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Sam and David Caso chase down insects at the Five Rivers Fall Festival last Saturday.

Jim Franco

V'ville fire company to host convention

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Company will celebrate its centennial this week with parades, public carnivals and ceremonies as it hosts an annual gathering of volunteer fire companies throughout Albany County.

Nearly 700 members and auxiliaries of almost 40 fire companies, including several guest companies from as far away as Fort Edward, are expected to attend the 26th annual Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention in Voorheesville, whose volunteer company last hosted the event in 1994.

"For us, it's a lot of hard work on our 100th anniversary," said first assistant chief John Hensel, general chairman of the organizing committee. "But it's something we're very proud of. It's something that brings us together for a lot of camaraderie. We're not a busy

company as emergency calls go, so this is important as something that brings us together."

The festivities kick off tonight, Sept. 18, with a dinner and business meeting of the auxiliaries association, followed by another for fire company members Thursday, both held at Picard's Grove.

Public events get under way Friday with the Firemen's Mardi Gras parade stepping off at 6:30 p.m. near Circle Drive in the Scotch Pine neighborhood. A procession of informal floats from an expected 15 companies will march up Route 85A to Route 156, ending at the Voorheesville firehouse.

A more formal uniformed march involving all of the participating companies and their apparatus, including antique fire equipment, steps off along the same route at 1 p.m. Saturday. The line of march will include the Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School band, invited guests of the host company, as well as more than a dozen other bands, bugle corps and fife-and-drum units invited by various participating companies. Numerous dignitaries and public figures from the county have been invited to participate in the parade's escort division.

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Caring kids to walk for diabetes cure

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

More than 1 million Americans have juvenile diabetes, also called Type 1 diabetes, the autoimmune destruction of the insulin-producing cells in the pancreas.

It strikes children suddenly, makes them insulin dependent for life and carries with it the threat of complications like kidney failure, blindness, amputation — and a lifespan shortened by 15 years. Its warning signs include excessive thirst, frequent urination, abnormal hunger, sudden weight loss, blurred vision and unexpected weakness or fatigue.

On Sunday, Sept. 29, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation will be sponsoring a walk-a-thon to help raise money to fund research to combat juvenile diabetes. For the fourth year in a row, 16-year-old Tim Carey and his family will captain the Bethlehem Cares team, giving their home community a chance to walk together to fight the disease that he has lived with since he was 4 years old.

"When we first walked, we had a family team of six to eight people," Tim's father Ed Carey said of how the Bethlehem Cares team evolved. "We raised about \$3,000. We kept seeing other people from Bethlehem and thought it



Emily Bianchine, Jeff Bianchine and Michael Deitz drew the picture for the T-shirts promoting this year's walk to benefit juvenile diabetes research.

would be good to band together."

Last year, more than 150 people walked on the Bethlehem Cares team and raised about \$22,000. This year, the Careys are hoping for 200 walkers, and even more donations. Anyone who raises \$25 gets a Bethlehem Cares T-shirt, and people who

raise \$75 get a T-shirt from JDRE.

Those who raise more than \$100 will have their name entered for a drawing of prizes donated by Bethlehem merchants.

In addition, the Careys have recruited corporate sponsors, whose names or logos go on the back of the shirt. For \$100, local businesses can be a sponsor; a presenting sponsor who donates \$500 gets a spot on the front of the shirt. This year's shirt is designed by Emily and Jeff Bianchine and Michael Deitz.

"Apart from being a good event, it's a really fun morning," Ed Carey said. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m., and walkers step off at 11 a.m. The 5-kilometer (3.1 miles) walk takes place at Albany's Corporate Woods, which is closed to traffic.

"There will be coffee, juice, a disc jockey and clowns before the walk," Ed Carey said. "Afterward, there will be live jazz bands, a free lunch and activities for kids."

He said it's heartening to see so many people from the community

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Stewart's impact concerns residents

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

A proposal by the Stewart's Corp. to build a convenience store and gasoline island — currently undergoing parallel reviews by New Scotland's zoning and planning boards — on Route 85 has run into opposition from residents and the owners of several nearby businesses, concerned about its impact on the surrounding area's rural character.

The planning board, which got its first look at the proposal on Aug. 6, opened a public hearing on Sept. 3 to consider a special use permit for the gasoline operation and to begin site plan review of the project at 1396 New Scotland Road, less than a quarter mile from the intersection of routes 85 and 85A.

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Police arrest seven on DWI charges

Bethlehem police arrested seven individuals last week on charges of driving while intoxicated (DWI).

Michael David Murray, 40, of 215 Cedar Grove Road, Selkirk, was arrested shortly before midnight on Friday, Sept. 6, when Officer George Travis investigated a call about a man seen slumped over his steering wheel at a red light at the intersection of Bridge Street and Route 9W.

According to police, Murray was asleep behind the wheel. After administering field sobriety tests, Travis arrested Murray for DWI. Murray is scheduled to appear in Town Court on Oct. 1.

At 11:30 p.m. Sept. 7, Travis arrested Robert Bruce Payne, 56, of 110 Clapper Road, Selkirk, for DWI on 9W near Maple Avenue. When a northbound vehicle failed to dim its headlights, Travis followed it and stopped it after observing it swerve across center and shoulder lines. Payne is due in court Oct. 1.

Shortly after 2 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8, Officer James Rexford

spotted a southbound vehicle on River Road near the PSEG plant crossing over shoulder markings on the road. Rexford arrested Thomas Robert Dolan III of 221 Tompkins Road, Ravena, for DWI and crossing hazard markings.

Officer Francis Muller made two DWI arrests later the same day on Route 9W. Kenneth Wilke, 33, of 148 Old Ravena Road, Selkirk, was arrested shortly after 3:30 p.m. after Muller stopped him for a seatbelt violation. Wilke was also charged with a felony count of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and several other violations after a license check disclosed a revoked license stemming from three prior drunken-driving convictions.

Also arrested was Herbert James Lincoln, 46, of 828-A Elm Avenue, Selkirk, shortly before 7:30 p.m., after an Albany motorist reported an accident involving Lincoln's vehicle near Thruway Exit 23. Lincoln was charged after undergoing field sobriety and preliminary screening tests.

Another accident-related

arrest occurred at the intersection of Cottage Lane and Route 9W shortly after 3 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 9. Richard John Basley, 53, of Meilak's Trailer Park in Selkirk, was transported to Albany Medical Center Hospital for treatment of minor injuries in the crash, and blood was drawn at the hospital in evidence. Officer Scott Anson also administered sobriety tests and arrested Basley for DWI and ticketed him for failure to yield right-of-way.

Wilke, Lincoln and Basley were ordered to appear in Town Court on Sept. 17.

Another DWI arrest occurred about 1 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 13, when Officer Craig Sleurs stopped a vehicle on Cherry Avenue. He arrested James Francis Jordan, 48, of 9 South Main St., Voorheesville, for speeding. Sleurs administered field sobriety tests and then arrested Jordan, who was also ticketed for failure to keep right. Jordan is due in Town Court Oct. 1.

Cops nab suspects in 'staged' robbery

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Bethlehem police have arrested two men involved in a reported armed robbery at Stewart's on 309 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Bethlehem police spokesman Sgt. Thomas Heffernan said Jason C. Deitz, 26, of 60 Watervliet Ave, Albany, and David F. Nelson, 33, of 10 Hallwood Road, Delmar, have been charged in the Sept. 12 robbery.

Heffernan said Deitz, the store employee, and Nelson staged the robbery.

Deitz and Nelson were arraigned in Town Court by Town Justice Frank Milano and sent to Albany County jail without bail. The two are due to return to Town Court Oct. 1.

On Sept. 12, a passerby at the Stewart's reported shortly after 5 a.m. seeing an employee of the store bound and on the floor inside. The employee, freed by police responding at the scene, said that as he opened the store at about 4:30 a.m. a man — described as about 5'7" wearing a white, long-sleeved shirt, stone washed jeans, white sneakers, with what appeared to be a small duffel bag pulled over his head to

hide his features — had grabbed him from behind and forced him into the store. Like the Cumberland Farms episode, he similarly demanded access to the store's safe and displayed an unidentified black handgun, with which he threatened the store worker.

Police are continuing to investigate another incident that occurred at about 5:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 5. An employee of the Cumberland Farms store at 430 Route 9W, across from Glenmont Plaza, reported that a masked male dressed in dark pants, a tan-colored sweatshirt and black gloves, approached her as she was opening the store and showed her inside.

Displaying a weapon, he demanded access to the store's safe and drop box, and the employee complied. The robber then demanded that she fill a bag with an unknown amount of cash, reportedly in excess of \$15,000, and then ordered her into a bathroom in the store.

The robber also took several other items from the store, including a cordless phone and cigarettes, before departing out the store's back door and fleeing on foot. Police detectives remain uncertain if the man acted alone.

Church to offer classes

First United Methodist Church on 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar will offer several classes for parents beginning on Sunday, Sept. 22, with "Sharing Your Faith with Your Child."

"Teaching Your Child to Pray" will be offered on Sunday, Sept.

29, and "Unplug the Christmas Machine" is scheduled for Oct. 20.

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Bethlehem Officer Jeffrey Vunck holds the flag as he observes a moment of silence with Officer Robert Helligrass following a ceremony commemorating the loss of life on Sept. 11. *John McIntyre*

BC grad wins award in congressional arts competition

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

If you visit the nation's capital between now and next May, you'll be able to see a little bit of home. Glenmont native Jessica Menrath, a 2002 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, was the winner of "An Artistic Discovery 2002," the annual Congressional Arts Competition, for New York's 21st Congressional District.

Menrath's pencil drawing, "Flight Through the Forest," will be among the works selected from 300 Congressional districts. The exhibit will be on display in the Capitol's Cannon Tunnel until next May.

"Each school can only put in one piece," Menrath explained, "and my art teacher, Mr. George Dirolf, suggested I enter."

Menrath had been working on "Flight Through the Forest" as an illustration for a story she was writing and chose it for the contest.

"It depicts an ominous night scene," Menrath explained. "There's a woman in a cape, with a baby in her arms. I thought it was one of my more powerful pieces."

Menrath said she was surprised to be one of the winners and had her first glimpse of the other pieces when she attended a ceremony for all the winners in Washington this summer.

"We had a group shot of all the winners in front of the Capitol," Menrath said. "There were people from all over the United States, the Virgin Islands and even Guam. It was very inspiring. The artwork was tremendous, and I was thrilled to see where my picture is hanging."

Menrath said it was an honor to know that "Flight Through the Forest" will be on display in a place where the nation's leaders pass every day. Southwest Airlines provided two free tickets to Washington, D.C., and Menrath also won four free tickets to SPAC.

One place that Menrath applied her artistic talents while



U.S. Rep. Michael McNulty congratulates Jessica Menrath.

at BC was in the theater productions. She worked on sets for "Into the Woods" and was the head set designer on last year's production of "Crazy for You." A writer as well, Menrath was involved with the high school's literary magazine, "The Thinking Reed."

Menrath is a freshman at RPI now, where her love for art continues. "I came to RPI to study architecture," she said, "but I've moved to the electronic arts program."

Electronic arts is a new program that combines drawing with computers, she explained.

Even as she combines her talent with modern technology, Menrath remains fond of the medium that won her the Congressional Arts Competition — pencil.

"I do a lot of pencil," Menrath said. "I like it best. It gives me a lot of control, and I can get fine detail. I like the shading, the tone and the way that light is used."

To arrange to view "Flight Through the Forest" while it is in Washington, contact Rep. Michael McNulty, D-Green Island, in Washington at (202) 225-5076 or in Albany at 465-0700.

Bethlehem Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller said she hopes to display Menrath's work at Town Hall when it returns from Washington.

Brooks captures Independence line

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Independence Party primaries in Bethlehem and New Scotland produced several local results to accompany R. Thomas Golisano's victory in the statewide gubernatorial primary, despite very light turnout on Sept. 10.

Party member M. Tracey Brooks, who will run on the Democratic line against

incumbent Pat Casale, R-Schaghticoke, in November, rolled up a comfortable victory in the 108th Assembly district — and Bethlehem voters were a large part of her margin of victory.

According to the county Board of Elections, Brooks garnered a more than 2-1 margin, 179 to 68, in the Albany County towns of Bethlehem and Coeymans included in the newly redrawn district.

Brooks' tally was similar in the portions of Columbia (32-16) and Greene (15-5) now rolled into Casale's district.

