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Memorial Day marchers



James Shratter was one of the many proud veterans who marched in Bethlehem's Memorial Day parade on Monday.
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CMI project takes another step forward

By Peter Hanson

The controversial CMI senior housing project moved a step closer to approval last week when the Bethlehem zoning board of appeals OK'd the developer's plan to include 47 parking spaces. The zoning board vote bounces CMI back to the planning board, which can finalize its preliminary approval.

This means CMI may be the subject of a public hearing as early as July. "I'll be glad to have the CMI proposal before the town board," Supervisor Sheila Fuller said. "It's been a long process. The public hearing will be held to discuss the zoning change, and then the proposal will be going back to the planning board for site review."

The zoning change in question, which is CMI's biggest obstacle, requires the parcel at 467 Delaware Ave. to be changed from residential to planned commercial. The town board has the authority to make the change, but other bodies have reviewed the plan to prepare a recommendation for

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Voters nix library lot plan

Opponents cite cost and need

By Peter Hanson

Bethlehem Public Library's \$250,000 plan to expand its parking lot was defeated by voters during the May 19 school elections. Although the library's budget passed by a wide margin, the one-time lot expenditure was axed by a smaller margin of almost 500 votes.

Library director Nancy Pieri said she and other library officials were "very disappointed" by the vote, but added, "We respect the fact that the voters decided not to do it."

The plan, which was announced in February, involved spending \$150,000 on the parcel at 45 Borthwick Ave., demolishing the house on the parcel and building 36 new spaces. The plan also involved paving a new exit from the lot onto Borthwick Avenue and converting lot traffic from two way to one way.

Since it was announced, library neighbors — particularly Anne and David Moore, whose house would have abutted the new exit — questioned the financial wisdom of the plan.

"We're relieved (the vote) was an emphatic statement," David Moore said. "If it had been a close election, the library board wouldn't have known which way to go."

"I hope the library board takes this as a cue that they're not on the right track as far as the future of the library is con-

cerned," he continued.

Anne Moore said the vote should urge area organizations to move slowly on large proposals "and do more background research."

Paula Reed, a member of the library board, said the short window between when the Borthwick Avenue parcel became available and when voters went to the polls forced the board to move quickly.

"Perhaps it was too quick, and perhaps we did not communicate our plan as well as we might have if we had more time," Reed said.

"We made provisions so we could get questions from the community, but we didn't get many questions — perhaps because of the (short) time line."

Anne and David Moore both said they were never convinced the lot was necessary. Other complaints opponents of the lot raised were the high cost of the project and the impact upon the neighborhood of a larger lot and more traffic.

"It was obvious that some of the basic questions weren't answered," Anne Moore said. "(Organizations) need to get a good, solid basis in information and get public comment prior to doing anything."

Another of the Moores' complaints was that the library's plan duplicated an offer made by CMI Senior Housing &

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Local school districts strike gold in election

BC budget gets 'generous support'

By Lisa K. Kelly

Bethlehem Central School District residents approved a \$42,977,450 budget for the 1998-99 school year.

"The budget was approved by an almost two-to-one margin," said Superintendent Les Loomis. "I want to thank the community for its generous support."

"Once again this is an affirmation of the commitment the community has to its children," Loomis added.

Small turnout in V'ville

By Katherine McCarthy

In a small turnout, Voorheesville voters approved the 1998-99 school budget by a vote of 395 to 129.

The \$13,323,345 budget carries an increase of .71 percent over last year's budget, and will not affect the tax levy. Exact tax rates will not be known until assessment and equalization rates are set later this year.

Thomas McKenna, who ran unopposed, was elected to the school board with 407

The budget was approved by a vote of 2,053 to 1,054. Loomis said voter turnout was up slightly this year, at 3,141 compared to 3,076 in 1997.

Budgetary expenses increased by \$697,000, or 3.95 percent, the smallest increase in 15 years. Included in the increase is \$271,000 for maintenance projects and funds for staffing and programs.

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RCS spending package sails in

By Peter Hanson

Residents of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District approved the 1998-99 spending plan by a substantial margin during May 19's Super Tuesday elections. The \$26,188,450 budget passed by a vote of 580 to 458.

"I'm delighted that our community supported the budget in light of the challenges we all face," Superintendent William Schwartz said, adding that his only disappointment was that more people didn't show up at the polls.

"I'd like to see more people get out and vote," he said. This year's turnout of 1,054 voters represented a 16 percent drop from last year.

Schwartz said the board of education put together the best financial package it could, all the while remaining "conscious of the financial limitations we have." He added that state aid helped fill in some of

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votes. There were no write-in candidates.

School Superintendent Alan McCartney said that with the budget approved, the district's top priority is to get the Distance Learning Lab up and running. The lab will allow students to participate via interactive TV with a classroom at another location.

"We hope to have it ready for summer school," McCartney said, "when we will offer reading and math to seventh- and

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Bethlehem court cases adjudicated

The following dispositions were recorded in Bethlehem town court recently. All but one of the defendants were accused of driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Isaiah Emanuel Berrings, 17, of 20 Patterson Drive in Glenmont, who was arrested for criminal contempt and assault following an outburst during an April 17 town court appearance, pleaded guilty to second-degree criminal contempt May 5. He was sentenced to six months in Albany County jail.

Richard Edward Behuniak, 33, of 30 Hanes St. in Albany, who was arrested on DWI charges April 12, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of driving while ability impaired (DWAI) May 5. He was fined \$300 plus a \$30 surcharge, and his license was suspended for 90 days.

Maureen Cairnes, 56, of 20 Fullers Lane in Clarksville, who was arrested on DWI charges March 11, pleaded guilty to DWAI

May 5. She was fined \$300 plus a \$30 surcharge, and her license was suspended for 90 days.

Patricia Ramona Kudlack, 54, of 584 County Route 411 in Greenville, Greene County, who was arrested on DWI charges May 3, pleaded guilty to DWAI May 5. She was fined \$300 plus a \$30 surcharge, and her license was suspended for 90 days.

Arthur Richard Purdy, 31, of 67 Main St. in East Berne, who was arrested on DWI charges April 6, pleaded guilty to DWAI May 5. He was fined \$300 plus a \$30 surcharge, and his license was suspended for 90 days.

William Charles Van Vorst Jr., 31, of 54 Melrose Ave. in Albany, who was arrested on DWI charges March 16, pleaded guilty to DWI May 5. He was fined \$500 plus a \$30 surcharge. His license was revoked for six months.

Dorothea E. Williams, 38, of

1524 Fifth St. in Coeymans, who was arrested on DWI charges April 8, pleaded guilty to DWAI May 5. She was fined \$300 plus a \$30 surcharge, and her license was suspended for 90 days.

Arnoldo Ormin Zelaya, 35, of RD 1, Box 217, in Coxsackie, Greene County, who was arrested on DWI charges Feb. 13, pleaded guilty to a DWAI May 5. He was fined \$300 plus a \$30 surcharge, and his license was suspended for 90 days.

Clarification

Last week's item about the DWI arrest of Jason Biel quoted a police report that said Biel became intoxicated at a party at 22 Clapper Road. The party in the two-family home was held in the residence of Casie Vagele, not that of Brian Irving.

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Deputies bust three for drugs at Days Inn

Three men were arrested for cocaine possession at the Days Inn on Route 9W in Glenmont last week. On May 20, Albany County Sheriff's Department deputies arrested Rakim Walters, 22, of 3408 Missouri Ave., Richmond, Va.; Claude E. James, 30, of 1 Brandy Ave., Albany; and Shawn R. Henning, 24, of 431 Clinton Ave., Albany.

All three men are charged with two counts of third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, a class B felony, and endangering the welfare of a child, a class A misdemeanor.

Bethlehem Police Sgt. Joseph Sleurs said Days Inn isn't often the site of drug activity. "I don't know that we've made a lot of busts down there," he said.

According to a Sheriff's Department report, the three men had about one ounce of crack cocaine with them when they were arrested. Police said Henning's two-year-old son was present at the time of the arrest.

"Walters, James and Henning are all considered mid- to upper-level dealers in the Bethlehem, Ravena, Coeymans and Albany area," the report said. James and Henning are brothers and Walters is their cousin.

The suspects were arraigned before state Supreme Court Judge Bernard J. Malone and were sent to Albany County jail without bail.



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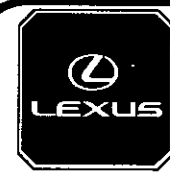
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Benefit concert set at St. Stephen's

The Leary Waite Project will present its reunion concert on Sunday, June 7, at 7 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church on Elmsmere Avenue and Poplar Drive in Delmar.

Proceeds will benefit the Christian mission in Madagascar headed by the Rev. Kevin Ogilvie.

Last year's concert raised more than \$1,000 to benefit the Habitat for Humanity house constructed by area Episcopal churches.

Tickets cost \$5, and will be sold at the door the night of the performance. A reception in the parish hall will follow.

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Transportation chief leaving BC

Robert Peters spent six and-a-half years with district

By Lisa K. Kelly

"I love buses," said Robert Peters, transportation supervisor for the Bethlehem Central School District.

Peters was brought up around buses and will continue to be involved with them when he starts a new job on June 22 as director of transportation for the Liverpool School District in Onondaga County.

"My dad has been in the business forever," Peters said. "My mother drove a bus, and so did all of my brothers and sisters."

Peters' mother Janet has been driving a school bus in Guiderland for more than 20 years and his father, Robert, has worked in the coach bus business throughout his career.

Peters said he was first involved in transportation as a mechanic for Rensselaers schools. "There was a driving position open and I applied and got it," he added.

Since then his goal has been a job as director of transportation for a countywide school district in the South.

"This is the next step in my career," he added. "If you're looking to (that goal) you have to get the number of students in your school district up."

Peters said his new job has a lot more responsibility because it's a larger district, about 10,000 students. The Bethlehem Central School District has 5,200 students.

"I'm really excited about working with my new bosses," he said.



BC Transportation Supervisor Robert Peters has a passion for buses.

"I've worked with them before at Niskayuna schools."

After six and a half years, Peters said he'll miss his job in Bethlehem. "I'll miss a lot of my employees," he said. "I'll miss being two minutes from home and I'll miss having lunch with my wife once a week."

Peters said he'll commute two hours each way to his new job. "I haven't decided if I'm going to relocate yet," he added. "The family situation makes it difficult to leave. We're going to play it by ear."

Peters said his five children are still in school and his wife, Dianne, likes her job as secretary at Slingerlands Elementary School. If they do relocate, the family would like to live on a horse farm so Dianne could work with horses

and the kids could ride their dirt bikes.

Superintendent Les Loomis said Peters is a very committed and competent director of transportation who has provided leadership and made sure students were transported safely.

"We're going to miss Peters a great deal," he added. "He's a good manager and has a lot of initiative. He will be very difficult to replace."

During Peters' time at Bethlehem, the fleet of buses has grown and the bus replacement plan has accelerated, added Loomis.

The job of transportation supervisor is a civil service position, and Loomis said he's hoping to name a replacement at the school board meeting on June 20. Peters' last day is June 19.

Raising the colors



Boy Scout Andrew Croft (right) raises a new flag at Glenmont Elementary School May 21 while Matt Mahoney watches. Croft wrote to Congressman Mike McNulty requesting a new flag for his school. Kimberly Harvey

Program puts students on the job

By Lisa K. Kelly

Jo Ann Davies, coordinator of the Bethlehem Central School District's apprenticeship program, gave an overview of the program at the school board's May 20 meeting.

The apprenticeship program is offered to 10th-, 11th- and 12th-graders in the district. It has three components—job shadowing, seminars and an apprenticeship.

"Shadowing is the first step before the actual apprenticeship," Davies said. Students go to a job site in a field of their choice.

"Sometimes they find out it's not what they thought it would be," she said, "but we've been successful for the most part."

Davies said the apprenticeship program works in conjunction with the Life Skills program for students who have trouble in school.

"For the current school year we began with 38 shadow students, one introduction to apprenticeship student and 12 apprenticeship students," Davies said.

"For the 1998-99 school year, we have 47 shadow students, one introduction to apprenticeship student and 13 apprenticeship students."

Davies said the program began in 1992 with the cooperation of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce.

The program is intended as a motivational tool to help students strive for higher academic achievements and equip them with work-related skills.

Superintendent Les Loomis introduced Cynthia D'Angelo, Hamagrael Elementary School's new principal, to the board.

D'Angelo told the audience how she became interested in education and the different roles she's performed to get to this point.

"I began my teaching career in a mobile Head Start program in upstate New York," D'Angelo said. "Then my husband decided to move to New Mexico and I went with him. We had no jobs, but I guess that's what you do when you're young."

D'Angelo taught at private schools in New Mexico until her husband decided to move back to New York.

"I was lucky ... to get a sixth-grade teaching job in the Greene School District, the day before school started," she said.

D'Angelo said she realized kids weren't learning to read and decided to teach kindergarten so she could reach them at an earlier age.

She developed techniques to help children learn to read at and beyond their reading level. "It's been my passion ever since," she said.

D'Angelo takes the reins at Hamagrael on July 1. Current Principal Diane Kilfole is leaving the district to join her husband in Madison County.

In other business, the board approved several personnel matters, including an additional English as a second language (ESL) instructor for \$9,100 per year.

Judith Wooster, assistant supervisor for instruction, said that all elementary schools, with the exception of Clarksville, now have an ESL instructor.

Clarksville doesn't have an ESL instructor because there aren't any students at the school who need that type of instruction, Wooster said.

The board also approved continued participation in the National School Lunch Program for the 1998-99 school year.

Two field trips were also approved. The high school Lab School will go on its annual retreat at Silver Bay, Lake George, from June 3 to June 5. Glenmont fourth- and fifth-graders will travel to Boston, Mass. on June 16.

The next school board meeting is Wednesday, June 3, at 8 p.m. at district offices on Adams Place.

Court denies request for race suit dismissal

By Peter Hanson

Carole Riley won a temporary reprieve in her discrimination suit against the town of Bethlehem last week when a judge denied the town's request for summary judgment. Riley's suit, which was filed last December, seeks \$15 million in damages because she feels the town mistreated her because she is black.

Tom Daley, one of the attorneys representing the defendants, said the May 19 decision by U.S. District Court Judge Thomas J. McAvoy is a formality. McAvoy denied the dismissal request because of paperwork that wasn't filed correctly.

"All the attorneys who submitted paperwork didn't include citations," Daley explained, adding that the plaintiff's attorney also had his paperwork rejected.

The officials named in the suit, including Supervisor Sheila Fuller, Building Inspector John Flanagan and the entire zoning board of appeals (ZBA), have repeatedly denied Riley's accusations the town has an "anti-black sentiment" and therefore quashed her ability to run a business from her Slingerlands home.

The conflict began last year when Flanagan responded to reports tractor-trailers were making deliveries on New Scotland Road, where Riley, her partner Kelli Givens, and about six employees were

overseeing the Horizon Collective, a corporation that owns nearly 50 Pizza Hut residents.

Flanagan, who determined the office violated the area's residential zoning rules, filed a cease-and-desist order which forced Riley to appeal before the ZBA. The ZBA denied her appeal, which in turn spurred her lawsuit.

Since the suit was filed, the Horizon Collective filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection and Riley filed a second suit against the Realtor who sold her the Slingerlands house, alleging the Realtor misled Riley into believing she could run a business in the house.

McAvoy was scheduled to hear oral arguments in the case May 11, but he decided to base his initial decision upon the reams of legal documents all the interested parties have filed.

McAvoy's May 19 ruling slows down, but does not stop, the town's attempt to have Riley's suit dismissed. Daley said the complication that led to McAvoy's ruling could be described as a "clerical oversight."

"(Citations) are something that the court wants and we will give them to the court," Daley said. "They were mistakenly omitted."

Daley said court procedures allow attorneys to resubmit paperwork that was filed incorrectly. "We are going to re-file the motion (to dismiss) this week," he said.

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Slingerlands native scores record contract

By Peter Hanson

When Michael Eck made his musical debut at a Bethlehem Central High School talent contest in October 1982, teachers, parents and students in the audience probably didn't know what to make of his angry and loud punk-rock band, Def Zone.

"We were doing 'Anarchy in the U.K.' by the Sex Pistols when everyone else was doing 'Message in a Bottle' by the Police," Eck said. "We thought we were going to win, so we were in the hall preparing to do a 45-minute version of 'Louie Louie.' It was a beautiful time to be alive."

Eck, a Slingerlands native, has come a long way since his punk-rock days. Now a 34-year-old father of two, Eck has become one of the local scene's most respected — and most professional — musicians. He's cut two albums, played just about every venue in the Capital District and even nurtured a healthy journalism career, writing about theater and music for the *Times Union*.

Eck's hard work is starting to pay off. Brenda Washburn, a former marketing executive with the folk label Rounder Records, recently signed Eck to her brand-new label, Dancing Druid Music, which is preparing to release a revamped version of Eck's 1996 album *Resonator*.

"When Brenda and I talked at the Parting Glass in December (1997) and it looked like things were going to come together in a cool way, I was just flying," Eck said. "I was so spaced I walked out



Singer-songwriter Michael Eck will perform at Caffé Lena on Friday, May 29. To make reservations, call 583-0022.

without paying my bill and had to turn around and go back."

Eck is celebrating the signing with a special show at Caffé Lena in Saratoga Springs Friday, May 29, which will also feature his Dancing Druid label-mate Kelly Riley. The label, which will be re-

leasing its first slate of discs throughout the year, features "new folk" artists like Riley, a veteran of the Boston music scene, and Bob Andrews from Philadelphia.

"I think I'm the edgy guy of the bunch," Eck said.

Eck's winding road toward solo

performing includes a seven-year apprenticeship in various bands "I played every kind of music I could get my hands on," he said. "I even did a on-off gig with a choir. It was just learning how to play music."

Eck went solo in 1989, and two years later he found himself in Austin, Texas, a vibrant music scene that's drawn singer-songwriters ranging from Steve Earle to Shawn Colvin. "There was a two-year period where I lived out of a large green duffel bag," Eck said.

His travels also led to a short stint in New Orleans, where Eck and his then roommate, a fellow singer-songwriter from Saratoga County named Stephen Clair, turned their apartment into a "poetry farm," Eck said. "There were two months where we did nothing but write poems."

Eck's romance with words, which permeates his journalism and songwriting, has evolved to a point where Eck senses what form will serve new ideas best. "The poetry does not happen very often now," Eck said. "I want to focus on songwriting, but I know what subjects I need to turn into poetry and which ones I need to turn into songs."

Eck, whose songs feature sharp, evocative lyrics and melodies that range from propulsive to melancholy, isn't sitting idly while Dancing Druid gets his album ready for the marketplace.

"Part of me is itching because, as a writer-performer, *Resonator* has been out for a while," he said. "But I want to let (the people at

Dancing Druid) see what they can do with it."

Eck's already thinking about his next record, tentatively titled *Small Town Blues*, which he may record late this year or early in 1999. The title is taken from a new Eck tune, "Bottle Rocket," the lyric of which says, "He'll sing the small-town blues/in any key you please."

Those lines are one of many allusions to Eck's Slingerlands childhood that pop up through his tunes, although Eck said he's trying to write "pure fiction" more often than autobiography these days.

