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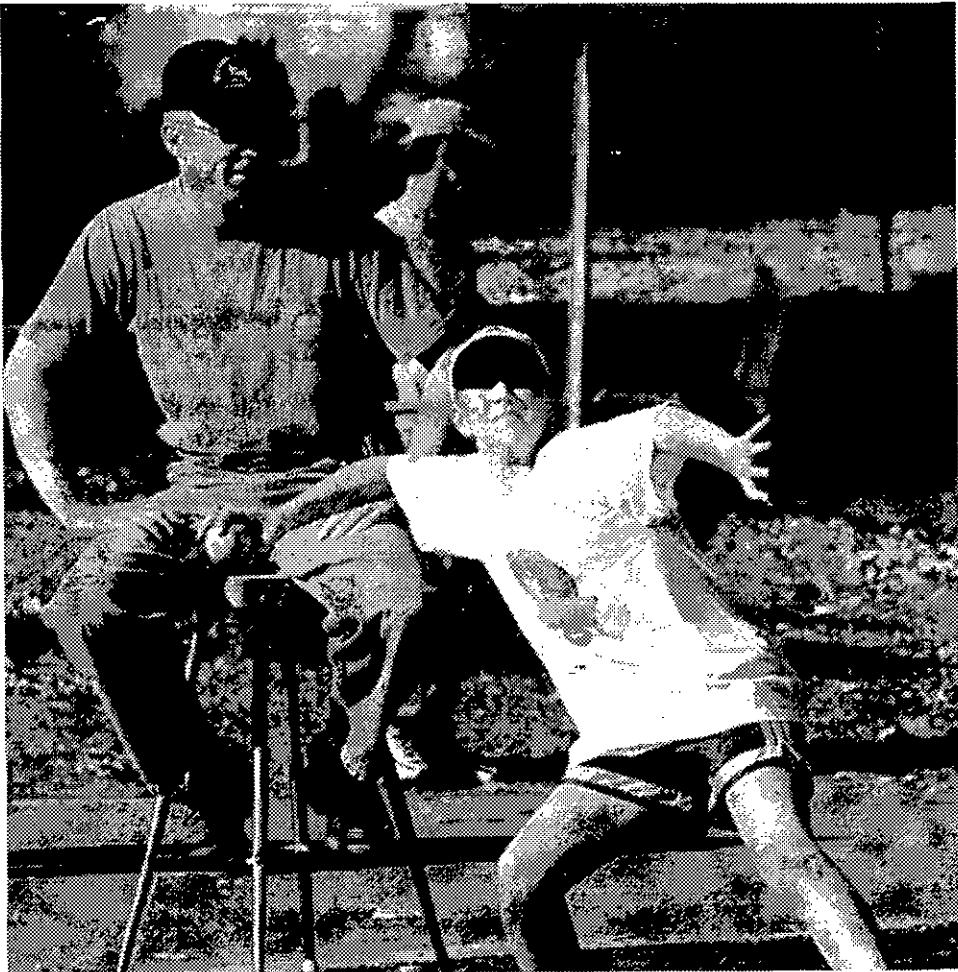
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Strong arm tactics



Amy Halvorsen throws a 35 mph pitch, while her father Jim watches at the annual craft fair at First United Methodist Church in Delmar last Saturday.

Jim Franco

Glenmont Chopper work to begin soon

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The project still awaits formal site plan approval from the Bethlehem planning board, but officials of Price Chopper and Schuyler Companies wasted no time, hosting a formal ground-breaking ceremony Nov. 1 for a new supermarket at Town Squire Plaza.

Actually, ground was already broken on the project. With the wing of Town Squire that formerly housed a Grand Union and a CVS razed two weeks ago, another building, a former hard-ware store, was scheduled to come down this week to make way for the project. And the ceremonies took place around a pile of sand in the parking lot — several dozen yards from the actual construction site

where the Price Chopper will be built.

Still, the ceremonies underscored the Schenectady-based supermarket chain's determination to have the new 56,000 square foot SuperCenter open for business by next spring. Price Chopper President and CEO Neil Golub, said, "This also gives us an opportunity with Schuyler to help develop this piece of property, which is good for the community, good for Bethlehem. Price Chopper, I feel, is the right tenant. It'll be a boon to the

It takes about 26 weeks to build a store, and we're aiming for a ribbon-cutting in May of 2002.

Neil Golub

area."

Schuyler, which is redeveloping the long-dormant Town Squire, hopes to secure site plan approval for the

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Public gets say on center

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The site plan for the controversial Bethlehem Town Center project in Glenmont faced almost three hours of questioning at a public hearing on

Tuesday, Oct. 30, before the town planning board.

Most questions raised at the hearing concerned the specifics of implementing the project — ranging from traffic and safety issues to noise abatement from trucks expected to make deliveries at the proposed shopping plaza on Route 9W. But opponents of the 361,000-square-foot retail complex, to be developed by Nigro Companies, challenged the propriety of the public hearing itself — and continued to press their arguments against the development.

No formal action on the site plan was

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Crackers headed for Letterman show

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

There is certainly no shortage of horsing around on "Late Night With David Letterman" on any given night, but tomorrow a horse stabled on Vadney Road in Delmar will score a slam-dunk as the first equine participant in Letterman's nocturnal hijinks.

Crackers, a 17-year-old, dappled-grey former show jumper who now lives in playful retirement at Double V Stables and trains with Glenmont resident Bob Viviano, will show his stuff — literally — as he demonstrates his basketball moves on Letterman's "Stupid Pet Tricks" segment, scheduled for airing on Thursday, Nov. 8.

Crackers has been trained to take a plastic ball and stuff it in a kiddie-sized basketball hoop. In August, producers on the New York-based late-night gabfest checked out his post-up moves on video tape, sent to them by Viviano, and invited him to the big dance in the Big Apple.

Checkers was originally slated to perform the feat on Sept. 12, but the World Trade Center tragedy the day before, and the suspension of the Letterman broadcast for more than a



Crackers and his trainer Bob Viviano practice for Stupid Pet Tricks.

Joseph A. Phillips

week, forced a reschedule.

Hoops dreams are not Crackers' only stupid — um, silly — pet trick either, nor tomorrow's date with destiny his only forthcoming appearance on national TV. He's been taped for a segment on "Planet's Funniest Animals" on the Animal Planet cable channel, not yet scheduled to air, in which he does another of his favorite things — opening a roadside-style mailbox, removing a

rolled-up newspaper from within, and handing it to his trainer.

Crackers loves blowing a bulb horn, has rung a Salvation Army bell, manipulates a kiddie toy piano with his mouth. "He's a typical boy," says professional animal trainer Alexandra Kurland, who works with Viviano. "He just loves to make noise."

But he's no artistic snob. Crackers

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New Scotland tax rates up 2 percent

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Facing projected declines in sales tax revenues, tightening state and federal aid in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, and an unexpected hike in workers' compensation premiums, Supervisor Martha Pofit will present a preliminary New Scotland town budget for 2002 that reflects both belt-tightening and the first increase in property taxes in four years.

The budget to be presented at tonight's 7 p.m. public hearing at New Scotland town hall is the product of two weeks of review

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Police alert drivers to deer problems

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The changing seasons bring changing hazards for motorists and pedestrians — and Bethlehem police are urging caution over deer and autumn leaves in the public roadways.

Last week, during a single 11-hour stretch of Tuesday night and Wednesday, Bethlehem police reported three car-deer accidents — a late-night encounter on Route 9W north of Cottage Lane that left a Coeymans driver with a minor back injury, a morning rush-hour collision on New Scotland Road near South Helderberg Parkway in Slingerlands that totalled a Westerlo motorist's vehicle and in between, a dawn collision involving a southbound vehicle driven by an Albany man, on Elm Avenue.

"In this town, there's deer everywhere," said police public information officer Sgt. Thomas Heffernan. "A lot on Blessing and Krumkill roads, a lot on Delaware Avenue, especially near the intersection with Cherry Avenue). On Route 32, both Feura

Bush Road and the Bypass. On Route 144. Everywhere."

With the deer population climbing and their woodland habitat shrinking under the pressure of residential development, "Maybe the deer are running more than they used to," Heffernan said.

Some insurance companies urge motorists to use "deer alerts," available at local automotive and hardware stores — devices strapped to auto bumpers that emit a high-pitched noise that supposedly frighten away deer.

"I don't know how effective those are," Heffernan said. "I'm not recommending that people buy them, or that they don't. We just don't have reliable statistical evidence that they work." The only reliable defense against deer in the roadway is caution.

Heffernan also issued a warning to homeowners not to rake lawn waste into public roadways, where leaf-piles pose hazards to pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists. Doing so, he said, can lead to a traffic summons for

obstructing the road.

"What it does is create a hazard for both pedestrian and vehicle traffic," he said. "You're forcing people into the middle of the road when they're out walking, and forcing vehicles to cross into the oncoming lane and weave back and forth if you've piled leaves in the road."

"We had one recent complaint right on Delaware Avenue," Heffernan said. "But our main problem would be in residential neighborhoods" — with their narrower roadways, fewer sidewalks and lawns right to the road's edge.

Heffernan urged residents to rake only to the edge of their property, not onto the pavement. He said highway department crews with vacuum equipment have no difficulty picking up from along the edge of the lawn.

"If people are concerned that they might be ruining their lawns, they can purchase leaf bags from town hall or any hardware store," he said. "But they have to keep them on their property and not in the roadway either."

3 motorists arrested on DWI, traffic charges

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Bethlehem police recently arrested three motorists for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI).

On Wednesday, Oct. 31, at about 10 a.m., Officer Robert Markel observed a vehicle and clocked it travelling at excessive speed on River Road in Glenmont.

He stopped the vehicle and administered field sobriety tests on Carl Donald Olsen, 47, of 4 Edgewood Drive, Selkirk.

Olsen was charged with speeding and DWI, the latter elevated to a felony count when a license check disclosed a license revocation following a DWI conviction last March. Olsen refused to undergo chemical testing and was arraigned before Town Justice Theresa Egan, who ordered him sent to Albany County jail in lieu of \$7,500 bail and set further hearings for Monday, Nov. 5.

Another DWI arrest took place on Thursday, Oct. 25, shortly after 3:30 a.m., when Officer Chad Rice observed a vehicle on Krumkill

Road failing to observe a stop sign at Russell Road. He stopped the vehicle on Schoolhouse Road and conducted field sobriety tests and a preliminary screening on the driver Rachel Lavinnia Nichols, 22, of 310 First St., Scotia.

Nichols was charged with DWI and two traffic violations. She was ordered to appear in Town Court on Nov. 13.

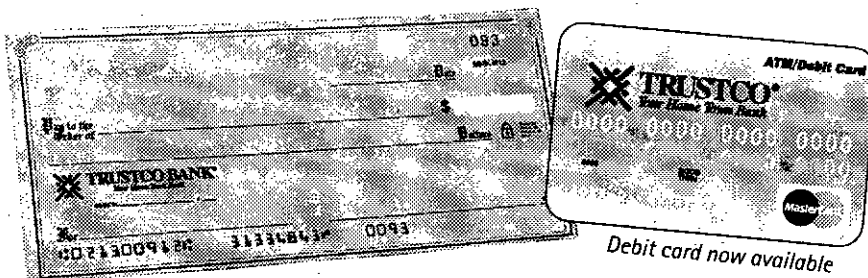
Another motorist was arrested in an incident in Delmar on Sunday, Oct. 28, shortly before 4 a.m. Officer Adam Hornick observed a westbound vehicle turning from Adams Street onto Rowland Avenue, operating at excessive speed.

He pursued the vehicle as it turned west onto Lake Place without signalling, and stopped it at Lake and Forest.

After administering field sobriety tests, Hornick arrested Patrick David Casey, 23, of 4 Rolling Brook Drive, Clifton Park, and charged him with DWI and two other traffic offenses. He was ordered to appear in Town Court on Nov. 20.

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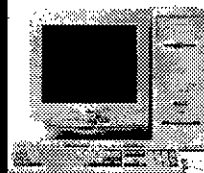
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Too much professional help is no help at all

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

They offer too much hope, those sessions given by trained professionals. Children provide parents daily reasons for both optimism and despair, and so we turn up at these presentations hoping they will give us the key, in just one evening, to eliminating the homework fits, getting our kids to eat their vegetables, brush their teeth without being told and assure us of the way to prevent them from ever drinking and driving.

Deep down, though, we know that we have to put in more time

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than just one night. It's sort of like training a dog. Our dog has been to obedience school twice, and she will still bark like the hound of the Baskervilles when you knock at our door, then hurl herself at you in a frenzy of affection once you're inside. This isn't her failing or the obedience school's, but mine. When we were

in the throes of training her, I spent half an hour every night getting her to sit and stay, lie down and stay, and even got her to curb her enthusiasm at visitors to a furious tail-wagging that shook her whole body.

Once I gave up that time each day, though, we were back to warning guests to brace themselves upon entering the house. While our children's behavior is marginally better, I was reminded at the most recent parenting seminar I attended that everything my children are and will become depends entirely on me. Great — as if I didn't have enough to do anyway.

I know I shouldn't yell at my kids. I know if I fall apart because the dishes aren't done, the TV's still on, the huge musical instrument in the living room hasn't been played all week, and it looks like homework time will collide with bedtime — again — that the kids won't learn any good coping skills themselves.

The real money to be made is not in reminding parents that we

shouldn't be a bad example to our kids, but how to stay calm when the faucet's leaking, the phone's ringing, the poorly trained dog needs to go out, there's no red construction paper and a dozen cupcakes need to be produced by morning.

And forget that deep breathing stuff — last time I tried that, I fell asleep on my feet from all the nice, relaxing breaths, and when I came to again, the kids were having another piece of pie instead of brushing their teeth. I knew the most recent self-help evening would be a bust when the presenter used as examples of negative behavior both procrastinating and eating too much.

As someone who has come in just under the wire on newspaper deadlines, run out at 8 p.m. for the right-colored construction paper, prepared meals that every family member will not only consume but enjoy and created a Roman senator costume where once there was only a bedsheet and a roll of purple ribbon, I think not

enough credit is given to the intoxicating combination of last-minute adrenaline and a half-dozen Oreo cookies.

Consistency, it is repeatedly suggested, is a great asset when raising children. Particularly when they are young, they thrive on routine, on knowing that there will be two stories before bedtime at 8 p.m., and that dinner will be at 6 p.m. every evening. Who doesn't crave that kind of consistency and routine?

Then factor in after-school activities, soccer practice, a late-afternoon meeting or the phone call from the old friend you haven't spoken to in about a year, and dinner is running just a little bit late. Sometimes, though, we have to bend just a little to life's exigencies, or we'll break.

There's also a theory floating around that work always comes before play. This is laudable, and probably part of what makes our nation great, but wouldn't it be better if work and play each had their own place? Here, too, is the secret parents know: if we really waited to play until all the work got done, there would never be any play.

Sometimes the only way we'll go home is if we promise ourselves that we'll ignore the wallpaper curling at the seams, the faucet that only shuts off when you turn it really, really hard, the toilets that only stop running when you jiggle the handle, and the sticky substance keeping the

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Just think how much we'd yell at our kids and how much burned-out behavior we'd model if we truly waited to play till all the work was done. So I'm trying to keep the experts in perspective.

I'll listen to their advice and suggestions, and maybe someday, the right and palatable answer will be presented in a neat, two-hour format. Until then, I'll take what works, and discard the rest, always keeping in mind what the first child-care expert, Dr. Benjamin Spock, offered as his primary tenet of child-rearing: Trust yourself.

Can that mean that the way we're living can't be so horrible for our kids? If they push us over the edge and we throw our own hissy fits, doesn't it teach them that everybody has a limit?

Can you argue that it's good for them to see that their parents are human, too, with a whole wide range of emotions?

Most important, they can learn that just because somebody's upset with you, it doesn't mean they don't still love you. If I were always placid, calm and thoughtful, maybe my children would never swear, never try to get out of doing homework and never fight with each other. Maybe we'll all keep working toward becoming perfect people.

Until then, the only thing I'm certain of, especially in this autumn of such great turbulence, is that life is for the living. We don't always get to pick exactly how it will be, and usually, we can only change it just so far.

Sometimes, the only thing we can do is make the very best of it. Seems like that's the best reminder for ourselves, and the best lesson we can teach our kids.

V'ville board to discuss water district upgrades

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The Voorheesville village board will meet Thursday, Nov. 8, to discuss \$1.4 million in proposed improvements to the village water district.

The proposal includes construction of a new supplemental tank to increase the system's capacity by half, and replacement of mains in the New Salem area.

The district supplies about 3,000 customers from a series of wells, mostly within village limits.

The board at its Oct. 23 meeting received an engineering study by Lamont Engineers of Cobleskill, recommending installation of a new, half-million gallon pre-stressed concrete tank just off New Scotland Road in New Salem. The report also recommends replacing an existing 4-inch water mains in the area between New Scotland and Martin roads with 10-inch mains.

"It looks like the board wants to do it," said village Mayor Ed Clark. "It seems like the best and wisest thing to do. But the first thing we have to do is find a way to pay for it. It's almost a million and a half, no small piece of change."

The study was prompted in part, Clark said, by long-standing service complaints from some of the nearly 300 customers of the district in New Salem — but principally by planned maintenance on the district's existing 1-million gallon storage tank on Woods Hill Road.

The village Public Works Department inspected the 33-year-old tank earlier this year, and a three-to-six month shutdown for necessary maintenance is planned — pending arrangements for backup water storage. Lamont

Engineers was retained to evaluate two sites for a permanent backup tank, one adjacent to the existing tank, the other at the New Salem site.

Their analysis pointed to New Salem as the more efficient alternative — provided that the capacity of the existing mains to the area could be improved.

"Why don't we solve two problems instead of one?" Clark said. "It looked like we needed a new tank anyway to back up the system while it was shut down. We realized that if we put the tank out in New Salem, the complete system could be updated."