Only in the surviving portion of his old district in Rensselaer County was the margin close, with Casale holding a slim 43-42 edge.

Though he lost the Independence line, Casale will carry the Right-to-Life and Conservative lines in addition to the GOP line

in a district where more than half of the voters are first-time constituents of Casale's.

In the 104th district, which includes New Scotland, Guilderland, the Hilltowns and portions of Albany, Democratic incumbent John McEneny will carry the Independence line after turning back a challenge from Republican nominee Kerry Murphy 113-53 in preliminary districtwide figures.

In two other primaries affecting the campaign in the 104th district, Josh Lieberman secured the Green Party line, and Robert Truax of Guilderland received the sole write-in vote for the Right-to-Life line.

Two Conservative Party races were on the New Scotland ballot on primary day to elect county committeemen in the third and sixth districts, but no votes were recorded in either race, despite seven candidates on the ballot.

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Anniversary triggers nation's, family's sorrow

Did you notice the wind last Wednesday, as our nation marked the first anniversary of its saddest day? Finally ushering in fall weather, the wind's persistence emphasized the importance of the day.

"Strong winds are a sign of ghosts," 10-year-old Cormac told me at breakfast, snuggled into his red fleece robe for the first time this autumn. "And do you know what day this is? What better day would there be for ghosts?"

A mourner at ground zero mentioned it, too, as the wind whipped dirt around the people sobbing, reading names and building impromptu memorials to their loved ones.

"The spirits are restless," a newscaster on some of the endless coverage quoted her as saying.

In Shanksville, Pa., President Bush lifted his face to the sky for a minute, the breeze blowing across his features. As he and Laura Bush moved quietly through the crowd, shaking hands with those remembering their loved ones, did they feel the spirits of those taken from us far too soon? It was nearly a comfort,

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on a day that will always mean so much — and so many different things — to all of us.

Creaking trees, dead branches finally shaken loose from their perches high in our backyard maple and the first autumn leaves falling to the ground felt like physical manifestations of the people who died one year ago.

Then, our tears fell in horror and shock. This year, they ran a gamut of emotions. The horror will always be there, and for me, anger came for the first time at the people who would deliberately lay waste to so much life. Watching television on Sept. 11 was like watching a sea of grief, to see faces still wrenched in loss; hands still clutching photographs of sons, brothers, fathers, mothers and daughters. The wellspring of tears this nation will shed in its living rooms, in its public parks

and on its Capitol steps seems never-ending.

Some of us choose to grieve, and as one friend put it while waiting to pick up her child after school, it felt like a privilege to just watch and not have actually lost anyone a year ago.

We all reacted differently; some of us left the TV off, and to some of us, it felt disloyal not to join in some way the ceremonies honoring the dead. Wisely, many of the broadcasters let silence be the order of the day; when it wasn't, the mute button let the unnecessary words go away.

There can be a great amount of soothing and comfort in silence. A few minutes of peace, after the television has gone off to let the images of the day settle in our brain. The quiet of the household routine — silverware softly clanking as it is returned to its place in the drawer, a washing machine chugging along with a load of the family's clothing — offers the reassuring sounds of a normal family life continuing.

Raising children, though, means a limited amount of silence, and the family dinner of appreciation I'd planned devolved

rapidly. Sept. 11 is still an event our children need to sort out; for two boys, it's mostly about seeking revenge, and the passion with which they'd like to retaliate against Osama bin Laden is nearly frightening. There's some fear in this day; perhaps anticipating more than ghosts, Cormac's first after-school question was if anything had happened.

Eating dinner at the dining room table on a weeknight didn't offer them the hope or comfort it provided Chris and me. It unnerved them a little bit, and combined with the sadness on their parent's faces and the transition into the school year, dinner wasn't one of the sometimes-wonderful meals we have together, where conversation ranges from the advent of the mercantile system 500 years ago to shared family jokes to plans for the next group sleepover at our house. Instead, there was silly prattle about television shows and that indecipherable pre-teen mumbling noise in response to questions about seventh grade.

It may have been frustrating, but it wasn't so important. If we as adults can barely make sense of Sept. 11; how can we expect our children to? We may also have been projecting our own sadness onto our children, who are too young to be as affected as we were by those tragedies. Their

world is much more immediate than ours, and it seemed like the plates were barely cleared from the table and we were moving toward the year's first homework fits. Somehow, though, it was all comforting, that we were lucky enough to just move forward in our own routines. Coercing a child into sitting down and doing his math packet is a walk in the park compared to the job that some parents have of trying to explain why mommy or daddy won't ever come home again.

So much of what we do as parents requires a belief in delayed gratification — ours as much as our children's. They may not remember why we gathered at the dining room table on Sept. 11, but hopefully, they will remember that on a regular weekday, we all took the time to be together.

That's what our nation did again on Sept. 11, as we gathered to mourn our dead and determine how to move forward. We will continue with safety measures, hope to end terrorism before it begins and in our homes, rejoice in the time that we have together, whether it's over a lovely dinner or struggling over fractions. If those of us remaining can savor our time together and pause to feel the breezes that glide across our faces, then, truly, those gone from this earth shall not have died in vain.

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Day of remembrance



Delmar Fire District members Bill Wright, chairman of the board of supervisors, David Bastiani, assistant chief, Merideth Bastiani, firefighter/EMT, and Paul Woodin, past chief, return to the firehouse from a flag raising ceremony at Bethlehem Central Middle School on Sept 11. Photo at top right shows Delmar Postmaster Thomas Porcaro reading a proclamation on the one-year anniversary of 9/11 as postal employees look on.

Photos by John McIntyre

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Progress Club sets meeting dates

The Delmar Progress Club has announced the following meetings for September and October.

- The Community Service group will meet in the Bethlehem Public Library community room on Thursday, Sept. 26, at 1 p.m.
- The Creative Arts group will car pool to Chatham on Oct. 2. The group will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the town hall parking lot.
- On Monday, Oct. 7, there will be a general meeting at 10 a.m. in the library community room.
- The Literature Group will meet in the community room at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8, for a discussion of *Saratoga Sojourn* by Allison Bennett.
- On Thursday, Oct. 10, the club Travel Group will meet in the library community room at 2 p.m. for a program on Lake Tahoe and Yellowstone Park.
- The fall banquet will be on Oct. 16 at 5:30 p.m. at the Crossgates Banquet House on Washington Avenue Extension in Albany.

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Matters of Opinion

Fight blight

Edie Abrams raises some significant questions about siting businesses without any apparent concern for aesthetics. She is urging residents who share her concerns in New Scotland to contact town officials in the hopes of getting new businesses to be good neighbors before the shovel hits the ground.

Routes 85 and 85A are for the most part scenic, and Abrams wants to keep it that way. We agree.

To get an idea about how that can be accomplished, consider Manchester, Vt.

Manchester is a very attractive place, in spite of the fact that it is home to many outlets. Stores — even convenience stores and gas stations like Stewart's, who wants to build here — fit in with the overall charm of Manchester. Garish signs are nowhere to be found. There are no eyesores, and everything blends in with the New England landscape.

Why can't Manchester on a far smaller scale happen here? It's really up to the various town boards, who can take a strong stance on the way things look. That's exactly what Bethlehem did before approving the Slingerland's Price Chopper, which is set back and more subdued than most of the chain's stores. And again when the Bethlehem board insisted that Boston Market not sport plastic (ugly) awnings and other modifications to the overall design of the building.

Sure, businesses are going to kick up a fuss, but if they really want to come to New Scotland, they'll eventually come around to what the town says it will tolerate. Allowing second-rate outdated designs and large, offensive signs is an eyesore waiting to happen — and one that will rob New Scotland of some of its charm.

We've all seen the effects of business blight — consider Route 9 in Latham for one — that grew into a mishmash of commercial and asphalt sprawl.

New Scotland has a chance to avert that by taking a strong stance on what it will and won't permit within its borders.

Edie Abrams has clearly done her homework, and she has concrete suggestions as to what might be done to preserve the town's rural character. We think the board owes its citizens the same consideration of what will be acceptable for new business neighbors.

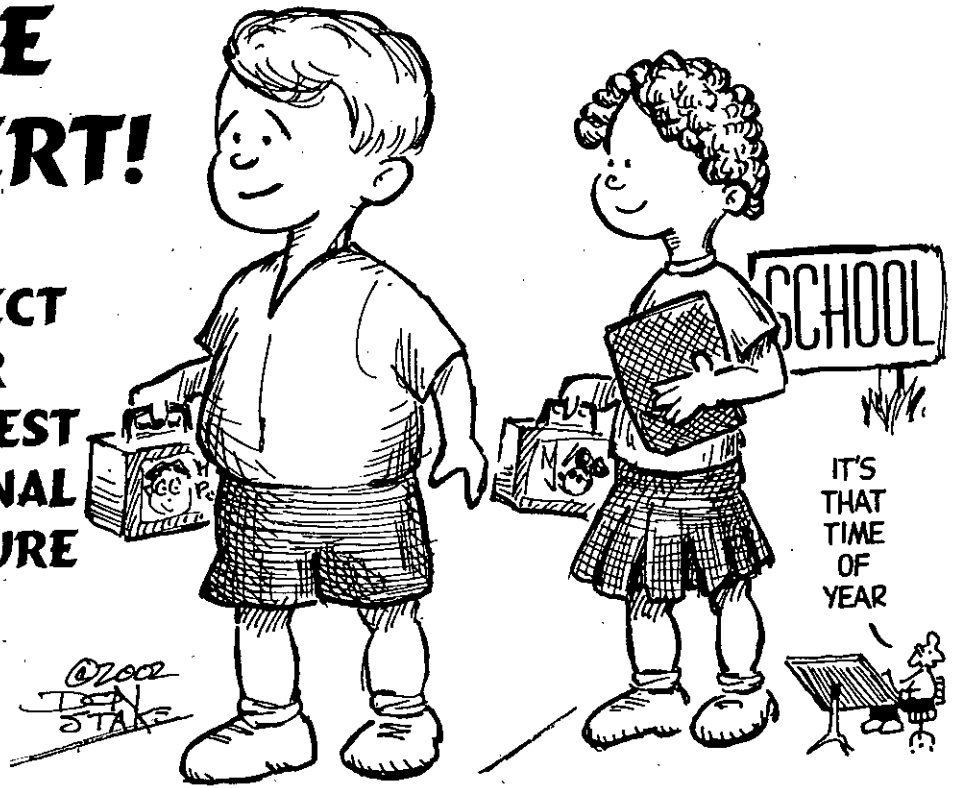
There's really a great deal at stake. If the town chooses not to impose some aesthetic guidelines, then it will suffer the consequences over time.

If businesses are allowed to encroach upon the town's overall character, New Scotland will lose its character and likely never regain it.

Editorials

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NY fares well in economic study

By KEVIN BRONNER

The writer is a Colonie town board member.

Much has been said over the past few years about the condition of the economy in New York state. Some say the economy is doing fine, while others say it is lagging behind.

I examined some interesting statistics that were compiled by "Governing Magazine" in its State and Local Source Book for 2002. A fair reading of the data for New York state shows that the state is making gains in its economic status.

Some background is necessary. It is clear that New York state suffered some intense economic losses in the 1970s. New York City and some state entities were in a default position, and many thousand manufacturing jobs were lost.

The situation stabilized in the 1980s, but by the early 1990s to

mid-1990s, New York state was in trouble again.

There had been many economic gains in recent years, but the events of Sept. 11, 2001, and the national economic recession had some negative effects on our state.

Despite these problems, New York state has done a good job in 2001 and in 2002 in managing its finances and the economy. The bond ratings of New York state have not been changed, while one of our large neighbors, the state of New Jersey, suffered a bond-rating decline in 2002.

If we examine the statistics developed by "Governing Magazine" to study the momentum of the economies in the various states, they reveal the clear fact that New York state is doing well in managing its economy.

"Governing Magazine" has created an Index of State Economic Momentum to show how each state is doing across the United States. The index uses three factors including the most recent one-year change in employment, the change in personal income and population to measure the relative strength of the economy.

I examined the data to see how New York state is doing. Currently, New York state ranks No. 15 on the index. This is a vast improvement from where New York stood in 1998, when it was ranked No. 34. "Governing" uses a measure from 1998 to 2001 to show whether individual states are improving or receding in terms of economic momentum.

From 1998 to 2001, New York state moved up 19 spots in the ranking. This equates to a 56 percent improvement in New York's standing among the various states.

