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Dems decide not to mount challenge to Sheila Fuller

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Election Day is still months away — but for Bethlehem Republican Supervisor Sheila Fuller, the election may already be over. At present, she faces no Democratic opposition in her run for a fourth two-year term.

Tuesday, June 8, was the first date for prospective candidates for town office to begin circulating designating petitions for the 1999 ballot — and the traditional date for party committees to have a finished slate in place. But according to town Democratic Party chairman Matthew Clyne, “We don’t have a supervisor candidate yet, and it’s not likely we’ll find one.”

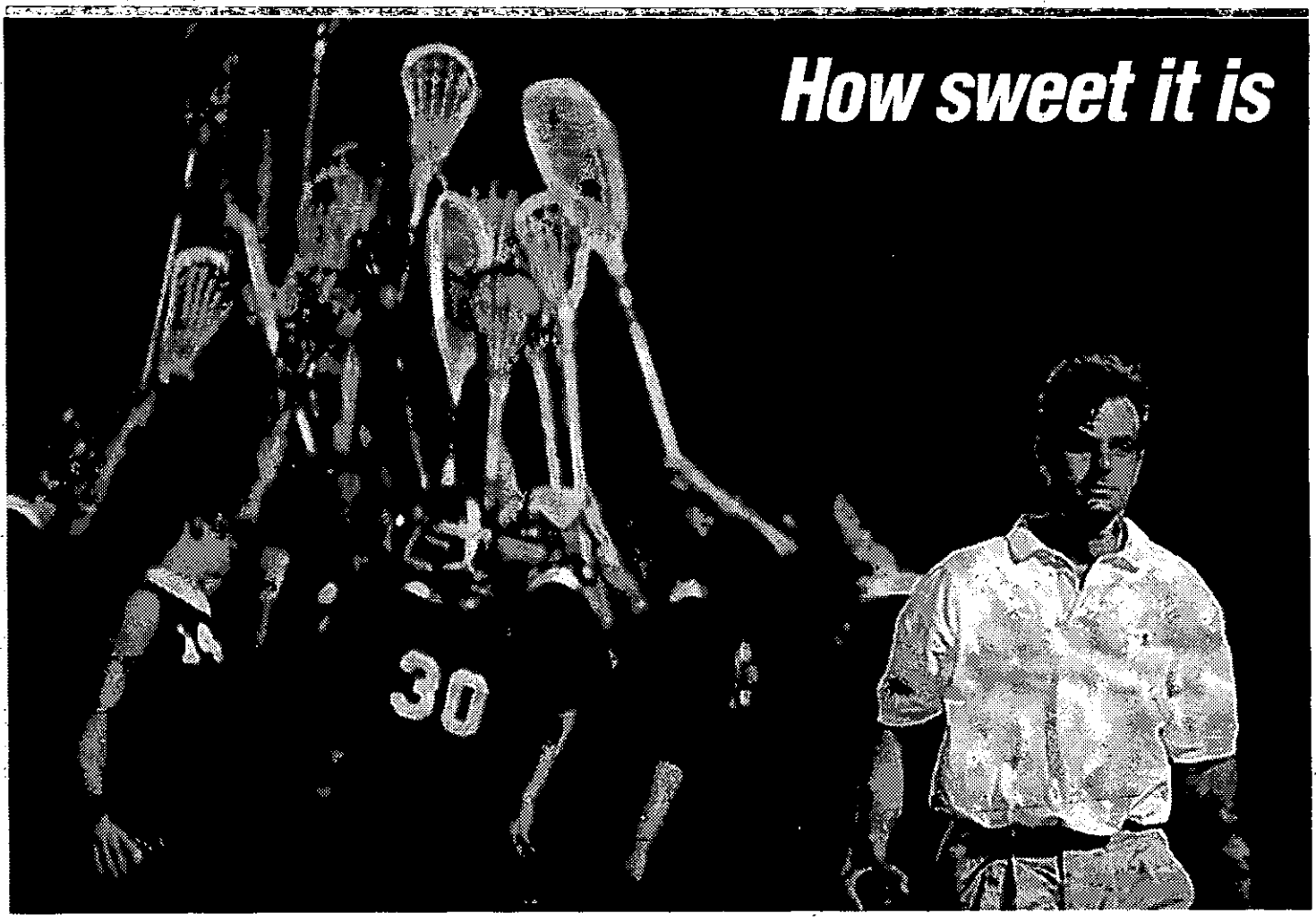


Clyne

With the party’s decision two weeks ago not to field challengers against incumbent Town Clerk Kathleen Newkirk or Highway Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph, the nominating petition for the Democratic slate will carry just three names for town office: town board candidates Dan Plummer and George Harder, and receiver of taxes nominee Anthony Cornell Jr. Clyne indicated the petition would begin circulating this week.

Matthew J. Kelly, a member of the Democratic party committee, expressed surprise. “I thought that we would be scheduling another meeting to finalize the slate,” Kelly said. “But if that’s what the chairman told you, then that’s what’s

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The Bethlehem girls lacrosse team celebrates its victory against Saratoga with coach John Battaglini. See story on Page 13.

Jim Franco

Legislature divided on clothing tax rollback

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

A vote is expected by the Albany County Legislature, at its next meeting on June 15, on a proposal to eliminate the county’s portion of the sales tax on clothing purchases under \$110. The proposal has divided the Legislature along partisan lines — and produced some strange political bedfellows.

All 18 Republican legislators have signed on as co-sponsors of the sales tax rollback, and they have been joined in support of the measure by Democratic County Executive Michael Breslin. In

that he has parted company with the Democratic legislative majority, which opposes the measure — and lining up with them are the Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce and several prominent local Republican municipal leaders, including Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller and Colonie Supervisor Mary Brizzell. But at least one Democratic municipal leader — New Scotland Supervisor Herb Reilly — has come out in favor of the proposal.

Breslin declines to speculate on the outcome of the June 15 vote. “I’m not out there taking polls,” he said. “I’m awaiting the outcome like everyone else.” But Republican Legislator David Young of Bethlehem said, “Judging from what I’ve seen from the majority, chances are it will not pass.”

But he vowed that the issue won’t die next Tuesday. “What I would like to see is a referendum on the November ballot addressing both the 8 percent sales tax issue and the clothing tax issue,” Young said. “What we’re not talking about right now is where the voters are on this issue, and one way we can do that is on the November ballot.”

Where the county’s political leaders are on the issue depends largely on where they are standing. For Breslin, whose county budget shows a healthy surplus, the issue boils down to keeping a promise to the voters for tax relief.

“I’ve been working hard to cut the costs of county government,” he said. “I want to give tax breaks to people and I’m determined to do it.” He minimized the impact of a loss of as much as \$5.4 million a year in county tax revenue.

“Our priorities are different,” said Fuller. “There are differences between

town and city government. Maybe that’s the nicest way I can say it.” Her concern, and those of the majority of municipal leaders, who oppose the measure: the municipalities’ portion of the sales tax revenue, estimated by the Albany-Colonie chamber at about \$3.6 million annually, is a vital source of revenue helping to hold down property taxes.

“When you look at smaller budgets like a town budget, we don’t have a big surplus here,” she said. “We can’t take the sales tax cut in stride, where a large budget like the county’s might. She estimated the revenue loss from the proposed sales tax rollback to be about \$398,000. “To relate to our community, that’s \$30 more in property taxes to save roughly \$30 in sales tax for shopping for a family of four. It’s really simple to say these are savings for our families — but they’ll pay for them in property taxes.”

Reilly is the exception among municipal leaders that proves the rule. Noting that his town ran a surplus last year that exceeded the town’s estimated \$85,000 take from the sales tax on clothing, he proposed in December that the town board endorse the rollback. But, the motion died without a second.

“I’m not an accountant, I’m an undertaker, but I know bottom lines,” he said. “It wouldn’t be a bad thing, at least in our township. We’ve got a nice, healthy unappropriated fund balance, and I’ve been very conservative in the budgeting process.” But in neighboring communities, he said, “it would hurt them a lot more. Frankly, I’m very surprised at towns like Bethlehem and Colonie, that they need this revenue so much. We could handle it in New Scotland.”

Bethlehem fourth-graders fare well in new statewide tests

By MAUREEN FREEMAN

Recent results from a new statewide test show that four out of five fourth-graders in the Bethlehem Central School District met or surpassed the state’s new reading and writing standards, and teachers are preparing to whittle away at the number of students who didn’t.

The new test, administered statewide to fourth-graders for the first time in January, is considered to be more difficult than the Pupil Evaluation Program (PEP) tests that it replaces.

Previously, a reading PEP test had been given to third-graders and a writing PEP test to fifth-graders at the end of the school year. In addition,

students are now expected to meet actual grade-level competency to receive a passing score. In the past, students only had to meet minimal competency requirements.

In Bethlehem, 302, or 80 percent, of the 376 fourth-graders who took the test in January scored 645 points or more out of a possible 800, placing themselves in acceptable or advanced levels. The remaining 74 students, or 20 percent, scored at a level considered below the state standard.

Statewide, 48 percent of fourth-graders met or passed the state standard on the test, while for New York City the number was lower. Though 80 percent of fourth-graders

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Police arrest man for DWI

A Glenmont man faces charges of driving while intoxicated (DWI) and reckless endangerment following his arrest by Bethlehem police over Memorial Day weekend.

According to the police report, the incident occurred Friday, May 28, when William Asprion of Glenmont filed a complaint with police at about 6:30 p.m. that a neighbor had driven a vehicle toward him at about 20 mph, stopping just short of hitting him.

Officer Charles Rudolph lo-

cated the vehicle at a nearby residence on Asprion Road. Another individual persuaded the driver, Robert Francis Prosinski, 29, of 14B Murray Drive in Glenmont, to come out of the residence, and Rudolph conducted field sobriety tests.

A license check also revealed a previous license suspension due to a failure to respond to a traffic summons in Rensselaerville.

Prosinski was ordered to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on June 15.

Teen charged with robbery

By Joseph A. Phillips

A Glenmont teen has been charged with robbery by Bethlehem police following an incident on Sunday, May 30, that occurred in the vicinity of Elsmere Elementary School.

A 14-year-old Delmar boy reported to police just before 4 p.m. that he had been robbed of an undisclosed quantity of cash by an older boy. He identified his assailant to police, and shortly afterward Officer Charles Rudolph apprehended Peter M. Bukowski, 18, of 4 Hancock Drive, Glenmont, just a few blocks away on Bedell Avenue.

Bukowski was charged with third-degree robbery, and an amount of cash was recovered from him. He was arraigned before Bethlehem Town Justice Theresa Egan, released on \$500 bail, and ordered to appear in Town Court on June 15.

DOT sets info hearing on Kenwood Ave. work

By Joseph A. Phillips

Consider this fair warning: officials of the state Department of Transportation (DOT) have announced a public information meeting for June 22 to discuss proposed road improvements on a key stretch of Kenwood Avenue in the heart of Delmar, projected to begin in the spring or summer of 2001.

The open house, set for 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall, will outline plans to reconstruct Kenwood Avenue from Cherry Avenue to its intersection with Delaware Avenue at the Four Corners. The meeting will be overseen by Shireen Gifford, an engineer with DOT's Region One Design Group.

The proposed road reconstruction, Gifford said, was prompted by drainage and pavement problems on the heavily-travelled 1.1-

mile stretch of road. "What we're proposing is pretty similar to what's out there right now," she said. "It might widen out at some intersections, but there are no major realignments planned."

The road's crown, however, might be raised by a few inches in spots that have become rain-collection hazards since the road's last major repair a decade ago. Some trees might also be removed to improve sightlines for drivers emerging from side roads, Gifford said, but "We're going to do everything in our power to minimize tree impacts."

The goal of the project will be to create a consistent roadway of two 14-foot "shared" (bicycle-accessible) travel lanes, a repaired 5-foot sidewalk and an adequate snow-storage strip.

There might be some minor strip-takings along the route to facilitate elements of the project.

Estimated completion of the reconstruction is tentatively set for December of 2002. "There will be traffic disruptions, and there will be changes in flow pattern while the work is in progress," Gifford said.

A presentation of the preliminary plans will open the meeting, followed by a question-and-answer session. Representatives will be on hand to answer more specific inquiries. Anyone unable to attend can send comments to Gifford at New York State Department of Transportation, Region One Design Group, 84 Holland Ave., Albany 12208.



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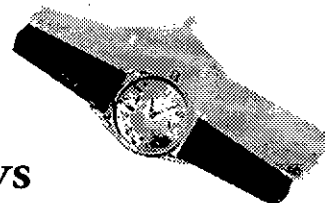
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Winners of the Voorheesville centennial beard and mustache contest Tim Albright, left, joins Mayor Ed Clark and fellow winner Will Smith.

Selkirk bypass meeting draws crowd

By Joseph A. Phillips

More than 130 Bethlehem residents, among them a clutch of politicians including every member of the town board, attended an informational meeting held Monday night by officials of the state Department of Transportation (DOT) to outline options for a Selkirk bypass.

"The department realizes the goal of community consensus may not be achievable," cautioned DOT's Mark White, the project manager for the bypass, at the meeting's outset.

Nevertheless, the three-and-a-half-hour working sessions and open house that followed did produce some consensus — though DOT's consulting engineers still have much work ahead of them shaping a final design.