The additional capacity and improved mains might also permit extension of the district to customers along New Scotland Road, he said.

Receiving the report on Oct. 23, the board generally responded favorably to the proposal. "It would provide better fire protection out there (in New Salem), and replace the existing

line with a much needed line," said board member Jack Stevens.

Added Bill Hotelling, "It's going to take care of a problem we've had out there for years."

The board tabled the matter until tomorrow, asking Clark to look into financing alternatives. Roughly \$270,000 is budgeted in the current year's appropriations for the project, Clark said, and refurbishment of the existing storage tank is covered by a separate \$70,000 budget item.

Clark said he anticipated bonding, rather than fee increases to users, was the likeliest way to go to make up the difference. That would likely require a bond issue referendum at some point.

While the existing system is "in very, very good shape," he said, "We're going to move very fast with this project. We have to get that tank rebuilt — and we need this before that can proceed."

The board will meet 7 p.m. at

village hall.

In a meeting on Monday, Oct. 29, the trustees approved another capital purchase, accepting a bid of more than \$349,000 from Tyler Fire Equipment Company of Elmira to purchase a new triple-combination pumper for the Voorheesville Fire Co.

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Veterans Day

As a rule, things are pretty quiet on Veterans Day in suburban communities throughout the region. No big parades, no fireworks, not much of anything to mark the day from any other that creates a three-day weekend for many of us.

American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars posts celebrate with their own, and with fewer vets, as service men and women of World War II die off. There are scattered events and even a parade in Albany, but for the most part, Veterans Day is relatively quiet and understated.

This year, however, it seems as though there should be a more widespread public showing of support for veterans. The fact that we are at war and that our armed services are engaged in the bombing of Afghanistan is a daily reminder of the military's role in our country's struggle with terrorism. Our kids should grow up with a greater awareness of what service to country really means, and one way to do this is to give greater significance to Veterans Day.

Usually on Veterans Day, we ask our readers to take a moment to reflect upon the contribution of military service personnel throughout our country's history. This year, that moment will probably happen without our prompting, as Americans grapple with a world situation that no one could ever have imagined before Sept. 11.

The situation is still so unreal that last week NPR reported that military leaders met with Hollywood filmmakers to dream up scenarios and solutions to possible real-life wartime actions.

In the meantime, the rest of us struggle to maintain our routines in the face of the unthinkable that has already happened. And as difficult as it is to go about 'business as usual,' we can do this, because we are free to do this.

We are not so preoccupied with terror and anthrax that we are unable to go about the business of living. The veterans of the past helped to make this our way of life, and for this we are grateful.

The veterans of the future are putting their lives on the line to ensure that our way of life won't be altered by a relative few who are engaged in an unholy war, and for this we are grateful.

Coming attractions

By the time you read this, you'll know who the winners are. But you might not know just how the victories and losses came about. Complete Election Day result coverage will be included in the Nov. 14 issue. *The Spotlight* goes to the printer on Tuesday, which means our coverage is delayed for one week.

We will provide comprehensive profiles of the results and what effect they will have in our communities.

Editorials

Why we should care about Albany

By TOM MCPHEETERS

The writer, editor of The Spotlight from 1980 to 1990, is a former president of ARISE (A Regional Initiative Supporting Empowerment), and currently serves on its executive committee. He is self-employed and lives in Albany.

Thumbing through the Oct. 24 *Spotlight*, I came across this: "Our role is to simply look at proposals that come in. We don't decide who's going to bring us proposals, when they're going to come in or what they're going to look like."

The chairman of the Bethlehem planning board was talking about a proposal for a truck terminal in Selkirk, but he could have been speaking about any of the hundreds of proposals, small, large or gigantic, that are dealt with by that planning board and dozens of other boards across our region.

And, whatever his intention, the chairman was speaking a home truth — planning boards don't have much power to influence the way our towns and cities are developed, about patterns of land use, about how roads and highways and sewer lines influence these decisions, or where new business or industry choose to locate.

If planning boards don't have that power, what power do citizens have? As a member of an ARISE task force, I have had the sobering experience in recent months of talking to planners, public officials and community leaders all over the Capital District. In any area you choose to mention — economic development, highway planning, gang prevention, education — the story is pretty much the same: very little communication, almost no real cooperation among cities and towns, even between counties and their municipalities.

So what? What does it really matter if the city of Albany and the town of Bethlehem are on the opposite sides of the fence? Recently, I have been reading about Albany's plans for a new landfill in Selkirk, and about "big box" stores going in on Route 9W. Both have people up in arms, but it's interesting to me that it's

Point of View

mostly the people who live nearby who take action.

Certainly they are not the only ones who care about the possible groundwater pollution from a new landfill, or about the economic havoc that a Wal-Mart creates on home-grown small businesses. You read every day about the good and the bad in Albany — the new office buildings going up downtown, the drive-by shootings in Arbor Hill. What happens in Albany may concern you, may affect you very personally, but you feel there is absolutely nothing you can do to influence decisions made in the city.

Well, you can. ARISE is a new way to act on local issues in a regional context, without being a knee-jerk NIMBY. The first public meeting of ARISE is Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Temple Israel next to St. Peter's Hospital on New Scotland Avenue in Albany.

You are invited to be our guest. You will see hundreds of people, members of nearly 40 churches, neighborhood groups and other organizations throughout the Capital District, joined together to create an organized, powerful force.

You will see political leaders being challenged to respond to well-researched proposals.

You will see an organization that is in the first stages of addressing very important concerns on a regional basis.

You won't see Bethlehem or New Scotland development issues addressed, because right now there are very few Bethlehem or New Scotland residents involved. But you may see a principle that may make sense to you — that if citizens organize and work together, our leaders have to take notice, and that we can organize in such a way that everybody has a voice, that makes our democracy stronger, that creates citizens who understand that they can make a difference.

ARISE was started four years ago in Schenectady, and now spans four counties. We organize around the twin principles of relationships and self-interest. It's a simple concept, and the member churches and neighborhood groups have spent more than a year learning and applying the basic tool of our organizing model, the "one-on-one" interview.

The one-on-ones help member organizations build closer relationships internally, which in turn help them organize around common purposes. The one-on-ones help ARISE become an organization of leaders, each person trusting and eager to work with their fellow leaders. The one-on-ones enabled our members to come to a consensus on what issues we will work on this year, and they established the basic relationships we needed to work with public officials to turn those issues into action. This process is, more than anything I have ever

experienced, a reawakening of grass-roots democracy.

More than 300 people came together last July to decide on our top issues for this year. They had already done several thousand "one-on-one" interviews with members of their churches or neighborhood groups, so they spoke for a multitude. Our three task forces on youth, education and employment have drawn more than 100 people into an intensive civics lesson as we interviewed providers, government officials and political leaders throughout the region.

We've found some things that are inspiring, and some things that are appalling. We have learned that as organized people we have the power to open doors, to be in dialogue with decision-makers, and to demand changes.

Over this last year, I have watched a diverse group of people from Albany, Schenectady, Troy and Saratoga Springs become a team. Seeing my fellow task force members realize their own power and potential is the most rewarding part of this work.

When I was editor of *The Spotlight*, more than a decade ago now, I used to joke that my goal was to get everybody's name in at least once a year. Even if we never came close to that objective, it was (and I hope still is) something to shoot for, because *The Spotlight* has always been about community. And in a community like this one, there are lots of everyday heroes, all doing their part to make it a better place.

Now I live in Albany. There is a tendency among us urban dwellers to look down on the suburbs as being sterile places where nobody knows their neighbor. My experience was different. When I was living and working in Delmar, I experienced it as a veritable hotbed of activity.

Something was always cooking. It's just that most of that energy goes into the schools, the volunteer fire departments, the parks and recreation system, the business community, even politics — the myriad of civic enterprises that keep things vibrant and interesting in any community. The relatively small amount of activism that is directed outward was often regional in nature, and somewhat diluted because of that.

And bucking the conventional way of doing things, whether it's over a land use issue or the environment, is not something that comes easily to most people. If there is a downside to suburban life, it seemed to me, it is that it gets too comfortable. When there is no immediate threat, it's much harder to see the connection between Albany and Bethlehem or New Scotland. Sure, our economy is regional, but the state government cushions even a recession. Yes, many town residents work in Albany, but it's more and more possible to drive in, put in your eight hours and drive home without having any real contact with the city.

It's been decades since we looked to the center cities for

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Political hopeful looks at campaign 'ironies'

Editor, The Spotlight:

Reading the Joe Phillips' Oct. 24 Page 1 story profiling candidates for Bethlehem town board, I found the candidates' remarks consistent with some ironies I have seen revealed throughout the campaign.

Primarily, that the Bethlehem Democratic Party seems to have found a new darling in Supervisor Sheila Fuller. While in the article, Republican town board candidates George Lenhardt and Tom Marcelle make no comments connecting themselves with their fellow GOP candidate Fuller, the Democratic town board candidates, Susan Burns and Jack Cunningham, sound very eager to affiliate themselves with the opposition leader.

Like many voters in Bethlehem, I was disappointed when the Democratic Party failed to endorse a challenger in the town supervisor race this year. Their action, or lack there of, equaled an endorsement for Fuller, but why?

Sometimes a major political party will not mount a challenge because it believes an incumbent to be unbeatable. This is hardly the case with Supervisor Fuller. As a citizen and political newcomer with four-month name recognition in the Independence Party, I came within the closest of margins of defeating the four-term incumbent on primary day.

I would like to think that maybe I'm just a natural at political campaigning, but the reality was the supervisor was vulnerable, the Democratic Party knew it and decided to hand her the election anyway. What's cooking here?

Mr. Phillips' story goes on to explain how the once all-Republican town board could end up with a Democratic majority in power in January, putting Fuller in the minority for the first time.

Frankly, with the relationship developed with the Bethlehem Democratic Party, it appears Mrs. Fuller may essentially be in the majority regardless of which party wins a majority on the town board.

There is an expression that says "Be careful what you wish for." I always wanted to see our government officials set aside their partisan differences, but this kind of coziness is way more than I ever asked for.

Tim Gordon
North Bethlehem

Editor's note: The writer ran unsuccessfully in the primary to secure the Independence Party line for town supervisor.

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Tri-Village organizers are grateful for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

The third annual Tri-Village Nursery School's Fall Family Festival at Elm Avenue Park on Sunday, Oct. 14, was a successful family event, and we have a lot of people to thank for that.

Many local individuals and businesses donated their money, merchandise and services to support this event. Their generosity was incredible and greatly appreciated.

This event consisted of arts and crafts tables, an Action Tiger Bounce sponsored by the Rowlands & Barranca Agency, Storytime with Patrice Loomis and Music/Dance Time with Lynette Kwicinski.

Thanks to everyone who attended.

Patti Ball, Gabrielle Remo
and Eileen Sunderhaft
Fall Family Festival
chairwomen

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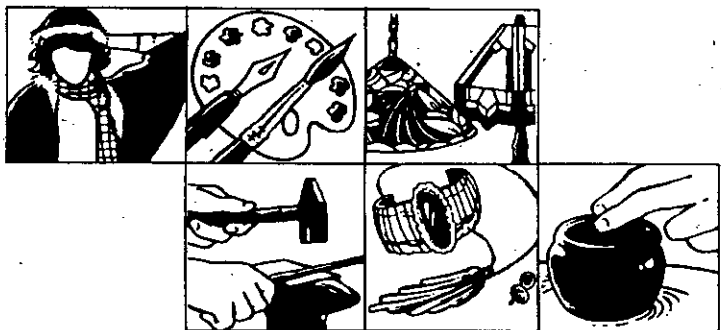
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Legion needs help with holiday meal

Editor, The Spotlight:

Again this year, the American Legion Voorheesville Post 1493 will host a Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, Nov. 18, at the Legion hall from 2 to 6 p.m.

The dinner is free. A free-will offering will be accepted to benefit local food pantries but is not required.

The idea for a dinner came from a Post member who wanted to reach out to those in need within our area. The families who are served by local food pantries naturally come to mind, but there are single people and couples, young and old, who have no family to share this special meal with.

This Thanksgiving dinner will be for anyone who would like to share the traditions and joy of this holiday with others from their own community. Post members, auxiliary members and others from the area have agreed to

volunteer their time and cooking talents to make the idea become a reality. We plan to serve about 300 meals.

We have had a tremendous response from everyone we have approached in regard to this dinner. We have commitments of time and talent and food items, but are still in need of financial assistance to help defray the cost of the meal.

We are reaching out to business owners, private citizens and church leaders of our community to support our effort. We still need food donations or monetary contributions. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated.

The menu will include turkey, ham, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes with gravy, dressing, vegetables, beverage and dessert. All dinners will be served at the Legion Hall, 31 Voorheesville Ave.

Take-out dinners will be available, but there will be no deliveries.

Please contact me at 765-4359 regarding food donations or you can send a monetary donation to the Post. Any money left over after expenses will be donated to local food pantries.

Charles Renker Jr.
Post 1493
chaplain

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Teacher applauds program of Callanan Industries

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing to applaud and highly recommend a new educational program created by a local business. Callanan Industries has launched the "Rockman" program to teach young children about the quarry industry, safety and the types of heavy equipment used at construction sites.

Lorna Plunkett, a representative from Callanan, provided a motivating and on-target classroom presentation for 15 minutes. Following that the children, all in hard hats, eagerly awaited their turn to climb aboard the giant yellow backhoe to "work" the levers under the expert, caring guidance of Mr.

LaDuke.

Their faces beamed as stereotypes about who could work these machines were broken, and lifetime kindergarten memories were created.

It is wonderful in this time of fiscal responsibility and decreased field trip allotments to find such a treasure within our community to enhance our children's learning.

For information about this free educational program, call Lorna Plunkett at 374-2222 or e-mail her at lplunkett@callanan.com.

Kathy Raffae

Early Learning Center
kindergarten teacher

Program on trauma set at library

"Helping Children and Teens Cope with Traumatic News" is a program for adults offered by Bethlehem Public Library on Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m.

Guest speakers are Dr. Steven

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Home Learning Center announces winter session activities

The Home Learning Center, a non-denominational cooperative of home educators and their children, will hold its registration for the winter session from 2 to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the center, located on the second floor of Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

For information, call Gina NeJame at 439-3616 or e-mail to homelearningcenter@hotmail.com. Registrants can sign up for any of the following activities:

Tuesday Enrichment

Parent-run workshops for children of all ages begin Jan. 8, and runs for 11 weeks Tuesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Workshops cover a variety of areas such as theater, language, art and science. The fee is \$30 per family.

Kids Inc.

Children and their parents volunteer their services throughout the community each week beginning with a planning meeting at Voorheesville Public

Hudson Day Line topic of program

Don Eberle, past president of the Steamship Historical Society of America, will offer a multimedia presentation at the Bethlehem Historical Association on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m. The association meets at Cedar Hill School House, 1003 River Road in Selkirk.

Eberle's presentation will be on the Hudson River Day Line, which ran from New York City to Albany from 1864 to 1948.

The program will chart the line's history through slides and narration.

QUILT to meet Nov. 9

Quilters United in Learning Together will meet on Friday, Nov. 9, at First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Avenue, Delmar. Susan Balch will speak on "Naturescape."

Doors open at 9:15 a.m.

Bring a lunch & stay to work on projects.

New members are welcome.

For information call Lucy Gee at 456-0552.

BCHS class of 1981 plans reunion

The Bethlehem Central High School Class of 1981 will hold its 20-Year Reunion on Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Desmond in Colonie.

We are seeking missing classmates. Contact tmq22@aol.com.

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Library on Thursday, Jan. 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. The children assist a variety of people, including the elderly, the disadvantaged and disabled children. There is no fee.

The Chessmates

Members of this parent-child

chess club meet monthly to learn and improve their game of chess. All meetings are held in the community room of Bethlehem Public Library beginning on Monday, Jan. 7, from 6 to 8 p.m. There is no fee for this club.

Members are asked to bring a chess set if they have one. Non-home educators are welcome.

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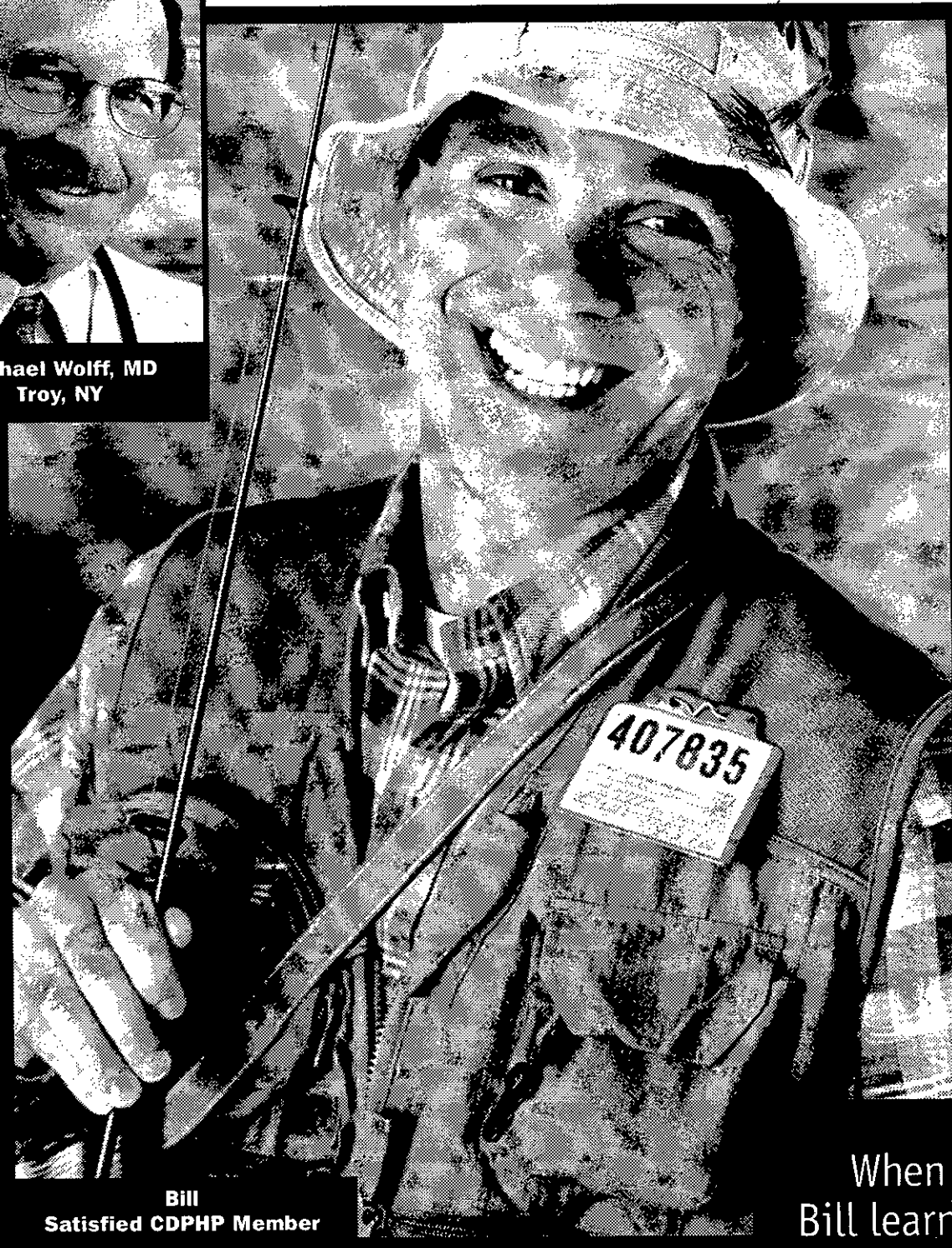
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Kiwanis sponsor blood pressure clinic

The Kiwanis Club of New Scotland will sponsor a blood pressure clinic on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 9 to 11 a.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. at SuperValu on Maple Ave.

