepare a one-to-two-minute Shakespearean monologue, Studio Theatre at the University at Albany, March 9, 7 p.m. Information, 459-4100.

AUDITION

for Capital 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.

DANCE

EBA'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

benefit concert by Maude Baum and Company Dance Theater group, Empire Center at the Egg, Albany, March 14, reception at 6:30 p.m., concert at 8, \$25. Information, 465-9916.

TAP DOGS

Pqplace Theatre, North Pearl Street and Clinton Avenue, Albany, March 27 at 8 p.m., March 28 at 5 and 9 p.m., March 29 at 3 p.m., \$33.50, \$28.50, \$23.50. Information, 465-4663.

CLASSES/LECTURES

MUSEUM ART CLASSES

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

DANCE CLASSES

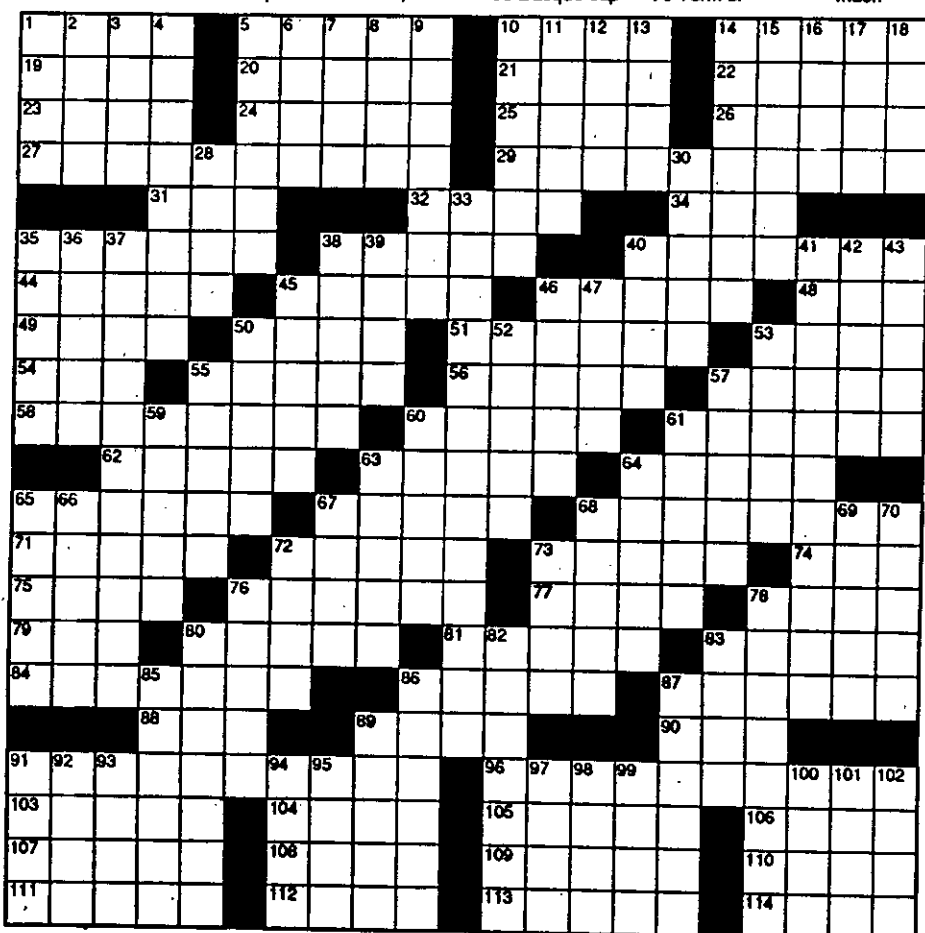
ongoing, all levels, ballet, jazz and modern, New School of Ballet, 1098 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays. Information, 346-1096.

ART CLASSES

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

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 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 Chriskin 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 Law. (March 11, 1998)

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 the State in which the principal office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County.

THIRD: The latest date on which

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 (March 11, 1998)

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

The name of the LLC First Columbia New Paltz 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. (March 11, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF AQUA CLEA ACQUISITION CO., LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

of the State of New York

THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of at least eighteen (18) years of age and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company (the "Company") hereby being formed under Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "LLCL"), certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the Company is 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 LLC Law.

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 LLC Law.

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 12189.