With a projected completion date of 2003, at the earliest, for the project, there was also sentiment from some at the meeting that immediate action is needed to reduce truck traffic on Route 396, the state road that passes through the heart of Selkirk.

Officials from DOT's Region One Design Group presented a brace of alternatives at the meeting, detailing their estimated costs and property impacts.

The presentation included two options first detailed for the public last September at a previous informational meeting: the southern alternative, which begins near

Pictuay Road and traverses south of Selkirk, rejoining Route 396 just west of River Road; and the middle alternative, which cuts east to west from Route 9W to River Road, bisecting Selkirk, but passing just north of the densest residential area.

Responding to public demand at the September meeting, the DOT designers also presented a plan for widening and refurbishing the existing Route 396 to make it a more suitable truck route than it is at present.

And for a northern option — extending Creble Road east from Route 9W to cross Clapper Road and link with a new Thruway exit and eventually River Road — the design team presented four different variants, and a possibility that the project might be performed in stages.

Following the initial presentation, participants were divided by lot into nine rooms for working-group discussions that identified and prioritized issues related to each of the four principal options, prodded along in each room by a pair of DOT staff members.

"This is an experiment, a format we haven't done before," said DOT's Mark Silo. "It's something we may use on other projects in the future if it proves successful."

Discussion occasionally turned heated. "This is just not an alternative!" declared a resident in one room of the proposal to refurbish Route 396. "It's the least offensive to me so far," retorted a woman seated next to him.

In another room, one resident derided the northern route, telling Selkirk residents, "You're moving your problem to our area." Several residents called for other alternatives to be developed by DOT.

But what emerged from the nine working sessions when gathered together at evening's end was near unanimous agreement that the 396 rehab proposal basically did not meet the key objective of getting trucks off Route 396, and posed safety concerns in the residential area.

Though less vehement, there were misgivings that neither the southern nor middle alternatives took the truck traffic sufficiently far away from the residential area. There was also some consensus that, as one of the residents put it, the northern route was "the only true bypass" of the proposed alternatives.

Concerns with the project's cost — depending on which option comes into play, between two and three times the \$6.2 million currently allocated by the Capital District Transportation Committee — and the number of building acquisitions and property-takings involved in that option, were identified as key drawbacks.

Mark White, DOT's project manager for the bypass, pronounced himself satisfied with the results. He said he hoped to summarize the responses gathered at the meeting and distribute them to interested members of the public by late summer.

"We're hoping then to narrow down the focus of our design efforts a reasonable amount, deciding which (options) are feasible and prudent," he said. DOT's proposed project schedule calls for a public hearing on a design next winter, and a projected start to construction in the summer of 2002.

White agreed that the Route 396 rehab option was essentially dead. "We didn't consider that feasible because it basically doesn't meet the project objectives, but we did look at that at the request of the people at September's meeting," he said. "Now that we've presented it, it definitely seems like the majority of people tonight said they agree with us."

Others present at the meeting went a step further, calling for immediate action to divert truck traffic from Route 396.

"You have to do something for the near term to relieve the pressure in Selkirk, and then we can work on one of the other options as a long-term solution," said Parker Mathusa, a town board candidate and resident of Cedar Hill.

State grant to bail out tainted water victims

By Joseph A. Phillips

The four-year saga of a Clarksville neighborhood coping with a contaminated water supply may be on its way to resolution this week, thanks to a long-awaited hardship grant from the state's Drinking Water Revolving Fund.

The town of New Scotland was notified last week by the Environmental Facilities Corp. (EFC), the entity that administers funds from the state's Environmental Bond Act, that the town would receive a \$798,000 grant to extend water lines from the Clarksville Water District to between 20 and 30 residential parcels along North Road and Upper Flat Rock Road.

EFC also approved a \$90,000 interest-free loan that, along with the grant, will enable the town to provide water service to the homes, nearly a dozen of which have residential wells contaminated with benzene, toluene and methyl tert butyl ether (MTBE), components of gasoline.

New Scotland Supervisor Herb Reilly indicated that the grant will likely be spelled out in detail at this week's town board meeting, and that he expected a vote on the bonding authority necessary to finance the loan at the board's July meeting.

"I can't picture the board saying no, or people not being thrilled with it," he said. "Where else can you get an interest free loan for a municipal project?"

The town applied for the hardship grant more than a year ago in an effort to remediate the contamination problem, first detected in May 1995 by North Road residents and reported to the state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

DEC investigators later identified one of the agency's own environmental-cleanup contractors, a firm called Kleen Resources, or its predecessor on the site, Domermuth Environmental, as the likely party responsible for the contamination. DEC detected levels of contaminants in the wells as much as 300 times the safe drinking water standards: "a Love Canal created by a DEC contractor," as Reilly characterized it.

North Road residents have since documented spills and illegal dumping of hazardous wastes on the site long before the one leading to the current problem — and since.

"We're dealing with 40 years of abuse of this land," said resident Kathryn O'Rourke. They prodded the town into action by filing notices of claim against the town as

well as the two environmental firms, though no formal lawsuits by the residents have been filed.

Over the past four years, DEC has supplied the 11 affected residences with carbon filtration systems and bottled water, funded through the state's Oil Spill Fund. It has also continued to test the wells in question, revealing fluctuating levels of contamination over the past four years.

That led DEC to conclude that permanent remediation of the contamination, trapped in the porous local limestone formation underlying the area, might prove too costly. "They don't call it Flat Rock Road for nothing," said Reilly.

DEC therefore recommended in November 1997 adopting the water district extension, following plans drawn up by town engineers in the wake of the spill. The estimated cost of the project forced the town to seek the hardship funding.

Provided the town board gives the go-ahead to the extension, Reilly estimated that work on the new water lines could begin as early as fall. "I'm absolutely thrilled," he said of the state assistance. "The people up there deserve it. The situation created a great difficulty for people in the area."

DEC and the state Attorney General's office are continuing in their legal efforts to recover some of the remediation costs from Domermuth or Kleen Resources, though both firms have since abandoned the property in question and declared bankruptcy.

North Road residents are cautiously hopeful that their nightmare may be coming to an end. "I've spoken to only a few of my neighbors," said O'Rourke about last week's news. "But everyone is basically very happy. It's just a shame the residents have had to take matters into their own hands to get anything done."

And O'Rourke warns that the problem "is still not quite done. As far as the neighborhood is concerned, the water line will solve most of the problem. But there's still the site itself. There's still the issue of this abandoned land that's contaminated. It's just sitting there in limbo while waiting for all these (state) lawsuits to go through."

But O'Rourke predicted that the residents would remain vigilant.

"I am very proud of the people in this neighborhood," she said. "After being victimized for a number of years, they're not going to lie down and take it any more."

Water, rezoning on agenda

The Bethlehem town board will discuss two familiar topics: water, and a controversial rezoning proposal at its meeting tonight, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall.

The board will consider a recommendation from the town's public works department to convert a test well at the aquifer supplying the Schermerhorn Island water treatment facility into a production well, a matter that has been under consideration for several months.

The board will also receive the recommendation of the town planning board, voted at its June 1 meeting, to grant developer First Columbia its request to rezone a

parcel on New Scotland Avenue that is currently part of the Terramere Planned Residential District. First Columbia seeks to build a medical facility on the rezoned site, to be principally occupied by satellite operations of St. Peter's Hospital.

The planning body voted 6-1, with only member Marcia Lewis dissenting, to recommend that request and also approved a negative state environmental quality review (SEQR) resolution on the proposal. The town board will now set a public hearing on the rezoning request, which will most likely take place at the board's next meeting on June 23.

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Planners want codes to reflect LUMAC findings

By Joseph A. Phillips

The controversial draft "master plan" for the town of Bethlehem developed over the last decade by the Land Use Management Advisory Committee (LUMAC) and designated two years ago by the town board as a "reference resource" but not formally adopted, may soon have more force if a unanimous recommendation adopted June 1 by the town's planning board carries the day.

In a resolution introduced by member James Blendell, who served on LUMAC, the planning board recommended that the town board revise the town's zoning codes and zoning map to reflect the LUMAC plan's recommenda-

tions.

Blendell said the resolution reflected concerns with several recent votes by the planning board to rezone individual parcels for special projects, including recent rezoning votes for the CMI project on Delaware Avenue (which Blendell opposed) and the First Columbia proposal for a parcel on New Scotland Road (for which he voted yes).

"Basically after a while, it gets not just hard but illegal to say to some developer, 'no, you can't use your land that way.' You begin to set too many precedents on zoning," Blendell said.

He also expressed concern with

inconsistencies in the existing zoning code regarding appropriate uses, with residential density under the current code, and with the large amount of property in town that is unzoned.

"I don't want to give that much emphasis to the LUMAC plan, but I do want to put emphasis on the fact that our code is totally outdated, and the LUMAC plan at least provided updated standards," he said.

Blendell said he was "a little surprised" at the unanimous vote. "I didn't know the way it was going to go," he said.

A formal letter outlining the recommendation and the planning

board's concerns will probably be drafted at the board's June 15 meeting, he said, and transmitted to the town board by the end of the month.

Extension to sponsor food programs

Cornell Co-operative Extension will offer two cooking programs at Rice Extension Center, 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville.

The Thursday, June 17, topic will be "Healthy Meals in a Flash," while on June 30 the program will discuss low-fat grilling.

For information, call 765-3500.

Zonta Club of Albany announces officers

Two local area residents recently elected officers of the Zonta Club of Albany.

The club is the local affiliate of a worldwide organization of executives in business and the professions working to advance the status of women, with more than 36,000 members in nearly 1,200 clubs in 67 countries.

Mara Ginsberg of Delmar was elected treasurer. She is the founder and president of To Life!, a nonprofit organization offering support and services to women coping with breast cancer and their families.

Katie Black of Feura Bush, director of the Office of Consumer Services at the state Public Service Commission, will serve as recording secretary.

Area students perform at Carnegie Hall

The Empire State Youth Orchestra recently performed a program including works by Dvorak and Elgar at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Under conductor Francisco Noya, the performance was the culmination of a year of study for the orchestra, featuring many of the best student musicians in the Capital District, Hudson Valley and western Massachusetts.

Among the members of the ensemble performing in the concert were Christine Hardisty of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School; Delmar resident Aaron Levy, who attends Hebrew Academy of Albany; and Bethlehem Central High School students Sam Cook, Dan De Paolo, Justin Friedman, Jack Gluchowski, Calvin Miaw, Chris Palmieri and Thomas Smith.



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Physically Speaking



by Nick Valenze, P.T.



THROUGH THICK AND THIN

There is a popular misconception that "thin equals fit." According to the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM), however, fitness is defined as the "ability of your heart, blood vessels, lungs, and muscles to carry out daily tasks and occasional unexpected bodily challenges with a minimum of fatigue and discomfort." ACSM experts point to four components of physical fitness: aerobic fitness (sometimes referred to as cardiorespiratory endurance), the body's ability to take in and use oxygen to produce energy; muscular fitness, the strength and endurance of your muscles; flexibility, the ability to bend joints and stretch muscles through a range of motion; and body composition, the amount of fat tissue relative to other tissue in your body.

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PTA president found service enlightening

By Katherine McCarthy

I did it for the designated parking spot and key to the executive wash room.

No, wait, that's why I was going to be a big and powerful corporate president some day. But in the twists and turns of life, it turns out that the two years I've just completed as a PTA president are the closest I'll come to executive privilege.

That I became so involved with the PTA, and that I've enjoyed it so much, has been a surprise of sorts. When I was in elementary school, we all laughed about the song, "Harper Valley PTA."

In the big working-class family I grew up in, time and resources were stretched so thin that volunteering just wasn't a big part of our lives. I have vague memories of the well-dressed mothers of my Catholic school classmates going to PTO meetings. I don't remember, as a student, anything they did.

But now I'm a real live grownup, and my primary focus is raising my own children. One of the best ways to be involved in their school lives is to be part of the PTA. So, I became the family spy, monitoring school activity through the PTA.

I had my own agenda, too, to make friends in a town that was still new to us.

Although I left my miniature spy camera at home, there I was, buying pizza at the back-to-school picnic, bringing pumpkin bread to the bake sale, sitting with first-graders in the Jump Start reading program, checking books out of the library, and trying to figure out what the heck they were talking about at monthly PTA meetings.

And I enjoyed it. It made me feel I was doing something that

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mattered. Slowly, people started to say hello to me in school and at the grocery store.

I got to know who all the teachers were, as well as my son's classmates. I figured out the difference between whole language and phonics, and why multi-age classes can be a good thing, and eventually knew what the heck they were talking about at PTA meetings.

I was thrilled to see that PTA members were smart, thoughtful, and down-to-earth. Not one single strand of June Cleaver pearls in the whole membership!

I also noticed that the PTA has done some pretty great things, like building playgrounds, buying sound systems for class plays and providing teachers with funds to buy new books for their classrooms.

So when somebody asked me to be copresident, I said OK, realizing that it might be easier to be an officer than to actually have to organize and manage an event. In addition to getting an overview of what was happening in the school, I got to know more about the whole district, and the people that help make it run.

I'm hoping the main thing I learned from being a PTA copresident is when to speak up. But I also learned when to shut up: when to speak frankly about something, and when a question might get the same results as a directive.

Mostly, from watching people work hard, I've learned not to take on more than I can handle, and not to make suggestions about projects I'm not willing to work on.