Direct references to Eck's hometown, like the lyric about the "Delaware and Hudson line" in his 1996 tune "Date Nail," show that the Slingerlands/Delmar area will always be a part of Eck's psyche.

"(My music) is soaked with the people I was brought up by and the places I grew up in," Eck said. "I have a great family, and that damn railroad track was pretty cool."

Admission to Eck's show at Caffé Lena, 47 Phila Street in Saratoga Springs, is \$9. To make reservations, call 583-0022.

Zoning board slates public hearing

The Bethlehem zoning board of appeals will hold a public hearing on the application of 500 Kenwood Avenue Associates on Wednesday, June 3, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall on Delaware Avenue.

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Local actress makes *Horse Whisperer* cut

Selkirk resident glad to be part of director-star Robert Redford's romantic film

By Katherine McCarthy

If the nurse facing off against Kristin Scott Thomas in the pivotal hospital scene in Robert Redford's *The Horse Whisperer* looks familiar, that's because it's Selkirk resident Kathy Baldwin Keenan.

Keenan, who belongs to the Screen Actors Guild, was hired during shooting in Saratoga, but didn't know until the movie's release if she had made the final cut.

"I found out Thursday before the sneak preview that I was in the movie," Keenan said. "I got in touch with Disney's publicity firm, and they gave me five passes, so I had a party at the movie."

Keenan's part comes early in the film, after an accident in which a young girl and her horse are badly injured.

"The (girl's) mother is obsessing about her daughter's care," Keenan explained.

"She decides her IV bag is almost empty, and as she's going to get someone to refill it, I come in," Keenan said. "We have an exchange, and as I'm changing her daughter's bandages, I watch the mother talking on the telephone about saving the injured horse."

"The mother feels she has to



Kathy Baldwin Keenan appears as a nurse in *The Horse Whisperer*.

save the horse to save her daughter," Keenan added. "It's the scene that sort of gets the whole movie going."

Keenan hopes her brief scene — in which she acts opposite Kristin Scott Thomas and Sam Neill — will be an important stepping

stone in her career.

"I now get residuals from the movie," Keenan said, "and in terms of my quest for an agent, the footage certainly helps."

Keenan said she never watched any of the dailies, which are screenings of unedited footage that oc-

cur every day during shooting.

"Sometimes I was working in the other room, and would hear my voice," Keenan said.

"I didn't go in. If you see yourself, you're liable to change your performance," she explained. "You have to trust the director to guide your acting."

Keenan was predisposed to like the director of *The Horse Whisperer*. "I liked every one of Redford's movies," she said. "I like his eye, his pacing and his detail. He's phenomenal as a director."

She was equally impressed with *The Horse Whisperer*. "What an honor it is to be associated with such a beautiful film," she said.

Keenan wasn't bothered by some reviews that found the middle of the movie too long.

"Hey, it's called *The Horse Whisperer*," she said. "For all of us who were crazy about horses in junior high, this movie is great."

Keenan is sending out resumes and photos in her effort to secure an agent.

She also recently worked on the film *Renata of Wilbur Falls* with Danny Aiello and Sally Kirkland. Shot in upstate New York, the picture does not yet have a release date.

Chamber to host membership meeting

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce will hold its May membership meeting on Thursday, May 28, at 7:45 p.m. at the Days Inn on Route 9W in Glenmont.

Ken Rawley, director of marketing at Cohoes Savings Bank will give a talk entitled, "Make Me Feel Important."

The cost is \$6 per person, and reservations are required. Non-members are welcome. For information, call 439-0512.

TOPS to meet at Delmar church

TOPS, Take Off Pounds Sensibly, will conduct its weekly meeting on Thursday, May 28, at 1:30 p.m. at Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delaware Ave. 1:30 p.m.

Weigh-in is at 1 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. TOPS is a support group to help lose pounds and feel better. For information, call 432-5709.

Fire company to serve breakfast

Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Co. will serve a home-style breakfast on Sunday, May 31, from 7 a.m. to noon at the Clarksville firehouse on Route 301.

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Matters of Opinion

CMI moves ahead

CMI's proposal to build an assistive-living facility for senior citizens in the heart of "old" Delmar got a shot in the arm last week when the planning board approved the facility's newly configured parking lot plan.

This plan should placate residents who would be neighbors of CMI, since it has been scaled down from its original design. The smaller lot makes sense since most of the residents of the facility will not have their own vehicles. This supports *The Spotlight's* argument to place this type of facility in town within walking distance of the library, local shops, the post office and physicians and dentists offices.

Older senior citizens should not be segregated from the community. They should be able to enjoy the amenities mentioned above just like anyone else. Many town residents have expressed a desire to be able to remain in town, when they may need assistive-living care.

We hope CMI makes it through the next town hurdle so it can provide low to middle income seniors with housing that is desperately needed.

Editorials

Voter friendly budgets

Following suit with most districts throughout the Capital District, Bethlehem, Voorheesville and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district voters handily approved budget packages for the 1998-99 school year.

The three local districts, like many others, kept proposals within a reasonable range, which met with voter satisfaction.

In the last several years, school boards and superintendents have learned to treat budgets in a more businesslike fashion, which is something that should have been done all along and a major reason why many local budgets went down in recent years.

We hope our local school boards keep this in mind for future school budgets. Voters will likely never again pass those double-digit, pie-in-the-sky budget packages that were once commonplace throughout the region.

In Bethlehem, although voters OK'd the library budget, they handily defeated the library's proposition to add more spaces to its parking lot, suggesting the library must do its homework before it asks residents to approve future projects that will inevitably be needed. *The Spotlight* supported the library parking plan, largely because of the safety factor posed by the current ingress/egress. We still think something must be done to correct a potentially dangerous situation.

Planning your big day

This week's special supplement focuses on weddings and is chock full of ideas for brides and grooms to be. One story details one of the most important parts of the wedding — food. Couples might want to look at catering possibilities, which can be as elegant or as simple as the couple determine. The cost is also negotiable, depending on the menu for the wedding feast. One thing's for sure the food should be carefully planned beforehand to ensure this memorable occasion is a happy one.

And for couples who prefer an off-the-beaten path lifestyle, there's a story on bridal registries for couples who would rather skip the china and silverware route. Couples today can opt for camping or hiking gear rather than the traditional patterned dinnerware. They can also choose more practical items such as pillows or even candles.

Another story shows just how the bride and groom can have their big day photographed to suit their unique tastes.

The important thing for a successful wedding is planning; we hope our supplement helps with this critical key to creating the perfect "big day."

Gen-Xers neither kids nor adults

By Peter Hanson

The writer is a reporter at The Spotlight.

I'm not even 30 yet, but I already feel years older than most of my peers. And sometimes, when I spend time with teen-agers, I barely feel part of their species. I could explain away my inability to relate to adolescents' interests if I, in turn, fit comfortably with adults, but the truth is that my personality falls somewhere between those extremes. Allow me to introduce myself — I'm a Gen-Xer.



Now let me clarify a few things. First, I have no business being a spokesman for the children of baby boomers, whom author Douglas Coupland dubbed "Generation X." I'm not hip and apathetic or carnivorously ambitious, so I don't fit either of the prevailing stereotypes of today's twentysomethings. That said, I was raised on *The Brady Bunch*, disco music and the cynical social climate that followed Watergate, so I was exposed to all the requisite Generation X stimuli.

So why have I become a writer who listens to country music and loathes crude television shows like *South Park*? Why have I never wanted to attend a Lollapalooza concert, hook a beeper on my belt or wear back-in-fashion bell-bottoms around my hips like the millions of suburban white kids who pretend to be urban black kids? If I'm a member of Generation X, why don't I look the part?

The answer is I do, just not in ways everyone can see. Like most of my peers, I have a grotesquely expansive knowledge of trivia gleaned from years rotting in front of the boob tube. I can tell you which actors played Lenny and Squiggy on *Laverne & Shirley*, and I can sing the lyrics to the *Love Boat* theme.

I have the same ignorant contempt for everything and everyone around me that most of my Gen-X

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acquaintances have, but I struggle to remind myself that the ironic stance Gen-Xers hold dear is little more than a timid façade used to ward off human contact.

I struggle to remind myself that many Gen-Xers are the products of broken homes, so they have good reason to be gun-shy about people. Thanks to women's lib, the Pill and free love, the divorce rate in the '70s was astronomical, so the story of how my parents broke up in 1976 is just one more entry in a litany of unsuccessful boomer marriages.

I struggle to remind myself that the obsessive nostalgia Gen-Xers feel for the '70s and '80s is, in part, an attempt to reclaim happier times. In this aspect, I don't have to struggle very hard — I see myself trying to reclaim innocence constantly.

Just last week, I bought a book I'd spent 10 years trying to find, and when the shopkeeper handed it to me, I touched the dog-eared pages and cracked cover with genuine affection. The book is a collection of superhero comic strips published in 1976, and any excuse I give to explain why I spent \$15 on it is a lie unless I say the book is part of my youth.

Alone \$15 splurge seems innocent enough, right? Wrong. I waste trifling amounts of money regularly on nonsense like that book, and if I ticked off a list of every Gen-Xer I know, I could name what they buy compulsively, whether it's kitschy lunch boxes, toys or *Star Wars* paraphernalia. And they aren't all couch potatoes stuck in menial jobs. Harry, for instance, a college acquaintance who collects '70s lunch boxes featuring the likes of the Bee-Gees, just directed a feature film for Paramount Pictures.

Then there's Walter, who has built an encyclopedic collection of '80s pop songs on hundreds of CDs; Michael, whose array of movie posters and action figures

is voluminous; and Margaret, who still goes weak in the knees at the sight of Jon Bon Jovi.

There's no common thread that binds all of us other than our age, though. Many come from broken homes and others from happy ones; some are old enough to remember the Guyana tragedy and some barely recall the Challenger explosion.

The common parlance of Gen-Xers is trivia. I can't recall the number of times I've hit it off with someone merely because we struck upon a pop-culture touchstone in casual conversation, only to discover no real bond was made when I attempted to pursue the friendship.

Similarly, I've rebuffed people who thought they were my friends just because we talked about eating Boo-Berry cereal while we watched *The Challenge of the Superfriends* on Saturday morning television in the '70s.

As my generation starts to outgrow its collective prolonged adolescence, we'll discover if the interpersonal crutches Gen-Xers use in superficial relationships also impede their progress in substantial ones. I think about Kim, a friend who got married in her 20s, grew bored with her husband and then started dating without annulling or ending her marriage, and wonder if her attitude is typical among Gen-Xers.

But then I think about other friends, serious people like Dave, a graduate student who has been devoted to the same girl since his first year of college. He can blather about television and kitschy '80s music as well as anyone, but he's also a responsible worker and a fiercely dedicated student.

When I think about people like Dave, I realize maybe I'm not such an anomaly among my peers after all. There are times when I talk to Dave and hear hints of that Gen-Xer malady — prolonged adolescence — but more often than that, I hear reason and intelligence.

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But even as I realize I have kindred spirits my own age, I see we're not turning into the kind of grown-ups I remember looking up to. Our parents put away childish things, but we Gen-Xers are holding onto childish things for dear life.

We're keeping the memories of our childhoods alive because we saw what happened to our parents in the '70s. Some of them got cynical, some got divorced and all of them got burned in the supernova explosion of their innocent '60s ideals.

As a group, Gen-Xers don't have ideals to lose. We have our trivia, our toys and our immaturity, and through them we remember what it felt like when life was about instant gratification. As years go by, we'll get older, smarter and more responsible, and maybe someday, we'll let down our guard and feel things the way real people do. But we'll get to that point kicking and screaming, because when our parents wore their hearts on their sleeves 30 years ago, their hearts were broken. Gen-Xers hide their feelings because we're scared of making the same mistake.

BC district should be more open

Editor, The Spotlight:

The residents in Bethlehem are caring and discriminating. They passed the school budget and rejected the library parking lot. I think the parents of school children thank everyone for voting for the budget.

The direction the school administration takes is questionable. So many decisions are made behind the scenes without consulting with the people involved.

The Spotlight reported two important changes in the school district. Hamagrael has a new principal, who appears erudite and experienced. I hope the replacement for the assistant superintendent has similar traits, but is also a leader sensitive to parents and teachers.

Dialogue is critical in running a district. Imposing policies without consulting with the people involved is insulting to parents and teachers. The board should not hand pick someone who is

going to rubber stamp what they want. The new assistant superintendent should demonstrate an openness to the community by letting parents vote every so often on issues. I think the district should have a valedictorian at graduation. Maybe others don't agree, but I think this is important enough to have a vote on it. It should not be decided by a "higher authority."

The new assistant superintendent should plan to be involved with the bright, articulate parents and teachers and not to impose and dictate. Educators should be creative and open-minded. I hope our new new assistant superintendent will be this kind of leader.

Patricia A. Kane
Delmar

Writer vents pet peeve

Editor, The Spotlight:

As a rite of spring, I feel beholden to submit my annual "butt" complaint. Fresh in my mind is the recent little outing along a one-mile stretch of Route 32 bordering Elm Avenue Park. A handful of hardy souls from my church showed up rain gear to do our quarterly roadside cleanup.

Included in this group of stalwarts was a gentleman in his mid-80s who was my "picking partner" as we made our way along the steep bank that edges the shoulder of the road. Every few yards, this young (at heart) man would comment on what backbreaking labor this was. I agreed wholeheartedly, except that for me, it was my hips that began to ache. My comments are addressed to

those who discard cigarette butts and other trash while riding or walking along the road: Just exactly how did you think your trash was going to end up? Next time, you are tempted to be so careless, please stop and think of that elderly gentleman stooping to retrieve your discarded junk.

It's your business if your wish to end your life prematurely by filling your lungs with deadly poisons, but your addiction does not entitle you to pollute our highways with non-biodegradable litter. As you can see, my pet peeve is cigarette butts on the ground, and my favorite way to vent my frustration is to write a letter to the editor.

Lois Caulfield
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Gov's budget will hurt hungry Local grad grateful for BC school help

Editor, The Spotlight:

Among the many essential items vetoed by Gov. George Pataki was a \$500,000 increase in funding for local food pantries and soup kitchens. A recent report by the state Health Department found that the number of New Yorkers being fed by these programs has doubled over the last eight years, yet the governor's budget included only \$10.8 million for the Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program — the same amount of funding as in 1990.

Meanwhile, more than 1.4 million low-income New Yorkers turn to emergency food programs each month, with many programs reporting that they do not have enough food to meet the demand.

The governor also vetoed small increases for the Women, Infants and Children program, Meals on

Wheels and congregate programs for senior citizens.

While the governor was vetoing funds for education, health care, environmental protection and legal services for the poor, he signed into law a new round of multi-year tax cuts for large businesses that will create multi-billion dollar budget deficits in future years, leading to more cuts in human service programs once his re-election campaign is over. All this without any level of corporate accountability to taxpayers to ensure that these tax cuts can produce more jobs in our state.

The progress made this year in opening up the budget process has effectively been killed by several strokes of the governor's felt tip ax.

Mark A. Dunlea

Hunger Action Network
executive director

Editor, The Spotlight:

As I marched down the aisle of the Convention Center in 4/4 time to the beat of "The Earle of Oxford's March," and settled into my chair in nervous anticipation of receiving my diploma, my thoughts drifted back to the many very special people who made this dream become a reality. In addition to my loving and supportive family, I have also had the good fortune to work with administrators, teachers and students of two outstanding elementary schools in the Bethlehem school district, Glenmont Elementary School and Slingerlands Elementary School.

My wife Maria has been a true partner during my endeavor to complete graduate school. She has offered me support, encouragement, love and understand-

ing, even when I failed to recognize the need for those things. My three children, Jordan, Andrew and Shelley also deserve a great deal of credit for their support. It is not always easy to share daddy with 20 or more other children as they had to during my student teaching.

Support from the district was extremely important for the completion of the state teacher certification prerequisites. Teresa Snyder, Glenmont School principal, embraced the possibility of helping me complete hours of in-service training requirements. She responded to my request to work in Glenmont School with enthusiasm and commitment to members of the community served by the Glenmont School family.

I was always made to feel welcome by Mrs. Snyder, and the

faculty and staff treated me like an education professional, and not a "Glenmont parent." Special thanks to Nancy Thomas, Elisabeth Voetsch, Kathleen Normile and Beth Murnighan who selflessly opened their classrooms to me, offered invaluable suggestions, participated in lengthy interviews and provided encouragement.

For eight wonderful weeks, I had the pleasure to work in "a very special place" called Slingerlands Elementary School. Principal Dave Murphy and his staff routinely give back to the education community by taking in student teachers. From my very first day, I felt a true sense of community among the faculty, staff and children, and I was made to feel like I belonged. Working with Merelyn Stewart in her first-grade classroom taught me more than any textbook or educational philosopher ever could. Merelyn is a veteran teacher who loves her work as much as the children with whom she shares her knowledge. From being in her classroom and watching her work, I was able to hone my classroom management, time management and organizational skills. An outstanding teacher like Merelyn is dedicated to the all-around education of her students. She is one in a million!

My commencement ceremony is but a memory. I have my diploma case and will actually get my diploma June 9. My certification application is submitted to the state Education Department. I have returned to my full-time job. And because of the support of all those people who made my graduate studies and teaching experience so enriching, I feel prepared to meet the challenges of the classroom and look forward to becoming a classroom teacher.

Lestor Betor
Glenmont

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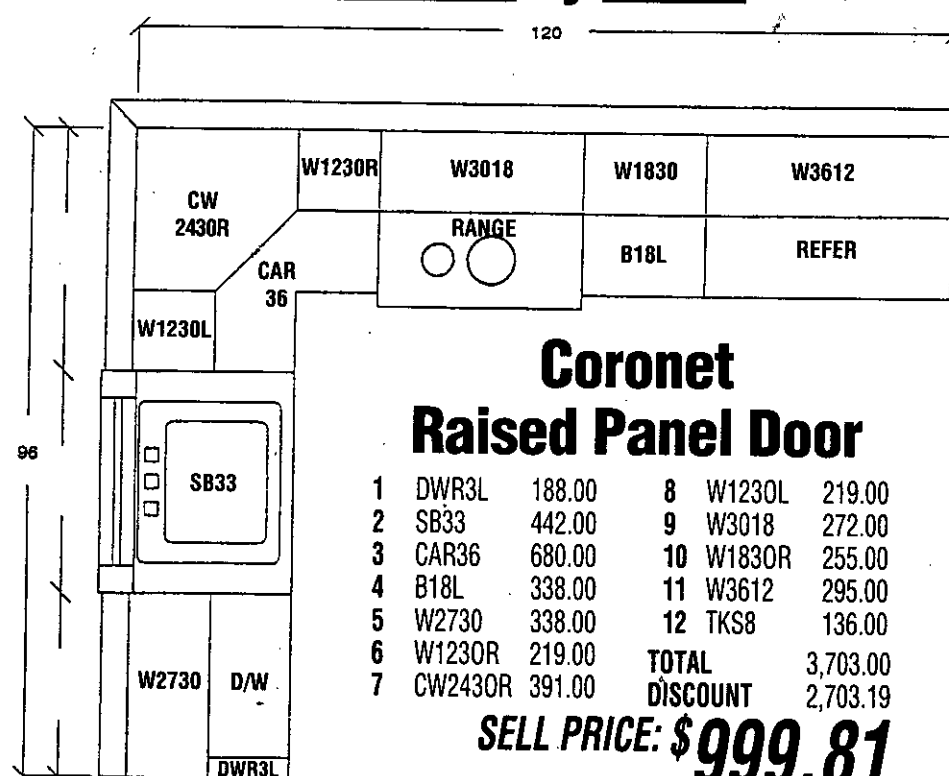
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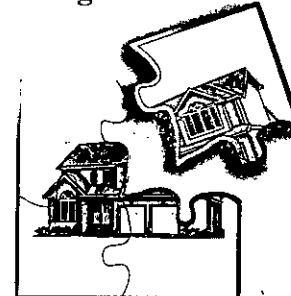
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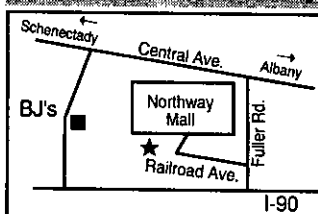
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Rescue personnel show professionalism at best

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Wednesday morning, May 20, as many town residents are aware, a tractor-trailer contacted primary power lines in the parking lot opposite Delaware Plaza. Few residents are aware that after this very dangerous incident, the driver attempted to exit his truck cab — the first reaction of many people.

