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Rain on our parade

RCS wins opening round

By ROB JONAS

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk softball team is enjoying a season unlike any other in the program's history.

After earning a share of the Colonial Council title, the Indians moved one step closer to a Section II, Class B championship by edging Broadalbin-Perth 2-1 in last Friday's quarterfinal game at Clifton Common.

"I'm very pleased," RCS coach Bruce Stott said. "Honestly, year in and year out, we play a good brand of softball, but we come from a tough league."

I'm very pleased.

Bruce Stott

The league has been so tough that the Indians had never won or shared a Colonial Council title before this season. But playing the likes of Schalmont, Voorheesville and Lansingburgh - all of which qualified for the Sectionals - helped RCS deal with a slow start against Broadalbin-Perth. The Patriots scored their only run in the top of the first inning and made a 1-0 lead stand through four frames.

The third-seeded Indians (17-3) remained patient throughout the first four innings, and their patience paid off in the bottom of the fifth. With runners at second and third, Jamie Davis lined a

□ RCS/page 18



Steve Bud leads the Village Volunteers Fife & Drum Corps during Bethlehem's Memorial Day parade on Monday. See story on Page 2.

Jim Franco

Dentist drills board on fluoride

By KRISTEN OLBY

Bethlehem's longstanding debate over whether to fluoridate its drinking water supply resurfaced at the May 14 town board meeting after an eight-month hiatus.

The board openly discussed the matter but did not seek input from the public, although that didn't stop some audience members from offering it. Bethlehem, like the city of Albany, is one of a few local municipalities that do not fluoridate their supplies. State and local public health officials have advocated fluoridation for more than a half-century

as a preventative against dental disease.

"It's just a fundamental health issue," said town board member Tom Marcelle, who called for the renewed discussion.

Marcelle, whose wife is a dentist, also encouraged a discussion of fluoridation by the board in September.

"I believe every community in upstate New York, save Albany and Bethlehem, have come to the realization that as a method of public health policy you fluoridate the water to protect citizens oral health," said Marcelle.

The addition of fluoride to the water supply would require the installation of injection systems at the New Salem Water

Purification Plant, two Albany water supply interconnections and two New Salem wells. The initial total cost including the injection systems, sodium fluoride, labor and equipment would total about \$301,000, according to Public Works Superintendent Bruce Secor. On average it would cost about \$57,000 a year to maintain fluoridation of the water supply.

Dan Plummer was the only town board member to speak up in opposition to the idea at the meeting.

"I just think that's an awful lot of money to ask the taxpayers to pony up,"

□ FLUORIDE/page 28

Letter provides military missing link

By KRISTEN OLBY

To a history buff it would be a prize possession. For an exhibit commemorating Bethlehem's military history, it has provided the missing link.

More than a year ago, a small group of Bethlehem citizens set out to honor the area's war veterans through the creation of a library exhibit. They

unearthed memorabilia from each of the World Wars, Korea, Vietnam and even the Spanish American war. Yet one authentic item pertaining to the Revolutionary War eluded them.

"We have a picture but we don't have anything original," said committee member Ray Houghton, who is also a Revolutionary War enthusiast.

A letter written to *The Spotlight* highlighting the exhibit and its contents produced more than the committee could have hoped for. Living just a few miles south of Bethlehem was a sixth-generation relative of a Revolutionary War veteran, and he had the discharge papers to prove it.

"What's astounding to me is that we have a living descendant," said exhibit committee member Virginia Acquario, who penned the letter.

When Robert Selkirk, who resides in the hamlet that bears his family's name, read the letter, he knew he had a morsel of history worth sharing. For years, a framed photograph hung in his home that had been passed down through six generations of Selkirks. Inside the old wooden frame sits a tattered photograph of Continental Army discharge papers dated 1783 and signed by then-Gen. George Washington. The papers belonged to

□ MILITARY/page 18

Court topples tower plan in New Scotland

By KRISTEN OLBY

A proposed cellular phone tower, vehemently fought by New Scotland residents, will not be built thanks to a recent state Supreme Court decision.

Tower Ventures of Clifton Park had hoped to install a 160-foot cell phone transmission tower on Font Grove Road to help alleviate gaps in cellular service. New Scotland's zoning board of appeals voted in December to deny the company two zoning variances needed to build the tower. Tower Ventures then launched an Article 78 appeal filed by Site Acquisitions - the company that would build and lease the tower.

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Bethlehem police caution car owners

By KRISTEN OLBY

Bethlehem police are warning car owners to lock their doors and take valuable items out of their vehicles. Since March 20, they've had 26 larcenies or attempted larcenies from vehicles on a number of streets throughout the town.

"It seems at this time of year we start taking more reports of this," said Lt. Thomas Heffernan.

Police said the thieves don't want to break car windows to steal items, and they are easily gaining access through unlocked

car doors.

"Normally small items, loose change, cell phones — and some people leave wallets or purses," said Heffernan of the items most often stolen.

Police advise residents to take precautions by always locking their car doors, even when the vehicle is parked in a driveway.

"Leave an outside light on; it deters them from coming on to your property," said Deputy Chief Tim Beebe.

Bethlehem police continue to investigate the larcenies, but so far no arrests have been made.

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Good citizen athletes



Six Bethlehem Central Middle School eighth-graders were honored recently with Capital Zone Student Leadership Awards of the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. The students are front row from left, Erica Hill, Claire Brown and Kirstle Caesar, and back row Zeke Kubish, Mike Mashut and Mike Carroll. The students were nominated for their leadership and citizenship exemplified in their physical education classes by their teachers.

Rain dampens Memorial Day parade

By KRISTEN OLBY

A constant downpour didn't drown out the patriotic spirits on display at Bethlehem's annual Memorial Day parade. Drenched marching bands belted out Yankee Doodle Dandy as veterans passed by to applause and salutes raised high. The mile-

and-a-half parade route began at the American Legion Post on Elmsmere Avenue and ended at Veterans Memorial Park on Delaware Avenue. Rain-soaked spectators lined both sides of Delaware Avenue with umbrellas in hand.

"It might have fewer numbers, but we're here really to support

everyone who fought in the wars," said Suzanne Rappaport whose daughter, Kelsie, was marching with Brownie Troop 545.

Fire trucks, police officers and the Bethlehem Central High School marching band made steady procession down Delmar's main street. Nearly 1,400 people were scheduled to march in the parade, according to organizer Steve Corson, but some organizations were forced to cancel because of the weather. World War II veteran and this year's parade grand marshal Donald Geurtze, was humbled by the modest crowd of spectators in attendance to pay tribute to our country's veterans.

"They're all full of smiles, and as we rode by I saluted them and thanked them for coming out today," said Geurtze.

As a soldier with the Army's 10th Mountain Division from 1943 to 1946, Geurtze was awarded numerous medals of honor including the American Service Medal.

"All of us don't like to look back and think of the sad things that happened but we do have to think about those people who brought this country to what it is today. No one will tell you they enjoyed fighting a war but they do enjoy the results that come with being victorious," said Geurtze.

Town Supervisor Sheila Fuller echoed Geurtze's sentiments during a memorial ceremony held at the parade's final stop: Veterans Memorial Park.

"We also pay special tribute to those members of our Armed Forces who have made the ultimate sacrifice this year in Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan and other sites of armed hostility," said Fuller.

A new American flag was raised at the park and a red, white and blue wreath of carnations was placed at the memorial. The Ft. Crailo Post Yankee Doodle Band of Rennselear closed the ceremony with taps and the national anthem.

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NEW PATIENTS WELCOME

District tax hike drops to 3.7 percent increase

By RONALD E. CAMPBELL

It is now definite. The school tax rate hike will be 3.7 percent for residents of the Bethlehem school district.

In concluding its budget work, the board had announced a range of tax rates of 3.7 percent to 6.9 percent and the range is still included in some district information.

But Superintendent Les Loomis said, "The tax rate for our district taxpayers at 3.7 percent is now assured."

"We are very appreciative for the leadership of our state Senate and Assembly and our local representatives for restoring the budget cuts and their commitment to education," he added.

The tax rate for our district taxpayers at 3.7 percent is now assured.

Les Loomis

State aid to public schools had been substantially reduced in Gov. George Pataki's proposed state budget and restored by agreement in both houses of the Legislature. The governor's veto of the Legislature's action was overridden by both houses of the Legislature, and the restoration is now assured.

The board had voted previously to apply restored state aid funds to the tax rate, which led to the use of a range, while also announcing the district would be able to maintain present instructional programs.

The school board was also presented with the final report of the Enrollment and Facilities Planning Committee.

"Eighteen years of increasing enrollment and record-breaking residential development in Bethlehem brings us to this point," Loomis stated in a letter to the board. "All seven schools are full, with more students to come."

Loomis was referring to a table in the report estimating continued growth in new students in the district over the next five to eight years of 375 to 625.

"The committee has provided you with a wide range of options and detailed supporting analysis for your decision making on a bond issue to be presented to for a community vote in the fall of 2003," Loomis said.

"Copies of the report are available to the public at 90 Adams Place, each principal's office and

the public library.

The study concludes preliminary cost estimates to be in the range of \$75.6 million to \$94.5 million, depending on the options selected by the board.

The schedule of board meetings to review the data and make decisions are May 28 and June 4, 11, 18 and 25, with "much of the full scope of the project to be determined by that date" according to the report.

If the community approves the final plan in the fall, the state Education Department will take from six to 12 months to review and approve it, a required process to determine the level of state aid for the project.

From that point the report estimates "the issuance of bonds to fund the project to span a three-to five-year period." Estimates of

tax rate implications during the funding phase and the years required to retire the debt are included

in the report overview.

"District residents may call Dr. Loomis or any board member with questions," said board vice president Robin Story, who chaired the meeting.

It was also announced the district will conduct tours of all seven school buildings on June 3 from 3 to 8 p.m. for residents interested in the facilities project.

Loomis also said that two board seats are open for reelection. Incumbents Lynne Lenhardt and James Lytle are running unopposed.

Next school board meeting is tonight, May 28. The annual budget vote and school board election is scheduled for June 3 at the middle school on Kenwood Avenue.

VFW donates \$5K to Veterans Park

Bethlehem's Veterans of Foreign Wars commemorated the Memorial Day holiday with a sizeable donation to the Veterans Park on Delaware Avenue.

A \$5,000 contribution to the park will make future landscape improvements possible.

"It will be used for a new lamppost, a railing for the staircase and continued maintenance," said Virginia Acquario, of the veterans park committee.

"It's something that's being done by the community for the veterans, and we would like to be able to contribute any way we can, be it time or finances," said VFW member Robert Conti.

The effort to revitalize the park began in 2001 when a 13-member committee sought to improve the park after it fell into disrepair. In the last two years, the committee has donated its time and sought donations to purchase flowers, medallions and commemorative items for the park.

Under cover



Julie and Randy Bushart hold umbrellas with a tarp over Kendra and Matthew, trying to stay dry during the Memorial Day parade on Monday.

Jim Franco

Town looks at ways to pay for EMTs

By MICHELE FLYNN

Most of the town of New Scotland is without EMT support during daytime hours and must rely on outside services for emergencies.

At its May 14 meeting, the New Scotland town board took up the issue of how to pay for such service.

"The need (for daytime ambulance service) is clear. One open issue was the billing," said Town Supervisor Ed Clark.

The board discussed two options: the possibility of a tax and direct billing to the users of the service.

Voorheesville Area Ambulance Capt. Robin Schufelt said that total town subsidy of the service was a small price to pay for the health and safety of its residents.

"Our squad is totally against billing," she said.

The Onesquethaw squad also opposes residents paying out of pocket.

One option would be to maintain the evening service without cost to the user, as it is staffed by volunteers and ask residents to pay to use ambulance service when the town has to pay for it, during daytime hours when volunteer EMT staff are not available.

However, Councilman Scott Hotaling said that the Council of Towns had advised against such a move.

He also said, "If you support the program, you have to be ready to pay for it."

He added that a tax would amount to 8 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value.

The Advanced Life Support (ALS) service was implemented townwide in 1999. Hotaling said that at that time, the town came to the conclusion that billing wasn't going to work.

The town board will decide the matter at a meeting tonight, May 28, at 7 p.m.

In another matter, it was announced that Nick Solomos has been chosen the 2002 Volunteer of the Year for Voorheesville Area Ambulance. Solomos, auditor for the town of New Scotland, has been on the squad for two years.

"It doesn't matter what he's working on. Once he hears that beeper, he's gone," said Cathy Musella, secretary to the supervisor, adding that Solomos kept his car cleared of snow throughout the long winter, so he'd be ready to go when called.

It was also announced that the town of New Scotland received a \$3,391 grant from the Voorheesville Community and School Foundation and a \$1,130 grant from the Jim Nichols Foundation to extend the senior outreach program an extra day.

The funds will allow Elizabeth Bervy, senior outreach worker for the town, time to create a core of volunteers to visit homebound elderly and offer workshops for caregivers.

Albany County gets new K-9 officer

By KRISTEN OLBY

The Albany County Sheriff's Department will soon have another officer on its force and this one sniffs with a snout, barks and runs on four legs.

Sherlock, a 1-year-old yellow Labrador retriever will soon be at the Albany International Airport searching for narcotics hidden in traveler's baggage.

"We're finding that a lot of narcotics are arriving in on public transportation, like the bus terminal. This dog will give us the upper hand in detecting those narcotics," said Albany County Sheriff James Campbell.

Sherlock will be donated to the

Sheriff's Department within the next few weeks by the State Police Academy. On Thursday, the Sheriff's Department received a \$5,000 donation from Price Chopper and Milk-Bone to be used toward the upkeep of Sherlock.

The Sheriff's Department has funds allotted for its current police dog, Annie, who patrols the Hilltowns, but would not have been able to afford a second canine.

"The cost is the upkeep for the dog, food, vet bills and training. We wouldn't be able to get the dog if it wasn't for this donation" said Campbell.

Sherlock marks the third police canine donation by the dog bone manufacturer in the area over the last four years.

"This is part of a nationwide effort on behalf of Milk Bone to support law enforcement officers," said Tim Mohan of Kraft Foods, which markets the bones.

The company's nationwide dog donation program helps law enforcement agencies add or maintain canine units at no cost to the public.

Voorheesville Elementary School student Ashley Bourque named the latest police dog to join the force.

The third-grade students took part in a coloring and dog-naming contest and Bourque's suggestion of Sherlock was chosen by the Sheriff's Department.



Bourque

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What will they tell their own children?

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

There's no doubt that children learn most of their behavior from their parents. It's a terrifying thought and threatens to dehumanize parents by forcing us to monitor our every emotion for its potential impact on our children.

We're supposed to be calm in the face of adversity (yet another string of undone homework), supportive in difficult times (why is it so hard to get the homework completed?) and impose reasonable, lesson-imparting consequences when kids don't live up to expectations (you're really going to throw fits instead of doing homework? No TV for the rest of your life).

It's hard to find the right balance,

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and lost in the day-to-day living can be the end goal, which is to raise happy and productive kids. Seems like, in our modern world, we've got the productive down, but getting to the happy can be really tough. If only it were as easy to model Buddha-like serenity as it is Buddha-like weight!