Maybe the worst question any PTA member can hear is "Do you know what you should do?" I feel lucky that more often than not, people ask if they can do a specific project. And, the person who comes forward usually has a great idea and the skills to see it accomplished.

It's been very rewarding for me, having cut back on the paying work I do in order to raise my children, to be involved in an organization that accomplishes so much.

I'm impressed in particular by the people who apply great energy and effort to volunteer organizations. Their contributions are essential to small, tight-knit communities.

I've been pleased, too, that my children are aware of what the PTA does, and see it in a positive light.

People have asked what I'll do with my free time now that I've finished my term. Well, we all know that time, like extra money, is illusory. Although I may have dreams of writing the Great American Novel, or maybe keeping my house cleaner, I find I'm hooked.

So you'll still see me at bake sales, school board meetings and haunting the halls at school. I may have started out as a spy in desperate need of friends, but I've found that PTA work is too interesting and important to give up.

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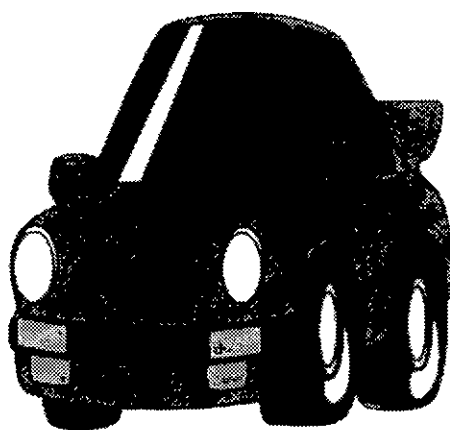
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Matters of Opinion

LUMAC revisited

The Bethlehem planning board is making noises about actually implementing some of the Land Use Management Advisory Committee's recommendations.

So far, the town has used LUMAC's findings as a resource, but since the plan was never formally adopted as the town's master plan, codes and laws are still up for interpretation, which can lead to delays and confusion on the part of the planning board.

Since LUMAC spent eight years studying planning, zoning and development issues, it seems only logical, that at least some of its findings, should be used as more than just a guideline for the town.

One of the primary concerns when LUMAC was formed and throughout its long tenure, was preserving the town's "character," while allowing for growth and development. How can this goal ever be accomplished if almost every new proposal is open to interpretation in terms of its parameters?

We think it's the right time for the town to start thinking about adopting some of the LUMAC recommendations to expedite some of the proposals that town planners are obligated to act upon. The town has referred to LUMAC recommendations in a number of instances, but the town should now decide which of those should be adopted as law. As the make up of town boards change, there's no guarantee that the LUMAC document will end up as a mere dust collector, and what a shame and a waste that would be.

Teens deserve credit

This week *The Spotlight* salutes the class of 1999. These hundreds of young women and men from Bethlehem, Clayton A. Bouton and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk high schools have already distinguished themselves in many ways.

Some have captured academic awards and scholarships, others have excelled in athletics, while others have wowed the community in theater, music and arts projects.

Although less visible, there are students too numerous to mention individually who have really worked hard to make a difference in their schools and in their communities. And even though these kids don't always show up in the limelight, their contributions deserve recognition and praise.

Kids from SADD chapters, Peer Helpers, student senates, volunteer fund-raising groups, student interns and a growing number of support groups have shown that teenagers are involved. This editorial is intended to serve as a high honor roll to all of these students, who make a difference in each other's and all of our lives.

We salute these students and ask them all to take a bow.

Congratulations class of '99. You have made an impact, and we thank you for all you have done.

Kids zoom in on writer's passion

By Jeffrey Foley

The writer is sports editor for Spotlight Newspapers.

What the heck do I have to say to a bunch of kids?

"Um, Jeff, are you doing anything on May 21?" It was my 12-year-old cousin Gabrielle on the phone. A cute kid with big eyes who likes to give even bigger hugs. "I was wondering if maybe you could come to career day at my school?"

Come and do what? Watch? That I could handle.

"Maybe you can talk about being a writer?" Gabrielle said, her voice soft and pleading. Begging almost.

But I'm nobody, I thought as I peered at the calendar in my kitchen. Every day except May 21 was covered in black ink, booked solid with plans. I scrambled to think of something that I had forgotten, a reason to pull out the marker and tell Gabby I couldn't come to her school. I had to be busy; my wife and I are always busy.

"It would only be a half-hour, at 9 in the morning," Gabrielle said. "And 10 minutes is for us to ask you questions. Lots of kids are interested in writing."

I've been a writer my whole life. When I was in grade school, I filled up entire notebooks with my own "Hardy Boys" stories. When I was 15, I was published in a magazine for the first time. Writing is just what I've always done. It's been my sense of identity. The only thing I love more than being a writer is my wife.

But doing it and talking about it to kids are two different things.

"Hold on a second, Gabby," I said. "I think I might be busy that morning."

I covered the receiver with my hand and looked at my wife, who was sitting at the kitchen table, reading a newspaper.

"Gabby wants me to speak to her class on May 21," I said. "Don't we have something going on?"

"Nope," Tina said, smirking. "You're free."



The writer with his cousin, Gabrielle McDaniel.

Constance Lupe

Great. I confirmed the time and date — which was a week away — marked it on the calendar and got off the phone. Gabrielle was as happy as could be. But I, on the other hand, felt like I had seven short days before I had to meet the executioner.

I glared at Tina. Thanks for the help, I thought. Whatever happened to our vows? I could swear there was one in there about saving your husband from having to appear in front of intimidating groups of little kids.

Hey, don't get me wrong. I like children well enough. It's just that school and school-age children don't exactly bring back the fondest memories for me. I went to a different school almost every year, so I was always the new kid. And I was always the smallest in my class. Plus my mother dressed me funny. Really.

So as you can probably imagine, school was no picnic. Bullies abounded and they always found me. Of course, the fact that I was a little white kid with an afro didn't help when I tried to hide. The hair gave me away.

Anyhow, the time for me to speak to Gabrielle's class came quickly, like all dreaded events seem to. If it's Christmas morning you're waiting for, you know it's going to be a long night. Otherwise, don't blink.

I pulled into the parking lot at Bethlehem Central Middle School, trying to catch my breath. What business do I have here? I wondered. I'm not a doctor or a lawyer. I'm not exciting and I certainly don't make a ton of money. But somewhere inside me, Gabby's words rattled around and gave me a bit of hope.

"Lots of kids are interested in writing."

Man, I certainly had been when I was younger. I read books like *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court* or *Treasure Island* over and over. And then I spent days trying to write my own versions.

I took that memory into

Bethlehem's hallways. The school was clean, a lot cleaner than I remember my schools being. And even though the kids were in between classes, chaos did not rule. They said, "Excuse me" as they bumped into each other. And there were no bullies shoving little kids into lockers.

I was introduced to Gabrielle's class and 15 or 20 faces looked up at me. There were a few sleepy eyes in the bunch, but for the most part the children seemed alert and relatively happy to be there. I had been told that the kids were given a choice as to which speakers they listened to, so I could only assume they wanted to hear what I had to say. Even if they didn't, I had to fill a half-hour and I didn't want to be uncomfortable.

So I took a deep breath and began.

I talked about the novel that I spent two-and-a-half years writing. I explained how I had to write more than 2,000 pages longhand to come up with a 191-page book. And I told them how little money I had made.

I talked about my work with newspapers and magazines, about the people I had met. Like the Delmar man who spends his free time collecting sneakers and T-shirts for people in Third World countries. Or the Troy man who can only see out of one eye, but didn't let that stop him from playing professional hockey.

Mostly though, I tried to convey that writing is not about getting rich. It's about something that comes from deep within, something called passion. And some of the kids — their mouths forming precious little O's — seemed to understand. They asked questions right up until the bell signaling the end of class sounded.

And as they left, they seemed excited about the art of writing, about meeting somebody who was living his dream. They smiled and said goodbye as they filed out of the classroom, on their way to listen to somebody else.

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Your Opinion Matters

Reducing clothing tax would hurt homeowners

Editor, The Spotlight:

John A. Graziano, a Republican legislator from Latham introduced a local law to repeal the county sales tax on clothing purchases of less than \$110.

He said the 8 percent sales tax was supposed to be a temporary measure to get the county through some tough times and that now that times are better, county legislators can do a great service for the hard working families by repealing this regressive tax.

My feelings are, what will happen if times get tough? There are no guarantees to the good times continuing forever, and that there won't be a recession at some time in the future.

I am submitting this letter to say I am one of many people who are opposed to the repeal of the sales tax. What most people are unaware of is that if they support this repeal, we will lose 61 percent of the town of Bethlehem's general fund revenue.

The town's loss of about \$382,000 in 2000 would likely cause an almost 50 percent increase in property taxes. (These facts were taken from a letter by Sheila Fuller, our town supervisor who is opposed to this proposal along with many town and municipal leaders in Albany County).

My understanding is that approximately 46 percent of sales tax revenue comes from out-of-county residents. The proposal gives a tax break to out-of-county residents and throws the burden on the backs of Albany County taxpayers. The proposal is also disastrous for seniors on fixed incomes and therefore is not fair.

The Albany County-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce has stated in its report that "New York state business owners and residents already feel a heavy tax burden with taxes among the highest in the nation."

"Any action that might further increase the tax rates would inhibit the state's and the region's ability to remain competitive."

"In addition, businesses will find it increasingly more difficult

to attract top executives to the area if residential property taxes are increased in order to make up a shortfall in tax revenue.

"Further, there is not credible evidence that suggests that previous tax-free weeks have had a significant positive impact on consumption of shoes and clothing in the state. It has not been proven that such an exemption will prevent shoppers from traveling to nearby states where there is no sales tax on shoes and clothing."

If you oppose this increase in your property taxes, you have the opportunity to speak out by writing to your Republican legislators in your town to express your opposition to this repeal, or attend a public forum on Monday, June 14, at 6:30 p.m. at Albany County Courthouse, second floor.

June Compton
Delmar

Repeal spells bad news for seniors

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am deeply concerned about the impact that the removal of the clothing tax as proposed by county Legislator David Young will have on property owners and senior citizens of the town.

Mr. Young's stand is in direct opposition to that of Bethlehem town Supervisor Sheila Fuller.

In a letter to County Executive Michael Breslin she said: "We have been successful in holding the line on property taxes, by aggressively containing our costs and seeking to find alternate revenue sources. But a proposal that would eliminate such a large proportion of our sales tax revenues give us very limited options other than a property tax increase."

The proposal for the elimination of the 4 percent clothing tax is not a tax cut, but a tax shift.

It will cause a 50 percent increase in property taxes and cost our local government \$4 million.

It will result in a 15.6 percent increase in county taxes, with a

projected increase of 35 percent over five years.

It is bad for business and opposed by the local chamber of commerce.

It is disastrous to seniors on fixed incomes.

Forty-six percent of sales tax revenue is generated by out-of-county residents. It gives them a tax break and puts the burden on

Albany County taxpayers.

If you are opposed, write your county legislator or the county executive or better still, speak out at the public forum on Monday, June 14, at 6:30 p.m. at Albany County Court House on the second floor.

Patricia R. Cannizzaro
Delmar

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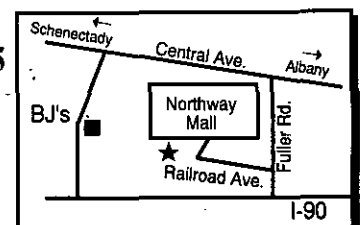
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Matters of Opinion

Tax repeal could force homeowner to sell out

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have been a resident of the town of Bethlehem for 45 years and a property owner for 40 years.

If the Albany County sales tax is eliminated and if the taxes on my home increase because of this, it may force me to put my home on the market.

I have been retired from the State Department of Audit & Control for six years. My income is fixed. The state does not give a cost of living increase, and Social

Security gives a yearly increase of .1 percent.

I do not mind paying sales tax, but I do mind paying an increase of close to 50 percent on my property tax.

I am asking county Legislator David Young to vote against the elimination of the clothing tax, and I urge everyone to do the same.

Dorothy A. Harkness
Delmar

Thanks to all who made Tour du Parc a success

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Track and Field Boosters and track and field youth clubs, we would like to thank the participants and sponsors of the fifth annual Tour du Parc cross-country race on May 23.

The tour is held in the spring at Elm Avenue Park to support youth track and field programs in Bethlehem. We are particularly grateful to major sponsor First Care and to Dr. Michael Fuhrman who acted as the race physician (fortunately only called upon to dispense a Band-aid). Special thanks also to children's race sponsors, General Electric and Serling Decker.

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Grafton Hills Bottled Water set up water stops for the runners, and Bruegger's Bagels provided free refreshments. Rounding out the day with their generous support, many local business donated items for our free drawing. Thank you one and all. See you next year.

Dave Rhodes, Track and Field Boosters Club president

Denise Minnear, Youth Track and Field Club president

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Editor, The Spotlight:

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Kathleen Kelleher-Assael
Board of trustees president

V'ville bash was a joy to behold

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank-you - members of the Voorheesville Centennial Committee. My personal thanks and those of the entire community for last weekend's beautifully orchestrated three days of celebration.

It was a joy to participate in and observe. It had historical meaning and was great fun - with something for everyone. Throughout the community, there is nothing but praise. Great, great applause.