Bethlehem Police Sgt. Paul Roberts and Kevin Shea, Elsmere assistant fire chief, arrived on the scene and directed the driver to remain in his truck until the power was removed and it was safe to exit the cab.

Parent wants to share potential home danger

Editor, The Spotlight:

Last week an accident occurred in my home that I would like to share with parents everywhere. It was a nice day, and the kids were playing outside with the garage door up and a pickup truck parked inside.

In a matter of seconds, five children ages 5 and 6 ran inside the garage, and before they could be told to come out, one child had climbed into the back of the truck and pulled the emergency release to the automatic garage door opener.

The garage door came flying down on my daughter's leg. We were "lucky" — it was broken, but it was a clean break with no growth plates involved.

She will be in a cast that covers her entire leg for five weeks.

I have been told that the garage door opener is old and the springs are stretched and that's why the door came down so fast. I'm also told that there are no "electric eyes" on the door because of its age, although the emergency release would have disengaged them anyway.

I'm sure that a lot of us have garage door openers just like this, and therefore I feel compelled to

Letters

Bethlehem's police, fire and ambulance personnel are so professional, they taking saving lives as part of the everyday job that they do so well. Congratulations to all for a job well done.

Bob Johnson

Bethlehem town board member

HILL concert was superb

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning.

The wonderful free piano concert, Romantic to Ragtime, performed by Adelina Krivosheva on May 14, was outstanding.

Her musical talent, plus help-

ful and delightful comments, made it a special event.

Our thanks to Fred and Helen Adler for their leadership in making the institute such a success.

B.J. and Wally Lornell

Delmar

GOP pres says thank you

Editor, The Spotlight:

A note of thanks to the volunteers who helped make the Bethlehem Republican Club's highway cleanup on May 16 such a great success.

It's great working with such

caring people for the good of our community.

Thanks to all.

Raymond J. Roohan III

Bethlehem Republican Club president

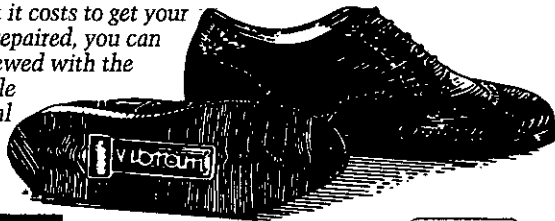
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the budget gaps.

The budget represents a 3.73 percent increase over last year's spending plan, which translates to a reported 36-cent school tax increase per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

Roger Lewis, the district's business administrator, said most of the increase reflected cost-of-living jumps. "It was mostly salaries and benefits," he said. "The line was held on expenditures."

Although the district's largest expense was set off in a separate provision — \$327,000 to buy five school buses, which passed 622 to 413 — the budget did include one expensive item.

"A key issue that was built into the budget was over \$300,000 for micro computers... that will be used in classrooms," Lewis said, adding, "We really didn't have big-ticket items. We built our budget very lean."

Lewis characterized the spending plan as "educationally sound and fiscally responsible."

During the election, three incumbent board members won three-year terms, including president Gerald DeLuca with 762 votes, Mona Selover with 722 votes and Nanette Mayes with 706 votes.

The only candidate who did not win was Joseph Laux, a board member from 1993-96. Laux, who also ran for the board last year and lost, is from New Baltimore.

School district voters also approved a \$134,127 budget for the RCS Community Library by a vote of 589 to 437 and elected two library trustees. Kevin Williams won a five-year term and Marc Hafensteiner won a three-year term.

Student exchange seeks families

American Intercultural Student Exchange is accepting applications from families who would like to host a foreign exchange student for the upcoming school year.

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Center offers program for men

A Center-For-Hope and Alternatives on Wolf Road in Colonie will offer an educational course for men who want to stop controlling, insulting, frightening and hurting their female partner.

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School tax rate increases for Bethlehem and New Scotland are at their lowest in almost 19 years. Bethlehem residents will pay an additional 2.94 percent or 44 cents more per \$1,000 assessed property value. New Scotland residents' tax rate increase is slightly higher at 47 cents more per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

The new budget addresses many concerns of parents and community groups. The district's student/teacher ratio was increased along with the guidance/student ratio. Also, district drama,

technology and library programs received additional funding.

Voters passed the \$506,000 bus proposition, 2,216 to 862. The proposition will add four 66-passenger buses, two 20-passenger buses, one 10-passenger/two-wheelchair bus, a suburban vehicle and a 30-passenger bus to the fleet.

Two incumbents ran unopposed for the school board. Stuart Lyman was elected to his second three-year term with 2,215 votes, and Dennis Stevens was elected to a third term with 2,034 votes.

V'ville

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eight-graders. Distance learning will also let us offer more classes in the fall," McCartney said. Another priority is to hire an architect to plan new construction at the high school.

"We also have to hire a lot of

new teachers," McCartney said, adding that a number of teachers took advantage of the retirement package the district negotiated when it settled the teacher's contract last year. "We're looking to hire six to 10 new teachers." McCartney said the faculty association has proposed appointing teacher mentors to assist the relatively high number of new staff.

McKenna, whose term begins on July 1, said he was pleased that the budget passed. "It seems to be a quiet year," he said. "When there are problems, a large number of people come out to vote. I interpret the small turnout to mean that things are going OK." McKenna, who is known to be interested in the issue of school uniforms, said he intends to spend his first year "just learning."

School board President John Cole said he wasn't surprised at the vote. "It's a good budget," he said. "Depending on the tax assessment, it's possible that there will be no tax increase this year."

Higher state aid numbers helped Voorheesville keep its increase down. Preliminary state aid estimates show the district receiving \$3,989,900, or 29.94 percent of its total revenue, from the state.

Voorheesville Public Library's \$546,500 budget passed by a vote of 399 to 124. Fred Volkwein was re-elected as trustee with 394 votes. This year's budget represents an increase of \$33,250 over last year. The additional funds will allow the library to open on Sundays beginning after Labor Day, install a faster data line to speed up automated services, give the staff a 3 percent raise and hire additional support staff.

St. Peter's Hospital seeks volunteers

The Volunteer Services Department of St. Peter's Hospital on New Scotland Avenue in Albany is seeking volunteers of all ages for a variety of positions.

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All are invited to free concert at high school

The junior-senior high school choral concert is set for Thursday, May 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school.

Julie Watts will direct the singers. Everyone in the community is invited to this free concert.

Fourth-graders to learn about instrumental program

Fourth-graders who would like to play an instrument in the fall, and their parents, are invited to meet with the music faculty on Wednesday, June 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the large gymnasium at the elementary school.

Various band instruments will be described and demonstrated and provisions for renting an instrument will be discussed.

Artisans to hold spring show

Locust Knoll Artisans will hold its 20th spring show and sale from Friday to Sunday, May 29 to 31, at the junction of Route 85A and Picard Road.

The show will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Friday. For information, call 765-2887.

Second-graders to perform

Parents are invited to attend the second-grade's plant sale and song fest on Friday, May 29.

The plant sale will be held from 1 to 1:20 p.m. outside second-grade classrooms. Plants will cost 50 cents each.

The song fest starts at 1:30 p.m. in the large gymnasium at the elementary school.

District to recognize outstanding students

Parents and community members are invited to attend awards ceremonies to honor outstanding students at the junior-senior high school.

Senior high awards will be given on Thursday, June 4, at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The junior high awards program is scheduled for Monday, June 8, at 7:30 a.m. at the high school.

Helderledge Farm sets talk on container gardening

Helderledge Farm is hosting a series of talks followed by walk around the nursery. Programs start at 10 a.m. and last about an hour.

Designing and preparing planted containers and pots will be the topic on Saturday, May 30. Gardeners of all ages are invited to attend this free program.

Voorheesville to hold historic photo day

The Voorheesville centennial committee will sponsor a historic photo reproduction day on Saturday, June 13, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the second floor board room at village hall on Voorheesville Avenue.

Friends of the village are invited to bring in old photos of family members and village residents, places and events so they can be copied on the spot for a centennial publication.

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Don't forget to submit recipes

The deadline to submit recipes for the centennial cookbook is May 31.

Recipes can be dropped off at the library on School Road. Make sure your name is on every recipe you submit.

Voorheesville offers summer sports programs

The village of Voorheesville has announced its summer basketball, soccer and street hockey programs for children.

The basketball program, coached by Don Catellier, will start Thursday, July 2, and be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays until Aug. 6 on the village courts behind village hall.

The program will incorporate skills, drills and games. It is open to students entering grades three through eight. For information, call Catellier at 765-3324.

The soccer program, directed by Mike Guerette, will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 30 to Aug. 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the elementary school soccer fields.

It is geared for students entering grades one to four, but fifth- and sixth-graders are welcome to participate.

The committee is looking for photos from the 1950s and earlier. The copying process will take about 15 minutes.

For information, call village hall at 765-2692.

Senior citizens planning trip to Sag Harbor

New Scotland Senior Citizens are planning a trip to Long Island on Monday, June 8. They will leave from the lower parking lot at First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville at 7 a.m.

The four-day, three-night trip to Sag Harbor and other sites still has a few openings. The cost is \$375 per person. For information, call Lois Crounse at 765-2109.

Dollars for Scholars selling paper caps

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Programs are free to village residents and \$5 for nonresidents. Forms are available at the elementary school office.

St. Matthew's plans basketball camp

St. Matthew's Basketball Camp will be held in two sessions. The first session is for children in grades three to six and runs from July 20 to 24 at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School.

The second session, for seventh-through ninth-graders, is from July 27 to 31 at the Peter Young Center in Altamont. Both sessions run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Brian Fruscio, head varsity

coach at LaSalle Institute in Troy, will direct the camp.

The cost is \$75. For information, call Bob Burns at 765-4299.

Delmar library plans teddy bear picnic

Bethlehem Public Library's 15th annual Teddy Bears' Picnic for children and their families will be held on Monday, June 1, at 10:30 a.m. on the library grounds.

Bring bears, blankets and cookies to share; juice will be provided. To register, call youth services at 439-9314.

Church to conduct blood drive May 30

Helderberg Reformed Church in Gunderland Center will hold a blood drive on Saturday, May 30, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Teddy Bears Picnic to kick off summer events

Ah, June — and the promise of summer to come. The Teddy Bears Picnic ushers in the month on Monday, June 1, at 10:30 a.m.

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Families and their bears are invited to the 15th annual event, which will be held outdoors on the Green (or indoors, if the weather is wet).

As always, guests are asked to bring blankets and cookies; juice will be provided.

Also on June 1, the second Mother-Daughter Book Discussion Group will meet at 7 p.m. to exchange insights on Sharon Creech's *Walk Two Moons*, a marvelous 1995 Newbery Award book selected by group members themselves. Call 439-9314 to find out more about this opportunity for daughters age 11 and up and their mothers to talk about a shared literary experience.

Literary experience for some

means writing as well as reading. Registration begins on June 8 for the seventh annual Children's Writing Workshop, a five-session program that meets on Fridays, from July 10 to Aug. 7. Local authors will be on hand to talk about the steps in the writing process.

Children entering grade-three and up will write, illustrate and bind their own books, which will remain on the library shelves for a year.

Middle school models take the runway on June 2 for the Summer Sizzle Fashion Show at 7 p.m. Families are invited to this presentation of the latest in hot-weather fashions for youth.

Those of us for whom school vacations are a fond memory can learn how better to cope with the workaday world in two programs scheduled tonight, May 27. At 7 p.m., Matthew Staccone, senior business adviser for Albany's

Small Business Development Center, will present the first of two programs about starting and managing a small business.

This offering is part of the library's "Libraries Mean Business" series, made possible through a grant from the state Library by the Upper Hudson Library System. The series complements the library's new Small Business Center, which houses multi-media materials specific to this growing trend.

At 7:30 p.m., environmental educator David Diligent will discuss ways to improve the quality of the air we breathe indoors by reducing domestic pollutants. Diligent is environmental issues agent for Cornell Cooperative Extension. As usual, call 439-9314 to register for all these programs.

Louise Grieco

BCHS class of 1948 schedules reunion

Bethlehem Central High School class of 1948 has scheduled a three-day 50th reunion for July 10 to 12.

Alumni from all over the country are expected to attend. The main event will be a dinner dance at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere on Saturday, July 11, with cocktails at 5:30 and dinner at 6:30 p.m.

A disc jockey will play songs from the '40s and '50s.

Reunion arrivals will gather on Friday, July 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Blanchard American Legion Post on Poplar Drive in Elmsmere to meet and former schoolmates. There will be a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

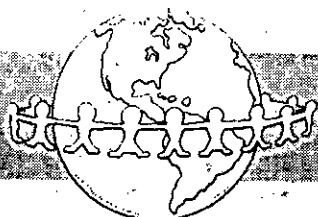
The weekend will conclude with an informal brunch on Sunday, July 12, at 11 a.m. at Elm Avenue Park in Delmar.

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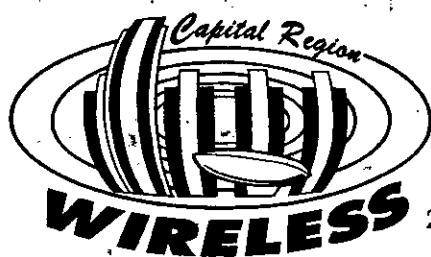


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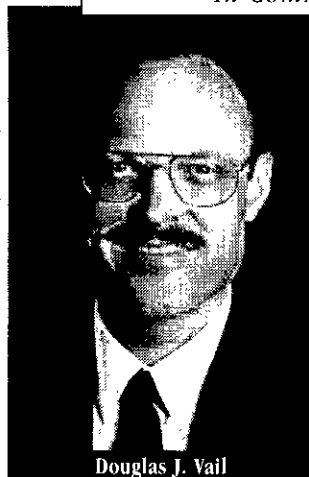
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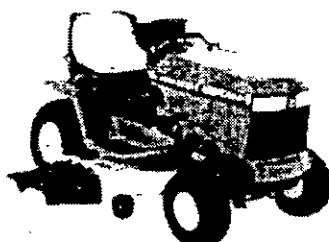
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Business plans, financing and records management are on the agenda. To register for one or both programs, call 439-9314.

Locust Knoll Artisans set spring show

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The show will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Friday. For information, call 765-2887.

Quilters to meet at Delmar church

Quilters United in Learning Together will meet on Friday, June 12, at 9:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

Local girl to participate in leadership forum

Rebecca Lozman of Delmar is scheduled to participate in the 1998 National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine from June 21 to July 1 in Boston, Mass.

Lozman, a member of the class of 2000 at the Academy of the Holy Names, will be among 350 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America who have attained the qualifications required to participate in the forum.

Lozman was selected for outstanding academic achievement and interest in the medical profession.

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The National Youth Leadership Forum is a nonprofit educational organization that sponsors highly specialized, career-oriented programs for outstanding high school students with demonstrated leadership potential. The organization develops and conducts annual forums on medicine, law, and defense, intelligence and diplomacy.

Many students are nominated to participate in these forums by high school teachers and guidance counselors.

Educators, parents and students are encouraged to contact the office of admissions for information at (202) 628-6090 or by e-mail at info@nylf.org. The forum's Web site is located at www.nationalyouth.org.

Take your chance on June

Elegant, romantic overnights at two local bed and breakfasts are featured prizes in the third annual Friends of the Library raffle fundraiser.

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other local businesses, this year's prizes are bigger and better than ever.

"Take a Chance on June" tickets are available at the library for \$3 each or two for \$5. Purchasers are entered in daily drawings for the entire month.

Among the early prizes are \$50 grocery certificates from Super-Valu, wine from Voorheesville Wine & Liquor, a certificate to Video Plus and a cash prize from Key Bank.

American Legion Post 1493 and its auxiliary also contributed cash prizes as well as four tickets to the Post's popular all-you-can-eat Father's Day breakfast on June 21.

Cindy Crouse of Refined Designs donated a beautiful pair of handcrafted gold, pearl and amethyst earrings that will be awarded the first week. Mark Crouse donated services from Import Motor Car Service.

Thanks to Reilly & Son Funeral Home and Ten Eyck Insurance Agency for cash prizes.

Slingerlands businesses Robin's Nest, Our Family's Harvest, Pizza by Dominick, Crafts & Fabrics Beyond the Toll Gate, Falvo's, Mangia and Toll Gate Ice Cream also donated prizes.

Additional prizes will be highlighted and winners listed in this column each week. The complete prize schedule is posted in various village locations.

Tickets will be available throughout the month and can also be obtained from Friends' members.

Thanks to Jim Macklin who took on the job of fund-raising chairman at a critical time this year. Special thanks also to Elizabeth Conniff-Dineen for her extra

hard work on the June fund-raiser and her continuing efforts on the library's behalf.

The book and bake sale was a tremendous success, and all volunteers deserve recognition for their contributions. Thank you all!

Members of Art Expressions, the library's sketch club, are reminded to bring in work to exhibit in the community room gallery. Artwork will be hung at the regular group meeting on June 4. The club doesn't meet in July and August.

Congratulations to Fred Volkwein who was re-elected to the library board of trustees and thanks to the voters who passed the library budget.

Barbara Vink

RCS library has drawing club

RCS Community Library on 15 Mountain Road in Ravena has a drawing club for children ages 9 to 13.

The informal group for kids who like to draw and write meets Thursday afternoons from 3 to 5 p.m.

Museum hosts canoe building class

Richard Butz and John Montague will teach you how to build your own 15 foot one-person plywood canoe in a day and a half during the Adirondack Museum's No-Octane Regatta Weekend at Blue Mountain Lake in Hamilton County on June 20 and 21.

Butz and Montague are author and illustrator of *Building the Six Hour Canoe*.

The canoe has been built by more than 1,000 amateurs participating in school and community programs.

The cost of \$325 includes materials, use of tools and instruction.

Registration is required and participation is limited. For information, call the museum at 352-7311 ext. 130.

Delmar library plans toddler program

Sun and fun are the order of the day in Sum-Sun-Summertime for toddlers on Saturday, June 6, and Monday, June 8, at 10:30 a.m. at Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Stories, songs and a craft are planned. To register, call 439-9314.