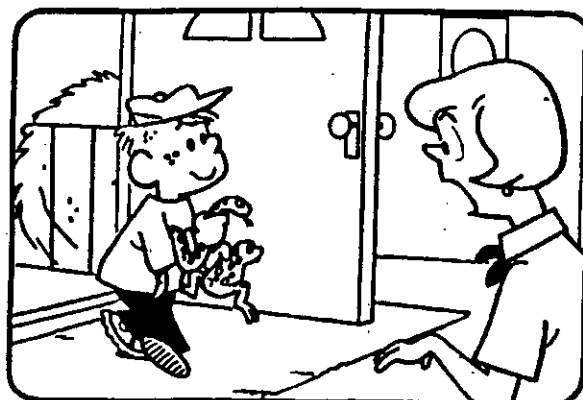
SIXTH: The Company is to be managed by one or more managers.

SEVENTH: Pursuant to Section 206 (a) (8) (b) of the LLC Law, 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.

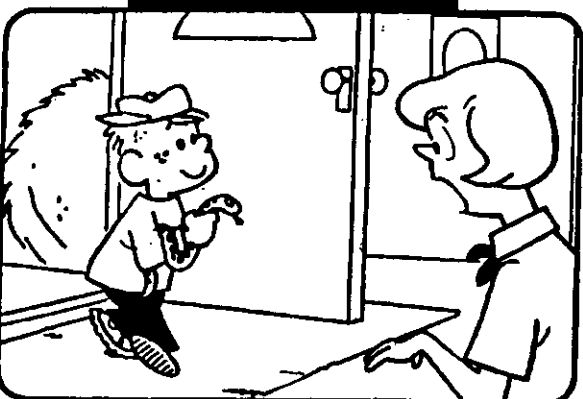
EIGHTH: The Company shall have the power to indemnify, to the full extent permitted by the LLC Law, as amended from time to time, all persons whom it is permitted to indemnify pursuant thereto.

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
(March 11, 1998)



HOCUS-FOCUS



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Window is different. 2. Frog is missing. 3. Door knob is higher. 4. Flower is missing. 5. Cap is reversed. 6. Earring is missing.

AROUND THE AREA

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 11
ALBANY COUNTY
ATTITUDE AND MOTIVATION WORKSHOP

presented by Margie Woods, 790 Lancaster St., \$12, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 489-4431.

JOB HUNTING

workshop for workers who are 55 or older, Alliance of Business Inc., 230 Central Ave., 9 a.m. to noon. Information, 447-5961.

WHAT IS PRAYER?

Bethany Reformed Church, 760 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 482-7998.

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.

RESOLVE INFERTILITY

Woman's Health Care Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 242-3848.

RENSSELAER COUNTY
EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

Russell Sage College, Sage Hall Counseling Center, Troy, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING

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

SAFE OPTIONS IN COSMETIC

BREAST SURGERY
 Bellevue Woman's Hospital, 2210 Troy Road, Niskayuna, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-9410.

THURSDAY
MARCH 12
ALBANY COUNTY
PERSONAL MYTHOLOGY: THE TRUE STORY OF YOUR LIFE

presented by Judy Gallagher, 790 Lancaster St., 7 to 9 p.m. Registration, 489-4431.

FOSTER CARE INFORMATION MEETING

Informational session, Parsons Child and Family Center, 60 Academy Road, 7 p.m. Information, 426-2868.

CHORUS REHEARSAL

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

FARMERS' MARKET

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

SENIOR CHORALE

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

SENIORS LUNCHEONS

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

NETWORKING MIXER

hosted by the Guilderland Chamber of Commerce, Bugaboo Steakhouse, Crossgates Mall, 5 to 7 p.m., \$4 members, \$6 nonmembers. Information, 456-6611.

RETIREMENT AND INVESTMENT

PLANNING
 workshop at the Guilderland Public Library, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 765-3500.

FRIDAY
MARCH 13
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 LUNCHEONS

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

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

for couples who want to improve romance and communication, held at a local motel, through March 15. Information, 279-3243.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
GOVERNMENT: YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW

Helen Hunt, White House bureau chief for United Press International, will speak at Schenectady County Community College, 78 Washington Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 381-1250.

INTRODUCTION TO ZEN BUDDHISM

presentation of Zen Buddhism and a calligraphy lesson, held through March 14, Union College, 4 p.m. Information, 347-1847.