Is it a particularly American thing to stress productivity so much? Statistics bear out that we're

all working harder than we used to, and that a lot of two-parent working couples are doing so out of necessity. We seem to be skimping on vacations, with lots of families using vacation time to cover child care during school vacations. Sometimes we feel admonished for having too much, but if you look around at the average American family, I think they'd tell you there are things they're doing without for the betterment of the family.

In spite of our nation's great affluence, not everybody has a big-screen TV, an SUV and an enormous McMansion. If I'm wrong about this, and all of you do have those things, please don't tell my children, who believe their parents are living in the Dark Ages.

Our parental belief is that we're drowning in too much stuff, and we are enormously grateful that our playroom is small enough that if we had a big-screen TV, we'd feel like we were in the episode with Will

and Grace. Contentment is a big thing we're working on with our kids, at the same time that we try to balance it with not letting it lead to complacency.

It becomes very tricky to push — or gently guide — our kids in what we hope is the right direction. It feels like there are two different cries in our society today; one is that our children are spoiled, do fewer chores than ever and have more things offered to them on a silver platter.

The other is a quieter cry, but it's one that kind of pesters my soul, and that is that we've taken childhood away from them. That cry got a little louder last week, when Christopher interviewed me for an English assignment.

"The teacher seems to think that we might learn something by asking somebody questions about what life was like 20-plus years ago," he said.

First we went through the list of

have-nots from my childhood: no microwaves, no color TVs, no cell phones, no VCRs, no computers and no Walkman. Lest it seemed like a depressing era, I told him about being able to get up in the morning, get on my bike and go visit friends, returning in time for dinner.

For the first time, he didn't look bored by that form of narrative he professes to hate, an old fogey's story of "how much better life was then." In fact, my parents liked to know where I was, and my preference was to spend entire summers curled up with books, but I wanted him to feel we had something of value, 20-plus years ago. His pen paused, and he gave me the glance that means trouble.

"Well, why don't I just get to go off for the day?" he asked. Maybe that's why we're a more fearful parental generation than our parents were. Polly Klaas, Elizabeth Smart, and the fact that teenagers drive two tons of metal too fast were the immediate answers that came to mind.

I try to give my children some freedom, like short jaunts through the neighborhood with friends, a quick trip to local stores. One day soon, I might even drop them at the movies with friends — then hang around outside listening for any shrieks of danger that might occur.

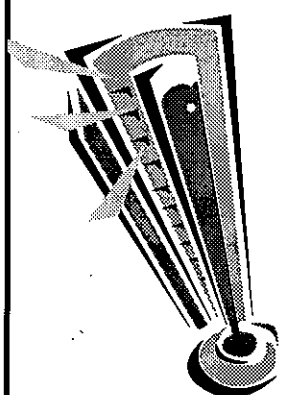
We work so hard to protect our children, yet wonder if we do them a disservice by holding them so close? Would we all be happier if there weren't so many organized programs for kids to be involved in, meaning that parents spend untold hours chauffeuring their kids around? If we all set our children loose on the world, would it be a better place, or would mayhem, havoc and countless child abductions occur?

It's a question we'll keep puzzling out, and assessing the risks in an age where every danger is televised to the extent that we believe strangers lurk just outside our doors waiting to abduct our children.

As we work out all of our parenting questions, we can comfort ourselves by seeing that we are raising a very talented generation. The amount of knowledge that our children have means that we have interesting family time together, and the fact that they can operate machines that still perplex us means that we will be able to keep out of the Dark Ages just a little bit.

Maybe the trick is to tell them that they are lucky and are having great childhoods. Surely, then, that's what they'll tell their children when they have an English assignment someday.

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Enjoy a bit of B'way at theater evening

Join John Anthony Lopez and friends in "A Walk Along Broadway," an evening of musical theater favorites on Saturday, May 31, at 7:15 p.m. at the high school Performing Arts Center.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and children under 12. Proceeds will benefit the new Performing Arts Center.

For information, call the high school at 765-3314, ext. 714.

School budget vote set June 3

The Voorheesville Central School District will hold its annual budget vote on Tuesday, June 3, from 2 to 9:30 p.m. in the foyer of the high school.

Thacher Park offers spring programs

Help the Friends of Thacher Park in cleaning their adopted section of Route 157 on Saturday, May 31, at 9 a.m.

Meet at Hop Field with work gloves. There will be no parking fee for volunteers.

For information, call 872-0800.

A nature sketching workshop with botanical artist and teacher Anne Jaster will explore and discover hidden and unnoticed features of the natural world with paper and pencil.

The fee is \$10. For information or to register, call 872-1237.

Five Rivers slates dragonfly census

A dragonfly census will be held on Saturday, May 31, at 2 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar.

This is Five Rivers' fourth year identifying and keeping records on dragonflies on the center grounds.

An introductory program into the life of the dragonfly will be followed by an outdoor walk. Participants will learn about dragonflies, their habits and identifying characteristics.

Last summer's collected information will be shared.

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PTA seeks volunteers

The Voorheesville PTA is looking for two parents from each of the three schools — elementary, middle and high school — to be on a finance committee.

This committee would review financial requests from each school that are submitted each year.

For information, contact the Voorheesville PTA.

Boosters announce essay winners

The Bethlehem Soccer Booster Club is pleased to announce the winners of the boys and girls scholarship. Matt Glannon and Kristen Byrnes will each receive \$250 for well-written essays, their dedication to and love of the game of soccer.

Several Bethlehem Central middle and high school students recently excelled in various statewide and national mathematics competitions.

At the middle school, students participated in the statewide New York Math League competition. BC eighth-grade students placed first in the region and third out of 180 participating schools in the state.

Eighth-grader Peter Bonventre tied for the highest score in the region and was second in the state. The region consists of schools in Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Green, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady and Warren counties.

Seventh-grade students finished second in the region and tied for 13th out of 191 participating schools. Cameron Meyers, a seventh-grader, tied for the second highest score in the region.

At the sixth-grade level, BC students finished second in the region and 11th out of 204 statewide schools.

At the high school level, 37 students participated in the American High School Mathematics Examinations, offered for the second time to more than 242,000 students nationwide.

BC students' average scores on two forms of the test exceeded nationwide averages. High scorers were Becky Kolakoski, Matt Goldstein, Ethan Levine and

Robin Meyers. Other high scorers included Richie Bonventre, Alex Casparian, Aaron Wistar, David Farber, Matt Tyman, Jared Frisch and Kaitlyn Peterson. Based on their scores, these students qualified for a second competition, the American Invitational Mathematics Examination, for which only about 13,000 students qualify

nationwide. On this second exam, Richie Bonventre, Ethan Levine and Robin Meyers scored above the nationwide average.

"Just to get to this second round of exam is quite an accomplishment," said BC Math Supervisor Greg Sterling.

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Matters of Opinion

Going to the dogs

The saying "you can't teach an old dog new tricks" seems to be proving once again to be true in Bethlehem and other similar suburban towns.

In this case, the old dogs are town residents who continue to defy reality by leaving their vehicles unlocked overnight in their driveways or in front of their homes. That along with warmer weather brings thieves to town, and already several dozen incidents have been reported to police.

We may not want to give up the illusion that we live in a safe community where everyone

leaves their doors unlocked, but the truth is suburban residents are foolhardy to believe things don't need to be locked up. If you don't think so, just check the number of car theft incidents reported over the last several years.

Many of the old dogs are now feeling violated, having had their vehicles ransacked. Thieves see these vehicles as easy pickings, practically inviting them to get inside and take cash or expensive items like cameras, DVDs and anything else of value left in an open car.

And this year, once again, police are cautioning residents to simply lock their vehicles even when they are parked in the driveway, but dozens of folks fail to do this, year after year.

We've heard stories from some of these victims, who are truly shaken up after being robbed, and no doubt we'll hear more since the old dogs seem unwilling or unable to learn new tricks that would save a lot of heartache and loss by the simple act of locking car doors.

Ward off West Nile

It's been a wet spring — and that means extra caution by homeowners, to say nothing of local officials, to guard against a possible resurgence of a problem that vaulted into public consciousness only two summers ago: West Nile virus.

There's no need for panic about the prospect.

With better tracking in place than the summer of 2001, it's too soon to tell how serious the problem will be this year. But with recent heavy rains, local residents would be well advised to search their property for potential breeding grounds for mosquito larvae: backed up roof drains and downspouts, backyard buckets or spare tires filled with water, or other places rainwater may have pooled up. While anxiety about the incidence of West Nile is uncalled-for, a little preventive maintenance early in the season certainly couldn't hurt.

Editorials

Infomercials: insomniac nirvana

By DONNA J. BELL

The writer is editor of Capital District Parent Pages.

You'll have tighter abs in minutes a day (click), in less than a month be financially independent (click) melt fat from your hips, thighs or stomach (click), over one million sold (click), get the body you've always dreamed of (click), this would be a bargain at any price, but wait, there's more (click, click, click).

There is nothing more dangerous to me than late night TV viewing — my biorhythms are at their lowest, the house is quiet; the flickering glow from the TV is soothing and hypnotic.

It's the time of night when I come to the realization that I can't possibly live another moment without a Ronco Showtime Rotisserie. "It's not a luxury, it's a necessity," I think as a sizzling drop of fat slips down the crispy skin of a perfectly baked bird. Is that a whiff of thyme and rosemary I smell?

"Ah, yes bring on the barbecue ribs, Ron Baby," I coo as I slip deeper into the recliner. A moment of sanity comes to me as I struggle to regain control of the few brain cells that are still operating at 1 a.m. Must. Turn. The. Channel. Message connects with trigger finger and victory is mine, I break free of Ron and his "just set it and forget it" mantra.

Ron Popeil and I are old friends. I've spent many a late night with him sharing the magic of the Popeil Pasta Machine and the Pocket Fisherman. My mother was the proud owner of a Smokeless Ashtray bought at a "ridiculously low price" and I worshiped at the fount of an ancient Veg-O-Matic.

"We'll have other nights together," I say to comfort myself as I reluctantly change the channel. Perhaps this time I'll make it all the way to the news.

I'm not safe yet however, because just one channel away I find another favorite friend. Gosh,

Point of View

a body like Daisy Fuentes, for only \$39.99? I could do that, I could have those tight abs and thighs just like high-profile celebs Daisy and Elizabeth Berkley.

Mari Winsor's Pilates tapes could be just the ticket I think as I picture myself in a slinky red evening gown. It could be the start of a whole new me.

As I sweep my gaze over toward the phone it stops on the

Unbidden, I reach for the phone when suddenly a large mass flies out from nowhere snatching the receiver from my hand. "Give me the remote, Donna," my husband implores.

VCR cabinet and a series of titles: "Walk Away the Pounds," which promised to burn fat while walking in the comfort of your own home. The problem with walking in your own home is that it's even more boring than walking outdoors, \$34.99. Jane Fonda's "Step Aerobics," a bargain at \$24.99.

It was only \$59.99 for me to "Tae Bo" with seven-time world martial arts champion Billy Blanks. For an entire two days I tapped into my hidden strength with the ancient arts of self-defense, dance, and boxing. Tae Bo promised to burn an amazing 800 calories per hour, I figured out the cost to me worked out to about \$1 per calorie burned. Perhaps exercise videos weren't what I needed (click).

That's more like it, the Total Gym — now there's a substantial piece of equipment. Look, it folds up and slips away under your bed or sofa. If I squint my eyes and turn my head at an angle the big muscle-bound hunk that Chuck Norris is helping glisten with the exertions of pumping his own weight looks just like my husband, and darn if, in the darkened light of the living room and with that sleep-deprived hysteria mojo going on, Christy

didn't resemble me just a tiny bit.

I must have dozed off for a minute because when I look again Christy was looking blonder, younger and much thinner than just a moment ago (click, click, click). Ab-Doer, (click), Cyber Sonic Toothbrush (click), Hairagami (click), Ultimate Pancake Maker (click).

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I pause, my finger hovering over the remote button. Interesting, innovative, I think as I picture the sink of dishes waiting for me in the kitchen.

"The Turbo Cooker," I slowly repeat, running the title over my tongue. "Vapor seal, no added oil, steam frying, cook a whole meal with so little work."

Unbidden, I reach for the phone when suddenly a large mass flies out from nowhere snatching the receiver from my hand. "Give me the remote, Donna," my husband implores.

"But Roger, because of the unique steam frying method of cooking food, the tastes won't transfer from one type of food to another while they are cooking in the Turbo Cooker," I plead.

He stands firm. "The remote, please."

"No," I sob, grasping the little black object tightly. "Steam doesn't allow the transfer of food flavors so you don't have to worry about your veggies tasting like fish."

He gently removes one finger at a time from my captor. "It's over," he says soothingly. "Come on, you need some sleep."

"Yes, sleep," I repeat in monotone as he leads me toward the bedroom. I'm content for the moment to know that the Turbo Cooker and I will meet again, perhaps not tomorrow, but one day.

BCHS parents hoping to recruit volunteers

Editor, The Spotlight:

Parents of the junior class at Bethlehem Central High School are invited to a Graduation Celebration volunteer meeting on Wednesday, June 4, in the high school cafeteria.

Graduation Celebration is planned by parents of seniors and chaperoned by junior parents. This year, the party will take place on June 27.

For the past 12 years, this alcohol and drug free event has been held at the high school, where graduates enjoy food,

entertainment, games, and most important, an opportunity to celebrate this exciting occasion with friends in a safe location.

The volunteer committee has started to contact junior parents asking for their help. However, we are falling short of the number of volunteers we need to chaperone the large number of students we expect this year.

If you would like to help, please join us on June 4, and contact Kathy Gutman at 439-1857.

Laura Swiatowicz
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Matters of Opinion

Town was remiss by not publicizing water shut off

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was surprised and deeply disturbed at the Bethlehem town board meeting on May 14 to learn for the first time, without public notice, that our water connection with Guiderland had been shut off, and water purchases from that source had been halted as of last December.

In January 2002, Bethlehem began to import water from Guiderland as a partial and temporary solution to the severe water shortage. Under the advice of the Albany County Health Commissioner Dr. James Crucetti, who conferred with me and several other professionals, the town notified all customers by letter of the change in fluoride levels in our water. This presented a short-term compromise in every physician's and dentist's ability to properly advise their patients' parents on what levels of fluoride supplements would be desirable for the best dental health for the long run, but the water shortage dictated this inconvenience.

And it was only predicted to last until May of last year. The problem was that no one could know who was then getting how much fluoride, since it would vary for each household, from ideal to near zero. Dr. Crucetti and I pointed out then (and now) the

long-term best solution would be to fluoridate at the ideal level all Bethlehem water at all of the various sources and be done with it. That, of course, did not happen.

It was a very serious error of omission to fail to again notify all water customers of the return to "normal." No one will ever be able to quantify the damage done to our children as a result. Most likely, it will be minor. But this was a disservice to the children of our community, their parents and all of the family practitioners, pediatricians and dentists.

I am personally upset that the advice I have been offering my patients has unknowingly been incorrect for more than five months, based on outdated information. Those professionals I have personally polled are also upset. The right of every parent to monitor and make informed decisions about their children's health has been denied.

