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IDA OKs resolution opening door for PSEG

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency (IDA) held a public hearing on Thursday, April 26, on a proposed tax-incentive package for Bruno Manufacturing, which is seeking to relocate its operation to Glenmont.

The agency postponed further consideration of a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement with Bruno, setting a meeting for Friday, May 4, to take it up again. The IDA did take immediate action, however, on what promises to be an even larger, and more controversial, project — approving an "inducement resolution" for PSEG Power New York.

The resolution is a first step toward assisting the utility, owner of the Bethlehem Energy Center, in underwriting the cost of renovating the former Albany Steam Station, a step that paves the way for a PILOT agreement to soften the blow to the community of a probable reduction in the company's property tax assessment.

"Let the games begin," said IDA chairman Michael Tucker after the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The inducement resolution establishes a framework for providing the company certain tax exemptions on the planned \$400 million construction project to redevelop Bethlehem Energy Center. That project is now in the midst of an Article 10 permit review process before the state Energy Generation and Siting Board.

But financing is not a major issue for the New Jersey-based utility conglomerate that is PSEG Power New York's parent company. But company officials have made a PILOT agreement, reducing its future tax bill over the life of the agreement, a precondition of

proceeding with the project.

In the wake of deregulation of New York's utilities, the state Office of Real Property Services (ORPS) has greatly altered in utilities' favor the formulas for valuation of their properties. As a result, utilities across the state have challenged assessed valuations of their property.

Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., previous owner of the Glenmont property, assessed by the town at approximately \$260 million, has filed such court challenges for the last seven years of its ownership.

PSEG paid NiMo less than \$50 million for the property last year — and in January, ORPS further reduced its recommended valuation from \$119 million to somewhere between \$35 and \$83 million, depending on the method used to calculate equalization rates.

Both the purchase price and ORPS' actions lend support to NiMo's position that it has been overassessed for years.

At last week's meeting, Tucker said that NiMo's challenges are scheduled for trial in state Supreme Court on Nov. 14. A finding in NiMo's favor could leave both the town and Bethlehem Central School District liable for refunds in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

To stave that off, a subcommittee composed of Tucker and officials of the town and the Bethlehem Central School District have been in negotiations with PSEG for months on a PILOT. Any negotiated agreement, Tucker said, must also satisfy NiMo.

Citing a confidentiality agreement,

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Dionysians to perform in 'West Side Story'

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

The final scenes of "West Side Story" have always been moving, but in this post-Columbine era, the sight of a teenage girl wielding a gun seems particularly chilling.

The Voorheesville Dionysians will be performing the Leonard Bernstein/Stephen Sondheim musical this weekend, and director John Lopez acknowledged the continued timeliness of some of the show's themes.

"We're still facing a lot of the same issues that were faced in 1957, when this show was written," Lopez said. "Racism and misunderstandings that come out of what people are told rather than what they've learned still exist."

"These themes were true in Shakespeare's times, and the horrible part is they're still true today," he added.

"West Side Story" is known as an updated version of "Romeo and Juliet," with white and Puerto Rican street gangs battling over turf, and a boy and girl from the two opposite worlds falling in love

Hot stuff



Joe Carusone performs a juggling act at Feestelijk last Saturday.

Jim Franco

Three to run for 2 BC board seats

By TOM MURNANE

Community development, property assessments and maintaining the Bethlehem school district's academic programs are among the issues that three candidates will be addressing in their respective bids for the school board.

The candidates, incumbent Stuart Lyman, former board member Richard Svenson, and Slingerlands resident Jonathan Bartow, are running for two open seats. School board terms are three

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Maureen Cavanaugh and Adam Lustick

— with tragic results.

"This community hasn't had to deal with this level of divisiveness," Lopez said, hesitating to say whether shows like "West Side Story" are an impetus to halting some of the violence in our society.

"Kids learn from what they see and hear, and this show can make you ask the hard questions that you might not want to answer."

Lopez chose "West Side Story" as a good bookend to last fall's production of "Romeo and Juliet," and because he felt the students could do the show justice.

"This is one of the most challenging shows to do, there's a lot of music, and dancing. When it's done well, it has such a strong impact that it really needs to be done," Lopez said. "It's set in a time and place that's accessible to memory, and the emotion rings true."

"I knew I had a group who could pull this off. You take the ring when it's offered," he added.

Senior Adam Lustick is playing Tony,

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DWI cases adjudicated

Three individuals facing charges of driving while intoxicated (DWI) pleaded guilty on April 17 in Bethlehem Town Court.

Charged with felony DWI in a Jan. 22 incident, John D. Tamoshunas, 42, of 59 Route 32, Clarksville, pleaded guilty to DWI.

He was sentenced to 60 days in Albany County jail by Town Justice Theresa Egan and had his license revoked indefinitely.

Kevin Smith, 25, of 79 Udel Road, Westerlo, faced both a DWI count and a charge of criminal possession of a controlled substance in a Jan. 29 incident.

He pleaded guilty to DWI and was fined \$500 and a \$125 surcharge, and had his license revoked for six months.

He also pleaded guilty to a reduced count of unlawful possession of marijuana and paid an addition \$65 surcharge.

Christopher James Pittz, 24, of 95 South River St., Cocksackie, arrested on Jan. 21, also pleaded guilty to DWI and was fined \$500 and a \$125 surcharge.

His license was revoked for six months.

All three men were ordered to face a victim impact panel and undergo substance abuse counseling.

Encore troupe to perform at BCHS

The Encore Acting Troupe will present "And then Comes Two... Once Upon a Time Would Never be Enough" Friday through Sunday, May 4 to 6, at Bethlehem Central High School on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Performances will consist of a short one-act play, "Twice Upon a Time," as well as monologues and skits geared for children and adults.

Pizza will be served half an hour before each performance.

Performance times are 6 p.m. dinner and 6:30 curtain on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5; and 2 p.m. dinner with 2:30 curtain on Sunday, May 6.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

For information, contact Robin Betzholt at 439-4733.

Stop DWI sweep nets one Bethlehem arrest

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

An Albany County Stop DWI sweep announced by the county Sheriff's Department and local police agencies for April 20 to 21 produced more than 30 arrests, a sharp increase countywide over other recent sweeps — but only a single arrest for driving while intoxicated was made by Bethlehem police.

The DWI arrest was made early on Saturday, April 21, when Officer Craig Sleurs stopped a vehicle near Elm Place for swerving across the center line on Krumkill Road.

With the assistance of Officer Jeffrey Vunck, Sleurs administered field sobriety tests and a pre-screening on Keely Maureen Murphy, 30, of 20 Woodlake Road,

Albany, and charged her with DWI.

She was also ticketed for failure to keep right and was ordered to appear in Town Court on May 15.

Five Rivers offers spring programs

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar has scheduled several programs.

• Friday, May 4, 6:30 p.m.: A walk in search of the woodcock. Naturalists will give a brief introduction to the natural history of the woodcock, to be followed by an outdoor walk. Participants should dress for an evening outdoors and wear walking shoes.

• Saturday, May 5, 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.: A Project WET teacher workshop, open to teachers and youth leaders, will introduce an interdisciplinary program which emphasizes water and the creatures that inhabit it. Participants should dress for the outdoors and register by May 3.

• Sunday, May 6, 2 p.m.: Guided Canada goose walk.

• Thursdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, at 7:30 a.m.: Early birder guided bird walks will include tips and tricks for bird identification with the beginning birder in mind.

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Librarian challenging incumbent

Trustee contest expected to be closely watched

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

This month's campaign for a five-year term on the Bethlehem Public Library board promises to be a more closely watched race than most.

Against the backdrop of last December's defeat of a board-backed \$8.5 million library renovation plan by a 3-1 margin, the May 15 board election pits a two-term incumbent against a key member of the citizens' group that spearheaded opposition to

face and how they deal with challenges," she said.

As one of the five largest libraries in the system, Bethlehem has a permanent UHLF board seat, "and it's considered sort of the jewel of the crown. We have to work hard to keep it that way," she said.

Through her tenure as a trustee, Palmer has seen the unionization of library staff, the selection of Nancy Pieri as library director, and two unsuccessful public referenda, one dealing with expanded parking, the other the renovation vote.

"I've had experience, I have the background, I have the time, and I do think my Upper Hudson connection is very valuable," she said.

Moore, who lives within sight of the library, has a history degree from SUNY-Cortland and a master's in library science from the University at Albany.

A librarian at Schenectady County Community College, he was previously employed in a newspaper cataloging project at the New York State Library, during which he traveled extensively throughout the state to other public libraries.

"I've been able to see what works, and what doesn't work," he said.

The planning process that created last year's library renovation plan, he said, didn't work.

"The board got the cart before the horse. They came up with a plan the public overwhelmingly rejected. It was a complete waste of time," Moore said.

"That project had the appearances of public input," he said. "The citizen advisory committee held public meetings, but the plan was drawn up already, and those meetings didn't matter one iota. They didn't affect the plan at all."

"My idea would be to involve the public in every step of the planning process more openly, rather than six or seven people drawing up a de facto plan and trying to convince us it's the right one. The idea of an advisory committee is not bad, but they need to be there through the whole process," he added.

Palmer said that the current board "didn't realize the community felt they weren't being heard. We did have several committees we thought had a broad background, but apparently it wasn't enough."

The board, she said, is now considering how to move forward.

"The board is still discussing that, but I think we all agree some sort of impartial survey is the way" to sound out the voting public, she added.

A "sound off" session is also being planned for early summer to gauge public opinion.

Voter concern about local taxes, she said, probably contributed to the December defeat.

"The board now feels it's extremely important to find out what the voting community thinks is necessary, thinks is desirable, and thinks is financially feasible," she said.

Moore also advocates re-starting the dialogue over the library's future, through a districtwide survey to take the pulse of the voters. But he criticizes the library board as slow to follow up.

"With an \$8.5-million renovation plan voted down in December," he said, "the only thing they've opted for in this coming budget" — which also faces a public vote on May 15 — "is some money to patch the carpet — not even to replace it, to patch it."

A plan to temporarily relocate the library to Glenmont during renovations was an element of the proposal's defeat, but, Moore said, "I think the people in Glenmont liked the idea. And I don't oppose it either, if that's what a district survey indicates people want. A branch library in Glenmont might be a good idea."

Moore said he has nothing against his opponent specifically, but said, "As far as I know, all of

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David Moore

those decisions of the past three or four years were unanimous votes. I think it's time somebody else gets on the board that has some fresh ideas."

Citing Moore's opposition to the renovation plan and the previous parking plan, and his participation in a lawsuit against the town over the nearby CMI project, Palmer said she regards him as a "not in my back yard" thinker.

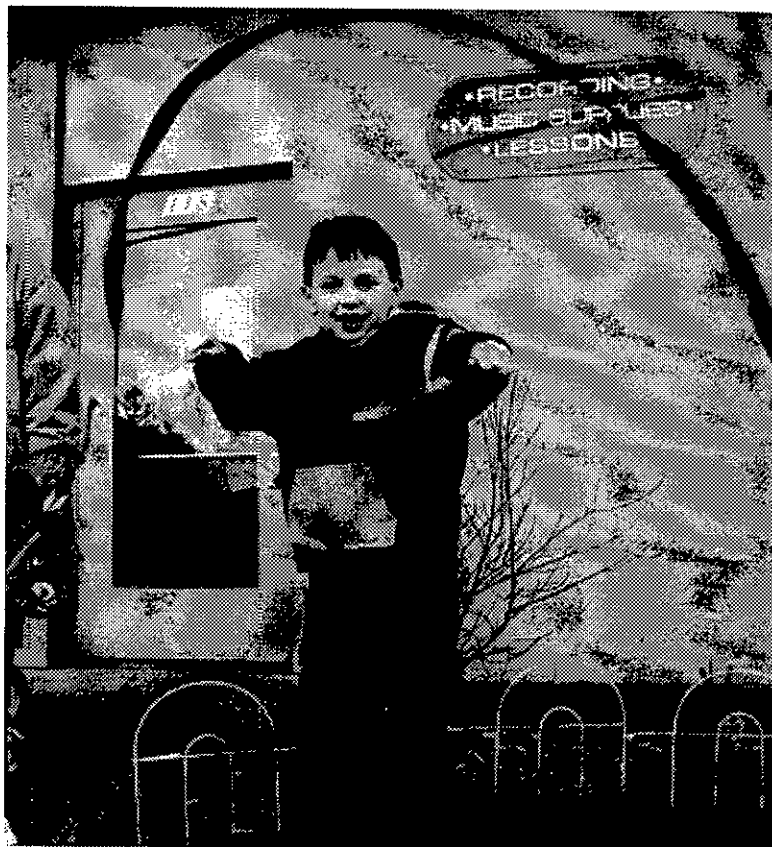
"I don't agree with his philosophy," she said. "New thinking may be a good thing, but he has unfortunately been quite negative about a lot of things ... I don't have a NIMBY point of view. I'm not so sure he's had fresh thinking so much as being against so many things."

A harmonious board is critical to moving forward, she said: "We've had a very congenial board. We don't always agree, but I think we have reached consensus about most things."

Palmer said voter interest will hinge on concern over school taxes in the same day's school budget-vote.

"If they're equally concerned about the library budget," she said, "perhaps they'll be turning out in numbers" like the December referendum.

In a twirl



Alexander Hazelton enjoys a twirl at Feestelijk last Saturday. Jim Franco

The broader your background, the broader your thinking. We don't need to know how to run a library. The librarians know that.

Melissa Palmer

the renovation plan.

David S. Moore, a 13-year Delmar resident and member of the group Save Our Library, will challenge Melissa Palmer, who is seeking a third term on the board and serves as its representative to the Upper Hudson Library Federation.

Moore previously ran unsuccessfully for the board three years ago, but last fall's campaign against the renovation plan spurred his second attempt.

"We thought somebody should run who has fresh ideas about the future of the library, and that turned out to be me," Moore said. "It's easy to be against a project, and to say vote no, but that's not all we stood for."

Palmer, a Slingerlands resident for 44 years, holds degrees in occupational therapy, art and English, and is a retired business manager for the theater department of the University at Albany.

She is also a longtime community volunteer with organizations including the Junior League and the local chapter of Literacy Volunteers of America. She sees the breadth of her résumé as an asset.

"The broader your background, the broader your thinking," she said. "We don't need to know how to run a library. The librarians know that."

Of particular value, she believes, has been her service on the UHLF board.

"I represent Bethlehem to them, and it gives me a much broader base as to the other libraries in our system, what they

Groups, town chip in to replace aging piano

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Working in concert, so to speak, two community arts organizations that use Bethlehem town hall auditorium for rehearsals and public performances have pitched in to help acquire a new upright piano.

Village Stage theater troupe and Delmar Community Orchestra each chipped in \$500 to match \$1,000 put up by the town, and the orchestra purchased the new instrument, which will be available for use by community groups that share the auditorium.

The new piano rolled into town hall last month. Well, not rolled, exactly.

"We still have to put wheels on it, which will be mounted on a kind of bracket, but otherwise it all seems to have worked out very well," said David Rhodes, president of the orchestra, which rehearses most Mondays in the auditorium — and gave the piano its performance debut with an April 30 spring concert.

Necessity, it seems, is the mother of joint action.

"The piano that was already there was old," said Village Stage president Holly Wilkie. "Actually, it was a refurbished player piano, the kind that used to be played with a piano roll, and it was so hard to tune, we had to rent a piano last fall," when the theater company performed the musical "The Fantasticks" at town hall.

Rhodes said the orchestra's conductor, Peter Cannistraci, had also complained frequently about tuning the instrument, whose sounding board was irreparably cracked. And its upright body made it difficult to place for practice or concert.

"It was so high, the piano player couldn't look over the top and see the conductor," Rhodes said.

A baby grand was out of reach, but with a grand on hand in a town account for public celebrations,

Supervisor Sheila Fuller authorized spending it to partially underwrite the purchase of a new upright, provided the orchestra matched the \$1,000.

Even with a brace of corporate sponsors, raising the money remained a tall order for the all-volunteer organization.

But when Rhodes heard that Village Stage had shelled out for its "Fantasticks" rental, he approached board member Tom Watthews and then Wilkie.

The prospect of a new piano was music to the ears of Village Stage's board, which readily agreed to split the \$1,000 tab.

"We had been thinking about getting a new piano anyway," Wilkie said. "We had been looking to find someone who could help us underwrite the cost of it. This is an excellent solution to our problem."

The orchestra found a suitable instrument at Hilton Music in Colonie.

"It's kind of a generic brand," Rhodes said. "Our piano player picked it. Hilton gave us a little bit of a discount because we're a non-profit. We had a choice between this and a used Baldwin, but our piano player thought this one had a better sound."

And with its low back, they saw their way clear to making the buy.

"Theoretically it'll be better for Village Stage for that reason too," Rhodes said.

Village Stage has performed occasional productions in town hall, including a musical revue or two, and is considering staging another there next year.

"It's an excellent place for a musical revue," Wilkie said, "and we hope to continue to at least rehearse there from time to time."

For his part, Rhodes said: "We like to think of ourselves as the town orchestra. We play for our own enjoyment, but also for the enjoyment of the community. We appreciate the town actively supporting our efforts."

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Child begins to see world through rover's eyes

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

My favorite song at the moment is "Boston and St. John's," by the folk group Great Big Sea.

Its strings, warm harmony and long, drawn-out notes make it the perfect music for that time when day turns to evening, the sun shines in the glass doors between the deck and the kitchen, and

dinner needs to be fixed.

The song's aching lyrics about one person leaving another but promising to come back make me put down the carrot peeler, close my eyes and remember all the people and places I loved but had to leave.

Christopher helped fix dinner just after my love affair with this song started, and got impatient on the tune's third go-round.

COMMENTARY:

*Mom's
the
Word*



"What the heck is a rover, anyway?" he asked.

"Somebody who has to always go to new places, and has trouble settling in just one," I told him.

"That's you," he said instantly, and was surprised to see the shock on my face.

My roving gear got swapped for diaper bags and strollers, which metamorphosed into soccer balls, library books and school backpacks, many moons ago.

Some rover I'd make now, making sure everybody else I met had lots of snacks, juice, tissues and hand wipes with them.

"Well, you do seem to want to always go somewhere," Christopher said, realizing that he'd startled me.

In fact, I would go almost anywhere in the world, and perhaps a large part of my surprise was Christopher's perception of me as anything other than the woman who cooks his meals, washes his clothes and can always find the missing toy.

"I love to see different places and people, and see how they're the same as we are and what our differences are," I told him, saving my more complex theories

that my love of travel is linked to a need to see if the grass is greener elsewhere.

"What about you?" I asked him, reminding him that his request had been the catalyst for a one-day trip he, Cormac and I had taken to New York City. "Are you interested in traveling?"

"Yeah," he said with a shrug, walking past me to get plates to set the table.

In the past year, he has grown nearly as tall as me, and for a split second I envisioned him as a college student spending his junior year abroad, backpacking his way through Europe, accompanied by throngs of other students stooped under the weight of their packs.

My friend Cammy and I still share jokes and memories about our time as graduate students abroad, when we set off for Greece, living on the princely sum of about \$15 a day.

On the island of Naxos, there were several beachfront restaurants — restaurant being a generous word, since they were more like booths with that night's food on display. We had chosen our squid and Greek salads, and were sitting at a table, the sirocco wind from Africa blowing across the evening sky.

Two boys appeared, checked out the food, and asked how the ambience was. In our memory, we grinned saucily and answered, "Well, we're here."

One was from Chicago, the other from Northern Ireland, and we were soon chatting and laughing at the way the Irishman imitated our flat and nasal American accents. We did meet some Greeks, too, but the fun of big trips is that you meet people from all sorts of different places.

We also saw some of the great sites, and wandering through the rubble of the Acropolis in Athens gave us just a tiny sense of past civilizations, and the youth of our own country. At Poseidon's Temple in Sounion, we saw the strength of the sea, and could only imagine what it must have meant for this timeless civilization.

We have worked hard to make our boys travelers — sometimes at our own peril. We have lugged

more stuff across the Atlantic Ocean taking our boys to their ancestral Irish homeland than generals take into battle.