LEGAL NOTICE
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.
 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 the 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.
 (March 11, 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, Alban Y 12260. Purpose: any lawful business purpose.
 (March 11, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF FIRST REALTY OF ALBANY, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is "First Realty of Albany, LLC."
SECOND: The county within the State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County.
THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated agent of the limited liability company upon which 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: First Realty of Albany, LLC, 10 Executive Park Drive, Albany, New York 12203.
FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.
FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed to this 30th day of January, 1998, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

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s/ Edward P. Swyer
 (March 11, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 80 STATE STREET, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is "80 State Street, LLC."
SECOND: The county within the State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County.
THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated agent of the limited liability company upon which 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: 80 State Street, LLC, 10 Executive Park Drive, Albany, New York 12203.
FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.
FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed to this 30th day of January, 1998, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.
 s/ Edward P. Swyer
 (March 11, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF SELECTED PROPERTIES OF THE NORTHEAST, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is "Selected Properties of the Northeast, LLC."
SECOND: The county within the State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County.
THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated agent of the limited liability company upon which 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: Selected Properties of the Northeast, LLC, 10 Executive Park Drive, Albany, New York 12203.
FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.
FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed to this 30th day of January, 1998, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

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s/ Edward P. Swyer
 (March 11, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF HUDSON RIVER FARMS, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is "Hudson River Farms, LLC."
SECOND: The county within the State in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County.
THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated agent of the limited liability company upon which 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: Hudson River Farms, LLC, 10 Executive Park Drive, Albany, New York 12203.
FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.
FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed to this 30th day of January, 1998, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.
 s/ Edward P. Swyer
 (March 11, 1998)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF EXECUTIVE LINKS, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is "Executive Links, LLC."
SECOND: The county within the State in which the office of the

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limited company is located is Albany County.
THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is March 1, 2053.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon which 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: Executive Links, LLC, 1698 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205.
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 one or more of its members.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed to this 20th day of February, 1998 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.
 Frank A. Tate, Jr., Manager
 (March 11, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (FLP)

The name of the FLP is The Radtke Family Limited Partnership. The Application for Authority to do business in New York State of the FLP was filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 23, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of FLP is December 19, 1997. The principal office of the FLP is located in Latham, in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom process against the FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the FLP is 409-411 Old Niskayuna Road, Latham, New York 12110. The purpose of the FLP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. A list of the names and addresses of all general partners

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of the FLP are available from the Secretary of State. The name and address of the authorized officer of the FLP in the State of Georgia where a copy its Certificate of Limited Partnership is filed is the Georgia Secretary of State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530.
 (March 11, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP OF 64-80 BROADWAY LLC

64-80 BROADWAY LLC has been formed as a limited liability company in New York. The Articles of Organization were filed on January 2, 1998 with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as Agent upon whom process may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 4 British America Blvd., Colonie, NY 12205, ATTN: Francis W. Coughlin. The purpose of the business of 64-80 BROADWAY LLC is limited to the ownership and operation of certain real property commonly known as 6480 Broadway, Menands, NY.
 (March 11, 1998)

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF BARRETT GRAVANTE CARPINELLO & STERN UNDER SECTION 121-1500 (A) OF THE PARTNERSHIP LAW

FIRST: The name of the registered limited liability partnership is Barrett Gravante Carpinello & Stern LLP ("Partnership").
SECOND: The address of the principal office of the Partnership without limited partners is: 100

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State Street, Suite 900, Albany, New York 12207.
THIRD: The profession to be practiced by such Partnership without limited partners is law and such Partnership without limited partners is eligible to register as a "registered limited liability partnership" pursuant to 121-1500 (a) of The Partnership Law.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the registered limited liability Partnership upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the Department of State shall mail a copy of any process served against it is: Barrett Gravante Carpinello & Stern LLP, 100 State Street, Suite 900, Albany, New York 12207.
FIFTH: The registration of the Partnership is to be effective January 1, 1998.
SIXTH: The Partnership without limited partners is filing a registration for status as a registered limited liability Partnership.
 s/ Michael I. Endler, Partner
 (March 11, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
 The name of the LLC is College View Donuts, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 19, 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 601 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, New York, 12208.
 (March 11, 1998)

Play Better Golf with JACK NICKLAUS

COMBATING WIND INVOLVES MENTAL ATTITUDE AS MUCH AS SHOT-MAKING SKILL.