We also thank our thousands of neighbors from all around the area who joined us and added to the festive atmosphere, *The Spotlight*, whose pre-celebration coverage brought out our neighbors to the party; the financial contributors who made it affordable; the - almost too many to count - volunteer groups and individuals who aided the committee; the Sheriff's deputies and ambulance service on duty to assure that everyone could enjoy themselves in safety; the fire department; the American Legion; all our village employees; and our churches.

A birthday party of the century. Thank-you everyone.

Ed Clark
Voorheesville mayor

Al Woehrle gave meaning to parade

Editor, The Spotlight:

For more than 20 years, I have either watched or marched in our community's Memorial Day parade.

Surrounded by young marchers, I recognized the reason for the parade escapes most of them, although they will always remember marching.

What made this day most meaningful for me was to see veteran Alexander Woehrle in his 80s standing in the hot sun on Delaware Avenue proudly marshaling the parade past the reviewing stand shaded under the memorial park trees. Thank-you, Alexander.

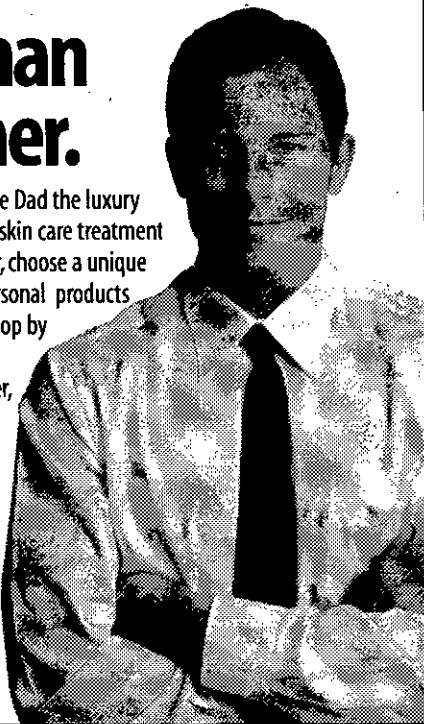
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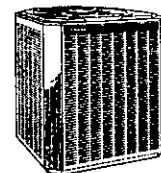
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Independent vampire flick-makers Bruce Hallenbeck and Joe Bagnardi will be on hand to show and discuss their work at an Independent Film Festival for sixth-graders and up this Saturday, June 12, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Bagnardi and Hallenbeck, who began making movies in their early teens, were part of a recent feature on local indie filmmakers



in the Feb. 18 edition of *Metroland*.

Hallenbeck's feature film "Vampyre," produced in Rensselaer County in 1990, and "Fangs" a shockumentary on the history of vampire movies, have both been released through E.I. Cinema.

Also among his credits are "London After Midnight" and the anthology film "Black Easter," for which our new TV-31 studio manager Janice Irwin served as assistant director. Hallenbeck has co-authored several books, including *Monsters of the Northwoods* and *The Fearmakers*.

Bagnardi's films, which range

from comedy to horror, include "Shadow Tracker," a current E.I. Cinema release shot in the Capital District. He was Hallenbeck's director of photography in "London After Midnight," and recently wrapped up "Sweet Sorrow," which he directed and photographed.

Bagnardi has also made more than 250 short films, ranging from horror to comedy.

Tonight at 7 p.m., don't miss Safe Netting, an introductory workshop on savvy Internet use for fourth-graders to adults. Participants will learn how to navigate the Web with greater proficiency and fewer surprises.

This program is supported by federal funds granted by the New York State Library via the Upper Hudson Library System.

Next Monday, June 14, marks the beginning of registration for the eighth annual Children's Writing Workshop. Open to children entering grade three and up, the workshop will meet on Fridays, July 9, to Aug. 6, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Local authors will present particular aspects of writing at each session. Each child will write, illustrate and bind a book, which

will remain at the library for a year. Participants must firmly commit to four of the five sessions. Adult volunteers are welcomed.

Registration for the writing workshop is ongoing and in-person only.

Call youth services at 439-9314 to register for the film fest and the safe-netting program.

Don't miss youth services links and listings on our Web site, www.uhls.org/bethlehem.

Louise Grieco

Zoning hearings on agenda

Two public hearings on applications for zoning variances by residents will be heard by the Bethlehem zoning board of appeals on Wednesday, June 16.

A 7:30 p.m. hearing will discuss an application by John and Jane McCann of 162 Murray Ave.,

Delmar, followed at 7:45 by a hearing on a request by Joseph and Annemarie Cardamone of 10 Bittersweet Lane in Slingerlands.

For information on the details of these proposals, contact the board at 439-4955.

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School and community awards ceremony slated

The senior awards ceremony will be held Thursday, June 10, at 7 p.m. at Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School.

School and community awards will be given during the ceremony.

Kiwanis sponsor soccer program

The New Scotland Kiwanis Club soccer registration will be held today, June 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the elementary school.

The program is for boys and girls entering second grade through sixth grade in September.

Participants must live in the town of New Scotland or the Voorheesville school district.

Games will begin Sept. 9 and run through Oct. 22. Junior league games (second- and third-graders) will be held on Monday and Wednesday. Senior league games

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(fourth- through six-graders) will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays. All games begin at 5:45 p.m.

Registration fee is \$25, with a maximum fee of \$45 for multiple family members.

For information, call Susan Casolo at 765-4402.

Girl Scouts hold ceremony

The Girl Scout bridging ceremony will be held on Monday, June 14, at 6 p.m. at the elementary school.

Bridging is the ceremony where a Girl Scout moves from one age level to another. Family and friends are invited.

Field day slated for June 9

The elementary school's annual field day will be held today, June 9, beginning at 9:45 a.m.

It will include outdoor activities and class picnics. Parents are welcome to attend.

The rain date is Thursday, June 10.

Early dismissal on June 11

Students at the elementary school will be dismissed at 11:50 a.m. on Friday, June 11, for a staff development day.

Children in the afternoon kindergarten will follow their regular schedule.

PTA to meet

at elementary school

The PTA's next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary school library.

Town board to meet

The New Scotland town board will meet tonight, June 9, at 7 p.m. at town hall on Route 85 in Slingerlands.

School board meeting

The school board has rescheduled its June 7 meeting to Monday, June 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the high school.

Library seeking youth volunteers

The public library is looking for youth volunteers to help at the library during the summer.

The program is offered to students entering fourth grade and up. Jobs include: cutting and preparing for the summer club, cleaning and general maintenance and reading to young children not participating in the summer club meetings.

Students can pick up a form during June at the Voorheesville Public Library on School Road.

Congratulations in order

Congratulations to all the individuals who participated in the various contests and raffles held during the centennial weekend. Listed below are some of the winners.

Pearl and diamond necklace — Kelly Leonard. Daffodil quilt

square — Karen Finnessey. History bee — Steven Wang; runner-up, Mary Finn.

Sidewalk art — youth division: first prize, Evan Sorel; second prize, Sarah Groth and Steffi Groth; third prize, Taryn Smith and Allison Bryant; fourth prize, Sarah Miller and Ashley Miexner.

Sidewalk art — adult division: first prize, Justin and Jeanette Defazzio; second prize, Leah Wilkinson; third prize, Cindy O'Neil; fourth prize, Jordan Liberty.

In the eyes of a child contest — writing division: first place, Josh O'Brian; second place, Mary Finn; third place, Bridget Blackeney. In the eyes of a child contest — art division: first place, Amanda O'Brian; second place, Noah Gorka; third place, Rebecca Boublin.

Memorial Day race winners

More than 200 runners participated in the 24th annual Memorial Day races in Voorheesville.

The winners were: 15K — Mayor's trophy and Men's Submasters, 30 to 39 years old, Charlie Casey; John Fredette Memorial trophy, Sean Michael.

Women's division — under 40: Mary Peck; 40 and over, Cecily Dexter.

Men's open — 18 to 29 years old, Josh Fisher. Men masters — 40 to 49 years old, Jeff Cole. Men's seniors — 50 to 59 years old, Peter Lee; 60 and older, Pat Fitzgerald.

The 3.2K winners were — overall winner and boys grade nine to 12, Tyson Evensen; boys grade one to six, Jeff Bode; boys grade seven and eight, Scott Mindel.

Men — 18 to 29 years old, Christopher Brunner; 30 to 39 years old, Ben Greenberg; 40 plus, Paul Bennett.

Girls — grade one to six, Emily Malinowski; grade seven and eight, Stephanie Fried; grade nine to 12, Dana Lawton.

Women — 18 to 29 years old, Courtney Romansky; 30 to 39 years old, Audrey Trainer; 40 plus, Katherine Ambrosio.

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It's time to rethink use of plastic in microwave

By Sharon Fisher

Are plastics a better choice? Have you reheated takeout food in the polystyrene foam containers from restaurants? Or warmed baby's milk in a plastic bottle from which the baby will drink? Do you microwave food on plastic plates or other plastic containers that advertisers say are designed for microwaves? How often do you place plastic wrap over food or a container to prevent splatters in the microwave? Take a minute to think about these practices.

Two scientific researchers at Tufts Medical School were surprised when they observed that breast cancer cells increased in numbers overnight when stored in simple plastic tubes. Chemical nonylphenol, a plastic softener was leaching into the cells, causing them to grow while acting as an enzyme mimicker.

The estrogen chemical can also be found in some pesticides, detergents and spermicides. Another chemical used in some plastics, Bisphenol A is also an estrogen mimicker. Bisphenol A may also leach from a plastic container into liquids when heated.

Microwaving foods and drinks

Church to serve strawberry dinner

Unionville Reformed Church on Route 443 west of Delmar, will serve a family-style spring strawberry dinner on Saturday, June 12, with seatings at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

The menu will include chicken and gravy on homemade biscuits, peas and carrots, potato salad, coleslaw, rolls and beverages. Dessert will be strawberry shortcake with real whipped cream.

Dinners cost \$8 for adults and \$3 for children 5 to 12. Children under 5 eat free but need a reservation. For reservations, call 768-2183.

Wellness Alliance offers seminar

The Wellness Alliance of Delmar will offer a free seminar on Monday, June 14, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at 204 Delaware Ave.

It will focus on techniques for forming and maintaining healthy relationships.

The speaker, family counselor Jonathan Caspi, will present a talk entitled "Men Are From Earth, Women Are From Earth — Learn To Live With It."

For information, call 439-8426.

in plastic containers or with plastic wrap could be dangerous since these estrogenic chemicals might leach into food. It appears that this is especially true when fatty foods are microwaved in plastics.

Alternatives exist for plastics. Substitute glassware or ceramics for plastic plates, containers and drink holders. Corningware or pyrex glass along with ceramic and pottery dishes are all excellent substitutes.

Make sure there are no chips to prevent burns from a hot plate. A reusable glass cover to prevent splatters is the best choice. However, a paper towel or paper plate can also replace plastic wrap. In some cases, waxed paper can be an alternative especially if steaming vegetables or fish. Corn on the cob peels easily and steams perfectly when microwaved in its original husks. There is no need for any container or wrap.

It may be wise to take this minor precaution until there are safer substitutes for estrogenic chemicals such as nonylphenol or Bisphenol A, or until they identify these chemicals on labels so we can make informed choices.

The information in this article is based on information in the "Scientific American," October 1995 and "The Voice in 1 in 9," a publication issued by the Long Island Breast Cancer Coalition.

The writer is recycling coordinator for the town of Bethlehem.

Krathaus wins People's Choice award

We have a winner! The people have spoken, and we are happy to announce that the winner of the People's Choice art award is Joan Krathaus of Delmar.

Her very distinguished piece was a large ink/collage entitled

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"Knickerbocker News Memories," and it proved to be the favorite in a very close race.

Also in contention for top honors was "Salmon Iris" by Helen Otterness, "Summer Delight," by Carol Ann Miller and a still life of pottery by Pauline Bosset.

Our appreciation goes to all of these talented women and everyone who contributed to make our first juried show such a success.

Congratulations also to Ron Holcomb who was the winner of the recent Friends of the Library 50-50 drawing.

Hundreds of people viewed the centennial display at the Legion hall. It included trains, quilts and the history panels created at the library through a grant from the New York Council for the Humanities. The panels are designed as a traveling exhibit. Look for them at other village locations in the future.

Due to a scheduling conflict, the evening reception for the Croatian librarians Dajana Brunac and Ivana Soljacic-Richter has been canceled. In addition to meet-

ing with local people and getting acquainted with the library, the librarians will take a tour of the village with historian Dennis Sullivan.

Readers of Calvin Trillin's *The Tummy Trilogy* will meet on Wednesday, June 16, to talk about the book and eat.

Group members are invited to bring something edible to share.

Pastel drawings and photo-

graphs by Barbara Vink are exhibited in the hall gallery throughout the month. Sue Casler's clowns are also on display.

The library will host a special meeting for library programmers on June 16 to discuss room-use policies. Librarians should call 765-2791 to sign up.

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Becker students tune up for lawn concert tonight

A.W. Becker School students will serenade their parents and friends at the annual Concert on the Lawn, tonight, June 9, at 7 p.m.

Fifth-graders to go on whale watch

Students from the Aqua and Black teams will travel to the coast for the annual fifth-grade whale watch on Thursday and Friday, June 10 and 11.

Sports association to host banquet

The RCS Sports Association will hold its banquet on Thursday, June 10, at 6 p.m. at the senior high.

Seniors plan picnic

The high school's senior class is planning its Senior Picnic for Tuesday, June 15.

RCS committee to meet at school

The next meeting of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District's Safe Schools Committee is set for Tuesday, June 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the middle school library on Route 9W in Ravena.