We gave them a lesson in contemporary history by taking them to Berlin, only to have their interest in that formerly divided city truly piqued by the newly opened Pokémon center just off that city's most famous boulevard, the Kurfuerstendamm.

We have listened to them whine about sore feet and get tired of "seeing things," and wondered if the people who were waiting till their children were older to travel the world might have something on us. But our interest in other places is so strong, we had to go, and more than anything, we want our children with us.

Slowly, we've learned how to travel with them (keep them well-fed and spend next month's mortgage on the hotel mini-bar), and as they get older, it is more fun, and we have our own jokes to share together.

In New York, a local motorist yelled at a tourist who'd missed the traffic light get out of his "#!* city"; at the Smithsonian, an Asian man told his daughter that moon rocks were from heaven, and had fallen from the sky. In Ireland, the boys listen to the local lingo, and tell us they need to go to the shop, not the store, and they say "as well" instead of "too."

Slowly, the boys are developing their own desire to travel. Christopher has an interest in mythology and ancient civilizations, putting Greece and Mexico at the top of his travel lists. Cormac has decided he wants to be an exchange student in Japan, so that he can see the uncut anime cartoons on TV.

For a few minutes on a weekday evening, then, Christopher and I fantasized about places we'd go, and how the people might be different from us, and how they might be the same.

I hope that my boys do head out to see the world some day, meet all kinds of people, make all kinds of observations, and enrich their own perspectives on the world — and themselves. I will, of course, hold my breath till they're back safely.

After they've sated themselves on all they can see and do, I hope they move right next door to me, so we can sit and talk about where we've been and where we might still go.

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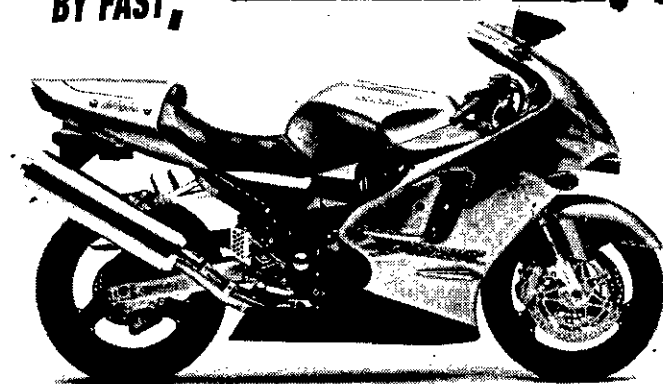
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Traffic accident claims Selkirk woman's life

Because of a printing error, a substantial portion of this story from Page 1 of last week's issue did not appear in the paper. The complete story follows.

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

A Selkirk woman was killed Thursday, April 19, in a two-vehicle accident on the Delmar bypass — Bethlehem's first traffic fatality in eight months, and the most serious of three accidents last week at the same intersection.

The accident occurred at approximately 7:10 a.m., where Bender Lane crosses the bypass, Route 32.

The victim, Elizabeth Zinzow, 42, of 346 Bridge St. in Selkirk, employed at Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center on Rockefeller Road as a nursing aide, was on her way home from an overnight shift with a colleague, Richard Snell, 48, of 14 Locust Drive, both passengers in a vehicle driven by Zinzow's mother, Alice Hahn, 71, of South Albany Road in South Bethlehem.

With roadwork in progress on Elsmere Avenue under the supervision of the state Department of Transportation (DOT), Hahn detoured by way of Oakwood Road, emerging on Bender near the intersection with the bypass.

According to police Lt. Fred Holligan, several eyewitnesses told police that Hahn failed to yield at the center meridian as she attempted to cross the four-lane highway, and her vehicle was struck sideways in the north-bound lane by a pickup truck

operated by Daniel McKay, 42, of Indian Fields Road, Feura Bush.

Hahn's vehicle rolled over and into a drainage ditch alongside the road. Rescuers from the Delmar and Elsmere fire companies responded at the scene, along with paramedics from the Albany County Sheriff's Department, but they were unable to revive Zinzow, who was pronounced dead of her injuries at the scene by an official of the Albany County coroner's office.

Hahn and Snell were taken to Albany Medical Center Hospital for treatment, where both remained as of April 24. Hahn, originally listed in serious condition with chest injuries, had been upgraded to fair, but Snell remained in critical condition with severe chest and abdominal injuries and multiple fractures.

The driver of the pickup, McKay, was treated for minor injuries at St. Peter's Hospital and

released the same day.

Initial investigation of the cause of the accident by Bethlehem police was concluded April 23, following an extensive reconstruction of the accident at the scene on April 21 and interviews with multiple witnesses, including both drivers, Holligan said.

No charges have been lodged in the case, but a traffic citation is being contemplated against Hahn, he said.

"She hasn't been charged yet, but in all likelihood she will, for failure to yield," Holligan said.

Two additional accidents

recently occurred at the Bender-32 intersection, one of those the day before the fatal accident, but neither with any reported injuries. They underscore rising concern about increased traffic at the intersection. The sole traffic control devices are stop signs in both directions on Bender Lane.

According to DOT spokesman Peter Van Keuren, during the rerouting of traffic to Route 32 in the wake of the Normanskill landslide in Elsmere last summer, DOT briefly considered installing a traffic light at the intersection, but decided against it.

Several major proposed

building projects on Route 9W have raised fresh concerns about future traffic if motorists en route to the bypass adopt Bender Lane as a shortcut.

Last month, Bethlehem Commissioner of Public Works Bruce Secor requested another evaluation of the intersection by DOT traffic safety engineers, Van Keuren said. Data is still being gathered in that evaluation.

Update: Alice Hahn was released from Albany Med on Sunday, April 29, but as of Monday Richard Snell remained in surgical intensive care at the hospital, in critical condition.

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Matters of Opinion

Show up May 15

In two weeks, voters in the Bethlehem, Voorheesville and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school districts will have their say on proposed budget packages for the next school year. Voters will also choose several school board members. In addition, residents will also vote on library budgets and open trustee positions.

Sadly, most voters simply don't bother to exercise their right in school and library elections, unless a controversial issue emerges. Ironically, however, residents are the first to register complaints against school and library boards when decisions are made that they don't agree with. We know this from numerous letters we receive throughout the year related to school and library issues.

What we would hope, is that residents take an active role in the process, which they can do by registering their views at the polls.

In this week's issue, profiles of the Bethlehem school and library candidates, should help voters determine their choices for the election on May 15. We will have more profiles for the other two local districts in next week's edition.

These elections are often close calls for candidates, showing that every vote really does count.

Mark your calendars now so that you won't forget to vote.

Think ahead

This week's Senior Living supplement offers a nice blend of stories from grandparenting to affordable housing.

Another story features the Umbrella program of the Capital District, which helps seniors stay in and maintain their homes, giving them a sense of independence and control. In this program, seniors can get just about everything they need done for their home, under the safe and careful scrutiny of the Umbrella staff.

Programs like this also make it easier for seniors' relatives, who often shoulder the burden of home maintenance and other duties.

The important thing is to get the word out about programs and living choices for older people. Senior citizens should know that there are options for almost all situations that they are facing or will face. Looking at options beforehand is key to choosing what's best in individual situations.

Making life choices under pressure is risky and could lead to disaster for seniors. Even though most of us don't like to look at the prospect of growing older, we must do this to help arrange our lives accordingly as we age. We must acknowledge that we will eventually need help to maintain a dignified quality of life.

Editorials

Parents need to take a strong stand

By JOHN A. ISDELL

The writer is a parent who lives in Delmar.

Do you know what a kid is? A kid is a human being without the cumulative years of education and experience that an adult has.

Kids aren't stupid, they are us, without the gift and benefit of educational experiences. And I am talking about education in all senses, which is what school should and can be.

It's not just about literature, algebra, basketball, SATs, GPAs, remedial this or accelerated that. It's equally about socialization, coexistence and life in general.

Humans by nature are selfish, fearful, mean, insecure, violent and destructive. But we also have the ability to be otherwise, and an intrinsic need to be loved, and thus to love.

Only through enlightenment by example and education can the better qualities be nurtured into existence. This is why school, when combined with good parenting, is so important.

There are four responsible parties in the educational process.

First — parents, whose responsibility is to have already educated the child to a level of decent behavior, respect, a sense of right and wrong, and hopefully, a fundamental appreciation and appetite for learning.

Second — administrators, whose responsibility should be to hire the best teachers possible, dispense resources equitably and execute authority humanely, fairly, and effectively with a mind to the majority and tolerance toward the minority.

Third — teachers, who can have a big impact on forming, molding, changing and inspiring lives. While they are not 9 to 5 state workers, they are still employees of the system, and are individual human beings who fall into the same personality spectrum you see in any vocation — good, gifted, average, driven, by the book, boring or inventive.

Not every student-teacher relationship is a perfect match. So it is in life, with bosses, fellow

Point of View

employees, drill instructors, significant others — whoever. Part of education is, without sacrificing real principles, to deal with it. To do your job the best you can for yourself and move on.

I'm not giving teachers free license. There are standards and requirements they must meet. They were and are part of the educational process, they just decided to be the torchbearers.

They are certified and periodically observed and scrutinized. They are hired to teach their particular subject or grade the best they can, according to who they are.

Again, some are magically illuminating. Others are dry and boring. Most however, fall in between, according to their connection or clash of personality types with their students.

I don't want to exalt teachers to a status they might not all deserve, but they do have a difficult and vitally important job — that impacts not just kids, but all of society.

This is where the rub lies. They are teachers. Let them teach. They don't need, nor should we expect them, to be parents to our children.

They are also neither policemen nor social workers. Consuming a teacher's time with these responsibilities can only lessen the effectiveness of teaching and detract from a child's education.

I know that, almost without exception, teachers don't have personal vendettas against students. They have no vested interest in seeing a child do badly or fail. They don't want to take time away from class to punish or coerce stubborn, disruptive students to simply pay attention and do the work, or at least let others do theirs.

We come to the fourth responsible party — students. On a sliding scale relating to age and maturity, students have the responsibility to attend school, follow the rules, pay attention and be respectful during class time. That holds true whether they love, like, loathe, or are bored by or ambivalent about any particular teacher.

There is always room for respectful disagreement and constructive discourse. In the rare cases where teachers are blatantly stifling, on power trips, or use inappropriate behavior or methods, it quickly becomes apparent to everyone.

Otherwise students have two options. They can open their minds, adapt, do the best work they can and their possibilities will be endless, or they can close their minds, shut their mouths and dim their futures.

Unfortunately, what these kids often do is blame their failures on everything else — the dumb teacher, the stupid school, the other kids, the temperature — anything or anyone but

themselves.

That's what kids often do naturally. It's when parents join in that things start to fall apart.

It's good to respect your child — you should. But you shouldn't be naively blind to kids' propensities, or too lazy or afraid of angering your child to set him or her straight.

Some parents delude themselves that they are simply standing behind their child or being involved. That's not only foolish and irresponsible, but detrimental to the educational process.

And if that's too intangible for you — you may be screwing up your own kid. You want to be involved? Act interested in their schoolwork, help them with homework if they ask, but don't do it for them.

If you really want to be involved, read the same book they're reading, take them to a play or an observatory, or just talk to them about real things. Take the computer to the repair shop for two weeks and snip the TV cable.

But when they don't do their homework or they get into trouble at school, punish them! When they show improvement or do well, be proud of them and show it. In any case, love them and show it.

Let teachers teach, let administrators do their jobs. And parents, do your job at home. Stop being afraid of your child's reaction if you put your foot down.

To school board members everywhere, to all the political Departments of Education, to all the educational scholars lost in the sea of their own rhetoric, and to the politicians and lawyers manipulated by parents with too much time on their hands, unshackle the chains you've put on the whole system.

If a kid fails because he won't do the work, keep him back. If a kid is disruptive, abusive and undermining the learning of others, find him other accommodations or expel him. When a parent wants their child's needs catered to, show them brochures from private schools.

Finally, to all the students out there — wake up and realize just how easy it really is to get along, do the work, have fun and be educated at the same time.

There's plenty of time for everything, more than you'll ever have again. Or if that's too intangible for you — you're screwing up your own future.

Do you want the ability to determine your own future, to have a say in what you do for the rest of your life, to be comfortable, happy, achieve some or all of your goals?

Or do you vainly want to try and recall the names of all the teachers you didn't like or the other kids you thought were so important, as you cock back your paper hat and stare down at the deep fryer wondering if your shift will ever end.

How about it? No more excuses for Johnny.

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Your Opinion Matters

PSEG views PILOT as plus for all

Editor, The Spotlight:

PSEG Power New York and the town of Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency (IDA) are working diligently toward reaching a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement that will allow the company to redevelop the Albany Steam Station with the Bethlehem Energy Center, a new clean, state-of-the-art power plant.

The center represents a \$400 million investment in the community that would provide the region with a much-needed additional source of reliable, reasonably priced, electric energy, using the cleanest and most environmentally responsible technology available today.

The company is well aware and certainly understands the concerns of Bethlehem residents and business owners about the potential impact of a Bethlehem Energy Center PILOT agreement on local taxes.

However, given that the long-term economic viability of the existing Albany Steam Station may be questionable, a new plant with a PILOT agreement is a highly desirable outcome. In this regard, some comment on the April 18 editorial in *The Spotlight* is warranted.

First, While PSEG Power has filed with the town an appeal of the current property tax assessment on the existing steam station, the tax assessment has not been reduced and PSEG continues to pay taxes based on this assessment. It's also important to note that disputed property tax assessments for the years 1993 to 1999 are the subject of pending litigation between the town and Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., former owner of the steam station.

Second, one of the primary benefits of a PILOT agreement associated with Bethlehem Energy Center would be to keep this site working for the town as a productive source of employment, business activity and revenue.

Albany Steam Station is reaching the end of its operational life.

The proposed energy center would provide the town with a fair, predictable and reliable source of

revenue will into the future. And this is in addition to the other, considerable economic benefits that would accrue from the project in terms of jobs, purchases of goods and services from local merchants, and the economic stimulus related to an investment of this magnitude.

Furthermore, we also believe a new plant could be the vehicle for a comprehensive solution and a way for the town, Niagara Mohawk and PSEG Power to resolve all current and long-standing property tax issues fairly and responsibly without resorting to litigation.

Albany Steam Station has served the community and the region well for almost 50 years. The fact is, however, that just as its technology is outmoded, the

economic rules and competitive realities under which it operated as part of a regulate utility have also changed. Real property taxes are no longer a simple "pass through" to utility customers. They are an important factor in determining where independent power producers invest in new plants.

We recognize these changes represent a difficult adjustment for the town of Bethlehem. We believe very strongly, however, that a fair and equitable PILOT agreement provides the best way to make this adjustment and is in the best interest of the town and its taxpayers.

Neil Brown

PSEG Power New York
manager external affairs

Thanks for help with Dash

Editor, The Spotlight:

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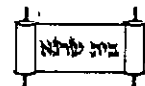
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by John Quirk

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Matters of Opinion

Resident supports librarian candidate for trustee seat

Editor, The Spotlight:

On May 15, Bethlehem school district voters have a real opportunity to affect some positive change on the library board of trustees. Some 3,357 of us voted against the \$8.5 million library expansion. We will, at last, be able to elect a person who will accurately represent our concerns and needs.

David Moore, a working librarian since 1984, and holder of a master's degree in library

science, is running for a seat on the library board. He and his wife Anne, who have lived in our district for 14 years, follow library issues with great attention. By electing David Moore this year, the thousands who voted against the building plan will have a voice in the future of the library.

David Moore's platform is very logical and simple and makes a lot of good sense.

First, he wants to involve everyone who lives in the school

district in a community survey to determine the best course of action to be taken regarding improvements, upgrades and other future planning for the library. Advisory committees, including library staff, the library board and community residents as members, would then study major projects suggested by the survey. With his 17 years of experience as a librarian, David Moore is well suited to evaluate the information derived from the surveys, and then work with the advisory committees to affect meaningful, sensible change.

Second, David wants to make sure the library upholds its fiscal responsibility to school district residents. In order to do this, he feels we first need a proper capital improvements plan, which would

be based on the survey's results and the advisory committees' findings. In addition, a plan is needed to implement any renovations, suggested by the study, in such a way as to minimize disruption of the library's services. David contends that we should be able to apply for matching federal and state money, instead of borrowing money through bond referendum, a suggestion soundly defeated by all of us last December.

Third, he wants to renovate, before expanding. He feels strongly, as do many other residents of this town, that we need to improve our existing space before spending money on expansion.

And fourth, David wants to return the patrons and the

collections to the forefront, where they belong. Instead of spending money on consultants — \$85,000 last year alone — he suggests we purchase more library materials and restore the 24-hour drop box.


We need David Moore on the library board of trustees. He is smart and experienced enough to know what questions to ask, and to evaluate the answers he gets — because of his background and outstanding credentials.

I urge each of the 3,356, Bethlehem residents who, along with me, voted against that plan last December, to vote for David Moore on May 15. He represents a voice for positive change.

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Your Opinion Matters

Glenmont residents concerned about center

Editor, The Spotlight:

Our family has lived in Bethlehem for 10 years. We came to this town because of the excellent reputation of the schools and because the town had a unique character — it didn't look like the other suburbs in the Capital District.

We know you can't buy everything you might ever need in town, but that is a small price to pay for an environment that is not crowded by traffic, light pollution and litter. We have seen the town develop over the last few years, and the schools are clearly feeling the crunch of this development. We understand the need to grow commercially to offset costs associated with educating our children. Our concern is with the nature of commercial development and its impact on the quality of life here.

It is clear that the strip of Route 9W that includes Glenmont Elementary School will soon be the Wolf Road of Bethlehem. But this strip of road has only two lanes for traffic and no sidewalks. There are residential neighborhoods that run either parallel or perpendicular to 9W that will now see an increase in traffic as residents look for alternate routes to avoid the shoppers flocking to the community.

We have no sidewalks in Glenmont. Our community is

already splintered into separate areas, cut off by traffic on Feura Bush Road and 9W. We are taxpayers, who are being asked to sacrifice our quality of life for a profit-making developer. We ask that the town leaders listen to our concerns and encourage the developer to modify his plans to offset the impact on Glenmont residents. Some of the points that need to be considered include:

- Route 9W must be expanded to accommodate increased traffic. Anyone who doubts that there will be a major impact on that road should travel it now between 4 and 6 p.m. or between 8 and 9 a.m. to witness the volume of traffic without the upgraded Town Squire and Bethlehem Center.

- Sidewalks along 9W and Feura Bush Road are needed to guarantee pedestrian safety.

- A review of the entrances to Bethlehem Center to prevent Bender Lane from becoming the scene of accidents and the possibility of using Route 32 as an entrance and exit to the center.

Ideally, we would like to see the scope of the shopping center reduced in size to reflect the needs of our community, not the needs of the southern Capital District. Do we need a regional shopping center?

We recognize that commercial development is needed in Bethlehem, and we support well-

planned development. Looking at shopping centers the size of the proposed center — none are on roads with only two lanes and none are directly across the road from an elementary school. If it took Price Chopper 10 years to come to Slingerlands, as one letter suggested, it was to ensure that the development was appropriate. This development is 400 percent larger than the Slingerlands Price Chopper Plaza.

Aren't the residents of Glenmont entitled to a thorough review of Bethlehem Center to determine if it is indeed appropriate for our community?

It is unfortunate to see residents with legitimate questions about the wisdom of a development the size and scope of Bethlehem Center being accused of being anti-business.

We would support development that meets the needs of the town without jeopardizing its future.

We recognize the long-term costs of inappropriate development. We are concerned with traffic congestion and accidents, increased crime, increased pollution and the demise of smaller locally owned businesses. The developer is not interested in our community — this development is being built as a regional shopping center.

Bethlehem needs to be proactive in reaching out for commercial development that is consistent with the character of our town. If we allow Glenmont to become another big box shopping site, we will be just another Albany suburb.

Wayne and Anita Olinzock
Glenmont

Thanks to all for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am social/support chairwoman of the Barth Syndrome Foundation, a national nonprofit organization.

On Saturday, April 7, the foundation held its first ever walkathon in Voorheesville.

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the community as a whole for their generous support. Through this event, we managed to reach well over 2,000 people who had never heard of Barth Syndrome before.