The screening is free and open to the public.

Girl Scout leaders to meet tonight

The Girl Scout leaders next regular meeting will be held tonight, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. at the elementary school.

Early dismissal set on Nov. 9

Students at the elementary school will be dismissed at 11:50 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 9, for parent-teacher conferences.

Children in the afternoon kindergarten will follow their

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Voorheesville

Jane Norris
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regular schedule.

Schools to close for Veterans Day

Schools in the district will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12, to observe Veterans Day.

Rehearsal for service set at church

Rehearsals for the annual ecumenical Thanksgiving service will be held Sunday, Nov. 8 and 15, at 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church on Maple Ave.

For information, call Ken George at 765-4442.

Bricks to be sold at high school

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Thacher Park slates hiking tour

A hiking tour, given by Fred Schroeder, will be held Saturday, Nov. 10, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Hikers will meet at the Indian Ladder parking area. The hike will be 4 to 5 miles with fairly level terrain.

Thacher to hold night sky watch

A Night sky watch will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the nature center.

Local amateur astronomers will have their telescopes available for the late autumn viewing.

Program will be canceled if skies are cloudy.

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Pooh perfect



Kim Kubisch admires the work of her daughter Katie, aka Pooh Bear, at a Halloween Party at Bethlehem Town Park last week. *Jim Franco*

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The boutique will feature wood furniture, Christmas crafts and treats made by our past and present parents, linens, home-made chocolates, hand painted furniture, quilts and wreaths.

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cover art and book jacket blurbs, more often than not, make or break a young person's decision to read a book.

Youth services staff hope to encourage children to look beyond the worn appearance or unappealing cover art of some older books. The real test of a book's worth is inside the jacket.

Children will be invited to choose a book that's been around a while. Booklists of suggested titles will be available. After they've experienced its "inner beauty," they'll be invited to redesign the cover and write a blurb or book review. Cover art and blurbs will be displayed in the library.

There are giveaways,

including bookmarks and an original "word search" game with a Bethlehem theme. Participants can also enter a raffle to win a mini-clip book light.

Encourage your children to try a book you enjoyed when you were their age. The outfit may be out of fashion, but what's inside is still golden.

On Monday, Nov. 12, at 2 p.m., children in pre-kindergarten through grade three can kick off Children's Book Week with "America Through Stories."

Puppets, films and storytellers share tales about our country. The program kicks off a week-long peace banner project. Call 439-9314 to register.

Singing and swinging

This Friday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m., "A Musical Journey Through New York" features keyboardist Diane Geddes and vocalist Quency Rene, performing songs about "The City That Never Sleeps." Stop in for a cabaret-style evening of great tunes about a great and courageous city.

This Saturday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m., Dancin' Dave Wolfe will talk about the origins of swing and its current return to popularity. He will then give the audience an introductory lesson in swing dancing.

Wolfe is an instructor with Lorraine Michaels Dance Center in Albany, and the winner of several dance competitions. Call 439-9314 to register.

Louise Grieco

Police announce retirement dinner

There will be a Bethlehem Police Department Retirement Dinner Dance on Friday, Nov. 16, from 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Albany Polish American Club.

This event will honor Fred Holligan, Office Ray Linstruth, Det. Supv. James Corbett and officer Stephen Demarest.

The cost is \$28 per person. RSVP by Nov. 12.

Call Det. Sup. John Cox or Sgt. Joseph Sleurs at 439-9973.

Church offers drop-in weekly prayer services

Delmar Reformed Church invites members of the community to join together for a series of community-wide prayer services on Wednesdays in November at 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

The gathering will be brief, 15 to 20 minutes, and will focus on prayers for those who have experienced loss, those who continue to live in fear, wisdom for our nation's leaders and hope and peace for our world.

It will be a time to offer prayers

Glenmont church to host Christmas Bazaar

Glenmont Community Reformed Church will hold a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch will be available for

for our nation and troubled world in this time of tragedy and terrorism.

Come and find the assurance as we seek guidance, solace and peace together.

For information, call the church office at 439-9929 or visit the church Web site at www.drchurch.org.

The church is located at 386 Delaware Ave. (near the Four Corners) in Delmar and it is handicapped accessible.

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The church is located at Wiener Street and Chapel Lane, behind Kmart.

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Physically Speaking

by Nick Valenze, P.T.

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Spinal stenosis is a narrowing of the spinal canal that compresses nerves and produces pain. Most often, people who experience the problem are 60 or older. Although backbone changes related to osteoarthritis are usually the cause, spinal stenosis may also occur in younger people born with a narrowed spine canal. Symptoms include aching in the buttock, thigh and calf muscles, pain radiating from the buttocks to the calves; tingling or numbness in the legs; and progressive leg weakness. If the symptoms are mild, treatment known as dynamic lumbar stabilization may be undertaken with physical therapy and strengthening exercises that teach patients to "flatten" their lower backs while standing, by tightening the abdominal muscles and tipping the pelvis.

If you have a chronic condition which is limiting your ability to participate in activities you enjoy, or possibly compromising your career, don't delay; request a referral to our physical therapy practice from your physician immediately to ensure that you receive the treatment you need to slow a progressive condition and achieve maximum physical performance. To learn more about our practice, or to schedule a free consultation, please call the number listed below. Free parking and wheelchair access available. Evening treatment hours available.

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Spot check



Rochelle Filler waits in line with her daughter Clare at a Halloween Party at Bethlehem Town Park last week.

Jim Franco

Go Figure activities really add up

Go Figure! is here. Frog and Toad! Goldilocks and the Three Bears! Arthur the Aardvark!

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several weeks.

Families are invited for an evening FP = Figure story time tonight, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. to hear "Stories of 3."

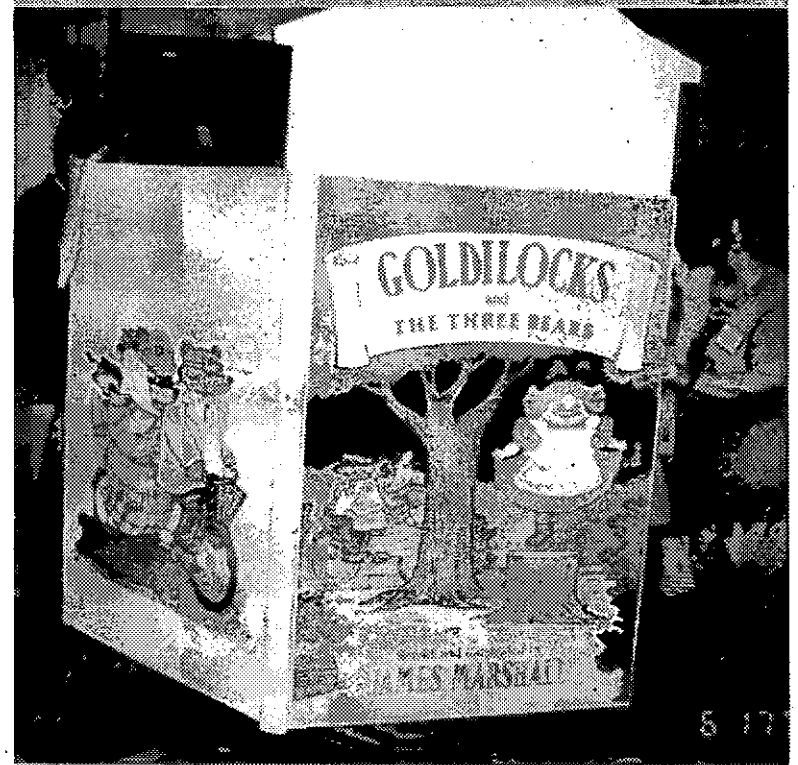
There will also be a special program from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 11, for families to drop-in and try out the fun activities this national traveling program offers.

Open viewing for the exhibit is every Monday night from 5 to 8:30 p.m., and appointments can be made for other times.

Workshops are being offered for parents, caregivers and teachers, as well as special family programs and tours. Take advantage of this wonderful educational opportunity right in your own backyard.

Call now for information 765-2791 or pick up a brochure in the library.

Nimblefingers needlework group will be meeting at the senior citizens center in New Salem Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m.



Go Figure activities are right in your own backyard.

for the duration of the exhibit.

You can call the library for directions.

Sign up now for the Wednesday, Dec. 5, book discussion of *Lying Awake* by Mark Salzman.

Copies of the book are available at the reference desk.

The group will meet at St. Matthew's parish hall in December at a time to be announced.

The Thursday Night Poets and

Monday creative writing group continue to meet at the library wherever they can find room. Newcomers are always welcome. Call for information.

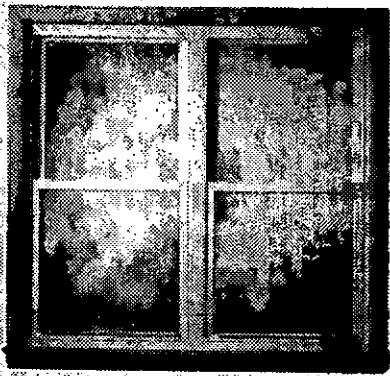
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Construction work at BCHS nearly complete

Construction of six new Bethlehem Central High School classrooms is nearing completion and review of newly constructed facilities already in use are pending, as work on the projects approved as part of the December 1999 bond issue wind down.

The classrooms are now fully enclosed, with interior work — installation of cabinetry, lighting and plumbing — under way. The contractor, Bast Hatfield, expects to meet the Nov. 16 completion date, and district staff will complete in-house work after that, including installing furniture and computer equipment. The classrooms should be ready for use by Dec. 1.

Other major construction projects have been in use by staff, students and the community since the start of the school year, including the tennis courts, track and field facilities and lifelong fitness center. However, the district has not yet completed its final review of the projects and has not yet accepted the work or released the contractor from its responsibilities. As is common in capital construction projects, the district has allowed use of its newly constructed facilities, deemed safe and functional, even before final inspection to ensure

compliance with all project specifications, so as not to disrupt curricular, interscholastic, or community-based programs.

"Punch list" items — minor adjustments to and deficiencies in substantially completed projects — have been identified on the track and field facilities and the fitness center and are being completed by the respective contractors. Although the district has not yet fully reviewed or created a "punch list" for the tennis courts, the district and its architect, Dodge Chamberlain Luzine Weber Associates, have alerted Callanan Industries, the tennis courts contractor, and its surfacing subcontractor, Copeland Coating Company, to deficiencies in the surface coating of the courts.

Several "troughs," or depressions, exist on the courts that exceed the maximum deviation amount allowed in the project specifications. Other irregularities in the surface finish and texture have also been identified. Both Callanan and Copeland Coating are in full agreement to correct the deficiencies and are in the process of identifying the best repair method and materials to provide for the long-term quality

of the courts, according to Director of Facilities and Operations Gregg Nolte. Any plans for rectifying the situation must be approved by Dodge Chamberlain and the district.

"It has been my experience that Callanan and Copeland have always performed to the highest standard," said board of education member Robert Wing. "I am confident that they won't consider their work complete until the district is satisfied."

Most likely, the corrections to the courts will not occur before the spring to avoid any negative effects the weather may have on the quality. In addition, avoiding disruption to the physical education and interscholastic athletic programs will also factor into the timing of the work. All

projects are also covered by a one-year warranty that begins after final payment, which the district has not made yet.

Construction of the track and field storage building is under way. Once it is complete, overhead doors and storage racks will be installed, allowing the facility to be used beginning this winter. District staff will paint the exterior of the building in the spring when weather allows.

Sitework around the classroom construction area and the new athletic facilities — including topsoil placement, seeding, and final paving of part of the faculty parking lot and adjacent roadway — can commence now that the classroom work has substantially moved inside. The expected completion date for the sitework is also Nov. 16.

Musical journey to feature NYC tunes

Bethlehem Public Library presents "A Musical Journey through New York" on Friday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m.

Keyboardist Diane Geddes and vocalist Quency Rene will feature songs about Broadway, Fifth Avenue, 42nd Street, and the colorful denizens of "The City that Never Sleeps."

Geddes led the group Mixed

Company for over 10 years. Rene is a long-time performer with jazz groups and musical theater.

The performance is free and open to the public.

RCS Library slates Internet classes

RCS Community Library on Mountain Road in Ravena will conduct Computer classes called Searching the Internet beginning today, Nov. 7, at 11 a.m.

The course will be continued on Nov. 14 and 28.

The course will provide practice in finding information on the Internet.

The first session will focus on travel, both locally and by air. The second session will involve recipe searches, and the last will center on finding medical information.

Call the library at 756-2053 to sign up for the sessions.

If you are unable to visit the library, the library can come to you. Books, large-print books, audiobooks and videos can be delivered on a regular basis to residents of the library district who are homebound.

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Finding the Strength

Research indicates that muscle mass in humans begins to decline significantly around age 55. Muscle strength drops off by approximately 15% per decade in the 60s and 70s and by about 30% after that. Scientists have a name for age-related muscle loss, sarcopenia, which is Greek for "flesh reduction." This is a concern for the elderly because it affects everything from daily functioning and metabolism to increased risk for falls and vulnerability to injury. The good news is that muscles will get stronger in response to strength training, regardless of age. Resistance exercises can help once-frail elderly individuals improve their strength to the point where they regain their ability to walk and perform other tasks unassisted.

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Allied haulers to bail out of Selkirk

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

One of three major automobile haulers operating out of facilities at the Selkirk Rail Yards recently announced its decision to cease its operations there by the end of the year, at a loss of nearly 180 local jobs. The future of the firm's auto shipping contracts remains up in the air.

Allied Holdings of Decatur, Ga., the nation's largest auto hauler, announced on Oct. 24 that it would close down three of its more than 100 terminals nationwide. In addition to the Selkirk terminal on Creble Road — in operation since 1963 under the aegis of Allied and its predecessor, Rider Transport — Allied will also cease operations in Houston and Edison, N.J.

According to Dan Popky, Allied's senior vice president and chief financial officer, the firm recorded an operating loss of about \$4 million on revenues of \$23 million at the three terminal operations in the first nine

months of the year — but he said he could not delineate the specific losses of each. He also declined to discuss specific factors contributing to the lack of profitability at any of three terminals.

"We determined that the

the shutdown there, including some 150 union drivers, 16 mechanics and two yardmen employed by Allied, as well as 10 non-union administrative employees.

"It'll be by the end of the year, although we don't have a specific date for it just yet," Popky said.

But according to Paul Engel, business agent for Teamsters Local 294, which represents the truckers, "They're going to be positively shut down by the 31st of

We determined that the revenue contribution from Selkirk wasn't sufficient to warrant keeping that operation open.

Dan Popky

December."

The decision to close the three terminals, which Popky characterized as "non-performing and non-core operations," stemmed from a performance review of all of Allied's terminal distribution operations nationally. Popky said that the overall decline in new-car sales nationally was a factor in the declining profitability of its operations.

Engel said the Selkirk operation "has been a profitable location since 1963," but that the consolidation of Allied and Rider operations several years ago may have contributed to the recent poor performance.

"They took two profitable companies, merged them into one, and have lost money ever since the merger," he said, but declined to speculate as to why.

"For the most part, it's a surprise," Engel said.

"We were in the process of negotiating a seven-day work-week to try to relieve some of their financial problems, and we knew they were having difficulty, but we didn't know it was that drastic."

Popky said few of the affected employees would be eligible for transfer to other terminals.

"Most of the employees will be laid off officially," he said, although he expressed hope that most would find employment with one of several other auto carriers operating out of the Selkirk yards. Most of the drivers, according to Engel, live within a 30 to 40-mile radius of the yards — many of them Selkirk residents.

Allied serves numerous local auto dealers in the tri-state area, principally Ford, Chrysler and Honda affiliates. The other major auto carriers operating from the Selkirk terminus are Diversified, which delivers Nissan products, and Swift Transport, which two years ago took over Allied's contract to supply General Motors dealerships in the area. Both are non-union operations.

Engel said he anticipated Allied's operations will continue at "full force" right up until the shutdown, while other carriers are secured to take on those deliveries. Chrysler, Honda and Autogistics, the shipping contractor for Ford, are all in negotiation with carriers, he said.