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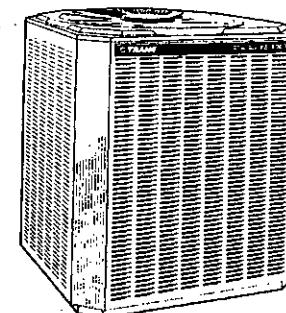
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Sports

Lady Eagles take second in Suburban Council

By Andrew Hartman

The Bethlehem girls lacrosse team finished its regular season in second place in the Suburban Council and is ranked 10th in the state with a record of 11-2.

They will play Niskayuna in the first round of the Sectionals Thursday, May 28.

Guiderland came to town this Tuesday to start off the final week. The Eagles outlasted the Dutch-

Lacrosse

men in a low scoring battle. Bethlehem was paced by Grace Tsan and Grace Ting and Amy Venter, who scored one goal each. Bethlehem won 3-2.

The Lady Eagles played under the lights at the Bethlehem football field against Shenendehowa

Tuesday, May 19. Lindsay Piechnik and Amanda Kelly scored three each, while Suzie Bresnell, Tsan, Ellen Lowery, Rebecca Frank, Lily Corrigan and Katie Noonan each scored one. Kelly Cheeseman held off 14 shots in the 11-9 victory.

Bethlehem finished off the week in another dramatic offensive dis-

ferent story. Any team can beat anybody. We have to step it up, and take advantage of every play and possession."

Battaglino said he was happy to see Corrigan come back after missing eight weeks, and to see her score a big goal in the Shen game. "She's a smart player, and should bring a lot to our team in the play-

The Bethlehem Girls lacrosse team ... is ranked 10th in the state with a record of 11-2.

play against Scotia on Friday, May 22. Tsan lead the Eagles with three goals. Two goals were scored Venter, Piechnik and Heather Axford. Katy Riegel and Anita Singh added one. Despite this, the Eagles still lost, 12-11.

"Going to the Sectionals is a big accomplishment" said coach John Battaglino. "The playoffs are a dif-

ferent story."

Battaglino said Erica St. Lucia will have surgery after the season, and may have a limited role.

"We need to play hard-nosed lacrosse," Battaglino said. "Ground balls are the name of the game. This is the playoffs and we need to get the basics right to be successful."

Track team places 2nd in Class A Sectionals

By Karly Decker

The Bethlehem track and field team competed in the Class A Sectional II meet. They finished second with 82 points, behind Shenendehowa's 117.

The 400-meter relay team, Lee Ansaldo, Kalid Umar, Jared Macarin and Dave Raab, placed first overall running a 43.5 seconds.

Umar had a first-place finish in the triple jump with a 44-10 1/4 jump and finished second in the long jump, jumping 20-7 1/2.

Other second-place finishers include Macarin with a 22.9 time in the 200-meter and Andy MacMillan running in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a 10:25.3 time.

Tim Kavanagh placed third in the 800-meter with a time of 1:59.97. The 3,200-meter relay team, Alex Voetsch, Clark Doody, Kavanagh and MacMillan, which placed fourth overall with 8:23.6.

"It was a great senior year for many of our athletes who have run for a long time," said Kavanagh. "We have set up a dynasty in Bethlehem track that should last for many years."

Raab had the school record and took first in the 100-meter race with a 10.6 time. Ansaldo placed fifth in the race with 11.1.

Kris Darlington placed fourth in the pentathlon which consists of the 110 hurdles, long jump, high jump, shot put, and the 1,500-meter race. His score was 2,714.

The Bethlehem Track team finished the season with a league record of 8-1.

"We met our preseason goals of Gold Division champions, Albany County Champions, and finishing in the top two of both Suburbans and Sectionals," said coach Dave Banas.

"We remained consistent throughout the meet, and I'm pleased to see the boys perform so well," Banas said.

The team will compete in state qualifiers Friday, May 29.

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Bethlehem advances to sectionals

By Andrew Hartman

The Bethlehem baseball team finished its regular season with an 11-7 record, defeating Shenendehowa and Shaker. Bethlehem now advances to sectionals with a third-place seeding.

Burnt Hills started the week at Bethlehem on Monday, May 18. This was a crucial game because Bethlehem was in the middle of a three-way tie for second-place. The Spartans held off the Eagles and won, 6-1.

Coach Jesse Braverman said Burnt Hills pitcher Jeff Stovall shut Bethlehem down with 10 strike outs. He held Bethlehem to three hits. Geoff Hunter hit a triple, while Brian Davies and Aaron Smith both poked singles.

But the Eagles weren't held down for long. They defeated the Plainsmen of Shenendehowa Wednesday, May 20. After the loss on Monday, the Eagles were now in a three-way tie for third-place. This was clearly a must win for Bethlehem. Pat Hughes had a no-hitter through six innings. Shenendehowa threatened to put the game away in the bottom of the sixth, with a walk followed by a double and a single. With the score at 2-0, Hughes regained his poise. In the top of the seventh, Chris Gerber and Greg Bartoletti drew consecutive walks and advanced on a wild pitch. Gerber scored from third on a sacrifice fly

Baseball

from Hunter. Davies was intentionally walked due to a history of slamming home runs out of Clifton Park to win games for Bethlehem. With runners on first and second, and one out, Greg DeMarco

balls. He eventually scored on a wild pitch. The Bison scored their only two runs in the top of the second. It would remain 2-1 until the bottom of the seventh when Smith walked, and after two unsuccessful attempts, Tim Hill successfully advanced Smith with a bunt. Hunter doubled, and Smith scored on the hit. Davies cranked

We achieved our goal for the regular season, and are now able to set new goals.

Jesse Braverman

smoked a line drive on the line for a triple making the score 3-2.

It wasn't quite over as the Plainsmen threatened in the bottom of the seventh when an error left a runner at second. Bartoletti hauled in a line drive and fired the ball to second to catch the runner and end the game.

The Eagles preserved their 3-2 lead and accordingly clinched a sectional berth.

To finish the week, Bethlehem played host to Shaker on Friday, May 22. Matt Tulloch tossed a four hitter, with eight strike outs and no walks. This is the first time all season that a Bethlehem pitcher has gone the distance without giving up a walk.

The Eagles started it off in the first inning when Hunter walked, and then advanced on two ground

the game winning home run. Bethlehem prevailed, 4-2.

"We achieved our goal for the regular season, and are now able to set new goals. We came through on Wednesday with a must win against Shenendehowa. A Shaker loss on that day clinched a sectional berth for us. It was very important for us to win those final games, because in a single elimination tournament, you are jockeying for the best position," said Braverman.

Bethlehem was set to compete in the Schenectady Tournament Tuesday against Burnt Hill. Today, May 27 the winner of that game will face the winner of Ballston Spa vs. Schenectady. Sectionals start on Saturday, and the Eagles will face the Big 10 No. 2 seed, either CBA or Amsterdam.

Helderledge Farm offers garden talks

In May and June Helderledge Farm on Picard Road in Voorheesville will hold a series of talks followed by walks around the nursery.

Garden talks will be offered on Saturdays in May and Sundays in June (with the exception of June 7). They start at 10 a.m. and last about an hour.

The topic on Saturday, May 30, is container gardening.

Gardeners of all ages are invited to attend any or all of these free programs.

Library to host pesticide forum

Bethlehem Pesticide Watch will present a public forum regarding the proposed pesticide use sunset law on Monday, June 8, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Cay McEneny and Dave Blumpkin of Bethlehem Pesticide Watch will talk about the proposed town ordinance. Judi Enck of NYPIRG will speak on pesticide health hazards and Jim Moore of NYCAP will discuss safe alternatives to pesticide.

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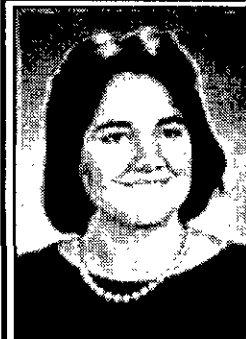
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The cost is \$95 per person, or \$380 per foursome. The price includes the greens fee, lunch, appetizers and steak roast dinner, beer, soda and the opportunity to win prizes.

Tee times are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, so golfers are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible. Players must register by May 29.

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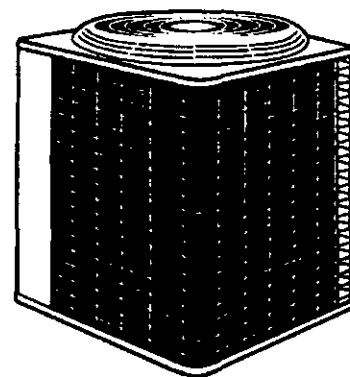
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Summer sports stories, photos wanted

The Spotlight is always looking for stories and photos of local athletes. If you have a story or a photo about a person or team, please submit it to The Spotlight, PO Box 100, Delmar 12054.

Bethlehem defeats Burnt Hills, Niskayuna

By Christine Potter

Bethlehem girls softball team finished its regular season by adding two wins and one loss to their record. They defeated Burnt Hills and Niskayuna, and lost to Columbia.

Bethlehem defeated Niskayuna, 4-0, Wednesday, May 20. Alexis Grant pitched seven scoreless innings and had four strike outs.

Bethlehem had seven hits. Beth Gecewicz, Kim Comtois, Monique Roberts and Beth Clement each had one RBI.

"Niskayuna was a great way for us to conclude a successful season," said Grant. "I'm looking forward to sectionals."

Bethlehem defeated Burnt Hills, 14-0, Tuesday, May 19. Their win over Burnt Hills clinched the division title. Jenna Grant pitched all seven innings and had four strike outs.

Softball

Bethlehem captured their first seven runs in the first inning. Josey Germain, Comtois, Jenna Grant, and Gecewicz had two hits each. Germain had three runs batted in, and Comtois had a double and a triple. Bethlehem had no errors.

"The Burnt Hills game helped us by getting our bats alive, which will help us in sectionals," commented Comtois.

Bethlehem lost a hard fought, eight inning battle with Columbia Monday, May 18. The final score was 4-3 after Columbia scored the winning run in an extra inning.

Both Jenna Grant, who started the game, and Alexis Grant pitched.

Leah Hennessey had a run batted in. Bethlehem had no errors.

Five Rivers offers honeybee program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar will offer a program on the honeybee on Saturday, May 30, at 2 p.m.

The family-oriented program will explore the life and times of the honeybee through games and story.

Families will be able to watch beehive activity as the honeybees search for nectar. Each participant will make a bee candle to take home.

A \$5 materials fee per family will be charged.

Participants should dress for the outdoors. For information, call 475-0291.

NABA seeks walk volunteers

Northeast Association of the Blind is seeking volunteers to participate in the 10th annual Freihofer's Community Walk on Saturday, May 30.

The event is an opportunity for nonprofit organizations to raise funds through walk pledges. Funds raised by walkers will be used to purchase a computer.

The walk begins at 8 a.m., before the Freihofer's Walk for Women. The course is a 2 mile loop up Madison Avenue and around Washington Park.

Prizes will be awarded to walkers who raise the most money.

For registration forms and pledge sheets, call Heidi Alger at 463-1211 ext. 234.

Men's Garden Club sets dinner meeting

The Men's Garden Club of Albany's semiannual ladies' night dinner meeting will be held on Thursday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m. at the Day's Inn on Route 9W in Glenmont.

Professional landscape designer Nancy O'Donnell of Perennial Graphics Garden Service in Schaghticoke will explain how to create a new perennial garden and improve existing growth.

The cost is \$15 per person. For information, call Joseph Herman at 237-8572, Leroy Negus at 765-4867 or Henry Fox at 438-7550.

Bethlehem has Web site

Bethlehem's Web site is now functioning. Important dates, names of town officials and a calendar of town meetings and community events are on the site.

The town's Web address is www.townofbethlehem.org. The town's e-mail address is townhall@townofbethlehem.org.

RCS graduate aboard USS Cole

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Todd Entrott, son of Leroy and Flo Entrott of Selkirk, is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Cole.

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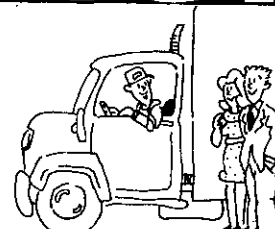


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Bridal



Photographers offer options in product and prices

By Bill Fonda

Wedding day memories last even after the cake is eaten, the tuxedo is returned and the dress is relegated to the back of the closet.

Photos are a primary way of preserving those memories, so Kathy Clapper of The Portrait Place at 1186 Central Ave. recommends selecting photographers who are members of the Professional Photographers Society of New York or the Professional Photographers Association of America.

In fact, she considers choosing the right photographer so important that she has written an article on the subject for couples to consult.

If a couple chooses The Portrait Place for their wedding photos, Clapper said she and her husband Al use a journalistic approach to provide a summary of the whole day, which typically requires 300-400 photos, but can take as many as 1,000.

"We try and photograph a



storybook wedding, with all of the people who were involved in the day and all the activities," she said. "We never limit you on film or anything you want photographed."

The Portrait Place, which opened in 1979, sells packages of 36, 48 or 72 photos starting from \$1,700, but couples can put more photos in their album than



Left, a dramatic angle makes a memorable photo. Above, this tight shot reveals a close moment between bride and groom. Photos by The Portrait Place.

they originally agreed upon.

"Sometimes they find it difficult to select a certain few," Clapper said.

Bob Riccardo of Riccardo Studios at 108 Maple Ave. in Selkirk, who has worked full-time in the business since 1972, takes a slightly different approach. The only thing couples are required to buy is a bride's

album of 18-24 8-by-10 photos.

Other than that, Riccardo only sells photos based on what the couple wants.

"I find in today's weddings, eight out of 10 times there's more than two sets of parents and I found it too hard to set up packages for two, three and four sets of parents," he said.

This method also allows Riccardo to tailor his work to a couple's financial situation.

"If someone is working on a budget, they're not tied into a large amount of money for photography. Let's face it, a lot

of people aren't rich," he said.

In addition to taking pictures, Riccardo and the Clappers use the contacts they have made through their years of experience to recommend florists, disc jockeys and bands.

They also sell invitations, which Riccardo said he started doing because years ago there was no place to buy invitations other than Colonie Center.

For information on The Portrait Place, call 459-9093. To learn more about Riccardo Studios, call 767-9891.

Tips for choosing a photographer

- Ask about style. Do you like journalistic pictures? Or is your style more whimsical, romantic or even classical?
- Ask about starting and finishing times. Choose a photographer who will take as many photos as necessary to cover the event.
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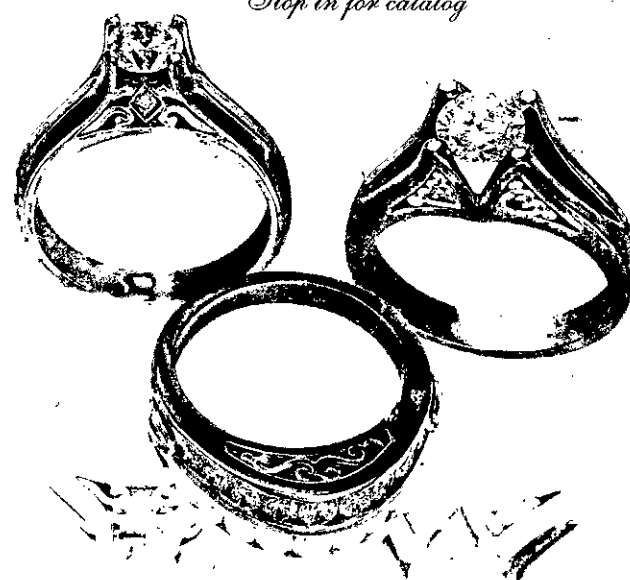
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Gift registries now cover backpacks to birdbaths

By Lisa K. Kelly

Wedding gifts don't have to be china, crystal or silver any more. These days, couples throughout the Capital District are registering for hardware, home decor, furniture, camping gear and clothing.

"The younger generation seems to be getting away from traditional china and crystal," said Sharon Sauter, bridal consultant for Pier 1 Imports on Wolf Road in Albany. They seem to look for more everyday kinds of things."

Sauter said Pier 1 offers a little bit of everything at the right price for the bride and groom to use in decorating their home in a lively and different way.

"People register for furniture, pillows and kitchen wares," Sauter said. "Candles are a really big thing."

Pier 1's bridal registry can be accessed from all of its 750 stores across the nation. "We get a lot of college students planning their wedding," Sauter said. "But their family and friends live elsewhere."

Sauter said Pier 1's bridal registry program will be updated in September. Customers will be able to take an inventory gun around the store and zap the items they want, and the item information will go directly into the computer.

No appointment is necessary to register, but Sauter warns that weekends are busy, so weekdays are better for browsing, making choices and registering.

Better Spaces in Latham also has a bridal registry. Lighting and kitchen and bath department manager Craig Montur said, "just about anything in the store can be registered for."

Montur said Better Spaces is six stores within a store that include lighting, kitchen and bath, flooring, paint, home decorating, and lawn and garden.

"Right now, we're getting a lot of people who are interested in lawn furniture, planters, bird feeders and kitchen items," Montur said.

Better Spaces is not part of a chain and the Latham store is the only one in the country.

Another place to register for non-traditional gifts is Eastern Mountain Sports located in Crossgates Mall. EMS is a national chain of 72 stores known for high quality outdoor gear and clothing. "We focus on all people-powered sports," said store manager Rebecca Cigal, things such as canoeing, hiking, backpacking, camping and kayaking.

EMS's registry service isn't computerized, but they will distribute the couple's list to any of their other stores and update the list as purchases are made.

Assistant manager Billie Jo Alberga said that books, outdoor clothing, travel accessories and cooking equipment are all popular with couples registering at EMS.

"These are the type of items in the safe price range of \$9 to \$140," she said.

Home Depot in Albany is offers a registry service that can be used for weddings, holidays, birthdays, or any other event that you can come up with.

"We'll let people use it for any event," said administrative manager Kim Rasbeck. "But most people don't realize we have it."

Rasbeck said the registry is most popular for Father's Day.

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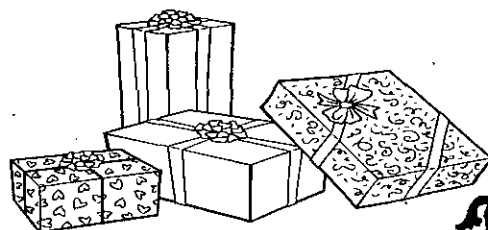
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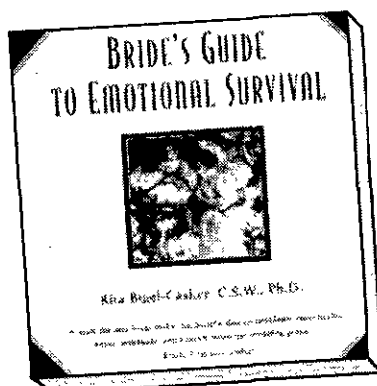
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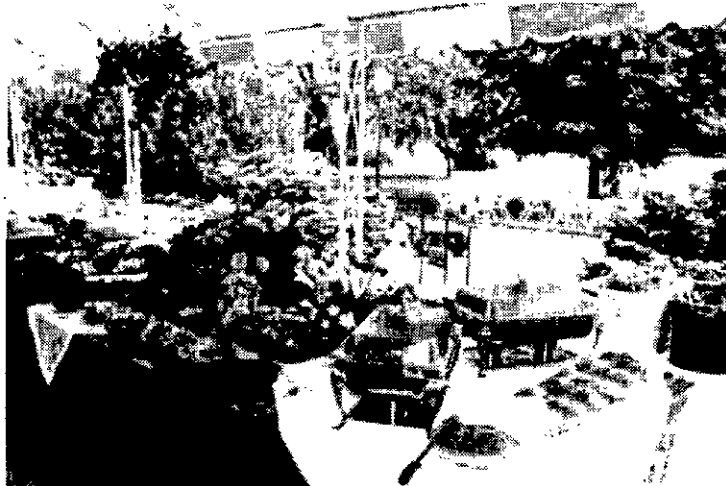
By Kathryn Caggianelli

Couples getting married these days can offer their guests a memorable meal that will be talked about for years to come, if they plan far enough ahead and let their imaginations soar, according to area caterers.