We also raised more than \$14,000 through the generous pledges of people in the community. I look forward to repeating the event next year.

Lynda Sedefian
Voorheesville

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Matters of Opinion

Tree Bethlehem efforts brighten Delaware Ave.

Editor, The Spotlight:

This week about three dozen Bradford pear trees will be welcoming spring with blooms along Delaware Avenue.

Over the past several years, these trees have been planted by the Bethlehem Garden Club and the Community Awareness Com-

mittee, under its Tree Bethlehem program.

Funds for nine of the trees have come from memorial gifts from individuals and civic organizations. A list of donors is posted on the community bulletin at town hall.

To participate in the program,

call Marty DeLaney at 439-0512 or me at 439-6861.

For five years, the main source of tree funds has been an annual garden tour. Mark your calendars for June 13 this year.

Bob Horn

Community Appearance Committee chairman

Committee's Web site is road map for youth

Editor, The Spotlight:

Do you ever wonder whom you should call to get information about soccer, Scouts, or church youth groups? Does your child have a musical talent that needs exploring? Our committee, formed at the Community Partnership meeting in November, hopes that we can help.

We have developed a new Web site directory of nonprofit youth organizations in the town of Bethlehem. It enables children and parents to easily access information about our community's activities for youth. The site includes such categories as sports, recreation, church & synagogue, art/theater/music, and more. Each category gives a contact phone number, e-mail address, the age group served and a brief description of the organization.

Just log on to www.bethlehemfirst.com/youth and select your category. We know that we did not include every nonprofit youth organization in town. So, if you are part of an organization that is not listed, go to the Suggest Groups category and submit the requested information. Our Web master at Cyberhaus will review and enter the information. Data

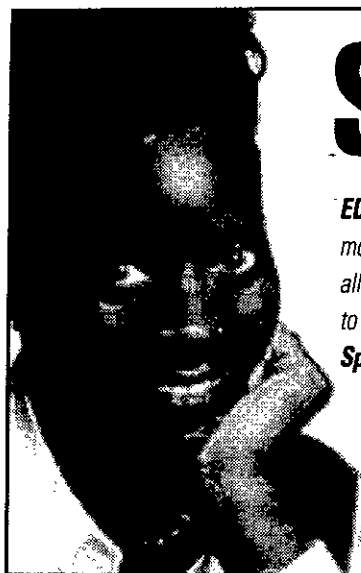
can also be updated by an organization in the same way.

We hope that this site will be used by the entire community as a useful tool. If you are new to the town, it should be especially helpful. We encourage groups to check their information carefully and update it as needed and if you are not listed, submit your information at once.

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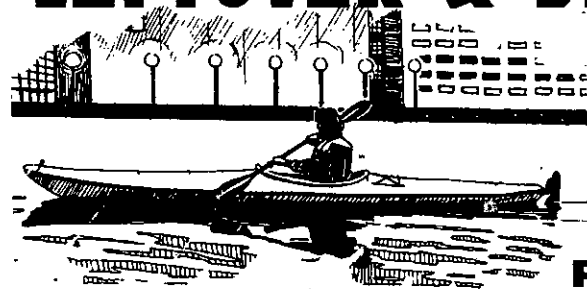
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Your Opinion Matters

Feestelijk 2001 receives high praise from Fuller

Editor, The Spotlight:

Wasn't this year's Feestelijk the grandest ever?

Despite frigid temperatures and March-like winds, more of you than ever before took advantage of what appeared to be the best entertainment in Feestelijk's five-year history.

All the buttons were sold, as were the hand-written identification tags that came after them. This year, there was truly something for everyone to savor.

An event like Feestelijk doesn't just happen overnight. It is the product of hard work over a period of time by dedicated people who each year strive to bring the very best talent available to Bethlehem's 'Once a Year Day.'

Judging by your response, this year these people outdid themselves.

Special thanks for Feestelijk's success must go to Feestelijk Committee co-chairs Monique Matuszek and John Guastella and the other committee members, as well as those who assisted them. You did a truly magnificent job.

Kudos are also in order for all the wonderful performers who presented us with such an array of events that it was virtually impossible to partake of all that was available.

How many of us said as the evening drew to a close 'There just wasn't enough time to take in all that I wanted to — next year, I've just got to see so-and-so perform.'

I know I did and I'll bet many of you did as well.

In the end, however, it was you,

the residents of this community and their friends and neighbors that made Feestelijk the marvelous evening that it was.

By coming out in record numbers in a splendid demonstration of hometown pride, you made Feestelijk 2001 a truly special occasion.

Can Feestelijk 2003 be even better? I don't see how that's possible, but I wouldn't bet against it.

Sheila Fuller

Bethlehem town supervisor

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Editor, The Spotlight:

I wonder if Vanya Perez and Grace Cook noticed the Curtis Lumber flier included in the April 18 Spotlight. Perhaps they could pass it on to their spouses now and have them jumping for joy at the reminder that their home improvement needs are already available to them right in their own neighborhood. As to their interest in department stores, may I suggest they give our Super Kmart and Ames a try?

Clothing for men, women and children is available at Delaware Plaza, and could spare them the dreaded hour's drive. Speaking of driving, does anyone remember the great wailing that went up from Delmar over the prospect of having to drive to Glenmont to use the public library's resources, even on a temporary basis?

Now, suddenly, Glenmont is supposed to be Bethlehem Center. Delmartians are "ecstatic" at the prospect of driving to the

proposed mega mall.

In fairness to the tax-paying residents and to existing local businesses, let's adhere to the recommendations for size of commercial development proposed by LUMAC. I'm saving my kudos for those who will work to keep increased traffic, noise, pollution and duplication of goods and services from ruining our quality of life.

Patricia C. Switzer
Glenmont



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Fire officers installed

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Civil officers are Doris Hallenbeck, president; Amy Dunnells, vice president; John Tinkler, secretary; John Corelli, treasurer; Bill James, sergeant-at-arms; and Jeff Cohen and Doris

Hallenbeck, directors.

Auxiliary officers are Sandi Schweppenhauser, president; Doris Hallenbeck, vice president; Sheila Mears, treasurer; Carolyn DeCerce, recording secretary; and Marge Vandenberg, corresponding secretary.

Board of fire commissioners are Paul A. Fuino, chairman; William James Jr., Frank DeCerce Jr., George Mears and Norman Kellerman, members; Deborah Cohen, secretary; and Paul Miller, treasurer.

The Fireman of the Year Award was presented to Fuino, and James was recognized for 40 years of service.

Church to dish up pork dinner

New Scotland Presbyterian Church on Route 85 in Slingerlands will serve its annual spring dinner on Saturday, May 5, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

The menu will include roast pork, mashed potatoes, carrots, rolls and butter, and homemade pies, served family style.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

High school presents 'West Side Story'

Students at the high school will perform "West Side Story" on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5, at 7:15 p.m., and Sunday, May 6, at 2:15 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors. They can be purchased at the high school's main office.

Kiwanis to sponsor blood pressure clinic

The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland will sponsor a blood pressure clinic on Tuesday, May 8, from 9 to 11 a.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. at SuperValu Foods on Maple Ave.

The screening is free and open to the public.

School board slates May 7 meeting

The next regular school board meeting will be on Monday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School.

Girl Scout leaders to meet at center

The Girl Scout leaders will meet today, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. at

NEWS NOTES

Voorheesville

Jane Norris
439-8532



Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem.

Helderview Garden Club slates meeting

Helderview Garden Club's next regular meeting will be on Thursday, May 3, at 7 p.m. at the library on School Road.

Thacher Park plans Spring Fest

Thacher Park will hold a day-long Spring Fest with programs and activities on Saturday, May 5, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nature walks, children's activities and presentations are scheduled throughout the day.

The Paint Mine picnic area will be the focal point of the activities with walks and tours held throughout the park.

A concert by Knox Traditional Strings will be held at the end of the day.

Food, drinks, hats and T-shirts will be for sale. Donations and the proceeds of sales will be used to help furnish the nature center with program supplies.

For information and a schedule, call 872-1237.

Extension to host fountain building class

Cornell Cooperative Extension will sponsor a fountain building class on Tuesday, May 15, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Rice Extension Center on Martin Road.

The class will include the construction demonstration of a small desk-size relaxation

fountain, a birdbath indoor-outdoor fountain and a large whiskey barrel fountain. Proper pump selection and fountain maintenance will be included.

The fee is \$5 per person and pre-registration is required.

For information or to register, call Billie-Jo Ryan at 765-3512.

Kiwanis to offer baseball hot line

The Kiwanis baseball league hot line number is 484-3704.

The hot line is available for game cancellations, announcements and league information. It will be updated daily throughout the season.

Delmar auxiliary elects new officers

Delmar Fire Department auxiliary recently elected new officers. They were installed by outgoing Chief Greg Gould.

They are Maureen Wright, president; Paulette Merola, vice president; Pat Carazza, recording secretary; Lucy Gould, corresponding secretary; and Pauline Ouderkerk, treasurer.

Officers will be sworn in May 5 at Normanside Country Club.

Blood drive set

Academy of the Holy Names will sponsor a blood drive on Friday, May 11, from noon to 5 p.m. in the upper school gym at 1075 New Scotland Road in Albany.

The school's Service Club and the Junior Ladies of Charity are sponsoring the drive. To donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds and be in general good health.

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Medical research is slowly making inroads into dealing with this devastating disease. At Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center, 125 Rockefeller Road, we help families deal with the crisis of this disease by offering superior support and health care management for their loved one. Our residential community features assisted and independent living. Come see for yourself! Give us a call at 439-8116.

Art displays abound

Joan Krathaus exhibits her award-winning "Water-Media" paintings in the northwest gallery this month. She uses luminous, broadly applied acrylic paint and collage with dramatic effect.

Krathaus is a signature member of the National Water Color Society, the International Society of Experimental Artists, and other national and local artists' groups. A longtime Delmar resident, she has worked in various media for more than 40 years.



"Enchantment," a collection of drawings and paintings by Emily Kriss, is on display in the southwest gallery.

Tom Schoeck has lent us his collection of mugs for the display cases this month.

The bulletin board display announces Bethlehem Networks' summer opportunities for youth, and Francesca Anzola's model horses occupy the youth services display case.

Library budget

The May 14 meeting of the board of trustees will convene at 7 p.m. for presentation of the proposed library budget. The budget is printed in its entirety in the May/June issue of the library newsletter, which was mailed to residents of the Bethlehem Central School District last week.

Polls will be open to school district voters on Tuesday, May 15, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. at

Bethlehem Central Middle School.

Upcoming programs

First Aid for Children Today (FACT) is a series of programs devised by the American Red Cross and presented by library staff on three consecutive Mondays, May 7, 14 and 21, at 7 p.m. Programs are suitable for children in kindergarten through third grade. Call to register.

A program of Spring Stories for children age 3 to 6 (with adult) will be presented twice a week through May 25.

Sessions begin at 10:30 a.m. and explore a theme through stories, songs, finger plays, flannel boards and a craft. Each week offers duplicate sessions; register for one session only per week.

Visit us on the Web at www.uhls.org/bethlehem/ or www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org.

Louise Grieco

Church to serve strawberry supper

Jerusalem Reformed Church will serve its annual strawberry supper on Saturday, May 5, with servings at 5 and 6:15 p.m.

The menu includes baked ham with raisin sauce, mashed potatoes with gravy, tomato juice, peas and carrots, applesauce, rolls and butter, coffee, tea, milk and strawberry shortcake.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 5 to 12. Children under 5 eat for free.

A bake sale will begin at 4:30 p.m. and run until closing. For reservations, call Pat Gardner 439-2212.

Celebrate Arthur's birthday

Family story time celebrates Arthur's birthday on Tuesday, May 8, at 7 p.m. Come in your pj's for a party for Marc Brown's lovable aardvark and his pals. Everyone who loves Arthur is welcome.

Regular story times end May 9. Summer Reading Club, Family Nights, Monday Fun Days and Friday Films and Fun are some



of the activities on tap. You will find our complete summer schedule in the May/June "Bookworm," which will be in the mail this week.

Fourth-through sixth-graders can still sign up for the final two library club meetings of the year.

On Thursday, May 10, the club will play its own version of the popular TV show that we call "Who Wants to be a Smart Kid?" No, we are not giving away a million dollars, but we will be having a lot of laughs listening each other and using our lifelines. A signed permission slip is required to participate in this after-school program.

The Bronx Zoo trip was a big success. Thanks to all who made it a great day. The Friends of the Library will be planning more bus trips, so let us know where you would like to go. Support the work of the Friends with your participation.

The Friends' annual Book and

Bake Sale is set for the weekend of May 18 through 20 and volunteers are needed. If you are in high school, you can help at the book sale to fulfill your community service requirement.

The Friends are pleased to announce the establishment of a scholarship in memory of Jane Salvatore to be awarded to one or more of our library pages. Contributions to the memorial fund are welcome.

For information on Friends' activities, call the library or Karla Flegel at 765-2537.

Fabric artist Cheryl Gom will install a selection of hand-painted

silk and sculptural wall hangings in the community room this month.

Be sure to visit to see this beautiful work along with paintings by Joan Van Alphen in the hall gallery.

Mary Beth Burrill's teapot collection will be in the display case.

The Saturday, May 5, Life-stories meeting has been canceled. The next meeting will be on May 12.

Book discussion meets on May 9 at 7 p.m. to talk about *Give Me My Father's Body* by Kenn Harper.

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To Life to host annual gala

To Life will be hosting its annual gala "Honoring the Women in Our Lives" on Tuesday, May 8, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Franklin Plaza in Troy.

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INFORMATION: Call Joan Bohl or Jon Lee at The Auction Gallery at 518-426-1353 for photo flyer and complete listing, or you may visit our web site www.auctiongallery2.com for additional photos. You may also e-mail us at auctions@mybizz.net for flyer.

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Thacher Park plans Spring Festival

John Boyd Thacher State Park will hold a celebration of nature and springtime on Saturday, May 5, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

A salamander habitat hike, geology walk and spring wild flower walk are planned, and

there will be a storyteller and Native-American speaker.

State Wildlife Pathologist Ward Stone will also talk about native wildlife and current issues such as West Nile virus.

The day will end with a per-

formance by the Knox Traditional Strings.

The children's area will offer hands-on activities from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

Activities will center on the Paint Mine area.

There will be no admission charge but donations of \$1 per person or \$3 per family are requested.

The festival is sponsored by Friends of Thacher Park and the state Office of Parks Recreation and Historic Preservation to raise funds for the new Emma Treadwell Thacher Nature Center.

The center will be open year-round, offering programs for school groups and the general public, and a meeting place for groups.

Building construction is nearing completion and an early summer opening is anticipated.

For information, call 872-1237.

RCS musicians tune up for May 9 performance

The middle school and high school select ensemble will perform on Wednesday, May 9, at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

This special musical event is free and open to the public.

Staff to be recognized

A hearty thanks will be extended to the staff at P.B. Coeymans Elementary School on Thursday, May 3, and to the staff of the middle School on Friday, May 4.

The week of May 7 to 11 has been designated Bus Driver Recognition Week.

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Parent-teacher groups schedule meetings

The PTA at A.W. Becker Elementary School will meet at 7

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p.m. on Tuesday, May 8.

The PTO at P.B. Coeymans Elementary School will meet at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9.

Parents and teachers are encouraged to attend.

Becker School plans Mother's Day breakfast

A.W. Becker Elementary School is planning a Mother's Day breakfast for Saturday, May 12, from 8 to 10 a.m.

CROP Walk set for May 6

The RCS Association of Churches will hold its annual CROP Walk on Sunday, May 6, beginning at United Methodist Church.

Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. and the walk starts at 2.

For information, call 756-6688.

RCS district slates town meeting

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School social studies department will sponsor an RCS town meeting for students and their families tonight, May 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the school.

The meeting is to help children and adults become more familiar with the responsibilities of elected officials.

Albany County Executive Michael Breslin, state Assembly Minority Leader John Faso, RCS School Superintendent Robert Drake, Coeymans Supervisor George McHugh, Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller and Robin Reed and Peter Clouse, both members of the county Legislature, will all be panelists.

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Dentists are learning that oral infections from piercing can lead to infections in other parts of the body. Your mouth harbors high levels of bacteria and with puncture, such as a piercing, the bacteria have an opportunity to enter the blood stream.

Although oral piercing is highly discouraged, realistically people are still drawn to the practice of piercing, and some even consider it an art. If you must pierce, be sure to follow safety measures. Keep your piercing clean. Rinse with an antiseptic mouthwash after every meal and brush the jewelry the same as you would your teeth. After the tongue has healed, take the piercing out every night and brush it. Consider removing the piercing before eating, strenuous activity and sleeping.

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Local stitchers to show work in exhibit

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Whether you're a pro, a beginner, want to give it a try, or just like to look at beautiful needlework, you'll want to head to the Pruyn House at 207 Old Niskayuna Road in Newtonville this weekend.

The New York Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America is holding its 14th annual biennial exhibit, from Thursday through Sunday, May 3 to 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year's show is called "2001: A Stitching Odyssey," and will feature more than 200 items made by guild members.

Melody Brennan of Slingerlands is co-chairwoman of the event, and has been doing some sort of needlework nearly all her life.

"I've been embroidering, sewing or quilting since I was 5 years old," Brennan said. "I belong to other groups as well. The EGA members do all kinds of needlework and it helps me with my work."

Part of the exhibit's purpose is to encourage people who've always wanted to try embroidery.

"The exhibits are good, because they let you see new things you might want to try," Brennan said. "You don't have to be an expert to belong. It's harder to find the time in today's world, but people who are interested, will."

Ann Cohan of Delmar, who served as publicist for the event, discovered the guild through a similar exhibit, and has been a member for the last 10 years. She will have four different items on display at the Pruyn House.

"It can be a form of art," Cohan said. "Some people do straight

samplers, and a lot of people work with their own fabric and threads to create pieces of art."

Cohan attends EGA's evening meetings, and said it's a teaching group and a support group.

"We bring in our work, stitch

machine embroidery, knitting, wearable art and quilts.

There will also be three needlework demonstrations each day, including knitting ethnic mittens, Swedish weaving, counted thread and needlepoint.

The Embroiderers' Guild of America is a nonprofit teaching organization dedicated to excellence in the needle arts. There are lectures, demonstrations and workshops at chapter meetings.

Day meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Delmar United Methodist Church at 428 Kenwood Ave.

Evening meetings are held from 7 to 9 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Terrace at Beverwyck in North Bethlehem.

A new chapter recently started in Clifton Park. It meets the last Thursday of the month at St. George's Episcopal Church.

For information, call 439-4383.

The exhibit really ranges from crafts to fine arts.

Ann Cohan

and enjoy ourselves," she said.

Cohan said the needlework is beautifully displayed at the Pruyn House.

"The exhibit really ranges from crafts to fine arts," Cohan said. "Being in the Pruyn House is a wonderful way to see the beautiful, handcrafted work. The quilts are on the beds, and a lot of pieces hang on the walls."

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Historical group slates annual meeting

Bethlehem Historical Association has scheduled its annual meeting for Thursday, May 17, at Cedar Hill Schoolhouse, 1003 River Road in Selkirk.

A barbecue will be served at 5

Bands, singers and novelty acts that want to perform should submit a press kit with photos and/or recordings to: Talent Committee, Freedom Fest, PO Box 202, South Bethlehem 12161.

For information, call 767-0852, or visit the Web site at Freedomfest2000.net.

Vendors, crafters and family-oriented exhibitors are also encouraged to contact event coordinators. For information, call Jill Tryon at 767-0852.

p.m. and the annual meeting is at 7:30 p.m. and will feature reports and the election of officers.

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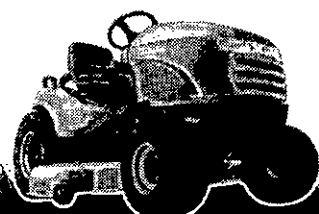
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years and the positions are unpaid.

Only the top two vote-getters will survive in the at-large vote on Tuesday, May 15.

Lyman, 52, is running for his third term on the board after he was first tapped to replace a previous board member who had died during his term in office.

Lyman and his wife, Jane, have three children — the eldest is a graduate student at the University

of Wisconsin, the second is a freshman in the Lab School at Bethlehem Central High School, and the youngest is a sixth-grader at the middle school.