"There are union carriers who have shown interest in bidding on that work," Engel said, including Leaseway Transport and Cassen's Transport, both union shops. "Everything at this point's pretty speculative," he said.

But he said it was unlikely the shipping contracts would be lost to Selkirk altogether. "It's a possibility," he said. "I'm not saying its out of the question. But I just don't see that happening."

Church to offer Muslim faith program

On Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 7:30 p.m., Delmar Reformed Church will host an instructional program designed to introduce non-Muslim people to the Islamic faith.

Called "An Evening for Understanding," this event is intended to explore many of the misconceptions and questions about the Islamic faith that have arisen out of recent world events.

The keynote speaker for the evening will be Dr. Karl Barbir, professor of Middle East studies at Siena College.

His address will be entitled "The Islamic Faith: Mysteries and Misconceptions."

An authority on Islam and the role it plays in middle east culture, Barbir will introduce participants to the Muslim faith and explore how the extremes of Islamic fundamentalism distorts the faith it claims to be defending.

This event is co-sponsored by the Capital Area Council of Churches and Delmar Reformed Church.

The church is located at 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

For information, call 439-9929 or check the church's Web site at <http://drchurch.org>.

Computer class set

Only those who know absolutely nothing about computers can register for hands-on workshops at Bethlehem Public Library this month.

Learn how to turn on a computer, use the keyboard and mouse, explore the Internet and do basic searching.

Four Tuesday sessions are scheduled: Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m., and Nov. 27 at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

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Budget

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with officials of town departments, water districts and public safety agencies. The town council will vote on the budget at its Nov. 14 meeting.

"I see the 2002 budget, after two years of program enhancement and development and the town's people getting their money's worth from town government, as a period of stabilization," said Pofit.

A property tax increase of 3 cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation, less than 2.2 percent, will bring the town tax rate to \$1.107 per thousand. The tax rate, which dropped by 4 percent three years ago, has been stable since.

"That was painful for everybody to come to," said Pofit.

The proposed budget shows a reduction in outlays for the "A" fund," from the current fiscal year's \$1.05 million to a projected budget of just over \$930,000. Meanwhile, the "B" fund, covering town expenses outside of the village of Voorheesville, will rise from about \$770,000 to about \$787,000. The town highway (DA) fund, projected at about \$95,000, and highway DB fund, at \$1.237 million, will remain essentially unchanged.

The A fund belt tightening, Pofit said, comes in anticipation of a potentially soft economy and a decline in revenue driven by both the economy and population.

The town's share of county-wide sales tax revenue will decline slightly next year as a result of the slight dip in population reflected in the 2000 Census.

Hold-harmless payments to population-losing municipalities voted by the county Legislature earlier this year have softened the blow this year, but the full impact will be felt in the 2002 fiscal cycle.

Sales and mortgage tax revenue overall may shrink if consumer spending drops in the

coming year. That could be compounded further by a reduction in state and federal aid — and by a slight decline in assessed valuations in the town.

"We had our hold harmless payments this year, and we know we're going to take a hit on that," said Pofit. "But is it going to be offset by more money coming into the county? We've heard both sides of that but we've decided simply to project no increase in revenues."

Pofit also said that the town council is reluctant to dip into fund balances to make up the shortfall.

Instead, all departments have striven to reduce costs — "those things we can do without creating undue pain," she said. No major new programs are planned, apart from a projected \$67,000 outlay for refurbishing two tennis courts in Swift Road Park, and a modest increase in salary for the town

clerk.

A 3 percent increase in salaries for town employees across the board is also included in the budget — but Pofit said department-head salaries will be frozen, and no new employee positions created.

Roughly half of the projected revenue shortfall, Pofit said, will be made up by removing some of the "float" from current budgets.

"We've been able to come in under by two or three percent in the current year's expenditures," she said, so expense requests were held down in this year's budget.

Still, "The trend downward that we're already seeing (in revenues) made it difficult to decrease expenses as fast as revenues are decreasing," she said.

Another blow to the town's hope to avoid a tax increase came

after the budget was introduced last month.

"A 43 percent increase in workers' compensation premiums that was a complete surprise and not reflective of our claims experience," Pofit said.

While some rise in these premiums was expected in the wake of similar hikes in health insurance costs for town employees last year, Pofit has requested that representatives of the town's insurance agents, Ten Eyck Group, and of its workers' comp carrier, the Public Employees' Risk Management Association, be on hand tonight to ex-

plain the jump in premiums.

Pofit said the town council declined to postpone two "undeniably important but expensive" public projects — storm sewer and road improvements in Helderly, and major renovations to the town highway department garage in New Salem — but is looking at cost-reducing alternatives in both of those projects. And the council members declined to run up further debt. Thus, a rise in property tax revenue was the only way to go, but Pofit added, "Our taxes are still near the bottom of the barrel countywide."

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Chopper

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supermarket later this month so that construction can begin before winter. The planning board has tentatively scheduled a meeting for Nov. 13, pending an agenda, and will meet Nov. 20 as well.

Planning board chairman Douglas Hasbrouck, whose board has yet to approve the site plan after months of review, literally kept his distance from the groundbreaking festivities, observing them from a few dozen yards away. "This is where I belong," he said.

But Hasbrouck indicated that if final site plan details are successfully ironed out this week between Schuyler officials and the town engineering and planning departments, the Town Squire site-plan approval application will be on the agenda for the 13th. And Bruce Ginsburg, vice president of Schuyler, said he was confident the approval would soon be in hand.

"Planning and engineering have worked very closely with us, and there really aren't a lot of issues left to resolve," he said.

Golub said the supermarket chain will invest \$3 to \$4 million in the new store, its second in Bethlehem following the opening of its Slingerlands SuperCenter four years ago.

"This'll be number 103," Golub said.

Golub said he anticipated the store would be ready for a grand



Officials of Price Chopper, Town Squire developer Schuyler Companies and Bethlehem town board member Susan Burns and George Lenhardt join Supervisor Sheila Fuller and Price Chopper CEO Neil Golub (far right) in groundbreaking ceremonies last week.

Joseph A. Phillips

opening next spring if all goes according to plan.

"It takes about 26 weeks to build a store, and we're aiming for a ribbon-cutting in May of 2002," he said.

The store will fill a gap in the retailer's current coverage area, he said, serving customers along the Route 9W corridor, particularly in Glenmont, Selkirk, Ravena and points south. He did not anticipate that it will face

much of an obstacle from the the Grand Union in Ames Plaza, diagonally across the 9W-Feura Bush Road intersection.

"Certainly where you have two retailers close together, there is a synergy in that," he said. "But we

feel we are a much superior offering to what's across the street." He cited his market's fresh produce and custom meat and seafood departments, and other unique offerings — like fresh flowers.

"When you consider that Price Chopper is the third largest FTD distributor in the east, that tells you a great deal about our variety," he said.

The store will be slightly smaller than the typical SuperCenter, but "It will more than adequately meet the needs of people in this area without overwhelming them with space," he said. The new market will likely hire about 100 new employees. A manager has not been assigned yet, he said.

The market, unlike its predecessor in Slingerlands, has generated little controversy in the planning stages. Supervisor Sheila Fuller, who participated in the ceremony along with town board members George Lenhardt and Susan Burns, quoted a remark by Golub at the time of the Slingerlands opening that it had taken Price Chopper 32 years to break into the town.

"It's very exciting for me to welcome another Price Chopper into Bethlehem," Fuller said.

Ginsburg said adding Price Chopper to a plaza with a Super Kmart already in residence will help secure additional tenants.

"It really is kind of refreshing to see this get done," he said. "It has generated interest from residents, interest from tenants. The interest level from people wanting to come in here now has been very, very overwhelming."

Pioneer Savings Bank, which will occupy the space once leased by Fleet Bank, and Radio Shack, a current tenant moving to larger quarters closer to the new market, both plan openings in the coming weeks.

"We have either secured leases or are in discussion with prospective tenants for all the remaining vacant space," Ginsburg said.

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taken at the conclusion of the hearing. The Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on the project, still being ironed out between town officials and Nigro representatives, needs to be completed and reviewed by both town and planning boards before approval can take place.

But if final revisions are completed this week, the FEIS could pass muster before the planning body at a special meeting tentatively set for Nov. 13; if not, the board's next regular meeting is Nov. 20.

The rush to complete the FEIS comes because of the tight schedule of town board meetings between now and the end of the year. Normally the board meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, but the board in recent years has cancelled its second December meeting, which would fall the day after Christmas this year — leaving Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 as its only remaining regularly-scheduled meetings of 2001.

Planning board chairman Doug Hasbrouck indicated he hoped to have a draft FEIS in town board members' hands in sufficient time for them to consider it in advance — making the timing of the planning board's review critical if the project is to be approved before the end of the year, as the developer hopes.

Critics of the project already believe the FEIS is coming too late in the public review process. At the public hearing, Kathleen Martens, the SEQR attorney representing the Glenmont-based community group PLAN 9W, protested that scheduling the site-plan hearing before the FEIS is complete and on the public record violated the memorandum of understanding between the two boards governing review, as well as the town code.

"The town has placed the community in the untenable position of commenting on a substantially changed project without knowing the town board's response to our previous comments or the town board's position on the changes," she said. She also characterized recent SEQR actions on nearby Town Squire Plaza, as "legally flawed" and potentially significant for the Town Center project.

The site-plan changes were detailed at the hearing by Frank Palumbo of project planners Sear Brown Group. He said the developer, responding to public comments on the draft EIS, is proposing changes to the access

driveway at Bender Lane and making the easternmost portion of Bender one-way. The new driveway configuration, he said, would make Bender from the Delmar bypass an impractical route for truckers and shoppers.

He also outlined similar proposed changes to the northernmost driveway of the plaza at 9W. And he discussed the enlargement of the structure devoted to an as-yet unnamed home improvement retailer, most likely a Lowe's, in the wake of Home Depot's pullout from the project.

The Wal-Mart side of the project, he said, remained unchanged. And, he said, "There's a great deal of green space left on this site. We feel we've done the site plan in a manner responsive to the natural plan of the site and well within development guidelines."

Palumbo fielded questions about everything from litter control to screening on the rear of the project to the 24-hour plaza's proposed restrictions on hours of truck delivery, banned between midnight and 6 a.m.

Proposed highway improvements along Route 9W would be the developer's first priority, and would likely begin construction in the spring. He also addressed concerns about pedestrians crossing 9W and about access to the nearby Bethlehem Preschool and Glenmont Elementary School. More specific answers, he said repeatedly, would have to wait for the FEIS.

Most participants seemed resigned to the project's inevitable approval, but opposition persists. Resident David Bulnes derided the project as "four times the size of our elementary school, and pretty much doubling the (existing) retail space in the area" — and submitted a petition that had already gathered nearly 70 signatures from those who "think there is a better use for this parcel," calling on the town board to "explore methods to limit sprawl."

Martens statement could lay groundwork for a legal challenge to the approval process — but she could not be reached for comment on that.

Albany

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much of our recreation or any of our shopping. So it's hard to see that decisions made in one place affect our lives in another place, even when we are aware of the rather artificial political dividing lines. As a reporter in Delmar, it quickly became clear to me that 50-year-old political patterns and grudges were still running lots of decisions, on both sides of the line.

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David Irvine of Selkirk has been named interim program director for the Albany-Hudson Valley Community College Physician Assistant program.

The program is a joint venture between the college and Albany Medical Center.

Irvine has been employed at the college since 1993 and has been associate director since 1994.

He assumed the post of program director when Dr. Sally Bauer was named interim department chairperson of the college's chemistry, physics and biology departments.

The program director is also responsible for the day-to-day

operations of the program, the supervision of faculty and also has an active teaching role.

"We are pleased that David Irvine has agreed to take over this program on an interim basis. With his wealth of experience, he was our first choice to help guide students through this rigorous program," said HVCC President John Buono.

Irvine has a master's degree from New York Medical College, a bachelor's degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, an associate's degree from Hudson Valley Community College and a physician assistant certificate from Albany Medical College.

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Justin DiVirgilio of Hartgen Archeological Associates, Inc. will

be the speaker.

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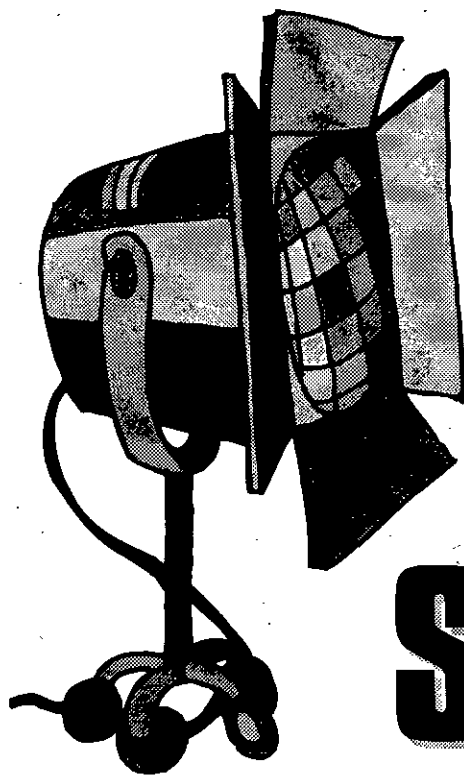
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When choosing wine go for the gold medal

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How a wine is judged

When a wine is submitted to a competition, the bottle is initially judged against other wines made from the same grape type, so chardonnays are tasted with other chardonnays and merlots with other merlots. Other considerations used in determining categories can be price, vintage and country of origin. Labels are concealed during the competition to prevent any bias, and a panel of judges taste and determine if a wine is of gold, silver or bronze quality (a vast majority of wines fail to win

any medal).

Who does the judging?

Judges are generally selected from the local, regional, national and international wine trade. This can include wine writers, retail and restaurant wine buyers and sellers, wine aficionados and, occasionally, winery owners and employees. A judge must be able to demonstrate an exceptional understanding of wine and a well-educated palate. Those who are selected usually taste hundreds if not thousands of different wines every year.

Better than gold.

Unlike the Olympics, a gold medal is not always the highest

award that can be won. At some competitions, wines can earn double-gold medals (if each judge gives the wine a "gold" rating) and sweepstakes awards (for the best red, white and sparkling wine of the competition). In many competitions the winery that wins the most and best medals is awarded Best Winery.

Medals around the world.

While some competitions are strictly regional and do not allow wines from other states or countries to enter, others are held with an eye towards determining the best wines in the world. When American wineries are allowed to compete against the world's best

producers on an international stage, they often come out on top. In the last two years alone, Gallo of Sonoma Winery has been awarded the Prize of Excellence at VinExpo in France; Best Chardonnay Worldwide at the London-based International Wine & Spirits Competition; and International Winery of the Year at VinItaly in Verona, Italy.

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competition, Gallo of Sonoma's 1997 Barrelli Creek Cabernet Sauvignon prevailed over 1,727 other red wines to win Best Red Wine.

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This season, why not revive the simple custom of roasting chestnuts with your loved ones? You can find fresh domestic or imported chestnuts — the sweetest, most flavorful of the nuts — in the produce section of your supermarket all winter long. And preparing them is easy.

First, cut an X into the flat side of each nut with a sharp, pointy knife.

Spread them out on a rimmed baking sheet and sprinkle lightly with water and roast at 400 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes. Traditionalists with fireplaces can shake them over the crackling flames in an old-fashioned perforated roasting pan. Either way, be sure to breathe deeply as they roast, as their compelling scent fills the air.

While peeling and eating freshly roasted chestnuts is one of the great pleasures of the winter season, leftover nuts are a delightful by-product.

Their gentle crunch and nutty sweetness adds a festive note to all kinds of recipes, from soup to desserts.

Chestnut and Apple Soup

Serves 8 to 10

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 red onion, chopped
- 1 carrot, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 1 Granny Smith apple, peeled and chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 pounds chestnuts, roasted and peeled
- salt and black pepper
- 1/4 cup brandy
- 2 quarts vegetable stock, plus additional stock (warmed) to thin the soup

Melt butter in a medium soup pot over medium-high heat. Add onion, carrot, celery, apple and bay leaf and cook, stirring, until very soft, about 20 minutes. Add chestnuts to pot and continue to sauté for 15 minutes. Season with salt.

Add brandy and stir until liquid is absorbed. Add stock, bring to a simmer, and cook until chestnuts are very soft, about 25 to 30 minutes.

Remove bay leaf from the soup. Use an immersion blender to purée the soup (or, purée the soup in batches in a standing blender or food processor) and pass through a medium strainer into a pot or tureen for serving.

Thin with additional warm stock if necessary.

Chestnut and Sweet Potato Purée

Serves 8 to 10 as a side dish

- 1 pound sweet potatoes, peeled and quartered
- 1 1/2 pounds chestnuts, roasted and peeled
- 2 tablespoons butter
- salt and black pepper
- freshly grated nutmeg
- heavy cream to taste

Place sweet potatoes in a large pot and cover with 1 inch of cold water. Salt water and bring to a boil, uncovered. Simmer for 10 minutes, reducing heat if necessary. Add chestnuts and continue to cook until chestnuts and potatoes are soft, about 25 minutes.

Drain and transfer to food processor or food mill. Add butter, salt, pepper and nutmeg. Puree until smooth. Stir in cream and serve hot, or reheat in microwave.

- Chestnut Chocolate Bark**
- 2 cups roasted, peeled, chopped chestnuts
- 12 ounces bittersweet chocolate, chopped
- 3/4 cup golden raisins, dried tart cherries, or cubed dried apricots

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Line a 10-by-15-inch rimmed baking sheet with aluminum foil and set aside.

Lay the chestnuts in a single layer on another rimmed baking sheet and toast, stirring once or twice, until golden and fragrant, about 10 to 15 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack to cool.

Meanwhile, place about two-thirds of the chocolate in the top of a double boiler or in a metal bowl.