There are few events more significant than a wedding, and the food that accompanies that important day shouldn't be an understatement, said Pat Manning of Manning's Menu in Glenmont. Brides and grooms are limited to what their budget will allow, but if they have a pretty good idea what they want or don't want, they can compromise less and end up with more.

"Some people know that they want a more traditional meal, others want something casual. Depending on your budget you can offer your guests several entrees or narrow the choice to one," said Manning.

Vegetarian meals, though never the main entree, are very popular today, she said. In fact, they're so common-place that Manning can offer specialties like vegetarian stir-fry over rice and tortellini alfredo without missing a beat at the dinner table. Timing is everything, she said. "We can serve everyone's meal at the same time, even if the couple has guests who want a vegetarian dish. There's



A beautiful summer buffet table offering fruits, salads and hot entrees is elegantly presented by Manning's Menu of Glenmont.

nothing worse than watching a whole table of people who have been served, waiting for one person's meal to arrive. We serve everyone at the same time," she said.

Manning and her husband, John, like to be directly involved with each wedding. With the help of several relatives, the Mannings do all the cooking and serving because they want everything to run smoothly,

every time.

John is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America. He's prepared everything from beef Wellington (tenderloin of beef served in puff pastry) with duchess potatoes, stuffed zucchini and crisscross red peppers, to the more requested stuffed chicken breast entree for local feasts. "The sky's the limit. The menu can be diverse and can be done as simply or as

elegantly as you like. What's great about being in this business is meeting so many different people and sharing their biggest day. We really enjoy becoming part of that," said Manning.

Another Manning's Menu affair currently in the works is the upcoming wedding of Michelle Dougherty.

Dougherty is getting married on Aug. 29. She's planned to have an outdoor reception at her parent's home on Whitehall Road in Albany, after a church ceremony. She'll be 32-years-old in June and has been planning her wedding pretty much on her own. Manning's Menu is catering the evening affair for 115 guests. She chose a more casual reception and did so at a cost of about \$18 per person.

"I'm having hors d'oeuvres' at the reception. The menu includes cold cuts, a pasta bar and scallops wrapped in bacon. I'm having beer, wine and soda to drink," she said. The process has been virtually worry-free,



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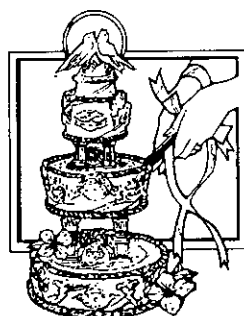
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said Dougherty. "I called the caterer about six months before the wedding, and everything has just fallen into place. I'm pretty much set at this point," she said.

Every wedding is unique, according to Mark Platt, manager of Platt's Place located at 44 Wolf Road in Colonie. Like Manning's Menu, Platt's Place is an off-premise caterer for weddings.

There are hidden costs to think about, Platt said. "When you consider how much it will cost to do a wedding, there are a lot of variables. If a couple wants china and a banquet hall, it will certainly cost more than less-expensive dinnerware and a tent. But most couples don't realize ahead of time how much even a tent rental will run," Platt said.

Couples need to ask themselves some basic questions as they prepare to plan the event. "How are they envisioning their day, not how are their relatives envisioning it. Do they want a traditional sit down or more casual dining?" said Platt. People don't often experiment with newer menu items for something as important as their wedding, but Platt caters more casual weddings than ever before and that trend has brought with it the birth of the so-called station displays.

"These include things like pasta and carving stations, a Viennese table or Italian stir-fry. What's nice about this type of set-up is that both sides of the



Attention to presentation and detail make this Manning's Menu buffet table almost irresistible.

wedding group are able to interact with each other during the meal. It's not a stuffy affair where people can't even talk to one another until after all of the courses are served," he said.

Platt's Place will design the wedding feast of a couple's dreams, he said. The most memorable for him during 28 years of being in business was at Lincoln's Hildene in Manchester, Vermont. "We catered a wedding there for 200 people. It was beautiful, the gardens there in the summer are unbelievable," he said.

Going off-premise allows a certain amount of flexibility, but does not mean a lower price tag, Platt said. "Believe it or not we've done a pig roast for a wedding, too. It's really an individual decision," Platt laughed.

Some caterers provide the wedding cake, and some leave that up to the couple. Often

times the bride-to-be has a favorite baker in mind and most caterers will gladly accommodate this.

There are about 30 ideal weekends each year for weddings, so it's very important to get a jump on planning, said Dale Houghtaling of Houghtaling's Gourmet Catering & Fine Food in Feura Bush. Couples should hire a caterer at least six months ahead of time, but there really is no such thing as planning too early, he said.

We're seeing less of the standard plated affairs," said Houghtaling. That doesn't mean the reception has to be any less elegant, however. "This year we have quite a few pig roasts booked, and believe it or not, one of the nicest weddings we've done had an Irish theme with Guinness Beer on tap, a full bar with two bartenders, two Irish bands and a pig roast," he said. "We plated and served

everything. It was by far one of the more elegant weddings we've done," said Houghtaling.

Houghtaling's wedding feasts have boasted such notables as chateaubriand, a whole roasted tenderloin accompanied with a roasted garlic demiglace or reduction sauce (a light gravy) that takes two-to-four days to prepare, beef Wellington, as well as more traditional requests.

Everything is prepared from scratch and made fresh on the premises, he said. A full-scale menu that includes an appetizer starts at a cost of about \$19 per person.

All-inclusive wedding packages offer certain advantages, too. Imagine only having to worry about the cake, the photographer and the entertainment. That's more than enough for most couples, according to wedding coordinator Steve Schifley of the Albany Marriott in Colonie. He and his team help 40 couples plan their special day each year, and keeping things simple is the key to success.

"We offer complete packages. We send out information that

covers the most asked questions like what color linens they want, is an open bar included, whether they're looking for a sit-down or buffet meal or a cocktail hour," he said.

These packages help couples get the type of wedding they have dreamed about, said Schifley. The price range varies, but \$49 to \$50 per person is not unheard of, he said. Couples can get an idea of what the meal will be like ahead of time with complimentary menu sampling.

"We do a taste panel or a sampling of the menu. The couple gets to try everything they've ordered from appetizer to dessert. This way, they also get to see the meal's presentation and make changes, if needed. And they get to have a relaxing dinner that they probably won't even get a chance to taste on their wedding day," Schifley said.

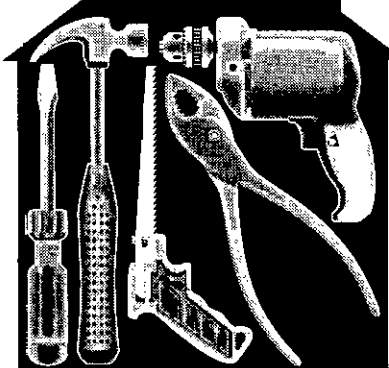
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Renewal of wedding vows celebrates a good thing

By Katherine McCarthy

Your wedding day might be a once-in-a-lifetime occurrence, but some couples recommit themselves to each other during the course of their marriage in a ceremony that renews their vows.

"We have a written ceremony for renewing vows that follows the traditional path," the Rev. Sandy Damhof of Delmar Reformed Church said. "The words are a little different, so that instead of 'taking' each other, a couple confirms their choice of each other. In a world where a lot of divorces end marriages, renewal of vows is a

celebration that something good has happened. A couple might choose to share that moment with friends. It's their way of saying, 'If I had this to do over, I would.'"

That's exactly what Whitney and Kevin Thompson of Glenmont did when they renewed their vows on May 9, just six days before their 10th wedding anniversary. Rev. Damhof performed the ceremony.

"We figured if we made it 10 years, we'd do it again," Whitney said.

Thompson said she and her husband considered writing

their own renewal vows, but used Damhof's ceremony instead. "She talked about how fine furniture increases in value with age, and so has our marriage. We wanted to share it with new friends, and renew our wedding vows. It was short, sweet and beautiful," Thompson said.

Although they had a party like a wedding reception, and went on a honeymoon, the presence of their two sons, ages 5 and 2, made a difference. "The kids were right there with us, in their suits," Thompson said. Another child-related difference was the fact that Thompson didn't wear the same dress she had 10 years ago. "If I wasn't six-months pregnant, I would have worn my wedding dress again," she said.

Thompson said the honeymoon was another important renewal. "We went away for the first time without the kids," she said. "It really enhanced our relationship. When you have children, they come first, and there's not a lot of time for each other. It was great to get back to where everything started. I fell in love all over again."

Jane and Eric Unright of Delmar also renewed their wedding vows at their 10th wedding anniversary, and their children were an important reason why.



Eric and Jane Unright at the ceremony to renew their wedding vows. This year, they will celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary and may consider another renewal ceremony to celebrate their 25th anniversary.

"We did it for each other," Jane Unright said. "Our commitment to each other was stronger, but we also wanted to let our children see how strong that commitment was." The Unrights' two sons, Matthew and Daniel, were 7 and 5 at the time.

The Rev. Jim Hale, who married the couple at Bethlehem Community Church, performed the renewal ceremony at Light of the World

Church in Latham.

"Eric and I walked down the aisle together," Unright said, "and the minister had his own words, and Eric said a piece too. Friends sang, and we had a buffet dinner and a DJ afterwards." The Unrights also made a photograph album of the day.

Unright said it was a unique day, and feels that it made their marriage stronger. The real payoff came when she put her children to bed that night, and her son Matthew told her he would never forget this day as long as he lived.

"If anybody's thinking about doing it, they should," Unright said. "You don't need to spend a lot of money, and it's a really nice thing."

The Rev. Arthur Toole, pastor at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church in Voorheesville, believes that the gist of most renewal ceremonies is the reaffirmation of a couple's commitment to each other, but it may also be "to make up for some past argument," he said jokingly.

"Actually, people usually do it to mark a milestone, like a 25th or 50th wedding anniversary, or maybe out of a sense of nostalgia," he said.

Toole does renewal ceremonies within a Mass or on their own. If it is done within a Mass, the couple renews their vows and the wedding rings are blessed once again.

The Catholic diocese holds a marriage jubilee celebration at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany every October. "The bishop presides and it cel-

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celebrates marriage and helps people reaffirm their marriage vows," Toole said.

Although most couples use a renewal ceremony as a way of celebrating time together, it can also be used to heal. The Rev. Elaine Fogarty, pastor of Loudonville Presbyterian Church, said she had presided over just such a ceremony in a former church.

"I once did a renewal ceremony for a couple who'd gone through a time of separation," Fogarty said. "They wanted to reaffirm their vows, and their children stood up with them. They wrote their own vows, which is unusual, and they were very honest and moving. It was really special."

More typical renewal ceremonies, Fogarty said, draw on the standard form for Christian marriage, the boilerplate for most Christian ceremonies.

"We try to incorporate elements that are the most meaningful in their marriage, and change the words to make it more meaningful for them."

"Generally, it's a time of celebration," Fogarty said, "when people hit big milestones like 15, 35 or 50 years together."

The Working Woman's Wedding Planner helps '90s women perfect wedding details

By Connie L. Johnson

The bride's gown is decorated with pearls, colorful bows hang on the aisles, the five-tiered cake is topped with bells — every detail of a perfect wedding is in place. Since a great deal of planning goes into organizing the "perfect wedding," without help, it can be mind boggling.

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The book also offers helpful hints for brides who have walked down the aisle before. Thirty-four percent of today's weddings involve a bride or groom who has been married before, according to *Bride's* magazine. Financial planners say that many of these couples spend more time worrying about wedding bills than about how to merge their money

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A theme shower affords such couples the opportunity to fine-tune their wish list and have a lot of fun as well. Theme showers are also a smart idea if the couple will be given more than one shower. Having two different themes will help prevent duplicate gifts. Some popular themes:

Lingerie Showers

Lingerie showers are a favorite, perhaps because so many working women rarely allow themselves to indulge in clothes that are "impractical" and unabashedly romantic. Lacy nightgowns, delicate camisoles, silk teddies, sexy bras or a sleek satin robe are sure to make the bride's honeymoon a little sweeter. Other thoughtful gifts might be perfume, bath accessories or jewelry.

Linen Showers

Linen showers are a savvy choice. Here, at last, is your chance to get those 300-thread-count cotton sheets you've lusted after for years. Though you might have a number of linens already, these will eventually wear out. Taking a fresh, brand-new set of towels from the box three years from now will be a real treat. If you decide on a linen shower, you might want to let everyone know your color scheme.

Kitchen Showers

Kitchen showers are an especially good theme for coed parties. Gift ideas are endless, ranging from inexpensive kitchen tools to more costly appliances such as automatic bread makers or food processors.

One fun idea is to have each guest bring a favorite recipe along with one item needed for its preparation: chocolate chip cookies with the cookie sheets, quiche lorraine with a quiche dish. The hostess may provide a recipe box to put the recipes in, or she could put them in a special notebook that will preserve the memories of the day.

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The newlywed's kitchen

(NU)-After you've chosen your china pattern and unwrapped the last piece of stemware, it's time to buy functional items to help you cook every day—not just when company arrives for dinner.

When you're equipping your first kitchen, remember that half the battle of being a good cook is having the proper tools to do the job.

According to those in the know, there are three indispensable tools to outfit your new kitchen: a food processor, cutlery and cookbooks.

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High-quality kitchen cutlery can last a lifetime, but quality also makes knives safer and more comfortable to use.

Choose knives with a metal bolster between the blade and handle to add to weight and balance and to ensure safety. Knives with high-carbon, stain-resistant steel are best, such as Four Star from J. A. Henckels. These knives use an exclusive new process called Sintermetal Component Technology that produces blades that stay sharper longer.

One of the most popular wedding shower gifts is a kitchen basket containing all the essentials. Some people

include cookbooks, spices, aprons, dish towels and cooking utensils decoratively placed inside a sauce pan.

The most popular cookbooks for newlyweds offer tips from professional chefs on making tasty gourmet recipes that are easy to prepare. These books also include menu planning, nutritional information and tips for outfitting your kitchen.

If you're like most newlyweds, you can't afford to equip your kitchen with every small appliance and time-saving gadget. But by choosing a few quality pieces first, you'll have what you need to begin and can add to the basics later.

Videotaping the wedding

Many couples enjoy watching their wedding videotape on their anniversary or sharing it with relatives and friends who were unable to attend. But the most compelling reason to tape your wedding is so that future generations will be able to relive the celebration with you. Imagine if you were able to hear and see your grandparents' wedding day! By videotaping your wedding, you can make sure your own grandchildren will have that chance.

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Work is scheduled for Saturday, June 6, at 8:45 a.m. A picnic provided by area businesses will follow.

Eastern Mountain Sports will sponsor a clinic on backpacking on Tuesday, June 16, at 7 p.m. at Crossgates Mall. For information, call 452-9440.

Tell schools about changes

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District's transportation department reminds parents to inform the district of student pick up and drop off points.

It is important to inform the district because requests to bring children to a baby-sitters' house are not carried over from year to year. Unless alerted otherwise,

students will be scheduled for bus stops near their home.

Parents should call as soon as possible to advise school personnel of sitters from year to year.

Prekindergarten and kindergarten parents are also asked to call the school if there has been a change in baby-sitters since registration.

Selkirk man to give talk

Peter Christoph of Selkirk will speak at the 22nd National Conference of Palatines to America — a German genealogical society.

The group's New York chapter will host the conference in Kingston, Ulster County, from

June 11 to 13.

Christoph will talk about the importance of the Hudson River in early Palatine settlement.

For information, call William McHenry at (607) 748-9592.

Band tunes up for concert

The RCS seventh- and eighth-grade band invites everyone in the community to its spring concert on Thursday, May 27, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Middle school sets orientation

Current fourth-graders and their parents are invited to an orientation on Tuesday, June 2, at the middle school.

The program is part of ongoing efforts to help ease students' transition from elementary to middle school.

Soccer sign ups continue

RCS Youth Soccer Club will continue its registration for fall recreational soccer on Saturday, May 30, from 9 a.m. to noon at the middle school soccer field.

RCS Sports Association to meet

RCS Sports Association will meet on Wednesday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Community members are invited to attend.

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RCS placed second overall in the competition, led by teachers Liz Santa Barbara and Ardyce Elmore

Advocacy workshop set at middle school

The state Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled will sponsor a workshop on challenging educational decisions on Wednesday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the middle school.

This is the final program in a three-part series. For information, call Peggy Hart at 756-2180 or Betty Fargione at 767-3471.

Math team wins gold

RCS seventh-grade math team struck gold in the 18th annual Colonial Council math contest.

Congratulations to team members Matt Bolen, Joey Orsin, Jessica Poetzsch and Mike Smith.

Melissa Andritz, Kate Edler, Stephanie Przyblowica and Aubrey Spaulding are on the eighth-grade team.

Farm Family honors employees

In appreciation of employees with 10 years or more of service to the Farm Family group of insurance companies, President and Chief Executive Officer Phil Weber will take nearly 150 employees to lunch at Albany Country Club on Friday, May 29.

Recycle this newspaper

Toastmasters hold regular debates

Bethlehem Toastmasters and Patroon Toastmasters of Albany recently debated the question: "That We Should Get Tougher on Juvenile Crime?"

Patroon debaters Steve Correi and Tom Neylan for the affirmative, were judged winners of the debate.

Bethlehem debaters for the negative, were Eric Woodard and Bob Ruthman.

Bethlehem Toastmasters meet at Adams Station in Delmar on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. For information, Bob Ruthman at 475-9767.

Hannaford markets to donate goods

High school graduating classes can receive a \$50 gift certificate from Hannaford supermarkets for safe, alcohol and drug-free high school graduation parties.

Gift certificates are limited to one per school and will be issued through June 30.

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Festival offers international treat for all ages

By Kimberly Harvey

Local residents will have an opportunity to revel in the cultural and ethnic heritage of the people of Schenectady and the Capital District at the Festival of Nations on Saturday, May 30, at the Schenectady Museum.

"The Festival of Nations celebrates the heritage of the people of Schenectady and the Capital Region," said Randy Roberts, the Schenectady Museum's assistant director and the event's coordinator.

"We want to give museum visitors an opportunity to learn about their own heritage and that of the Capital Region," he added.

In recognition of the bicentennial of Schenectady's charter, the

Schenectady Museum will honor the Netherlands with a special presentation.

Guests from Nijkerk, Schenectady's sister city in the Netherlands, will join in the festivities.

The consul general of the Netherlands, mayor of Nijkerk and his wife and president of the Nijkerk-Schenectady Council will participate in the event along with Schenectady Mayor Al Jurczynski.