The Meads Lane resident is a veterinarian at Delmar Animal Hospital.

Lyman said that the most pressing issue facing the school district is community growth.

"We have a school district that is filling the classrooms to capacity, with no end in sight," Lyman said, noting recent Census figures show the district's coverage area has grown by about 13 percent in the past decade.

As a result, the school board veteran said the district has to address the need to generate more tax revenue — such as through encouraging business development — to keep up with the population growth.

Lyman said that this will be important if the district hopes to remain one of the best in the state, while being one of the least expensive systems to taxpayers on a per-student basis.

Former school board member Richard Svenson, 54, of Stonewall Lane in Delmar, is looking to return to the school board only a year after he lost — by just 17 votes — a re-election bid in another three-way contest.

Svenson, director of the Environmental Health Bureau at the state Health Department, has lived in Bethlehem since 1974.

He and his wife, Cathleen, have three daughters — two are in college and the third is a

sophomore at the high school.

He said he feels compelled to run again because there are still four major issues the school board must address: the property assessment negotiations for the former Niagara Mohawk steam plant; the district's implementation of a facilities-improvement project, which is being funded by a bond that voters approved several years ago; this year's reorganization of Bethlehem Central Middle School into houses; and state mandates, such as the district's academic intervention services program for students who have difficulty with Regents-level coursework.

Svenson said he will also work to make sure Bethlehem's schools are safe and healthy for students and staff members alike, and that if he is elected, he will continue to be an outspoken advocate for process — including making sure the district listens to the public's concerns.

"There is a need for planning and always involving the community, teachers and support staff as much as possible," Svenson said. "The district has come a long way in terms of listening, but there are always areas to improve."

Because of his previous board experience, Svenson said if elected he can "hit the ground running."

Bartow, 46, and his wife, Kathleen, have lived in Slingerlands since 1984.

The couple has a daughter who attended district schools and is now a college student; and two sons, one at the high school and one at Slingerlands Elementary School.

In the 1980s, Bartow was assistant dean at the University at Albany's School of Education. He is now assistant dean of graduate studies.

Bartow said that he has good insight into the district's operations from a parental perspective.

He added that his academic experience, coupled with his knowledge of the district as a parent, makes him a good candidate for the school board.

"With my background, I felt that I could contribute something to the district," Bartow said, adding that within the next two weeks, he will outline his major priorities and concerns to voters.

Bartow said he threw his hat into the ring after learning that a former SUNY colleague and school board member, Dennis Stevens, had decided not to run for re-election.

The winners of the May 15 election will take office in July, the start of the school's fiscal year.

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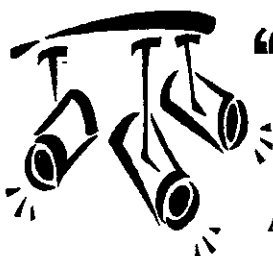
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By DONNA J. BELL

Seniors helping seniors is the creed of Umbrella of the Capital District, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping seniors live comfortably and independently in their own homes for as long as it's desirable and practical.

Through its low-cost home maintenance program, Umbrella helps senior citizens and disabled homeowners gain greater independence and peace of mind.

Founded in 1995, Umbrella currently serves more than 500 homeowners living in Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer and Saratoga counties with more than 100 retiree handymen and women providing emergency and routine service.

The services range from plumbing and roof repair to grocery shopping and rides to appointments. The emergency service operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If a pipe bursts, a window breaks or the furnace won't start, trained Umbrella staff is sent to the member's home within 90 minutes of being called. Routine maintenance work is identified and prioritized as part of a written home inspection report completed at no cost for members once a year.

The cost of becoming an Umbrella member ranges from free to \$250 a year depending on income and the size of the home. Then there is an additional per-hour cost based on the repairs or service.

"Our major emphasis is prevention," said Ron Byrne, one of the co-founders of the agency. "With the free home inspection, members know exactly what condition their house is in, and they can prioritize what work they want to do. Then they can fix their home on their terms."

Explaining that preventive maintenance costs about one fifth less than emergency repairs, Byrne said that Umbrella helps control the cost of owning a home by addressing critical issues first. But Umbrella goes one step farther in trying to help people on a fixed income keep as much of their money as possible.

"One of the nicer aspects of Umbrella that we take great pride in is the free referral service," said Byrne.

"Many people don't know that they are eligible for different entitlement programs. Enrolling in the programs can make all the difference in the world for them because they can increase their income or decrease their expenses."

Byrne said Umbrella creates a

profile of its members so they know what additional assistance they may be qualified for.

Umbrella then will send the forms to the home or even help the homeowner fill them out.

Byrne said Umbrella would like to help even more homeowners, but is limited by the amount of workers they have.

"Part of what makes Umbrella special is that 75 percent of our work force is retirees, and we always need more," said Byrne.

"We work to adapt Umbrella to their skills. Some of Umbrella's handymen come directly out of the trades," carpenters, masons and plumbers, for example, while others are just "very handy people who have skills that they want to share" with members.

Byrne said the workers get paid for their services. Many use the job to supplement the fixed incomes they live on.

Some work as few as three or four hours a week; some more

than 30.

"You get to work close to home and do what you are good at," said Byrne of the handymen. "If you can help us help one family that is enough."

Byrne said the work also feeds the soul.

"I was told by a plumber, 'It's not the work we do, it is who we do it for,'" Byrne said.

For information, contact Umbrella of the Capital District at 346-5249.

Elderhostel programs expand horizons for seniors

By JENNIFER ARSENAULT

By combining high quality educational programs with affordable prices, Elderhostel offers seniors 55 and over the opportunity to explore new environments and expand their horizons.

The 35-year-old nonprofit organization embodies the philosophy that retirement does not equal withdrawal from meaningful educational activity.

More than 200,000 people a year attend Elderhostel programs at sites in the United States and

abroad.

"The programs are educational adventures that involve a lot of experiential learning," said Despina Gakopoulos, Elderhostel spokeswoman.

Elderhostel programs take place year-round in a variety of settings, like colleges, museums, national parks, hotels, conference centers, cruise ships and sailing vessels.

The average age of participants is middle 60s to early 70s, Gakopoulos said.

Elderhostel also offers some intergenerational programs, where participants can enroll in programs with their grandchildren or younger family members.

Many sites are able to accept commuters who live in the local area.

Some current New York program opportunities include hiking in the Adirondacks, the

Writer's Notebook, Lost Films of the 50s, How to Navigate Wall Street, The Enchanting Gardens of the Hudson Valley and Native American Nations of the Hudson Valley Region.

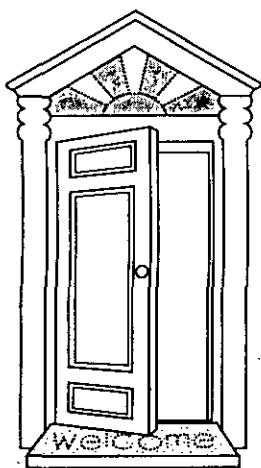
The average price for a six-day U.S. program is about \$500, which covers registration, accommodations, meals, classes, field trips, and limited accident insurance.

Programs in Hawaii and Alaska cost slightly more. A limited number of scholarships are available for U.S. programs.

Elderhostel tries to accommodate people with disabilities and/or specific dietary needs.

Information about Elderhostel can be accessed online at www.elderhostel.org.

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Top seniors group provides variety of programs

By JENNIFER ARSENAULT

Open to all Americans 50 years of age or older, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is the nation's largest organization of midlife and older persons. Founded in 1958 with the motto "To Serve, Not To Be Served," the AARP boasts more than 30 million members nationwide, and 185 chapters in New York state. "There are so many amazing programs out there that we really want people to know about," said AARP spokeswoman Phyllis Cohn.

The organization offers programs and information on health and long-term care, security and work, life transitions and personal enrichment, Cohn noted.

Nationally AARP sponsors 55 Alive, a defensive driving program for seniors, Women It's Time, a program to teach women about financial responsibility, and works on legislative issues that pertain to older Americans.

In New York, programs include, among others:

- AARP/VOTE, a non-partisan voter education program focused on volunteer advocacy and public education on issues of concern to older Americans and their families.

- Health Advocacy Services (HAS), whose volunteers help people become informed health care consumers. HAS volunteers

work with health care providers and community groups to conduct forums and workshops on Medicare, Medicaid insurance, managed care, and long-term care issues.

- Public Benefits Outreach, a program that provides information about state public benefits and services available to seniors and offers assistance in applying for them.

- Stop Fraud Program alerts

members to the prevalence of consumer fraud, particularly telemarketing fraud, that targets older New Yorkers.

- Grief and Loss Programs, a peer outreach service for the newly widowed is available in five communities in New York state.

The AARP State Legislative Committee, based in Albany, lobbies for state legislation and regulations to improve the lives

of older New Yorkers. There are local chapters of AARP throughout the Capital District. Their meetings are a way for members to meet and share information, Cohn said.

"Our meetings are pretty much a social thing," said Shenendehowa AARP chapter president James Moredock of Clifton Park.

He added that while each chapter is individually run, events may include monthly guest speakers, day trips, and holiday

parties. Membership dues (including spouse) for AARP is \$10 for one year and \$27 for three years.

Membership benefits include access to group health insurance, auto and homeowners insurance, investment opportunities, a mail-order pharmacy service, travelers' discounts and legal services.

To find an AARP chapter in your area or for information about AARP programs, call the state office at 212-758-1411.



Too much spring sun can cause skin cancer

By Dr. DEBBIE KENNEDY

Everyone looks forward to springtime. The awakening of spring brings robins, tulip blossoms and the warmth of the sun.

Unfortunately, the rays of the sun that warm us can also harm us. Ultraviolet rays in sunshine can damage the DNA in the cells of our skin. When this happens, the skin cells can become cancerous.

Every year, thousands of new patients will be diagnosed with skin cancer. Many thousands more will notice areas of sun damage that may be precancerous. Wrinkles, fine lines, age spots and discoloration of the skin can all be effects of sun exposure.

The best safeguard against sun damage is to avoid the sun's damaging rays. Sunscreens and protective clothing combined with judicious sunning are recommended to minimize the risk of skin cancer and sun damage.

Unfortunately, the signs of sun damage typically appear 10 to 20 years after the sun exposure. For many of us, this means we have unwittingly damaged our skin and now need the proper treatment to correct the damage.

Signs of sun damage which may or may not lead to skin cancer are areas of raised, scaly skin or skin that is wrinkled or discolored.

There are many treatment options to improve the appearance of these areas and minimize sun damage.

Tropical lotions, for example, can be applied to the skin starting in the doctor's office and continued at home. These often come in prescription strengths. The doctor can also administer chemical peels and laser treatments to markedly improve the appearance and healthy infrastructure of the skin.

In addition, sun damage induced wrinkling or fine lines of the skin can often be treated with injections of botox, collagen or fat performed in the doctor's office.

Any area of the skin that changes in color or texture, bleeds or persists in appearing irritated or infected for more than six to eight weeks should be checked by your doctor.

The majority of these areas will not be skin cancers. However, if they are, it's

important to know that skin cancer diagnosed and treated early is easily cured.

Treatment may involve cryotherapy (freezing), cautery (burning) or simple surgical excision — all of which can be performed in the doctor's office.

Larger skin cancers can still be cured, but may involve more complicated surgery, although often still performed in the office or minor outpatient surgery center.

For information about skin cancer prevention and treatment, contact your doctor or Albany Plastic Surgeons at 438-1434.

In the meantime, enjoy the fun and sun of springtime, but don't forget your sunscreen and your hat.

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Assisted living facilities grow in popularity over nursing homes

By JENNIFER ARSENAULT

Nursing homes are no longer the only option for older Americans who can no longer live independently. Assisted living facilities are growing in popularity across the nation.

"Typically, assisted living is appropriate for those who require some kind of support with living, generally an elderly person or a younger person with a disability who is not in need of 24-hour nursing care," explained Lisa Newcomb, executive director of the Empire State Association of Adult and Assisted Living.

Unlike nursing homes, assisted living facilities offer immediate-level care for people who need help with only a few activities, like preparing meals, bathing, dressing or performing household chores. They also seek to provide a residential social environment.

"Assisted living is an umbrella term for how the consumer recognizes and understands the standard of care," Newcomb said.

Depending on the region, assisted living facilities may also be called residential care, personal care, adult congregate living care, board and care, domiciliary care, adult living facilities, supported care, enhanced care, community-based retirement facilities, adult foster care, adult homes, sheltered housing or retirement residences.

The "typical" assisted living resident, according to the National Center for Assisted Living (NCAL), is an 83-year-old woman who is mobile, but needs assistance with one or two activities of daily living.

NCAL estimates that there are more than 800,000 people residing in approximately 28,000 assisted living facilities around the country. That number is expected to grow to 1,500,000 by

2010. There is an increasing number of assisted living options in the Capital District to meet the demand, Newcomb said.

She attributed the growing popularity of assisted living in part to the baby boomer generation, who want more choices, for their parents and themselves eventually, than just nursing home-type residences.

The cost of assisted living can be high, however, running from approximately \$1,000 up to more than \$3,000 per resident per month. Limited government assistance is available.

For those who are choosing an assisted living facility, the Consumer Consortium on Assisted Living (CCAL) recommends asking questions about how individual needs are met, including: types of health care available, medication policy, plans for emergencies, availability of transportation, opportunities for activities and socializing, meals and nutrition, and safety and accessibility measures.

A complete list of questions is available online at www.ccal.org/checklist.html.

Newcomb recommended contacting your local county office of the aging for information about specific options in your area.

States currently oversee the provision of assisted living services. Federal oversight has been proposed in the 107th Congress by Rep. Pete Stark (D-Calif.), whose H.J. Res. 13 calls for a White House conference to discuss and develop national recommendations concerning quality of care in assisted living.

Know the signs of stroke

From stop lights to sirens, ignoring a warning sign can have dire consequences for personal safety.

The same is true when it comes to ignoring warning signs for our health. For example, many seniors — more than any other population — don't know the warning signs for strokes or the risk factors associated with them.

As a result, many don't realize they are having a stroke and often wait too long before they seek medical care.

Fortunately, the American Stroke Association has responded to the problem by creating a program that educates seniors about stroke.

The materials — which are distributed to senior centers across the country — explain the warning signs and risk factors associated with stroke through interactive work sheets and a video presentation.

The early results of the program are promising, with 89 percent of the women and 83 percent of the men who participated in the program reporting they can now recognize the warning signs of a stroke.

These stroke warning signs include:

- sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body
- sudden confusion, trouble speaking or

understanding

- sudden difficulty seeing in one or both eyes

- sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination

- sudden severe headache



with no known cause.

Part of the significance of this problem stems from the fact that with people over age 55, the incidence of stroke more than doubles with each successive decade.

While 22 percent of men and 25 percent of women who have an initial stroke die within a year, the percentage is higher among people 65 and older.

Studies also reveal that the rate of symptomless or silent strokes increase with age. These silent strokes do their damage over time, gradually blocking the delivery of oxygen to the brain.

To learn more about stroke warning signs and risk factors, visit the American Stroke Association Web site at www.strokeassociation.org.

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Van Allen apartments have home-like feel

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Bethlehem's Van Allen senior apartments are close to the Thruway and Glenmont's shopping district, but set back enough on Route 9W in Selkirk that the building feels like a private home on a country estate.

The 110 one-and two-bedroom apartments opened last August, and only 33 apartments are left. Toward the end of each month, the elevator interiors are covered with padding.

"That protects the cherry wood while people are moving in," said site manager Melissa Gill of Delmar.

The same care is taken throughout the carpeted building, where walls, rugs and the furniture in the gathering areas are scrupulously maintained.

The Van Allen is designed for independent living, but the emphasis is clearly on not being alone.

Each of the three floors has a lounge, with a big-screen TV,

videos, books and puzzles.

On the second floor, there's a large community room, with a full kitchen, tables and chairs with a cherry finish, and a piano.

There's a library, with more books and videos. Eventually the library will have computers with Internet access.

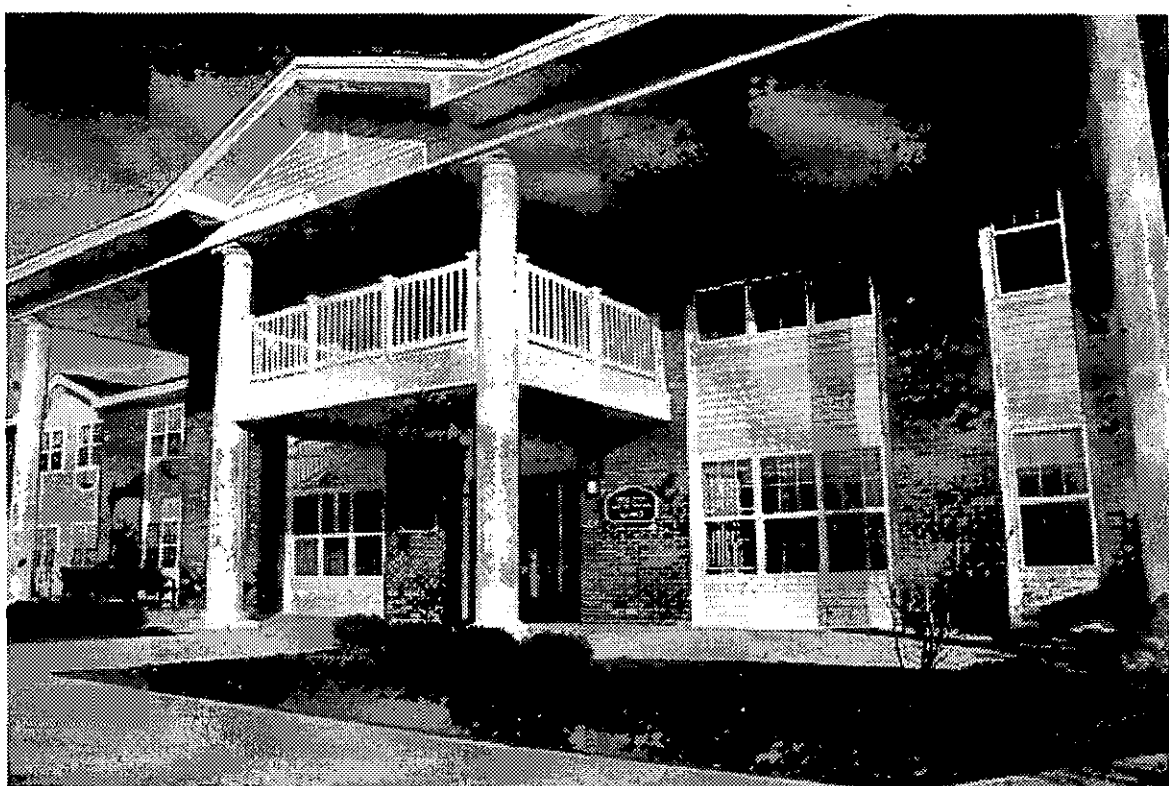
An exercise room has treadmills and bicycles, and there are public restrooms on each floor.

"The whole idea is to make this a social place," Gill said.

"A group of residents have formed an activities committee, and recently held a pizza party in the community room, hired a guitarist and had a sing-a-long."

"The community room is also available for residents to have parties in, with just a \$20 deposit to pay for cleanup," she added.

Gill keeps brochures available and is working to make a number of services available to residents. St. Peter's Hospital conducts a blood pressure clinic every second Tuesday. House Calls makes free deliveries, Schwann's frozen foods also delivers to the



The new Van Allen senior apartments in Glenmont offer at home living for seniors.

Jim Franco

Van Allen, and Ravena's Meals on Wheels program provides food from Yanni's.

Karen Pellettier and Joyce Becker of Bethlehem Senior Services have made a presentation to residents about the town's programs for senior citizens.

Gill keeps the Jewish Community Center's activities posted, and is in touch with the YMCA

about its programs. A binder lists practical services, like home health aides.

She has also organized Wednesday evening game nights, and bingo on Thursdays. Gill said the residents themselves have proven to be a great asset.

"There are a lot of resources

right here," she said. "There's a singing group that performed on St. Patrick's Day, and a woman who plays the piano."