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Historical society elects officers

Bethlehem Historical Society recently elected officers for 1999-2000:

They are: Parker Mathusa, president; Jan Satin, vice president; Wendy Brandow, recording secretary; Barbara Muhlfelder, corresponding secretary; Richard Spaulding, treasurer; and Howard Gmelch Sr., program director.

The group's schoolhouse museum, on River Road in Selkirk is open Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. from June 13 through August. For information, call Helen Smith at 439-3916.

Gold medal musicians to perform in concert

The Choraliers and chamber orchestra from Bethlehem Central High School will perform the Requiem of Gabriel Fauré today, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

Joseph Farrell will conduct the seven-movement choral masterwork for choir, two soloists, harp, organ and string orchestra. Admission is free.

The Choraliers and Sound System Singers, directed by Farrell, were recent winners of the gold medal, with distinction, at the New York State School Music Association's spring evaluation festival in Niskayuna.

They will present encores of their medal winning performances.

The concert will also feature Bethlehem Central's Choristers, Concert Singers, Bass-On-Up and several senior soloists performing great solo pieces from a variety of musical styles.

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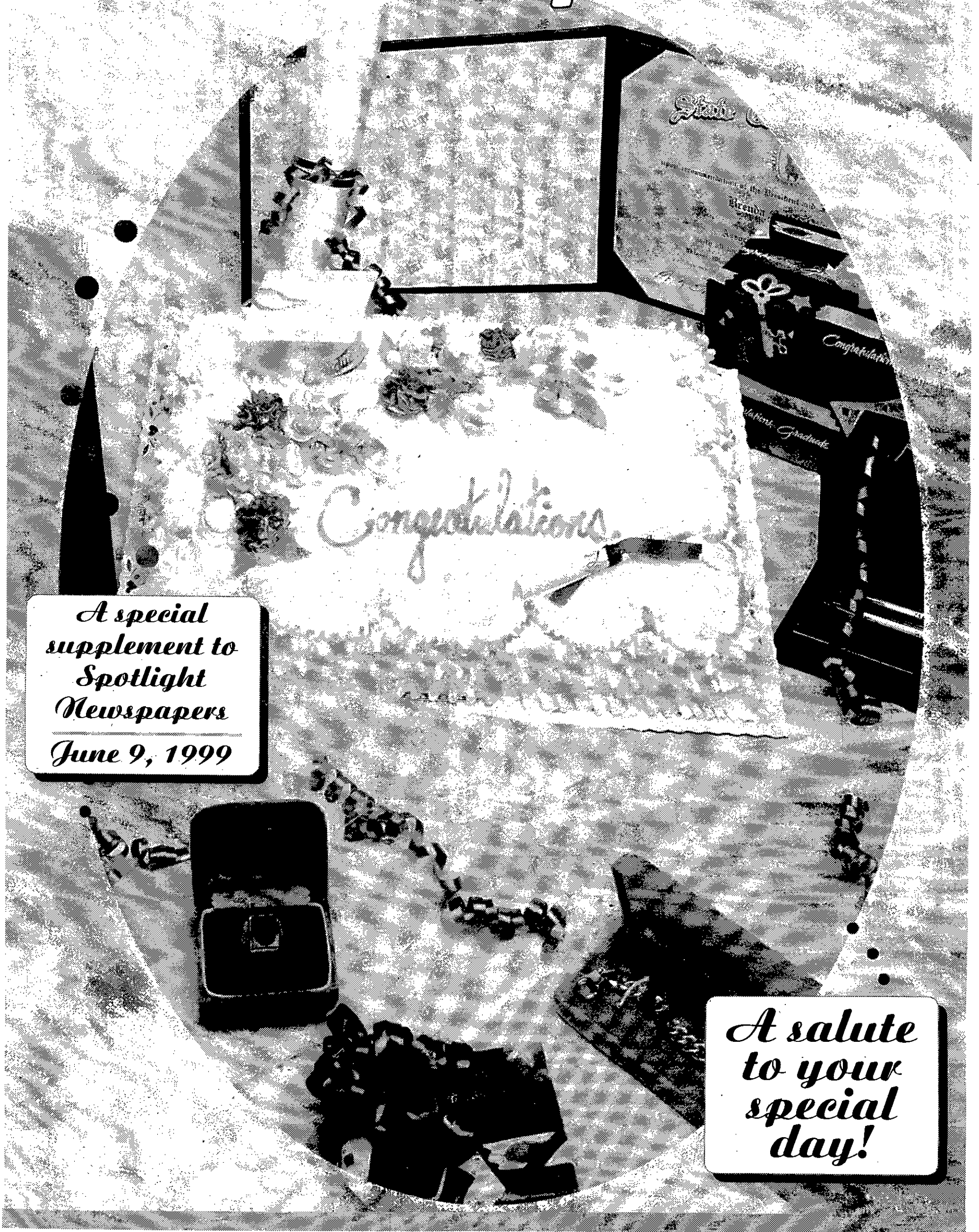


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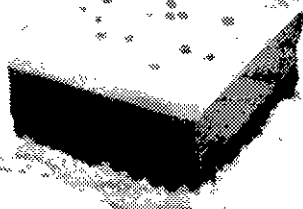
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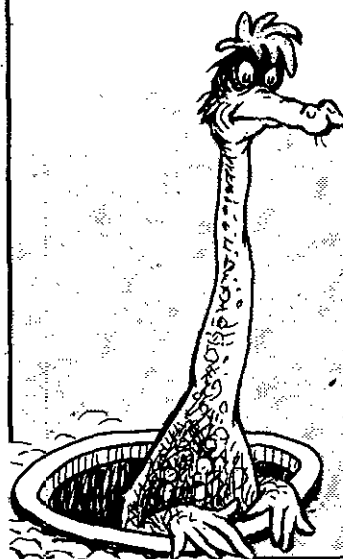


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Voorheesville senior president says, 'Believe in yourself.'

By Alison Leonard

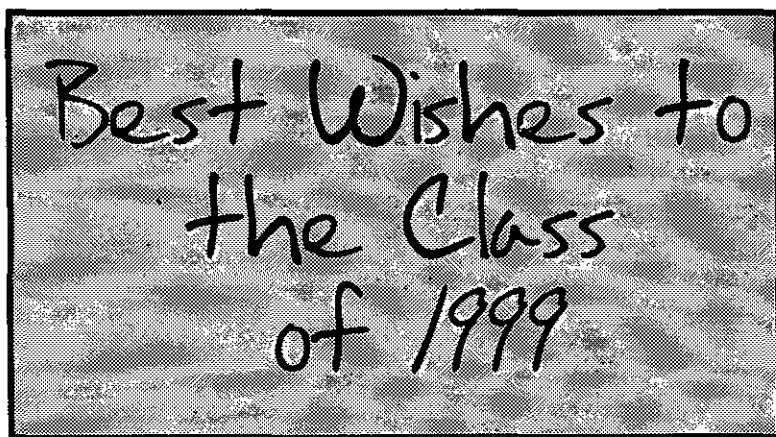
IN HIGH SCHOOL, EVERYONE STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF STUDYING, ASKING QUESTIONS, and completing homework on time. Of course, for the average student, following these rules can make one academically successful very easily. However, in order to be successful as a person, some basic ideals should always be held in high importance. First, do not ever be afraid to participate in activities that interest you. Always have self confidence and voice your opinions in discussions with professionalism and poise. Remember that change was never accomplished without questioning authority or presenting new ideas. Next, in order to earn respect from your peers, teachers, and other adults, one needs to give respect in return. Understand and appreciate that everyone is different, and has something else to offer. Take the time to listen before making a hasty judgement. Even more importantly, maintain individuality to help fight peer pressure. Continue to possess a strong work ethic and know the importance of commitment. Also, always put forth your greatest effort even if not rewarded immediately. In the long run, a sense of accomplishment will accompany your success and

if you have helped someone, a great feeling of self worth with emanate from within. In addition, make a point to learn from your mistakes and remember your good experiences. Always continually challenge yourself and your mind. Become involved in a project or activity that peaks your interest. It's important to drive your energy into something that can develop strong social skills and time management. Finally, if all else fails, follow your heart. Sometimes it is impossible to find an answer in a textbook. Listen to your

intuition when dealing with the tough stuff and do not hesitate to confer with your elders. They do always know best as much as you hate to admit it. Believe in yourself, and with the perfect combination of dedication, determination, and confidence, anything can be accomplished successfully. Furthermore, even though high school can seem to be very difficult at times, the strong life skills developed will help to ensure success in all endeavors. After combining your early academic and social skills, the possibilities are endless. Success will be inevitable.



Alison Leonard, Voorheesville Senior Class of 1999 president gives her best advice to the incoming freshman class.



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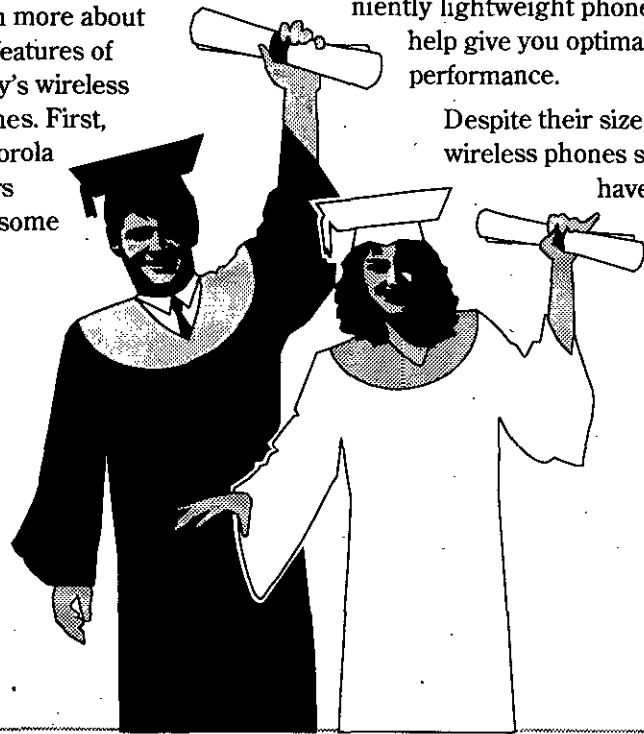
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Sports

Bethlehem lax streaks past Saratoga and into states

by Jeffrey Foley

Ding-dong, the wicked witch is dead. In a manner of speaking, of course.

Bethlehem's girls' lacrosse squad ended Saratoga's longstanding streak of control on June 2. The Eagles overcame the doubters, the odds and their own fears to score a 12-6 victory against the defending Section II Class A champions. BCHS put Saratoga away with seven unanswered goals in the first half.

Playing under the lights at Shenendehowa's Steuerwald Stadium, Bethlehem (15-2-1) delighted several hundred rowdy fans by winning the 1999 Class A crown and earning the right to play in the state tournament.

"What is it, seven years reign?" said Lily Corrigan, who had a pair of goals for Bethlehem. "I feel like we didn't just do this for us. We did it for all the other teams who have felt the tyranny of Saratoga."

Both history and pure numbers were stacked up against Bethlehem.

Saratoga entered the game undefeated this season. Two of their 17 wins came against BCHS: a 7-5 win on April 9 and an 8-5 win on May 5. Perhaps more importantly though, the Blue Streaks had won seven consecutive Class A titles. And then there was the No. 1 state ranking Saratoga carried into the match.

"I think the whole name thing with Saratoga, the kids just get nervous," Bethlehem coach John Battaglino said after the game. Battaglino was soaked but smiling, the victim of a celebratory dousing by his players. "I told them to just come out and play it like a game," he said. "I told them they (Saratoga) were the Saskatchewan Ridgerunners. Just play. No names, just play."

Bethlehem, who advanced to the title game by beating Shaker 19-5 in the semifinals, took that advice to heart.

"A couple of the other players on the team and myself were like, 'All right, who are we playing today?'" said Lindsay Carter Piechnik, who led the Eagles in scoring with a hat trick. "And they'd make stuff up. They'd be like, 'Saskatchewan.' And then someone finally said, 'Shaker.' We thought, they're blue. Saratoga's blue. So throughout the game we were saying, 'It's Shaker, it's Shaker,' which sounds mean, but it's just that they were the last game we had. We had to put it in terms of, this is someone we can



Bethlehem's Grace Tsan chases the ball as two Saratoga defenders chase her.

Jim Franco

handle."

Corrigan scooped up a bouncing ball after the first face-off and passed to Grace Tsan, who bolted toward the Saratoga net and took an illegal check to the body. Tsan lined up for a free position shot and scorched a high bullet past Amy Sharenko. At 24:19, just 41 seconds into the game, BCHS had a 1-0 lead.

Saratoga's Kate Magner

dumped a shot over BCHS goalie Stephanie Sherman at 22:18, knotting the game at one.

But the next 10-and-a-half minutes were all Bethlehem. The Eagles took advantage of several dangerous checks called against Saratoga and mixed up their shots well. They controlled the tempo and the score. Corrigan, Piechnik and Ellen Lowrey each had two goals during Bethlehem's 10-and-

a-half-minute run. Suzie Breaznell also added a score and with 10:46 left in the first half, the Eagles had an 8-1 lead.

"Once they get in a groove, they're hard to stop," Battaglino said. "They pile up a lot of goals real fast."