I understand the public will be informed shortly of the cessation of fluoride with a soon to be mailed annual water report. I hope that occurs quickly, as not everyone affected gets or reads *The Spotlight* and the word is long overdue. Perhaps it should be accompanied with an apology.

Joseph J. Hart, DMD
Delmar

Davis supports Kissinger for library board

Editor, The Spotlight:

I hope the community will elect Mark Kissinger as a member of the Bethlehem Public Library board on June 3.

Mark has been an active supporter of our library's services as a member of the Friends of the Library board. He and his wife Karen have been involved in various community activities and programs since moving to Bethlehem, and they and their two young sons are regular library visitors.

During his 15 years in state government, Mark has served as director of the Senate Aging Committee and has worked on a wide range of human service issues.

Having worked with Mark on a professional basis, I know firsthand his ability to address critical issues and solve problems effectively. He is hard-working, honest and committed to helping others.

I believe that our town's residents — who so value our library and its extraordinary range of services and programs — would be well served with Mark Kissinger as their representative on the Bethlehem library board.

Doris Davis
Delmar

Outgoing board member says Read best candidate for board

Editor, The Spotlight:

With the many activities in all of our busy lives, I am hopeful that Bethlehem residents have the date of June 3 on their calendars.

It is, of course, Bethlehem Public Library renovation bond and school budget vote. In addition, there are board of trustees seats requiring your voice.

Current board member Paula Read is running for her third term.

As some of you know, I am the outgoing treasurer for the library board, and I have worked with Paula through the completion of my elected term.

Paula has served in a variety

of capabilities on the board, including secretary, assistant treasurer and currently as board liaison to the Upper Hudson Library System.

She is a stalwart presence and as hardworking and thoughtful a volunteer as residents could wish for to serve their interests.

Ms. Read is steadfast in the performance of her duties (having missed a total of three meetings in more than eight years of service) and can be relied upon to assist in any way that is needed.

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Matters of Opinion

Parents invited to help out at BC graduation celebration

Editor, The Spotlight:

Parents of BCHS juniors are invited to volunteer at this year's

BCHS Graduation Celebration.

The all-night event is scheduled for June 27 and includes a variety

of games and activities designed to help seniors to safely celebrate this milestone.

A meeting will be held on June 4 at 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Feel free to call Cathy Gutman at 439-1857 if you have any questions.

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Resident supports Meredith, Kissinger

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Tuesday, June 3, at the middle school, town of Bethlehem residents will once again go to the polls and cast votes on the library budget and for a number of seats on the board of trustees.

As part of the budget, voters are being asked to approve a referendum that will allow the library to undertake much needed renovations.

When the "new" library opened in the early 1970s, it immediately became a major asset to our community; a fresh and well-organized facility where the needs of all age groups were served. Over the years however, increased traffic and delays in renovation have left us with a mere shadow of that original design.

While I wish the current board was asking for even more funds to rectify this situation, I believe their current proposal is extremely responsible and a great first step. I really hope that all of you make an effort to get out and vote in favor of this new plan.

In sticking with this notion that there is a new era dawning for the library, I believe that this is also a good time to get a fresh perspective on the library board by casting votes for some first-time candidates. One such candidate who I believe is ideal as a representative for our community is Brent Meredith.

Brent is a stay-at-home dad with an engineering background who actively utilizes the library both in furthering his children's education and in pursuing his own interests. He has made it clear that he has a real interest in expanding the library's reach, and he has the vision and personality to make that happen.

Another fine candidate for the other seat is Mark Kissinger. Mark has been active for some time in the Friends of the Library and would utilize that experience to make a very productive impact on the Board of Trustees. I strongly urge you to elect Brent and Mark to the board.

Finally, the voter turnout for library elections has been pretty light in recent years. Please take the time to learn about our library and get involved in advancing its cause. Your children will thank you for it down the road.

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Matters of Opinion

Bethlehem Public Library board asks for voters support

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bethlehem Public Library (BPL) needs your help. On Tuesday, June 3, residents will have the opportunity to vote on a \$1.5 million library renewal project that will address important maintenance and improvement issues.

In December 2000, the board of trustees proposed a referendum for an \$8.5 million renovation. Voters rejected the plan.

Since the last referendum, board members have sought out public opinion so that we will not be out of touch with the community we serve. We've conducted an independent telephone survey. We've held public meetings. We've distributed questionnaires. We've communicated in our newsletter, on our Web site, in *The Spotlight*, via phone calls, letters and e-mails. And we've continuously

reached out to library users in person, one on one.

From all this outreach, we have developed a project that has received an overwhelming majority of positive comments from residents. But it's the voting majority that counts.

Let's look at what's at stake.

First and foremost are your tax dollars. This bond will cost a homeowner (of a house worth \$150,000) \$33 per year for five years, for a total of \$165. What you will get for your investment is a library that will continue to reflect the high quality of our community. What you will not get are any luxuries. This project is all about basics: meeting safety requirements and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) mandates, upgrading technology and adding computer workstations and improving lighting and sound-proofing, and making other necessary repairs.

To understand why this modest plan is so important, consider the depth and breadth of services your library offers.

BPL has, after Albany Public, the largest circulation of all libraries in the Capital District. Open seven days a week and 12 hours per day Monday through Friday, BPL answered 70,000 reference questions last year. Your library provided more than 600 programs for 19,000 children, teens and adults; Internet access to 13,000 people; and meeting rooms for 665 community groups. BPL hosted one-third of a million visitors in 2002.

Take these numbers and factor in the rapid growth in this community. There is nothing new about the math or fuzzy about the logic. We need to invest in our library in order for it to continue to serve the public the way we all want it to. It's that simple.

We will create an improved

circulation area that will facilitate check-in, check-out and traffic flow. We will add enclosed study rooms so that students and small groups can work together freely without disrupting others. We will transform youth services into a terrific learning center for kids, complete with a cozy reading nook, coat racks and stroller parking.

Children and adults will have more computers to use. Periodicals will be moved to a quieter, more comfortable area. Media services will be relocated to more accessible space near the circulation desk. A small local history room will double as another quiet study area. Bathrooms, which are not now accessible to wheelchairs, will be made ADA compliant.

There are a great many more basic improvements that will be made with the prudent use of this \$1.5 million so that your library

can continue to operate safely and effectively. Inside and out, we will be replacing numerous essential fixtures and equipment that are worn out past the point of repair.

This is a no-frills proposal that has evolved directly from the community's input. While it stresses financial constraint, it has been very carefully developed in order to make your library a community center you will continue to be proud of and enjoy for its resources and services.

Now we need your support.

Visit the BPL Web site at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org, review the Needs Assessment for this important renewal proposal, and remember to vote on Tuesday, June 3.

John Hathaway, John Cody, Garry Pollow, Paula Read, Rena Button, Randy Fisher and Happy Scherer

Bethlehem Public Library trustees



Spotlight on Gardening

Soil sampling helps garden grow



Testing a soil sample for pH will help gardeners prepare for a strong growing season. Liming and fertilizing without a soil test is like building a house without a blueprint.

Healthy flowers, house plants, lawns, vegetables and trees are a source of pride and satisfaction to the grower. One way to help assure proper growing conditions for plants is to have a proper soil pH. A soil pH test is recommended before planting, as well as every two to three years for established plants. The pH test is helpful in the diagnosis of plant problems.

The term pH refers to the acidity or alkalinity of the soil. A pH of 7.0 is neutral, 6.0 or lower is acid, and 7.1 or higher is alkaline. Acid soil is sometimes referred to as "sour" soil and alkaline as "sweet".

The availability of nutrients to plants is affected by the soil pH. A correct pH allows the plant to utilize the nutrients in the soil. The ideal pH range for most plants is 6.0-6.8. A soil with a pH outside this range may decrease the quality of the plant of its yield or possibly even kill it under extreme conditions.

For good growth, plants need various elements, especially nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P) and potassium (K). Minor or trace elements are usually not a problem in garden soils, if one adds organic matter and uses a complete fertilizer. Fertilizers come in

different forms, both organic (natural) and inorganic (synthetic). Some sources of organic matter are peat moss, compost, manure, leaf mold and plant residues. Organic matter loosens and improves clay soils. In medium and light sandy soils, the addition of organic matter helps to hold moisture and the nutrients.

Nutrient soil tests are more expensive than pH tests. Determine whether you really need a nutrient test or not, but do not neglect to have a pH test done as indicated in the preceding material.

A good soil sample is most important when testing soil. Test data is practically worthless if the sample is not representative of the particular soil under consideration.

Different soils are sampled separately: gardens, lawns, houseplants, rhododendron and blueberry beds, etc. Unusual areas should not be included in the sample, but can be done separately if desired. For example, strips adjacent to highways or driveways, severely eroded spots, low wet areas, or areas set aside specifically for acid-loving plants such as rhododendrons and blueberries.

To take a soil sample:

- Use a clean pail and shovel, uncontaminated by pesticides, fertilizers, lime, etc.

- Small sub-samples (1-10 depending on the size of the plot) should be collected and thoroughly mixed in a pail. A sub-sample consists of a downward slice taken from the side of a hole 4-6 inches deep.

- Remove large stones only. Do not handle the soil or sift through it.

- Mix the sub-sample together and put one cup of the representative sample of the mixture in a labeled container. Place name, address, date and location of sample on the label. This is especially important if you have more than one sample.

- If the soil is wet, air dry naturally. Do not use artificial heat such as an oven to dry it.

- Areas where you have spread wood ashes (alkaline), lime (alkaline), ground sulfur (acid) or fertilizers in the last four months, will be greatly influenced by these materials. Information concerning past cropping, liming and fertilizing must also be included for a more accurate analysis. Giving information on the plant(s) and

problems you are experiencing is also valuable.

- Soil tests do not show insect or disease problems.

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Matters of Opinion

Taxpayer says V'ville budget fails to hold line on spending

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Voorheesville school board missed another golden opportunity to win back taxpayers' confidence by not holding the line on spending and higher taxes. The new budget is at an all-time record high of \$17,368,005. The annual school budget flier informed us that the new tax levy increase will be \$1,012,652 or a 9.68 percent increase. If you continue to read, there is an additional .79 percent increase for the bus purchase on a separate proposition.

No matter how you look at it, if the school budget passes, we will all be paying over a 10 percent

increase in school taxes.

Last year, voters spoke loud and clear by defeating the first budget, and passed the second attempt by only 8 votes. The second budget that was approved carried a tax levy increase of 7.58, down from the nearly 10 percent in the defeated budget.

So what lesson was learned by the school board? Raise your taxes even higher this year.

Let's look back only to the 2000-01 Voorheesville school budget. That budget was \$14,016,548 with a tax levy increase of \$594,803. This year's budget has over a 2 million increase, and almost doubles the

tax levy in comparison to the 2000-01 school year.

We suggest that the voters get out their calculators and checkbook. If this \$17,368,005 budget passes, it will bring with it an estimated tax rate of \$23.50 per \$1,000 (one of the highest in Albany County) of your assessed valuation. Please do the math before you vote. If this 10 percent tax increase continues at the same rate for the next 10 years, your school taxes will double. If you are paying \$2,500 dollars now in taxes, you will be moving towards that \$5,000 figure. Can all the citizens of our community afford an additional 10 per cent increase in taxes? Yes, some can, but those on Social Security, single parents and those on fixed incomes will struggle.

Taxes continue to surge while school enrollment has declined. In the 1980-81 school year, the total enrollment in our district was 1,568 students. Projected enrollments for the 2003-04 school year for the elementary school is 514, and the high school is 780. There will be 270 fewer children attending our school next year than 20 years ago.

Is the administration trying to hold the line on spending or is it adding new positions? Last week, the Voorheesville school board approved the salary of a summer swim program director at an hourly wage of \$22 and created a new manager position for the school's Performing Arts Center (formally known as the school auditorium). Will the administration soon be establishing managers for the new gym and swimming pool too? How can the residents forget in March of 2000, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Alan McCartney was being paid \$103,000 per year, and in 2002 his salary was increased to \$132,000. This board is very generous with taxpayers money.

Another expense that should be brought to voters' attention is the "Inside Track," written and published by paid administration staff. Have you seen the *Heldebarker* in your mailbox recently? No! There is a good reason; now the students carry the *Heldebarker* home. But, the administration's "Inside Track" is mailed directly to your home. We can speak for many residents who preferred reading articles written by Voorheesville students than by highly paid school administrators.

The new "Inside Track" came out just two weeks before the expected May 19 vote with the headline "According to Superintendent Alan McCartney, cutting an additional \$317,633 from our budget would be catastrophic for our district."

I would like to remind the school board and Dr. McCartney that the Court of Appeals held in *Phillips vs. Maurer* that school district funds may not be used to exhort the electorate to support a particular position. We believe the Voorheesville school district violated this decision with their various articles favoring the passage of the school budget.

Voorheesville residents understand the issues and are well-informed. We all value education and have confirmed this through financial support and parent involvement. The school board continues to calculate the cost of education by the latest tax increase, the rest of us measure

this cost by the ever-increasing annual school tax bill. Developing an annual school budget should not be a war of attrition year after year. A good-faith effort by the school board to contain costs would have gone a long way to restore public confidence.

We ask all residents to vote on June 3. We are proud of the accomplishments of our students and the commitment of our teachers, but school taxes are just too high. Join us in sending a message to the administration and board that we do not support a 10 percent increase in taxes.

Larry Bonham

Voorheesville Taxpayers Association

Garden club says thanks

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Garden Club, I would like to thank all the people who attended our annual plant sale on May 17.

With your support and the help of *The Spotlight* for publicity, we were able to surpass our goal this year. We plan to again award an eligible town of Bethlehem high school senior a \$500 education incentive scholarship next year and return the rest of the profits to the community through beautification programs in town.

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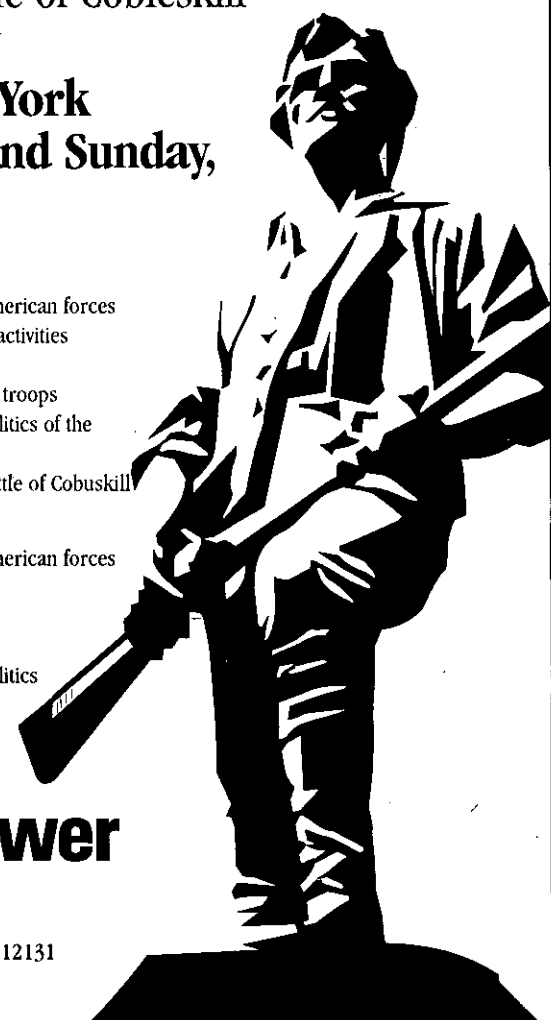
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By TIMOTHY P. MINAHAN,
Vice President, KeyBank N.A.