Place over (not in) a pot of simmering water (not boiling) and let the chocolate melt slowly

while stirring. Transfer the double boiler top or bowl to a trivet and add remaining chocolate. Stir until melted.

In a large bowl, combine chocolate and chestnuts. Scrape mixture onto the foil-lined pan and spread evenly into a square that is slightly smaller than the pan.

Sprinkle raisins or dried fruit over the top. Let cool until firm, at least 4 hours. Break bark into pieces and serve immediately or store in an airtight container for up to 3 weeks.

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Pineapple Sausage Stuffing

Preparation time: 30 minutes;
baking time: 40 minutes

Makes: 16 servings

12 ounces pork sausage
1/2 cup butter
1 1/2 cups finely chopped celery
1 cup chopped onion
8 cups fresh white bread, torn into small pieces
1 1/2 cups finely chopped pineapple
1 cup dried cranberries
1 1/4 cups chopped pecans, toasted
1/3 cup chopped fresh parsley
1 teaspoon dried oregano leaves, crushed
1 teaspoon ground sage

Crumble sausage into large skillet; cook over medium high heat until pork is completely browned. Drain sausage. Set aside.

Melt butter in another skillet. Stir in celery and onion. Cook about 10 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

Stir together bread, sausage, celery, onion, pineapple, cranberries, pecans, parsley, oregano and sage in large bowl. Pour into lightly greased 3-quart casserole dish. Cover.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until heated through. Garnish with fresh sage, if desired. Serve with roasted turkey and peeled mini carrots.

Pineapple Cranberry Sauce

Preparation time: 10 minutes;
cooking time: 10 minutes

Makes 2 1/2 cups

1 1/2 cups chopped pineapple
1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries
1/2 cup orange juice

1/4 cup sugar
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/8 teaspoon ground cloves

Combine cranberries, juice, sugar, cornstarch, cinnamon and cloves in medium saucepan. Bring to boil. Reduce heat. Cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add pineapple; cook and stir 1 to 2 minutes or until heated through. Serve over ham, turkey, squash or yams.



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Tips for picking the perfect Thanksgiving wine

By SHEILA McNEIL

Thanksgiving is a wonderful holiday. Most people enjoy it for the simple pleasure of sharing a wonderful meal with family and friends.

Personally, my reason is more selfish: My sister hosts the family gathering in her home...25 of us, I love that tradition. I, of course, always bring the wine. In addition, Thanksgiving is the biggest wine holiday of the year. Here are my tips for picking the wine that goes

best with your holiday dinner.

First, it is important to know that food enhances wine and wine enhances food! Over the last decade wine has become a full-fledged part of the American culture. At the end of the day it is the ingredients of the meal and the wine served which make a perfect marriage.

Wine should be paired with food of the same style, body and texture. In the past, the rule of thumb has been that you should pair red wine with red meat, white wine with fish and poultry. It is no

longer that simple. Today, pairing food and wine is more complex because of the onset of "Nouveau Cuisine" so how do you go about pairing the wine to the meal?

1 Consider the food—Are the ingredients sweet, spicy, fatty, creamy, bitter, smoky? Foods cooked with

lemon will pair differently than those rich with oil, butter or cream.

2 Consider the cooking method—roasting, grilling, frying, poaching stronger foods call for fuller wines; delicate foods call for

wines to enhance not overpower.

3 Consider properties of the wine—tannins, acidity, ripe fruit, residual sugar, spice, body, mouth feel.

A great beginning to any holiday meal is hot hors d'oeuvres with champagne or domestic sparkling wine. The bright tiny bubbles set a festive mood.

Thanksgiving dinner is probably the most versatile meal for wine pairing.

It has a lot going on: turkey with its game-like quality; dressing spicy with sage; cranberries and sweet potatoes, tart and sweet; creamy vegetable dishes. There are many styles of wine that compliment this meal: a fat, buttery chardonnay; a spicy, red zinfandel; sweet, racy rieslings; crisp, fruity pinot noir.

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Terry Underwood, vice chairman of the foundation, started the formal sale by offering bricks to new parents of the school district.

"We wanted to give the new parents an opportunity to be first and not get locked out," he said.

Presentations by other members of the foundation followed each of the school open houses for each grade level. Forms were handed out, and a few parents even filled out their brick orders on the spot.

Tom McKenna, chairman of the foundation, said, "Our principals have really been supportive of this. In fact, our new interim high school principal Raymond Colucciello was the first from the school to buy a brick."

John Schachne, foundation treasurer, said the total sales of bricks is closing in on \$2,000.

"We're pleased with the community support. We will send our first order for the inscribed bricks soon. I recommend people get their orders in early."

Schachne detailed the program as one that will sell inscribed bricks and display cases at the new high school facility, scheduled for completion next fall.

"The Walkway to Tomorrow will reflect the kind of spirit we are fortunate to have here and will serve as an honorarium to those who support our school and community for decades to come," McKenna said.

"While selling inscribed bricks is not a new fund-raising tactic, we believe the breadth of choices being offered to participants, (from bricks and display cases) as well as the fact that our starting prices are low — \$40 for a regular size brick — and all materials will be integrated in the new facility, should create significant interest in the program," Schachne said.

In June, the school board passed a resolution allowing the sale of bricks. Fliers promoting the new effort will be distributed by students, local retailers and at various upcoming school and community events.

Each brick — regular 4 by 8 inches and large 8 by 8 inches — will have three lines with 14 characters each for inscriptions. The larger brick will sell for \$100.

"We envision a wide range of participants, from businesses thanking the community for its support to grandparents, parents and family members using the opportunity for memorials or congratulatory messages," Schachne said.

The foundation has a special program for larger donors.

"We're looking for generous benefactors who would donate up to \$5,000. Among the items for corporate sponsorship identity is the original school bell, which will go on display at the high school," Underwood said.

Profits raised from the sale will be earmarked for school projects. Brick application forms will be available at the elementary and high schools, all participating businesses or by calling Schachne at 765-4881.

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In its second year, the foundation has endorsed an annual grant of \$25,000 for Voorheesville's Pond View Farm.

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In addition, the foundation has also approved a \$1,000 grant to the Voorheesville Elementary Humanities Committee to support upcoming programs.

Delmar student serves as EMT

David Shaye, son of Christine M. Shaye of Huntersfield Road in Delmar, is serving as an emergency medical technician (EMT) at Hamilton College this year.

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Along with the rest of the nation, Hamilton will be recognizing the achievements of its EMTs during National Collegiate EMS Week, the week of Nov. 11.

A senior majoring in physics at Hamilton, Shaye is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Christmas Bazaar slated at church

A Christmas Bazaar will be held at Voorheesville United Methodist Church on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Hand-crafted gifts, baked goods, and white elephant items will be for sale.

Lunch will be available.

Swing dance demo set at library

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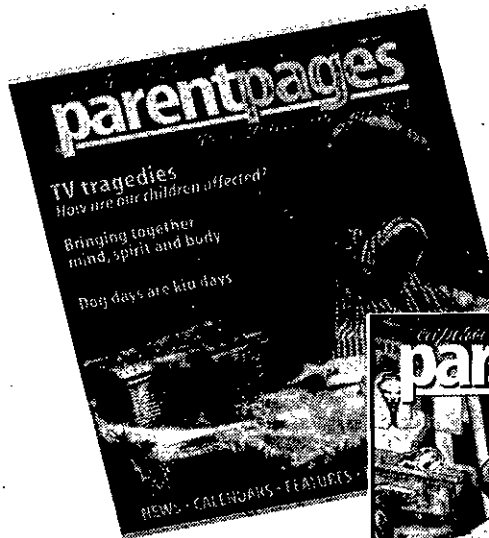
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Sports

Eagles punch their ticket to the Super Bowl

By ROB JONAS

Playoff football is all about determination. Whoever has more of it will win the game.

The Bethlehem Eagles had loads of determination last Friday night, and they needed every last ounce of it to fend off Columbia 20-17 in the Section II, Class AA semifinals.

Bethlehem (8-1) built a 20-9 lead in the third quarter and then withstood a late Columbia rally to advance to Friday night's Super Bowl against Troy.

"I'm just proud of my guys," Bethlehem coach **John Sodergren** said. "They really believed that they could move on."

Tom Arcidiacano gave Columbia (7-2) a 6-0 lead late in the first quarter with a one-man effort. After receiving a screen pass from quarterback **Ryan Perry** on the right side of the field, Arcidiacano switched fields, eluded several Bethlehem tacklers and found a seam along the left sideline to run into the end zone from 10 yards out.

The Eagles were unfazed by Arcidiacano's play. Bethlehem marched 60 yards to Columbia's goal line by the end of the first quarter, and quarterback **Mark Bulger** opened the second quarter with a touchdown plunge. Bulger added the extra point to give the Eagles a 7-6 lead.

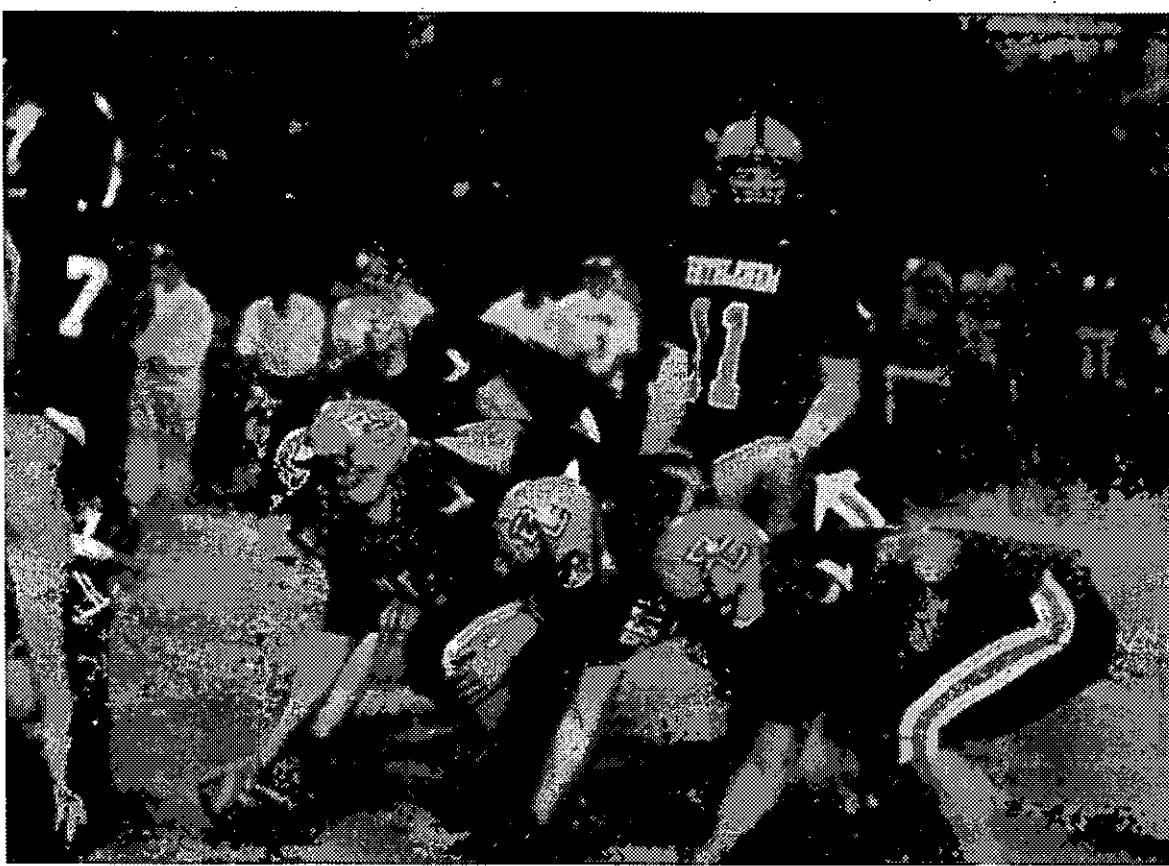
During Bethlehem's first scoring drive, the Eagles noticed that Columbia's defense was vulnerable to running plays up the middle by **Aaron Griffin**. Bethlehem put that knowledge to good use on its next series, as Griffin burst through the middle of Columbia's defensive line for a 29-yard touchdown run to make the score 14-6.

"They were looking for (Pat) **Heenan** the whole time," Griffin said. "They weren't even looking at me. They just left me wide open."

"The formation had them out of position, and that popped him for a touchdown," Sodergren said.

Columbia took advantage of some prime field position late in the second quarter to get back into the game. Starting from Bethlehem's 44-yard line, the Blue Devils marched to the 10, where **Brett Kebea** kicked a 27-yard field goal to make the score 14-9.

Bethlehem drove deep into Columbia territory late in the third quarter, but a holding penalty and an incomplete pass left the Eagles with a fourth-down-and-long situation. Out of field goal range, Bulger dropped back and found **Jim Morrill** open for a 21-yard pass to give Bethlehem a first-and-goal at Columbia's 4-yard line. Bulger scored on the next play to give the Eagles a 20-9 lead, but had his extra point



Bethlehem quarterback Mark Bulger calls out the signals during last Friday's Section II, Class AA semifinal game against Columbia. Bulger rushed for two touchdowns in the 20-17 victory.

Rob Jonas

blocked.

"That was a nice catch by Morrill," Sodergren said. "That was a sweet catch because he went up with two (Columbia) guys to get the ball."

Columbia was not going to leave Bethlehem quietly, though.

Perry connected with **Ben Sahr** for a 10-yard touchdown pass and added a two-point conversion toss to **Jon Nicolla** on a faked extra point to bring the Blue Devils within three points midway through the fourth quarter.

Columbia had two more chances to get within field goal range late in the fourth quarter, but **Tom Frankovic** and **Brendan Hughes** intercepted Perry's long passes to seal the victory.

Griffin carried the ball 14 times

for 98 yards, and Heenan rushed for 83 yards to lead Bethlehem's running attack.

The victory moves the Eagles into their first Super Bowl since the inaugural contest in 1978, which they lost to Bishop Maginn. Troy is in its sixth straight title game.

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BC soccer teams lose in Class A semifinals

By ROB JONAS

The Bethlehem Eagles had their hopes for a second consecutive Section II boys soccer title dashed by the same team they beat in last year's championship game.

Chris Frank and **Mike Battiste** scored goals less than three minutes apart from each other in the first half to lead Niskayuna to a 2-1 victory over the Eagles in last Thursday's Class A semifinal game at Colonie Central High School.

"Niskayuna played well, and we didn't finish (our shots)," a dejected Bethlehem coach **Brett Miller** said. "No excuses. The kids played hard."

The game was nearly a complete reversal from last year's Class A title game, which Bethlehem won 2-1. Niskayuna's first goal came on a penalty kick after Frank was taken down in the penalty box by Bethlehem's **Tom Stewart**. The Eagles had scored their first goal in last year's Class A final on a penalty kick.

"It was a good call," Miller said. "Our kid fouled him. What can you do? He's a kid."

Battiste then took advantage of a bad bounce to give the Silver Warriors a 2-0 lead. Bethlehem goaltender **Mike Nuttall** raced out of the crease to try to smother a loose ball, but he kicked the ball as he slid. The ball went directly to Battiste, who shot it into the far right corner of the net from a tough angle.

"It was a hell of a shot," Miller said. "Mike (Battiste) is a Division I player. It was a lucky bounce, but you have to be good to hit a shot like that."

The Eagles had several quality scoring chances in the first half, but they failed to convert any of them. Their best chance came in the final minute when **Brendan Tougher** had a clear shot at the net off a header from **Matt Narode**, but Tougher's shot went over the crossbar.

Bethlehem finally got on the scoreboard midway through the second half. **Steve Maltzman** took the ball from midfield past several Niskayuna defenders and launched a rocket shot past goaltender **Sean Trask** to make the score 2-1.

The Eagles continued to apply pressure on Niskayuna. **Steve Hoghe** had an open shot with 13 minutes left, but didn't get enough on it to put it past Trask. Then, a corner kick by Narode with 1:05 left was headed wide in a sea of Bethlehem and Niskayuna players.

The Eagles finished with a 17-2 record.

BC girls lose to Shen

The Bethlehem girls soccer team pushed unbeaten Shenendehowa to the limit before falling to the Lady Plainsmen 3-2 in last Wednesday's Sectional Class A semifinal in Clifton Park.

"The kids battled well," Bethlehem coach **Tom Rogan** said. "They showed a lot of heart and courage."

The Lady Eagles grabbed a 1-0 lead on **Vanessa Patry's** goal in the first half, but the Lady Plainsmen (21-0) scored three times later in the half to make the score 3-1. **Kate Metevia** closed the gap to 3-2 with a goal, but Bethlehem came no closer.

"To (Shen's) credit, we were hoping to get an early goal and put added pressure on them, and they kept their composure," Rogan said.

RCS girls fall to Schalmont

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk girls soccer team reached the finals of the Sectional Class B tournament before losing to Schalmont 3-0 last Friday at Mohonasen High School.

The Lady Indians (10-7-3) edged Cairo-Durham 1-0 in last Tuesday's semifinal to advance. **Allison Poetzch** had the lone goal for RCS off an assist from **Jaclyn Levie** in the second half.

Stephanie Przybylowicz had eight saves for the Lady Indians, who reached their first Sectional title game since 1983.

Blackbirds lose in CC semifinal

The Voorheesville girls soccer team also reached the semifinals, but the Blackbirds lost to Hoosick Falls 3-2 last Tuesday.

Michele Nadratowski tied the game at 2 for Voorheesville before **Erin Hanlon** scored her third goal of the game to give Hoosick Falls the lead for good.

RCS, Voorheesville win final football games

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk and Voorheesville football teams ended their seasons last weekend with victories.

RCS downed Johnstown 26-7 last Friday in a Class B crossover game, while Voorheesville edged Coxsackie-Athens 30-25 last Saturday in a Class C crossover contest.

"They played a good, solid football game," RCS coach **Gary VanDerzee** said. "Defensively, we played much better and offensively, we were able to run the ball at will."