I examined the change in economic momentum for all 50 states and found that only four states, all relatively small in size, improved their ranking in the

index more than New York. These were Hawaii (+21), Maryland (+21), Oklahoma (+27) and Wyoming (+34).

The statistics also can be viewed from a regional perspective. A relevant comparison is to view large states that border New York to see how they are doing. The commonwealth of Pennsylvania increased by 12 percent, while Massachusetts declined by 42 percent and New Jersey increased by 46 percent. New York's relative increase of 56 percent was higher than any of the large states that border New York.

The data can also be viewed by looking at large states across the country to see how New York is faring compared to them. If you examine the average growth in state economic momentum for the 10 largest states excluding New York, five states had negative or zero growth, and the remaining five grew at an average of 41 percent.

New York state, with a 56 percent improvement, grew faster than any of the large states.

The comparison states and their relative scores were California (+40 percent), Florida (+50 percent), Illinois (negative), Massachusetts (negative), Michigan (negative), New Jersey (+46 percent), Ohio (negative), Pennsylvania (+42 percent), Texas (no change) and Virginia (+55 percent).

New York's rank among the 11 largest states also improved. In 1998, New York ranked No. 8 of the 11-member group. In 2001, New York moved up to No. 6 in the group. It is clear, therefore, that New York is making much progress in terms of economic development.

To view the data, go to www.governing.com/source.htm or the State Economic Momentum Index on page 6 of "Governing Magazine's" State and Local Source Book for 2002.

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Matters of Opinion

Campaign literature misstated vote on bill

Editor, The Spotlight:

I recently received a mailing from Assemblyman Pat Casale, pronouncing himself to be "leading the fight against breast cancer."

As a breast cancer survivor, I read carefully through his list of purported achievements and stopped short at the assertion that he supported Assembly Bill A.2006, which required insurance coverage for yearly mammograms for women 40 years of age and over. I followed the progress of that bill closely, and remembered that not only did Assemblyman Casale not support the bill, he vociferously opposed it.

I called the assemblyman's office for clarification. The staff person who answered the phone admitted that the information contained in the mailing was inaccurate and acknowledged that Pat Casale had in fact voted against the bill.

I then spoke directly with Assemblyman Casale. When I expressed my astonishment that false information was being distributed to his constituents, he indicated that the person who designed the mailing has made a "mistake."

He told me that he had voted against the bill because it was opposed by the Catholic church, which objected to the requirement of providing

Board deserves credit for truck limits

Editor, The Spotlight:

Congratulations are due to Dan Plummer, George Lenhardt, Thomas Marcelle and all of the board of the town of Bethlehem.

These individuals have shown the courage to preserve the core areas of our community by directing the commercial interests in directions that ensure the safety of our town.

Finally, after deliberations and studies, these individuals made motions to restrict truck traffic on Elm and Cherry avenues. This is an important corridor in town which threads between a large area of the residential community and the high school.

The board has moved to direct truck traffic from the Selkirk Rail Yards to the Thruway and other major highways via Route 32, a route that was apparently constructed for just that purpose.

There will be limits imposed on truck traffic through the heart of the community excepting, of course, local delivery to the business and homes of our community.

Now, who can tell us what laws are on the town books regarding noise limits such that residents in Selkirk can determine whether or not there are noise violations being committed by trucks there.

Marilyn Nugent
Delmar

contraceptive coverage to its employees on an equal basis with other prescription medication.

When I suggested that the decision of what type of medical care is appropriate should be left to women and their doctors, not their employers or religious groups, Assemblyman Casale dismissed my concerns.

Placing the blame on others for false campaign literature and failing to support a critical piece of legislation are not the hallmarks of a "leader," certainly not a leader for better health care for women.

Laurie Shanks
Glenmont

Food pantry staff is grateful for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Food Pantry and the clients it serves, many thanks to Saint-Gobain Abrasives, located on Wemple Road in Glenmont for their recent generous contribution to the food pantry.

Saint-Gobain Abrasives' Glenmont facility manufactures specially coated abrasive products used in the golf club, aerospace and other specialized finishing application industries. The facility which opened in 1999, currently employs 21 people. Saint-Gobain Abrasives is the world's largest manufacturer of abrasives products to customers worldwide.

The Bethlehem Food Pantry is located on 445 Delaware Ave. in

Delmar at town hall.

It is run through Bethlehem Senior Projects with help from Bethlehem Senior Services' outreach workers and is kept stocked through the generosity of individuals and groups within the community. Monetary donations are used to purchase gift certificates which are distributed as needed.

During the past year, more than 300 individuals utilized the pantry. During the summer and early fall, the pantry's focus turns to helping with funded summer and fall activities and collecting school supplies for the families we serve.

At holiday times throughout the year, food pantry volunteers prepare food baskets and work

with civic, church and community groups to provide special gifts for low-income elderly individuals and families.

Thanks to the continued support of the community, we are able to help those in need.

We are very appreciative.

Karen Pellettier
Bethlehem Senior
Citizens Services
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Matters of Opinion

Residents miffed by board action

Editor, The Spotlight:

We are writing in response to the DOT townwide truck traffic study presented at the Bethlehem town board meeting on Aug. 28.

We are lifelong residents of Selkirk in the town of Bethlehem. Selkirk has been struggling for decades to address the large volume of heavy truck traffic in our tree-lined residential neighborhood.

The study indicated Maple Avenue (Route 396) experiences four times expected averages of

heavy truck traffic for its road classification. In contrast, with recent attention having been drawn to Cherry and Elm Avenue (Route 52) in Delmar, the study indicated that this corridor has only the average volume expected for truck traffic.

Nevertheless, the town board hastily decided to draft a ban barring truck traffic from Cherry and Elm avenues. While this action might address concerns in the heart of Delmar, Selkirk residents are most concerned

with any additional truck traffic they will endure to compensate for the ban on Delmar roads.

Using the logic and even a quote from one of our town board members, we agree truck traffic has been studied "to death." The traffic study clearly separates fact from opinion.

Please have the courage and sincerity to help all residents in Bethlehem, and start by addressing the most critical problems verified by professional studies.

Ken and Jeanett Mortensen
Selkirk

Aesthetics must be part of siting new businesses

Editor, The Spotlight:

I attended the New Scotland planning board meeting regarding the Stewart's application for a convenience store and gas station on Route 85 adjacent to Olsen's Nursery.

What I learned was that the town's site plan has technical restrictions about drainage, lighting and traffic safety. The plan does not cover the architectural and aesthetic qualities of businesses. The "keeping in character with the rural nature of the area" is the only qualification that may touch on aesthetics.

As a result, we have some businesses on Route 85 that look, in my opinion, trashy, not like businesses that I envision should be at the gateway to an upscale Slingerlands and Voorheesville communities.

Truck and large machinery are not in hangars. Dirt and other materials spill out of bins. Streamers wave in the wind. Signs indiscriminately cover what once was a beautifully rehabbed home. Weeds are not mowed. The buildings are unattractive, there is little landscaping and the area is not pedestrian-friendly. This is what some people might refer to as "blight."

The trouble with the Stewart's application is not that it doesn't fit into this area, but that it sadly does and will reinforce the look of this blight.

Is this what we want on routes 85 and 85A?

In contrast, look at Mangia in Slingerlands — a beautiful building, parking in the rear, attractive landscaping, people-friendly and successful. When surveyed, most people prefer

living in "small town" environments, not urban or suburban areas. The wooden houses, community-friendly porches, garden landscaping and sidewalks could house not only residences but also businesses. These kind of structures would be more in keeping with our small town ambience than the ugly, rundown structures currently there.

The planning board postponed its decision on Stewart's for a month to get more information about some technical questions. That means we have one month to call or write our town supervisor and planning board.

I asked the planning board to postpone its decision until the community develops such guidelines. We can get state and federal grants to help the town of New Scotland go through a visioning process that would include not solely the kinds of businesses that we would like to encourage.

We need not rush into approving the Stewart's application.

I urge residents who feel this issue is important to contact town officials to let them know that new guidelines must be put in place before businesses are approved.

I have collated some resources on visioning and examples of other communities' commercial zone guidelines, which I am forwarding to the town board. I hope the supervisor and the planning board review the material and see what other communities are doing to ensure that commercial enterprises are attractive and welcome additions to the residents' quality of life.

Edie Abrams
Slingerlands

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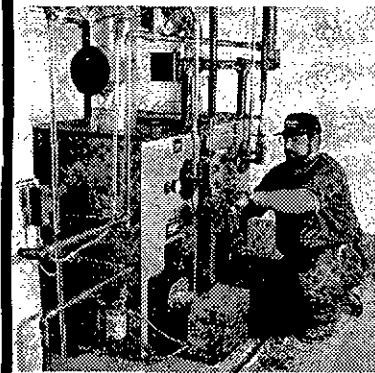
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Use of services up from last year

The numbers are in — and they're up! Circulation activity at the library this summer briskly outstripped last year's pace.

The library welcomed a total of 87,964 patrons and visitors this summer (June through August), up 7.3 percent from last year. The summer months were fairly equally divided, with the most visits in July (31,750). The number of materials circulated during those months was 155,487, up 4.9 percent. July again led in this category with 57,391 items circulated.

Circulation in the children's department was up 6.6 percent from last year, with a total of 36,048 items circulated. July, the height of our summer reading program, led with 14,448 children's books and materials checked out.

Media circulation was up 8.1 percent, with a total of 54, 223 CDs, DVDs, and recorded books loaned from June through August. The most astonishing increase from last year was in the interlibrary loan department.

Our library is one of 29 public libraries in the Upper Hudson Library System. Our library catalog actually contains the holdings of all libraries in the system. These items circulate among member libraries through a common interlibrary loan



service. Our library is one of the largest libraries in the system, with more than 147,000 holdings. That fact, plus the advent of online request capability, may account for an increase of 37.7 percent in outgoing materials this summer. In turn, we experienced a 12 percent increase in materials loaned to us from other libraries. These numbers point to the volume and variety of materials and services your library provides to an active local and regional reading public.

On a related note, Bethlehem residents enjoyed five Evenings on the Green this summer, with no rainouts and a total audience of 1,400.

Aunt Helen's Closet

Seniors and others are invited to the library Thursday, Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. for a look into "Aunt Helen's Closet" with storyteller and humorist Ellen Mnich.

Mnich inherited 500 boxes of artifacts — and the tales to go with them — from her great aunt's world travels. Over a period of 60 years, Aunt Helen Fitzgerald visited all 50 states and every country except two. The 500

boxes have yielded such treasures as fans and silk robes from China, a djebella caftan and hand-carved teak sword from Africa, a camel skin from Morocco, and a llama poncho from Peru. Each object has a story attached.

Mnich is teacher-in-residence at the Albany School of Humanities as part of an Empire State Partnership grant with the Albany Institute of History & Art. The program is cosponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects.

Call 439-9314 to register for a fascinating armchair tour to faraway places and not-so-faraway times.

Louise Grieco

Hannaford to host barbecue to benefit diabetes research

Hannaford's in Delaware Plaza in Elsmere will host a barbecue on Saturday, Sept. 21, to benefit diabetes research.

The barbecue, which will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., will feature the sale of hamburgers, hot dogs and soft drinks. A cake will be donated by Hannaford and prepared and served by store employees.

Money raised at the barbecue will be presented to the Bethlehem Cares team that will participate in the Walk to Cure Diabetes, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 29, at Corporate Woods in Albany.

The Walk to Cure Diabetes is the largest annual fund-raising

event for the Northeastern New York Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

The Bethlehem Cares team is organized by Bethlehem children who have diabetes. Over the last three years, the team has raised more than \$50,000 for diabetes research.

If you would like to join Bethlehem Cares at the walk, call 439-6894 or preregister using walk brochures available at many Bethlehem area businesses.

If you are unable to participate but would like to make a donation, mail your check, payable to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, to Bethlehem Cares, 65 Boylston Drive, Delmar 12054.

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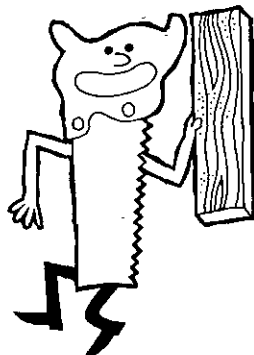
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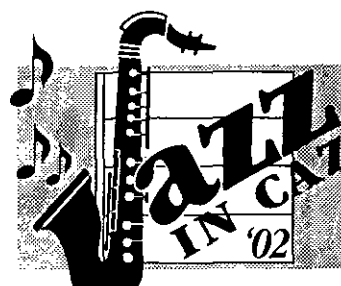
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Red Cross to conduct blood drive at extension

The Red Cross is sponsoring a blood drive on Friday, Sept. 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cornell Cooperative Extension at 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville.