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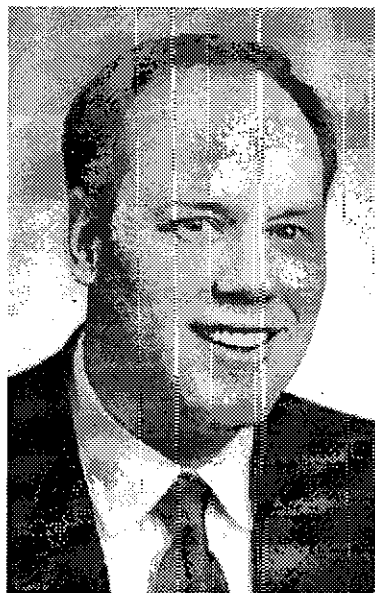
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need not wait onshore during perfect voyaging weather while a loan application is processed. Responsive marine lenders often notify borrowers within a few hours that their loan applications have been approved, and many lenders use Web sites or telephone centers to speed up communications.

Marine lenders can also help borrowers decide between fixed rate and



Timothy P. Minahan

adjustable rate loan options and compare the advantages of such useful payment options as annual payment plans, seasonal payment plans and bi-weekly payments.

Borrowers with seasonal income or a dependable annual bonus might choose an annual payment plan, the first payment generally coming due within the first six months after closing and the next a year later and

so on. A seasonal payment plan is also advantageous for borrowers with seasonal income, allowing a "payment vacation" of a few consecutive months per year. Borrowers who prefer smaller but more frequent payments often choose a bi-weekly plan which lowers finance charges, pays down principal faster and shortens the term of the loan. However, a bi-weekly plan requires automatic payment deductions from the borrower's bank account.

Interest on a boat loan can actually be tax-deductible if the owner claims the boat as one of two qualified residences and if the boat has a bed, a toilet and cooking facilities, or, in boat language, a berth, a head and a galley, respectively. Buyers would be wise to consult their tax advisors regarding the deductibility of the interest on a boat loan.

Low interest rates make this an ideal time to finance a boat purchase, and allow buyers to retain cash reserves for future investment.

Buyers may find not only a boat to purchase by searching online; they can also begin the financing process. Many lenders' Web sites feature calculators that will determine in advance the payment amounts under various options.

The right boat financing can provide smooth sailing.

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Six vying for 3 board seats

The June 3 ballot for the library will include six candidates for three seats on the library board. Two seats are for a full five-year term; one is for a partial term of three years. Terms are seat-specific and begin on July 1.

Check It Out Bethlehem Public Library

Here are thumbnail profiles of the candidates, in the order they will appear on the ballot.

Happy Scherer (seat one, three years) was appointed to the board in January to fill an unexpired term. A former member and officer of the Bethlehem Central school board, she is currently a professor of human services with

30 years experience in the mental health field. She volunteers as placement coordinator for the American Field Service and raises seeing-eye puppies for Guiding Eyes for the Blind. She is a 23-year resident of Bethlehem.

Mark Kissinger (seat two, five years) is a senior program associate in the office of the governor. His community service includes Little League, PTA and Bethlehem Soccer. He is also a Friends of Bethlehem Public Library board member. A Bethlehem resident since 1997, he is married with two young sons.

Paula Read (seat two, five years) is running for a second full term on the library board. She is an immigration counselor in the Office of Immigrant Services, Catholic Charities of the Diocese

of Albany. A 26-year resident of Bethlehem, she is an Upper Hudson Library System board member and a member of the League of Women Voters.

Brent Meredith (seat three, five years) is a stay-at-home dad for his three children, a volunteer Delmar firefighter and a volunteer in the Bethlehem schools. He has an engineering degree from Clarkson University. He has lived in Bethlehem for three years.

Michael Zalob (seat three, five years) is a dentist. He is a member of Vietnam Veterans of America and the American Dental Society. He is also a United Way board member. He has lived in Bethlehem for 10 years, is married and the father of four grown children.

Louise Kavanaugh (seat three, five years) is a homemaker and former insurance office administrator. Community service includes the Kindermusik program at St. Joseph's of Carondelet, the toddler swim program at Albany Jewish Community Center and Library Babies and Books. She is married with one child and has lived in Bethlehem for four years.

Voting for the trustees, the library budget and the facilities renewal referendum will be held at the middle school Tuesday, June 3, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. The budget, the referendum proposition and information about the facilities renewal project, appears on our Web site, www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org. The budget is included in the May/June issue of *footnotes*, the library newsletter.

Louise Grieco

Special program takes kids on a time trip

Travel back in time with stories and activities related to the series of books by Mary Pope Osborne.

On Friday, June 6, at 1 p.m. kids will be visiting pirates, mummies, dinosaurs and more at book and craft stations all over the community room. This program for children in kindergarten through third grade has been rescheduled from winter vacation

Voorheesville Public Library

when it was canceled due to bad weather. Call to sign up again — school lets out early that day.

The library's Teen Advisory Board will hold its second meeting on Friday, May 30, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. to brainstorm activities for library programs that teens will enjoy. If you are interested and in grade six or older, call 765-2791 or e-mail voorys@uhs.lib.ny.us for Joyce Laiosa.

Judging by the small pile of leftover books, the Friends of the Library annual book sale was terrific. The fiction books were of especially good quality thanks to generous donations received during the year. Baked goods on Saturday were flying off the table, and hordes of buyers took advantage of Buck-A-Bag Sunday. The final wrap-up will be assessed at the June 4 Friends meeting.

Thanks go to all who donated time and energy to unpacking, sorting, baking and overseeing the sale and to the school district

for the loan of tables. The community service workers from the high school were invaluable in carting in the heavy book boxes from the storage shed. Friends' officers Cindy Childs, Chrystie Stafford, Jan Kurposka, Michele Reilly, Sue Gibbons and Justin Brusgul and library maintenance man Herb LaRock all put in many hours to contribute to the success of the event. Special thanks also to Nate Myers, who worked hard on cleanup.

The community will be reaping the benefits of all this labor when they enjoy the upcoming summer concerts sponsored by the library Friends on the library lawn. Express your thanks by becoming a Friends member.

And remember to vote on the library budget on Tuesday, June 3, from 2 to 9:30 p.m. at the high school.

The library is still soliciting donations of perennials from local gardeners who may have been dividing plants recently. Thanks to the Helderberg Garden Club and others who have responded. Plants can be dropped off inside the library.

It's not too late to sign up for kids' book discussion. On Tuesday, June 10, readers in grades four to six will be discussing the novel *Ella Enchanted* by Gail Carson Levine at 7 p.m. at the library.

Adults will attack the culinary delights at a potluck supper before the June 4 book discussion of *Chocolat* by Joanne Harris. Participants should be here with a dish to share at 6:30 p.m.

Preschool caregivers are reminded that story times will be presented only on Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:15 a.m. through June 13.

Barbara Vink

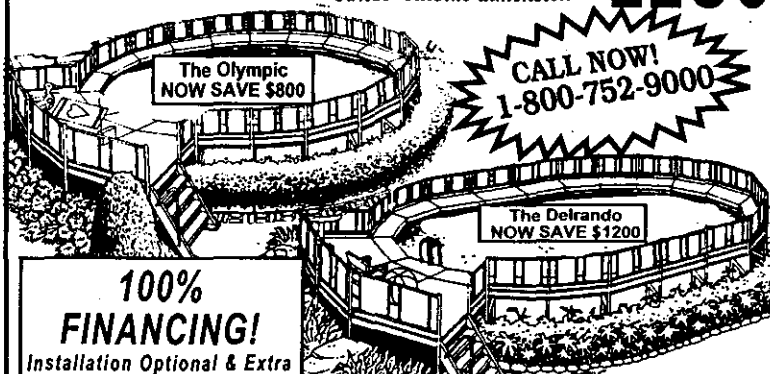
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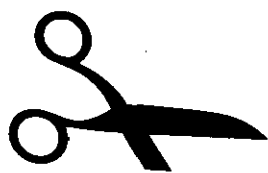


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Sports

Dalton, Wegman win annual Tour du Parc race

Tom Dalton of Schenectady added another race championship to his collection of both national and area awards as he won the men's race at the ninth annual Tour du Parc Sunday at Bethlehem Town Park.

Dalton completed the 5-kilometer cross-country course in 16 minutes and 41 seconds.

Bethlehem Central High School runner **Roxanne Wegman** won the women's race in 21:32.

A total of 104 runners completed the course, which offers a scenic tour of the town park's hills, wooded areas and playing fields.

Dalton was followed by **Rob Kuhn** in second place and **Chris Shaffer** in third, both of Delmar. Twelve-year-old **Kristin Kenney** of Delmar and **Nancy Taormina**



Rob Kuhn leads a pack of runners up a hill during Sunday's Tour du Parc.

of Albany were second and third in the women's race.

Bethlehem runners were the top three finishers in both the male and female 13-19 age groups. **Patrick Shaffer**, **Adam Hill** and **Alex Tiberio** were the first, second and third males; **Claire Luke**, **Sara Virgil** and **Emily Abbott** were the first, second and third females. Eleven-year-old **Rachel Hathaway** of Delmar was first in the 12-and-under girls' age group.

Chad Davey of Selkirk was first in the 20-29 age group. In the 30-34 age group, **Meghan Hotaling** of Delmar was third among the women and **Laszlo Kolyvek** of Slingerlands and **Andrew Baker** of Delmar were first and second among the men, respectively.

In the 35-39 age group, Bethlehem residents **Rose Duhan**, **Ginger Lynch Landy** and **Sherry West** were the top three women, while **Bruce Beesley** and **Jim Foley**, both of Delmar, were the first and third men.

In the 40-44 age group, **Kathy McCartan** and **Bernadette Loughlin**, both of Delmar, were the second and third women, and **Jim Maney** of Slingerlands was the first-place male.

Delmar residents **Melissa Behr** and **Marcus Harazin** were first and third respectively in their 45-49 age groups. **Fred Eames** and **Richard Beer**, both of Delmar, were second and third in the 50-59 age group.

The 5K race was followed by a mile race for kids 12 and under, and then by kids' quarter- and half-mile fun runs; these events drew about 50 children total.

Benjamin Dalton, son of Tom, won the boys' mile in 6:48, and **Kimberlyn Kenny**, sister of Kristin, won the girls' mile in 7:50. **Amanda Schubert** and **Jeffrey Morton** were second overall in the girls' and boys' mile respectively, and **Mary Martin** and **Pual Dieterle** were third overall; all four are from the town of Bethlehem.

In the 9-10 age group, Delmar's **Sarah Booker** won top honors for the girls, and **Stephen Bruckner** of Schenectady was the first finisher for the boys.

Drew Philipchik of Delmar won the boy's mile in the 11-12 age group; there was no girl finisher in that group.

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heaters are inexpensive to install, easy to maintain and can last from 6 to 8 years. However, electric water heating is expensive! For example, a

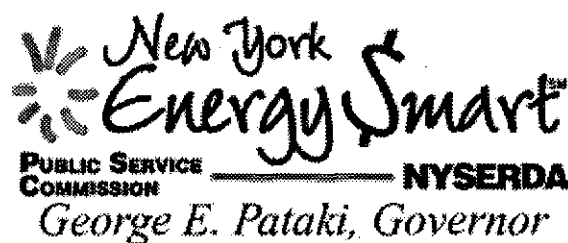


typical family of four in Albany using an electric water heater spends about \$40 per month to heat

water. That family could save about \$20 per month, or \$240 per year, by switching to a heat pump water heater.

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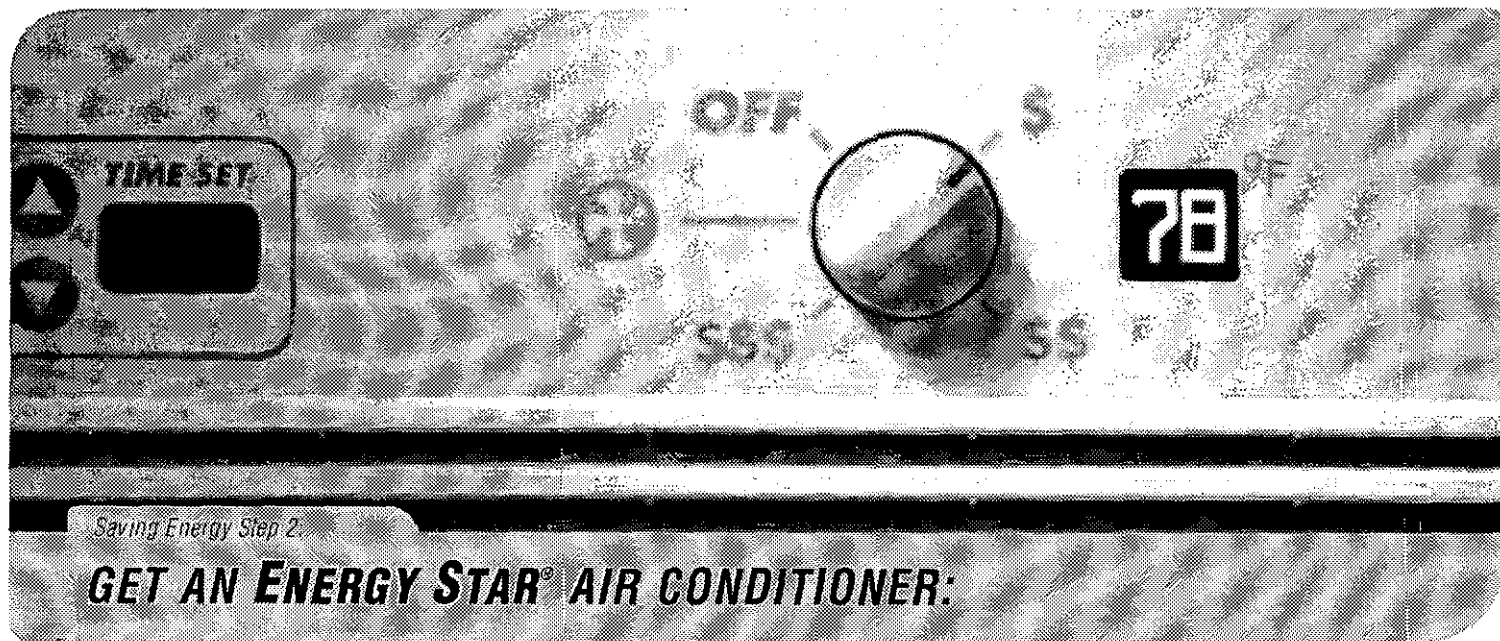
electric water heater, and can provide immediate savings.

