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## Dashing through Delmar



Kids line up for the Kids Race in the Delmar Dash Sunday.

Jim Franco

## Town chiefs to discuss growth

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

A group of Albany County supervisors, whose towns are all in different stages of revamping local laws to make smart commercial and residential growth a priority, will speak at an informational session next week.

The session also capitalizes on a rare opportunity, according to Nancy Heinzen, a League of Women Voters board member who organized the event, for neighboring town supervisors to get together to discuss a regional issue.

"The planning community is interested in what other municipalities are doing," Heinzen said. "Towns, with all the planning and development, are very busy, and the supervisors don't have the opportunity to talk to each other unless it's an issue of common interest."

Heinzen noted, too, that the towns

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## Four Corners Group steps up to the plate

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

Summer won't have to wait, even with Bethlehem's annual spring kick-off event, Feestelijk, on hiatus this year.

The Four Corners Group, working in conjunction with the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, has drummed up a "springy" event to take Feestelijk's place, at least for the time being.

Springfest will be a day of fun and activities for the whole family, said Roberta Bastow, owner of The Perfect Blend, at the Four Corners in Delmar.

"It's a work in progress," Bastow said of the day planned for May 7. "But we're probably looking to have a bulk of the activity between 3 and 5 p.m."

Events are scheduled for the whole day, from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Bastow said Springfest will be a lot like Feestelijk, just in a more concentrated space.

Music looks to be a big part of the

event, with both Beff's Tavern and The Perfect Blend planning to host bands during the day into the night.

Throughout the day, from 9 a.m. until 11 p.m., Bastow expects a little something for everyone, including martial arts presentations, plant sales,

wine tasting, a barbecue, clowns and face painting, bead making stations and sidewalk sales from area businesses.

The jewelry stations will be a chance for kids to make last minute gifts and adornments for mom; Mother's Day is the following day.

The Center for Integrative Health and Healing may also offer some New Age experiences for strollers-by.

"They may be offering energy portraits, where they draw portraits based on the energy the person is giving off," Bastow said.

Tarot card readings, makeup consultations and wellness evaluations are also tentatively planned.

Eight musical bands have been tentatively scheduled, including the Brian Kaplan Band, Tar Beach, Dyer Switch and the Girls Next Door, an all-girls cappella group from The College of Saint Rose.

Bastow admits Springfest is scaled

down from Feestelijk, but believes the Four Corners Group has come up with a nice alternative.

"Feestelijk was such a nice event, for kids and adults, it was so, so nice," Bastow said. "We thought, since it's not going to be available, 'We're not going to let it die.'"

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce President Marty DeLaney said she hasn't ruled out the Feestelijk event making a return in future years.

"Volunteers weren't available this year," DeLaney said. "It takes about 20 or 30 people to organize. But it looks like the Four Corners Group has picked up right where we left off. We need some new blood, new volunteers in there (for Feestelijk to make a comeback)."

Feestelijk came out of a brainstorming session of Bethlehem Networks and its many activities at venues throughout town drew people out and around town on an early spring evening.

Bastow said the response to Springfest so far has been great, but there's always room for more.

The Four Corners Group encourages any area business with a service or activity to offer to contact Bastow at 439-6537 or fax her at 439-5472.

Letters have gone out to some, Bastow said. Contributions can also be made to offset the estimated \$1,500 price tag. Any contributions of \$100 or more will be included as sponsors in advertisements, Bastow said.

DeLaney said any seasonal event is always dependent upon one thing: "Weather is key."

Here's to no snow and lots of sunshine on May 7.

## Local services honor Pope John Paul II

As the most traveled pope in history passed away at the age of 84 Saturday, many flocked to the Vatican and to churches around the world to pray for him.

Locally, services took on a memorial tone Sunday and through the week and symbols of Pope John Paul II and his death were reflected in church décor.

All Catholic churches will be observing nine days of mourning, said the Rev. Jim Belogi of St. Madeleine Sophie Church on Carman Road in Gunderland. The way they do so may differ, he added. At the church on Carman Road there is a picture of the pope with a lighted candle to give a focus to people's prayer, Belogi said. In addition, each day of the mourning period, Belogi said, prayers for the pope are incorporated into the Mass.

"People have a real sense of loss," Belogi said, adding, "For many people, he is the only pope they have ever known."

Anyone under the age of 35 or

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## Police arrest one for DWI

Bethlehem Police arrested a Michigan woman last week for driving while intoxicated (DWI).

On March 23, around 3:21 a.m., police noticed a car in front of 85 Cherry Ave. with its hazard lights flashing.

As police interviewed Linda F. Marks of 1126 S. Bower St. in Jackson, Mich., they said they could smell an odor of alcohol. Police also noticed that Marks' passenger and driver side airbags were deployed and deflated.