Call Gail Kohler at 765-3579 to make an appointment.

Nature Center announces fall programs

Come to the fall hawk migration watch on Saturday, Sept. 21, at Thacher Park to watch for hawks flying south above the cliffs in their annual migration.

Binoculars will be available for loan, and birders will assist in sighting and identifying birds.

There will also be a Fall Equinox Celebration at Thacher Nature Center on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 4 p.m.

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Voorheesville set for school pictures

School pictures for the elementary school will be on Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 18 and 19, and the Jr./Sr. high school on Friday, Sept. 20.

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PTA participates in 'Tools for Schools'

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Village board to meet

The Voorheesville board of trustees' next meeting will be

Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 8 p.m. at village hall on 29 Voorheesville Ave.

High School slates open house

The junior high school open house (for grades six through eight) will be held Tuesday, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m. and the senior high school open house (for grades nine through 12) will be held on Thursday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m. This event is intended for parents only.

Fire department to host annual convention

Voorheesville Fire Department is host this year to the Albany County Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21.

The Mardi Gras parade will be held Friday at 6:30 p.m. followed by dancing with a D.J. under the tent until 11 p.m. rain or shine.

The formal dress parade which has 35 fire companies participating along with 16 bands will begin on Saturday, at 1 p.m. The evening will have a live band (rain or shine) with food, carnival activities and casino games.

There will be a "Great Greenback Give Away" with \$7,500 in prizes. Contact any firehouse member for tickets.

The cost of a ticket is \$5, and the drawing will be held on Saturday evening.

Book program features classics

"Books in the Morning," sponsored by the Bethlehem Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning, will explore seven great literary works on the first Friday of the month beginning in October from 10 a.m. to noon at Bethlehem town hall. The discussions will be led by Helen Adler. The series, seven characters in search of themselves, begins on Oct. 4 with *Emma* by Jane Austen.

On Nov. 1, Thomas Hardy's *The Mayor of Casterbridge* will be discussed.

The remainder of the series includes:

- *The Portrait of a Lady* by Henry James on Jan. 3
- *Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka on Feb. 7
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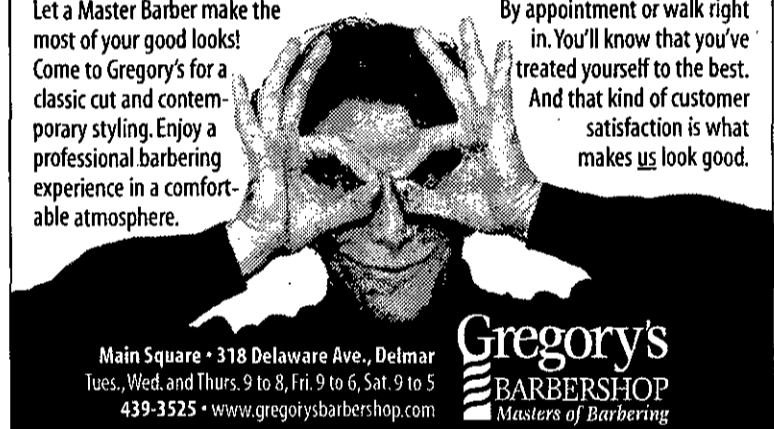


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Sports

Eagles fend off Plainsmen in early season test

By ROB JONAS

Whether it's the second week of the regular season or a championship playoff game, beating the Shenendehowa boys soccer team is still a significant feat for any school.

It's even more significant when you're considered to be the top challenger to Shen's Section II, Class A title.

So under a bright blue, mid-September sky last Thursday, the Bethlehem Eagles invaded Clifton Park and left with a 4-2 victory over Shen in a Suburban Council game.

"I think it's always important to beat Shen because they always put together a good team," senior forward **Brendan Tougher** said.

The Eagles (2-0 league, 3-0 overall) jumped out to a 3-0 lead and withstood a Shen rally early in the second half to earn the victory.

"We knew they'd come back, and we knew we'd have to stay mentally tough," Bethlehem coach **Brett Miller** said.

Sophomore **Cody Germain** propelled Bethlehem into the lead in the first half when he headed a pass from **Matt Curtain** past Shen goalkeeper **Josh Higgins**. Germain then assisted on **Bob Barrowman's** first goal of the season two minutes later to make the score 2-0.

Tougher extended the lead three minutes into the second half when he scored off a crossing pass from junior **Elon Backer**, but Shen mounted a comeback a short time later. **Jonathan Hagstrand** received a crossing pass from **Mike DeSimone** at the right post and tapped the ball past a drawn out **John Thibdeau** to give the Plainsmen their first goal. Five minutes later, **Ryan O'Shea** deflected a long free kick by **Dave Papa** into the net to make the score 3-2.

Both sides generated scoring chances over the remaining 26 minutes of the second half, but Tougher was the only one to capitalize. The senior ripped a shot past Higgins with less than two minutes left to seal Bethlehem's victory.

"I just wanted to end the game. I just wanted to take control,"



Bethlehem's **Elon Backer** (24) battles Shenendehowa's **Ryan O'Shea** for the ball during last Thursday's Suburban Council game in Clifton Park. The Eagles beat the Plainsmen 4-2. *Rob Jonas*

Tougher said.

The victory puts Bethlehem in early control of the Suburban Council's Blue Division, but Miller knows the Oct. 2 rematch with Shen on the Eagles' home field will not be easy.

"They're a good team, and (Shen coach **Mike Campisi**) has won 12, 13 Sectional titles," Miller said.

Bethlehem returned to action Tuesday when it hosted Guilderland in a Blue Division game.

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MONDAY, SEPT. 9

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem defeated Saratoga 25-16, 25-12, 25-20.

FIELD HOCKEY

BETHLEHEM 2, GUILDERLAND 0

Scoring: Bethlehem — Megan Herzog 1-0, Amanda LeRoy 1-0.

GIRLS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 9, MOHONASEN 1

Scoring: Bethlehem — Kate Metevia 1-0, Vanessa Patry 3-0, Emily Petraglia 4-0, Sammy Weyant 1-0, Mohonasen — Gabriella Puerto 1-0.

SCHALMONT 4, VOORHEESVILLE 3

Scoring: Schalmont — Rachel Lomonaco 1-0, Nicole Mazzaccone 1-0, Amy Scheffer 1-0, Jinna Stugart 1-0. Voorheesville — Debbie Dawson 1-0, Katie Inglis 1-0, Caralynn Simpson 1-0.

RCS 1, MECHANICVILLE 0

Scoring: Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk — Allison Poetzsch 1-0.

GIRLS TENNIS

Bethlehem 8.5, Shenendehowa 5
Emmia Willard 7, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 0



Bethlehem's Liz Buckley (19) battles a Shen player for the ball during last Friday's Suburban Council game. The Lady Eagles needed overtime to defeat Shen 3-2. *Rob Jonas*

GOLF

Bethlehem 251, Shaker 255
Bethlehem 252, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 252
Albany Academy 147, Voorheesville 175

WED., SEPT. 11

FIELD HOCKEY

NISKAYUNA 2, BETHLEHEM 1

Scoring: Niskayuna — Megan Hiltz 1-0, Emily Cromer 1-0. Bethlehem — Kaity Ryan 1-0, Sue Kelly 0-1, Emily Szelestc 0-1.

GIRLS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 5, NISKAYUNA 0

Scoring: Bethlehem — Kristen White 1-0, Vanessa Patry 1-0, Colleen Bardell 1-0, Emily Petraglia 1-0, Kelly Hughes 1-0.

VOORHEESVILLE 3, LANSINGBURGH 0

Scoring: Voorheesville — Hayley George 1-0, Justine Moreau 1-0, Michelle Nadratowski 1-0.

COBLESKILL 1, RCS 0

Scoring: Cobleskill — Alem Putnam 1-0.

GIRLS TENNIS

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 4, Schalmont 3

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Voorheesville defeated Albany 26-24, 20-25, 15-25, 25-18, 25-14.

GOLF

Cobleskill 173, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 208
Bethlehem 255, Guiderland 265

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

BOYS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 4, SHEN 2

Scoring: Bethlehem — Cody Germain 1-1, Bob Barrowman 1-0, Brendan Tougher 2-0, Elon Backer 0-1. Shenendehowa — Jonathan Hagstrand 1-0, Mike DeSimone 0-1, Ryan O'Shea 1-0, Dave Papa 0-1.

RCS 3, COHOES 2

Scoring: Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk — Joseph Galgana 1-0, Rick Rider 1-0, Ben Salovitz 1-0. Cohoes — Brian Renna 1-0, Chris Smith 1-0.

GIRLS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 1, BURNT HILLS-BALLSTON LAKE 0

Scoring: Bethlehem — Vanessa Patry 1-0, Karyn Cioppa 0-1.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Columbia defeated Bethlehem 25-11, 19-25, 25-17, 25-13. Cobleskill defeated Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 15-25, 25-21, 25-22, 25-23.

GOLF

Bethlehem 244, Guiderland 249
Bethlehem 244, Columbia 271
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 194, Mechanicville 195
Cobleskill 181, Voorheesville 184

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GOLF

Bethlehem 232, Niskayuna 234
Voorheesville 186, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 210

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

BOYS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 1, COLONIE CENTRAL 0

Scoring: Bethlehem — Luke Sullivan 1-0.

COBLESKILL 1, RCS 0

Scoring: Cobleskill — David Whitback 1-0, Anthony

Giardano 0-1.

VOORHEESVILLE 0, LANSINGBURGH 0

Saves: Voorheesville — Eric Jones 1, Matt Watson 2. Lansingburgh — Adam Willetts 7.

GIRLS TENNIS

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 4, Waterford 3

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Averill Park defeated Bethlehem 25-16, 25-20, 25-15.

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FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem defeated Niskayuna 25-18, 25-12, 25-14.

FIELD HOCKEY

BETHLEHEM 3, SHENENDEHOWA 2 (OT)

Scoring: Bethlehem — Sue Kelly 2-0, Meaghan Murphy 1-0. Shenendehowa — Liz Moore 1-0, Jen Girard 1-0.

FOOTBALL

SHAKER 12, BETHLEHEM 7

FIRST QUARTER

Shaker — Paul Rostick 37-yard run (kick failed).

FOURTH QUARTER

Bethlehem — Jon Baselice 14-yard pass from Tim Donohue (Steve Stait kick).

Shaker — Joe Burns 15-yard pass from Mark Merola (conversion pass failed).

GIRLS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 2, WALT WHITMAN 0

Scoring: Bethlehem — Vanessa Patry 1-0, Emily Petraglia 1-0.

GIRLS SWIMMING

GUILDERVILLE 108, FONDA-JOHNSTOWN 71

Individual winners: Guilderville — Meghan Okoniewski (100- and 200-yard freestyle), Heather Bernstein (50 freestyle), Kaitlyn Dameron (diving), Meagan Wos (100 butterfly and 100 backstroke), Kristin Maki (500 freestyle).

GIRLS TENNIS

Bethlehem 5, Gunderland 4
Emma Willard 6, V'ville 1

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Voorheesville defeated Cohoes 25-10, 25-10, 25-14.

0, Adam Trigger 1-0, Vito Urbano 1-0. Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk — Matt Burke 1-0.

Saves: Schalmont — Alex Schmitt 8. RCS — Harrison Lehmann 12.

ALBANY ACADEMY 4, VOORHEESVILLE 1

Scoring: Albany Academy — John DeLago 1-0, Gideon Grande 1-0, Brandon LeFevre 1-1, Nico Tarantini 1-0. Voorheesville — Ron Siemann 1-0.

Saves: Albany Academy — Tom O'Connor 5. Voorheesville — Eric Jones 7.

CROSS COUNTRY

BLACKBIRD INVITATIONAL BOYS

Team scores: Chatham 65, Berne-Knox-Westerlo 67, Albany Academy 105, Maple Hill 122, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 176, Schenectady Christian 197, Berlin 213, Catskill 253, Schalmont 255, Voorheesville 305, Mechanicville 317.

Top local finisher: Jason Parker (RCS), 10th place, 17:55.