David Cross led the Indians in his final game. The senior tailback carried the ball 25 times for 170 yards. **Matt Dardani** rushed for 45 yards, and **C.J. Berghela** caught four passes for 62 yards.

Voorheesville received a strong performance from running back **Brendon Schlappi** to

defeat Coxsackie-Athens. The tailback gained 215 yards and scored three touchdowns for the Blackbirds, including the eventual game-winner in the third quarter.

Quarterback **Frank Catellier** added a 30-yard touchdown pass to **Pat Miller** for Voorheesville.

Both RCS and Voorheesville concluded their seasons with identical 6-3 records.

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Bethlehem's **Sammy Weyant**, left, takes on Shenendehowa's **Lauren Hutchinson** during last Wednesday's Section II, Class A semifinal game in Clifton Park.

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Local quartet qualifies for state championships

By ROB JONAS

Four local cross country runners will test their mettle against the rest of the state at this weekend's New York State Public High School Athletic Association championships in Buffalo.

Bethlehem's **Rob Kuhn** and **Emily Malinowski** earned berths in Class A, and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's **Dave Whydra** and Slingerlands resident **Anne Hessberg** qualified in Class B at last Friday's Section II championships at Saratoga Spa State Park.

"I'm excited," Kuhn said. "At the beginning of the season, I never thought I would go to the state meet."

Kuhn was passed by Colonie Central's **Kyle Audi** in the final stretch, but he held on to seventh place in the boys Class A race to receive one of five at-large berths to the state meet. The senior finished in a time of 15:52.64.

"I just tried to keep my eyes on the leaders," Kuhn said. "I knew from the last race (the Suburban Council championships) that Kyle Audi was good, so I tried to stay with him."

Kuhn's performance helped the Bethlehem boys team place fourth overall with 150 points. **Doug DeMarco** finished 25th, **Chris Abbott** was 41st, **Pat Shaffer** placed 44th and **Adam Hill** took 46th place to round out Bethlehem's top five.

"We ran terribly last week," Bethlehem coach **Dave Banas**

said. "So to get fourth place this week, I'm very happy with that."

Malinowski battled Guilderland's **Megan Lynch** for fifth place in the girls Class A race. Lynch held off Malinowski to claim fifth place in a time of 18:18.86, but Malinowski took sixth place in a time of 18:19.38 to earn the final Section II berth to states.

Malinowski said the secret to her finish was keeping pace with Lynch, Shaker's **Christine Snyder** and Colonie's **Anna Jankowski**.

At the beginning of the season, I never thought I would go to the state meet.

Rob Kuhn

"I tried to stay with these three girls because the last couple of meets I had competed in, they were strong," Malinowski said.

The Lady Eagles finished fifth in the team standings with 134 points. **Taylor Jackson** crossed the finish line in 12th place for Bethlehem with a time of 18:34.74. **Meg Anderson** followed in 29th place, while **Ashley Dwyer** finished 48th and **Katie Parafinczuk** placed 50th.

Whydra earned his first trip to the state meet after placing sixth in the boys Class B race with a time of 16:30.97.

"I was trying to stay with the second group - specifically the Burnt Hills and Queensbury kids, and (Kevin) Spaulding from Mohonasen," Whydra said.

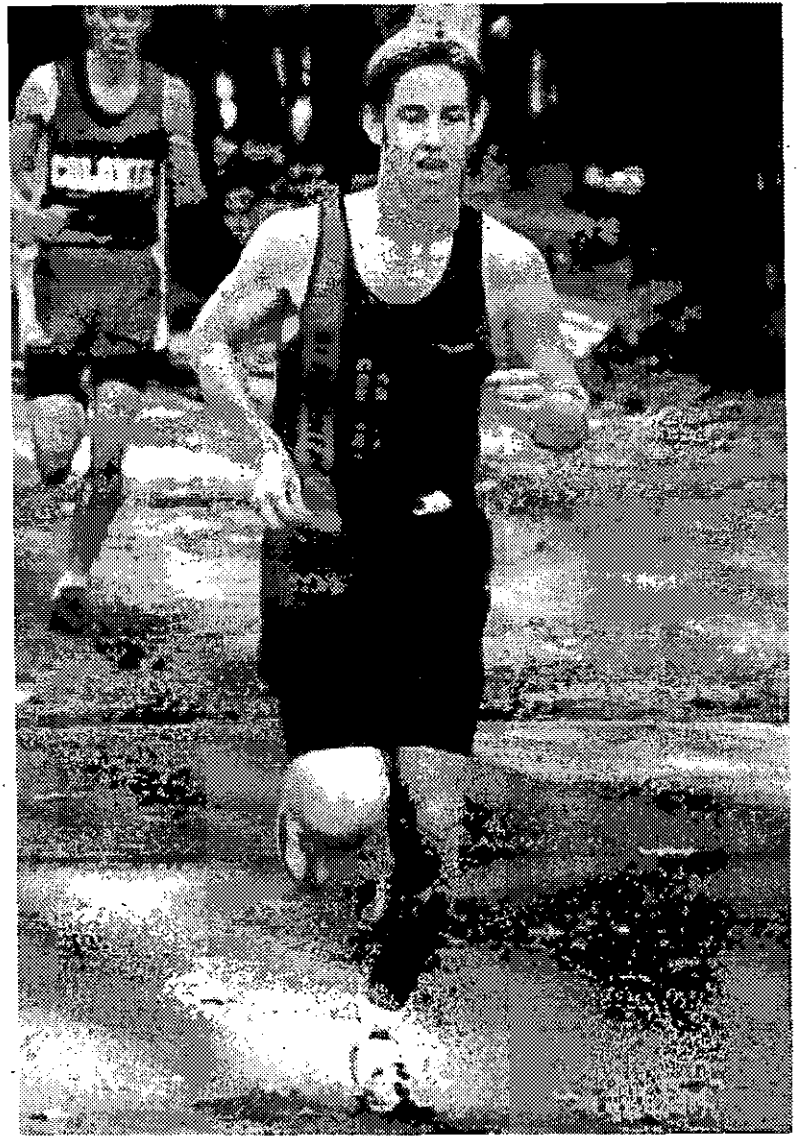
Whydra's performance helped RCS place sixth in the team standings with 183 points. **Jason Parker** finished 32nd overall, while **Eric Pregent** (45th), **Sean McGrath** (47th) and **James Craven** (77th) rounded out the Indians' top five runners.

Hessberg, a member of the Holy Names cross country team, placed second in the girls Class B race. She finished behind teammate **Elizabeth Maloy** with a time of 18:33.79. Holy Names won the girls team title with 32 points. **Samantha Zazycki** of RCS was 26th in a time of 20:47.14.

The Voorheesville boys and girls cross country teams had top-10 finishes in the Class C races. The girls team placed eighth with 182 points, while the boys squad finished 10th with 242 points.

Jenny Emrich was the lead runner for the Voorheesville girls team with a 34th-place finish in a time of 22:28. **Sarah Berte** was 36th, **Laura Pasquali** finished 43rd, **Kara Byron** placed 46th and **Katie Winchell** took 47th place.

Greg Conklin led the Voorheesville boys team with a 55th-place finish in a time of 19:54.26. **Brett LaFave** followed in 56th place, **Rob Paquette** was 60th, **Will Denn** finished 66th and **Chris Trombley** took 69th place.



Bethlehem's Rob Kuhn heads out of the woods toward the finish line during the boys Class A race at last Friday's Section II cross country championships at Saratoga Spa State Park. Kuhn finished seventh overall with a time of 15:52.64 to earn a spot on the Section II team going to this weekend's New York State Public High School Athletic Association championships in Buffalo.

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Susan Koeppen and Dr. James Patrick O'Toole

Koeppen, O'Toole to wed

Susan Koeppen, daughter of MaryAnn and Dr. Arnulf Koeppen of Delmar, and James Patrick, son of Mary and Dr. James O'Toole of Pittsburgh, Pa., are engaged to be married.

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

She is an anchor/reporter for WTAE-TV in Pittsburgh.

BCHS grad volunteers as EMT at college

David Shaye, the son of Mrs. Christine M. Schaye of Huntersfield Road in Delmar, is serving as an emergency medical technician (EMT) at Hamilton College this year.

The Hamilton College Emergency Medical Service (HCEMS) is a New York State certified agency that is made up of 26 student EMTs who provide 24-hour emergency service to the campus community during the academic year.

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The future groom is a graduate of Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, the University of Notre Dame and St. Louis University School of Medicine.

He is a surgery resident at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh.

The couple plans a Aug. 17, 2002 wedding.

Births

Bellevue Woman's Hospital
Girl, Nora Hedderman, to Jen and Tom Hedderman of Delmar, Sept. 14.

Boy, Ethan Ploss, to Julie and Chad Ploss of Voorheesville, Oct. 11.

Girl, Paige Halliday, to Sarah and Andrew Halliday of Delmar, Oct. 15.

Boy, Garrett Drake, to Cynthia and Todd Drake of Glenmont, Oct. 16.

Out of Town
Girl, Bina Kovach, to Ilana and Robert Kovach of Albany, Oct. 19.

Bina's paternal grandparents are Rainy and Stu Kovach of Delmar. Her maternal grandparents are Barbara and Harry Ungerman of Albany.

Class of '01

The College of Saint Rose
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Annual missions bazaar to be held

The United Methodist Women's Annual Missions Bazaar will be held at First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, NY, on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The bazaar will feature baked goods, crafts, books, white elephant items and international goods.

Lunch will be available.

All proceeds will go to local and regional missions, as they do every year.

This year, organizers hope to add the United Methodist Committee On Relief to the list of recipients.

For information, or to volunteer, call Sue Bell at 869-3713 or Hope Griffiths at 765-2005.



James Willey and Roberta Chandler

Chandler, Willey engaged

James Willey, son of Carol and the late Howard Willey of Slingerlands, and Roberta Chandler, daughter of Mary and Donald Chandler of Whitney Point, Broome County, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Whitney Point High School.

She currently attends Hudson Valley Community College.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and State University College at Potsdam.

He is an associate computer programmer/analyst with the New York State Division of the Budget.

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The speaker will be Albany City Historian Virginia Brower, who has vast knowledge and insight to the city.

The event will be held at 1 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall, Room 106.

Obituaries

Frances Scofield

Frances R. Scofield, 90, of Wilmington, Del., and formerly of Delmar, died Friday, Oct. 26.

Born in Albany, she was a longtime resident of Delmar before moving to Wilmington.

She was a graduate of Albany Academy for Girls the the former State Teachers College.

Mrs. Scofield was a member of Delmar Reformed Church.

She was a pianist and enjoyed painting.

She was the widow of Raymond Scofield.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Scofield of Wilmington and Richard Scofield of New York City; and two grandsons.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

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

Harmon Chichester

Harmon "Chick" Chichester, 76, of Voorheesville died Sunday, Oct. 28, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

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

He was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the Pacific Theater. He was a recipient of the Purple Heart and

the Adriatic Pacific Ribbon with three battle stars.

Mr. Chichester was a lineman and line foreman for Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. for many years. He was a member of the 25 Year Club and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. For many years, he played Santa Claus at NiMo Christmas parties and at St. Catherine's, St. Margaret's and St. Coleman's homes.

He was a member of St. Margaret Mary's Church Holy Name Society and more recently a communicant of St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Delaney Chichester; a daughter, Mary Pat DiMascio of Maine; and a brother, Donald Chichester of Slingerlands.

Services were from the Hans Funeral Home in Albany and St. Matthew's Church.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Contributions may be made to the Oncology Department, Albany Medical Center, 43 New Scotland Ave., Albany.

Ella Mae Vincent

Ella Mae Wickham Misevcis Vincent, 71, of Glenmont died Monday, Oct. 29, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Coeymans Hollow, she was a longtime resident of Glenmont.

Mrs. Vincent retired from

Farm Family Insurance in Glenmont. She also worked for Schools' Out.

She was a member of Coeymans Hollow Trinity United Methodist Church, the Women's Guild and Glenmont Homemakers.

She was the widow of Anthony Misevcis and John William Vincent.

Survivors include a daughter, Lori Dietsch of Glenmont; three brothers, Ronald Wickham, Richard Wickham and Dennis Wickham; and two grandchildren.

Services were from the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery in Selkirk.

Contributions may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, Coeymans Hollow 12046.

Arleen Girdner

Arleen E. Girdner, 78, of Autumn Drive in North Bethlehem died Thursday, Nov. 1, at her home.

Born in Milwaukee, she was educated a Wayland Academy and Carlton College. She received a master's degree in psychology from the University of Michigan.

She was the former wife of John Girdner.

Mrs. Girdner was a school psychologist for the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake school district for 20 years.

She was a participant in the anatomical gift program at Albany Medical Center.

Contributions may be made to the Beverwyck Elderfund at Beverwyck, 40 Autumn Drive, Slingerlands 12159.

Clara Pecoraro

Clara Dexter Taylor Pecoraro, 83, of Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center in Delmar died Friday, Nov. 2, at the home.

Born in Delanson, she had lived in New Jersey and Colorado and Schenectady, before moving to the nursing home.

Mrs. Pecoraro was a school custodian in Westlake, Colo., before she retired.

She attended the Church of the Nazarene in Schenectady and Trinity United Methodist Church in Coeymans Hollow.

She was the widow of Jacob Taylor and James Pecoraro.

Survivors include a daughter, Evelyn Stone of West Coxsackie; a stepson, Larry Pecoraro of Saddlebrook, N.J.; a stepdaughter, Mary Ellen Inserra of Lodi, N.J.; a brother, Willard Dexter of Easley, S.C.; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter.

Services were from the Fredendall Funeral Home in Altamont.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the Church of the Nazarene, Schenectady or Trinity United Methodist Church, Coeymans Hollow.

Clara Silverman

Clara Cohen Silverman, 89, of Highgate Drive in Slingerlands, died Monday, Oct. 29, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in New York City, she lived in the Capital District for the last nine years.

She was a graduate of Hunter College in New York City and was a teacher in the New York City School District for many years.

Mrs. Silverman was a member

of the Mensa Society.

She was the widow of Benjamin Silverman.

Survivors include a daughter, Marilyn Gordon of Slingerlands; a brother, Bernard Cohen of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and a grandson.

Services were from Congregation Ohav Shalom in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Sidney Albert Jewish Community Center, Senior Adult Department, c/o Claire Segal, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany 12208.

Elsie O. Barry

Elsie O. Barry, 87, of Selkirk died Saturday, Oct. 27, at her home.

Born in Bronx, she was a longtime resident of Selkirk.

Mrs. Barry enjoyed cooking and crocheting.

She was the widow of Thomas Barry.

Survivors include four daughters, Eleanor Alfield of Hannacroix, Margaret LaFleur of Colonie, Patricia Lawson of Ravena and Joyce Williams of Delmar; a son, Thomas Barry of Selkirk; two sisters, Jean Murphy and Anne Spitzchuh; two brothers, Edward O'Bray and James O'Bray; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Services were from the New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, PO Box 3704, Memphis, Tenn. 38173.

Sarah Treuting

Sarah Treuting, 97, of Rensselaer and formerly of Delmar, died Wednesday, Oct. 31.

She was the widow of Harold Treuting.

Survivors include a daughter, Doris Treuting; a son, Clifford Treuting; and two grandchildren.

Services were from the W.J. Lyons Funeral Home.

Burial was in Chesnut Lawn Cemetery in Ravena.

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Several works by Edward Hopper are on display as part of the exhibit "Scenes of American Life" at the Albany Institute of History and Art until Dec. 9. Above is "People in the Sun," painted in 1960.



"Subway" by Lily Furedi capture the mood of depression-era American urban life in the early 1930s.

American life subject of exhibit at new Albany Institute

By BILL FONDA

The Smithsonian Art Museum's renovation is proving to be an opportunity for the Albany Institute of History and Art, as the institute is hosting the Smithsonian's "Scenes of American Life" exhibit in its second-floor gallery until Dec. 9.

"Scenes of American Life" is one of eight major Smithsonian collections being sent on the road, and is the first traveling exhibition since the Albany Institute's own renovation was completed earlier this year.

Tammis Kane-Groft, the museum's chief curator and deputy director for exhibitions and collections, said that about half of the 64 paintings and four sculptures in the collection were on permanent display, while the others had been in storage.

"It's really the best of their collection that they've sent on the road," she said.

The paintings date from 1909 to 1980, although most are from the 1920s, '30s and '40s. They include several themes — people at work, recreation, landscapes, the Great Depression and alienation among them.

"One of the great challenges and great fun is placing in the gallery and organizing the exhibition," Kane-Groft said.



"Cafe" by William H. Johnson, c. 1939-1940

pictures on the edges surrounding a large representation of a working man in the middle.

"Instead of having a saint in the middle, you have an American worker," Kane-Groft said.

An example of the alienation of the Cold War era is "The Waiting Room" by George Tooker, in which people are standing in booths paying no heed to each other.

"It's a very eerie painting because people aren't interacting," Kane-Groft said. "It's very ambiguous."

Although a number of the works in the collection were commissioned by the Works Progress Administration, not all of them received acclaim when first submitted. For example, Paul Cadmus' three-part "Aspects of Suburban Life" was rejected by the postmaster in Port Washington, N.Y.

"He didn't think they were flattering about Americans," Kane-Groft said.

The exhibitions also includes works from such notable artists as Grant Wood, Thomas Hart Benton, Edward Hopper and Andrew Wyeth.

"Then there are a lot of artists I've never heard of before," Kane-Groft said.

Several of the paintings have local ties. Austin Mecklem's "Engine House and Bunkers" was set in Kingston, while "Paper Workers" by Douglass Crockwell shows a scene in Glens Falls.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students, \$2.50 for children 6 to 12 and free to museum members and children under 6. Wednesday evenings are free to all.

"Sleuth" full of surprises on and off stage

By DEV TOBIN

It's the kind of unforeseen circumstance that could doom a play — after the second performance of a monthlong run, one of the two leads becomes so sick he cannot continue.