Marks said she had been driving west on Route 85 when

she adjusted her windshield wipers because of heavy rain and then veered off the roadway, crashing into a sign post, police said.

She was apparently later able to get her car out of an embankment.

Police said Marks failed four out of five field sobriety tests, was arrested and processed for DWI and later released.

Marks did test positive for alcohol in a chemical test.

She is due back in Town Court on April 19.

## Police think arrests will curb drug traffic

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

After the arrest of a Bethlehem couple and one Schenectady man, Albany County Sheriff's deputies believe they've put a kilo-sized dent in the cocaine and heroin trade in the Capital District.

With back-to-back arrests, police, using informants to lead them to the suspects who police call "major distributors of cocaine throughout the Capital Region," got an estimated \$150,000 worth of cocaine, heroin and marijuana off of the streets.

"We use informants all of the time," said Inspector John Burke, who heads up Albany County Sheriff's Drug Interdiction Unit.

On March 23, William Turner, 30, and his wife Alefina Ziskin Turner, 26, both of 21 The Concourse in Bethlehem, were arrested after investigators, using informants, purchased cocaine from the Turners and then obtained a search warrant to

check out their residence.

The Turners, now facing a host of felony and misdemeanor charges, were selling cocaine and heroin in Bethlehem, Guilford and Albany, police said.

On March 23, police said they saw William Turner leave his residence to meet a customer, at which point police stopped Turner and found him with eight glassine bags of heroine.

After a search of Turner's residence, where his wife and their six-month daughter were present, police found about 1 pound of cocaine hidden in a cabinet with baby formula, a digital scale in plain sight, marijuana, a loaded pistol grip shotgun and dollars "strewn on the dining room table."

The daughter, Burke said, is currently with her grandmother.

"We reported it to the state, it's up to the state from there," Burke said.

There was no indication the child was addicted to drugs, Burke said.

On March 24, Clarence L. Jackson, 28, of 1076 Baker Ave. in Schenectady, was arrested and charged with two felonies.

Police said an informant phoned Jackson and ordered a kilo-and-a-half of cocaine. Officers then set up surveillance in Bethlehem, where Jackson arrived later with the cocaine to sell it for \$30,000, at which point he was arrested.

A kilo equals 2.2 pounds, Burke said, who noted that cocaine, in those amounts, is packed in brick form, very tightly.

"People in South America use a press machine to pack it in. Then, when it's taken to places like Albany in kilos, they use a cutting agent to down its purity and (get more out of an amount)," Burke said.

"It's just like a brick, like a heavy piece of chocolate you just break off," Burke said.

Police believe Jackson is a major supplier of cocaine who traveled to New York City on a weekly basis to return to this area with between 5 and 12 kilos of cocaine.

Burke characterized both operations as sophisticated and well-established.

"We confiscated one of the (cell) phones," Burke said. "They got 40 calls between the hours of 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. That's quite a volume."

The Turners face charges of first-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, an A-1 felony; third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, a B felony; second-degree criminally using drug paraphernalia, an A misdemeanor; and endangering the welfare of a child, an A misdemeanor.

William Turner faces a count of fourth-degree criminal possession a weapon, an A misdemeanor. Alefina Turner also was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana, a violation.

Jackson faces a charge of first-degree criminal sale of a controlled substance, an A-1 felony and a third-degree criminal sale of a controlled substance.

The Turners were arraigned in County Court and sent to Albany County jail without bail.

Jackson was arraigned in state Supreme Court and sent to Albany County jail without bail.

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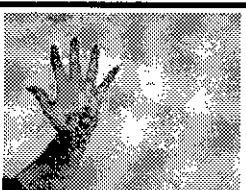


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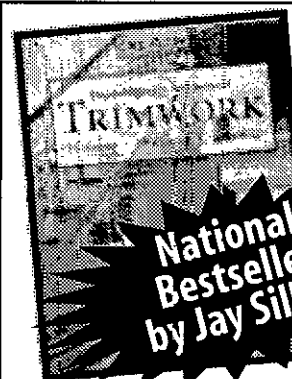
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# Children's keen eyes to raise funds for clubs

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

The creative perceptions of "Places, Spaces and Faces of Albany," by boys and girls in a nationwide organization are on display as a fund-raiser for the Albany branch of the Boys and Girls Club.

Children, as students in the club's ImageMakers class, went on field trips through the city, said Pamela Landers, development director for the nonprofit organization.

"It goes with the theme, places and faces of Albany," Landers said. "A lot of architecture, landscapes. There are some pictures of people the kids met while on their field trips."