As part of the celebration, the Schenectady Museum will exhibit pottery, clothing, dolls and manuscripts that document the region's Dutch heritage.

Personal effects donated to the museum by Helen Livingston Mynderse, a descendant of early Dutch settlers, will also be featured.



The Festival of Nations logo (above) offers a colorful metaphor for how people can discover more about the world they live in.

They tell the story of some of the area's most prominent early settlers.

After perusing the exhibits, festivalgoers will be able to savor flavors from around the world.

Dishes from Italy, France, Japan, Pakistan, India, Korea, Lithuania, Poland, Scotland, Africa, China, Denmark, Germany, Philippines and the Netherlands will be served.

Numerous entertainers are scheduled to perform, including American Indian musician and storyteller Powhatan Swift Eagle, folk singer Christine Michaels, Morris Poking Brook Dancers, The India School of Music and Dance, Scottish Country Dancers and Dutch Wooden Shoe Dancers.

The celebration will feature a folk stage in addition to the main entertainment stage.

Visitors will be invited to join in dancing, singing and storytelling at the folk stage. "It will be a demonstration and audience participation area," Roberts said.

"Groups appearing on the main stage will have a place to engage the audience and provide them with a more personal look at the craft," he added. "For instance, (people will be shown) the steps that make up traditional dance or the stories that preserve a people's heritage."

The Festival of Nations will be held Saturday, May 30, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Schenectady Museum on Nott Terrace Heights.

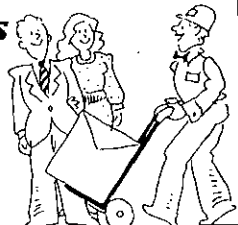
Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. For information call Jennifer Kronau at 382-7890.

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For information, call Lynne Thibdeau at 475-9025 or Kathy Gutman at 439-1857.

Indian Ladder Farms to host Herb Days

Indian Ladder Farms on Altamont Road west of Voorheesville will host Herb Days on June 6 and 7.

Learn how to design and cultivate an herb garden, and decorate, cook and heal with herbs.

An herbal afternoon tea menu will be served in the herb garden. For information, 765-2956.

The celebration needs help the night of graduation from the parents of juniors.

There will be an informational meeting on Tuesday, June 9, at 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

If you cannot attend but want to volunteer, call Linda Russell at 439-6552 or Maryalice Svare at 439-7284.

Extension opens composting garden

The self-tour home composting demonstration garden on the grounds of Cornell Cooperative Extension on Martin Road in Voorheesville is open for the season.

Visitors can learn how to compost food and yard waste at their own convenience and pace.

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Obituaries

Walter Van Wormer

Walter P. "Cookie" Wan Wormer, of Pine Street in Delmar died Friday, May 22, at Community Hospice of Albany County.

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

Mr. Van Wormer was a Pepperidge Farm franchise owner for 22 years.

He was an army veteran of World War II and a member and past commander of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post. He was also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the St. Thomas Bowling League.

He was the widow of Irene Domenico Van Wormer.

Survivors include two sisters, Ursula Beam of Hernando Beach, Fla., and Carol Rooney of Dallas, Texas; and a brother, Richard Van Wormer of Albany.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle Building Fund, 35 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

Antoinette Spinosa

Antoinette V. Spinosa, 73, of Delaware Avenue in Delmar died Friday, May 22, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Cranston, R.I., she was a fashion model in Albany and New York City for 20 years.

She was a member of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard auxiliary and was a volunteer for the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas L. Spinosa; three daughters, Toni Spinosa-Lasley of Napa, Calif., Barbara Fusco of Westchester, Pa., and Rita Fedele of Herkimer; three sons, Thomas V. Spinosa Jr. of Oakland, Calif., David Spinosa of Santa Rosa, Calif., and Gaetano Spinosa of San Diego, Calif.; a brother, Edward Boffi of Warwick Neck, R.I.; a sister, Rita Woyidila of Foster, R.I.; and five grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be today, May 27, at 10 a.m. from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, 35 Adams Place, Delmar.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements are by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad, 145 Adams St., Delmar 12054.

Gloria Jean Davis

Gloria Jean Champlin Davis, 56, died Saturday, May 23, at Good Samaritan senior apartments.

A charter member of Glenmont Community Church, she was a member of its women's guild.

Survivors include her husband, Edward Davis; her mother, Marion Champlin of Delmar; two daughters, Nancy Landrigan and May Mahar, both of Delmar; a sister Carol Ann Tanner of Voorheesville; and four grandchildren.

Services will be today, May 27, at 11 a.m. from Glenmont Community Church.

Arrangements are by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Glenmont Community Church Memorial Fund, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont 12077.

Margaret E. Comes

Margaret E. Comes, 81, of Delmar died Thursday, May 21, at her home.

A longtime resident of Delmar, she was a graduate of Cathedral Academy in Albany.

Mrs. Comes worked for the state Health Department for 10 years before she retired.

She was the widow of Frank J. Comes.

Survivors include two daughters, Margaret Gooding of Fanwood, N.J., and Helen MacAlpine of Hampton Falls, N.H.; two sons, Frank J. Comes Jr. of Maplewood, N.J., and James J. Comes of Stroudsburg, Pa.; three sisters, Marie Hurley, Helen

Shunk and Patricia Carmody; four brothers, Warren Caulfield, Edward Caulfield, Frederick Caulfield and Timothy Caulfield.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle Building Fund, 35 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

J.J. Grubs

J.J. Grubs of Autumn Drive in North Bethlehem died Monday, May 18.

Born in Chicago, he was a banker.

He was a graduate of Columbia University.

He was chief executive officer at Sullivan County Trust Co. — Intercounty Trust Co. for many years. He was instrumental in the merger of 1st National Bank of Port Jervis and Goshen National Bank. In 1966, he was named regional president of the West Hudson Division of County Trust.

He was a member of the state Bankers Association Council of Administration.

He was an Army veteran, serving in the Counter Intelligence Corps in Cairo, Egypt.

Survivors include his wife, Enid Jeannette Clark Grubs; a son, Dr. Adrian W. Grub of Gunderland; and three grandchildren.

Services were from the Tebbutt Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Rock Ridge Cemetery in Monticello with a service there today, May 27, at 2 p.m.

Lillian Harvey Bristol

Lillian Harvey Bristol, 83, of New Salem Road in New Scotland died Thursday, May 21, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Whitehall, she lived in New Scotland since 1979.

Mrs. Bristol was a registered nurse for 32 years at Albany Medical Center Hospital. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Bristol; a son Terence McCarthy of New Scotland; and a brother, Carlton Harvey Jr. of Voorheesville.

Services were from the Reilly & Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Joseph D. Fiato Jr.

Joseph D. Fiato Jr., 67, of Delmar died Thursday, May 21, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, he was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy.

Mr. Fiato was a retired brigadier general with the National Guard. He served as comptroller of the state Division of Military and Naval Affairs. He also worked for Roberts Real Estate. He was a member and past president of Normanside Country Club.

Survivors include his wife, Audrey Paley Fiato; four daughters, Carole Nadler, Patti Brown, Joanne Lezatte and Michele Fox; a son, Thomas Fiato; a sister, Nettie Riley; and seven grandchildren.

Services were from the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home and St. James Church, both in Albany.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Francis J. Downs

Francis J. Downs, 80, of Quincy Court in Glenmont died Tuesday, May 19, at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Binghamton, he was a graduate of St. Mary's College.

Mr. Downs served in the Coast Guard and the Merchant Marines during World War II.

He was a sales representative and regional manager for Hollymatic Co. of Illinois. He also worked for Roberts Real Estate until he retired.

He was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, a member of the Bethlehem Lions Club and the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post in Delmar.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Gilroy Downs; two sons, James F. Downs of Cohoes and Dr. John C. Downs of Baltimore, Md.; four daughters, Anita Dunn of Saratoga Springs, Elizabeth Lohmann of Alexandria, Va., and Mary Ellen Kuta and Joanne O'Brien, both of Delmar; two sisters, Barbara Downs of Endwell and Marie Duffy of Chittenango; a brother, Dr. Joseph Downs of Syracuse; and 10 grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Lions Club, PO Box 141, Delmar 12054 or Church of St. Thomas the Apostle Building Fund, 35 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

Mary E. Lindsey

Mary E. Lindsey, 94, of Kilmer Court in Delmar died Tuesday, May 19, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home.

Born in Kingston, she was a graduate of the former New York State Teachers College.

Mrs. Lindsey was a librarian at the state Library in Albany for 32 years before she retired. She was a member of Delmar Reformed Church.

She was the widow of Joseph B. Lindsey.

Survivors include a niece, Rosalind Kingsbury of Wayland, Mass.

Services were at Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home.

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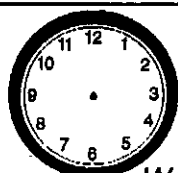
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Library

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Healthcare, the developer seeking to build an assistive-living facility next to the library.

CMI offered to let the library build parking spaces on CMI's lot if the \$250,000 project was defeated. The Moores, who also oppose CMI's proposal, said they preferred putting parking spaces on CMI's lot over putting them closer to Borthwick Avenue.

"I really don't know what the next step with the CMI process will be," Pieri said. CMI, which won recent victories at the planning board and zoning board of appeals, is still months away from a final vote about whether it can build its facility in Delmar.

One criticism several residents lobbed at library officials concerned the procedure used to prepare and present the proposal. "I just don't think the plan is that well thought out," Carson Road resident Bob Bellafiore said earlier this month. "(Library officials) haven't looked at viable or less expensive options."

Reed said she and other board members have considered other options. "There are other ways to approach the parking problem," she said, "and we will continue to look at them."

"Reconfiguration of the existing lot would give us some more spaces," Reed said, explaining that removing the berm that separates

the two sections of the lot would create two more rows of spaces. "Reducing the green space has always been a possibility, but it's not the best one," she said.

Anne Moore admitted she initially attacked the project because of her close proximity to the library. "Certainly, there is an increased level of concern when you're right next to a project," she said. "But because it so greatly affected (the neighborhood), we did a lot of research that went beyond the scope of just neighbors reacting."

"Everybody was going to pay for this one way or another," Anne Moore added, "whether it was through a tax increase or a property devaluation."

Food stamp rep to visit town hall

Bethlehem Senior Services, the food pantry and Albany County Social Services Department sponsor a Nutrition Assistance Program for residents of any age living in our area.

A representative from the Food Stamp Division will be at Bethlehem town hall the first Monday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon to assist individuals with applications or recertifications.

Appointments can be made for private 45 minute conferences by calling 439-4955 ext. 173.

Extension plans family fun day

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County will sponsor an afternoon of free food, fun and activities on Saturday, May 30, from noon to 4 p.m. at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 160 Central Ave. in Albany.

There will be children's activities, food demonstrations, parenting information, tips for saving money and quick meal plan and snack ideas.

For information, call 463-4267.

Delmar library sets summer fashion show

Bethlehem Public Library will hold a Summer Sizzle fashion show on Tuesday, June 2, at 7 p.m.

Young people in grades six to eight will walk the runway in the latest hot weather fashions.

Anyone who wants to attend, including families and friends of the models, must register by calling 439-9314.

Fire auxiliary elects officers

Coeymans Hollow Volunteer Fire Company's auxiliary recently elected officers for 1998-99.

They are: Peggy Jones, president; Georgiana Jones, vice president; Barbara Hotaling, secretary; Tina Hotaling, treasurer; and Marissa Tutay, sergeant-at-arms.

CMI

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or against rezoning.

"I believe a great deal of (the site plan review) has already been accomplished," Fuller said. During several months of hearings before the planning board, CMI representatives downsized their project to allay residents' concerns about a large building next to Bethlehem Public Library.

Fuller said that although public opinion was split when CMI first introduced its proposal, she's hearing "very supportive" comments from residents. She said seniors frequently ask her when a final decision about CMI will be made.

A Massachusetts-based developer, CMI Senior Housing & Healthcare wants to build a 94-unit assistive-living facility that would cost about \$10 million.

During the zoning board's May 20 hearing, board members agreed that CMI representatives and planning board members had sufficiently explored parking issues surrounding the proposed facility.

Commenting on paperwork CMI executives submitted to justify their request for 47 spaces, Marcia Lewis said, "Their figures have been derived from years of experience in the (senior housing) business. I'm loathe to start tinkering with that."

"CMI has left itself with the ability to get more spaces (if needed)," she added. "My thought is to give them what they asked for."

The extra spaces to which Lewis referred have been a point of contention in past weeks. On the CMI site plan, a green area behind the building is reserved for the construction of 25 to 32 additional spaces if traffic at the facility is heavier than expected.

In an early version of the proposal, the same green area was offered to the library for parking. Since then, a proposition to build new parking spaces elsewhere was defeated by voters. This puts library officials in a position to take up CMI on its original offer.

The problem is, the zoning board decided on May 20 to put a condition into its resolution requiring that the unused parking area remain green for about five years in case it's needed by CMI.

"I still question whether (47 spaces) is adequate for 15 staff people and a maximum of 109 residents," board member Marjorie O'Brien said, referring to statistics from CMI and planning board documents regarding the facility's potential peak occupancy.

Robert Wiggand said he didn't want to ask for more spaces than were necessary. "We don't want to cover any more land with blacktop than we have to," he said. Wiggand complimented CMI's site plan, saying, "I like that they located their drive area where a lot of greenery can be put around it."

Building Inspector John Flanigan told the board that other senior homes in Bethlehem give precedents for CMI's claim that most parking spaces at senior homes are unused. Residents of these facilities, he said, usually don't drive.

Flanigan said when the Beverwyck senior housing facility was approved, a condition about future parking was included. "We found that we haven't needed (more spaces)," he said.

The planning board will vote on whether to recommend rezoning at its June 2 meeting, which could advance the proposal to the town board on June 10, at which time a public hearing could be scheduled.

Delmar orchestra seeks musicians

Delmar Community Orchestra is seeking string, French horn and tuba players to perform show tunes, pops and classics.

There are no auditions. Rehearsals are held at Bethlehem town hall auditorium on Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call Dick Connolly at 482-1100.

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Births

St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Isabelle G. Karlik, to Katherine and Greg Karlik of Slingerlands, May 5.

Girl, Ashley Brianna Brisee, to Marion and Kay Brisee of Selkirk, May 10.

Girl, Melissa Marie Stuart, to Carol and Mark Stuart of Niskayuna, May 12.

Boy, Collin Wesley Fink, to Dale and Raymond Fink of Delmar, May 14.

Triplets, girl, Kaitlyn Benen Garger, and boys, Christopher John Garger and Kyle Stephen Garger, to Kelli and Stephen Garger of Halfmoon, May 14.

Boy, Jeremiah Peter Burke, to Regina and Thomas Burke of Delmar, May 16.

Albany Medical Center

Girl, Maridith Patricia Alimena, to Luann Conera-Alimena and Barry Alimena of Glenmont, April 3.

Girl, Taylor Emily Schaap, to Kristen and Steven Schaap of Voorheesville, April 5.

Boy, Nathaniel Edward Brands, to Ann and Raymond Brands of Glenmont, April 7.

Girl, Sydney Ann Klugman, to Amy and Michael Klugman of Delmar, April 7.

Girl, Hannah Louise Thien, to Lisa and Theodore Thien of Delmar, April 8.

Boy, Vincent Michael Raiti, to Ann and Michael Raiti of Voorheesville, April 8.

Boy, Tyler Paul Doran, to Kathleen White and Jeffrey Doran of Delmar, April 18.

Class of '98

Maine College of Art — Amy Shafer of Feura Bush (bachelor of fine arts in printmaking).

Pace University School of Law — Dyan Barile of Feura Bush (juris doctor, cum laude).

SUNY Purchase — Sharin Duffy of Glenmont (bachelor's degree).

Local man reports for duty

Navy Airman Apprentice David Rose, son of Anna Parker of Selkirk, recently reported for duty at Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego.



Joseph Clarizio and Dianne Kissling

Kissling, Clarizio to wed

Dianne H. Kissling, daughter of John and Sally Kissling of Delmar, and Joseph Luke Clarizio, son of Luke and Dolores Clarizio of Lyndhurst, N.J., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Nashua Senior High School, Nashua, N.H., and Rittner's School of Floral Design in Boston.

She is a receptionist at Otto Oldsmobile, Cadillac & Isuzu in Colonie.

The future groom is a graduate of Rutgers State University of New Jersey.

He is a job site superintendent for Sciam Construction Co. in New York City.

The couple plans a Sept. 5 wedding.

St. Thomas students win prizes

Nicole Comi of St. Thomas School in Delmar recently won first prize and a \$300 savings bond in the Knights of Columbus patriotic essay contest.

Michael Nuttall, also of St. Thomas School, won third place and a \$100 savings bond.

The program was held in honor of Congressional Medal of Honor recipient and former state sen. Peter Dalessandro, who died last year.

The contest was open to Capital District eighth-graders who wrote essays on the topic, "One Nation Under God."

County Executive Mike Breslin, state Sen. Neil Breslin and Assemblyman John McEneny presented the awards.

Mail weddings, engagements

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

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

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Jessica Bennett and Eric Wilkinson

Bennett, Wilkinson engaged

Jessica Anne Bennett, daughter of Dr. David and Audrey Egger of Princeton, N.J., and Arthur and Kay Bennett of New York City, and Eric Richard Wilkinson, son of John Smolinsky and Ellen Prakken of Delmar and Richard and Susan Wilkinson of Burnt Hills, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Barnard College and has a master's degree from Yale University's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

She is director of the wetlands program at the Environmental Law Institute in Washington, D.C.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, the University of Michigan and Vermont Law School.

He is an environmental protection specialist at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C.

The couple plans an October wedding.

RCS grad receives prize

Jessica Sengenberger of Feura Bush, a member of the class of 2000 at Union College, recently received the college's Lee and William Wrubel Memorial Prize.

The prize is given to a senior preparing for dentistry or medicine, and is based on both academic achievement and character.

Sengenberger is a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School.

BCHS graduate wins award

Michael Breslin of Delmar recently received the resident assistant service award at Union College's.

The award is given for outstanding service in the development of the residential community at Union.

Breslin is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.



Church to host Harlequin Players

Harlequin Players will perform Pat Cook's play "Much Ado About Murder" on Friday, May 29, at 8 p.m., Saturday, May 30, at 6 p.m. (dinner theater) and Sunday, May 31, at 2 p.m. at Slingerlands United Methodist Church on New Scotland Road.

Tickets are \$12 for the dinner theater and \$6 for other performances. For dinner theater reservations, call 439-1766. For other performances, call 478-1147 or 346-1147.