THE KEY IS NOT EXPECTING TO SCORE AS WELL AS USUAL WHILE REMEMBERING THAT EVERYONE ELSE WILL SCORE HIGHER, TOO.

MY BEST SHOT-MAKING TIP IS TO GO UP TWO OR EVEN THREE CLUBS INTO A HEADWIND. THEN SWING EASIER. THAT WILL KEEP THE BALL DOWN — AND YOUR SWING UNDER BETTER CONTROL.

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Answers to Super Crossword

SLOW	BRAGS	ROME	OMENS
LOLA	RODEO	ERIE	TAROT
ACER	ADANO	WALL	TRINE
BIGBOSSMAN	ALLSHOOKUP		
LAS	EYRE	AMO	
BAKERY	SAROD	GRANDEE	
EMIRS	MATSU	ELLEN	OLD
RUSS	PELT	DAVIES	SNAG
ESS	RELAY	OBESSE	MATTE
TEMPERED	SNERT	BOMBED	
ERNIE	DOTTY	SETAE	
SEQUEL	PINKS	DIVORCED	
ELUDE	PECAN	BARER	RAE
PLIE	BOLERO	OREL	SUSA
TIC	BREED	WOODED	CHEER
ASKSOUT	SMUTS	SHALLY	
EON	STET	AIM	
STUCKONYOU	WITCHCRAFT		
CARTE	AIDA	OVERA	OLIO
ARSON	SPAR	RARER	CARP
BEARD	TEST	ENNEA	KNEE

The Spotlight CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 11
BETHLEHEM

LENTEN COMMUNION SERVICE
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-1686.

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

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

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58
Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

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.

RED MEN
St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3265.

DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3851.

TESTIMONY MEETING
First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH
evening prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m., 1 Kenwood Ave. 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.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
evening service, Bible study and prayer, Route 155, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

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

THURSDAY
MARCH 12
BETHLEHEM

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

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP
Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, 35 Adams Place, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7387.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

CHP DELMAR HEALTH CENTER
open house, 250 Delaware Ave., 6 and 8 p.m. Information, 783-1864.

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS
town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955

DELMAR FIRE DEPARTMENT LADIES AUXILIARY
firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM MEMORIAL VFW POST 3185
404 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-9836.

ELSMERE FIRE COMPANY AUXILIARY
firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m.

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
children's choir, 6:30 p.m., senior choir, 7:30 p.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH
women's Bible study, 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. or 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. in a local home, children's program and nursery provided for morning session, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM
Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information 439-8280.

FRIDAY
MARCH 13
BETHLEHEM

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

QUILTERS TO MEET
United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9:30 a.m. Information, 434-8073.

CONCERT
Coffee House, Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-3135.

SATURDAY
MARCH 14
BETHLEHEM

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

AL-ANON MEETING
The Crossroads, 4 Normanskill Blvd., 5:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Glenmont Community Church, Chapel Lane, 4 to 7 p.m. Adults \$7, children \$3. Information, 436-7160.

VENISON STEW
Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown, Feura Bush, 6 p.m. Reservations, 768-2213.

LAB SCHOOL PASTA DINNER
Bethlehem High School Cafeteria, 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets available from Lab School students and at the door. Adults \$6, Children under \$4. Take-out is also available.

SUNDAY
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BETHLEHEM

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH
traditional worship, 9 and 11 a.m., T.G.I. Sunday contemporary worship, 5:30 p.m., nursery care and Sunday school for children during all 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.

SPEECH ON LISTENING
Saint Matthew's Church, P.O. Box 346, 32 Mountainview Street, Voorheesville, 7 to 9 p.m. 765-2805.

MAPLE SUGARING
ITEM: Five Rivers, 56 Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

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.

GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child care available, 1 Chapel Lane. Information, 436-7710.

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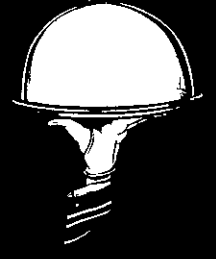
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(March 11, 1998)

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(March 11, 1998)

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(March 11, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE

MUNCHKINS LLC
1. The name of the limited liability company is MUNCHKINS, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization creating a limited liability company were filed in the Office of the New York Secretary of State on February 27, 1998 and became effective on March 1, 1998. The latest date upon which this company shall dissolve is July 31, 2005.
3. The principal office of the limited liability company is in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any copy of process against it is Munchkins, LLC, 47 Alpine Drive, Latham, New York 12110.
5. The limited liability company is formed for the purpose of engaging in the sale of goods, the operation of vending machines and all related activities and purposes, and any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.