In simple terms, a heat pump takes heat from one place and puts it in another. A heat pump water heater takes heat from the surrounding air, "concentrates" that heat, and puts it into the hot water storage tank. The heat is extracted out of the *free* air, which is air found in your basement and typically not used for comfort. A heat pump water heater

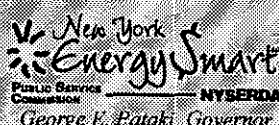
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consists of four basic components, the condenser, compressor, expansion device and evaporator. As a side benefit, heat pump water heaters provide a certain amount of dehumidification when operating, thus reducing the need for a stand-alone dehumidifier.

For more information about heat pump water heaters and other **New York Energy Smart** SM programs, please visit www.GetEnergySmart.org or call 1-877-NY-SMART.



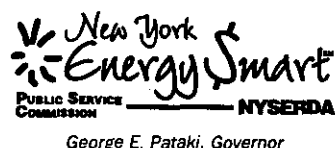
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is AT-VENTURES, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 14, 2003. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in 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 21 Grey Ledge Drive, Loudonville, New York 12211.
LCD-4029
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

810 CENTRAL AVENUE, LLC
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company
Articles of Organization of 810 Central Avenue, LLC ("LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on June 19, 1997. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to c/o 14 Hemlock Street, P.O. Box 517, Latham, New York 12110. 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
LCD-4063
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Bear Bay Consulting LLC
Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company (LLC), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/26/2003. The Office location is the County of Albany. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to: C/O The LLC, 41 State St., #106, Albany, NY 12207.
Purpose: any lawful act.
LCD-3073
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

BRIDGE AND BARN, LLC
1. The name of the limited liability company is Bridge and Barn, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization creating the limited liability company were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on May 8, 2003 and became effective on said date.
3. The principal office of the limited liability company is in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any copy of process against it is: Bridge and Barn, LLC, c/o Rose Watkins, 14 Saybrook Drive, Glenmont, New York 12077.
5. The limited liability company is formed for the purpose of engaging in any business purposes permitted by law.
Dated: May 21, 2003
Cooper Erving & Savage LLP
Attorneys for Bridge and Barn, LLC
39 North Pearl Street
Albany, New York 12207
(518) 449-3900
LCD-4035
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Maple Development Group, LLC was filed with SSNY on 4/17/02. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 2050 Western Ave., Suite 201, Guilderland, NY 12084.
Purpose: any lawful purpose.
LCD-4009
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Jonathan Bailey Design, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 2/26/2003. Of-

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fice location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 12/19/1997. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. TX address of LLC: 1701 Market St., Suite 400, Dallas, TX 75202. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, P.O. Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4066
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on June 11, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider a proposed Local Law amending Sec. 128-23 of the Zoning Code, dealing with permitted uses and uses permitted by special exception in Rural Districts not zoned. All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing. The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should contact Nan Lanahan at 439-4131.
Advanced notice is requested.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC
TOWN CLERK
Dated: May 28, 2003

LD-4064
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of McKesson Information Solutions LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/1/2003. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/18/1974. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The Prentice-Hall Corp. System, Inc., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Loockerman & Federal St, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4055
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: CRP, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/12/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 26 Century Hill Drive Suite 101, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LCD-4054
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Publication
The Patroon Group LLC was filed with SSNY on 3/26/03. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated agent of LLC against whom process may be served. P.O. address which SSNY shall mail process against LLC served upon him: 48 Howard Street, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful business
LD-4053
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW SECTION 1203 (c)
The name of the professional service limited liability company is G&F PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC. The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State was 3/24/03. The County in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Albany. The agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served is the Secretary of State and such shall mail a copy of any process to: Burke, Casserly & Gable, P.C., 255 Washington Ave Ext, Albany, NY 12205. The pur-

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pose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law.
LD-4052
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
Notice of Formation of 614 Route 9W, LLC, a domestic Limited Liability Company, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on 10/10/02. NY office location is Albany County. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him to c/o 614 Route 9W, Glenmont, New York 12077. The purpose of LLC is restaurant management.
LCD-4051
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
Notice of Formation of LIGHTHOUSE TAVERN, a domestic Limited Liability Company, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on May 7, 2003. NY office location is Albany County. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him to c/o Michael Tyrrell, 7 Christine Court, Latham, New York 12110. The Purpose of LLC is restaurant and bar business.
LCD-4048
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of KC PROPCO, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/2/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/7/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
LD-4042
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of KC OPCO, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/2/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/7/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
LD-4041
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Pursuant to Section 206
The New York Limited Liability Company Law

1. The name of the limited liability company is VRRMM, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on May 8, 2003.
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 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:

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VRRMM, LLC
16 West Meadow Drive
Albany, New York 12203
5. The name and street address within New York of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company can be served is: Antonio Milillo, Esq. Martin, Shudt, Wallace, DiLorenzo and Johnson
279 River Street
Troy, New York 12180
6. The limited liability company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes.
LD-4040
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bonanza Acquisition, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/1/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/6/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail 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: 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all activities relating to and involved with passenger transportation and related services.
LD-4039
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Crowe Chizek and Company LLC, a foreign professional service limited liability company (PLLC). Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/21/03. Office location: Albany County. PLLC formed in Indiana on 3/5/03. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Lexis/Nexis Document Solutions, Inc., 1275 Broadway, Albany, NY 12204. Purpose: practice the profession of public accounting.
LD-4036
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Wachovia Corporate & Investment Banking, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/29/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/5/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: One Wachovia Center, 301 S. College St., Charlotte, NC 28288. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4034
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of First Clearing, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/30/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/12/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4033
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).
The name of the LLC is SABRE TECHNICAL SERVICES, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 27, 2003. 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

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served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 2642 Marco Avenue, Odessa, Texas 79762.
LCD-4030
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Pitcairn Properties Management Company, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 3/12/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Pennsylvania (PA) on 2/21/03. 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. PA address of LLC: c/o Pitcairn Properties Inc., 165 Township Line Rd., Suite 1500, Jenkintown, PA 19046. Arts. of Org. Filed with PA Secy. of State, Corp. Div., 302 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg, PA. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4028
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Field Day Fest 2003, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/28/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/24/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4027
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Harris, Balzer & Conway, PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/10/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as the agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to 5 Clinton Sq., Albany, NY 12207. The latest date upon which the PLLC is to dissolve is 12/31/2080. Purpose: to practice the profession of law.
LCD-4024
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of URNA LEASING, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/24/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/24/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: 5 Greenwich Office Park, Greenwich, CT 06830. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Loockerman & Federal Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-4018
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
1. The name of the limited liability company is BJB Enterprises, LLC.
2. The articles of organization of the limited liability company were filed on March 7, 2003 with the New York Secretary of State.
3. The office of the limited liability company is located in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State was designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served.
5. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process served to the limited liability company to 23 Bergen Woods Drive, Cohoes, New York 12047.
6. The latest date to dissolve is indefinite.
7. The purpose of the limited liability company is to conduct all lawful activity.
LD-4003
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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The name of the LLC is DWM PROPERTIES, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 30, 2003. 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 7 Altamont Avenue, Albany, New York 12205.
LCD-4002
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION THE BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual election of the inhabitants of the above named school district will be held in the upper gymnasium of the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York, on Tuesday, June 3, 2003, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. EDT.

The Board of Education will present for consideration the school district budget for the period of July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004. Copies of said budget may be provided by any inhabitant of the district during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the annual election, except Saturdays and Sundays, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., EDT at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, and the office of the elementary schools, the Middle School and the High School of the District.

The Trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library will present for consideration the public library budget for the period of July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004. Copies of the budget may be obtained at the reference desk of the library.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing to discuss the proposed school district budget will be held on the 21st day of May, 2003 at the Educational Services Center located at 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York at 8:00 p.m., EDT.

Petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 2003 to fill the vacancies caused by the expiration of the terms of Lynne Lenhardt and James Lytle and petitions nominating candidates for the office of Trustee of the Bethlehem Public Library for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 2003, to fill vacancies caused by the expiration of terms of Paula Read and Garry Pollow, and candidate for the office of Trustee of the Bethlehem Public Library for a partial term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 2003, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Melissa Palmer, must be filed with Clerk of the School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, not later than 5:00 p.m., EDT, May 5, 2003.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT votes will be taken upon the following:

1. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
2. For the election of two (2) members of the Board of Education of said Bethlehem Central School District, for a full term of three (3) years; all commencing July 1, 2003, to fill vacancies caused by the expiration of the terms of Lynne Lenhardt and James Lytle;
3. Upon the appropriation of \$999,519 to purchase fourteen (14) buses for the Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
4. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Public Library and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
5. Upon the appropriate of \$1,495,285 to fund the deferred maintenance project of said Bethlehem Public Library, to be financed with a five-year bond, and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;
6. For the election of two (2) trustees to the Board of Trustees of said Bethlehem Public Library, for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 2003, to fill the

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vacancies caused by the expiration of the term of Pauls Read and Garry Follow; and for the election of one (1) trustee to the Board of Trustees of said Bethlehem Public Library, for a partial term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 2003, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Melissa Palmer.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for voting on these propositions may be applied for at the office of the School District Clerk, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, NY 12054. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the School District Clerk, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on each of the five prior to the annual election on June 3, 2003, except Saturdays and Sundays, and such list will also be available at the polling place on June 3, 2003.

Steven O'Shea
School District Clerk
Dated: May 1, 2003

LD-4001
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Nicklaus Design, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/17/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 12/28/00. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. FL address of LLC: 11780 U.S. Highway 1, suite 400, North Palm Beach, FL 33408. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, 409 East Gaines St., Tallahassee, FL 32399. Purpose: any lawful activity.

LD-3095
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is FIRST COLUMBIA BENEDICTINE, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 29, 2003. 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 26 Century Hill Drive, Suite 101, Latham, New York 12110-2128.

LD-3094
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Accurecords, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on April 15, 2003. 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 Accurecords, LLC, c/o R. Matthew Sweeney, 10 Journey Lane, Glenmont, New York. 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.

LD-3090
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 ACFBGH Services, LLC. 2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on April 29, 2003. 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:

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ACFBGH Services, LLC
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 law of the State of New York.

LD-3089
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Halliday Referral Group, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Secy. of State (SSNY) 4/14/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: 50 Beaver St., 2nd Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Reg. Agt. at such addr. upon whom proc. may be served is Andrew W. Halliday, Esq.

Purpose: any lawful purpose.
LD-3087
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Gibby's Realty, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Secy. of State (SSNY) 4/22/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: 3 Winners Circle, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LD-3088
(May 28, 2003)

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Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name: of LLC: Unitas, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 25, 2003. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to The Strachan Group, 18 Corporate Woods Blvd., Third Floor, Albany, New York 12211. Purpose: to engage in any activity for which LLCs may be organized under the LLC Law.

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(May 28, 2003)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Pizza Amore, LLC (the "LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 18, 2003, effective upon the date of filing. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as Agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served: SSNY may mail a copy of any process to The LLC, 1839 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to acquire, own, operate, and manage a pizzeria and/or restaurant, and for any lawful act or activity in furtherance thereof, in connection therewith, or incidental thereto, for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Law of the State of New York.

LD-3074
(May 28, 2003)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is WINDSOR MILLS, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 16, 2003. 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 2267 Western Avenue, Guilfordland, New York 12084.

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(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Moveco, LLC. App. for Auth. filed Secy. of State (SSNY) 2/5/03. Office location: Albany County. LLC org. in NJ 7/26/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: 7 Hamilton Rd., Ste. 2L, Morristown, NJ 07960,

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the principal office address of LLC. Art. of Org. on file: NJ Div. of Revenue, 225 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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(May 28, 2003)

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Notice of Formation of 148 Central Avenue, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Secy. of State (SSNY) 1/17/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: c/o Becker & Becker, P.O. Box 575, Albany, NY 12201-0575. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LD-3062
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of V & W REALTY, LLC a NYS limited liability company (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 04/14/2003. Off. Loc: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 509 O'Gorman Ave., Staten Island, NY 10308. Purpose: All Lawful purposes.

LD-3055
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

RAYMOND REALTY ASSOCIATES, LLC Notice of formation of RAYMOND REALTY ASSOCIATES, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 4/14/03. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, c/o Patricia J. Raymond, 7 East Ridge Road, Loudonville, New York 12211. The purpose of the LLC are Own, acquire, manage, lease, develop, operate, buy, sell, exchange, finance, refinance, and otherwise deal with real estate, personal property, and any type of business.

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(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

The limited liability company of MPC Property Management, LLC was formed on March 11, 2003 by Matthew P. Ceballos. The address of the company is 161 Consaul Road, Albany, New York 12205 in the County of Albany. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the company on whom process can be served.

LD-3034
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

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, June 4, 2003, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Anthony Campigno, 35 Elm Avenue East, Selkirk, New York for Variance under Article IX, Accessory Uses, Section 128-36, Private Garages in Residence Districts of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem For construction of a two-car detached garage along with an existing two-car attached garage will exceed the allowable.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals

LD-4072
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

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, June 4, 2003, at 7:45 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Thomas & Joanne Coffey, 47 Clifton Way, Slingerlands, New York for Variance under Article XVII, Side Yards, Section 128-73, Required Widths of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for construction of an attached storage shed, which will encroach into the Side Yard setback requirement at premises 47 Clinton Way, Slingerlands, New York 12159.

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Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals

LD-4071
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

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, June 4, 2003, at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Stephen Picarazzi, 59 Royal Blvd. Delmar, New York 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 an addition, which will exceed the allowable Percentage of Lot Occupancy at premises 59 Royal Blvd., Delmar, New York 12054.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals

LD-4070
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

WLCW, LLC Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 05/02/2003. 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 any such process served to: the LLC, 1258 Central Avenue, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: any lawful business purpose.

LD-4065
(May 28, 2003)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: CAMPUS REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/18/03. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2103. 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 Kahn Management, 235 West 103rd Street, New York, New York 10025. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

LD-3071
(May 28, 2003)

LEGAL NOTICE

REVISED VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a public hearing of the qualified voters of Voorheesville Central School District, County of Albany, State of New York will be held on MAY 20 AT 7:00 PM in the Commons Area of the Clayton A. Bouton High School in said district for the presentation of a budget for the school year 2003-2004. And notice is also given that said vote will be held on TUESDAY JUNE 3, 2003. The polls will open at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time and voting will proceed until 9:30 p.m. on the following:

1. To elect a member of the Board of Education for a 5-year term to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the term of Thomas J. McKenna.
2. To vote on the Annual School Budget and the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimate of expenditures, and to authorize the levy of taxes for this purpose.
3. NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at said Annual District Election and Budget Vote to be held on JUNE 3, 2003, the following proposition will be submitted:

PROPOSITION Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, Albany County, New York, is hereby authorized to purchase buses and vans at a maximum estimated cost of \$246,500 and that such

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sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

And notice is also given that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, may be obtained by any taxpayer in the district during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, except Saturday, Sunday or holiday, at the following schoolhouses in which school is maintained during the hours designated:

Schoolhouses
Voorheesville Elementary School
Clayton A. Bouton High School
Hours
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

And notice is also given that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the district not later than the 30th day preceding the school meeting. Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the district, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the district, must state the name and residence of the candidate and must describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated including at least the length of the term of office and the name of the last incumbent. And notice is further given that letters requesting application for absentee ballots may be received by the District Clerk not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the seventh (7th) day before the election. Requests should be addressed to:

Clerk, Board of Education
Voorheesville Central School District
P.O. Box 498
Voorheesville, New York 12186
Dated: May 7, 2003
Dorothea Pfeleiderer
District Clerk

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN THAT at said public hearing of the qualified voters of Voorheesville Central School District, County of Albany, State of New York held on MAY 20, 2003 AT 7:00 PM in the Commons Area of the Clayton A. Bouton High School in said district, the Public Library budget for the year 2003-2004 will be considered and such other business

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transacted as is authorized by law. And notice is also given that said vote will be held on TUESDAY JUNE 3, 2003. The polls will open at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time and voting will proceed until 9:30 p.m. on the following:

1. To elect a member of the Library Board for a 5-year term to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the term of Ellen Bidell.
2. To vote on the Public Library budget and the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimate of expenditures, and to authorize the levy of taxes for this purpose.