"Some of the women have organized teas, coffees and dinners, and we're working on a

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The grandparent as a mentor

By DONNA J. BELL

They say that every time a baby is born, a grandparent is born, too.

We've all heard the reasons why grandchildren are so enjoyable — You hold them and love them and then give them back to their mom to change the messy diapers.

All that love and adulation without any of the practical responsibilities.

But beyond the practical, grandparents can play an important role — that of mentor

and confidant — in their grandchildren's lives. Grandparents offer not just a another home to visit, but a place of warmth and safety.

In his article "Grandparent Roles," Dr. Arthur Kornhaber says the role of mentor is much more than just passing on skills and experience.

Kornhaber says grandparents can also fire up a "child's ambition and imagination, and giving him a sense of his own worth and promise."

"Mentoring is a unique teaching role, different from what parents do," Kornhaber said, adding that because parents are consumed with their child's day-to-day welfare, making practical decisions on food, clothing and schooling, they are not always in the right emotional position to fulfill the mentor role.

"I have a special close relationship with my grandkids that I wish I could have had with my own children," said Missy Jones, a grandmother of four, who lives in Ravena.

Jones said that now she can relax, and enjoy all the stages that her grandchildren enter.

"As a mother I worried all the time," Jones recalled. "Were they good in school, was I giving

enough discipline? Now, I just sit back and watch them grow and see how magical it all is."

Jones says that the growing up process of her grandchildren seems to be much more leisurely than when she was raising her own.

"I can enjoy each stage, each accomplishment," she said. "I don't have to be concerned with paying for skates or making sure that homework gets done. Overall, I'd say that grandparenting is all the joy and so little of the work."

Sometimes, however, Jones does feel bad for her daughters when she sees that "frazzled" look in their eyes. She tries to reassure them that it will all turn out well in the end, but "They have a hard time believing me just as I had a hard time believing my mother."

"When my granddaughter came to me worried, because all her friends were developing and she hadn't yet, I could talk with her about how that felt," Jones said.

"What I found out, after several conversations with her over several days, is that while she was scared of being left behind, she was also a little worried of what it really meant to grow up. When I was a mother, I couldn't have invested all that time, I'm sorry to say I would have forced out of her what the problem was and wouldn't have had the time to see what was behind the fear. As a grandparent, I could also talk to my granddaughter about how she felt, not just what her body was, or was not, doing."

A grandparent has the luxury of being available for that emotional role, Kornhaber says. And, being one step removed from the sometimes intense relationship between a parent and child, a grandparent is able to look at a child's viewpoint and position with fresh eyes.

Judging by the number of



A grandfather and his grandson take time to sit and enjoy time together.

books and Web sites devoted to grandparenting, the role of grandparent hasn't diminished over the years nor, according to Jones, has the joy of looking into a newborn grandchild's eyes and wondering what the future has in store for him and for you.

Resources for grandparents

Grand-Stories: compiled and edited by Ernie Wendell. Stories about grandparent/child relationships. Friendly Oaks Publications. Pleasanton, Texas 78064.

Halmoni's Day by Edna Coe Bercau. Illustrated by Robert Hunt. Jennifer's grandmother Halmoni, is visiting all the way from Korea and she's arrived just in time for Grandparents' Day at Jennifer's school. Dial Books For Young Readers. Penguin Putnam. New York, N.Y.

Tales from a Grandfather's Heart, by Gilman Smith. Papaco Press, Box 2714, Frisco, Colo. (\$12.95). Stories of the "gifts" grandchildren give.

The 12 Rules of Grandparenting by Susan Kettman. Checkmark Books. Helpful and straight-forward advice on developing a positive attitude, baby-sitting, fun projects, dealing with grand-children and dealing with family issues.

The Joy of Grandma's Cooking by Clarice Carlson Orr. A

collection of 200 recipes, most of which are accompanied by short stories.

New-Fashioned Grandparenting by Julia Nelson. Allyn Group Publications, Delaware, Ohio \$14.95 Author Julia Nelson shows a practical delivery system for transferring one's wisdom and experience to grandchildren through a "birthday program."

The Nanas and the Papas: A Guide to Grandparenting

Heart-felt advice for dealing with today's adult children, different family forms, technology, financial issues, and most of all, making the most of your relationship with your grandchild. Published by Andrews McMeel at \$10.95.

The Essential Grandparent. A Guide To Making A Difference. Dr. Lillian Carson. Carson, a psychologist, gives lots of practical advice on grandparenting.

Feelings, written by Leah Davis, illustrated by Joy Davies. Kelly Bear Productions.

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men's breakfast," Gill said.

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The apartments have sprinklers, and the bedrooms and building hallways have smoke and heat detectors. There are also regular fire drills.

The building has 22 entrances, so residents can park close to their apartments, and all the doors are kept locked.

American Housing Foundation, a nonprofit company, built the Van Allen with bonds issued by the Bethlehem Industrial Development Authority.

It also used money from the state Division of Housing and Community Re-nenewal.

"The IDA funding to build a senior housing project, and the supplemental grant from DHCR, puts rules on the incomes and ages," said Barbara Higbee, vice president of development at Van Allen's managing firm, Mercer

Cos.

Once seniors qualify for Van Allen, they pay the rent, which can increase should the cost of building operations rise. Seniors must be 60 to live at the Van Allen.

The 20 low-income units, which are already rented, are \$395 for a one-bedroom unit, with a one person maximum annual income of \$17,950; and \$465 for a two-bedroom, with a two-person maximum income of \$20,500.

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The 10 market rate apartments, with no income limits, are \$737 for a one-bedroom, and \$837 for a two-bedroom.

"There's no pecking order," Gill said of the mix of residents. "This building has a true sense of community."

Garry Kearns, founder and executive director, American Housing Foundation, is pleased with the building.

The 66-year-old retired architect formed AHF in 1995, with the intent of providing affordable housing for seniors.

"So many seniors, especially women, found that their income limits were beyond those set by HUD, and had to make the decision between staying in their large homes, or looking at the marketplace of apartments, where rents were high, and the apartments weren't designed for seniors," Kearns said.

Tom Hobbs and Linda Romano, above, cut the rug at Bethlehem's Feestelijk celebration on Saturday. Below, Nori Bowler treks down the bike path in Niskayuna.

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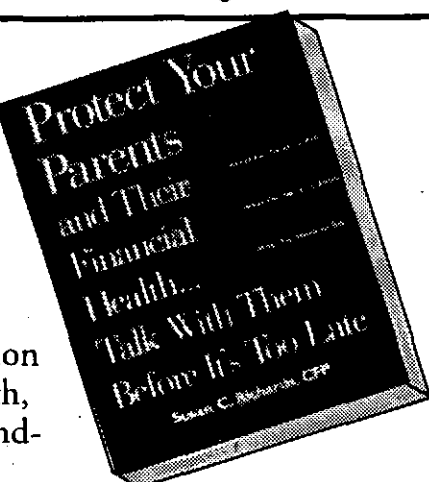
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Albany diocese plans new retirement community

Independent, active seniors will soon have another choice in the Capital District.

The Teresian House Housing Corp., a nonprofit corporation affiliated with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, is actively marketing Avila, an independent living retirement community

Macy's and Boscov's). The information center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; its phone number is 459-5511.

Named in honor of the great reformer and innovator St. Teresa of Avila, the retirement community will include 96 mid-

bedroom apartment to a 1,685-square-foot two-bedroom, two-bath apartment.

Cottage homes will range in size from 1,208 to 1,971-square-feet. Each cottage will have living and dining space, a breakfast nook, garages, a patio and other custom features.

Every residence will also have a fully equipped kitchen, individually controlled heating and air conditioning, emergency response system, and wall-to-wall carpeting.

"Avila is the first retirement community affiliated with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany," said Joseph Pofit, director of long-term care campuses and senior housing for the diocese.

"It will provide service coordination to all residents, including regular observation of residents' physical and mental condition to identify unmet needs," he said. "Avila will also coordinate care with

Teresian House, operated on the adjacent campus, which will provide health care services to those who are no longer able to live independently."

"Marketing counselors are

presently responding to questions from people interested in the Avila concept," said Avila marketing director Michael Boozell.

"These individuals will have the opportunity to be placed on the priority list to make the first reservations later this year."

A community for people of all religious denominations, Avila will be designed with casual elegance.

"Our architects have taken their cues from the lodges of the Adirondacks," Pofit said, noting that many of Avila's prospective residents are likely to have spent vacations with their families in the nearby mountains.

"Avila Commons will incorporate the wood timber, roof lines, large windows and ornamental trim and stone work reminiscent of contemporary mountain lodges," he added.

Entrance fees for Avila vary according to the size and type of residence.

All residents will be able to enjoy first-rate amenities including fine and casual dining, fitness and wellness programs, a full calendar of events, hobby and craft centers, library, chapel, hair salon, computer lab, nature trails and gardens.



"It will provide service coordination to all residents, including regular observation of residents' physical and mental condition to identify unmet needs."

Joseph Pofit

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Details about Avila are now available at the project's information center on the lower level of Colonie Center (between

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IDA

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Tucker declined to discuss specifics of the ongoing negotiations, but characterized them as "fruitful and productive, and proceeding on course. Representatives of the school district, town and IDA remain confident that they will be successfully completed in the next several months."

At last week's meeting, he added, "We are beginning to get them to understand the needs of the community in terms of resolving the NiMo cases, resolving the assessment issue and resolving the PILOT negotiations."

The biggest impact of a revised assessment will be on the school district, which derives more than an eighth of its property tax revenue from what is the largest industrial taxpayer in the district. Speaking before the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce last Friday, district Superintendent Les Loomis sounded notes of both warning and cautious optimism.

He thanked the town and IDA for including the school board "at every step" in the PILOT negotiations, and said a successful agreement with PSEG "represents an important opportunity for this town, not just a shift in the tax burden ... Negotiations have been long, at times they've been difficult, but we are beginning to get to the serious point" of crafting an agreement, which, he said, "will be as fair a deal as we can get."

But he reiterated previous warnings that that deal, if concluded by August, will have an immediate impact on residential property tax rates. While the

budget going before voters this month shows a projected 3.7 percent increase, "there will be another tax increase on top of our 3.7 percent, no doubt about it," he said.

Tucker indicated that completing a PILOT agreement in the next two months is critical in order to factor it into the school district's revenue planning for the 2001-02 school year.

"If the subcommittee doesn't have a recommended agreement within the next four to six weeks, it'll be a long time before we have one," he said.

But he indicated that PSEG's request for an inducement resolution, in essence committing them to the project, is a hopeful sign.

"I think the good news is, they asked us to do this. By passing the inducement resolution, we're doing what we've done in many other projects much less real than this, giving them a starting point from which to proceed," Tucker said.

A public hearing will be set by the IDA after the PILOT negotiations conclude, but even the suggestion of a deal is already drawing fire.

"We're not giving something away," Tucker said. "We're trying to protect the public from the exposure it already has."

Another controversial PILOT

proposal was the subject of the public hearing earlier in the meeting.

Bruno Vice President Kevin Corkosz outlined his company's request for up to \$4.2 million in IDA-backed bonds to help finance its proposed die-cut press manufacturing facility on River Road in Glenmont.

Construction is scheduled to begin this spring and conclude by fall, he said — "awaiting the outcome of this hearing."

While he said the bond financing was critical to the project, the main topic of the hearing was the proposal of an IDA subcommittee of a 10-year PILOT agreement that would roughly halve the company's tax bill over that period.

The proposal would give the company a complete exemption for the first three years of the agreement.

Supervisor Sheila Fuller took the unusual step of speaking out in opposition to that.

"I am concerned about the PILOT as presented, with no taxes in the first three years," she said.

Fuller also entered into the record a letter to the agency, in which she wrote, "I support improving the financial incentives to attract businesses like the Bruno Project to our town, but I believe that it would be better for

the town if the Agency could rearrange the tax abatement over 10 or 15 years so that some taxes are paid in the first three years."

IDA member Daniel Plummer, who represents the town board, reiterated similar views. They were also echoed by Robert Jasinski, a Selkirk resident who attended the hearing.

But Dan Davitt, a town resident and a staff member of the Albany County Partnership, a business development arm of the county, said, "I don't feel it (the proposed PILOT) goes far enough in terms

of our town remaining competitive with others around it," particularly with the tax abatement practices of the Saratoga County IDA.

Tucker asked the subcommittee that drew up the proposal to prepare alternatives for consideration at this Friday's meeting that reflect the objections raised to the 10-year, no-early-taxes plan presented.

"What we're really deciding here is, do you go out 10 or 15 years, and how steep is the climb (in tax payments)?" he said.

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Sports

Olson sets high jump record

By ROB JONAS

Daniel Olson has entered his name in the state record books once again.

The Voorheesville resident set a new state high jumping record on his way to winning the high school division at the Penn Relays last Friday in Philadelphia.

Olson, a senior at Albany Academy, cleared 7-feet, 2 1/4-inches on his second attempt to better the old mark set in 1992 by Tom Thompson of St. John the Baptist school in West Islip.

Olson not only bested a high school field that included some of the top athletes from New Jersey, Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York, but his height would have also been tops in the collegiate division.

"I beat all the college guys, even though I didn't compete against them," Olson said. "It was

a pretty good day, I guess.

"The first (attempt) wasn't close," added Olson, who set the state indoor record earlier this year at 7-feet, 4-inches. "Then on the second one, I kind of changed

I beat all the college guys, even though I didn't compete against them. It was a pretty good day, I guess.

Daniel Olson

my approach. I moved back a bit and out from the standards, and it worked."

Competing with older high jumpers is nothing new to Olson. His efforts during the indoor season landed him a chance to participate in the open division at the

prestigious Millrose Games at Madison Square Garden.

Though he finished in a tie for last place in the finals, Olson made the qualifying height and was the only high school athlete in a sea of Olympians and Olympic hopefuls.

"It's different because you're not a fan going up to get their autograph," Olson said of his Millrose Games experience. "You're there to compete against them. It was pretty cool."

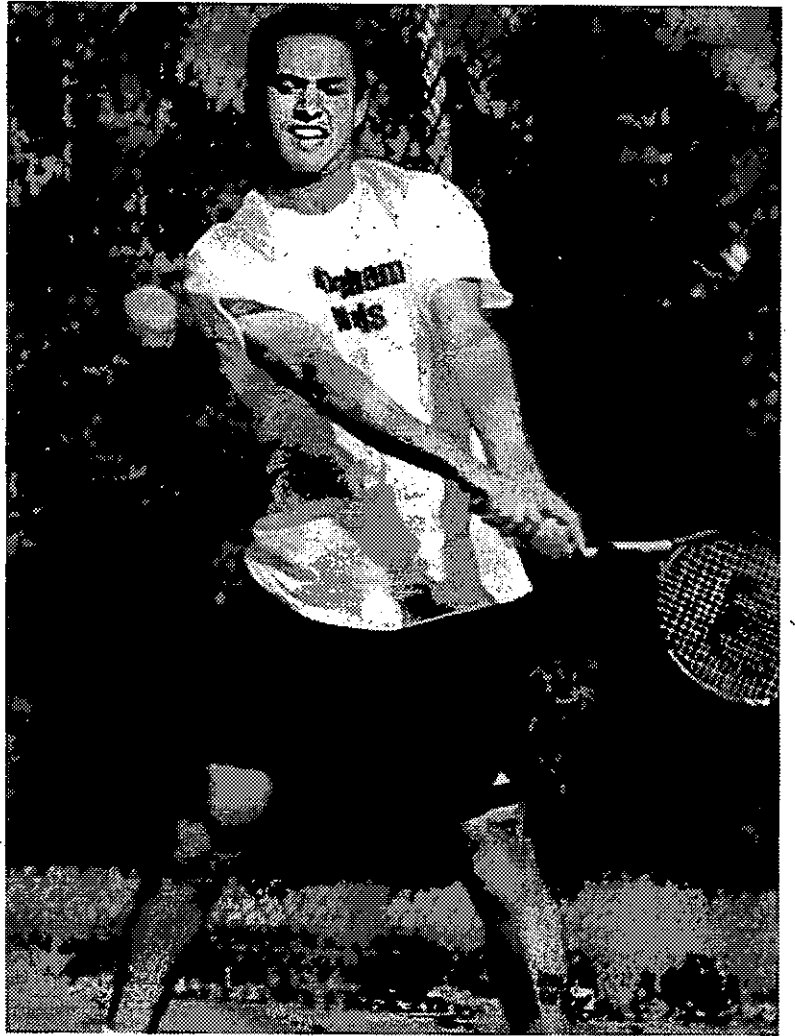
Olson hopes to continue on the road to a possible Olympic team berth next year. He has committed to attending Wheaton College in Massachusetts, a small school that is home to the United States Olympic Committee's high jump chairman.

"Everyone says that you'll miss the Division I experience, but you only actually miss two meets — the NCAA Division I championships and the conference championship meets," Olson said. "Other than that, you get to go to all of the Division I meets."

Before then, Olson has his sights set on a state title and a shot at breaking the national high school record in the high jump, which is currently set at 7-feet, 6-inches.

"It's a goal," Olson said of the national mark. "It might happen, it might not, but it's a goal."

Back up



Bethlehem's Matt Treadgold takes a backhanded swing at the ball during last Thursday's tennis match against Niskayuna. The Eagles remained unbeaten with an 8-1 victory.

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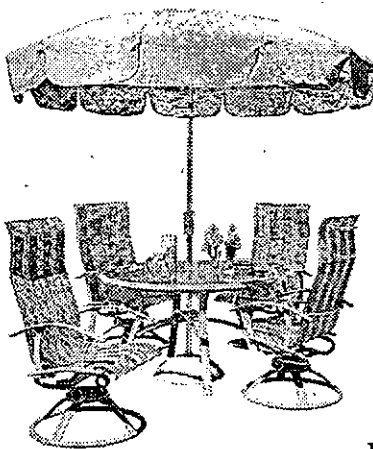
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Voorheesville's Katie Duncan (14) pitches the ball during last Saturday's Colonial Council game against Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School. The Indians defeated the Blackbirds 5-1 to improve their record to 3-1 in the league and 5-2 overall. Meghan Tracy propelled RCS with a two-run homer in support of pitcher Kim Prior's four-hitter. Earlier in the day, RCS downed Watervliet 14-3, while Voorheesville suffered a 10-6 loss to Cohoes. Courtney Ross belted a grand slam and added two singles for RCS in its win against Watervliet. Brittany Burnham contributed a triple, a double and a single for Voorheesville in the loss to Cohoes. The Blackbirds fell to 2-5 in the league, 2-7 overall with the two losses last Saturday. Voorheesville and RCS meet again Friday.

Rob Jonas

Sixth-inning rally propels BC slugers

By ROB JONAS

The Bethlehem baseball team blew one lead to Columbia, and it wasn't about to blow a second.

The Eagles scored four runs in the sixth inning to post a 6-2 Suburban Council victory against Columbia last Saturday, three days after suffering a 6-5 loss to the Blue Devils.

"It was a little nicer to beat them after they beat us three days ago," Bethlehem coach John DeMeo said.

The Eagles (5-2 league, 6-2 overall) rallied from an early 2-0 deficit with single runs in their half of the first and third innings. They then took the lead in the bottom of the sixth on Mark Bulger's two-run single. Parker Brown drove in two insurance runs with a single to cap the rally.

The offensive support helped Avi Rasowsky earn his third victory. The senior pitcher settled down after a shaky first inning to toss a four-hitter and strike out 10 batters.

"It was a good game," DeMeo said. "He pitched against their top pitcher, (Andrew) Rhodes. So, it set up to be a good pitchers duel."

The shoe was on the other foot last Wednesday. Bethlehem built leads on three different occasions, only to watch Columbia come back and eventually take

the game on Steve Sayer's two-run homer off Bulger in the sixth inning.

"Bulger pitched a good game," DeMeo said. "We just had a few mistakes that hurt us."

Bethlehem sandwiched a 6-2 victory against Mohonasen last Friday between its two meetings with Columbia.

Bulger drove in four runs on two hits, and Brown contributed a two-run single in the fifth inning in support of Josh Burnett's pitching performance. Burnett scattered six hits to earn his first victory of the season.