The exhibit opened last Thursday at the Albany Area Heritage Visitors Center to a warm reception, Landers said.

"We had about 75 in attendance, board members to the public, families of the children," Landers said. "The parents were very excited, very supportive."

The process — the young photos use digital equipment purchased with grant money — has been an awakening one for some, Landers said.

"We have this one girl, Mary, who is proving to be an unbelievable talent, and no one knew it," Landers said, noting that she sold two of her photos three different times. "It was great to see her last night."

Photos are being sold for between \$40 and \$50, Landers said, to benefit the club. Pictures come framed, either with just one image or a collage of three.

ImageMakers, a sanctioned program through the national organization, has been in place for two years and is steadily gaining

popularity among the children, Landers said.

"Kids see other kids doing it. It has been building," Landers said. Efforts to reach the teacher, Tom Perez, were unsuccessful.

Landers said Perez teaches the kid about aesthetics of a print and complementing it with framing and matting.

"They've been taught to look at things in different ways, how to use the cameras and the different software," Landers said.

ImageMakers as a program is symbolic of the club's efforts, Landers said.

"We're not just a gym," Landers said, noting the goal of the club, especially with the ImageMakers program, to educate the children. "We want to give them a hobby they can use for life. Or a career path. A lot of these kids will be taking photos through their life."

The exhibit marks the first time the club has teamed up with an outside organization for a fund-raising effort, but not the last.

Another group is giving children an opportunity to experience theater and acting. Every Wednesday, children are being trained as ambassadors to be tour guides, greeters and historical characters as part of the heritage center's history fair, scheduled for May 1.

The exhibit will be open at the heritage center through May 29. The exhibit launched the "It Takes Just One" fund-raising campaign, which will run through April 30. Any funds raised through that campaign, in its first year, will go toward the operating budget and endowment.

The campaign will help sponsor summer camps, after school programs, arts and crafts, career explorations and fitness and sports, among other things.

# Board could get water funds

By MARTY BANNAN

Money for Clarksville water district improvements may be on the way, according to New Scotland Town Engineer Mark Dempf.

"I don't know how much we will get, but I'm told we have moved up the list," he said.

In 2004, the town board approved a motion allowing Dempf and the town water committee to prepare an application to the state Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) to fund an estimated \$500,000 for pipe repairs and expansion on Lower Flat Rock Road and other nearby roads.

"The project originally con-

cerned improving water quality and extending service," Dempf said. "Since then, the project has expanded into a \$2.1 million plan to upgrade and consolidate the entire Clarksville district and add a 200,000-gallon water tank."

Other plans call for \$794,000 in water main repairs in Clarksville.

"We need to do upgrades and consolidation to the entire Clarksville system," Dempf said. "This entails combining three water districts into one."

Other costs include construction, engineering and legal fees.

EFC uses a point system to determine if an entity can be funded.

"You need more than 120 points to get above the funding line," Dempf said.

According to Dempf, factors favoring high priority in this case are bacteriological issues affecting water purity in this system.

At a special town board meeting on March 23, Dempf told the board he will need authorization to proceed with agricultural, engineering, wetland and archaeological studies to prepare for the project.

# Dash dad



Barry O'Keefe pushes his daughter Mary Kate across the finish line of the Delmar Dash Sunday. Jim Franco

# Dead roosters being tested for diseases

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

The 47 dead roosters, believed to be victims of an illegal underground cockfighting operation and found in New Scotland about two weeks ago, are still being tested for different viruses, according to state Wildlife Pathologist Ward Stone.

The testing will take a few more weeks, said Stone, who is testing the birds for everything from avian flu to West Nile virus to chronic wasting disease, a disease that has popped up on the radar recently, and one which pathologists and health departments are looking to "eradicate the threat of," Stone said.

Finding the three garbage bags full of dead birds led to notification of the Department of Environmental Conservation, because of "conditions at the time of the incident, like the weather and the proximity" of the bags to a drinking water source, according to DEC spokesperson Maureen Wren.

The birds, which a highway crew found on the side of the road in New Scotland, showed signs of cockfighting because of different wounds, Stone said.

"Some were decapitated. Those are the birds that were losing the fights, that were injured or that didn't fight well," Stone said. "(The spurs) were cut off, leaving stumps behind that they could attach knives to."

The birds also had tags with serial numbers to identify them.

"They are fighting birds, moved from place to place, sold and shipped. They're not just from Albany County," Stone said. "From all over the United States, probably as far away as California."

The find has led to obvious questions of how prevalent cockfighting, and gambling on it, is in this area. The questions are easier asked than answered.

"I have seen it in this area before, quite a few years ago," Stone said. "But never this many

birds."

Cydney Cross, acting director of operations for the Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society, said she's a bit surprised by the find, but worried about its connotations.