And notice is also given that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for library purposes, exclusive of public money, may be obtained by any taxpayer in the district during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, except Saturday, Sunday or holiday at the following schoolhouses in which school is maintained during the hours designated:

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Clerk, Board of Education
Voorheesville Central School District
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Voorheesville, NY 12186
Dated: May 7, 2003
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Obituaries

Charles Herrick

Charles A. Herrick, 85, of Albany, and formerly of Slingerlands and Delmar, died Saturday, May 24, at Childs Nursing Home in Albany.

Mr. Herrick worked for the State University Construction Fund in Albany before he retired. He was also a firefighter at the Voorheesville Army Depot until it closed.

When he lived in Delmar, he was an active member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church and was a former president of the church council.

He was a veteran of World War II and was held as a prisoner of war for 26 months.

He was the husband of the late Irma Pinney Herrick.

Survivors include a daughter, Holly H. Stone of Niskayuna; two sons, Ronald G. Herrick of Monroe, N.J., and Craig A. Herrick of Woonsocket, R.I.; 10 grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Services are scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 29, at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. There will be no calling hours.

Burial will be in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 445 New Karner Road, Colonie 12205.

Lillian Napoli

Lillian M. Camodine Napoli, 95, of Home Sweet Home in Athens, and formerly of Albany and Delmar, died Friday, May 23, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

She was the widow of Peter Napoli.

Survivors include many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Graveside services are scheduled at 11:30 a.m. today, May 28, in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery, 41 Jolly Road, Glenmont.

Relatives and friends are invited.

Arrangements are by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to Capital City Rescue Mission, 259 S. Pearl St., Albany 12202.

Harriet Vroman

Harriet I. Vroman, 75, of Altamont died Sunday, May 25, at Albany Memorial Hospital.

Born in Feura Bush, she was a longtime resident of Colonie before moving to Altamont.

Mrs. Vroman was a former member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Colonie.

She was the widow of Wesley Vroman.

Survivors include a daughter, Janet Wheeler of Colonie; a son, Gary Vroman of Glenmont; a sister, Estelle MacGregor of Schenectady; six grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Services are scheduled at 10 a.m. today, May 28, at the Fredendall Funeral Home, 199 Main St., Altamont.

Burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery in Guilderland.

Julia VanDuzer

Julia B. VanDuzer of Glenmont died Friday, May 16, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

She was a life sustainer of the Junior League in Albany and a former volunteer at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Albany.

She was the widow of Russell S. VanDuzer.

Survivors include a son, Alexander W. VanDuzer Jr. of Slingerlands, and two grandchildren.

Services were private.

Burial was in Albany Rural Cemetery in Menands.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to

Parsons Child & Family Center, 60 Academy Road, Albany 12208.

Belle Johnson

Belle K. Hammond Johnson, 67, died Sunday, May 18, at Eden Park Nursing Home in Albany.

She was a former member of the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem in Selkirk and had sung in the choir for many years.

Survivors include a daughter, Kimberly Morris of Albany; and three brothers, Fred Hammond and Robert Hammond, both of Glenmont, and Donald Hammond of Selkirk.

Services were from the Durant Funeral Home in Glenmont and First Reformed Church of Bethlehem.

Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 260 Osborne Road, Albany 12211.

Leonard Wagoner

Leonard Wagoner, 79, of Glenmont, and formerly of Coeymans, died Sunday, May 18, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

He retired in 1989 from H.S. Vincent after 40 years.

He was a member of RCS American Legion Post 114 and the Bethlehem Elks.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Phillips Wagoner of Glenmont; three daughters, Linda Orsino and Leslie Nulton, both of Ravena, and Lauren Smith of Clifton Park; a sister, Eleanor Farrington; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Burial was in Grove Cemetery in Coeymans.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, PO Box 31160, Hartford, Conn. 06150.

Dorothy Sullivan

Dorothy D. Cichy Sullivan, 90, of Slingerlands died Monday, May 19, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Wisconsin, she lived in Chicago and Florissant, Mo., before returning to the Albany area.

Mrs. Sullivan was a communicant of the Church of the Holy Cross in Albany.

She was the widow of Dennis J. Sullivan.

Survivors include two

daughters, Denise Sullivan of Lee, Mass., and Kathleen A. Ristau of Albany; two sisters, Marie Huber of Charleston, S.C., and Ramona McMasters, of Bullhead City, Ariz.; and four grandsons.

Services were from the Church of the Holy Cross in Albany.

Services will be at a later date in Calvary Cemetery in

Springfield, Ill.

Arrangements were by the Hans Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, of Northeastern New York, 3 Winners Circle, Colonie 12205 or the LaSalle Institute Scholarship Fund, 174 Williams Road, Troy 12180.

Military

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Selkirk's great-great-great grandfather, James Selkirk.

"It's just something I'm proud of, to be a descendent of a Revolutionary War fighter," said Robert Selkirk of his family's rich history.

The papers show James Selkirk served virtually the entire war — six years and five months in the second New York regiment — and George Washington's signature is clearly legible at the bottom. A family member gave the original to the State Library years ago.

Luckily, James Selkirk committed much of his war-related experiences to paper after his discharge, providing his great-great-great grandson with a wealth of history more than 200 years later.

"He did fight in the Battle of Rhode Island and he marched British prisoners to Virginia. He was down there at West Point when Benedict Arnold turned traitor, he witnessed that," recounted Selkirk.

A native of Scotland, James Selkirk had traveled to the United States and settled in the Saratoga County community of Galway before enlisting in the army. With bloody battles often fought on foot against the British, a soldier willing to serve as long as Selkirk did and survive was a rarity.

"That was the biggest problem George Washington had; his soldiers were coming and going all the time, so to have someone commit themselves for the entire war was absolutely wonderful," said Houghton.

One reason for Selkirk's extended stay in the Army may

have been his lack of family in the area.

"I was ... never absent on furlough, had no home to go to. The regiment was my home and the company my family," wrote James Selkirk in his diary.

Years later, he would recall his discharge from the army as a bittersweet occasion.

"On the morning of departure, it was a day of joy mixed with sorrow at separating from one another. We were discharged without any money and with shabby clothes," wrote Selkirk.

Upon his return home, Selkirk settled on a barren piece of land south of Bethlehem and never moved again. He would go on to begin a farm and family — fathering 10 children.

"I have been afflicted with acute and chronic pains, the foundations for which were laid in the war. They have rendered me unable to do any hard work. My children work for me and I have not experienced want," wrote Selkirk.

By the mid-1800s, the hamlet where the war veteran had settled would officially adopt the name Selkirk.

"It's a history of our town; he's certainly one of the early settlers of our area and particularly one who promoted the name Selkirk," said Town Historian Joseph Allgaier.

A copy of the papers will soon be framed and hung in the library exhibit for the public to view.

"This is a piece to the puzzle, this completes it more or less," said Acquario of the exhibit which now contains an authentic artifact from an historic war that led to the birth of a new nation.

RCS

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single to bring both runners home and give RCS a 2-1 lead.

"We've had many victories where we've come back from one-run deficits late in the game," Stott said. "So, I believe we can come back as long as we don't fall behind too far."

Pitcher Jessalyn Hotaling shut the door on Broadalbin-Perth after that. She allowed one baserunner in the sixth inning and retired the side in order in the top of the seventh to seal the victory.

"Jessalyn Hotaling was excellent on the mound," Stott said. "I thought she was getting stronger as the game went on."

The victory over Broadalbin-Perth places the Indians in today's Class B semifinal game against defending Section II champion South Glens Falls. The second-seeded Bulldogs defeated

Lansingburgh 11-1 in another quarterfinal contest last Friday.

In Class CC quarterfinal action last Thursday, third-seeded Greenwich shut out sixth-seeded Voorheesville 10-0.

Extension to hold rummage sale

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County will hold a rummage sale on Saturday, May 31, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition to the sale, the master gardener program will provide a wide variety of plants and baked goods to be purchased. Area 4-H members will also sell refreshments.

Donated items will be accepted several days prior to the sale. They must be in good condition.

For information, call 765-3500.

Beulah May Wilkie

Beulah May Hampton Wilkie, 81, of Colonie died Saturday, May 17, at Albany County Nursing Home.

She was the widow of A. Llewellyn Wilkie.

Survivors include a sister Beatrice Clark of Gananoque, Ontario; a brother, Percy Hampton of Cannes, LaBocca, France; and many nieces and nephews including Francis McDermott of Schenectady, Steven McDermott of Colonie, Eileen Fahrenkopf of Poestenkill, Beverly Lake of Averill Park and Patricia Wilkie of Selkirk.

Services were from the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Elmwood Rural Cemetery.

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Ronald Benner Jr. and Alicia Berg

Berg, Benner engaged

Alicia Ann Berg, daughter of Herman and Fannie Berg of Kingston, and Ronald James Benner Jr., son of Ronald and Leslie Benner of Saratoga Springs, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University at Albany and New York Chiropractic College.

She is a chiropractor at Dudick Chiropractic in Albany.

The future groom is a graduate of the University at Albany and New York Chiropractic College.

He is a chiropractor at Delmar Chiropractic Office.

The couple plans a June 14 wedding.

BCHS students win vocal awards

Two Bethlehem Central High School students recently took first place in their divisions in the Joel Dolven Vocal Competition, sponsored by the Mendelssohn Club of Albany.

Hannah Lewis, a senior, took first place in the 16-to-18-year-old

female division.

Peter Marler, a junior, won first place in the 16-to-18-year-old male division.

Both will receive cash awards at the annual Mendelssohn Club spring concert at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady.

Class of '03

Providence College

Elizabeth Thomas of Delmar (bachelor's in marketing, cum laude).

Kristin Musto of Glenmont (bachelor's in psychology, cum laude).

Russell Sage College

Erika Schmit of Delmar (bachelor's in English and education, cum laude).

SUNY Fredonia

Roger Griffiths (bachelor's in music) and John Halpin (bachelor's in communication), both of Delmar.

Student receives American Red Cross Youth Hero Award

Rebekah Sokol, 15, of Slingerlands, a ninth-grader at Albany Academy for Girls, was awarded the Red Cross's Youth Hero Award at its annual Salute to Hometown Heroes breakfast event.

The Youth Award is awarded to a person or group, under the age of 18 years, who has demonstrated courage and/or compassion in support of others while making a positive impact on their community.

Sokol has been volunteering at Albany Memorial Hospital's Emergency Department since she was 14.

She was presented with her award at a breakfast recently at the Crowne Plaza in Albany. The guest speaker was David Roosevelt, grandson of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt.

BCHS grad named to Phi Beta Kappa

Grace Ting, a student at Wesleyan University, has been elected to the Gamma chapter of Phi Beta Kappa for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Ting, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is the daughter of Sai-Pei Ting and Chia-Swee Hong and a resident of Slingerlands.

She was nominated to Phi Beta Kappa by her major, American Studies program.

Sixty-six Wesleyan seniors were elected recently to the Gamma chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest honor society.



Kevin and Jennifer Keating

Matuszek, Keating marry

Jennifer Rose Matuszek, daughter of Dr. John and Roberta Matuszek of Delmar, and Kevin Stephen Keating Jr., son of Kevin and Nancy Keating of Darien, Conn., were married Nov. 2.

The Rev. Michael Madden performed the ceremony at St. John's Church in Darien. A reception followed at the Country Club of Darien.

The matron of honor was Debra-Jane Karpowitz, sister of the bride. The maid of honor was Hannah Rodgers.

Bridesmaids were Barbara Alter, sister of the groom; Kristen Cain, cousin of the groom; Bethany Karpowitz, niece of the bride; Gail Gibford and Emily Grogan.

The flower girl was Catherine Alter, niece of the groom.

The best man was John Coykendall.

Ushers were John Alter,

brother-in-law of the groom; John Matuszek III and Kevin Matuszek, both brothers of the bride; Thomas Karpowitz, brother-in-law of the bride; Timothy Karpowitz, nephew of the bride; Thomas Cicero and Nuno Sa' Couto.

Ring bearers were Jay Alter and Brian Alter, both nephews of the groom.

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

She has an MBA from Duke University. She works for Unilever as an associate innovation manager for Dove in Greenwich, Conn.

The groom is a graduate of Boston College. He earned an MBA from Duke University.

He works for Unilever as a senior brand manager for Lever 2000.

The couple lives in Darien.

Local architect joins Sear-Brown firm

John Sobiecki of Slingerlands has joined Sear-Brown as a senior architect in its DesignStudio.

Sobiecki has 16 years of design and project management experience in the Capital District. He has an extensive background in architecture for colleges and universities.

Sobiecki's work spans many building types including science

and classroom buildings, libraries, office complexes and residence halls.

Sear-Brown's 40-person Albany office is one of eight New York state locations of the firm. Sear-Brown has 650 employees in 14 offices nationwide, offering a range of architecture, engineering, planning and construction services.

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Slingerlands school to hold carnival

Area residents are invited to play games, win prizes and enjoy delicious food and treats at Slingerlands Elementary School Carnival on Friday, May 30, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The event features a variety of games and activities for elementary school-aged children and younger. The carnival is held behind the school at 25 Union Ave.

Food and game tickets may be purchased upon entry. The event will be held rain or shine.

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Oohs and Oz

Yellow Brick Road leads to Troy

By DEV TOBIN

The most popular play in the New York State Theatre Institute repertory, "The Wizard of Oz," returns to close the 2002-03 season.

This is the fourth time the institute has performed the musical story of Dorothy's adventures in Oz, going back to before the institute formally existed.

Joel Aroeste, who plays the Cowardly Lion and Zeke, has been there for all of them, including the original 1973 production by Patricia Di Benedetto Snyder's students at the University at Albany that also traveled to Moscow in the former Soviet Union in 1974.

Following the success of that production, the state Legislature passed and Gov. Malcolm Wilson signed the law that created the institute in 1974. Snyder has led the institute ever since, and is again directing this "The Wizard of Oz" production.