Dated: March 6, 1998

Cooper, Erving, Savage, Nolan & Heller, LLP
Attorneys for Munchkins, LLC
39 North Pearl Street
Albany, New York 12207
(518) 449-3100

(March 11, 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 17, 1998, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, at 7:30 p.m., to take action on the application of Marek and Maria Gurin, 718 Myrtle Ave., Albany, NY, for approval by said Planning Board of a two (2) lot subdivision of a 0.732 acre parcel located on The Con-

LEGAL NOTICE

course, as shown on map entitled, "Survey, Map and Subdivision of WESTLAND PARK, SECTION NO. 6, Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, State of New York, LANDS OF MAREK & MARIA GURIN" dated 4/25/96, revised 2/6/98 and made by Buckman & Whitbeck, East Berne, NY.

Douglas Hasbrouck
Chairman, Planning Board

NOTE: Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate in the public hearing should contact David Austin at 439-4131. Advance notice is requested.

(March 11, 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 17, 1998, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, at 7:45 p.m., to take action on the application of Haddon Field Associates—A New York Partnership, Glenmont, NY, 12077 for approval by said Planning Board of a twelve (12) lot subdivision of 9.6 acres out of a 32+/- acre parcel located on the east side of Brockley Dr., approximately 200 ft. south of its intersection with Summit Road, Delmar, as shown on map entitled, "Preliminary Plat: Map of Proposed Subdivision, 'AUTUMN WOODS', Town of Bethlehem, County: Albany, State: New York" dated January 30, 1998, Hite, LLS, Delmar, NY, revised February 25, 1998 and made by Paul E. Hite, LLS, Delmar, NY.

Douglas Hasbrouck
Chairman, Planning Board

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(March 11, 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 18, 1998, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue,

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Delmar, New York to take action on application of Robert and Viola Danza, 150 Van Wies Point Road, Glenmont, New York 12077 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 two car garage and second floor bathroom addition which would exceed allowable percent of lot occupancy at premises 150 Van Wies Point Road, Glenmont, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(March 11, 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 25, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider proposed Local Law No. 5 of 1998, amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem, Chapter 119, Vehicle and Traffic, Section 119-36, Schedule X, Parking Prohibited at All Times on VanDyke Road, east side from Delmar Bypass Extension north to driveway of Bethlehem Central Bus Garage, 82 VanDyke Road, Delmar.

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 25, 1998
(March 11, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the Annual Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 1997 for the Town of Bethlehem, is now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY and is available for public inspection during regular business hours.

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TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, CMC
TOWN CLERK

DATE: March 2, 1998
(March 11, 1998)

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF ALBANY

REFEREE'S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE INDEX NO.: 4364-97

FLEET BANK, Formerly known as Fleet Bank of Upstate New York, formerly known as Norstar Bank of Upstate NY,

Plaintiff,

VS.

JOHN G. MYERS CO., INC., ROBERT N. IRISH, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, by and through the Department of Tax and Finance. JOHN G., MYERS CO., INC., M as tenant.

Defendants.

Pursuant to judgement of foreclosure and sale in above entitled foreclosure action dated February 4, 1998, entered in Albany County Clerks Office, I, the Referee named in said judgment will sell in one parcel at public auction on April 15, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., at the Albany County Courthouse, front vestibule, Albany, New York, the premises described as follows:

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE "A" FOR DESCRIPTION
Subject to all covenants, easements and restrictions of record affecting said premises. Together with fixtures attached to or used in connection with premises and appurtenant rights and interests.

The premises are also known as 210 Delaware Avenue, Town of Bethlehem, New York.

The premises is being sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment.

Judgement Amount \$140,924.50, plus, but not limited to, all with legal interest.