GIRLS

Team scores: Chatham 63, Lansingburgh 77, Voorheesville 115, Cohoes 126, BKW 160, Schalmont 174, RCS 211.

Top local finisher: Kate Alpert (V), fourth place, 20:39.

JOHNSTOWN INVITATIONAL GIRLS — DIVISION II

Team scores: Saratoga 15, Bethlehem 61, Ballston Spa

114, Mount Anthony 134
Top Bethlehem finisher: Emily Malinowski, sixth place, 17:21.
SHAKER INVITATIONAL BOYS

Team scores: Shenendehowa 22, Chaminade 101, Arlington 108, Bethlehem 126, John Jay 129, Shaker 170, Queensbury 171, Colonic Central 213, Niskayuna 219, Peru 270, Ichabod Crane 353, Scotia-Glenville 346, Schenectady 354, Troy 372, Bishop Maginn 454.

FOOTBALL

COHOES 32, RCS 23

SECOND QUARTER

RCS — Eric Vasquez 2-yard run (C.J. Haslam kick).

Cohoes — Wayne Hasnbury 1-yard pass from Paul Izzo (kick failed).

Cohoes — Matt Tomaro 16-yard pass from Izzo (conversion run failed).

THIRD QUARTER

RCS — Haslam 19-yard run (Vasquez conversion run).

Cohoes — Hansbury 40-yard pass from Tomaro (Izzo kick).

FOURTH QUARTER

RCS — Vasquez 44-yard run (Steve Correll conversion run).

Cohoes — Izzo 32-yard run (kick failed).

Cohoes — Rob Babstock 2-yard run (Izzo kick).

VOORHEESVILLE 48, GREENWICH 14

FIRST QUARTER

Voorheesville — Matt Underwood 3-yard pass from

Frank Catellier (kick failed).

Voorheesville — Brendon Schlappi 7-yard run (conversion pass failed).

Voorheesville — Schlappi 43-yard run (Schlappi conversion run).

SECOND QUARTER

Voorheesville — Underwood 2-yard run (conversion run failed).

Greenwich — Ryan Hall 14-yard run (conversion run failed).

Voorheesville — Terry Devine 1-yard run (conversion pass failed).

THIRD QUARTER

Voorheesville — Catellier 4-yard run (Schlappi conversion run).

FOURTH QUARTER

Voorheesville — Chris Hauser

6-yard run (Hauser conversion run).

Greenwich — Hall 12-yard run (Jon Ketchum conversion run).

GIRLS SOCCER

BETHLEHEM 2, WEST ISLIP 1

Scoring: Bethlehem — Vanessa Patry 1-0, Kristen White 1-0. West Islip — Courtney Arikian 1-0.

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walking together.

"From an emotional standpoint, I think it hits parents harder," he said. "We worry so much about Tim's future."

Tim Carey seems to have

taken his diabetes in stride, speaking calmly and knowledgeable about the insulin pump he wears every day to regulate his blood sugar.

"I can give myself a set bolus," he said, "or set the pump at a basal rate so that it mimics a pancreas."

Although his pump is usually set at a basal rate, if one of his seven daily blood tests shows his blood sugar level to be too high, he can adjust the amount of insulin going into his body. Carey's pump looks like a beeper, which he can wear on a belt or in his pocket. A thin tube pumps the insulin into a flexible Teflon canula in his body. Carey prefers the pump to injections, which he used to give himself three times a day.

Using the pump, he said, was strange for the first six months, but now he has adjusted to it. He has also gotten used to testing his blood, which he said he does with a simple smear before each meal, two hours after each meal, and before bed. Normal blood sugar levels are between 80 to 120 milligrams per deciliter, and Carey said he's usually close to that.

"The closer you keep your blood sugar to regular levels, the more you reduce the risk of future complications," Ed Carey said. Although Tim eats what he wants to, Ed Carey said his son still weighs everything he eats, paying particular attention to the amount of carbohydrates he consumes.

"I also don't want to eat really large amounts of stuff," Tim Carey said. Carey is a junior at Bethlehem Central High School

and is on the volleyball and track team, as well as the student council. He disconnects his insulin pump before participating in sports, since exercise keeps his blood sugar levels down. Carey has also attended Camp Joslin, a camp for diabetic kids in Charlton, Mass., for seven years. This past year, he was a counselor there.

"It helps to remind me that I'm not the only one with diabetes," Carey said.

"This is a scary disease," Ed Carey said. "Tim was first diagnosed with diabetes in the summer, and for a long time, we couldn't look at the videos from before then. The consequences are heartbreaking. Our children are our most precious commodity."

Ed Carey said his son is very responsible and has done everything he should, but at the age of 16, he is already exhibiting some signs of early kidney failure.

"I can't accept this, and I don't think I've ever come to terms with it," Ed Carey said. "It's a threat we have to live with." Still, the Careys are positive and proactive, and encouraged by the progress made in the 12 years since Tim's diagnosis. Some of those improvements include more manageable insulin pumps, better

meters and laser surgery to stave off blindness.

"We live in the here and now," Ed Carey said.

"I try not to think about the long-term consequences," Tim Carey said. "I don't want it in the back of my head. I try to be in the moment."

Beverly Kennedy, the executive director of the northeastern New York chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, has high praise for the Careys.

"Tim is the driving force behind the Bethlehem Cares team," Kennedy said. "He sits in front of stores soliciting donations and has helped their team grow."

Tim Carey will spend a weekend in front of Wal-Mart accepting donations. On Sept. 21, Hannaford in Delaware Plaza will have a barbecue to benefit diabetes research.

JDRF also gets corporate sponsors to participate in its fundraising efforts, and this year's corporate recruitment chair is Peter Taubkin, vice president, government relations and public affairs for Time Warner Cable.

Last year, 2,800 people participated in the walk and raised \$496,000. JDRF funds research around the world, awarding money to applicants. One research project that JDRF has helped fund that is proving successful is The Edmonton Protocol, in which healthy islet cells from donor pancreas are injected into a diabetic's liver. The islet cells produce insulin, with the liver acting as a pancreas.

"One hundred people have undergone islet transfers and are living diabetes-free," Kennedy said. "By 2010, we hope to have done 10,000 of these procedures."

One of the problems, she said, is that the islet cells must be extracted from the pancreas donated after a person has died.

"Thirty-six children are diagnosed every day with juvenile diabetes," Kennedy said. "In Albany County, there are 11,000 people with diabetes."

Kennedy said that the goal for this year's walk is to raise \$525,000. Here in Bethlehem, the Careys are continuing to organize the Bethlehem Cares team, a task they began in May.

Anyone who would like to walk as part of the team should call 439-6894.

"We'll bring brochures and donor forms to your house," Ed Carey said. Donations made payable to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation can be mailed directly to the Careys' home at 65 Boylston Drive, Delmar 12054. The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's phone number is 477-2873, and its Web site is www.jdrf.org.

Historical group slates meeting

The town of Bethlehem Historical Association will meet on Thursday, Sept. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at Cedar Hill School House on 1003 River Road (Route 144) in Selkirk.

University at Albany history professor Warren Roberts will discuss "Historic Albany, its Churches and Synagogues."

The public is welcome. For information, call 478-7247.

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**VIEWS ON
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Eat For Your Teeth

If your diet does not include adequate amounts of nutrients, especially calcium and vitamin D, you will be susceptible to losing bone from your body, particularly around your teeth.

Bone is a changing tissue that is constantly remodeling - that is building up and breaking down. People who do not eat adequate amounts of calcium and vitamin D containing foods are not replacing the calcium that was released during the breakdown process. Thus, it is a one-way ticket for calcium to leave the alveolar bone which supports the teeth - a situation which leads to tooth loosening, periodontal disease and eventual tooth loss.

Vitamin C is essential in adequate amounts because it helps to make the collagen fibers that are so important to anchor the teeth and gums to the bone.

The three nutrients above are easily available to people with a natural well-balanced diet. If you have any doubts about the adequacy of your diet, see your dietitian or other health professional.

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Used computers can be recycled

By SHARON FISHER

The writer is the town of Bethlehem recycling coordinator.

It is estimated that 200 million computers were obsolete by 1998 and only about 10 percent of those units were recycled.

The National Recycling Coalition estimates that 500 million PCs will be obsolete by 2007. Today, there are more than 400 electronic recyclers in the United States. New York state has five computer recyclers on state contract.

Locally, there are nonprofit organizations that accept repairable computers or second-hand stores that update computers for resale.

Computers contain toxic metals such as lead, cadmium and mercury that need to be disposed of properly as hazardous waste. They also contain recyclable metals: steel, aluminum, precious metals and glass.

Correction

The contact person for the Albany County League of Women Voters was incorrectly listed in the Community Services guide. The contact person is Melanie Trimble, league president.

The town of Bethlehem will recycle electronics with a company in Schenectady, who is listed on state contract. Bethlehem residents can bring their obsolete electronics to the Highway Garage, 74 Elm Ave. East, Selkirk, on Friday, Oct. 4, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 5, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Items that are acceptable include computers and all their parts, VCRs, TVs and telephones. All cell phones will be donated to the Albany County 911 emergency program.

Businesses in Bethlehem can also participate in this program. Businesses must pre-register due to regulations and quantities of items that they might wish to turn in for recycling. Call 767-9618 to pre-register.

The town has invited the Women's Employment & Resource Center to participate in the program. Their immediate need is 10 working monitors and a Pentium processor that can be repaired or updated.

To find out more about this organization, use the Web site www.cdwercc.org. Reuse is a priority in the hierarchy of managing waste:

For all inquiries, call the town recycling coordinator at 767-9618.

Junie Jones party on deck for kids

"Hooray for Junie B. Jones!" The lovable character created by Barbara Park will be celebrated at a party on Friday, Sept. 20, at 4 p.m. for children in kindergarten through grade three.

We'll play a little trivia game for Junie B. Jones, have some play stations and even a "cake



walk." There will even be door prizes.

"Help! I'm filling out my college application!" is a Tuesday, Sept. 24, program essential to help high school seniors develop essay ideas and show their strengths to prospective colleges.

Call, e-mail or sign up at the reference desk. The program will be presented by Sally M. Ten Eyck, certified educational planner.

Fall fun will be featured at the next evening story time at 7 p.m. on Sept. 25. Bring the whole family — kids can come in their pajamas.

And don't forget the library's new Friday storytimes at 10:15 a.m. No sign-up is necessary.

LearnATest.com is at the library. The library has subscribed to a new online service valuable in a wide range of educational and professional categories.

LearnATest is a series of practice tests for official exams in civil service, nursing, real estate, law enforcement, basic reading and math and grammar skills. Academic exams include SAT, GED, ACT, FCAT and others.

Instant scoring and individual analysis help to improve test scores, along with explanations of right and wrong answers. For those who haven't taken a test since high school and think you may have learned a lot since then, try it out. You can access LearnATest at home through the library Web site.

The October book discussion selection is *Facing the Wind* by Julie Salomon.

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All letters must include the writer's name, address and a daytime telephone number.

Unsigned letters receive no consideration, and all letters that run must carry a signature.

Write to Letters to the Editor, *The Spotlight*, 125 Adams St., Delmar 12054. Letters can be faxed to 439-0609 or e-mailed to spotnews@nycap.net.

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Obituaries

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Howard Carberry

Howard F. Carberry, 84, of Delmar, and formerly of Great Barrington, Mass., and Wynantskill, died Monday, Sept. 9, at the Village at Laurel Lake in Lee, Mass.

Born in Framingham, Mass., he graduated from Cohoes High School and Siena College.

After Pearl Harbor was attacked, he enlisted in the Army and was selected for officer candidate school. He served as a first lieutenant in an artillery battalion in France and Germany.

After the war, he worked for General Electric in Schenectady and Perrault Auto Parts in Troy. He later served for many years as president of Automotive Wholesalers Warehouse in Latham.

In 1973, he and his wife moved to the Berkshires, where they owned and operated Bunnell Auto Parts until they retired in 1986.

Mr. Carberry was a longtime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3185 in Delmar. He was active in the Catholic Church, a longtime member and past president of the Knights of Columbus and served on the Bishops Council.

He was the husband of the late Cecile Perrault Carberry.

Survivors include five daughters, Karen McNamara and Janet Carberry, both of Delmar, Margaret Beeson of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Anne Hudzik of Bedford, Mass., and Lynn M. Masterman of Newton, Mass.; two sons, Kevin F. Carberry of Great Barrington, Mass., and Jay M. Carberry of Lenox, Mass.; two sisters, Dorothy Wood of Birmingham, Ala., and Eleanor Ringer of Clifton Park; 12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements were by the Durant Funeral Home in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, PO Box 453, Cohoes 12047.