"That was back when there were no exchanges between the U.S. and the Soviet Union," Aroeste recalled. "SUNY Chancellor Ernie Boyer and about 10 trustees came with us and as a result SUNY gained a relationship with Moscow University."

Of course, it helped that the play was a hit.

"It's a really American play, and for that reason it was a tremendous success in Moscow," he said. "We had nine curtain calls for our first performance there."



Joel Aroeste plays the Cowardly Lion, with Shannon Rafferty as Dorothy, David Bunce the Tinman, and John McGuire the Scarecrow in NYSTI's new production of *The Wizard of Oz*, with music and lyrics of the MGM motion-picture score. Onstage at the Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College in Troy. The show previews May 31, with performances June 1 through June 13.

The institute often does plays that are more popular in their movie versions, but "The Wizard of Oz, which was reprised on the institute stage in 1977, 1982 and 1992," is a special case.

"Audiences have always loved to see this play on the live stage; it lends

another dimension," Aroeste said.

With a movie so engrained in American culture, "We try to have a good time with our characters while not doing the movie," Aroeste said. "But Bert Lahr will always be out there with me."

He noted that this production uses the Royal Shakespeare script, which is "very close to the movie — we're not fighting the expectation of being too different from the movie."

But the institute's production does include one musical scene, "The Jitterbugs," that was cut from the movie.

The sets, costume and lighting are all different for this production, as are many of the actors, except, of course, Aroeste.

Shannon Rafferty will play Dorothy this time; David Bunce will play the Tinman and Hickory; John McGuire will play the Scarecrow and Hunk; Mary Jane Hansen will play Auntie Em and Glinda; Carole Edie Smith will play the wicked Witch of the West and Miss Gultch; and John Romeo will play the Wizard of Oz and Professor Marvel.

The institute's largest cast of the year also includes Rob Dalton, John Romeo, John McEnerney, Ron

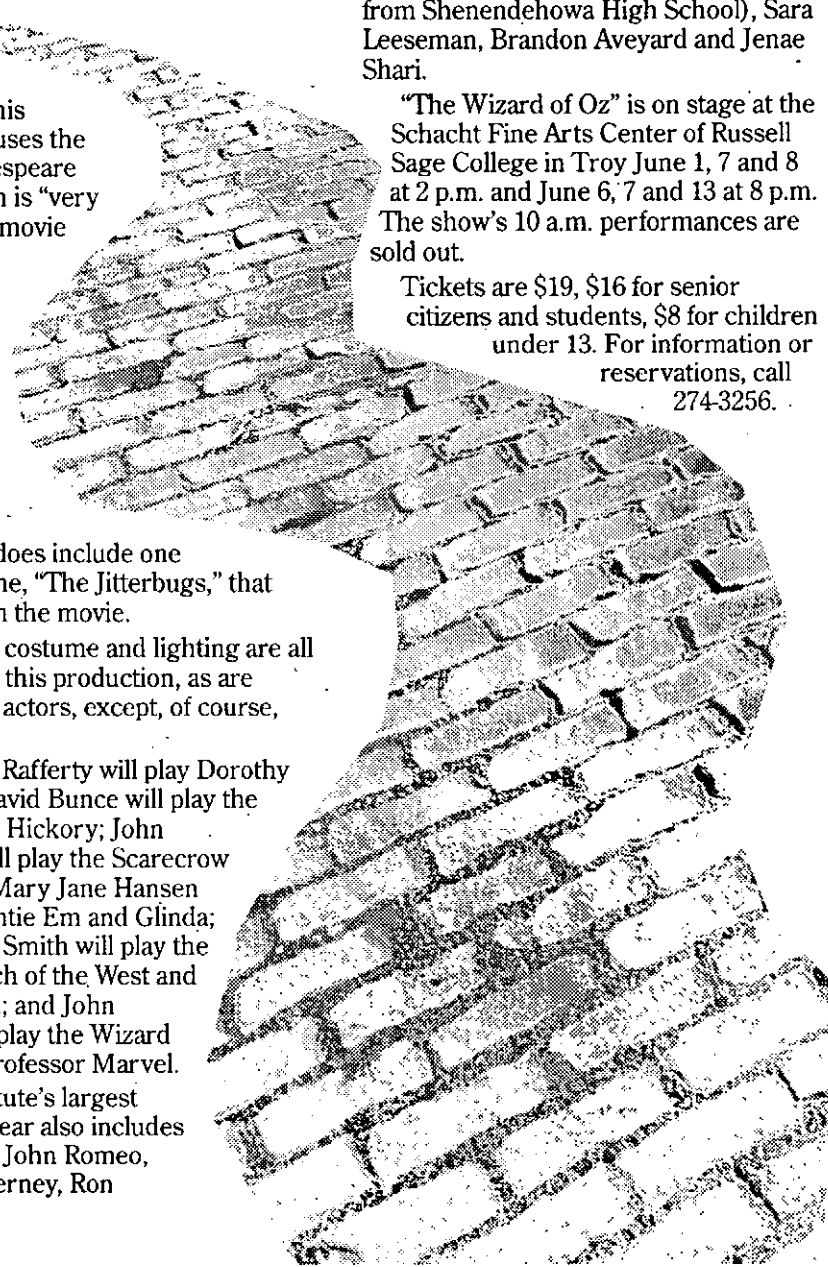
Komora, Michael Steese, Marissa Richute, Amanda Fosmire, Christine Marcella, Byron Nilsson, Mort Hess, Dayna Stevens, Carol Charniga, Brett Essenter, Matt O'Brien, Brandon Jones, Morgan Przekurat, Jordan Haskins, Elizabeth Bates, Erika Hebert (an intern from Shenendehowa High School), Sara Leeseman, Brandon Aveyard and Jenae Shari.

"The Wizard of Oz" is on stage at the Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College in Troy June 1, 7 and 8 at 2 p.m. and June 6, 7 and 13 at 8 p.m. The show's 10 a.m. performances are sold out.

Tickets are \$19, \$16 for senior citizens and students, \$8 for children under 13. For information or reservations, call 274-3256.



"That's how much longer you have to be alive, and it isn't long, my pretty!" exults the Wicked Witch of the West, played by Carole Edie Smith, to Shannon Rafferty as the innocent Kansas girl Dorothy. Patricia DiBenedetto Snyder directs her ninth incarnation of the work, regarded as the company's "signature piece."



ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

Theater

THE BLUE ROOM

Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through June 8, \$28 to \$38. Information, 445-7469.

SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, through May 29, 8 p.m., \$29, \$36 and \$42. Information, 381-1111.

DON'T DRESS FOR DINNER

Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, through June 15, \$15. Information, 877-7529.

PAUL KANTNER'S JEFFERSON STARSHIP ELECTRIC BAND

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, May 31, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$25. Information, 381-1111.

SOPHIE B. HAWKINS

Revolution Hall, River Street, Troy, May 31, 8 p.m., \$17. Information, 273-2337.

TEMPTATIONS REVIEW

Tricentennial Park, Broadway, Albany, June 4, 5 p.m., free.

STEFON HARRIS AND BLACKOUT

The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, June 6, 8 p.m., \$24. Information, 473-1845.

Music

JOHN HIATT

Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, May 30, 8 p.m., \$27.50 and \$37.50. Information, 273-0038.

MICHELLE BRANCH

Northern Lights, Route 146, Clifton Park, May 30, 8 p.m., \$20. Information, 371-0012.

MARTIN SEXTON

The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, May 31, 8 p.m., \$17.50 and \$20. Information, 473-1845.

Comedy

JERRY SEINFELD

Palace Theatre, North Pearl Street, Albany, May 31, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$46.50 and \$76.50. Information, 465-3334.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

Strangely Familiar: Approaches to Scale in the Collection of the Museum of Modern Art, through June 29, plus permanent collections on New York state

history and geography, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

Richard Callner retrospective, through June 1; plus exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Spirit of Schenectady and Collection Highlights, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

161 Washington Ave., paintings and drawings by Ruth Leonard, through Aug. 29. Information, 462-4775.

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT GALLERY

Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie, Unplugged: Painting in the Age of Technology, through Jan. 4. Information, 242-2222.

LOCAL COLOR ART GALLERY

961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham,

"Spring into Bloom," through June 30, Wednesday to Sunday. Information, 786-6557.

Call for Artists

ARTISTS WANTED

exhibit space available for original paintings at Local Color Art Gallery, 961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 786-6557.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

openings in the string, horn and percussion sections. Information, 439-7749.

COLONIE TOWN BAND

several openings, rehearsals on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

openings for brass players, rehearsals on first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

openings in mixed chorus, rehearsals Sundays at 7 p.m. at Altamont Village Hall, 115 Main St. Information, 861-8000.

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

openings in women's singing group, focusing on old favorites and show tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at Community United Methodist Church 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Information, 439-2360.

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR

rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. for orchestra, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for choir, Siena College, Route 9, Loudonville. Information, 783-2325.

ANNIE SCHAFER ORCHESTRA

openings in the string section, rehearsals Thursdays 9:30 a.m. to noon, Nott Terrace and Eastern Avenue, Schenectady. Information, 372-5146.

MALE SINGERS NEEDED

for Electric City Chorus, training provided, rehearsals at Faith United Methodist Church, Brandywine Avenue

and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-4807.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

rehearsals at Columbia High School, Luther Road, East Greenbush, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

CRAFTERS WANTED

for 2003 New Scotland Plum Fest on Sept. 20. Information, 439-5488.

Classes

DANCE CLASSES

ongoing, all levels, ballet, jazz and modern, New School of Ballet, 1098 Parkwood Blvd., Schenectady, Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays. Information, 346-1096.

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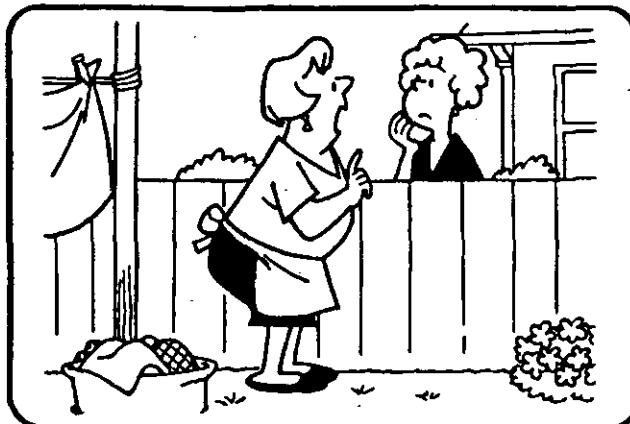
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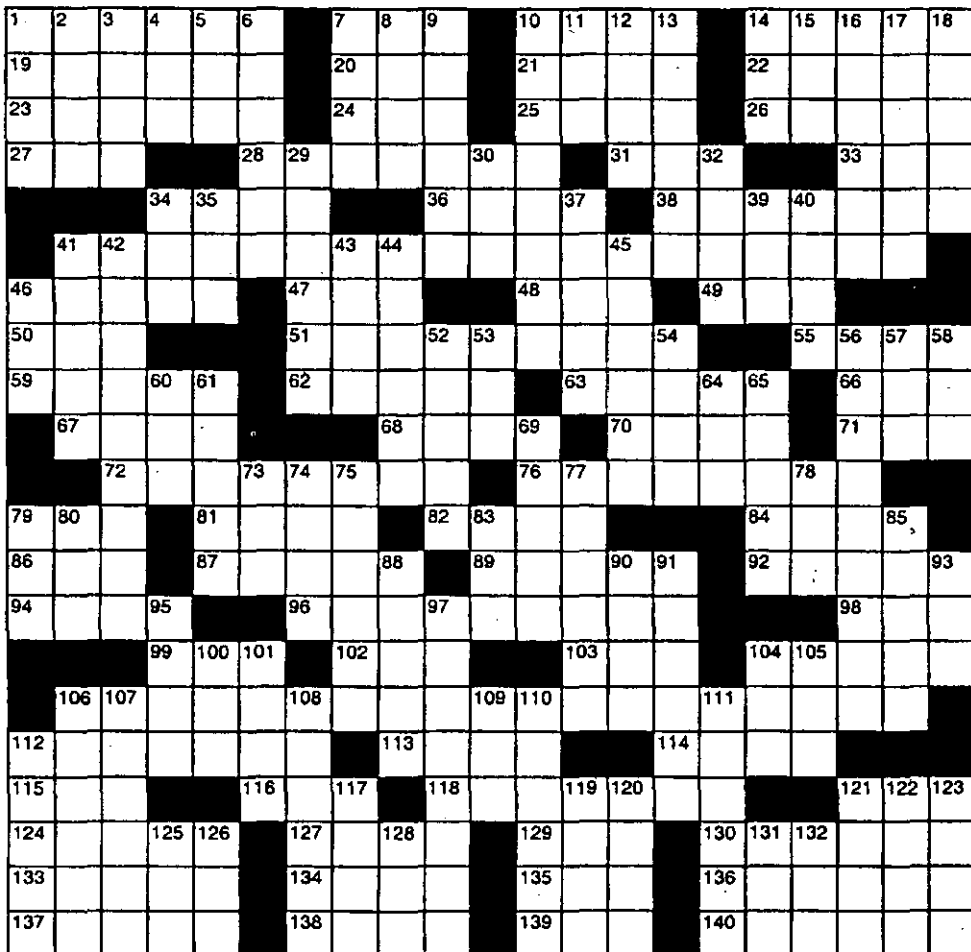