"We knew we could do it," Piechnik said. "All season, when we played them the other two times, we knew we hadn't performed up to our level. And we knew we were a much stronger team than they were. We had just had never actually done it."

Breaznell and Tsan each ended up with two scores and an assist. Carley St. Lucia also had a goal for BCHS.

"They made the shots count," Battaglino said. "And that's what we didn't do the last few times we played them. We shot right at the goalie. (Today) we really worked on hitting the corners, shooting where she wasn't and good hustle. I mean, we got the ground balls. The little things, we just put them all together today. And that's what we needed to do to beat this team today."

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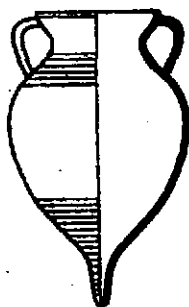
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Red-hot Eagles ride wave to Class A baseball crown

By Len Tarricone

It's probably a safe bet that, back on May 12 at the Bethlehem baseball field, thoughts of a Sectional title were far from prominent in the minds of the occupants of the home dugout. Trailing 8-5 in the sixth inning to the Colonie Raiders, the Eagles were staring at a loss that would potentially drop them to just one game above the .500 league mark re-

quired to advance to post-season play. But the Eagles, sparked by a three-run double off the bat of senior center-fielder **Jon Burroughs**, came up with seven late runs to win that game, 12-8, and in the process gained a newfound confidence in their ability to play with the better teams in the area.

"That was the moment that

turned our season around," Bethlehem coach **Jesse Braverman** said of his club's comeback.

Another 10 consecutive victories landed the Eagles at Heritage Park June 4 for the Section II Class A final where Bethlehem completed its thrilling and improbable journey by defeating the Schenectady Patriots 5-4 in extra innings, bringing the championship back to Delmar for the first time since 1993. The win catapulted the Eagles into the State regionals and a trip to Potsdam for a June 7 contest against Massena of Section X.

"I feel so very proud of these kids," Braverman said. "To come back from a 9-7 record, just struggling to qualify for the Sectionals, and then to win the whole thing, is just outstanding."

At the outset of the season Bethlehem was largely overlooked as a contender in the Suburban Council. With only three returning starters and six players in all with significant varsity experience on the roster, there was not a lot to justify serious consider-



Avi Rasowsky applies a tag at first base. *Jim Franco*

ation for the Eagles chances.

But Bethlehem caught fire at the right time, combining solid pitching with torrid hitting to produce its heroic and scintillating late-season run.

Co-captain **Pat Hughes** was huge all season, leading the staff with a 2.45 earned run average. He was also the leadoff hitter, bat-

ting .432. The other captain, senior shortstop **Calvin Brown**, batted at a .433 clip, while senior left-fielder **Greg Demarco** outdid both of them at .464. Sweeney stroked for a .321 average, and first-year varsity senior **Evan McQuide** came in at .333 during Bethlehem's Sectional stretch and, along with Burroughs, collected several big hits late in the year.

Supporting Hughes on the hill were fellow senior **Ryan Venter**, who sported a 3.62 ERA, and sophomores **Avi Rasowsky** (3.34) and **Josh Burnett** (4.01). The latter pitched the post-season opener for the fifth-seeded Eagles, a preliminary game against Catholic Central which Bethlehem won 9-5 on the strength of a four-run sixth inning.

"I gambled on Burnett for that game because I felt we needed Pat to go up against a great-hitting Niskayuna team had we advanced to the next round," Braverman said.

Burnett was able to get the Eagles past CCHS through, and a rested Hughes followed up by striking out 10 on the way to a complete-game quarterfinal victory over the Silver Warriors, 6-5, which featured home runs from Brown and DeMarco.

For a tough semi-final matchup with Columbia, Braverman decided to go with the other sophomore starter, Rasowsky, and save Hughes for the final game — should there be one. Rasowsky did his best to ensure that eventuality, fanning nine and walking none as the Eagles used a five-run fourth inning, sparked by a three-run DeMarco double, to down the Blue Devils 8-5 at Heritage June 2.

And when Hughes took the hill two nights later against Schenectady, he went the distance to strike out 12. He pitched out of jams in the seventh and eighth innings, and also went four-for-four at the plate with three RBI in the Eagle's triumph, which was not sealed until **Ryan Sweeney** singled home **Rick Long** with two-outs in the bottom of the eighth for the championship-clinching run.

"It was a very exciting game that went back and forth, and a lot of pent-up tension was released when it was over," Braverman said.

For Braverman, who five years ago inherited and has deftly maintained a strong tradition of baseball success at Bethlehem, the crown was a special reward.

"In a single elimination tournament you wonder, as a coach, if you'll ever get there, but thanks to these guys I've been able to go along for the ride," he said.

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Delmar residents make waves with Web sites

By Katherine McCarthy

Three Delmar residents are making waves with Web sites designed to help community merchants and organizations.

Andy Michne and Jill Ayers started their business, SiteWaves, about six months ago, as an offshoot of A.M. Electronics, the video camcorder repair business Michne had been running for the past 10 years.

At a Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce meeting, Michne and Ayers met up with John Guastella, this year's Festeeljk chair, and he began working with them as their marketing coordinator. Together, they've gotten some 4,100 Capital District businesses and 200 community organizations online.

"I had a great Web site for A.M. Electronics," Michne said of how he came to start SiteWaves, "but it cost a lot of money. That's just not feasible for small businesses. I thought we could use the Internet community to promote Web sites belonging to small businesses in the Capital District."

Since then, Michne, who's the technical coordinator of SiteWaves, created Bizchannel, the search engine that lets people search Bethlehembiz.com, Bethlehemchamber.com, and lathambiz.com.

Ayers, who has a master's in special education and reading, is the main Web page designer for SiteWaves, although business is good enough that SiteWaves also employs two other Web page designers.

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is part of the reason for SiteWaves' success so far. The chamber offers SiteWaves' services at a discounted price to its members.

"Andy and Jill redesigned our Web site for us," said Marty DeLaney, president of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. "They're very talented, and have great design skills. They're easy to work with, and very high-tech. They're always looking for new and exciting ways to expand our site."

DeLaney said a Web site could help local merchants. "It's a good idea for small businesses to have a presence on the Web," she said. "Often, we get focused on the day-to-day, and forget about the big wide world out there."

Part of SiteWaves' goal is to help the business community they belong to, primarily by making Web sites affordable.

Web sites start at \$299 per year, with no monthly fee. Now, the pages are linked to Bethlehembiz or the chamber Web page, but

eventually, SiteWaves will be able to offer companies their own ".com."

"If you're a chamber member, you should be linked to our Web site," Guastella said. "The goal of SiteWaves is to make sure our community continues to grow."

Harlequin Players to present children's play

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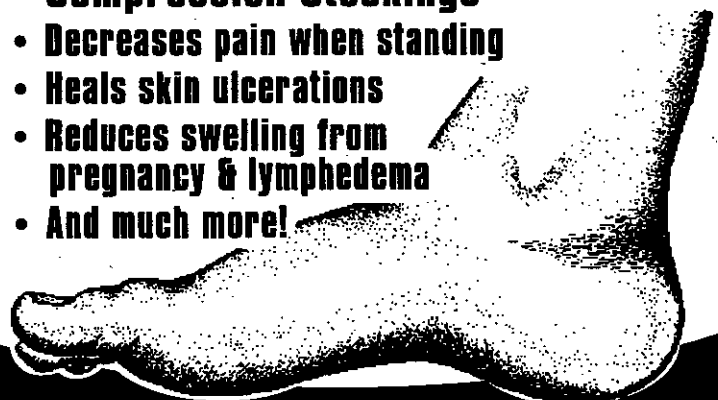
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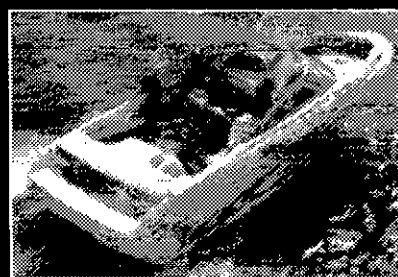
Wright joined the Elsmere Fire Department in 1950 and rose to the post of first assistant chief before moving to Delmar in 1969.

He was named chief 10 years later. He also serves as deputy chairman of the fire district board.

Wright is a past president of the Albany County Volunteer Fire Association and the Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Officers Association.

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happening ... the absence of a supervisor candidate from the ticket is disappointing, but the committee is anxious to see its other candidates get elected."

For her part, Fuller was also surprised by the news that she would go unopposed in November. "I just don't know what to say about that," she said, adding that her formal campaign would nevertheless begin this week with door-to-door circulation of a designating petition.

"I look forward to serving the community for another term, and look forward to continuing the leadership I've provided. I work

very hard at my job. It's a full-time job, not just at election time," she said.

Asked if facing incumbent Fuller in any way had an impact on the decision, Clyne, who has been her opponent in all three of her previous elections, said, "That had nothing to do with it. We had certainly hoped to enter a supervisor candidate. But we didn't want to throw a candidate out there who wasn't suitable."

Clyne said a number of prospective candidates were interviewed for the slot, but all found the full-time commitment required of the town supervisor to be a roadblock.

"It reflects the nature of the

job," he said. "Many people felt they would be interested in the job but it would not be financially feasible to do it. It's a tough job to find people to fill. It's a full-time commitment."

He left open the possibility of a surprise candidacy: "If somebody came forward, we'd certainly be willing to circulate a designating petition, assuming they were acceptable as a candidate. But it's tough to go back and do something like that."

For his part, Kelly discounted that possibility. "There's nobody I know of at this juncture who's coming forward to run," he said.

But Kelly sought to put the best face on the void at the top of the ticket. "I think it allows us to target the seats the Democrats

are most confident of winning, and gives us an opportunity to concentrate our resources where they'll do the most good. Dan Plummer has been endorsed by the Independence Party, so there's every indication that his candidacy will be successful."

"It's our intent to work very hard to get him and George Harder elected. I'm optimistic that, in fact, the Democrats will win both board seats and have a majority in the fall. We won't have the supervisor's seat, but we'll control the board."

He said tax receiver Cornell's Independence endorsement also boded well for his candidacy.

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Committee hosts reception for Fuller

The Committee to Re-elect Sheila Fuller will host a "Bethlehem Celebration" in honor of the incumbent supervisor to raise money for this fall's election campaign.

The hors d'oeuvres and cocktail reception will take place on Thursday, June 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere.

Tickets are \$75 each, or two for \$125 and will be available at the door.

Quilting group to meet at church

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The future groom is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School and Ithaca College. He is an assistant controller at Marriott International in Farmington, Conn.

The couple plans a July wedding.

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Michael Race and Eleanor Stone

Stone, Race engaged

Eleanor Stone, daughter of Robert and Cathy Stone of Cheshire, Conn., and Michael J. Race, son of James and Shirley Race of Voorheesville, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Penn State University and has a master's in sports marketing from Georgia State University.

She is a sports marketing project manager at Universal

Marketing Association in Atlanta, Ga., and a member of the U.S. Women's National Field Hockey Team.

The future groom is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School and Clarkson University.

He is an engineer and plant manager for MacMillan Bloedel Bulk Packaging in Marietta, Ga.

The couple plans an Aug. 21 wedding.

Bethlehem seniors install officers

Bethlehem Senior Citizens recently installed officers during its annual spring luncheon at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere.

The new officers are: Marie Privler, president; Dorothy Brown, Dorothy Mann and Dorothy Kelleher, co-vice presidents; Virginia Shutter, second vice president; Bertina Duval, recording secretary; Helen Hoffmann, membership secretary; Dorothy Lenseth, corresponding secre-

tary; Pauline Ouderkirk, treasurer; and Betty Stewart, historian.

Music was by Thomas Abbott. Pauline Ouderkirk chaired the luncheon, which was attended by Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller and Joyce Becker, assistant director of Bethlehem Senior Services.

The group meets Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall auditorium. For information on Bethlehem Seniors, call 439-9287.

Local lawyers named to Bar committees

Two attorneys with the Albany-based law firm of Whiteman Osterman & Hanna have recently been named to serve on committees of the New York State Bar Association.

Charles Haviland Jr. of Slingerlands, a senior associate in the firm's corporate practice group, was recently named to serve on the Committee on Corporations and Other Business Entities of the association's Business Law Section. He is a graduate of the University at Albany and Albany Law School.

Named to the bar group's Committee on Internet and Technology Law was Martin Ricciardi of Glenmont, who will serve as chairman of the subcommittee on trademark usage in cyberspace. A graduate of Binghamton Univer-

sity and Duke University School of Law, Ricciardi is a partner in the corporate practice group.

Reed named to board

County Legislator and teacher Robin Reed of Selkirk has been elected a member-at-large for the coming year of the board of directors of Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council.

Pamela MacAffer of Slingerlands, director of annual programs for Albany Medical Center, was also selected to serve on the council's nominating committee.

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Garden tour set for June 16

A tour of six gardens in Slingerlands and North Bethlehem is planned for Wednesday, June 16, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 each and will be sold June 16 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the south end of Price Chopper Plaza on Route 85 in Slingerlands.

Proceeds support "Tree Bethlehem Project" of Bethlehem First and the Bethlehem Garden Club.

For information, call 439-6861.

Obituaries

Norman D. Elfeldt

Norman D. Elfeldt, 67, of Delmar died Thursday, June 3, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in New Berlin, Chenango County, he was a general agent and certified life underwriter for Allstate Insurance for 30 years, retiring in 1994.