Ronald Bailey

Ronald C. Bailey, 53, of Voorheesville died Monday, Sept. 16, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, he was a graduate of Voorheesville High School. He received an associate's degree from Hudson Valley Community College.

Mr. Bailey had worked for General Electric and was later a self-employed contractor.

He was a Harley Davidson enthusiast.

Survivors include his parents, Kenneth and Florence Bailey of Voorheesville; a son, Christopher Bailey of Selkirk; two daughters, Rebecca Coyle of Colium and Veronica McCollum of Voorheesville; a brother, Jack Bailey of Glenmont; and four grandchildren.

Calling hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Sept. 18, at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Bethlehem Cemetery.

John Kruzinski

John M. Kruzinski, 67, of South Bethlehem died Saturday, Sept. 14, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, he was an avid outdoorsman.

Survivors include his wife, Theresa Carr Kruzinski; three daughters, Teresa Grant and Kathy Santiago, both of Ballston Spa, and Tina Mayou of Rensselaer; two sons, Robert Kruzinski and John M. Kruzinski Jr., both of South Bethlehem; a brother, Edward Kruzinski; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services are scheduled at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at the New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home, 343 New Karner Road,

Colonie.

Calling hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. tonight at the funeral home.

Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery in Selkirk.

Charles Carkner Sr.

Charles H. Carkner Sr. of Albany, and formerly of Glenmont, died Sunday, Sept. 15.

Born and raised in Glenmont, he was a longtime resident of Glenmont and Selkirk.

Mr. Carkner worked for Hamilton News for 25 years before he retired.

He enjoyed playing darts, softball, horseshoes and shuffleboard.

He was husband of the late Mary DeFrest Carkner.

Survivors include five sons, Charles H. Carkner Jr. of Albany, Minard Carkner of Selkirk, Bert Carkner of Glenmont, Scott Carkner of Feura Bush and Paul Carkner of Schenectady; a daughter, Tammy Carkner of Schenectady; two sisters, Helen Benedict of Delmar and Jean Benedict; two brothers, Robert Carkner of Connecticut and John Carkner of Albany; and several grandchildren.

Services are scheduled at 11 a.m. today, Sept. 18, at New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home, 343 New Karner Road, Colonie.

Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery in Selkirk.

Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 85 Watervliet Ave., Albany 12206.

Robert Votra

Robert W. Votra, 67, of Selkirk died Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Stratton Veterans Administration Medical Center in Albany.

Born and educated in Nicholville, St. Lawrence County, he was longtime resident of the Capital District.

He was a Navy veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Votra owned R. Votra Masonry in Selkirk for many years.

He was a member of the American Legion Post in North Greenbush and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Perrinton, Mich.

He enjoyed fishing and hunting.

Survivors include his wife, Yvonne Eleson Votra; two daughters, Jacquelyn Votra and Andrea Saathoff, both of Portsmouth, Va.; a son, Robert Votra of Selkirk; a brother, Bruce Votra of North Greenbush; a

sister, Lorraine Salls of Virginia; and a granddaughter.

Services were from the Thomas S. Connolly Funeral Home in Wynantskill.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Mohawk & Hudson River Humane Society, 3 Oakland Ave., Menands.

Alexander Benko

Alexander Benko, 79, of Selkirk died Saturday, Sept. 14, at Community Hospice of Albany County at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, he was a longtime resident of the Capital District.

Mr. Benko was the head carpenter at St. Peter's Hospital for 30 years before he retired.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Julia Benko.

Arrangements were by the Chicorelli Funeral Home in Albany.

Services and entombment were private.

Richard Gudz

Richard A. Gudz, 66, of Selkirk died Friday, Sept. 13, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Cedar Hill, he was a lifelong resident of Selkirk.

Mr. Gudz was a member and trustee of the Bethlehem Elks Lodge No. 2233, and a former member and past chief of the Selkirk Fire Co. No. 12.

He enjoyed fishing and hunting.

He was husband of the late Catherine "Sally" Gudz.

Survivors include a daughter, Catherine Doran of Albany; three sons, Richard Gudz Jr. and Michael Gudz, both of Selkirk, and Andrew Gudz of Albany; and five grandchildren.

Services were private.

Arrangements were by the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233, 1016 River Road, Selkirk 12158.

Five Rivers offers autumn program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will host a program for adults and children age 8 and younger on discovering the fields of autumn on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 2 p.m.

There is a materials fee of \$2.50 per family.

Pre-register by Sept. 26 by calling 475-0291.

Kenneth Boynton Jr.

Kenneth W. Boynton Jr. of Albany died Friday, Sept. 6, at his home.

Born in Albany, he was a lifelong resident of Albany.

He was a graduate of Albany Academy and later belonged to the Fathers Association and served as president of the Alumni Association.

Mr. Boynton was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving on the U.S.S. Baltimore.

After the war, he attended Yale University, graduating in 1950.

He joined his father operating the Merchants Credit Bureau in Albany until his father's death.

He then worked for Matthew Bender Co. until 1968, when he joined Vermont Container Corp. He retired in 1997.

Mr. Boynton spent the summers in Madison, Conn. He was a member of the Madison Beach Club. He was an avid sailor, a former member of the Albany Jaycees, Albany Country Club and the Fort Orange Club.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Brown; two daughters, Elizabeth Ann (Stanley) Spindler of Essex Junction, Vt., and Sharon (Francis) O'Connell of Austin, Texas; two sons, Herbert B. (Laura) Boynton and Kenneth Welles (Susan) Boynton III, of Delmar; and 11 grandchildren.

Services were from St. Vincent de Paul Church in Albany. Burial was in West Cemetery in Madison.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to Albany Academy, 135 Academy Road, Albany 12208.

Death Notices

The Spotlight will print paid Death Notices for relatives and friends who do not or have not lived in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. The charge for a paid death notice is \$25.

We will continue to print Obituaries of residents and former residents of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland at no charge.

In Memoriam, and Cards of Thanks will also be printed for \$25.

— and though formal confirmations are still being received, "If they have the time, most of them will stop by," he said.

Each parade will be followed by a public carnival behind the firehouse, including a DJ, entertainment, refreshments, carnival amusements and children's activities — "Your typical firehouse fair," said Hensel.

Proceeds of the sale of refreshments and raffle and game tickets will benefit the Voorheesville company.

"It's fun, it's open to everybody and we encourage the general public's participation to come and enjoy the time with us," said village public works Superintendent Will Smith, a member of the organizing committee.

With volunteer membership declining statewide, recruitment is a critical function of the event as well, Hensel said. "We have, for the last three years, had a recruitment and retention team, and we will set up a booth and try to recruit and show people the pleasure of being fire company members," said Hensel. They will also be able to refer out-of-towners to their local company if they are interested in volunteer service.

On Saturday, the convention will wrap up with presentation by an independent judging panel of parade awards, and a live band, the Electric City Horns, from 8 to 11 p.m. at the fire hall. A drawing for a winner of the "Great Greenback Giveaway" raffle will also be held.

All events will be rain-or-shine, under a tent in the event of rain.

"It's a fun event, and hopefully it will be a good fund-raiser for us," said Hensel. "We're praying the public shows up in droves to watch the parades and join in the fun behind the firehouse."

Program set for students

To help high school students explore careers in veterinary medicine, Cornell Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program will sponsor an eight-week course featuring professionals from eight different types of practices.

The program is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the extension center on Martin Road in Voorheesville.

The program was organized by Dr. Douglas Cohn of Albany Medical College and Dave Hillmann, extension agent.

There is a \$5 fee to cover the cost of materials for the entire program.

The various specialties to be covered include farm animals, companion animals, horses, animal research and avian and reptiles.

Sessions will also be offered on the diversity of veterinary medicine, emergency first aid and health maintenance.

There will be a visit to a local animal hospital.

Students in ninth grade and up can call the extension 4-H program at 765-3500 to register. Enrollment is limited on a first come, first served basis.



Megan Gorman and Scott Prince

Gorman and Prince marry

Megan Gorman, daughter of Sheila and Richard Gorman of Delmar, and Scott Prince, son of Barbara Prince of Carver Mass., were married on June 29.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. James Daley at the Church of the St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

A reception was held at Appel Inn in Altamont, following the ceremony.

Jessica Avery was maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Colleen Doody, Holly Prince, the groom's sister, and Kathleen Coughlin, the bride's cousin.

Sage Murphy was best man.

The ushers were Tony Levesque, Michael Bolles and Timothy Burke.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Keene State College in New Hampshire.

She is an elementary music teacher in the Mascoma School District in Enfield, N.H.

The groom is a graduate of Carver High School, Carver, Mass., and Keene State College.

He is a fitness instructor and personal trainer at River Valley Club in Lebanon, N.H.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, the couple plans to reside in Enfield.

Chamber hosts Business for Breakfast series

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, along with sponsors Key Bank and *The Spotlight Newspapers* will host a three part breakfast seminar on valuable business secrets at the Quality Inn on Route 9W in Glenmont.

The first breakfast seminar will occur on Thursday, Sept. 26, from 7:45 a.m. to 9 a.m. Dan O'Connell of The Business Information Center, SBA lending specialist Tony Saya of Key Bank and Loan Officer Walter Burke of the Albany-Colonie Chamber will speak about saving money on new office furniture, renting and buying a building or vehicle and how easy it is to apply for an SBA loan to purchase these upgrades to help small businesses.

The second breakfast seminar, on Thursday Oct. 24, from 7:45

a.m. to 9 a.m., will cover public relations on a shoestring budget.

General Manager John McIntyre of The Spotlight Newspapers and Vice President Therese Myers of Key Bank will divulge secrets on how small business owners can effectively market themselves without a huge advertising or PR budget.

They will explain how to use a combination of radio, TV newspaper and direct or e-mail marketing that will make a big difference in your bottom line.

John Guastella of the Business Source will host the final seminar, from 7:45 a.m. to 9 a.m., on Thursday, Nov. 21, on the topic of employee motivation.

Guastella will investigate whether small business employees are motivated enough to

keep customers coming back or if their poor service is driving people away.

The seminar, which uses humor and audience participation, will cover five simple things small business owners can do to keep their customers coming back.

All seminars are \$9 with reservation.

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BCHS grad takes command

West Point Cadet Patrick James Davis, son of Robert and Eileen Davis of Delmar, is serving as first sergeant, one of the highest positions in the cadet chain of command at the U.S. Military Academy.

Davis was named to the position because of his superior academic and military performance as a cadet.

During the academic year, approximately 4,000 cadets at the Academy are organized into four regiments.

There are three battalions in each regiment and three

companies in each battalion.

As first sergeant of company B, 2nd Regiment, Davis is responsible as company commander for the execution of established policies and standards pertaining to the performance, training, appearance and conduct of the company.

Davis graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 2000.

He is concentrating his studies in electrical engineering and plans to graduate in 2004 and to be commissioned as second lieutenant.

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Masonic Lodge slates blood drive

Delmar Masonic Lodge, at 421 Kenwood Ave., will host a blood drive for the American Red Cross on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information call Mark Wahl at 478-0496.

SPOTLIGHT ON **Family ENTERTAINMENT**
 CALENDARS & ENTERTAINMENT

By DEV TOBIN

Seven Nations

The Irish 2000 Music and Arts Festival continues to rank as the largest, and most affordable, one-day Irish festival in the country, according to its lead organizer Matt Nelligan.

The sixth annual event, set for this Saturday, Sept. 21, from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. at the Altamont Fairgrounds, will feature international stars like Maura O'Connell, Eileen Ivers and Cherish the Ladies, along with local Celtic favorites like Hair of the Dog and The McKrells, on four stages.

O'Connell and Ivers are new to the festival this year, as Nelligan said he continually tries to "change things up."

"The festival has stayed true to the traditions of Irish culture, while interweaving modern elements that are important to young Irish-Americans," Nelligan said.

Also new this year will be a Celtic Kids family fun area with rides and games and a shuttle bus that will provide safe transportation from points in Albany and Crossgates to and from the fairgrounds for \$5.

The festival's \$10 ticket, \$15 at the door, is a "great value," Nelligan said, especially when a ticket to see any one of the headliners in a concert setting would cost more than \$20.