For Capital Repertory Theatre in Albany, the sudden illness of Simon Billig (who was playing Milo Tindle in "Sleuth," essentially a two-man play; Billig is better now) sparked an immediate nationwide search for someone to play the younger hairdresser who matches wits with the older mystery writer.

Cap Rep found Sheffield Chastain, who had just completed a run playing Milo Tindle at a regional theater in South Carolina, and, in the best "show must go on" tradition, "Sleuth" was back on the boards after missing just one performance.

"Things are not always what they seem," warns wealthy mystery writer Andrew Wyke, played by Barry Boys. Wyke's little game with Tindle, who wishes to marry Wyke's wife, lives up to that warning.

"Sleuth" is not a whodunit; it's more of a who-will-do-it, as Wyke and Tindle

both have motive, means and opportunity to eliminate the other.

Both are excellent; Boys embodies the upper-class English snob and con-

vincingly takes Wyke from solicitous to menacing.

And Chastain cockily brings out the striver's fierce determination to play Wyke at his own game.

The set of Wyke's country house works well, despite a somewhat unrealistic cat-and-mouse motif. Besides, the words and action of the play make the point well enough.

"Sleuth" runs through Nov. 25. Performances are Tuesdays through Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 4 and 8:30 p.m., and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$26 to \$36. For information or reservation, call 445-7469.

In a related Cap Rep note, Producing Artistic Director Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill will speak on the role of theatre in modern life at the University at Albany Library on Wednesday, Nov. 14, at noon.



Cats, a clown suit and a country squire are part of the games-playing in "Sleuth," the Anthony Shaffer thriller currently being staged by Capital Rep.

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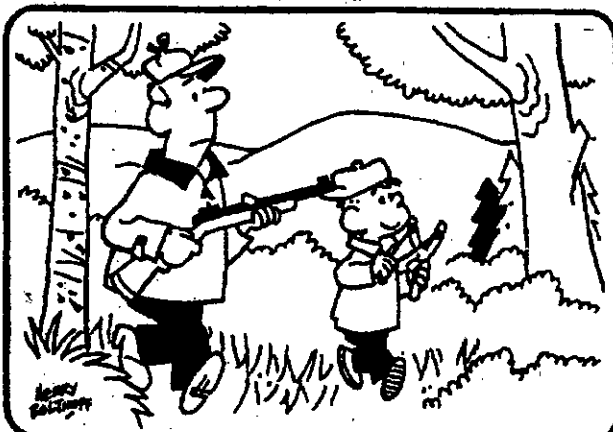
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Tree is missing. 2. Boy's hat is different. 3. Boy's jacket has buttons. 4. Tree has extra branch. 5. Leaves missing from tree on left. 6. Gun stock is longer.

Theater

SLEUTH

Anthony Shaffer thriller, Capital Repertory Theatre, 111, N. Pearl St., Albany, through Nov. 25, \$28 to \$36. Information, 445-7469.

OTHERS PEOPLE'S MONEY

corporate comedy, Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through Nov. 17, \$15. Information, 877-7529.

MY FAIR LADY

Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Nov. 8, 3 and 8 p.m., \$29 to \$39. Information, 346-6204.

Music

ROBERT CRAY BAND

The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 8, 7:30 p.m., \$26. Information, 473-1845.

WU HAN AND FRIENDS

playing works by Mozart, Beethoven and Dohnanyi, Memorial Chapel of Union College, Schenectady, Nov. 8, 8 p.m., \$20, \$87 for students. Information, 372-3651.

G.E. SMITH

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, Nov. 9, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$17. Information, 381-1111.

ARLO GUTHRIE

Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Nov. 9, 8 p.m., \$23. Information, 273-0038.

LUCY KAPLANSKY

Eighth Step at Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen St., Nov. 9, 8 p.m., \$15. Information, 434-1703.

STOMP

Palace Theatre, Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany, Nov. 9, 8 p.m., Nov. 11, 5 and 9 p.m., Nov. 11, 3 p.m. \$30 and 39. Information, 465-4663.

MARTIN TAYLOR AND JULIAN LAGE

with Gary Burton, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Nov. 10, 8 p.m., \$24. Information, 273-0038.

GOLDEN OLDIES SPECTACULAR

featuring the Platters, Del Vikings, etc., Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Nov. 10, 8 p.m., \$27.50 to \$42.50. Information, 346-6204.

SEAMUS KENNEDY

Irish American Center, 375 Ontario St., Albany, Nov. 10, 8 p.m., \$10. Information, 438-8230.

STEVE KIMOCK

Northern Lights, Route 146, Clifton Park, Nov. 10, 9 p.m., \$16. Information, 371-0012.

BARACHOIS

Eighth Step at Cohoes Music Hall, 58 Remsen St., Nov. 12, 7 p.m., \$17. Information, 434-1703.

ANDREAS SCHOLL AND EDIN KARAMAZOV

playing lute songs from around the world, Memorial Chapel of Union College, Schenectady, Nov. 14, 8 p.m., \$20. Information, 372-3651.

PHIL LESH AND FRIENDS

Palace Theatre, Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany, Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m., \$37.50. Information, 465-4663.

MUDDY WATERS TRIBUTE BAND

with Chris Thomas King, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Nov. 15, 8 p.m., \$27. Information, 346-6204.

Dance

BRAVE NEW DANCES

Maude Baum and Company, eba Theater, Lark Street and Hudson Avenue, Albany, Nov. 9 and 10, 8 p.m., \$7, \$5 for students and seniors. Information, 465-9916.

THE LAST EMPEROR

Hong Kong Ballet production, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Nov. 13, 8 p.m., \$24 to \$32. Information, 346-6204.

BURN THE FLOOR

ballroom/Latin dance show, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Nov. 17, 8 p.m., \$26 to \$34. Information, 346-6204.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

Ancient Life of New York, through March 31, plus permanent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

Scenes of American Life, through Dec. 9, exhibits on Hudson River School painting, the Albany Army Bazaar of 1864, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

exhibit on the American Locomotive Co., through Nov. 25, plus permanent collections, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

works by Taff Fitterer, Anthony Cafritz and Nancy Engel, 161 Washington Ave., through Dec. 28. Information, 462-4775.

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT GALLERY

Private Eye, unusual local collections, third floor of terminal building, through March 17, two hours free parking. Information, 242-2241.

LOCAL COLOR ART GALLERY

Artists of the Capital Region 2001, juried show featuring 63 works, 961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, through Nov. 10. Information, 783-2517.

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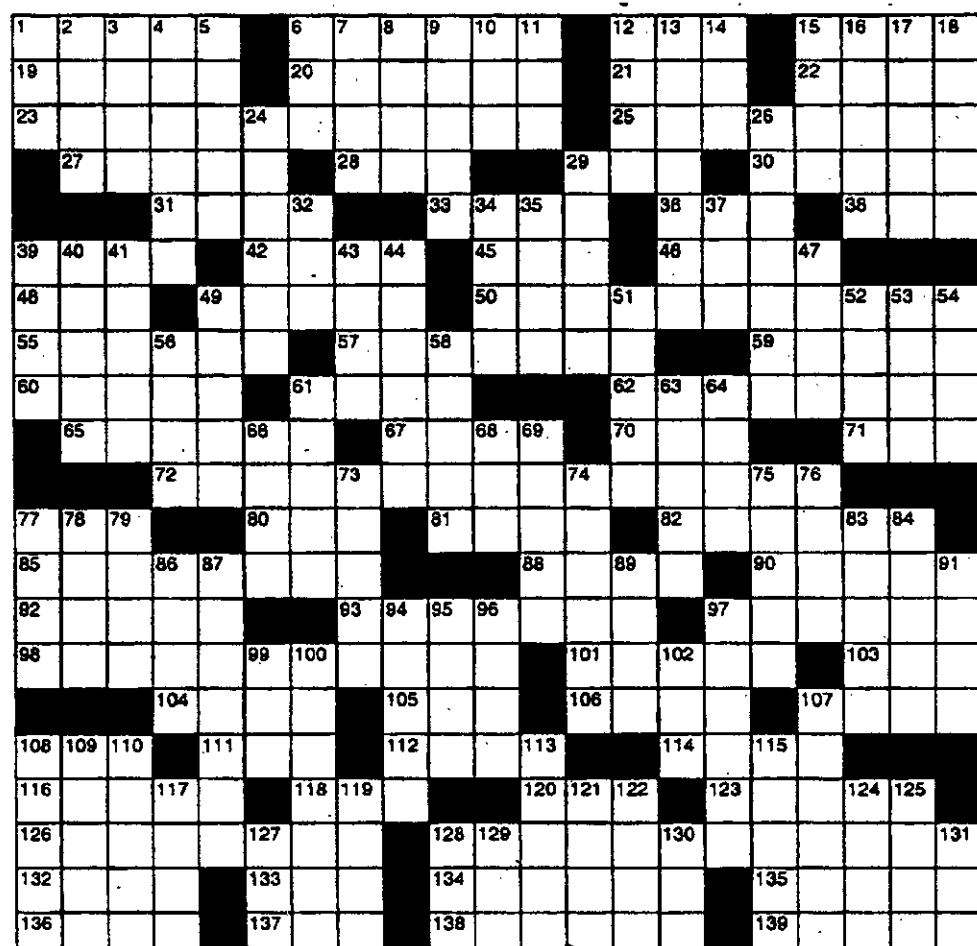
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- 137 The end?
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- 44 Like Hercules
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- 66 "Oh, woe!"
- 68 Vane dir.
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- 73 Moscow's locale
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- 78 Major —
- 79 Boring
- 83 "The Jungle Book" bear
- 84 Bumbling
- 86 Lieutenant
- 87 Like
- 89 Detrimental
- 89 Goofy
- Gomer
- 91 Ages
- 94 Peripheral

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- 96 Sikorsky or Stravinsky
- 97 Kobe robe
- 99 Low digit
- 100 "No, No, Nanette" composer
- 102 Permit
- 107 Franchi or Mendes
- 108 Cole slaw, e.g.
- 109 Originate
- 110 Prepare the
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- 113 "Ready —, here I come!"
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- 130 Baxter or
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The Spotlight CALENDAR

Wed. 11/7
BETHLEHEM

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

OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

Board meetings first Wednesday of each month, open to public. Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 4 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN

Holiday Shopper's Fair at monthly meeting, featuring artisans, crafters, vendors; Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m. \$2 door fee. Information, 439-5120 or 439-7237.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

Days Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

Route 144, Cedar Hill, 7 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

TESTIMONY MEETING

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-2512.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

district office, 90 Adams Place, 8 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Onesquethaw Chapter, 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.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

PRAYER MEETING

evening prayer meeting and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

FAITH TEMPLE

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

AA MEETING

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

Thurs. 11/8
BETHLEHEM
RECOVERY, INC.

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Weekly meeting at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar,

1-2:30 p.m. Information, 465-8732.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 4:30-7 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

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

DELMAR FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m.

ELSMERE FIRE CO. AUXILIARY

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

children's choir, 6:15 p.m., senior choir, 7 p.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

BETHLEHEM MEMORIAL VFW

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

AA MEETINGS

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

Fri. 11/9
BETHLEHEM
Q.U.I.L.T.

Quilters United In Learning Together meeting, lecture by Susan Balch, "Naturescape." New members welcome. First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. Information, 456-0552.

NIGHT WALK AT FIVE RIVERS

Guided walk led by center naturalists to explore the night; dress warmly for outdoors. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 474-0291.

AA MEETING

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

CHABAD CENTER

Friday services, discussion and kiddush at sunset, 109 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

NEW SCOTLAND
PIONEER CLUBS

For children grades 1 through junior high; Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 3:45 - 5 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

Sat. 11/10
BETHLEHEM
AA MEETING

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

Sun. 11/11
BETHLEHEM
WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 439-3135.

Bethlehem Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road, 439-0358.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 439-4328.

Delmar Full Gospel Church, 292 Elsmere Ave., 439-4407.

Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 439-9252.

Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 439-9929.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 439-2512.

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Selkirk, 767-2243.

First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., 439-9976.

Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 436-7710.

King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.

Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510.

Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766.

Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314.

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953.

St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue, Delmar, 439-3265.

St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar, 439-4951.

Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship, 436 Krumkill Road, North Bethlehem, 438-7740.

PROGRAM ON ISLAM

Rev. John Hubers to speak on "Getting To Know Your Muslim Neighbors" at T.G.I. Sunday contemporary worship, 5:30 p.m. Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. Open to all. Information, 439-9929.

NEW SCOTLAND
WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethel Baptist Church, meeting at Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85, 475-9086.

Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.

Family Worship Center, 92 Lower Copeland Hill Road, Feura Bush, 768-2021.

Faith Temple, New Salem, 765-2870.

First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 765-2895.

Jerusalem Reformed Church, Route 32, Feura Bush, 439-0548.

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, Voorheesville, 765-3390.

Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush, 768-2133.

New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 439-6454.

St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 765-2805.

Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.

United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 765-4410.

Mon. 11/12
BETHLEHEM
MOTHERS' TIME OUT

Christian fellowship group for mothers of preschool children, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

DELMAR KIWANIS

Quality Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-2437 or 439-6952.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

Albany County Pistol Club, Winna Place, 7 to 9 p.m. *Also Tuesday.* Information, 439-0057.

EXPLORER POST 157

For boys and girls 14-21, focusing on environmental conservation, 310 Kenwood Ave., 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

rehearsal, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-7749.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

AA MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND
QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. 11/13
BETHLEHEM
TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM THRIFT SHOP

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church 65 Willowbrook Ave., South Bethlehem, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (through Election Day)

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS)

Glenmont Community Church, Weiser Street, 6 p.m. weigh-in, 6:30 p.m. meeting. Information, 449-2210.

ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSION

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

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.

BINGO

at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Route 144, 7:30 p.m.

SLINGERLANDS FIRE COMMISSION

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. 11/14
BETHLEHEM
YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

TOWN BOARD

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

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

DELMAR FIRE COMMISSION

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

NEW SCOTLAND
TOWN COUNCIL

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4889.

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NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB

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AA MEETING

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Sat. 11/17
BETHLEHEM
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Hand crafted seasonal gifts, baked goods; lunch available. Glenmont Community Reformed Church, 1 Chapel Lane at Wiener St., Glenmont, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Information, 436-7710.

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LEGAL NOTICE**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 3356 CARMEN ROAD, LLC**

(Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York)

The undersigned, being natural persons of at least eighteen (18) years of age and acting as the organizers of the Limited Liability Company (the "Company") hereby being formed under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "LLCL"), certify that:

FIRST: The name of the Company is 3356 Carmen Road, LLC.

SECOND: The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.

THIRD: The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany County.

FOURTH: In addition to the events of the dissolution set forth in Section 701 of the LLCL, the latest date on which the Company may dissolve is August 31, 2049.

FIFTH: The Secretary of State is designated as the Agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served. The Post Office address within or without the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon the Secretary of State is c/o Jeremiah F. Manning, 27 Brookman Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054.

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

SEVENTH: A manager shall not be personally liable to the Company or its members for damages for any breach of duty as a manager, except for any matter in respect of which such manager shall be liable by reason that, in addition to any and all other requirements for such liability, there shall have been a judgment or other final adjudication adverse to such manager that establishes that such manager's acts or omissions were in bad faith or involved intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law that such manager personally gained in fact a financial profit or other advantage to which such manager was not legally entitled or that with respect to a distribution the subject of §508 of the LLCL, such manager's act were not performed in accordance with §409 of the LLCL. Neither the amendment nor the repeal of this Article shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this Article in respect to any matter occurring or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for this Article, would accrue or arise, prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption of an inconsistent provision. This Article shall neither eliminate nor limit the liability of a manager for any act or omission occurring prior to the adoption of this Article.

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 27th day of September, 2001.

Muzafer Cecunjanin
126 Cherry Avenue
Delmar, New York 12054
(518)475-7777
Hasan Cecunjanin
131 Cherry Avenue
Delmar, New York 12054
(518)475-7777
(November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of ACC Telecommunications, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 9/27/01. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 1/2/01. 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: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Principal office address of LLC: One North Main St., Coudersport, PA 16915. Copy of Arts. on file with DE Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: telecommunications. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of Application for Authority of Administaff Client Services, L.P., a foreign limited partnership (LP). Auth. filed with Secy of State

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of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/11/01. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/7/01. 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 Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office address of L.P.: 19001 Crescent Springs Dr., Kingwood, TX 77339. Name/address of each general partner available from SSNY. Cert. of LP on file with DE Secy. of State, Corp. Div., 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is B.A. CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on September 26, 2001.

THIRD: The county within New York State in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: B.A. CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC, 4 British American Boulevard, Latham, New York 12110.

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2050, unless said period is further extended by amendment of this Agreement or sooner terminated in accordance with this Agreement.