'Greatest show on earth' hits Pepsi arena

By Katherine McCarthy

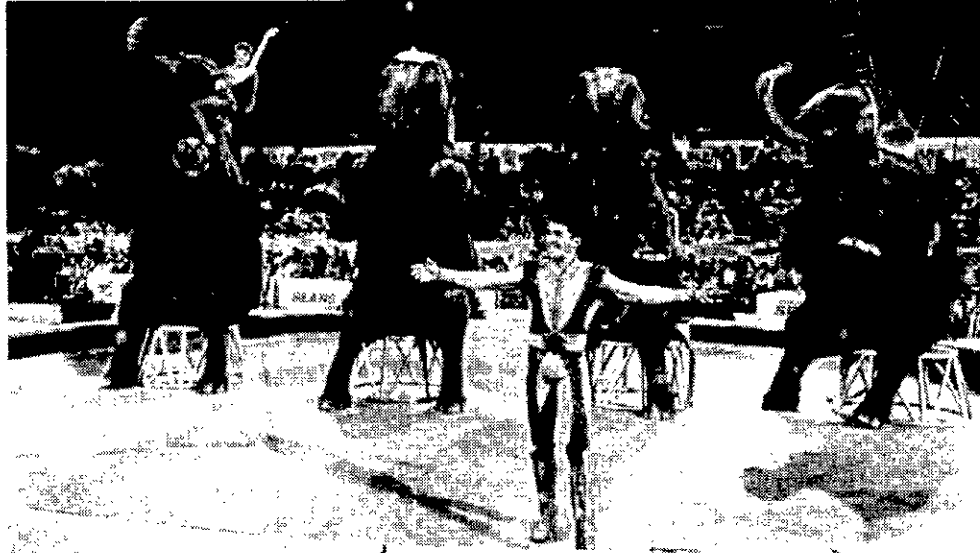
For the next four days, the Pepsi Arena will be a place to let your imagination soar as you watch acrobats tumble in the air, a strong man pull a 4-ton elephant with his jaw and Vesuvius, the Human Volcano, breathe fire into the air.

Yes, it's circus time again, as Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus sets up its hippodrome at Albany's Pepsi Arena from May 28 to 31.

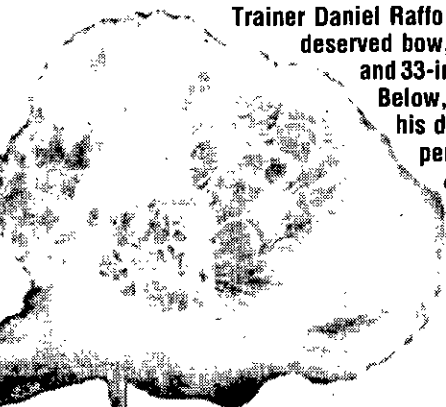
This year, the greatest show on earth will include the long and the short of it, with Hungarian born Michu, who, at 33 inches tall, is shorter than P.T. Barnum's Tom Thumb, and Khan, who tops out at 8 feet tall and weighs 380 pounds, which easily earns him the title of the world's tallest man.

Producer Kenneth Feld is the person responsible for each year's varied and exciting show. "Our challenge is to raise the bar for each new edition, surpassing the year before," he said. Feld has turned the circus into an international assortment of talented performers. In addition to Michu and the Pakistan native Khan, there are other performers from around the world who perform strange and wonderful feats.

For instance: Marina, the Russian performer-gymnast, who can squish herself into a 14-inch cube; Mysticlese, the Romanian Master of the Mind, whose Tibetan study lets him



Trainer Daniel Raffo and his ponderous pachyderm co-stars take a well-deserved bow, while Eight-foot-tall Khan, the world's tallest man, and 33-inch Michu, the smallest man on earth, greet the crowd. Below, Vesuvius, the human volcano, heats up the arena with his dazzling pyrotechnics. These and many other exciting performers will highlight the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus coming to the Pepsi Arena May 28 to 31.



walk barefoot across a sea of broken glass, or ascend stairways of swords, painlessly; and Tong, the Prince of Pythons from Vietnam, who intertwines himself with fully grown snakes averaging 18 feet in length and weighing more than 150 pounds.

For those who like their action in the air, the circus is the place to be. Moscow State Circus

star performers Alexander Pavlov and Tatiana Pavlova get a boost from Khan in their acrobatic act. Queen of the Clouds Ekaterina "Katya" Odintsova turned her world class diving skills into an aerial solo ballet for the circus.

Circus air shows are frequently family acts, and the Ayala sisters are an example of that. No bad hair days for these girls, as they perform their spinning, juggling and acrobatics high above the arena — suspended only by their hair.

Another Ayala, Rene, joins the fifth generation of the Quiros family of Madrid, Spain, for the infamous dance with death on a 5/8-inch steel cable torqued to more than 6000 pounds.

For those who like their entertainment closer to the ground, there are the Rhythmic Gymnasts, Bulgarian Silver Medal

own "Dream Team."

Of course, there are clowns, and the famous Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey elephants, Asian elephants cared for at the circus Center for Elephant Conservation.

No circus is complete without a big voice to pull it all together, and it's ringmaster Jim Ragona who provides the tone, pacing and direction to the whole show. Ragona is one of only 29 members (in 128 years) of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Ringmaster Club. Before show time, Ragona works as the show's performance director.

If you arrive an hour before show time, you can meet the performers

and get a closer look at the animals of the 128th edition of the circus. Show times are at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 5 p.m. on Sunday. There are also 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. shows on Saturday, and a 1 p.m. show on Sunday. Ticket prices start at \$12.50, and can be ordered by calling 476-1000.

SPOTLIGHT ON Family Entertainment CALENDAR • ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Local actress returns to present *Pretty Fire* for Capital Rep

Charlayne Woodard who left Albany almost 20 years ago to pursue a theater career, returns this week to present her one-woman show, *Pretty Fire*, at the The Egg sponsored by Capital Repertory Company.

The show opens tonight (May 7) and closes June 7. With an award-winning career in films, Broadway stage and television, Woodard is making her first appearance in Albany since she left in the mid-70s to seek a theater career.

A well-respected young actress when attending Albany High, Woodard has now turned to playwriting in this one-woman show which details her growing up in Albany's Arbor Hill.

Information and reservations are available at 462-4531.

Tintypes ends Schenectady Civic season on high note

In a rare musical production, the Schenectady Civic Players closed its 70th season with a sprightly, fun-filled presentation of *Tintypes*. This musical compilation of songs and comedy routines of the turn-of-the-century was enhanced by clever staging by Duncan Morrison and Lloyd K. Waiwaiole and a quintet of fine performers who captured the whimsical tone and the occasional drama with alacrity.

Matthew G. Moross and Shawn Cahill played the male roles with an excellent concept of the comic vignettes and offered singing moments which captured the historical impact of the show.

Michelle Adams, Joanne Mensching and Judi Merriam supplied a variety of women's portrayals ranging from outright comedy (Merriam on roller skates) to striking drama ("No-



Martin P. Kelly

SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

body" sung by Adams). Mensching's singing of operetta gave a peek at a charming musical era.

This small musical is typical of what can be done by this theater but the difficulty is the expense (\$7,000 for royalties) of presenting such a show at a small theater. Yet, a musical's inclusion does round out a season.

Next season—the theater's 71st—will not have a musical but it is a well-rounded program. Opening with Brian Friel's latest, *Dancing at Lughnasa* (Oct. 16-25), the season continues with *The Nerd* (Dec. 4-13); *Laura* (Jan. 29-Feb. 7); *Lettice & Lovage* (Mar. 19-28); and Neil Simon's *Broadway Bound* (May 7-16).

Information on this schedule is available at 382-2081

Holbrook presents one-man show, *Mark Twain Tonight* at Proctor's

For the past 40 years, Hal Holbrook has toured the country as Mark Twain while also pursuing a very successful movie, stage and television career. He appears Friday, May 29, at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady for one performance of *Mark Twain Tonight* at 8 p.m.

Developed while still in college, the one-man show is actually about 10 hours of material on the famed 19th century author which Holbrook hones to two hours for each performance. Successive performances of the show can be different because of this ability of the actor to select material from his reservoir of Twain's stories and anecdotes of his life.

When he appeared at Proctor's in the role in 1979, Holbrook

was so taken by the theater that he donated money to purchase 23 seats as part of the refurbishing of the Schenectady theater. Tickets and information are available at 346-6204.

New play by local author given premiere by Theatre Voices

Victor L. Cahn, a local actor and assistant professor at Skidmore College, will have his new play, *Embraceable Me*, premiered by Theatre Voices this weekend.

The Albany theater troupe which normally gives readings of classical and American plays of past decades at the Albany Center Galleries, is introducing a new concept of testing new plays with Cahn's work.

The two-person show, featuring Sue Caputo and Bill Ziskin, examines a romantic relationship over a 20-year period. It will be directed by Eleanor Koblenz, artistic director and co-founder of Theatre Voices.

Admission is free for the four performances, Fri., May 29 at 8 p.m.; Sat., May 30 at 3:30 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., May 31 at 3 p.m.

Mac-Haydn opens summer season with latest of *Nunsense* shows

Nunsense Jamboree, the latest of the *Nunsense* shows about nuns trying to raise funds for their church, opens the Mac-Haydn's 30th season Sat., May 30.

The show which runs for two weeks, is actually named *Sister Amnesia's Country Western Nunsense Jamboree*, features one of the most delightful of the characters in the original *Nunsense*.

Reservations are available at 392-9292.

Around Theaters!

Spirit of the Dance, the latest of the Irish dancing companies to tour, at the Palace Theatre Sat., May 31. (465-4663) — *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales*, a new play for children at the NYS Theatre Institute June 2-10 at Russell Sage College (274-3256).

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

CAPITAL REP
Extending "A Little Night Music" through May 31, 111 North Pearl Street, Albany.
"Pretty Fire" playing May 27 to June 7, Empire Center at The Egg. Information, 462-4531 ext. 220.

THEATER VOICES
Staged reading of "Embraceable Me," Friday, May 29 at 8 p.m., and Saturday, May 30 at 3:30 p.m. Albany Center Galleries. Information, 439-6404.

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES
"Meet Me at the Movies," Saturday, May 30 at 7:30 p.m. Genet Middle School, Route 4, East Greenbush. Information, 370-5434.

MUSIC

JAZZ ON JAY
June 3, John Hines Quintet, June 10, Time Cookley Trio, Jay Street in Schenectady.

CHORAL CONCERT AT WESTMINSTER CHURCH
Sunday, May 31 at 4 p.m. 262 State Street, Albany. Information, 436-8544.

EMPIRE STATE YOUTH ORCHESTRA
Final concert of the season, performing with the Empire State Youth Percussion Ensemble, Selji Ozawa Hall, Tanglewood, Lenox, MA, Sunday, June 7 at 4 p.m. Information, 382-7581.

CHORAL MUSIC
the choir of Westminster Presbyterian Church, "Music of the Spirit," featuring sacred works for organ and voices by Arvo Part, John Tavener, and Henryk Gorecki, 262 State Street, Albany, 4 p.m., Sunday, May 31. Information, 436-8544.

THE FURTHER FESTIVAL
featuring The Other Ones, Rusted Root, Hot Tuna, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, Saturday, July 4, 6:30 p.m. Cost, \$32.50; \$25 lawn. Information, 584-9330.

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES
"Meet Me at the Movies," featuring award-winning songs, popular hits used in motion pictures from the 1930's to the present, music by Gershwin, Porter, Kern, Berlin, Williams, and Menken, Genet Middle School, Route 4, East Greenbush, 7:30 p.m. Information, 370-5434.

DANCE AND ART JAM
presented by the Center for Body/Mind Awareness and Casey Bernstein, Kumba Dance and Drum Company, group mural art in oil pastels by Geoffrey Scott-Alexander, 4 Central Ave., Albany, 8 to 11 p.m., Saturday, June 13. Cost, \$5. Information, 463-5145.

FIDDLERS THREE
an evening of fiddling with Allan Block, George Wilson, and thirteen year old fiddling sensation Brendan Carey Block, Spencertown Academy, 790 Route 203, Spencertown, Friday, June 5, 8 p.m. Information, 392-6521.

LILITH FAIR
featuring Sarah McLachlan, Natalie Merchant, Bonnie Raitt, Lauryn Hill, Tracy Bonham, Heather Nova, Beth Orton, Imani Coppola, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, July 12, 4:30 p.m. Information, 584-9330.

KIDS' ARTS FESTIVAL
Schenectady's fourth annual festival, will feature international performers, hands-on activities, Alex Torres and the Latin Kings, Dutch folk music and dance direct from the Netherlands, outside Schenectady's City Hall, Schenectady, Saturday, June 6, noon through 4 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS
invitation for new members to join in singing classical and popular songs, Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 477-4454.

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

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

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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.

VISUAL ARTS

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM
24th Annual Festival of Nations, \$3 adults, \$1 children, May 30, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information, 382-7890.

GREENE COUNTY ARTS AND CRAFTS GUILD, INC.
June 1 to 28 in the community room of the Greenville Public Library. Opening reception on June 7 from 3 to 5 p.m. Information, 797-3466.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY & ART
Cover to Cover, books by 10 artists, through May 31; Camille Pissarro in the Caribbean, 1850-1855, through June 28; 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM
Bugs of New York, through Aug. 31; Inside/Out, Outside/In, Community Views From the

AROUND the AREA

WEDNESDAY
MAY 27

ALBANY COUNTY

CAREER PLACEMENT PROGRAM
The Northeast New York Alliance of Business, Inc., 230 Central Ave., Albany, through May 29. Information, 447-5961.

CLUB 55+ PROGRAM
workshop for the unemployed or those having a difficult time finding employment, Alliance of Business, Inc., 230 Central Ave., Albany, through May 28, 9 a.m. to noon. Information, 447-5974.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SUPPORT GROUP
Women's Health Care Plus, Guilfordland, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 352-3456.

WELLSPRING RETIREMENT RESIDENCE CELEBRATE RENOVATIONS
Senior Quarters, 140 Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Information, 869-0211.

INFERTILITY
Samaritan Hospital community education room, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 271-3347.

OSTEOPOROSIS
Albany Memorial Hospital Slingerland auditorium, 9:30 a.m. Information, 447-3524.

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

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

LECTURE SERIES ON ANTIQUING
Coxsackie Antique Center, corner of Rt 9w and Rt 81, West Coxsackie, 7 p.m. Information, 731-8888.

SARATOGA COUNTY

FRIENDRAISING BENEFIT
Reading Room, corners of Nelson and Union Ave., Saratoga, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY
MAY 28

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

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.

SARATOGA COUNTY

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

INTRODUCTION TO HOMOEOPATHY
Craven Book and Awareness Works, 441 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, 7 to 8:15 p.m. Information, 583-0025.

FRIDAY
MAY 29

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

SATURDAY
MAY 30

ALBANY COUNTY

FREIHOFFER'S COMMUNITY WALK
seeking volunteers to participate, 2 mile run from Madison Ave. through Washington Park. Information, 462-5528.

THE HEALING JOURNEY
A retreat for people with chronic illnesses, the Consultation Center, 790 Lancaster Street, Albany, 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Information, 489-4431.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

NY QUILTS
Russell Sage College Campus, Troy, through May 31, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Information, 455-5240.

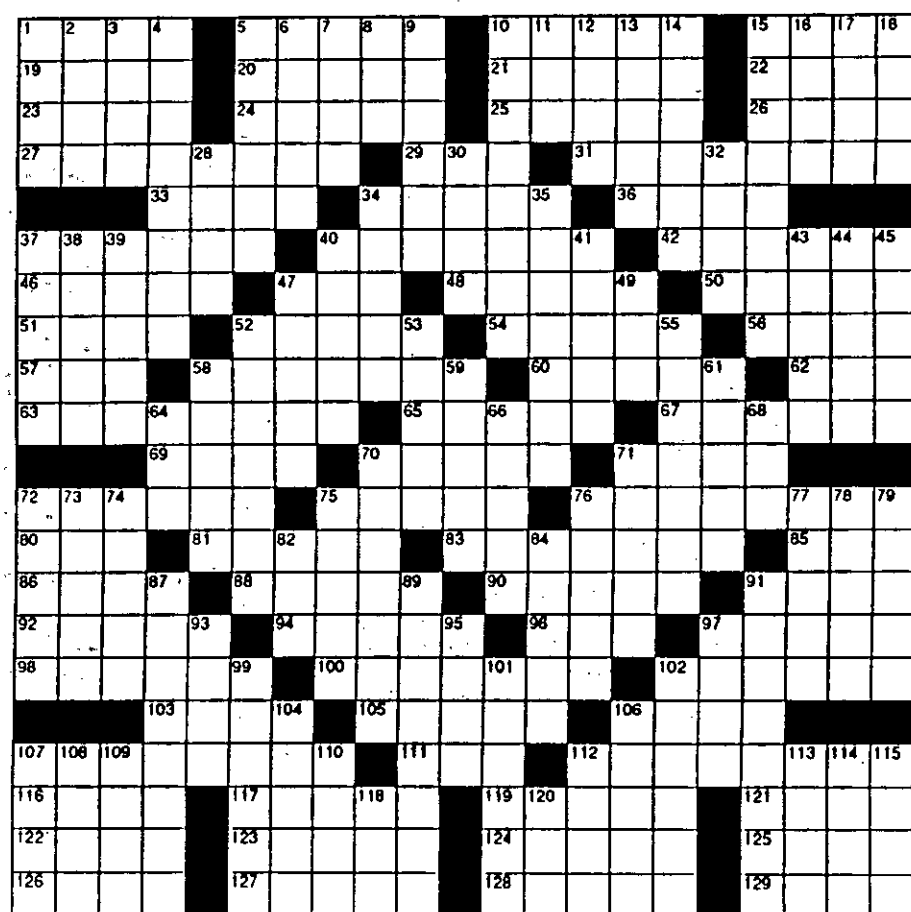
BENEFIT COCKTAIL PARTY
Weatherlane Restaurant, The Rensselaerville Institute campus, 5 to 7 p.m. Information, 797-3783.

SARATOGA COUNTY

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 - 99 Tailor, in literature
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The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
MAY**
27
BETHLEHEM
TOWN BOARD

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

INDOOR AIR PROGRAM

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

WELCOME WAGON

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Monday to Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information, 439-1531.

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

1 Kenwood Ave., evening prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, call for time. Information, 765-2109.

AA MEETING

First Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

AL-ANON MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

FAITH TEMPLE

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

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

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

**THURSDAY
MAY**
28
BETHLEHEM
RECOVERY, INC.

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

AA MEETINGS

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

**FRIDAY
MAY**
29
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 MEETINGS

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

**SATURDAY
MAY**
30
BETHLEHEM
FREIHOFFER'S COMMUNITY WALK

Madison Ave. to Washington Park, 8 to 9:30 a.m. Information, 273-5552.

BEE PROGRAM

Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

PLANT SALE

Key Bank parking lot, Delmar, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 765-5310.

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.

**SUNDAY
MAY**
31
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.

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.

BETHLEHEM CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Bible lecture, 10 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:55 a.m., Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road. Information, 439-0358.

CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, 35 Adams Place. Information, 439-4951.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

church school, 9:45 a.m., worship service, 9:30 a.m., adult classes, 11 a.m., 428 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-9976.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m., Sunday school and Bible classes, 9:15 a.m., nursery care, handicapped-accessible, large-print materials and assistive listening devices, coffee and fellowship following services, 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., morning worship, 11 a.m., youth group, 6 p.m., evening service, 7 p.m., Route 9W, Glenmont. Information, 426-4510.

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MUSEUM (SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER)

in the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 765-4446.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:15 a.m., Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

FAITH TEMPLE

Sunday school, 10 a.m., worship service, 7 p.m., New Salem. Information, 765-2870.

ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Masses Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., Mountain View Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2805.

JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH

worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, child care provided, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

adult Bible study, 9 a.m., junior choir or chime choir practice, 9 a.m., worship service, 10 a.m., recorder group practice, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6179.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

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

CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

**MONDAY
JUNE**
1
BETHLEHEM
MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOOK DISCUSSION

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-0057.

MOTHERS' TIME OUT

Christian support group for mothers of preschool children, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

BLANCHARD AMERICAN LEGION POST MEETING

16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

DELMAR KIWANIS

Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-5560.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

rehearsal, town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 482-1100.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

AA MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND
QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

**TUESDAY
JUNE**
2
BETHLEHEM
PLANNING BOARD

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

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place, 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-0057.

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

BINGO

at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Route 144, 7:30 p.m.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

DELMAR ROTARY

Howard Johnson's, Route 9W, Information, 439-9988.

Spotlight on Dining

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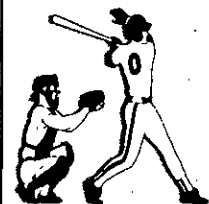
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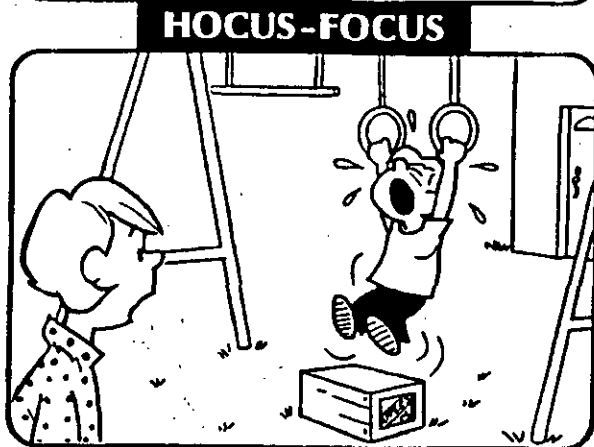
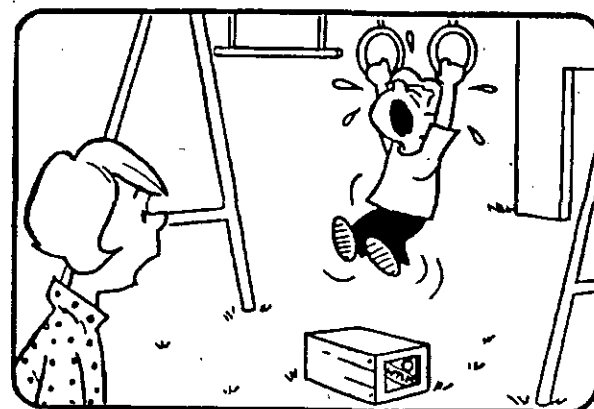
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98 FORD CONTOUR GL Stk# R571, Red, Auto 4 Cyl. 4 Dr SD, AC, Pwr locks/Windows, Grey Cloth, 17,840 Rental Miles \$13,998*	98 FORD ESCORT ZX2 Stk# 81123A, 2 Dr, Slate Blue, auto 4 Cyl. AC, AM/FM cass., 11,123 1-owner Miles \$13,998*	97 MERCURY TRACER LS Stk# 8545A, White, Auto 4 Cyl. 4 Dr SD, AC, Grey Cloth, Cass, Power Mirrors, Tinted Glass, 31,705 1-owner Miles \$9,997*
97 FORD MUSTANG CONV Stk# 6761A1, Red, 6 Cyl, power/locks/windows/roof leather seats, AM/FM cass, Rear window dep, 872 Miles \$22,597*	96 MERCURY COUGAR XR7 Stk# 81461A, 2 Dr, blue, auto 6 cyl. AC, power locks/windows, cass, blue cloth inter, 24,896 1-owner Miles \$13,996*	98 FORD BRONCO CUSTOM 4x4 Stk# 81434A, 2 Dr; red, auto 8 Cyl., AC, AM/FM, 28,729 1-owner Miles \$18,996*
95 FORD E-150 LOW TOP CONVERSION Stk# 8557A, Green, Auto 8 Cyl. 4 Dr SD, AC, Pwr locks/Windows, Tara Motor Coach, 17,182 1-owner Miles \$18,995*	95 TOYOTA 4-RUNNER SR5 4x4 Stk# 71127A, 4 Dr, black, 4 cyl. AM/FM cass, rear wiper washer, 65,342 1-owner Miles \$16,995*	94 MERCURY SABLE LS Stk# A4993A, Green, Auto 6 Cyl. AC, Power Windows/Locks, Green Cloth, AM/FM cass, Tilt, Cruise, 49,278 Miles \$8,994*
94 OLDS CUTLASS SUPREME SL Stk# 8856A, Whitem blue cloth, buckets, 4 Dr, auto 6 cyl, tilt, cruise, AC, pwr locks/windows, 51,706 1-owner Miles \$10,994*	93 FORD T-BIRD LX 2DR COUPE Stk# 8740A, Green, auto 6 cyl. AC, pwr locks/windows, tilt, cruise, 59,633 1-owner Miles \$7,993*	93 MERCURY CAPRI XR-2 CONV Stk# 72058a, Green, 4 cyl. AC, pwr locks/windows, AM/FM, 73,831 1-owner Miles \$7,993*

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LEGAL NOTICE

CAROL CAPOCCIA, L.L.C.
Notice of Registration of Limited Liability Corporation (LLC) filed with Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 5/5/98; offices in Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to the LLC at 56 Bentwood Court East, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity for which LLCs may be organized under the law.
(May 27, 1998)

CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF CATSKILL PARTNERS, L.P.

Under section 121-201 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act
1. The name of the limited partnership is "Catskill Partners, L.P."
2. The county in which the office of the limited partnership is located is Albany County, New York.
3. The Secretary of State is hereby designated as agent of the limited partnership 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 the limited partnership served upon him is 582 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.
4. The names and business addresses of the general partners are:
Schuyler Development Co., LLC
c/o Schuyler Companies
582 New Loudon Road
Latham, New York 12110
5. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is January 1, 2098.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Certificate of Limited Partnership on the 9th day of April, 1998, and verify and affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct as of the date thereof.

CATSKILL PARTNERS, L.P.
s/ Kenneth B. Segel,
Schuyler Development Co., LLC
By: Kenneth B. Segel, Member
(May 27, 1998)

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

Schuyler Development Co., LLC Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on April 14, 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 c/o Schuyler Companies, 582 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.
(May 27, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (FLP)

The name of the FLP is The Keenan Family Limited Partnership. The fictitious name of the FLP is The Daniel G. and Theresa J. Keenan 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 April 14, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of the FLP is January 16, 1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 490 Delaware Avenue, Albany, New York 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 c/o Daniel G. Keenan, 490 Delaware Avenue, Albany, New York 12209. 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 of the FLP is 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 of its Certificate of Limited Partnership is filed is the Georgia Secretary of State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther

LEGAL NOTICE

King Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530.
(May 27, 1998)

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

The name of LLC is Columbia Albany Group IV, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 9, 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 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.
(May 27, 1998)

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CRANBERRY LODGING & HOSPITALITY, LLC, LLC.

under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Law
The name of the limited liability company is CRANBERRY LODGING & HOSPITALITY, LLC, LLC. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on March 23, 1998. The principal office of the LLC is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The latest date on which the LLC is to dissolve is December 31, 2050. The LLC is formed for the purpose of engaging in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of State of New York. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her is c/o the Company at 29 Armstrong Circle, Altamont, New York 12009.
(May 27, 1998)

THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY: FORT ORANGE FUNDING (LLC) was formed on March 25, 1998 by Christopher and Steven Davis. The address of the company is 21 Everett Road Extension, Albany, New York 12205 in the Town of Colonie and County of Albany. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the company on whom process can be served.
(May 27, 1998)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Application for Authority of Dancris Telecom, LLC ("LLC") was filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 14, 1998. The LLC was formed on July 21, 1995 in the State of Arizona. The LLC will have an office in Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail copy of any process to the LLC's principal office located at 6900 East Camelback Road, Suite 1003, Scottsdale, AZ 85251. A copy of the LLC's Certificate of Organization is filed with the Office of the Corporation Commission of the State of Arizona located at P.O. Box 6019, Phoenix, AZ 85005. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law.
(May 27, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CAIRO ASSOCIATES, LLC (PURSUANT TO SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Articles of Organization of CAIRO ASSOCIATES, LLC (the "Company") were filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on April 22, 1998.

The Company is being formed to engage in the ownership of the property known as and located at the intersection of Routes 32 and 23B, Cairo, County of Greene, State of New York and to engage in any other real estate activities necessary or incidental to such purpose and any other lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC.

The office of the Company is to be located in the County of Albany,

LEGAL NOTICE

State of New York. The Secretary of State has been designated as the agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State is 50 State Street, Albany, New York 12207.
(May 27, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of Limited Liability Company is CAMBRIDGE ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on March 17, 1998.

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

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

26 Computer Drive West
Albany, NY 12205

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

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to provide financial services and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law.
(May 27, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of Limited Liability Company is D.C.S. REALTY, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on March 19, 1998.

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

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

2129 Central Avenue
Schenectady, NY 12304

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

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to invest in real estate and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law.
(May 27, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of Limited Liability Company is ETON ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on March 30, 1998.

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

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

26 Computer Drive West
Albany, NY 12205

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

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to provide financial services and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law.
(May 27, 1998)

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

Name: Second Street Realty,

LEGAL NOTICE

LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Sec. of State of NY ("SOS") on 1/2/97. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to LLC, 1770 N.W. 64th Street, Suite 500, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309. Purpose: any lawful business.
(May 27, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Co., Inc. is soliciting bids to be received prior to May 30, 1998 for the cleaning of its Social Hall on Tarrytown Road in Clarksville, N.Y. Specifications may be obtained by calling 768-2334 or 768-2202 after 6:00 PM. The company reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
(May 27, 1998)

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

The name of LLC is Columbia Everett Group, LLC. The Certificate of Conversion of the LLC was filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 15, 1998. The proposed of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The LLC is to be managed by one or more members. 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 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.
(May 27, 1998)

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

The name of LLC is Columbia Shaker Group II, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 9, 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 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.
(May 27, 1998)

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS
SALEM HILLS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
VILLAGE OF VOORHEESVILLE
ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK**

Contract No. 200
Sealed proposals for Contract No. 200, Voorheesville Drainage Improvements, Phase II for Village of Voorheesville, Town of New Scotland, Albany County, New York will be received in the

LEGAL NOTICE

Office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, New York 12186 until 10:00 am (local time) on June 22, 1998, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud. The work consists of the construction of new storm sewers and catch basins, and paved road restoration, grading and seeding, and miscellaneous site work as specified herein and in strict accordance with all Federal, State and Local regulations.

Plans and Specifications for the proposed work will be on file and publicly exhibited at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, New York and at the office of Henry V. LaBarba and Associates, Consulting Environmental Engineers, 100 Trillium Lane, Albany, New York, on and after 9:00 am on May 27, 1998.

Complete sets of Bidding and Contract Documents may be purchased at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall Voorheesville, New York. The deposit of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) will be required for each set of Bidding and Contract Documents. If requested, documents will be mailed first-class at addition nonrefundable cost of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per set for postage and handling. Full refunds of the Twenty-five Dollar (\$25.00) deposit will be made to bidders if the complete documents are returned to H.V. LaBarba & Associates postage paid and in good condition within Thirty (30) days after the Bid Opening. No refunds will be made to non-bidders.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, drawn upon a National or State Bank or Trust Company, to the order of Village Clerk, Village Hall, Voorheesville, New York, or a bond with sufficient sureties in a penal sum equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, conditioned that if his bid is accepted, he will enter into a contract for the same and that he will execute such further security as may be required for the performance of the contract. A separate Performance and Payment Bond, each equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount will be required of the successful bidder and the bonds shall be satisfactory to the Village Board and the Village Attorney.

The bidder to whom the contract may be awarded shall attend at the said opening place of the said bids, with the sureties offered by him, within seven (7) days (Sundays excepted) after the date of notification of the acceptance of his proposal, and there sign the contract for the work in triplicate. In case of his failure to do so, or in case of his failure to give further security as

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herein prescribed, the bidder will be considered as having abandoned the same, and the certified check or other bid security accompanying his proposal shall be forfeited to the Village.

The Village Board of the Village of Voorheesville reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids submitted.

By order of the Village board of the Village of Voorheesville, New York.

s/ Lauren E. Hatch
Village Clerk

Dated: May 21, 1998
(May 27, 1998)

**BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Notice To Bidders**

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The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Any bids submitted will be binding for 90 days subsequent to the date of the bid opening.

Board Of Education
Steven O'Shea,
Clerk

Dated: May 18, 1998
(May 27, 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, June 3, 1998, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of 500 Kenwood Avenue Associates, 500 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 for Modification to a previously granted Use Variance under Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-12 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of additional office space in a residential zone at premises 500 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York.

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The pre-registration fee is \$10

and registration on June 14 is \$14. The entry fee is half price for runners age 65 and older. Runners can register on the day of the race from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at town park and begins at 9 a.m. Commemorative T-shirts are guaranteed for all pre-registered runners in both the 5K and children's mile.

Awards will be presented to the top three male and female finishers, and to the top three male and female finishers in each age group.

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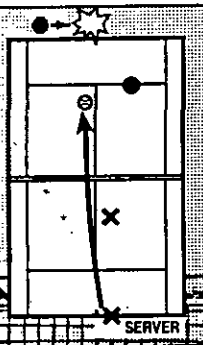
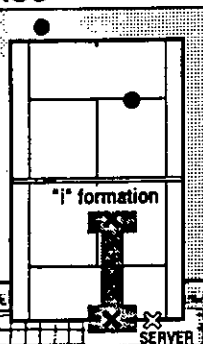
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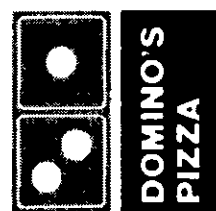
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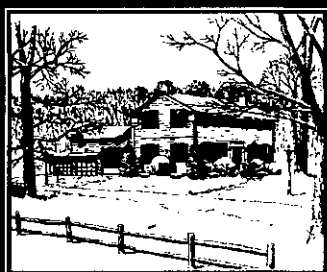


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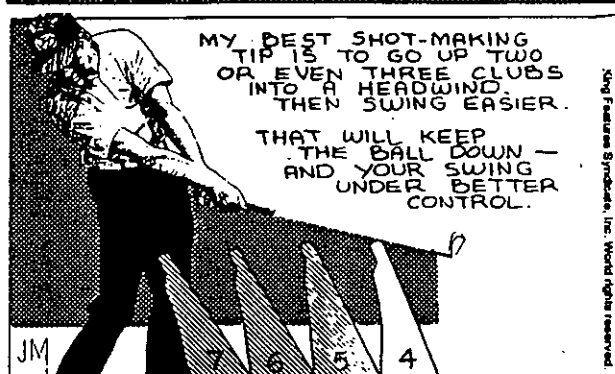
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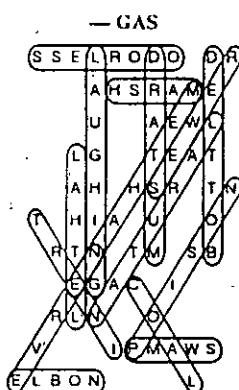
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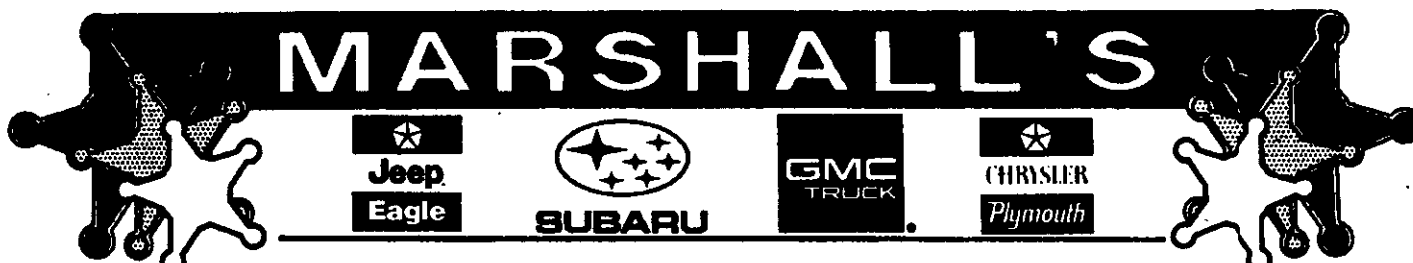
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8S18A	1995	DODGE CARAVAN LE, V6, Auto, Fully Loaded, Green	52,269	\$14,995	\$12,495
8GC2A	1991	JEEP CHEROKEE, Black, 4x4, 6 Cyl., 5Spd., Fully Loaded	46,201	\$10,995	\$9,995
7T150A	1993	GMC SIERRA, Blue/Grey, 1 Ton, 4WD, Loaded, V8, Auto.	71,053	\$15,995	\$13,995
8T111A	1995	GMC SIERRA 1500 EX CAB, Green/Silver, Fully Loaded, 4-Way Plow, V8, Auto.	12,726	\$23,995	\$22,900
8S178B	1994	GMC JIMMY 4DR, Blue, V6, Auto, Loaded, 4WD	72,714	\$13,995	\$12,495
9T1A	1995	GMC YUKON 4DR, Red/Silver, V8, Auto, One Owner, Very Sharp	46,378	\$24,995	\$23,995
8PC12M	1995	FORD RANGER, Brown, 4 Cyl., Auto	55,339	\$9,995	\$8,995
G8V37A	1995	PLYMOUTH NEON 4DR, Highline Sunroof, Air, Bal. of Fact. 7/70	55,537	\$6,995	\$6,495
G8V39A	1994	FORD RANGER PICKUP, Ext. Cab, Cap., AC, w/6mo./6,000 mile warranty	78,136	\$9,995	\$8,995
G8CH15A	1995	JEEP CHEROKEE SPORT, Loaded, w/6mo./6,000 mile warranty	65,605	\$13,995	\$12,995
G8C14A	1995	JEEP WRANGLER, CD Player, Soft Top, 6 Cyl., w/6mo./6,000 mile warranty	36,583	\$13,995	\$13,495
G7C81A	1994	OLDS 88 ROYALE, 4DR, w/6mo./6,000 mile warranty, air, loaded	71,413	\$10,995	\$9,995

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Delmar library slates book talk

Bethlehem Public Library's second mother-daughter book discussion is set for Monday, June 1, at 7 p.m.

The group will talk about Sharon Creech's 1995 Newbery Award winning book, *Walk Two Moons*.

Copies of the book are available at the youth services desk.

The program is designed for daughters ages 11 and up and their mothers.

New members are always welcome. Refreshments will be served. To register, call 439-9314.

Senior citizens slate spring luncheon

Bethlehem Senior Citizens has scheduled its annual spring luncheon for Thursday, May 28, at 1 p.m. at Normanside Country Club in Elsmere.

Marie Privler will be installed as president and music will be provided by Thomas Abbott.

The group meets Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. at the town hall auditorium. For information, call 439-9287.

Iris society plans plant sale

The Capital-Hudson Iris Society will hold a plant sale on Saturday, May 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Key Bank parking lot opposite St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar.

Perennials, annuals, rarities from local gardens and professional quality plant markers will be sold. All plants are hardy and locally grown.

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