The festival has been growing, attracting 15,000 last year, Nelligan said, and one sign of that growth is that the three big tents will be even bigger this year — 60-by-200 feet, as opposed to 60-by-180 feet.

Besides O'Connell and Cherish the Ladies, other performers on the traditional stage will be Danu, Four Men and a Dog, the John Whelan Band, the Irish Descendants and Seamus Kennedy.

On the contemporary stage with Eileen Ivers will



Celtic sounds
 Irish festival returns to fairgrounds

be Seven Nations, The Prodigals, Off Kilter, The Fenians, The Glengarry Bhoys and the Highland Rovers Band.

On the local stage with Hair of the Dog and The

McKrells will be The Spain Brothers, Kilbrannan, Curragh, Barrett & Byrne, Yvonne Mahar, Steve Gray and Frank Jaklitsch.

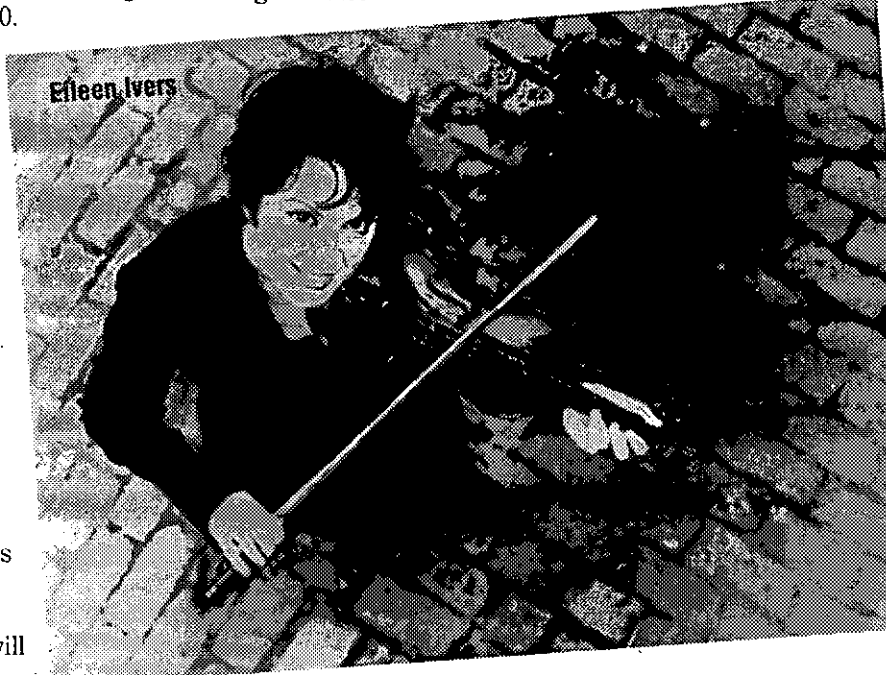
Rovers Band. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door.

For information, call 1-888-414-3378 or visit the festival Web site at www.irish2000fest.com.

The Grove stage will feature Irish dancers and storytellers, along with Hair of the Dog at 6 p.m.

Tickets are available in advance at the Albany Hibernian Hall, 375 Ontario St., and at many Irish stores and pubs. Children under 10 are admitted free. Parking is \$3 per car.

There will be a preview concert at McGear's, 4 Clinton Square, Albany, on Friday, Sept. 20, beginning at 7:30 p.m. and featuring Off Kilter, the Glengarry Bhoys and the Highland



'Proof' explores link between math and madness

By DEV TOBIN

Capital Repertory Theatre opens its 2002-03 season with a stirring production of "Proof," the Pulitzer Prize- and Tony Award-winning comedy/drama about higher mathematics, family dynamics and mental illness.

Fortunately, you don't have to know anything about even high-school-level math to enjoy this riveting exploration of the gray area between mathematical genius and madness.

The plot, in brief, revolves around the death of a University of Chicago math professor — a brilliant prodigy who suffered from mental illness — affects his two twentysomething daughters, one, his somewhat-to-severely depressed caretaker, the other, a New York yuppie who wants to tidy things up.

The caretaker, Catherine, is the central character, depressed by her father's death but determined to resist her sister Claire's plan to get

her into treatment. Catherine also has a secret, the "proof" of the title, that she shares with young math professor Hal.

Two flashback scenes in the second

act explain how Catherine went back to college (to study math), but her father's relapse, reflected in a gibberish proof about the weather,

brought her back home.

On bigger stages, the character of Catherine has provided a star turn for Mary-Louise Parker, Anne Heche and Gwyneth Paltrow. Mary Bacon, who plays Catherine at Cap Rep, shows why such acclaimed actresses covet the role.

Bacon's Catherine is wonderful, sharp and funny most of the time and affecting when portraying the fear that she, too, will suffer mental illness.

Krista Hoepfner as Claire, Richard Mawe as the father and Matthew J. Cody as Hal round out the excellent cast.

The set, a back porch and yard of a Chicago suburban house that needs work, is perfect.

"Proof" is not for younger kids; the language, while realistic in context, features several words not found in newspapers or on radio.

"Proof" will be on stage at Cap Rep, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through Oct. 6. Tickets are \$28 to \$38. For information/reservations, call 445-7469.



Matthew J. Cody, Richard Mawe and Mary Bacon deal with math, mental illness and a certain secret in Cap Rep's stirring production of "Proof."

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LEGAL NOTICES

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

The name of the LLC is 25 MONROE STREET, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on July 30, 2002. 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. (September 18, 2002)

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF 75 WATERLIET HOLDING COMPANY, LLC

First: The name of the Company is 75 Waterliet Holding Company, LLC.
 Second: The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on May 24, 2002.
 Third: The county within the State of New York in which the company's office is to be located in Albany.
 Fourth: The Secretary of State is designated as the Company's agent on 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 will mail a copy of any process against the Company is PO Box 6268, Albany, NY 12206.
 Fifth: The Company's purpose is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC.
 (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Alacrity Services LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/31/02. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/27/02. 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. DE address of LLC: 615 S. Dupont Highway, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Lockerman & Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 18, 2002)

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is B.A.V. Airport Park, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").
 SECOND: The articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 3, 2002.
 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.V. Airport Park LLC, 4 British American Boulevard, Latham, New York 12110.
 FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2052, 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. (September 18, 2002)

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

The name of the LLC is BonJay LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 23, 2002.
 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.

LEGAL NOTICE

The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 1465 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Capital Recovery Service, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/10/02. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Virginia (VA) on 5/3/02. 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. VA address of LLC: 10340 Democracy Lane, Ste. 300, Fairfax, VA 22030. Arts. of Org. filed with Commonwealth of VA, Clerk of the Commission, 1300 E. Main St., Richmond, VA 23219. Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 18, 2002)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

1. Name of the Limited Liability Company: Chelsea Cottage, LLC.
 2. Date of Filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State: July 2, 2002.
 3. County in which the Limited Liability Company's principal office is located: Albany.
 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company which is served on it is: 137 Darroch Road, Delmar, New York 12054.
 5. The registered agent for the Limited Liability Company, upon whom process against the Limited Liability Company may be served: None.
 6. The latest date upon which the Limited Liability Company is to dissolve is: Perpetual.
 7. The character or purpose of the business of the Limited Liability Company is: to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law.
 Respectfully submitted,
 JAMES F. SEELEY, ESQ.
 August 7, 2002
 File No.: 225-0633
 (September 18, 2002)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Pursuant to Section 206 of the New York Limited Liability Law
 1. The name of the limited liability company is Corning Place Consulting, LLC.
 2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on May 22, 2002.
 3. The office of the limited liability company is to be located in Albany County.
 4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is:
 Corning Place Consulting, LLC
 Second Floor
 121 State Street
 Albany, New York 12207
 5. The limited liability company is formed to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the laws of the State of New York. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Crocker Securities, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/12/02. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in California (CA) on 2/19/02. 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. CA address of LLC: 2999 Oak Road, Suite 230, Walnut Creek, CA 94597. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, Business Filings, 1500 11th St., 3rd Fl., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: Broker dealer firm. (September 18, 2002)

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Notice of Qualification of Dynegy Connect, L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/15/02. Office location: Albany

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County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/27/00. 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. Principal office of LP: 1000 Louisiana St., Suite 5800, Houston, TX 77002. Name/address of each general partner available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: telecommunications business and any business related thereto. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

FINEWILL MGMT, LLC
 Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 03/13/2002. 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 each process served to: the LLC, 744 Broadway, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (September 18, 2002)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: FUTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/12/02. 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, 416 Green Hill Court, Albany, New York 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (September 18, 2002)

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 September 17, 2002 at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave, Delmar, New York at 7:30 p.m. to take action on the application of Garry G Horne, 62 Slingerlands Street, Albany, New York 12202 for approval of a one (1) lot subdivision located at 296 Maple Ave, Selkirk, NY 12158, on the westerly side of Maple Avenue (NYS Route 396) approximately 550 feet south of its intersection with a Town Highway known as Cottage Lane, Bethlehem, Albany Co., NY as shown on map entitled "Map of PROPOSED SUBDIVISION, LANDS OF MILTON & GARRY HORNE, N.Y.S. ROUTE 396-MAPLE AVENUE, Town of Bethlehem, County: Albany, State: New York", dated July 24, 2002, revised August 28, 2002, and made by Paul E. Hite, LLS, Delmar, NY 12054.
 Douglas Hasbrouck
 Chairman, Planning Board
 NOTE: Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate in the public hearing should contact the Parks Dept. at 439-4131. Advance notice is requested. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Hearts of Paim, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/2/02. 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., 6th Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of filing of articles of organization of a limited liability company ("LLC") named Historic Albany Foundation Holdings, LLC. Articles filed with NY sec. of state ("SOS") on 8/6/02. Office location: Albany County. SOS, designated as agent for service of process, shall mail copy of process to The LLC, 89 Lexington Avenue, Albany, New York 12206. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Homeservices Lending, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/29/2002. Office

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location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/1/1998. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: MAC X2401-049, One Home Campus, Des Moines, IA 50328. Principal office of LLC: One Home Campus, Des Moines, IA 50328. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 18, 2002)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF J. DAVID SALES, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York
 THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of age and acting as the organizer of J. DAVID SALES, LLC, 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"), certifies that:
 FIRST: The name of the Company is J. David Sales, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").
 SECOND: The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany County.
 THIRD: 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 may mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State, 22 Harvest Ridge Road, Selkirk, NY 12158.
 FOURTH: The Company is to be managed by one or more members.
 FIFTH: The Company shall have the power to 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.
 SIXTH: The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized un-

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der the LLCL.
 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 16th day of June, 2002.
 S/JOHN D. WILMOTT
 Sole Owner/Organizer
 22 Harvest Ridge Road
 Selkirk, NY 12158
 (518)439-9313
 (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Kirkwood Capital LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/5/02. 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: CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

LEARNING TECHNOLOGY VISIONS, LLC
 Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company
 Articles of Organization of Learning Technology Visions, LLC ("LLC") were filed with the New York State Department of State ("NYDS") on August 12, 2002. Office location: Albany County. NYDS is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYDS shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 1 Myron Lane, Menands, New York 12204-1309. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes.
 Filer: Law Office of Kara Conway Love
 Address: 450 New Karner Road, Suite 203
 Albany, New York 12205-3898
 (September 18, 2002)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: MCR ASSOCIATES, LLC

LEGAL NOTICE

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/26/02. The latest date of dissolution is 08/01/2102.
 office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Mark Reith, 56 Laura Avenue, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (September 18, 2002)

LEGAL NOTICE

Mercer Films and Digital Productions, LLC
 Notice of formation of Mercer Films and Digital Productions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) 3/7/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy process to: 39 Clifton Way Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: writing, producing, directing films, digital and other media and any other lawful purpose. (September 18, 2002)

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

BOARD OF APPEALS
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 18, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Sean and Kelly Moran, 33 Bobwhite Drive, Glenmont, New York 12077 for variance under Article XII, Percent of Lot Occupancy Section 128-50 Single Family Dwellings of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of a front porch which would exceed allowable Percent of Lot Occupancy at premises 33 Bobwhite Drive, Glenmont, New York.
 Michael C. Hodom, Chairman
 Board of Appeals
 (September 18, 2002)

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The Specialty Index Funds Group, LLC. Art. of Org. filed Secy. of State (SSNY) 7/22/02. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: The LLC, Attn: Gabriel Boyar, 48 Huntersfield Rd., Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (September 18, 2002)