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity pursuant to Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Law. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BFA GLOBAL ADVISORS LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/22/2001. 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: The LLC, 30 E. 40th Street, Ste. #605, New York, NY 10016. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BLACK DIAMOND SECURITIES LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/03/2001. 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: 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. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

BROWN BEAR HOLDING LLC was filed with the SSNY on 09/28/01. 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. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of CED CAPITAL HOLDINGS XVI, LTD., a foreign limited partnership (LP). Fictitious name in NY State: CED CAPITAL HOLDINGS XVI, LTD. LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/10/2001. LP formed in Florida (FL) on 12/1/1999. 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: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent of LP upon whom process may be served. FL address of LP: 1551 Sandspur Rd.,

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Maitland, FL 32751. Name/address of each general partner available from SSNY. Cert. of LP on file with FL Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., P.O. Box 6327, Tallahassee, FL 32314. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Cingular Wireless Employee Services, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Auth. filed with Secy of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/15/01. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/1/01. 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: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office address of LLC: 5565 Glenridge Connector, Atlanta GA 30342. Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

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

The name of the LLC is CLUB PRO USA, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 4, 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 873 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Comfort Homes, LLC, Art. of Org. filed SSNY 8/17/01. Albany County. SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process: c/o Jan Woodcock, 8 W. Hamilton Pl., Jersey City, NJ 07302. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

CREATIVE DESIGN LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/18/01. 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: 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. (November 7, 2001)

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Creative Resources Broker Services, LLC, App. for Auth. filed SSNY 10/11/01. Albany Co. LLC org. in RI 6/23/98. SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of proc.: Richard M. Spaziano, 250F Centerville Rd., Warwick, RI 02886, the principal office addr. in RI. Art. of Org. on file: SSRI, 100 N. Main St., Providence, RI 02903. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

DILDEN ENTERPRISES LLC was filed with the SSNY on 09/28/01. 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. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of formation of EL MUNDIAL LLC a NYS limited liability company (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 10/03/2001. 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.,

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Albany NY 12207. Purpose: All Lawful Purposes. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

EUROMATEX LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/18/01. 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: 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. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: GI DEVELOPMENT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/26/01. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 30 Trumpeter Place, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF GIO REALTY, LLC

Notice is hereby given of the formation of GIO Realty, LLC, a limited liability company. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State is October 22, 2001. The county in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany. The Secretary of State has been designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address within this state of the limited liability company is 3 Groesbeck Place, Elmsmere, New York 12054. The limited liability company has no specific date of dissolution. The limited liability company is organized for the purpose of carrying on rental real estate activities and for any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York. DeFabio, Tommaney and Legnard, Professional Corporation, attorneys for GIO Realty, LLC, 4 Automation Lane, Albany, New York 12205. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of Greyhawk Gas Storage Company, L.L.C., a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 9/27/01. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 8/15/01. 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: Attn: Falcon Northeast Holdings, L.L.C., c/o Falcon Gas Storage Company, Inc., 1776 Yorktown, Ste. 500, Houston, TX 77056. Office address of LLC in DE: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Harbor Cable Company (New York), LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 9/18/01. 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: c/o Philip Jenks, Esq., 14 Main St., P.O. Box 15, Southborough, MA 01772. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: HARD HATS FOR AMERICA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/10/01. 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: 8 Country Club Drive, Annandale, NJ 08801. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

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Healy Partnerships Limited Partnership, Cert. of LP filed SSNY 8/30/01. Albany Co., SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served & shall mail copy of process: 15 Sandra Sue Dr., Loudonville, NY 12211. Name/addr. of each gen partner available from SSNY. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC

JGH, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on October 19, 2001. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to JGH, LLC, 148 Kent St., Albany, NY 12206. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

As of October 31, 2001, I have been forced from my home due to unsafe conditions, both structural and health hazards. Also, I am no longer responsible for any and all expenses related to Robert J. Kiesel or 3 Bear Hollow Road, Delmar, NY. Judy Kiesel (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE PURSUANT TO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW §206

(1) The name of the Limited Liability Company is: K.O. LLC.

(2) The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on October 19, 2001.

(3) the limited liability company is located in Albany County.

(4) The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the following is the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her: 61 Columbia Street, Suite 210 Albany, New York 12210

(5) The character and/or purpose of the limited liability company is to act as an internet directory by obtaining and distributing information regarding internet providers. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC

Kommit Partners, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on September 26, 2001. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to Kommit Partners, LLC, 150 Montgomery Street, Albany, NY. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. (November 7, 2001)

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

The name of the LLC is LORHOW, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on September 28, 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 29 Joy Drive, Loudonville, New York 12211. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: MARJO, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/11/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail

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a copy of process to the LLC, ATTN: Jeffrey Feinman, 137 Lark Street, P.O. Box 1428, Albany, New York 12201. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: MAX EXPRESS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/25/01. The latest date of dissolution is 01/01/2099. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 566 Broadway, Menands, New York 12204. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

MIRA TRADING LLC was filed with SSNY on 09/19/2001. 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: 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. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

MOVING TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/30/2001. 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: 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. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NORTH SIDE STUDIOS, LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/30/01. 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: The LLC, 543 Bedford Avenue, PMD 299, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Oakwood Terrace Apartments LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 9/19/01. 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: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Purpose: solely to own, operate, manage, and lease the Oakwood Terrace Apartments, in the Village of Elmira Heights, Chemung County, New York and activities incidental thereto. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of Application for Authority of Parros Consulting Group, L.L.C., a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/31/2001. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 12/22/1998. 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 the principal office address of LLC: 3106 Sumner Tapps Highway East, Suite A, Sumner, WA 98390. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 3, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)



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Notice of Qualification of PCP Acquisitions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/26/01. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/22/01. 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: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: c/o Investcorp, 280 Park Ave., 36 W NY, NY 10017. Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

**NOTICE CONTAINING
SUBSTANCE OF
APPLICATION FOR
AUTHORITY**

PRA III, LLC
Date of Filing Application of Authority with Secretary of State is October 1, 2001.
The State of organization of the Limited Liability Company is Virginia, and the date of organization is June 12, 2001.
County in Which Office of Limited Liability Company is Albany.
The Secretary of State has been designated as agent for service of process where service against the Limited Liability Company may be served. The post office address where the Secretary of State shall mail the service of process served is c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 440 9th Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10001.
The address of the office required to be maintained in the domestic jurisdiction is 120 Corporate Blvd., Suite 100, Norfolk, VA 23502.
The name and address of the authorized official in the jurisdiction where the Certificate of Organization is filed is: State Corporation Commission, Clerk's Office, PO Box 1197, Richmond, VA 23218.
The business purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to purchase defaulted Consumer debt. The name and Address of the registered agent of the Limited Liability Company where service against the Limited Liability Company may be served is National Registered Agents, Inc., 440 9th Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10001.
(November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

RBR PATTEN LLC
1. The name of the limited liability company is RBR PATTEN LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization

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creating the limited liability company were filed in the Office of the New York Secretary of State on September 17, 2001 and became effective on said date.
3. The principal office of the limited liability company is in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any copy of process against it is RBR PATTEN LLC, 4 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12005.
5. The purpose of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.
Dated: September 26, 2001
COOPER, ERVING, SAVAGE, NOLAN & HELLER, LLP
Attorneys for RBR PATTEN LLC
39 North Pearl Street
Albany, New York 12207
(November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

REITOL INTERNATIONAL LLC was filed with the SSNY on 09/28/01. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it 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. (November 7, 2001)

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Riverfront Café, LLC filed SSNY 9/21/01. Albany Co., SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served & shall mail any process against the LLC: 330 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 7, 2001)

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ROUTE 9W ASSOCIATES, LLC. Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on October 24, 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.

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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.
(November 7, 2001)

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Notice of Application for Authority of SANDSPUR HOUSING PARTNERS, LTD., a foreign limited partnership (LP). Fictitious name in NY State: SANDSPUR HOUSING PARTNERS, LTD. LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/2/2001. LP organized in Florida (FL) on 9/30/1998. 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: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Office address of LP in FL: 1551 Sandspur Rd., Maitland, FL 32751. Name/address of each general partner available from SSNY. Copy of Cert. of LP on file with FL Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., P.O. Box 6327, Tallahassee, FL 32314. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

SHIELDLINE IMPORT & EXPORT LLC was filed with SSNY on 08/08/2001. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it 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. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

SOMERSALT LLC was filed with SSNY on 08/03/2001. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it 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. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of Application for Authority

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of The Harbour Group, L.L.C., a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/18/2001. LLC formed in Virginia (VA) on 8/23/1995. 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., 6th Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Office address of LLC in VA: 1800 Michael Faraday Dr., Ste. 201, Reston, VA 20171. Arts. of Org. on file with VA Secy. of State, State Corp. Commission, P.O. Box 1197, Richmond, VA 23209. Purpose: to provide insurance products and services for students. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of Application for Authority of Thermo Process Instruments, L.P., a foreign limited partnership (LP). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 9/27/01. LP organized in Texas (TX) on 7/24/01. 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, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Office address of LP in TX: 9303 W. Sam Houston Pkwy., S. Houston, TX 77099. Name/address of each general partner available from SSNY. Cert. of LP on file with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos St., Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: sales and service of process measurement instrumentation. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC

United Laboratory Network IPA, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the New York Secretary of State on September 25, 2001. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to Capital Health Network, LLC, 125 Wolf Road, Albany, New York 12205. Its business purposes are to arrange for the delivery or provision of clinical laboratory services by contract with one or more health maintenance organizations and to engage in any lawful activity incidental to accomplishing its primary purpose. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of Application for Authority of Verizon Wireless Network Procurement LP, a foreign limited partnership (LP). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/30/01. LP organized in Delaware (DE) on 8/17/01. 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 Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent of LP upon whom process may be served. Office address of LP in DE: 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Name/address of each general partner available from SSNY. Copy of Cert. of LP on file with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, will hold a public hearing on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2001, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, at 7:30 p.m., to take action on the application of Woodrow Beauregard, Jr., 305 S. Railroad Ave., Dillon, Montana, for approval by said Planning Board of a ONE lot subdivision of an 8 +/- acre parcel located on the northerly side of Forest Hill Rd., rear of lots fronting on Daniel St., Thorndale Rd., Gullane Dr. and Forest Hill Rd., as shown on map entitled "Proposed Subdivision Ext. 5, Lands of Woodrow J. Beauregard, Jr., Gullane Drive, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York", dated June 22, 2001, revised to 9/14/01 and made by Edward W. Boutelle & Son, Delmar, NY. Douglas Hasbrouck Chairman, Planning Board
NOTE: Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate in the public hearing should contact Parks & Recreation at 439-4131. Advance notice is requested. (November 7, 2001)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Wealth Strategies Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/28/01. Office location: Albany County.

LEGAL NOTICE

SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Daniel L. Kramer, 1044 New Loudon Rd., Cohoes, NY 12047, registered agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of WHITEHOUSE POST PRODUCTIONS, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/17/01. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/7/00. 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. Principal office address of LLC: 54 W. Hubbard St., Chicago, IL 60610. Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (November 7, 2001)

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Notice of registered limited liability partnership ("LLP"). Name: Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP. Registration filed with sec. of state of NY ("SOS") on 10/16/01. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLP for service of process. SOS to mail copy of process to the LLP, 1 Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: Practice of Law. (November 7, 2001)

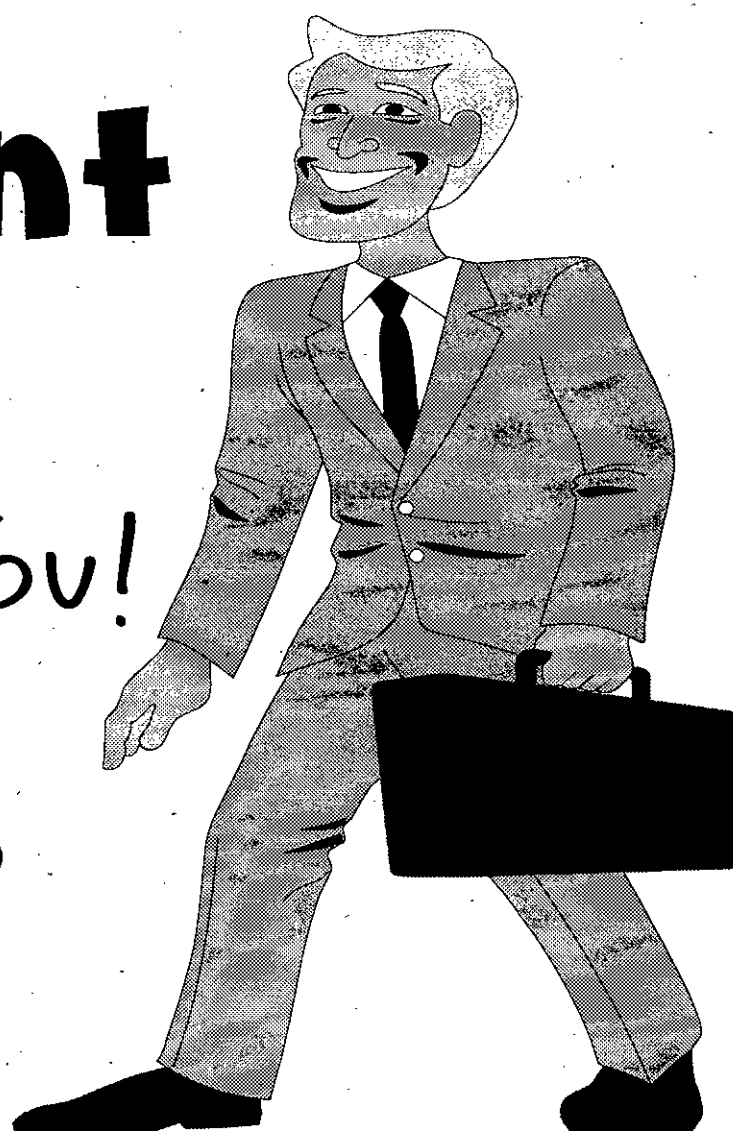
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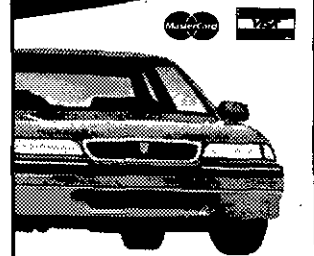
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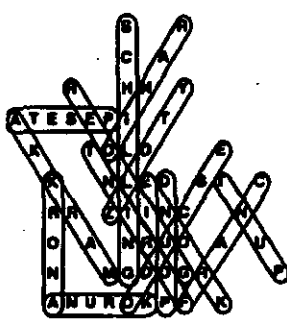
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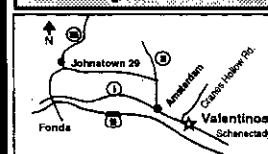
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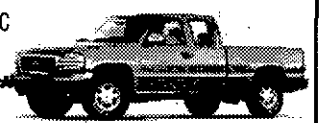
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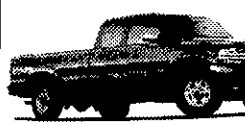
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partners with Viviano to dance a mean electric slide. He'll take a magic marker in his teeth and create Pollock-like art on a sketch pad held for him by his trainer. He has learned how to flip a hula hoop up over his head and around his neck.

Crackers is also training for a two-sport career. He recently learned to kick a football — a little two-yard squibber less impressive for its gridiron potential than for its demonstration of a tough thing to teach a horse: a forward kick

rather than the more natural backward motion.

In fact, all of Crackers' game-playing skills serve a more meaningful purpose, according to Kurland. The Delmar-based trainer and published author is an exponent of "clicker" training — a technique based on long-established dolphin-training techniques that is now used for educating animal behaviors from performing pets to seeing-eye dogs (and a seeing-eye Shetland pony Kurland is now training at Double V Stables).

"Everybody, even if they don't know what clicker training is, they've seen it in action," said Kurland. Most movie and

television stunt animals nowadays, she said, are clicker-trained.

The method combines a series of aural cues, clicks, with the required behaviors, reinforced with a reward when correctly performed. In applying the training method to horses, she said, "We generally start with just basic good citizen stuff — training a horse so that it's well behaved, that it leads well, that it will stand politely while being bridled. It starts with just making good citizens of horses."

Good citizenship is a prerequisite for a show-horse career, and Crackers began clicker training when some of his

skittishness stood in the way of performing on cue. "When you'd go to lead him, he'd go where he wanted to," Viviano said. "If he saw a patch of grass, he'd literally drag you over to it," in search of a snack. Training taught him to mind his manners.

But with a clever horse like Crackers it's just an electric slide step from teaching genteel behavior, like picking up his bridle and handing it to his trainer, to more novel stunts.

"That's the thing about tricks," said Kurland. "A horse doesn't know the difference between performance behaviors and what we would call trick behaviors. He doesn't distinguish between picking up his hoof so it can be cleaned and sticking a ball through a hoop."

Crackers' complex feats of dexterity are built a step at a time. "We took all the simple things first, then added the bells and whistles," Viviano said. Some skills require overcoming basic horse habits and bugaboos, like kicking backward, or the fear of an unknown object around its feet.

The latter is the key to Crackers' hoops dreams. Normally skittish about the prospect of a ball rolled toward his hooves, he was trained to pick it up in his teeth. Then Viviano taught him to place it in a basket he held, and transferred the skill to a kiddie

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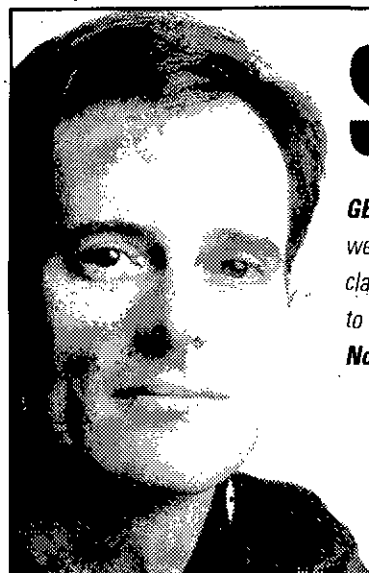
"You can get really creative with these things," Kurland said. "The sky is the limit with respect to training a horse." And Crackers has proven an apt pupil. "With a clicker-wise horse, it's so fast, it literally takes just minutes," she said.

Crackers' antics are the equine equivalent of shuffleboard — a retirement reward for a lifetime as a dressage champion. "We showed him from about '89 to just two years ago," Viviano said. "We decided after we'd got all we could get out of jumping, all the trophies and ribbons, that we'd just retire and play games."

When a fellow clicker trainer told Viviano of Letterman booker Darren Demeterio's August visit to the region looking for acts, he, and Crackers jumped at a chance for broader celebrity.

They're due in New York City Thursday at 10 a.m., with taping of the "Late Show" scheduled for 5:30 at Letterman's theater on the West Side. "That's the only thing I'm not looking forward to," said Viviano. "Sitting in a horse trailer all day."

He's less apprehensive about the taping itself, although he's uncertain how Crackers will respond to the noise and lights and the tight confines of the studio. "I don't think they realize the size of a horse like Crackers on that little stage," Viviano said.



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