Mr. Elfeldt was a member of First United Methodist Church in Delmar and involved in its mission program. He initiated the Mozambique Hospital Mission Program of the Troy Annual Conference in 1993. He was a former board member of the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless and worked with the Albany United Methodist Society.

He was a former member of the administrative board of First United Methodist Church. He had also been active with the Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club, serving as a past president and honorary member. Mr. Elfeldt was a certified instructor for the state hunter safety program. He was also a coach for Tri-Village Little League and Bethlehem Babe Ruth.

Survivors include his wife, Shelby Jean Elfeldt; two sons, Edwin Elfeldt and David Elfeldt; a sister Jean Greene of Cobleskill; and three grandchildren.

A memorial service will be on Saturday, June 19, at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Graveside services were in South Edmeston.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Mission Program, c/o First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar 12054.

Ron Bover

Ron Bover, 56, of Hudson Falls and a former Clarksville Elementary School teacher, died Saturday, June 5, at Glens Falls Hospital.

Born in Corinth, he graduated from Hudson Falls High School. He received a bachelor's degree from SUNY New Paltz, a master's from Northwestern University and a doctorate from Syracuse University.

He was a professor of outdoor education at SUNY Cortland and was curriculum coordinator for the East Irondequoit School District in the Rochester area, retiring in 1987.

Mr. Bover was a communicant of St. Mary's/St. Paul's Church in Hudson Falls. He was a member of the New York State Teachers Association and a former president of the New York State Outdoor Education Association.

Survivors include his mother, Cecilia Bover of Hudson Falls; and a sister, Mazella "Mitzie" Hermanson of Hudson Falls.

Services were from St. Mary's/St. Paul's Church and the Carleton Funeral Home.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Fort Edward.

Contributions may be made to Fort Edward Rescue Squad, PO Box 226, Fort Edward 12828.

Zoe Irene Taylor

Zoe Irene Taylor, 74, of Delmar died Wednesday, June 2, at her home.

Born in St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, she was the widow of Charles B. Taylor.

Survivors include a cousin, Constance Kirk of St. John.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

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

Kathryn Rich

Kathryn Wilson Rich, 90, of the Beverwyck in North Bethlehem died Wednesday, May 26, at her home.

Mrs. Rich moved to the area many years ago.

She worked for The Brown School and was an advocate of adult education.

She was the widow of Theodore Rich.

Survivors include two sons, Dennis Rich of Hudson, Ohio, and Tom Rich of Oklahoma City, Okla.; a sister, Georgetta Kinschner of Altamonte Springs, Fla.; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were from First Unitarian Society in Schenectady.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to The First Unitarian Society, 1221 Wendell Ave., Schenectady 12308, Planned Parenthood Health Services, 414 Union St., Schenectady 12305 or Friends of the Schenectady Public Library, Clinton Street, Schenectady.

Apple dipping



Mark Foster, 13, catches his breath while dunking for apples at School's Out 15th anniversary celebration at Elm Avenue Park. Constance Lupe

Sarah Whiting Run-a-thon set

The Sarah Whiting Run-a-thon will be held on Saturday, June 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central High School track. The rain date is June 13.

The event is sponsored by members of the BCHS junior class in memory of their classmate Sarah Whiting, who was struck and killed by a car in 1996.

Proceeds from the run-a-thon will help support the Bethlehem Citizens for Pedestrian Safety and other charities.

Two bands will perform live at the event, and refreshments will be available.

Pledge sheets for those wishing to participate can be picked up in the main office of both the Bethlehem Central High School and middle school.

Pledge sheets will also be available at the track on the day of the event.

Extension to sponsor blood drive June 14

Cornell Cooperative Extension will conduct a blood drive on Monday, June 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the William J. Rice Jr. Extension Center, 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville.

Registration is recommended. To sign up to donate, call Darlene Condon at 765-3500.

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SPOTLIGHT ON CALENDARS ♦ ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

It's a Grand Old Flag Day Parade

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

It might not be a recognized holiday on all state and federal calendars, but the city of Troy more than makes up for that fact with its Flag Day observances.

Three days of music, carnival rides, fireworks and merriment, kicks-off with an old-time block party on downtown streets. A parade features two dozen bands and fife and drum corps, from local outfits to groups from as far away as Keene, N.H.

Nobody celebrates the Grand Old Flag better than Uncle Sam's hometown, with its Flag Day Parade and Festival, Friday through Sunday, June 11 to 13. As many as 100,000 visitors are expected to join the denizens of the Collar City for the patriotic observance.

It all began in the 1960s when the parade's founder, a former Marine named Jim Pasinella, witnessed an anti-war demonstration in Syracuse.

"He saw some people dragging a flag along-side the road," said Ed Verrillo, one of the committee of volunteers representing Troy's civic organizations



Making music...

Among the performers appearing this weekend as part of Flag Day festivities in Troy are, from top, The Phantoms, Susan and the Surftones, Willie Pierce, who performs with his Blues Band, and Trish Anderson of Bluz House Rockers



and businesses who put together the three-day flag-waving fest. "He got mad and decided to do something about it."

Heading back home to Troy, Pasinella pulled together a handful of marchers and a single band — and a city tradition was on the march.

"This is our 32nd parade and still going strong," said Verrillo of this year's edition. "We think it's the largest Flag Day parade in the country. The streets will be loaded with flags that weekend." And it's a red, white and blue start to a whole summer of activities in Troy's Riverfront Park, the focus of the festival.

The parade itself steps off at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, with the 42nd Infantry Army Marching Band leading the way, and follows a route starting at Van Buren and Fourth, that marches up Fourth Street through a succession of blocks named after America's earliest presidents — past Jackson and Monroe, Madison and Jefferson, Adams and, of course, Washington — into the heart of downtown Troy, heading for the reviewing stand at Grand and Fourth. The parade then disbands at Riverfront Park.

With visitors doubling the population of the city for the day, "If you'd don't get a chair down at the curb early in the morning on Sunday, you're out of luck," Verrillo said.

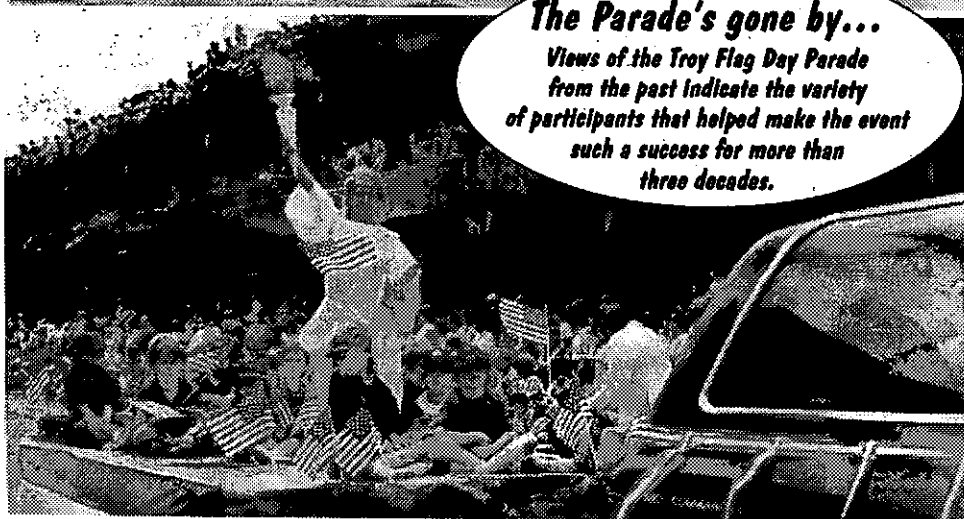
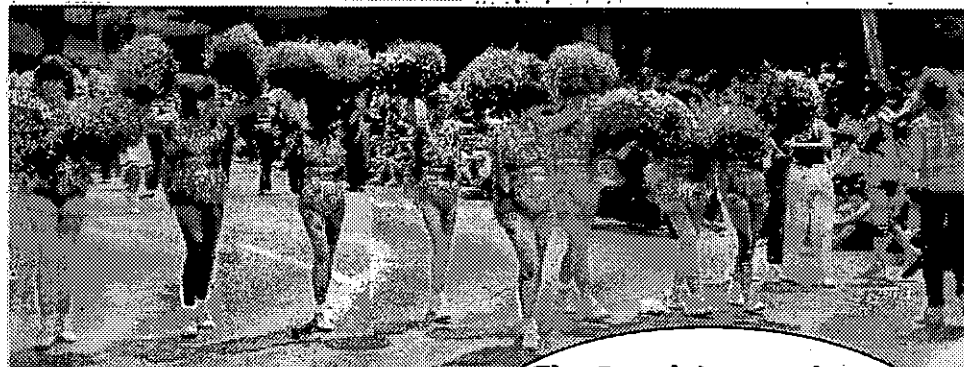
In the air over the parade will be a fly-by of Army helicopters; on the ground, the highlight of the line of march will be a collection of bands — American Legion ensembles from New Hampshire and Brattleboro, Vt.; bands from the Big Apple, Newburgh and Springfield, Mass.; the Schenectady Fife & Drum Corps and local bands from Mechanicville and Rensselaer; high school bands; and the Skyliners Senior Drum & Bugle Corps.

Two dozen bands in all; and after the line of march disbands near Riverfront Park, the bandsmen aren't done. The Skyliners head to Mahr's Tavern in South Troy to keep on playing; the two Legion



The Parade's gone by...

Views of the Troy Flag Day Parade from the past indicate the variety of participants that helped make the event such a success for more than three decades.



bands from New England join forces at the Fireman's Picnic up at Frear Park; and the Schenectady fife-and-drummers decamp to the parking lot at Castaways, near Riverfront Park, for some extended Yankee-doodling.

And the music doesn't begin at parade time, either. This year's festivities kick up with a "Dancin' In The Streets" block party at 7 p.m. Friday, continuing into the night down near the park with music by Al Bruno and Valerie DeLaCruz.

On the park bandstand on Saturday will be a string of local favorite blues-rock bands, including the John Morse Band at 1:15 p.m.; Ernie Williams and the Wildcats at 2:30; the Bluz House Rockers at 4:45; and the Willie Pierce Blues Band throughout the evening, beginning at 7:15. They'll be interrupted only briefly by a fireworks display over the river at 9.

Sunday, beginning at 11 a.m., brings a one-price-for-all carnival full of rides and attractions for the whole family, continuing after the parade until about 3 p.m. And the music continues long into the afternoon, this time with a '60s flavor as Susan and the Surftones take the stage at 3:15 p.m. to open for the festival headliners, the doo-wop sensations the Phantoms, at 4:30.

Throughout the weekend, some local radio stations will be on hand to broadcast live from the festivities, and there will be food concessions, a flea market, and various crafts exhibits.

If you love a parade, pack up the family, dust off a lawn chair, bring enough cash for food, balloons and a visit to the carnival — the music events are all free — and pay Uncle Sam's hometown visit this weekend.

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LEGAL NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR
AUTHORITY OF PRIMAX
CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Under Section 1304 of the Business Corporation Law

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is PRIMAX CONSTRUCTION, INC.

SECOND: The corporation is a North Carolina Corporation and was incorporated on July 7, 1998.

THIRD: The purpose for which Primax Construction, Inc. is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Business Corporation Law of New York State. It is not formed to engage in any act or activity requiring the consent or approval of any state official, department, board or agency or other body.

FOURTH: The Corporation's office in the State of New York shall be located in the County of Albany.

FIFTH: The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated as agent of the Corporation upon whom any process in any action may be served. The address to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the corporation is c/o CSC Corp., 80 State Street, Albany, New York 12207.

SIXTH: The Corporation has not since its incorporation or since the date its authority to do business in this state was last surrendered, engaged in any activity in this state, except as set forth in paragraph (b) of section 1301.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this certificate of incorporation this 27th day of April, 1999, and I affirm the statements contained therein as true under penalty of perjury.

John F. Von Ahn, Attorney-in-Fact
(June 9, 1999)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF
ORGANIZATION OF
TURF & SNOW, LLC

Pursuant to Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law:

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Turf & Snow, LLC.

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

THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office mailing address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is 1198 New Scotland Road, Albany, NY 12208.

FOURTH: The effective date of these Articles of Organization is the date of filing, May 20, 1999 a date which does not exceed sixty days from the date of filing.

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 14th day of May, 1999 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true herein under the penalties of perjury.

s/ Floyd Silvernell, Organizer and Member

Filed by: Robert E. Molloy, Esq.

200 Broadway

6th Floor

Troy, NY 12180

(June 9, 1999)

MCH-MT, LLC

Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on May 17, 1999. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.
(June 9, 1999)

BBL CONSTRUCTION
SERVICES, L.L.C.

Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on May 4, 1999. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.
(June 9, 1999)

LEGAL NOTICE

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(June 9, 1999)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 30, 1999 Mayflower Lake Realty Co. LLC filed Articles of Organization of a limited liability company with the Secretary of State, effective that date. Its principal office is to be located in the County of Albany and State of New York. The purpose of Mayflower Lake Realty Co. LLC is any purpose that is a lawful purpose for a limited liability company in the State of New York pursuant to Section 201 of the Limited Liability Company Law. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of Mayflower Lake Realty Co. LLC upon whom process against it may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process to 419 Elm Avenue, Selkirk, New York 12158.