"He kept the ball down low, and he was mixing up the pitches nice," DeMeo said.

Bethlehem began the week with a 4-1 win against Saratoga last Monday and a 6-5 non-league victory against Voorheesville last Tuesday.

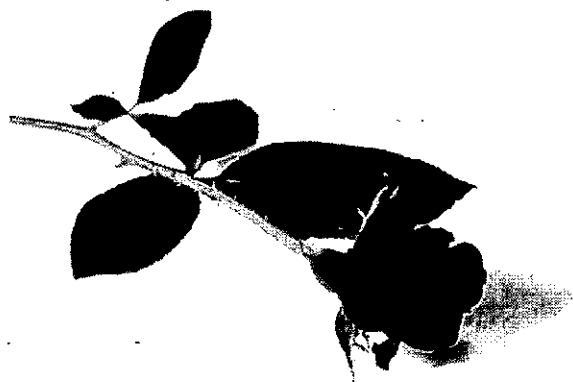
John Nowak had two hits in last Monday's contest against Saratoga, including a key two-run single in the first inning. Brown chipped in three singles, and Bill Tierney added two hits.

The following day against Voorheesville, the Eagles came back from a 5-2 deficit to win the game with three runs in the fifth inning and one in the sixth.

Tierney had three of Bethlehem's six hits, and Brown contributed a two-run single during the Eagles' fifth-inning rally.

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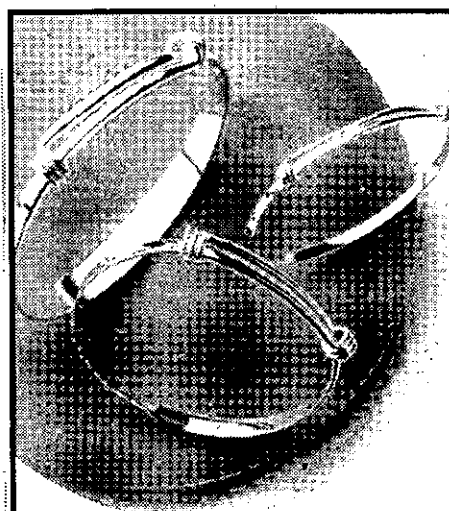
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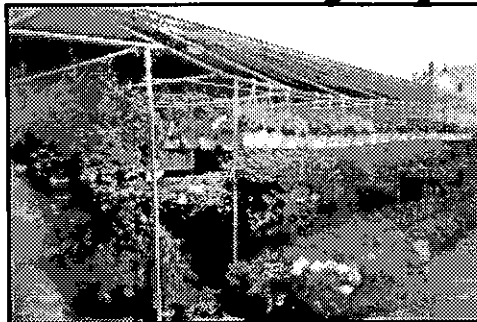
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Streak ends for BC boys lacrosse

The Bethlehem boys lacrosse team watched a 4-0 halftime lead vanish in an 11-7 loss to Gunderland Monday in a Suburban Council game.

The Eagles (2-5) scored twice in each of the first two quarters to gain the early advantage, but the Dutchmen exploded for six goals in the third quarter and five more in the final period to pull out the win.

Pat Heenan and Lucas Singleton each scored two goals to pace Bethlehem. Chris Abbott contributed a goal and an assist, and Tom Trimarchi and Josh Kapczynski added goals.

The loss to Gunderland ended a two-game winning streak for the Eagles. They defeated Colonie Central 10-3 last Wednesday and downed Columbia 12-2 last Friday to earn their first two wins of the season.

In both games, the offense came early and often for Bethlehem. The Eagles built a 6-0 halftime lead on Colonie and jumped out to an 8-1 advantage on Columbia before cruising to the victories.

Singleton scored three goals and added an assist to lead Bethlehem against Colonie. Matt Sargent and John McCardle contributed two goals apiece, and goaltender John Thibdeau made eight saves on 11 shots.

Heenan had the hot hand against Columbia with five goals and an assist. Singleton and Trimarchi each had three goals and an assist, and Martin Bon-

ventura added a goal for the Eagles.

Bethlehem had a non-league game against Schenectady yesterday. The Eagles host their next three contests, starting with tonight's Suburban Council contest against Shenendehowa. Gunderland pays a visit Friday, and Glens Falls comes in for a non-league game next Tuesday.

The Bethlehem girls lacrosse team improved its league record to 5-1 with a 16-6 victory against Shenendehowa last Friday.

Carley St. Lucia scored five

goals and added five assists to lead the Lady Eagles, who had an 8-2 halftime advantage. Susie Breaznell had four goals and two assists, while Brianna Bubeck and Amy O'Donnell each added two goals. Goalie Dani Blanchard made three saves.

Bethlehem traveled to Averill Park yesterday for a Suburban Council game. The Lady Eagles return home next Monday for a showdown with league-leading Saratoga. They then host Shenendehowa next Tuesday.

Bethlehem softball squad sweeps league opponents

The Bethlehem softball team swept its three Suburban Council games last week to improve its record to 4-1 in the league and 6-3 overall.

The Lady Eagles began the week with a 7-4 victory against Gunderland last Monday. Bethlehem trailed 4-3 before scoring four times in the sixth inning to post the comeback win.

Kari Walsh and Randi Isaacs each had three hits, and Jackie O'Brien added a three-run homer in the sixth inning to propel Bethlehem.

The Lady Eagles continued to flex their muscles at the plate last Wednesday with a 16-1 thrashing of Mohonasen.

Lauren Reis had four hits and scored three runs as part of Bethlehem's 18-hit attack. Jen Marro

contributed three hits and three runs scored.

Bethlehem closed out the week by edging Averill Park 1-0 last Thursday. Jessica Urschel won the pitchers duel by limiting the Warriors to four hits.

The Lady Eagles finished the week by playing in the Columbia Tournament last Saturday. Bethlehem defeated Johnson City (Section IV) 7-4 in the opener before losing to Chenango Valley of Binghamton 5-1 in the festival-format tournament.

The Lady Eagles put their league winning streak on the line Monday when they traveled to Averill Park. They play a home-and-home series with Shenendehowa today and Friday before hosting Shaker next Monday. All games start at 4 p.m.

SPORTS SCHEDULE MAY 2-8

WED., MAY 2

BASEBALL

Niskayuna at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.
Schalmont at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.
Watervliet at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Bethlehem at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Cohoes, 4 p.m.
Schalmont at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.
Shenendehowa at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 3

BASEBALL

Voorheesville at Albany Academy, 4 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Shenendehowa at Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Shaker at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Burnt Hills Invitational, 4 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD

Bethlehem at Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, Voorheesville at Lansingburgh, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 4

BASEBALL

Bethlehem at Shaker, 4 p.m.
Lansingburgh at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.
Maple Hill at Voorheesville, 4:30 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Guiderland at Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Schalmont, 4 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Bethlehem at Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.
Voorheesville at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 5

BASEBALL

Bethlehem at Queensbury, 3 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Voorheesville at Warrensburgh Tournament, 9 a.m.

TRACK AND FIELD

Bethlehem at Colonie Relays, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 7

BASEBALL

Bethlehem at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.
Mechanicville at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Albany Academy, 4 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Mohonasen at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, Voorheesville at Colonial Council Tournament, TBA.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Saratoga at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Albany at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.
Holy Names at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.
Shaker at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 8

BOYS LACROSSE

Glens Falls at Bethlehem, 4:30 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Bethlehem at Niskayuna, 4 p.m.

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, Voorheesville at Colonial Council Tournament, TBA.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Shenendehowa at Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Mohonasen at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.

TRACK AND FIELD

Bethlehem, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk boys at Albany County meet @ Shaker, 3:30 p.m.

Bethlehem girls at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.

Voorheesville at Cobleskill-Richmondville, 4 p.m.

RCS schedules sports physicals

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District is offering sports physicals for the 2001-02 school year for students entering grades seven through 12.

Physicals will be held May 17 and 22 for students entering grades seven and eight and June 5, 7 and 12 for students entering grades nine through 12.

Students entering seventh grade in September are eligible to try out for sports.

Sign-up sheets are posted at the health offices. All students interested in playing a sport at RCS must have an updated sports physical.

Youth Network

Share your interests

Do you have a talent or interest which you can share with an elementary school student? If you paint or sing, sew or knit, if you play chess, juggle, dance or do calligraphy, you are invited to participate in a new mentoring program. The goal of a Bethlehem Community Partnership task force is to connect students in grades three, four and five with adult mentors from the community.

Mentors serve as role models to youth and foster positive self esteem. Mentors will get together with students twice each month, after school, at the student's school. If you have been thinking about volunteering in the community in a meaningful way, consider being a mentor and making a difference in the life of a young person.

The group hopes to establish a data base of people who are interested in being a mentor. Please call Bethlehem Networks Project at 439-7740 if you have any questions or if you want to become part of this new mentoring program.



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Physically Speaking

by Nick Valenze, P.T.

ARTHRITIS AND EXERCISE

Osteoarthritis is a chronic degenerative joint disease that usually affects older people. Unlike rheumatoid arthritis, it is not characterized by inflammation, but involves the breakdown of cartilage. As a result, there is more friction between bones at the joint, which causes pain, stiffness, and loss of mobility. While no dietary/nutritional regimen has been shown to alleviate or prevent osteoarthritis, exercise can help. The insidious thing about osteoarthritis is that joint stiffness and pain may make sufferers want to avoid exercise, and doing so leads to stiffer joints. Because inactivity weakens the muscles that stabilize joints, exercise is needed to maintain strong muscles. Several studies have shown that exercise at your level of ability can reduce pain and improve flexibility.

Most individuals will avoid exercises and activities which produce even low levels of pain, thus it's understandable that those who suffer from osteoarthritis tend to adopt a sed-

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P.S. If you suffer from osteoarthritis, consult with a physical therapist about developing an exercise regimen that can help you lead a more active life.



Meghan and William Taylor

McFerran, Taylor marry

Meghan Kirwan McFerran, daughter of J. Benjamin and Judith McFerran of Slingerlands, and William Brian Taylor, son of William and Patricia Taylor of West Camp, Ulster County, were married July 1.

The Rev. Lloyd Rebeyro performed the ceremony at St. Mary's Church in Albany.

A reception followed at The Desmond in Colonie.

The maid of honor was Debra Pepper and the best man was Joseph Ely.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and The College of Saint Rose.

She is a first-grade teacher in the Rye city schools in Westchester County.

The groom is also a graduate of The College of Saint Rose.

He is director of technical support for Artsystems in Manhattan.

After a wedding trip to Los Cabos, Mexico, the couple lives in Larchmont, Westchester County.

Rukwid, Monti to wed

Heidi Ann Rukwid, daughter of Paul and Constance Rukwid of Elsmere, and Michael Monti Sr., son of Mario and Diane Monti of Colonie, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be works at Kaman Industries in Albany.

The future groom is a contractor.

An August wedding is planned.

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Births

Out of town

Boy, John Michael Wright, to Michelle Pregent Wright and Michael Wright of Raleigh, N.C., April 8. Edrie Pregent of Delmar is the maternal grandmother.

Dean's List

University at Albany — Zaid Abdallah of Delmar.

Doctor named to head ob/gyn at St. Peter's

Dr. John Brosnan of Delmar has been appointed chief of obstetrics and gynecology at St. Peter's Health Care Services.

Brosnan was selected by a search committee of the medical staff and approved by the executive committee of the medical staff and the board of trustees.

A graduate of Georgetown University's medical school, Brosnan has been closely affiliated with St. Peter's in practice for 15 years, and involved in the hospital's quality improvement and graduate medical education programs.

St. Peter's Health Care Services is the second-largest health care provider in the Capital District, with the area's second-busiest obstetrics department.

It is the first area hospital to offer BabyPressConference.com, a free, private, live-action "netcast" over the World Wide Web for parents and newborns.

Clarksville man earns honor

William Hornick of Clarksville, a teacher at LaSalle Institute in Troy, has been recognized as an outstanding educator by the University of Richmond.

Annually, first-year students at the university have the opportunity to formally designate the high school educator who has had the greatest influence on their intellectual growth and achievement.

This year, Noah Nelson, a 2000 graduate and salutatorian of LaSalle Institute, recognized Hornick as that person.

Delmar student studying in Florence

Sarah MacDowell of Delmar, a student at the University of Rochester, is spending the spring semester studying in Florence, Italy, through the Syracuse University Division of International Programs Abroad.



Amy and Joseph Ponessa

Thompson, Ponessa wed

Amy Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of Cliff and Maggie Thompson of Glenmont, and Joseph John Ponessa III, son of Joseph J. Ponessa Jr. of Gansevoort, were married Dec. 30.

The Rev. Christopher Smith performed the ceremony at St. Ann's Episcopal Church in Amsterdam. A reception followed at Canfield Casino in Saratoga Springs.

The matron of honor was Lucy Gould. Bridesmaids were Cassandra Plaine, Heather Callins, Jody Barber and Felicia Pullman. The junior bridesmaid was Mariah Thompson, niece of the bride.

The best man was Gordon

McGrath. Ushers were Matthew Thompson, brother of the bride, Brian Stewart, Nicholas Caputi and Gordon Eddy.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Hudson Valley Community College and The College of Saint Rose. She is coordinator of social services at Saratoga Hospital Nursing Home in Saratoga Springs.

The groom is a graduate of SUNY Oneonta. He is a lead installer for IVCI in Albany.

After a wedding trip to the Caribbean, the couple lives in Clifton Park.

Wallant, Rosen engaged

Nina Wallant, daughter of Scott and Dawn Wallant of Delmar, and Adam Rosen, son of Edward and Sharon Rosen of Gunderland, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University at Albany.

She is business manager for Wallant Architects in Albany and

a graduate student at Union College.

The future groom is a graduate of Gunderland High School and the University at Albany.

He is an electrician for Rosen Electric Co. in Albany.

The couple plans a fall 2002 wedding.

Community



Girl Scouts plan used clothing drive

Girl Scout Troop 155 will be conducting a used clothing drive on Saturday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall.

Donations of used clothing in good condition will be accepted and distributed to local relief charities.

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Obituaries

Fred Kent

Fred Kent, 75, of Louise Street in Delmar died Monday, April 23, at Delray Medical Center in Delray Beach, Fla.

Born in Jersey City, N.J., he was a longtime resident of Delmar.

Mr. Kent was a graduate of the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point and was a member of the alumni association.

He served in the Navy during the Korean War.

He worked for the New York State Lottery Division before he retired.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Quigg Kent; three daughters, Robin Plummer of Brockport, Montgomery County, Barbara Gross of Metuchen, N.J., and Lisa Kent of New York City; a brother, Isadore Kantrowitz of New Jersey; three sisters, Hilda Lerner of Jersey City, Sally Hersh of Arizona and Evelyn Mannella of Westfield, N.J.; and seven grandchildren.

Services were from the Levine Memorial Chapel in Albany.

Burial was in Temple Israel Cemetery in Guilderland.

Contributions may be made to the Stroke Victims Foundation, c/o Albany Medical Center Department of Neurology, 43 New Scotland Ave., Albany 12208-3478.

Robert Wallace

Robert F. Wallace, 86, of Slingerlands died Monday, April 23, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Castleton, he was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the Pacific Theater.

Mr. Wallace was a factory inspector for the state Department of Labor before he retired.

He was a member of Delmar Reformed Church, Van Ren-

sselaer Masonic Lodge and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Castleton.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Dube Wallace; a daughter, Carol Weber of Rochester; a son, Barry Wallace of Elizabeth, Colo.; and a grandson.

Services were from the New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.

Phyllis Pritchard

Phyllis Waitt Pritchard, 82, of Delmar died Sunday, April 22.

Born in Winchester, Mass., she was raised in Chazy, Clinton County.

She lived in Albany before moving to Delmar 15 years ago.

She was a resident of Woodgate, and until recently was a member of its board of managers.

Mrs. Pritchard was a volunteer. She has been in charge of the Red Cross Home Nursing program at one time and was one of the first to deliver meals to the home-bound.

She was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and the University Club, both in Albany.

Mrs. Pritchard enjoyed bowling and gardening.

She was the widow of Thomas Pritchard.

Survivors include two daughters, Penni Gallick of San Leandro, Calif., and Gwen Pritchard Lindquist of Brookline, Mass.; and two granddaughters.

A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, May 19, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Albany Chapter of the Red Cross or the Visiting Nurses Association of Albany.

Edna White

Edna Rawlings White, 71, of MacIntosh Street in Ravena and formerly of Selkirk, died Tuesday, April 17.

Born in Albany, she was an insurance underwriter for Farm Family Insurance for more than 35 years before she retired.

She enjoyed travel, gardening and reading.

Survivors include two sons, Kilburn White Jr. and David White, both of Ravena; two daughters, Dawn McKenzie of Virginia Beach, Va., and Catherine Fribourg of East

Greenbush; a sister, Edith Burrow of Castleton; eight grandchildren; and two great-daughters.

Services were from the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Burial was in Grove Cemetery in Coeymans.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society or the Myasthenia Gravis Chapter of Upstate New York.

Maynard Kellam

Maynard Ivan "Mike" Kellam, 88, of Bloomingdale, Essex County, and formerly of New Scotland, died Wednesday, March 28, at his home.

Born in Cooperstown, he worked at the Army Depot in Voorheesville and was a bus driver for Guilderland Central School District before he retired.

He was a member of the Guilderland Bus Garage Bowling League and Saranac Lake Snowmobile Club.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Hunter of Clarksville; a son, Walter Kellam of Virginia Beach, Va.; four sisters, the Rev. Phyllis Skidmore and Mary Kellam, both of Greenville, Francis Mahler of Verona, Va., and Olive Schnare of Climax; a brother, Everett Kellam of Ravena; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Keough Funeral Home in Saranac Lake.

Contributions may be made to High Peaks Hospice.

Albert Long

Albert "Duke" Long, 78 of East Berne died Friday, April 27, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in New Salem, he was a longtime resident of East Berne.

Mr. Long was the owner and operator of Duke's Dairy Bar in East Berne and worked with his father on Long's Dairy Farm.

Services are scheduled at 2 p.m. Friday, May 4, at Fredendall Funeral Home, 199 Main St., Altamont. A calling hour will precede the service.

Burial will be in Thompsons Lake Rural Cemetery in East Berne.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Stephen Carraro

Stephen A. Carraro, 95, of

Delmar died Sunday, April 22, at Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center in Delmar.

Mr. Carraro received a bachelor's and a master's degree from Siena College.

He worked for the Internal Revenue Service and the Social Security Administration before he retired.

Survivors include a nephew, John Carraro, and several grandchildren and grandnephews.

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

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Hilltown Players slate performances

The Hilltown Players will be putting on several performances of "Who Dunit?" a murder mystery by C.B. Gilford.

A dinner theater show is set for Friday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Bernadette's Church in Berne.

And a dessert theater show is planned for Saturday, May 5, at 7 p.m. at Delmar Reformed Church on Kenwood Avenue.

For information, call 872-9056.

Nursery school sets trip to Boston

Tri-Village Nursery School is sponsoring a one-day round-trip charter bus trip to Boston on Saturday, May 5.

The Yankee Trails Charter Bus will leave at 7 a.m. from Delmar, and will drop participants off at the Quincy Market upon arrival in Boston.

All participants will have the day to spend on their own in Boston.

The bus will depart for Delmar at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$38 per person, and proceeds will benefit the educational programs of the school.

Reservations will be accepted until the bus is full.

For information or to make a reservation, call 478-0259 or 475-0737.

Senior Services sets health screenings

Bethlehem Senior Services Department will be sponsoring a series of health-related screenings and displays in the town hall auditorium on Tuesday, May 15.

From 9 a.m. to noon, there will be hearing screenings by appointment only.

To make a reservation, call 439-4955, ext. 173 or 174.

There will also be a blood pressure screening from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Two displays are also planned. The first, on Lyme Disease Awareness, will be presented by Lisa Verstandig of Cooperative Extension Association.

The second, on Medical Emergency Options, will be presented by Bethlehem Senior Services staff.

Dionysians

(From Page 1)

who's part of the white gang, the Jets; and Maureen Cavanaugh, also a senior, will play Maria, the Puerto Rican girl whose friends are Sharks.

"This was the first time I played a true romantic lead," said Lustick, who played the bawdy Mercutio in "Romeo and Juliet," and Teyve in "Fiddler on the Roof."