LEGAL NOTICE

Dated: March 5, 1998
Jeffrey S. Nerken - Referee

HARRIS BEACH & WILCOX LLP
Attorneys for Plaintiff
Office and P.O. Address
130 East Main Street
Rochester, New York 14604
Telephone No.: (716) 232-4440

All that tract, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated, lying and being in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows, to wit: BEGINNING at a point in the center line of the Delaware Turnpike at the northeast corner of the parcel of land conveyed by J. Edward Bender and wife to Edward J. Bedell and Sara S. Bedell, his wife, and running thence from said point of beginning along the northeast boundary line between said lands so conveyed and the lands of Sebastian Albrecht, (formerly James C. Keenholts), a distance of two hundred fourteen (214) feet; thence at right angles to said last mentioned line fifty (50) feet to an iron bar; thence parallel to the first mentioned line and in a northerly direction a distance of about two hundred five (205) feet to the center line of said Delaware Turnpike; thence easterly through the center of the Delaware Turnpike about fifty-one (51) feet to the point or place of beginning.

ALSO, ALL that certain other lot, piece or parcel of land adjoining the above described parcels on the west, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point in the center line of the Delaware Turnpike at northwest corner of the lot herein before described and running thence in a southerly direction along the westerly boundary line of said lot a distance of about two hundred five (205) feet to southwest corner of said lot; thence on a straight line and in a northerly direction to a point in the center line of the Delaware Turnpike, which point is distant five (5) feet westerly from the point of beginning; thence on a easterly course through the center of the said Delaware Turnpike five (5) feet to the point of beginning.

LEGAL NOTICE

(March 11, 1998)

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF 1998 TOWNWIDE ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Notice is hereby given to all owners of real property in the Town of Bethlehem of the completion of the 1998 Townwide Assessment Update. The assessor has completed the preliminary determination of assessed values of all real property. An assessment disclosure notice containing the preliminary assessment will be mailed to each owner of property in the taxable, utility and exempt portions of the assessment roll.

The assessment inventory and valuation information collected during the update project will be available at the Assessor's Office during the regular office hours of 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday. Any property owner with a concern over their 1998 preliminary assessment may make an appointment for an Informal Hearing by contacting the Assessor's Office at (518) 439-4955, Extension 102. Note: no hearings will be conducted on a "walk-in" basis. The location, dates and times for the informal hearings are as follows:

INFORMAL HEARING LOCATION

LOCATION:

Town of Bethlehem
Town Hall
445 Delaware Avenue
Delmar, New York

DATES:

March 9, 1998 - April 17, 1998

TIMES:

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM; Monday - Friday
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM; Tuesday - Thursday

Dated this 4th day of March, 1998.

M. David Leafer
Assessor
Town of Bethlehem
(March 11, 1998)

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Honor

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school have a difficult time adjusting to new ways of learning, moving from one class to another, making new friends and dealing with different grading policies.

Principal Stephen Lobban said the team is discussing problems related to the honor roll, which he said is not being looked at in response to parent complaints. He welcomes parents' comments and ideas.

PTA and school improvement team member Robert Wing said the group is reviewing academic standards in response to new Regents standards, and the honor roll falls within that area.

Brilling said parents recognize problems, but don't agree on what the problems are.

Team members said many discussions about the honor roll question its equity and motivational value for students. The team has also discussed raising honor roll standards and how students should be recognized for achievements.

Brilling said the main concern of parents is whether students are mastering the material and if achievement is accurately being represented by the current system.

The motivational standards of the honor roll are being questioned by the team which plans to formally survey students.

Brilling said one of her children is in sixth-grade at the middle school and the honor roll is viewed as a motivational tool in her house.

Another concern is whether the honor roll discourages students.

Eighth-grade teacher Donna Varriale said she thinks maybe an honor roll isn't needed because she fears some kids don't take challenging courses because they don't

want to jeopardize their standing on the honor roll.

Another aspect being discussed is whether or not all classes should be weighted the same.

Brilling said courses such as physical education, music and art do not require the same amount of class time as subjects such as math, science, social studies and English.

Carelli said she is concerned about measuring accomplishments accurately, recognizing and rewarding them and identifying student needs.

"It's more complicated than just raising the standards of the honor roll," Carelli added.

There seems to be general agreement that standards should be raised. But, Brilling noted that there is concern that some teachers would inflate grades in response.

Shawhan said Parents for Excellence also feel that "the standards should be raised."

However, Shawhan added that "we don't feel the honor roll should be reserved for a small group of students ... (it) should offer a genuine challenge."

He said parents want the middle school to determine the median grade for each class and set standards from there.

Superintendent Les Loomis said the purpose of the honor roll is to "recognize the achievement of students and motivate students to stretch and reach for higher standards."

He thinks the team will probably decide to raise middle school honor roll standards to those currently used by the high school, and expects the team to make a recommendation by spring.

pation, to do the right thing, Shapiro said.