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ACROSS

- 1 Yacht spot
7 Label
10 Country singer Hank
14 Hopeless case
19 Mistreated
20 — Simbel
21 "I could — horse!"
22 Madrid museum
23 Start of a remark by Gene Perret
24 Makes one's mark
25 Fragment
26 High points
27 Ben, to
28 Sparkle
31 Tend a tot
33 Actress Meyers
34 — gras
36 One of the Waughas
38 Prickly plant
41 Part 2 of remark
46 Managed
47 Burton or Curry
48 Doe in "Bambi"
49 Comic Charlotte
50 "Alley —"
51 Rash
55 Unrestrained
59 Handbag part
62 "— Be Me" ('60 hit)
63 Designer Simpson
66 Baseball's Berg
67 "— is for Heroes" ('62 film)
68 Crude cartel
70 Gray or Moran
71 Comics' noise
72 Wedding gift, perhaps
76 Electrician's device
79 "You bet!"
81 Conductor Karl
82 Puerto —
84 Piccadilly figure
86 Mellow
87 Athenian arcades
89 French impressionist
92 Inclines
94 Playwright Hart
96 Fusilli's predecessor
98 "— favor"
99 Curious
102 Quisenberry or Quayle
103 "I've — it!"
104 Texas athlete
106 Part 3 of remark
112 Rudy Vallee, for one
113 Showstopper
114 Tibetan monk
115 Word on a pump
116 Cotton clump
118 Bit
121 Davis' dom.
124 See 5 Down
127 Prepare to be shot
129 "— whiz!"
130 End of remark
133 Martini gamish
134 Depraved
135 April initials
136 Paganini's instrument
137 Olympic award
138 Medieval menial
139 Squirrel's snack
140 Graceland, e.g.
4 "It — far, far better . . ."
5 With 124 Across, "Air Music" composer
6 Leisurely, to Liszt
7 Judd Hirsch sitcom
8 Help a hood
9 Hoist or Mahler
10 Hid
11 Slangy negative
12 Publisher Chandler
13 Elk
14 Scholastic abbr.
15 Mythical monster
16 Jet of yore
17 Swimmer Gertrude
18 Riveting woman?
29 Soup type
30 Yalie
32 Heavenly hammerer
34 Adversary
35 Approved
37 Cretan port
39 One — million
40 Prepare prunes
41 Diner feature
42 Acts the tyrant
43 Lifesaver flavor
44 Caveat —
45 One following another
46 — Cob, CT
52 More mature
53 Multipurpose vehicle
54 Semester
56 Musical composition
57 Card game
58 Morning moisture
60 PC key
61 Commoners
64 Speak with a forked tongue
65 Record
69 Winter warmer-upper
73 Bon —
74 "Hold your horses!"
75 Blake or Plummer
77 Neighbor of Hokkaido
78 Distinctive period
79 Tasty tuber
80 Self-esteem
83 Mischief-maker
85 Hurling or curling
88 Corset parts
90 List ender
91 Laam to walk
93 Theater sign
95 London district
97 Per se
100 Bear's lair
101 Comic Carey
104 Bk. convenience
105 Health club
106 Baltimore bird
107 Steamy
108 Long curtains
109 Fire
110 Starting point
111 Homegrown
112 Pool shot
117 Mourning —
119 Callao's country
120 Nuisance
121 Fountain order
122 Loretta of "M*A*S*H"
123 Melodious Murray
125 "Die Meister-singer" heroine
126 Gibson or Blanc
128 Tynemouth title
131 "Whether — nobler in the mind . . ."
132 Decimal point

The Spotlight CALENDAR

Wed. May 28

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Quality Inn, Route 9W, 7:30 a.m. Information, 767-2930.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

TOWN BOARD

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

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

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

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

FAITH TEMPLE

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

AA MEETING

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

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:15 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

Thurs. May 29

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Weekly meeting at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1-2:30 p.m. Information, 465-8732.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue

Park, 2-5:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

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

AA MEETINGS

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

NEW SCOTLAND

THE CLOTHING CLOSET

A service supported by area Reformed churches to provide clothing to those in need; volunteers welcome. Clarksville Reformed Church, Route 443, Clarksville, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 4-7 p.m. Information, 768-2916 or 439-5400.

Fri. May 30

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

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

CHABAD CENTER

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

Slingerlands Elementary School Carnival

Games, food, prizes, fun for the whole family! 5-8 p.m., Information 475-1787.

NEW SCOTLAND

PIONEER CLUBS

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

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:15 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, grades 6 and up, 4 p.m.

Sat. May 31

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

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

Sun. Jun. 1

BETHLEHEM

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and

Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, 35 Adams Place. Information, 439-4951.

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL

Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:30 a.m., coffee and fellowship, nursery care provided, church school, 9:25 a.m., Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue. Information, 439-3265.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

85 Elm Ave., worship services 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. coffee/fellowship following worship. Sunday School and Bible classes 9:15 a.m., infant and nursery care, assistive listening devices. Bible class for developmentally disabled, second and fourth Sundays of each month. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR REFORMED

Worship services, 9 & 11 a.m., with child care, Sunday school for all ages T.G.I. Sunday contemporary worship at 5:30 p.m. with child care and children's program through grade 6. 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9929.

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH

Worship service 10 a.m.; nursery and Sunday School through 5th grade provided at both services. 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM UMC

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., followed by coffee hour, 65 Willowbrook Ave. Information, 767-9953.

DELMAR FULL GOSPEL

Sunday service, 9:30 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, home groups, women's Bible studies and youth group, 292 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-4407.

FIRST REFORMED OF BETHLEHEM

Church school 9:30 a.m., worship 11 a.m., fellowship hour after worship; child-care provided, vespers 7 p.m. Wednesdays, Route 9W, Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

FAMILY OF GOD COMM. CHURCH

Church of the Nazarene; Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Krumkill Road at Schoolhouse Road, North Bethlehem.

FIRST UMC OF DELMAR

Sunday school and worship service, 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. (in chapel); adult classes and fellowship 11 a.m., child-care provided, 428 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-9976.

MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., morning worship, 11 a.m., youth group, 6 p.m., evening service, 7 p.m., Route 9W, Glenmont. Information, 426-4510.

UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill Road. Information, 438-7740.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., child-care provided, 555 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-2512.

KING'S CHAPEL

Traditional Baptist Bible Service, 10 a.m.;

434 Route 9W, just south of Glenmont Road, Glenmont. Information, 426-9955.

BETHLEHEM CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Bible lecture, 10 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:55 a.m., Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road. Information, 439-0358.

Slingerlands Community UMC

Worship service and church school, 10 a.m., fellowship hour, nursery care provided, 1499 New Scotland Road. Information, 439-1766.

DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN

Worship service, church school, nursery care, 10 a.m., fellowship and coffee, 11 a.m., adult education, 11:15 a.m., family communion service, first Sunday, 585 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9252.

Glenmont Community Church

Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child-care available, 1 Chapel Lane. Information, 436-7710.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

Worship service, 11 a.m., 1 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-4314.

NORMANSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Services Sundays, 6:30 p.m. Mill Road, Normansville, beneath the Normanskill Bridge on Delaware Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-5710.

NEW SCOTLAND

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Masses Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., Mountain View Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2805.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

Early worship, 8:30 a.m., worship celebration, 10 a.m., church school classes for nursery through high school, 10 a.m., choir rehearsals, 11:15 a.m., 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville. Information, 765-2895.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:15 a.m., Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

UNIONVILLE REFORMED

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship, Delaware Turnpike. Information, 439-5001.

CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided, Route 443. Information, 768-2916.

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church

Family Bible Hour, 9:15 a.m.; worship service, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

ONESQUETHAW REFORMED

Worship service, 9:30 a.m., Sunday school, 10:45 a.m., Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush. Information, 768-2133.

FAITH TEMPLE

Sunday school, 10 a.m., worship service, 7 p.m., New Salem. Information, 765-2870.

NEW SCOTLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

worship service, 10:30 a.m., fellowship following worship service; Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., nursery care provided; 2010 New Scotland Road, New Scotland. Information, 439-6454.

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., choir rehearsal, 5 p.m., evening service, 6:45 p.m., Route 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

JERUSALEM REFORMED

worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, child-care provided, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., nursery and

Sunday School available, Thursday night prayer and praise at 7 p.m. 92 Lower Copeland Hill Road, Feura Bush. Information, 768-2021.

Mon. Jun. 2

BETHLEHEM

PEACE VIGIL

Bethlehem Neighbors For Peace, weekly peace vigil, Four Corners intersection, Delmar, 5-6 p.m., Information, 439-1968.

MOTHERS' TIME OUT

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

DELMAR KIWANIS

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

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT

Board of fire commissioners meeting, North Bethlehem firehouse, 589 Russell Road, 7:30 p.m.

EXPLORER POST 157

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

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

BLANCHARD LEGION POST

meeting, 16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Temple Chapter No. 5; Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

AA MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. Jun. 3

BETHLEHEM

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

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

THRIFT SHOP AND LUNCH

sponsored by the South Bethlehem United Methodist Women's Organization, next to the church on Willowbrook Avenue, weekly on Tuesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 767-9953.

ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

PLANNING BOARD

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

BINGO

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

A.W. BECKER PTA

Becker Elementary School, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m. Information, 767-2511.

Slingerlands Fire Commission

Firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

NEW SCOTLAND

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Weekly at Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:15 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS

Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

PLANNING BOARD

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356.

V'VILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 765-2692.

Wed. Jun. 4

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Quality Inn, Route 9W, 7:30 a.m. Information, 767-2930.

OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

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

BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN

Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m.; dinner 6:30 p.m., program and meeting to follow dinner. Information 439-7237.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

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

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

1016 River Road (Route 144), Cedar Hill, 7 p.m. Information 767-2886.

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

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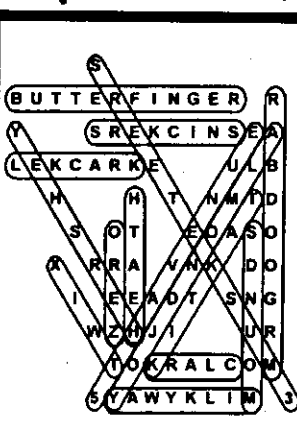
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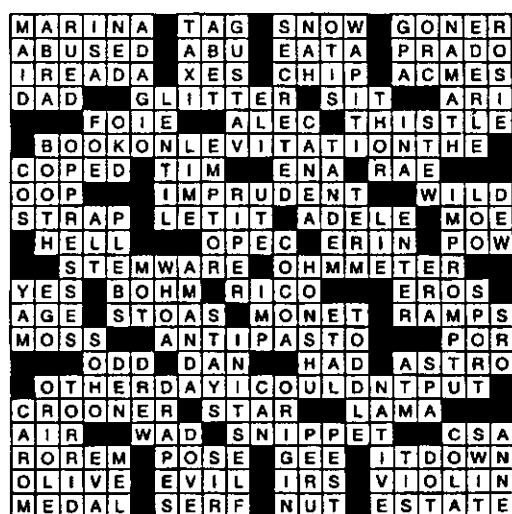
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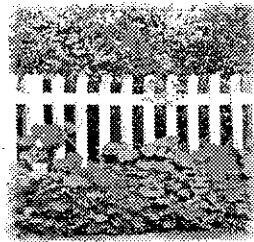
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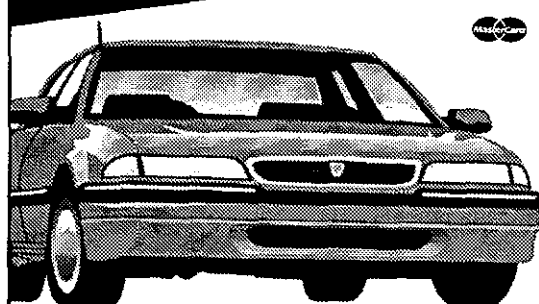
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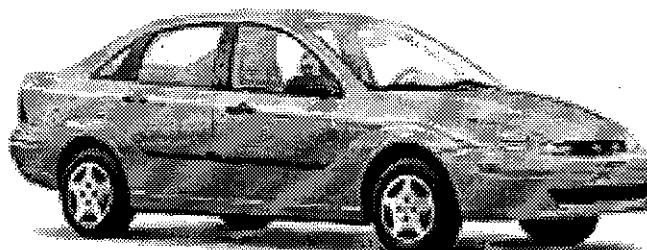


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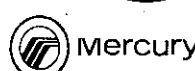
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Fluoride

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said Plummer.

An average resident's water bill would increase by about 2.5 percent, according to Secor.

Dr. Joseph Hart of Slingerlands, a longtime advocate of fluoridation, seized the moment to tout the benefits of fluoride.

"You would walk into a dentist's office and pay more for one filling than you will over a lifetime for the fluoride in that water," said Hart, who believes not adding fluoride borders on a lack of common sense.

In 2000, nearly 66 percent of the U.S. population — about 162 million people — used optionally

fluoridated water, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). In August 2001, the CDC issued a series of recommendations for fluoride use, underscoring the safety and benefits of community water fluoridation in preventing tooth decay.

Last February, the debate over fluoridation barred its teeth when the town board debated emergency purchases of water from Guiderland at the depth of the Vly Creek water shortage. Guiderland fluoridates its water, which raised questions from dentists about the implications of commingling Guiderland's water with Bethlehem's public supply.

Dentists, including Hart, cited the potential for overdose by pediatric patients for whom they prescribe fluoride supplements. When the board opted for an emergency purchase agreement with Guiderland, public works officials notified town residents to consult with their pediatricians about adjusting prescription doses. The town ceased using Guiderland's water in December.

The last time the board actively debated public fluoridation was in 1981 when the county Department of Health offered the town board a presentation on the benefits of fluoridation. With only then-Supervisor Tom Corrigan firmly behind fluoridation, the town board dropped the subject without taking a vote. In 1958, a public referendum on fluoridation in the Bethlehem Water District, set by the board, went down to overwhelming defeat.

The town board is currently considering holding a forum to present the public with information on fluoridation, but no date has been set.

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Tower

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An Article 78 petition allows for questioning of a municipal government's decision and in this case sought to annul the zoning board's denial of the variances. A May 14 ruling by Justice Bernard J. Malone upheld the board's decision, finding other alternative cell tower options were not fully explored by the company.

"There is a less intrusive alternative means of obtaining substantially the same coverage, and that evidence supports the denial of the variances," wrote Malone.

The court found Tower Ventures did not adequately explore other possible cell tower locations, including the steeple of the Community United Methodist Church on Route 85 in Slingerlands that could serve up to four wireless telecommunications companies. A second potential option would have been placing antennas on three existing Niagara Mohawk power poles within the town.

Within days of the judge's decision, Site Acquisitions filed its notice to appeal on behalf of Tower Ventures.

"Our appeal would be essentially that the judge, just as the board, misapprehended the record. They have made some assumptions about the alternatives that are simply not supported by the record," said Mary Elizabeth Slevin, an attorney for Site Acquisitions.

Despite the continuing liti-

gation, New Scotland Town Supervisor Ed Clark was elated with the judge's determination that the zoning board acted appropriately.

"I'm very pleased with it. Although there is a need for coverage in that area, it can be provided in other ways, and that's what I would like to see happen," said Clark.

The suit had been filed against the town, zoning board, planning board and Paul Cantlin, the town's code enforcement officer.

The decision also determined the town could consider aesthetics in deciding where a telecommunications tower is to be located.

The tower was to be built on 100 acres of land owned by Anthony Genovesi in an area zoned residential conservation — where there is a 45-foot maximum height limit for non-residential structures. From the onset, the Northeast New Scotland Homeowners Association opposed the tower, claiming it would destroy the rural landscape.

The Albany County Planning Commission agreed, recommending that the variances be denied.

In October, the zoning board had voted in favor of granting the variances but later voided that decision due to a procedural error. After receiving the county Planning Commission's recommendation, the zoning board voted by a 4-1 margin to deny both the use and area variances.

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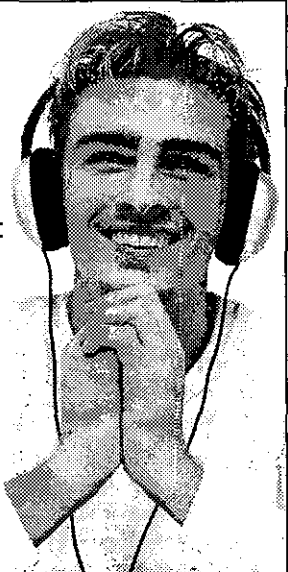
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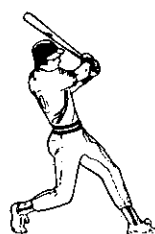
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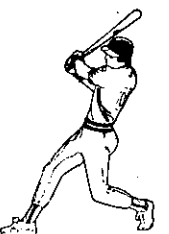
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