"There's not much comedic about Tony. He's a pretty straightforward and earnest guy. It was great to play a role comparable to my age group, since the characters are teenagers," he added.

"With all the emotion, it's a hard show to do," said Cavanaugh, who was Lady Capulet in "Romeo and Juliet" and Alice in "Alice in Wonderland." "Everything happens so quickly."

Nicole McMahon plays Maria's friend, Anita, and said the ages of the characters made it easier for the actors to relate to them.

"I'm always very touched at the end of the show," she said.

"There's a lot of physical action, a lot of dancing and fighting," said Brendan Shields, who plays Action.

"There are a lot of violent parts, but it doesn't glorify the violence," added Matt Hubert, who plays Riff. "The message is about how bad it is. At the end, everyone's almost crying because of the violence."

The 65-member cast has been rehearsing since January. There are about 10 backstage workers, and the show boasts both a student choreographer, Jessica Hover, and producer, Liz Bloomfield.

Students helped paint the sets, which were created by the high school's stage design class. There is also a live orchestra with about 15 pieces.

"We've tried to build a company in residence," said Lopez, who teaches art and drama at Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School.

"It's on-the-job training for the students. They're a fun and talented group, and it's been a real pleasure to work with them," he added.

The Voorheesville Dionysians will present "West Side Story" on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5, at 7:15 p.m.; and Sunday, May 6, at 2:15 p.m., at the high school auditorium on Route 85A.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and seniors.

For ticket information, call 765-3314.

Delmar student earns forensic honor

J.B. Horgan, a senior at Christian Brothers Academy, qualified to represent the New York State District of the National Forensic League at the National Championship in June in Oklahoma City.

Horgan, who took first place in extemporaneous speaking and in the senate of the student congress was also elected outstanding presiding officer of his congressional chamber.

Horgan is the son of Dr. Michael Horgan and Jaclyn Brilling of Delmar.

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Area artists & decorators restore Vanguard Showcase to former grandeur

By JOHN BRENT

Step into the past when you visit the Vanguard Designer Showcase for 2001. The 21st annual fund-raising event has selected the historic Uri Gilbert House on 189 Second St. in Troy to restore to the opulence of a bygone day. The home will be open to the public through May 20.

An Italianate mansion on Washington Park, the home was built between 1852 and 1854 by wealthy Troy lumber merchant Charles W. Thompson, the home became identified with the Gilbert family who occupied the mansion from 1856 to 1911.

Washington Park remains one of two privately owned urban garden squares in the United States and is surrounded by a number of period buildings of which the Gilbert home is one of the premiere jewels.

The idea for the park was begun probably in the 1830s when a group of six prominent Troy citizens joined together to bring a new type of residential development to the city. A park area would be central to four facing blocks providing the residents of the surrounding homes a green space in the midst of an urban setting. By maintaining private ownership of the space they could restrict use of the area to the residents.

As in past years, dozens of artists, interior designers and decorators, antique and furniture specialists have brought their talents together and taken on the considerable challenge of restoring different sections of the home and creating a showcase in keeping with the period flavor of the building. Their finished combined efforts provides visitors with a glimpse of Troy's privileged upper class during the 19th century.

Complementing the design work will be floral arrangements and exterior garden spaces created by area florists and landscape designers.

In all, there will be 26 decorated spaces on three floors and these spaces will be complemented by a gift boutique, an art gallery and a café.

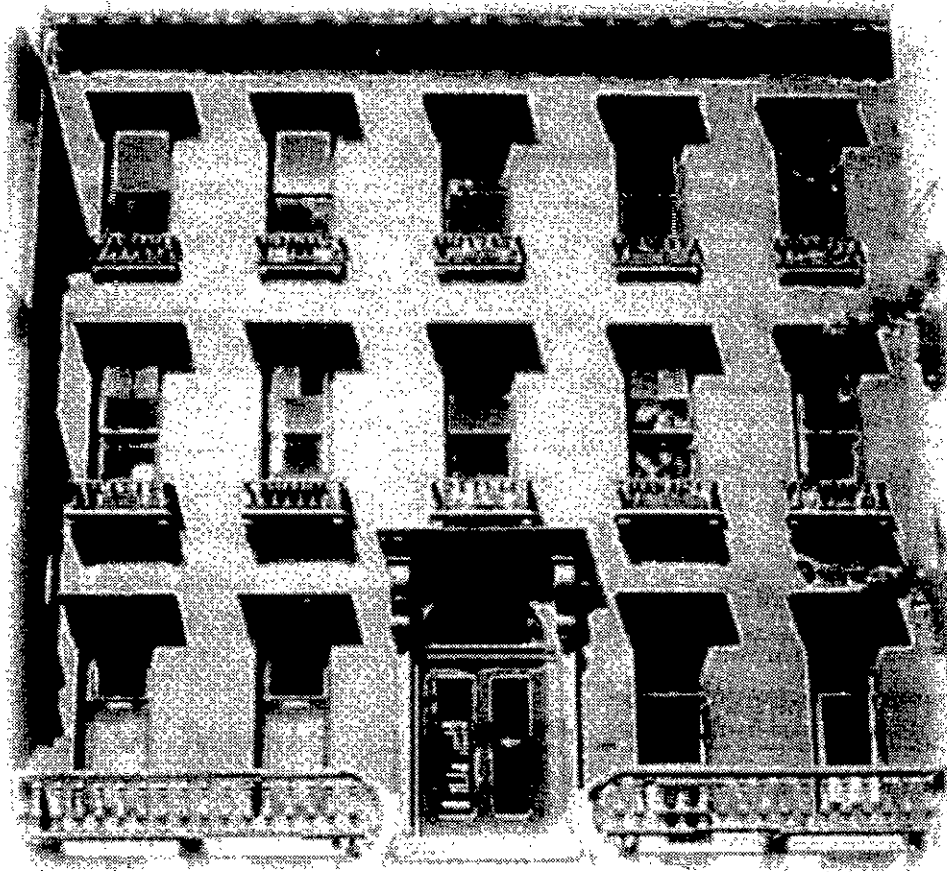
Beginning in 1965, the Rensselaer County Council for the Arts was headquartered in the Gilbert home, but as the organization grew, the Second Street building could no longer contain all its activities. In January 2000, they moved to a new, more expansive location on River Street in Troy (simultaneously changing its name to the Arts Center of the Capital Region).

In July 2000, the Gilbert home was purchased by Joseph Abbey and Lynn Kopka who have begun extensive restorations.

The home will be open to the public on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Wednesday and

Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 10:30 to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. The home is closed on Mondays. Admission is \$15. A buffet lunch is served in the café from noon to 1, Tuesday through Friday. There is only one seating and reservations are preferred (call 724-0357). Lunch is \$10 per person. On Saturday and Sunday, coffee and desserts are served.

The Vanguard Showcase benefits the Albany Symphony Orchestra. For information or to make lunch reservation call 724-0357.



Nice mice take Theatre Institute stage

Mice are people, too or so "Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse," a touring play that will be presented by the New York State Theatre Institute, would have you believe. The show, running about an hour in length and staged by The Kennedy Center Imagination Celebration on Tour, will be performed on Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, at 8 p.m. with a Sunday, May 13, matinee at 2 p.m.

Adapted for the stage by Kevin Kling from three short stories by Kevin Hanks the plot follows the trials and triumphs of a spunky little mouse named Lilly.

Lilly loves school and inspired by her new teacher Mr. Slinger decides to abandon her dreams of becoming an ambulance driver, an opera diva or a hairdresser to the stars and become a teacher instead.

Performances will take place on the Schacht Fine Arts Center on the campus of Russell Sage College in Troy.

Tickets are \$17 for adults, \$14 for seniors and students and \$8 for children through age 12.

For information, tickets and directions to the theater are available at 274-3256.



The Kennedy Center Imagination Celebration on Tour will present "Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse" at the Schacht Fine Arts Center at Russell Sage College in Troy on May 11, 12 and 13. Scott Fortier, Marie Merkle and Ky-Moni Abraham are pictured.

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

Theater

PICASSO AT THE LAPIN AGILE

comedy by Steve Martin, Capital Repertory, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through May 13, \$21 to \$34. Information, 445-7469.

SMOKEY JOE'S CAFE

starring Gladys Knight, Proctor's Theater, 432 State St. Schenectady, May 2 at 8 p.m., \$36.50 to \$42.50. Information, 346-6204.

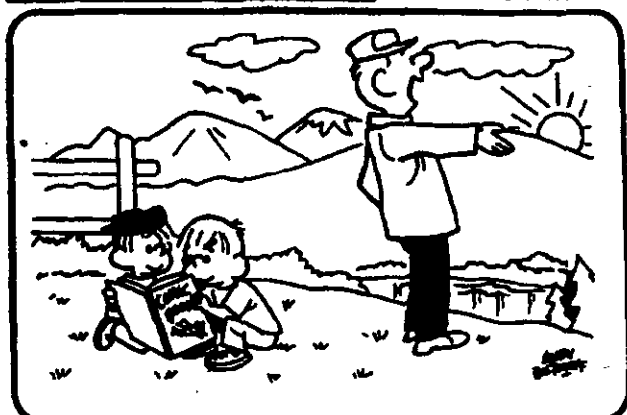
LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF GARDEN TWENTY, LLC

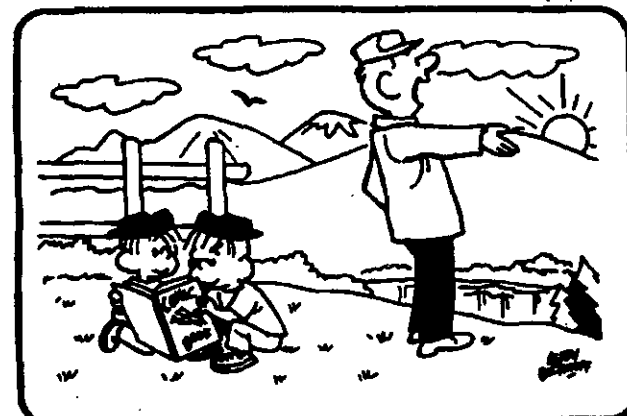
Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 29, 2001. Office location: Albany County, SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o Frank Audino, 22 Tremont Street, Albany, New York 12205. No registered agent. Purpose: for all legal purposes. (May 2, 2001)

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Both boys have hats. 2. Book cover is different. 3. Cloud has been added. 4. Fence is longer. 5. Two birds are missing. 6. Trees are different.

PRIVATE LIVES

Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through May 19, \$15. Information, 877-7529.

TEN BY TEN

North Pointe Cultural Arts Center, Route 9, Kinderhook, through May 13, \$12 to \$20. Information, 822-9667.

Music

AC/DC

Pepsi Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, May 7, 7:30 p.m., \$35 to \$65. Information, 487-2000.

GUSTER

Palace Theater, North Pearl Street and Clinton Avenue, Albany, May 2, 8 p.m., \$21.50 in advance, \$23.50 at the door. Information, 465-4663.

TOM RUSH

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, May 4, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$25. Information, 381-1111.

MATAPAT

Old Songs concert of Quebec folk music; Masonic Temple, Route 146, Altamont, May 4, 8 p.m., \$12. Information, 765-2815.

THE RODNEY CROWELL BAND

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, May 5, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$29. Information, 381-1111.

JOSHUA REDMAN

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, May 10, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$28. Information, 381-1111.

BILL HALEY'S COMETS

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, May 11, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$17. Information, 381-1111.

DON MCLEAN

Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, May 11, 8 p.m., \$26. Information, 273-0038.

DAVID LINDLEY

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, May 12, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$23. Information, 381-1111.

DAVID BRICKMAN

photographs, Yates Gallery of Siena College, through May 3. Information, 783-2517.

LOCAL COLOR ART GALLERY

featuring affordable works by regional artists in a variety of media, 961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 786-6557.

DICKEY BETTS BAND

Northern Lights, Route 146, Clifton Park, May 14, 9:30 p.m., \$20. Information, 371-0012.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

Figure and Form, Rodin to Matisse: Sculpture and Works on Paper, through May 6; plus permanent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT GALLERY

23rd Photography Regional, third floor of main terminal, through June 30. Information, 783-2517.

Call For Artists

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

openings in the string, horn and percussion sections. Information, 439-7749.

COLONIE TOWN BAND

several openings, rehearsals on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

openings for brass players, rehearsals on first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR

rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. for orchestra, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for choir, Siena College, Route 9, Loudonville. Information, 783-2325.

CLIFTON PARK COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

openings in all sections, especially strings, rehearsals Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Clifton Common Senior Center. Information, 783-2511.

SINGERS NEEDED

for Electric City Chorus, training provided, rehearsals at Faith United Methodist Church, Brandywine Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-4807.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

rehearsals at Columbia High School, Luther Road, East Greenbush, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

Classes/Lectures

DANCE CLASSES

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

ART CLASSES

watercolor, oil and drawing, beginner and intermediate, Wednesdays and Thursdays, taught by Kristin Woodward. Information, 783-1828.

WORDS WITH A "TAX"

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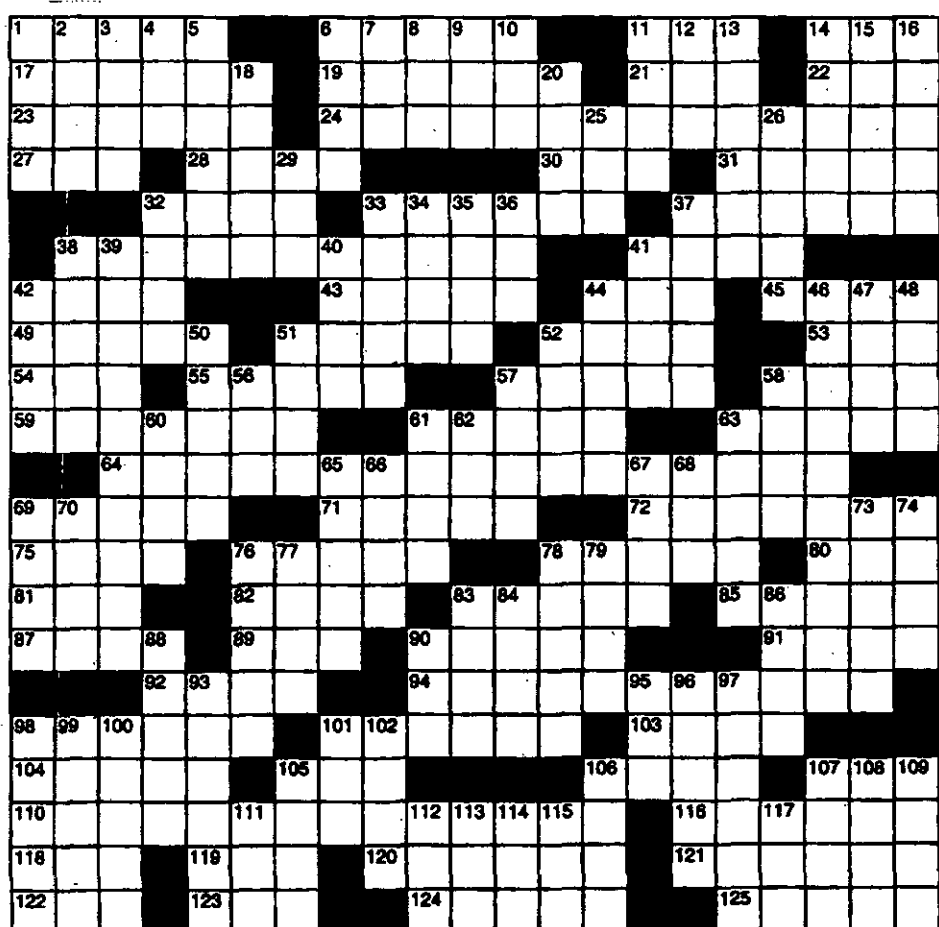
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The Super CROSSWORD

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| 51 Bodybuilder | Charles | 52 — "Show" ('94 film) | 53 Private pension | 54 Robert of "Quincy, M.E." | 55 Restive | 57 Trumpeter | 58 Explorer | Hedin | 59 '68 Tom Jones hit | 61 Shatter | 63 — suit | 64 Part 2 of remark | 69 Raid | 71 Sinuous dances | 72 Jihad | 75 Verve | 76 Posada of baseball | 78 Thin porridge | 80 Thurman of "The Avengers" | 81 Deighton or Dawson | 82 Blows away | 83 Isaac's mom | 85 Remove varnish | 87 Lug | 89 Morning moisture | 90 Comic Sherman | | | |
| 91 — "It a pity?" ('70 song) | 92 Got older | 94 Part 3 of remark | 98 Yearned | 101 Titania's hubby | 103 "Java" man? | 104 Tom of "Adam's Rib" | 105 Woody herb | 106 With 107 Down, "Chocolat" | actress | 107 Kimono closer | 110 End of remark | 116 Like some recordings | 118 Out — limb | 119 Gumshoe | 120 Update a story | 121 Ida of "The Sea Wolf" | 122 Fashion monogram | 123 Symbol of sturdiness | 124 "Jane Eyre" character | 125 Murcia mister | DOWN | 1 Primer pooch | 2 Forbidden | 3 Summit | | | | | |
| 4 Kyser or Starr | 5 Ornamental opening | 6 Comic Joey | 7 Wedding words | 8 "Hulk" Ferrigno | 9 SASE, e.g. | 10 Mowry of "Sister, Sister" | 11 Be in accord | 12 Luau instrument | 13 Rarely | 14 Martin or McQueen | 15 Actor Sorbo | 16 What I.e. stands for | 18 Hersey setting | 20 Tizzy | 25 Strive | 26 Whittier's feet | 29 Buddhist movement | 32 Meriment | 33 Bear storage? | 34 Humorist Bombeck | 35 Cry of concern | 36 Dress size | 37 Like a peach | 38 Photo finish | 39 Narrow-minded | | | | |
| 40 One of the Marches | 41 Rub out | 42 Nullify | 44 Swindle | 46 Sausage type | 47 Precinct | 48 Lack | 50 Bendix role | 51 — Breaky Heart | (92 hit) | 52 Wharf | 56 Prepare to feather? | 57 Seeks change? | 58 Fluctuate | 60 Tenor Kozlovsky | 61 Peevishness | 62 Genetic info | 63 Vends | 65 Flung | 66 Warm embraces | 67 "No dice!" | 68 Farm tool | 69 Crafter's cloth | 70 Toast topper | 73 — acid | 74 All ears | 76 Too experienced | 77 Had bills | 78 Bit of a beach | 79 Be bombastic |
| 83 Disparage | 84 Palo —, CA | 86 Cast | 88 Scout rank | 90 Presidential nickname | 93 Traitor's treat | 95 Heifer or hen | 96 Last | 97 Telescope sighting | 98 Croce's Mr. Brown | 99 "Hee Haw" host | 100 Mount Everest's locale | 101 Absent | 102 Grumpy guy | 105 Singer | Springfield | 106 Alzado of football | 107 See 106 | Across | 108 Pro — (free) | 109 Perpetual lab | assistant | 111 Soho snack | 112 PBS benefactor | 113 Accounting abbr. | 114 Tiny | 115 — of "You" ('84 hit) | 117 "Tarzan" extra | | |



The Spotlight CALENDAR

Wed. 5/2

BETHLEHEM

BETH. BUSINESS WOMEN

Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m., dinner 6:30. Information, 439-6194 or 439-3153.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

Quality Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

Route 144, Cedar Hill, 7 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

district office, 90 Adams Place, 8 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2181.

NEW SCOTLAND

V'VILLE ZONING BOARD

village hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 765-2692.