Dated: May 7, 1999
(June 9, 1999)

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION
OF LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY SCHROON RIVER
LODGE, LLC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the above named Limited liability Company has been formed for the transaction of business in the State of New York and elsewhere.

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is Schroon River Lodge, LLC.

2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is Albany.

4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is designated as the agent for the Limited Liability Company upon whom process in any action or proceeding against it may be served and the address within the State to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of the process in any action or proceeding against the Limited Liability Company which may be served upon him is P.O. Box 3084, Albany, New York 12203. The Limited Liability Company does not have a registered agent within the State of New York.

5. The character of the business to be transacted by the Limited Liability Company is to engage in any activity for which a limited liability company may be lawfully engaged under the laws of the State of New York.
(June 9, 1999)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 11, 1999 SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES, LLC filed Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State, of a limited liability company, effective

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May 11, 1999, its principal office is to be located in Albany County. The purpose of SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES, LLC's Business is to engage in all lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 201 of the Limited Liability Company Law. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES, LLC upon whom process against it may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process to 38 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.
(June 9, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION
OF LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY.

NAME: SAFE STORAGE III, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/14/99. THE DURATION DATE IS 12/31/2098. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 1025 Central Avenue (Rear), Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
(June 9, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION
OF LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY.

NAME: AARON'S ASSETS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/05/99. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Aaron Flach, RD 1, Box 299, Athens, New York 12015. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
(June 9, 1999)

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

The name of the LLC is ALLIANCE REPORTING SERVICE, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 26, 1999. 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 P.O. Box 12459, Albany, New York 12212-2459.
(June 9, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION
OF LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Cosmetic Laser Surgery of Albany, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State ("SSNY") on April 16, 1999, effective upon the date of filing. Office location: Albany

LEGAL NOTICE

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 process to the LLC c/o 1345 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery and for any lawful act or activity in furtherance thereof, in connection therewith, or incidental thereto, for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Law of the State of New York.
(June 9, 1999)

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 16, 1999, at 7:45 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Joseph and Anne Marie Cardamone, 10 Bittersweet Lane, Slingerlands, New York 12159 for Area Variance under Article XII, Percent of Lot Occupancy, Section 128-50, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of an addition which would exceed allowable Percent of Lot Occupancy at premises 10 Bittersweet Lane, Slingerlands, New York.

Michael C. Hodom

Chairman

Board of Appeals

(June 9, 1999)

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 16, 1999, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of John and Jane McCann, 162 Murray Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 for Area Variance under Article XVII, Side Yards, Section 128-73, Required Widths A (1) (b) of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem to construct an extension to existing attached one car garage to make a two car garage which would encroach into the side yard setback requirement at premises 162 Murray Avenue, Delmar, New York.

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(June 9, 1999)



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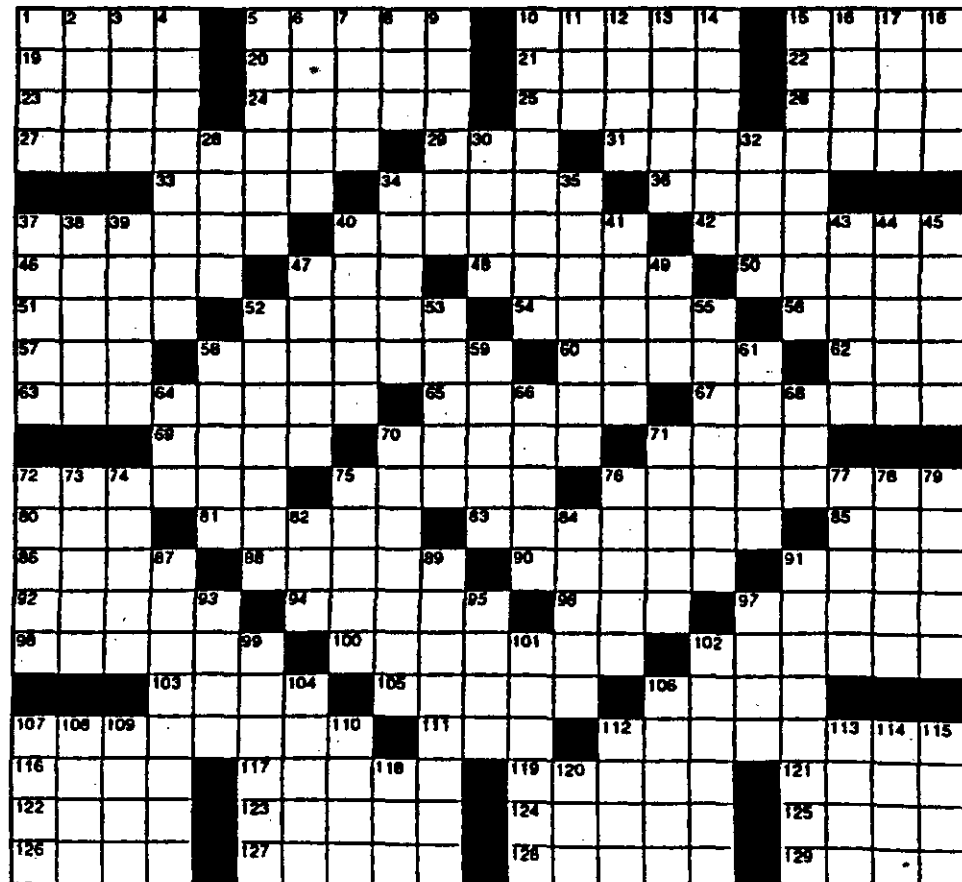


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 - 26 "I — Get Started" (1935 song)
 - 27 Who sculpted "The Kiss"?
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 - 42 Oozed gradually
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- candidates
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- 98 Distributes
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- 105 Albert or Arcaro
- 106 One of the Websters
- 107 Andrea —, fresco artist
- 111 Legal point
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- 116 New York barge canal
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- 1 Thick slice
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- 6 City in Belgium
- 7 Skirt or track lead-in
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- 9 — hearing (partially deaf)
- 10 Who painted "Morning Sunlight"?
- 11 Film director Grosbard
- 12 Flaccid
- 13 Actor Lorenzo
- 14 Wild ducks
- 15 Noted U.S. Illustrator (1894-1978)
- 16 Evangelist Roberts
- 17 Showing good sense
- 18 Grafted, in heraldry
- 28 Actor's aids
- 30 Amo, amas, —
- 32 Iacocca and Trevino
- 34 Junta
- 35 They're opposed to altruists
- 37 Bit or scrap
- 38 Cliff home
- 39 It's before grass or button
- 40 Language of Caesar
- 41 Mollusk genus (var.)
- 43 Temporary break
- 44 Vessels for heating liquids
- 45 Apportioned
- 47 Banal or trite
- 49 Bill-signing memento
- 52 Type used for emphasis
- 53 Anagram of nails
- 55 Lizard or turtle
- 58 Central part of a sunspot
- 59 Hollywood mantel decoration
- 61 Extract by force
- 64 Ancient Hebrew measure
- 66 Japanese diplomat, and family
- 68 Bank acct. additive
- 70 Lowest point
- 71 Synagogues
- 72 Island near the Bay of Naples
- 73 Celebration results
- 74 Castle
- 75 Branch of geometry
- 76 Wagons
- 77 "Every Which Way but —" (movie)
- 78 City in the Ruhr valley
- 79 Rancid
- 80 Bacon, once lead-in
- 84 Usual
- 87 Who painted "Un for the Bitches"?
- 89 Noted abstractionist (1872-1944)
- 91 Who sculpted "Standing Women"?
- 93 Genus of water scorpions
- 95 Take the bus
- 97 It's before bag or pole
- 99 Tailor, in literature
- 101 Bridal paths
- 102 Mickey or — Andy
- 104 Kind of mine excavation
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- 107 Author Walter — Mare
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Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
JUNE 9**
BETHLEHEM
"HALF MOON" BUTTON CLUB

Meeting at Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Information, 899-7103.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SVCS.

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

"SAFE NETTING" WORKSHOP

Introductory workshop on Internet for 4th grade and up. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. 7 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

TOWN BOARD

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

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

BINGO

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

RED MEN

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

DELMAR FIRE COMMISSION

firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3851.

NEW SCOTLAND
VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Training session for horseleaders and sidewalkers; No experience necessary. Albany Therapeutic Riding Center, 182 Martin Road, Voorheesville, 5:30 p.m. Also Thursday, 5:30 p.m.; Saturday, 11:30 a.m. Information, 731-8625 or 765-2764.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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.

**THURSDAY
JUNE 10**
BETHLEHEM
RECOVERY, INC.

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

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

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Post 3185, 404 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-9836.

AA MEETINGS

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

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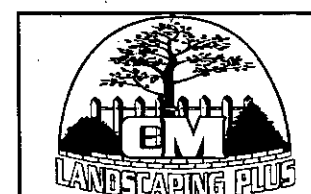
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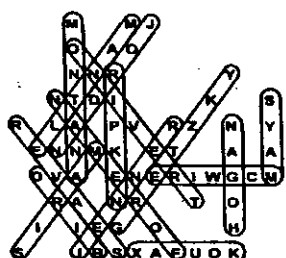
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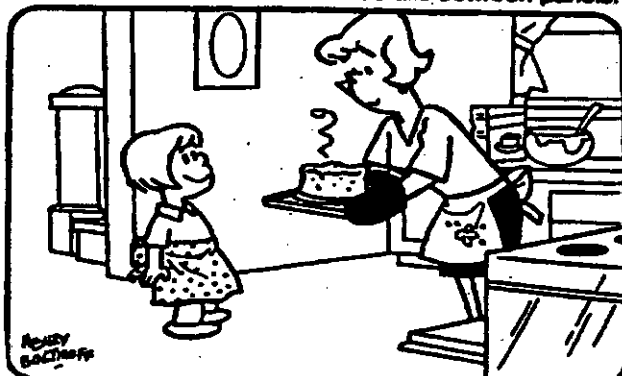
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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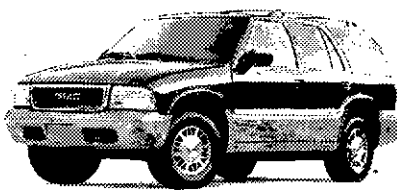
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9PC61M	98 SUBARU	IMPREZA SW. AWD	7K	\$16,495	\$15,495
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Tests

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met the standard in a dozen New York City schools, overall, just 33 percent of the students passed muster.

Among public elementary schools in the Capital District, Slingerlands, Hamagrael and Glenmont — fall within the nine top scoring schools, based on average student scores.

Elsmere Elementary School claims a special distinction in test results based on a breakdown of

scores into "performance levels," with students scoring points in the 692-800 range being in the highest level, level 4, which indicates performance exceeds state standards. Students scoring between 645-691 points fall into level 3, which is considered adequate to meet state standards for fourth grade reading and writing.

Thirty percent, or 15, of Elsmere's 50 fourth-graders achieved level 4 scores. In the Capital District this is the second highest percentage of a school's

students to achieve that distinction, and the fourth highest in the state.

"This is all very good news and cause for celebration," said John McGuire, the district's superintendent for educational programs, "but the work remaining to be done nevertheless is significant. We did very well compared to other districts, but not as well as we'd like to do."

Kathy Bartley, who supervises Bethlehem's elementary language arts program, attributes the district's mostly successful scores to aggressively preparing both teachers and students in the skills the new test assesses. "This is the most sophisticated exam I've seen children take at this level," she said, "but the kinds of skills this test requires are the kinds of skills we want students to have."

McGuire agreed with the aggressive strategy. "We aren't inordinately test-oriented in this district, but we felt it was legitimate to focus students' instruction on those reading, writing, note-taking and organizing skills" the test demands, he said.

Unlike the previous PEP exams, which tested simple com-

prehension through multiple choice questions, the new English Language Arts exam requires children first to listen to passages read aloud and then to write short answers using notes they have taken while listening. On another part of the test, they read two passages and write an essay that synthesizes information from both, making sure to cite information from each text to earn full credit for their answers.

Bartley's preparation for this year's test-takers began a year ago when current fifth-graders took sample tests that mirrored the real exam.

The work, especially the weaker work, highlighted where teachers need to focus instruction. "We knew we had to step up our note-taking strategies and teach them how to be better listeners," Bartley said.

By October, she had targeted students among this year's fourth-graders who seemed to need extra help to get ready for the exam. For an hour a week, a small group of students at each of the district's elementary schools met with her for tutoring.

Now that the results are in,

teachers will again examine and adjust their strategies to follow up and study the work of each current fourth-grader who fell short of the standards, as well as prepare the crop of next year's test-takers.

Already, third-graders are being exposed to some of the skills they'll need for next year's test, with some being targeted for extra help. "The preparation has to be done in tiers," Bartley said. "The fourth-grade teacher can't do this all from September to January."

In addition, summer school programs have been extended to offer services to second-, third- and fourth-grade students who could use extra help.

Students whose exam score was less than 645 points, the cut-off for meeting the state standard, will be invited to spend three weeks in summer school, but it is not a mandate.

Meanwhile, eighth-graders throughout the state spent three days last week tackling an equivalent version of the English Language Arts test for their grade level. Results are expected during the summer.

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Designed and cared for by staff Master Gardeners at the center, it offers a display of flowering annuals, perennials and herbs, along with a gazebo and picnic tables suitable for a picnic lunch.

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