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

The name of the LLC is Vandenburg Donuts, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 7, 2002. 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 1676 New Scotland Road,

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: VARGA MARKETING CO., LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/15/02. 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, 1414 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (September 18, 2002)

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Notice of Qualification of Verizon Wireless of the East LP. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/6/02. Office location: Albany County, LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/31/01. 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, reg-

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Woodlawn Associates, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on August 6, 2002. 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 Woodlawn Associates, LLC, c/o Lawrence E. Becker, Becker & Becker, P.O. Box 575, Albany, New York 12201-0575. 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. (September 18, 2002)

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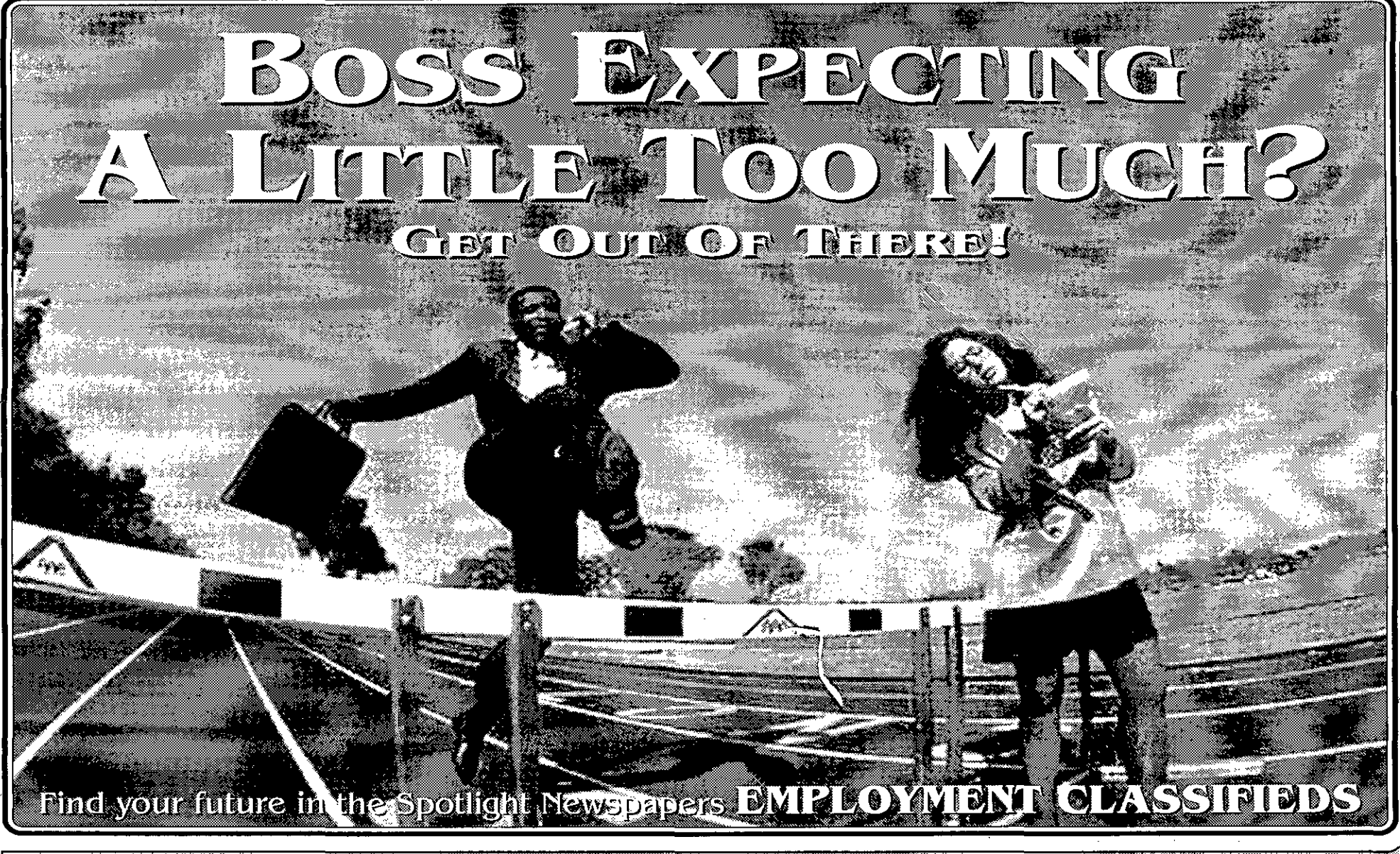
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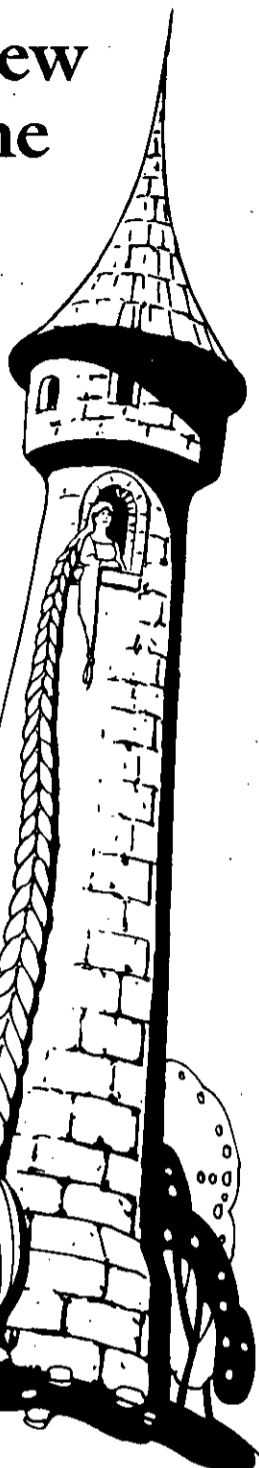
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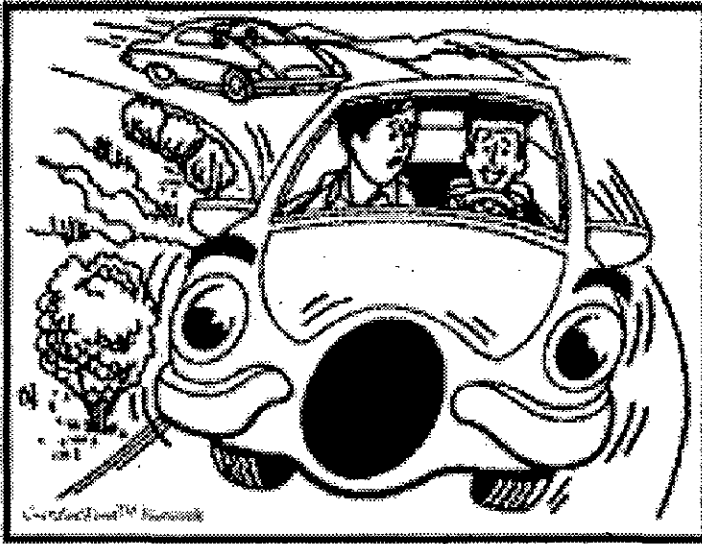
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Today's young drivers rush through their days in a whirlwind of activity, racing off to school, activities, athletic practices and jobs - often resulting in highway accidents.

"The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) reports that teenagers account for over 14 percent of deaths in accidents," said Georgina Sweeney, manager of the CertifiedFirstNetwork. "This sobering rate is a reminder that we need to speak openly with young people about the responsibilities that come with driving."

Although teens make up a small percentage of licensed drivers, they suffer 1/5 of all reported accidents, according to the NHTSA. The 2000 U.S. Census reports that the teen population is expected to increase - which means accident ratios for teen drivers may increase as well.

Parents may be able to decrease accident risks by speaking openly with new drivers. An experienced driver should ride along with



what to do in case of an accident.

"New drivers have not experienced many of the situations seasoned drivers have had, and are not familiar with as many roads and hazards," Sweeney said. "Even the most cautious driver will likely experience a mishap when he or she begins driving."

The following tips can help to prepare new drivers:

- * Be sure the new driver knows where registration and insurance documents are located.

- * Tell new drivers to move the car out of the way of traffic after a collision occurs.

- * Train new drivers to get contact information for others involved in an accident.

- * Insist that new drivers cooperate with police, but emphasize that they should never volunteer fault.

- * Encourage new drivers to discuss accidents with you as soon as possible. Make sure the driver is present when you speak to the insurance company.

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new drivers, and pay close attention to their driving styles. New drivers should be reminded to remain alert, particularly in distracting situations, such as when driving with friends in the

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Stewart's

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The hearing was continued until next month, pending submission of additional documentation from Stewart's.

Meanwhile, the zoning board of appeals is scheduled to resume a public hearing, adjourned on Aug. 27, on several zoning variances Stewart's has requested regarding signage. With that topic and a joint session with the planning body concerning the Tower Ventures project both

scheduled for that evening, the zoning board conducted a special meeting last night, Sept. 17, to review several routine residential variance applications and clear the agenda next week for the two more contentious proposals.

A host of specific issues confront the Stewart's application in the two tracks of hearings, but the general case against the project was summed up by Maple Road resident Edie Abrams, speaking before the planning board.

"I am not against commercialization, and I am not

against Stewart's," she said. "But I am against this willy-nilly development that seems to be going on on this stretch of 85. There doesn't seem to be any planning or aesthetic vision about what's going on there."

What's going on is a burst of business activity in a long-dormant commercial zone, identified in the minds of passers-by by the frequently vacant storefronts of Stonewell Plaza and a dilapidated former farmhouse facing it across 85A.

Since the first of the year, William and Katherine O'Rourke have purchased the farmhouse property, proposing to demolish the structure and build a new single-family home there — and are said to be considering selling another portion of the lot for commercial development. Directly across the road from the structure, a new business called Windows, Doors and More has opened up shop last spring in another former residence.

Anchoring the roughly one-mile commercial strip, from TeeTime Golf to the 85-85A intersection, are Olsen's Nursery and two different auto sales and service businesses — New Salem Saab and Helderberg Auto Sales. Most of these occupy structures

that predate the zoning code or conform to its restrictions, which include 50-foot building setbacks and limits on the size and placement of roadside signage, designed to keep the roadway's shoulders uncluttered.

In its site plan, Stewart's proposed 2,900-square foot building would conform to the building-setback requirement. The proposal also calls for 18 parking spaces and an eight-point gasoline island, the subject of the special use permit request under consideration before the planning board. As initially presented, it also included a small commercial building adjacent to the convenience store — though Stewart's has no particular tenant in mind at present, according to spokesman Paul Bulmer.

Stewart's has applied to the ZBA for both setback and size variances for a roadside sign promoting the business. At the Aug. 27 hearing, Bulmer described a freestanding sign slightly larger (32 square feet) than the zoning law permits (25), and closer to the property line (within 3 feet) than the 25-foot setback required by law.

Stewart's, he maintained, is not a shopping destination but an impulse shopping decision made

by a passing motorist. Sight distances along Route 85, he said, are hampered by shrubs and buildings close to the road's edge on adjacent properties. A larger sign close to the road is needed to attract impulse buyers.

Several town residents questioned whether granting the setback variance would prompt neighboring businesses to seek the same — thereby defeating the zoning code's intent in reducing roadside eyesores.

"I certainly hope that the variance sought here, if it is granted, is certainly no more than has been granted to other businesses," said Daniel McKay — calling Route 85 "a critical gateway to our community."

Bulmer was back before the planning board on Sept. 3, where local business owners were most vocal in their criticism of the proposal. Jim Olsen, owner of Olsen's Nursery, adjacent to the proposed site, expressed concern about Stewart's storm-water management plan.


"Everything that happens on that property ends up on my property or in the creek that runs behind it," he said — and called upon the board to require that Stewart's obtain a water line extension from the nearby town of Bethlehem water main.

"This is the wrong location for Stewart's," he said. "By letting that development happen, it's really going to handicap this town."

New Salem Saab owner Darryl Carl echoed Olsen's concerns. "How we develop this commercial district is very important to me," he said. "To make sure we make the right decisions and that we don't look at things in a short-sighted manner, but considering what is best today, and moreover, what is best for the future ... don't interrupt the precedents you have already set (with respect to setback requirements), and think through what Stewart's would bring in this location."

Heldervue Avenue resident Tony Scardillo also expressed concern about the traffic impact — and questioned whether a convenience store at that location would be successful.

Requesting further documentation of traffic, drainage and stormwater management issues, the board adjourned the hearing until its Oct. 1 meeting.



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