"Children can look at the example of rescuers who saved many of Denmark's Jews from the Holocaust," she said.

Lessons for Humanity will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from noon to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, through April 23, which is Yom HaShoah, the Day of Remembrance of Holocaust victims. School tours are available by appointment by calling 785-0035.

Survey

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unfriendly to new development.

Similarly, the town has a reputation of being reluctant to endorse large retail projects. Price Chopper plaza that opened last year in Slingerlands, for instance, was the end result of a decade of negotiations between the Golub Corporation, Price Chopper's parent company, town officials and residents.

"I don't know how many other companies would have that tenacity," DeLaney said.

Fuller said drawing new business is only half the problem. "I think the real issue is, we need to encourage people to do business with the businesses that are already here," she said.

Raising consumer awareness

Venezia said the survey results bear out Fuller's observation. "One of the things that struck us is that many of the things people want are already here," Venezia said, noting that 113 respondents said they wanted a bakery in Delmar. There already is one, the Kandy Kuponboard & Pastry Shop at 230 Delaware Ave.

Venezia and DeLaney agreed the problem is one of consumer awareness. Because many of the stores along the Delaware Avenue corridor — and other developed roadways in Bethlehem — are small, neighborhood businesses, these businesses don't, or can't, market their wares as aggressively as stores backed by corporations.

Venezia and DeLaney said one of the chamber's ongoing projects is exploring new ways to make residents aware of businesses in town and encourage patronage of those businesses.

Partly because of the awareness issue, local businesses aren't seeking the kind of growth they'd like to see. "They are surviving," Venezia said. "They're able to keep the doors open, but they need more business to make them solvent in the long term."

The awareness issue brings up a Catch-22 of retail development. It's in the town's interest to welcome new businesses even if they compete directly with existing local concerns. For instance, two large video stores opened in Bethlehem the last two years — Video World in Elsmere and Hollywood Video in Slingerlands — which

forced two small, family-owned stores to close.

"Competition is a healthy thing for the consumer," Venezia said, "but not necessarily for particular businesses."

The survey suggests residents are either dissatisfied with existing businesses or unaware of them, yet residents also showed strong reluctance to the development of a shopping center that would draw patrons from outside town.

"The message we got is people like the town of Bethlehem as a bedroom community with limited retail development," Venezia said.

Possible solutions

So how can small businesses stay alive in Bethlehem?

DeLaney singled out Chris Madden, owner of the Bookworm at 239 Delaware Ave., as a small retailer who competes intelligently with bigger stores.

"She's heard from customers, 'I could go to Border's, but I come here because of the welcoming atmosphere,'" DeLaney said.

Venezia said the same focus on service helps Andriano's, a pizza parlor at 365 Delaware Ave., survive despite the nearby presence of Little Caesar's, Domino's and Pizza Hut franchises.

"If you go to Andriano's," Venezia said, "They'll tell you, 'We'll make whatever you want.' You're not limited to the menu. They need to compete on quality because (corporate stores) compete on price."

"If you have only the 27,000 people in Bethlehem to address, find something they want," DeLaney added. "Don't try to be everything to everybody."

Another way local retailers can survive competition is joining in community events by sponsoring sports teams, funding student exchanges and helping other programs. "Many big corporate entities are not going to be favorably disposed to supporting community organizations," Venezia said.

Fuller said the survey underscored the dichotomy between the growth residents want and the control they want over that growth.

"We need to find the fine line of economic development for the benefit of the community," she said. "While we may disagree on what that is, we need to work together to preserve our quality of life."

Innocents

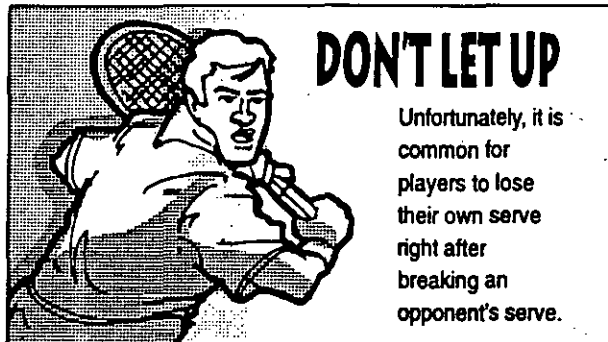
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the Holocaust, said about 5,000 local schoolchildren are scheduled to view the exhibit.