LEGAL NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF GREAT EASTERN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Under Section 121-902 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act Great Eastern Limited Partnership, a Massachusetts limited partnership, hereby applies for authority to do business in the State of New York and states as follows:

1. Name of foreign limited partnership: Great Eastern Limited Partnership.
2. Jurisdiction and date of organization: Great Eastern Limited Partnership was organized in Massachusetts and filed a Certificate of Limited Partnership with the Secretary of Massachusetts on August 23, 1993.
3. County within New York in which the office of the partnership is to be located: Albany County.
4. Great Eastern Limited Partnership hereby designates the Secretary of State of New York as its agent upon whom process against it may be served and requests that a copy of any process against it served upon the secretary be mailed to: Great Eastern Limited Partnership, c/o Great Eastern Management, LLC, 5 Lopez Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887.
5. Address of principal office of Great Eastern Limited Partnership: 819 Monument Street, Concord, Massachusetts 01742.
6. General Partner: the sole general partner of Great Eastern Limited Partnership is Great Eastern Management, LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company with a business address of 5 Lopez Road, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887.
7. At the time of the filing of this application, Great Eastern Limited Partnership is in existence in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the jurisdiction of its organization.
8. Name and address of the office in Massachusetts where a copy of Great Eastern Limited Partnership's certificate of limited partnership is filed: Secretary of State, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, One Ashburton Place, Boston, Massachusetts 02108. Witness the execution of this Application under seal as of this 16th day of March, 2001.

Great Eastern Limited Partnership
By: Great Eastern Management, LLC
Its General Partner
By: S/Alfred W. Boylan
Managing Member
(May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Fusion Universal of the Street LLC was filed with the SSNY on

Thurs. 5/3

BETHLEHEM

EARLY BIRDER GUIDED WALK

Tips and tricks on bird identification for the beginner, by center naturalists; brief program. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 7:30 a.m. Free. Information, 475-0291.

FAMILIES FIRST

support group for parents of children with Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 439-8839.

Fri. 5/4

BETHLEHEM

CHILDREN'S FILMS

"The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate The Wash," "The Great White Man-Eating Shark" and "Panama," for children aged 3 to 6. Approx. 30 minutes. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

OUTDOOR WALK

Walk in search of the woodcock, led by center naturalists; brief program. Dress for evening outdoors, wear walking shoes. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road,

LEGAL NOTICE

03/29/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against may be served. The P. O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: 80 State Street, Albany, NY 12207-2543. The Registered Agent is Corporation Service Company at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Power-Finder West Communications, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/16/2001. LLC organized in Maryland (MD) on 2/12/1997. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Office address of LLC in MD: 9250 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20877. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with Dept. of Assessments, 301 W. Preston St., Baltimore, MD 21201. Purpose: telecommunication services. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company
An Application for Authority for LHTG, LLC, a Delaware LLC ("LLC") was filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 20, 2001. The LLC was organized on April 12, 2001. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to c/o Patricia A. Tobin, Manager, LHTG, LLC, c/o The Tobin Group, Inc., 61 Columbia Street, Albany, New York 12210. Registered office in the State of Delaware: Incorporating Services, Ltd., 15 East North Street, Dover, Kent County, Delaware 19901. LLC shall provide, on request, a copy of its Certificate of Organization, with all amendments thereto. Patricia A. Tobin, with an address at 61 Columbia Street, Albany, New York, shall be responsible for providing such copies. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purpose.. Filer: Conway Lavelle & Finn, LLP

Address: 450 New Karner Road
Albany, New York 12205
(May 2, 2001)

Delmar, 6:30 p.m. Free. Information, 475-0291.

Sat. 5/5

BETHLEHEM

BUS TRIP TO BOSTON

One-day trip by Yankee Trails charter to Quincy Market, leaving 7 a.m., departing for home 7 p.m.; \$45 per person, to benefit Tri-Village Nursery School. Reservations, 478-0259 or 475-0737.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

For household waste; unwanted paints, pesticides, solvents, other household chemicals. Town Highway Garage, Elm Ave., Selkirk, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

USED CLOTHING DRIVE

Clothing in good condition accepted for local relief charities. Sponsored by Girl Scouts Troop 155. Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free. Information, 439-9083.

ANIMAL ADOPTION CLINIC

Sponsored by Peppertree Rescue; L.C. Smith Pet Center, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

NEW SCOTLAND

SPRING FEST AT THACHER

Paint Mine area, John Boyd Thacher State Park, New Scotland, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Centex Home Equity Company, LLC a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/18/01. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 2/9/01. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Office address of LLC in DE: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Merits Medical Imaging Services, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/18/01. LLC organized in Ohio (OH) on 11/1/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Office address of LLC in OH: c/o 1600 CNB Corp., 1375 E. 9th St., 20th Fl., Cleveland, OH 44114. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with OH Secy. of State, Business Services Division, 180 E. Broad st., 16th Fl., Columbus, OH 43215. Purpose: servicing of medical equipment for imaging centers and hospitals. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Supreme Court, Albany County of the 2nd day of April, 2001, bearing Index Number 1923-01, a copy of which may be examined at the office of the County Clerk, located at the Albany County Courthouse, grants me the right to assume the name of Jerry Barnes. My present address is 260 North Pearl Street, Apartment 6J, Albany, New York; the date of my birth is August 11, 1939; the place of my birth is Yahoo City, Mississippi; my present name as it appears on my birth certificate is Jesse Johnson. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Lincoln Retirement Services Company, LLC, a foreign limited

Donations requested, \$1 per person, \$3 per family, to benefit nature center. Information, 872-1237.

ROAST PORK DINNER

Adults \$8, children \$4, under 5 free; New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 2010 New Scotland Road, 4:30-7 p.m. Information, 439-6454.

STRAWBERRY SUPPER

\$8 adults, \$4 children 5 to 12; under 5 free. Servings 5 and 6:15 p.m., bake sale 4:30 p.m. to closing. Jerusalem Reformed Church, Route 32, Feura Bush. Reservations, 439-2212.

Sun. 5/6

BETHLEHEM

OUTDOOR WALK

Focusing on the life of the Canada goose, led by center naturalists; brief program. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 2 p.m. Free. Information, 475-0291.

Mon. 5/7

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR KIWANIS

Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-2437 or 439-6952.

LEGAL NOTICE

liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 3/28/01. LLC organized in Indiana (IN) on 2/28/01. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Office address of LLC in IN: 1300 South Clinton St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with IN Secy. of State, Corp. Div., 302 West Washington St., Rm. E018, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Purpose: any lawful activity. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of City Lites Signs Distribution LLC a limited liability company (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 04/13/2001. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 46 State St., 5th Fl., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: All Lawful purposes. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: Elixir WFC, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State on N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/10/01. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., 6th Fl., Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LLC. The name of the limited liability company is James D. Kerr, PLLC ("LLC"); the articles of organization were filed with the secretary of state on October 4, 2000; LLC's office is to be located in Albany County; the secretary of state has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served; the post office to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is 194 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12210; LLC shall practice the profession of law. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Trading Cove New York, LLC,

'FIRST AID FOR YOU'

First of three hour-long programs for children K-3rd grade. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DIST.

Board of fire commissioners meets monthly, first Monday, North Bethlehem firehouse, 589 Russell Road, Albany, 7:30 p.m.

EXPLORER POST 157

For boys and girls 14-21. Weekly, 310 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

BLANCHARD LEGION POST

Meeting, 16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

NEW SCOTLAND

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. 5/8

BETHLEHEM

ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSION

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

LEGAL NOTICE

a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 3/27/01. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 6/22/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., 6th Fl., Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Office address of LLC in DE: CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Professional Underwriters Company, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Fictitious name in NY State: PUC Agency. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 3/22/2001. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 2/10/1999. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of

DELMAR ROTARY

Howard Johnson's, Route 9W. Information, 439-9988.

A.W. BECKER PTA

Becker Elementary School, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m. Information, 767-2511.

SLINGERLANDS FIRE COMM.

firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

NEW SCOTLAND

STORY HOUR

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

Wed. 5/9

BETHLEHEM

TOWN BOARD

Public hearings on Bethlehem Town Center DEIS, shared parking ordinance, two traffic safety sign requests. Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

NEW SCOTLAND

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tNew Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4889.

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process to the principal office address of LLC: 151 S. Warner Rd., Suite 100, Wayne, PA 19087-2198. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: insurance and reinsurance agent or broker. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Packard Family Realty LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 3/12/01. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 12/26/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY, 10011, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Principal office address of LLC: 395 Columbia Rd., Uphams Corner, MA, 02125. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: real estate holding and management. (May 2, 2001)



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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of SBC Management Services, L.P., a foreign limited partnership (LP). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/10/00. LP organized in Texas (TX) on 8/31/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent of LP upon whom process may be served. Office address of LP in TX: 175 E. Houston St., San Antonio, TX 78205. Name and address of each general partner available from SSNY. Copy of Cert. of LP on file with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Rm. 105, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful activity. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a partnership pursuant to §121-1500(a) of the Partnership Law of the State of New York has been registered as a Registered Limited Liability Partnership (RLLP). The name of the RLLP is Welt, Gabriels & Schunk, LLP. The Certificate of Registration was filed with the Secretary of State on January 3, 2001. The principal office of the RLLP is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the RLLP upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the RLLP served upon him is: c/o the RLLP, Four Executive Park Drive, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany, NY 12203. The RLLP has been formed for the practice of law. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of V and R Investors LLC a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY on 3/19/2001. NY office location: Albany County. Secy. of State is Designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secy. of State shall mail a copy of any process served to: V and R Investors LLC c/o Vincent Schipano, 29 Derbyshire Rd, Feura Bush, NY 12067. Purpose:

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to engage in any lawful act or activity. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of App. for Auth. of KRIPA LLC a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with SSNY on 03/19/2001. LLC org. in State of DE on 7/10/2000. NY Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 46 State St., 5th Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Off. address in jurisdiction of org.: 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, DE 19971. Copy of Cert. Of org. on file with S/S DE. Purpose: All lawful purposes. (May 2, 2001)

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PLM ELECTRIC POWER ENGINEERING, LLC
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company
Articles of Organization for PLM Electric Power Engineering, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on April 13, 2001. Office location is in the County of Albany. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the professional service limited liability company (the "LLC") upon whom process may be served. The Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process of the LLC to PLM Electric Power Engineering, LLC, 35 Main Street, Hopkinton, MA 01748-0000. Duration is perpetual. Purpose: to practice professional engineering as such services are defined in the Education Law and to carry on, conduct, or transact any other lawful business purpose. (May 2, 2001)

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SC DEVELOPMENT CO. I, LLC, Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on April 19, 2001. 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 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. (May 2, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

WorthMark Financial Services, LLC was filed with the SSNY on 03/09/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: Thomas L. Clark, VP, 400 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN 55101. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Tech Park Partners, L.L.C. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 10, 2001. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 63 Mansion Boulevard, Delmar, New York 12054. Purpose: To purchase, own, develop, lease, mortgage, sell, manage and otherwise deal in real and personal property. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Albany Partners II, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 21, 2001. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 63 Mansion Boulevard, Delmar, New York 12054. Purpose: To purchase, own, develop, lease, mortgage, sell, manage and otherwise deal in real and personal property. (May 2, 2001)

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

The name of the LLC is ANDERSON DEVELOPMENT, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 29, 2001. 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 1025 Central Avenue (Rear), Albany, New York 12205. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC

Articles of Organization for Judy's Tiny Shop, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on March 26, 2001. Office located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon which process may be served and copy of process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State to the LLC, 20 Pasture Gate Lane, Delmar, New York 12054. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

ANTONELLO DI GIOVANNI AND COMPANY LLC was filed with SSNY on 2/1/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O.

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address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

METRO DEVELOPMENTS LLC was filed with SSNY on 04/23/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

OTA LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/17/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: the LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

DELTA ELECTRICAL ENTERPRISES OF NEW YORK, LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/17/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

MCKEAN LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/5/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BARTEC LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/5/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46

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State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TMI PROPERTIES, LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/9/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 10 Erie Boulevard, Albany, NY 12204. The registered agent is: Matthew Biagiotti at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

A. C. METRO LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/4/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

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SPORT DEVELOPMENT LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/3/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

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Enviro-Trans of New York, LLC was filed with SSNY on 3/26/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated agent of LLC against whom process may be served. P.O. address which SSNY shall mail process against LLC served upon him: PO Box 9, Selkirk, NY 12158. Purpose: any lawful business. (May 2, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

COLBERT REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT LLC was filed with SSNY on 3/16/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

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EUROASIAN TREFIELD VENTURES LLC was filed with SSNY on 1/12/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

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BRIDGEND SERVICES LLC was filed with SSNY on 3/8/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc., 46 State Street, 3rd Flr, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (May 2, 2001)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual report for 2000 of the Julia O. Wells Memorial Education Foundation, Inc., is available for public inspection at the office of the trustee at 39 Park Lane East, Apt #3, Menands, New York 12204 during regular business hours for 180 days beginning today, May 25, 2001. (May 2, 2001)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is Advanced Mechanical Technology, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on April 11, 2001. THIRD: The county within New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany. FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: 25 Lincoln Avenue Albany, New York 12205 FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is based solely on events of dissolution set forth in the New York Limited Liability Company Law (the "Law"). SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to provide engineering design for commercial development and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law. (May 2, 2001)

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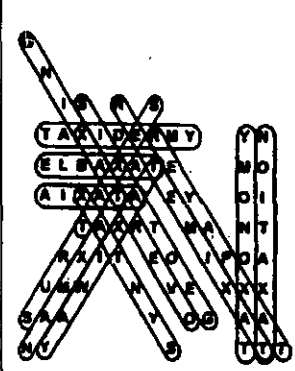
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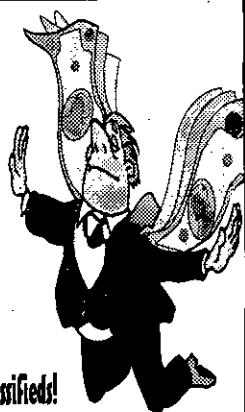
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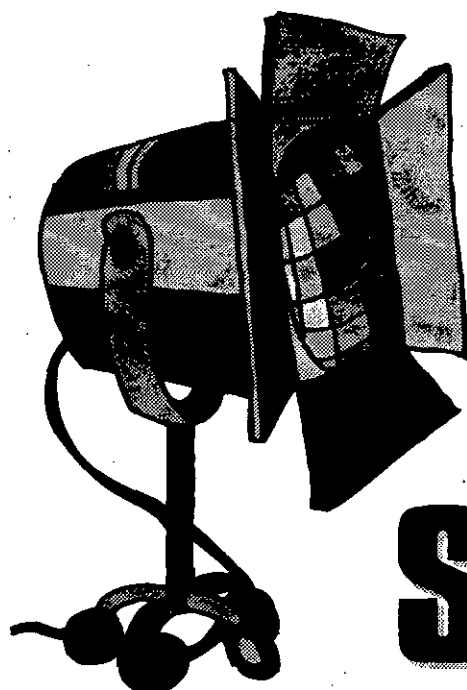
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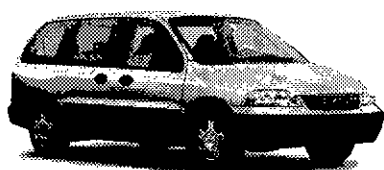
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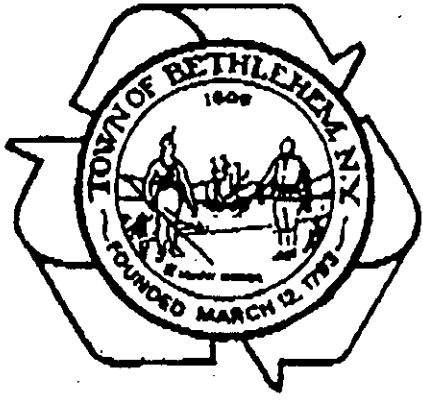
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SATURDAY MAY 5, 2001

8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

RAIN OR SHINE

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Valid New York State Driver's License or current Bethlehem tax bill required as proof of residency

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WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY MATERIAL WHICH IS NOT DEEMED ACCEPTABLE BY THE MANAGING CHEMIST ON SITE.

WHAT IS HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

Many home and garden products contain potentially dangerous chemicals that must be disposed of safely. These are usually found in basements, kitchens, garages, storage sheds and bathrooms.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Only Town of Bethlehem residents can participate and only home generated hazardous wastes are acceptable. A valid New York State driver's license or current Town of Bethlehem tax bill is required as proof of residence.

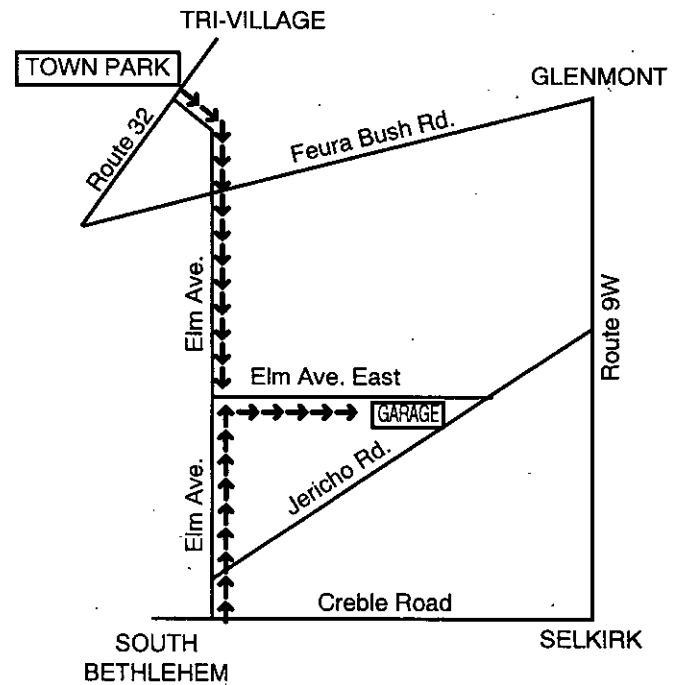
HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

The Town of Bethlehem Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held on:
SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2001 BETWEEN 8:00 AM and 1:00 PM
Hazardous wastes must be brought to the **Town Highway Garage, 74 Elm Avenue East in Selkirk.**
(Please follow special directions shown on map.)

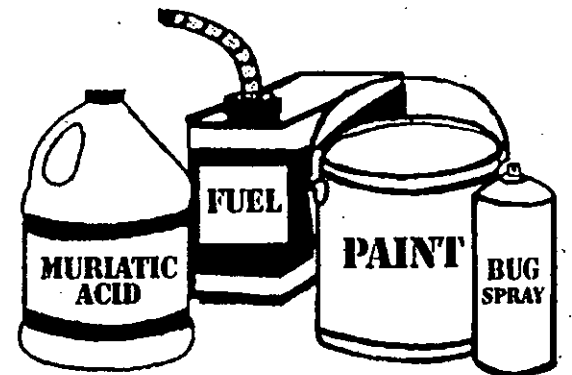
- All hazardous wastes must be in their original, labeled containers. Tighten caps and lids.
- **NEVER MIX CHEMICALS!**
- Sort and pack materials securely in a sturdy cardboard box; use newspaper or cardboard to keep items from tipping or hitting each other.
- Wrap leaking containers in newspaper and place in plastic bags or a larger container.
- Place chemicals that may react with each other in separate parts of the car.
- **DO NOT** leave product in a hot, unventilated vehicle for an extended period of time.
- For your safety, please stay in your car. Workers will unload the material. Please **DO NOT** smoke near chemicals.

WHERE...

**Town Highway Garage,
74 Elm Avenue East, Selkirk, NY 12158**



**All residents must enter
Elm Ave. E. via Elm Ave
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▼ ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- ▼ Pesticides/Herbicides/Insecticides
- ▼ Paints (oil base, latex)
- ▼ Wood Preservatives and Stains
- ▼ Thinners and Solvents
- ▼ Drain Cleaners
- ▼ Swimming Pool Chemicals
- ▼ Hobby Chemicals/Paints
- ▼ Gasoline/Kerosene
- ▼ Automotive Fluids/Batteries
- ▼ Cleaning Products
- ▼ Acids and Bases
- ▼ Asbestos (wet and double bagged)
- ▼ Fluorescent Light Bulbs (call first)

▼ UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- ▼ Explosives/Ammunition
- ▼ Medical and Infectious Waste
- ▼ Fireworks
- ▼ Radioactive materials
- ▼ Controlled Substances
- ▼ Known PCBs/Dioxins
- ▼ Compressed Gases (aerosols are okay)
- ▼ Commercial/ Industrial Wastes
- ▼ Empty Paint Cans
- ▼ Empty Aerosols

Before disposing of leftover products, please try to use up or give to someone who can use them.