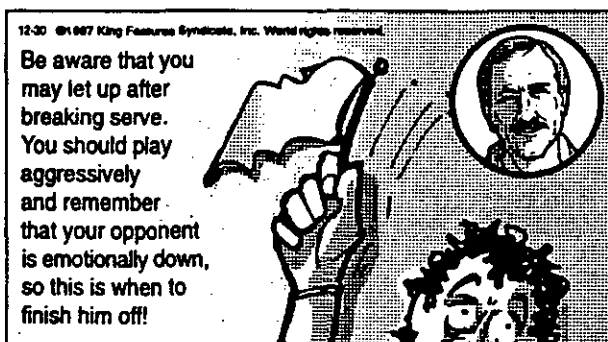
"This enables children to understand the enormity of the Holocaust and provides a way to teach how prejudice is linked to genocide," she said.

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• "Pour Memoire," film and discussion about the Klarsfelds' work, auditorium of Reamer Campus Center, April 2, 8 p.m.

• Historian Judy Goldstein on "Resistance: Then and Now," a review of Danish resistance to Nazi occupation, auditorium of Reamer Campus Center, April 5, 8 p.m.

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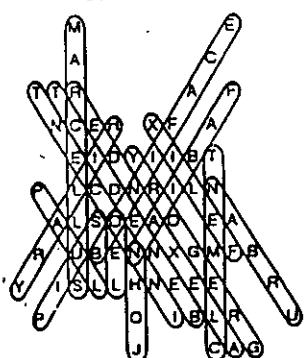


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CMI

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The original proposal, which CMI introduced last year, was for a \$10 million, 107-unit assistive living complex to be built on a 6.7-acre parcel at 467 Delaware Ave.

At the March 4 meeting, two CMI representatives—Skip Cerio of Edgewater Partners, a Syracuse-based developer, and Joseph Messina, of the Slingerlands law firm Messina and Cahill—showed a revised map illustrating a 94-unit facility that incorporated several setback issues Hasbrouck raised earlier.

The setbacks indicate the distance from the exterior of CMI's building to the end of CMI's property line; they are part of the board's biggest concern about the proposal, which is how well a commercial building can integrate into a residential neighborhood.

Cerio also said various drainage issues had been resolved or at least addressed, and senior civil engineer John Fenzl said, "I suspect that what they're proposing here is realistic."

Cerio said the site has been designed to drain water from a "100-year flood," although town code calls for "10-year flood" capacity.

In trying to allay board members' concerns about the proposed building's appearance, Cerio said, "We certainly don't want this looking institutional. It will be residential in character."

One difficulty CMI representatives have encountered is the lack of one specific architectural style throughout Delmar. Planners have asked CMI to design a building that matches Delmar's style without explaining what Delmar's style is.

Among the other changes CMI made to its plan are the removal of 10 parking spaces, the retention of more of the mature trees on the site and the inclusion of hooded lights so "light doesn't go on to neighbors' properties," Cerio said.

Despite these changes, several board members said they had difficulty visualizing what the redesigned building would look like and asked Cerio to return at a later date with new illustrations.

"It would be in your interest to have so architectural drawings in your hands before we make our recommendation to the town board," Hasbrouck said.

Board member James Blendell asked why CMI wants to build a 69,000 square foot building when only about 34,000 square feet will be occupied by apartments. He asked Messina to return with a detailed description of the facility's

common areas.

Board member Joseph Rooks asked for Messina's assurances that CMI would not offer goods or services for sale to anyone but residents of the facility. Rooks said he recalled an earlier planning board meeting at which a CMI representative suggested clinics and classes might be offered to the public.

"I know what the board's concern is," Messina said. "This is not a commercial facility. Services will not be marketed to non-residents."

Several board members, including Rooks, Patrick Reed and Marcia Lewis, expressed their reluctance to support CMI's proposal even with the latest revisions.

"It's pretty unimpressive to see something reduced by a mere six percent of developed area," Reed said.

Lewis, who has been vocal in

her opposition to the project, said she thinks the board has only entertained CMI's proposal out of deference to area seniors. "If he hadn't raised the issue of the sacred cow of senior housing, we wouldn't be talking about it," she said. "I have white hair, so I can say that."

CMI is expected to be on the agenda of the board's April 14 meeting. If the developer earns a zoning variance recommendation from the planning board, it must then present its proposal to the town board.

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