"Cockfighting and dog fighting go hand in hand. Dog fighting is very prevalent in this area," Cross said. "This is the first I've heard of cockfighting in this area. I see evidence of dog fighting on a daily basis, dogs are brought into the shelter. Cockfighting is so underground, people involved in it aren't going to let it come above ground."

Cross said dog fighting happens a lot right out in the open.

"These operations aren't immensely organized. It happens in basements or with dogs on street corners," she said.

Stone, who said he's working with the state police for the investigation, said those who illegally gamble on cockfighting are most likely raised to do so.

"People learn it from their dad or a relative or something. It gets into their blood or psyche or something," said Stone, who has raised chickens and says he likes them.

Stone suspects cockfighting and dog fighting satisfy a ravenous competitive edge some people have, whether it's to do with money or just that "my chicken's better than your chicken or my dog can beat your dog," he said.

Most of the operations travel between states, Stone said. Rather than indicative of these particular operators suspecting a bust,

Stone said the way the roosters were disposed of shows a "lazy" personality. Many chickens end up being buried somewhere in a rural area, Stone believes.

Stone said he last saw something like this four or five years ago.

"But there's a lot that goes on that I don't see," Stone admitted. "This (incident) will lead to more awareness and more people looking out for this kind of activity."

And eventually, that's what will lead to a crack-down (on these operations)."

Cross suspects that if someone sees cockfighting or dog fighting in their area, it may not always get reported, even if someone finds it disturbing.

"Usually, if the cops are called, all that's left is some blood on the sidewalk. Wherever you see these activities, there's usually drugs, gambling," Cross said. "A lot of times, if people do know it's happening in their neighborhood, they are scared to death of reporting it."

New York State Trooper Maureen Tuffey couldn't confirm that the state police were involved in an active investigation into this particular incident.

According to New York state Department of Agriculture and Markets spokesperson Jessica Chittenden, any charges stemming from a cockfighting ring are enforceable by local law enforcement agencies.

A forum regarding animal law is scheduled for April 19 at 6 p.m. at Hudson Valley Community College.

The topics, according to Cross, will address animal fighting and the prosecution of such incidences, and the panel will include a number of experts on the topics.

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# K-9s enjoy royal treatment on their birthdays

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

It's not that we're odd, it's that we're quirky and full of life. Sometimes the raised eyebrows of other people remind me that my perception isn't always the rest of the world's reality. Still, we celebrate our family's uniqueness in phrases like "He's off and I mean that in the best possible way," or we quote John Cleese's character in the movie "Rat Race." "I can do anything I like — I'm eccentric."

Our family's eccentricity really showed as we celebrated the eighth birthday of our beloved hound, Maeve. She's a mutt who believes that windows are for pawing at (and sometimes going through); who cannot be convinced, in spite of his daily arrival every day of her life, that the mailman does not pose an imminent and dangerous threat to the family; and that all food is rightfully hers, whether or not it's on the table, in the trash, or on a coffee table for guests to enjoy.

Maeve is a shelter dog, so we've guesstimated her birthday to be March 26. Our children treat this day as a state event, always finding a dog or two to come to a party, splurging lavishly on the animal they love above everyone else, and making a "cake" that gets her tail wagging and body shaking.

This year's guest of honor was my grandmother's dog, Tiny. Tiny has been Grandma's for the past year and a half, and is the most recent in a long line of what we unkindly refer to as "tiny, rat-like creatures." His immediate predecessor is Missy, whose howling and penchant for nipping at small, fast-moving creatures, made our then small and fast-moving children refer to her as "the evil rooster dog." My cousins and I remember Little Girl with dread. Fairly hairless and so small she'd get lost in one of those fashionable handbags for tiny-dog fanciers, she would stand in a bedroom of my grandmother's house and bare her teeth at us menacingly. We still hesitate before we enter that room, and Little Girl has been gone from us for over 20 years.

So Tiny only surprised us in that, in a family full of black Lab,

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golden retriever, English shepherds, husky, and spaniel lovers, our matriarch always chooses ill-tempered, Napoleon-sized and -syndromed dogs. My conclusion is that my grandmother is so good, she must have these wretched little dogs so that her evil side has an outlet.

Tiny, part Chihuahua and part Corgi, has grown on us, even as he grows on the rich diet (pheasant under glass, my husband jokes) my grandmother provides him. No matter, she is a healthy 88-year-old and we give Tiny's company and his need to be walked and fed, a lot of credit for that. We all love to talk to ourselves; with a dog in the house, we seem just a little less — umm — eccentric.

So there Tiny was, ready to celebrate Maeve's birthday with us. We headed to Pearl's Pets to select presents for her and to make a goody bag for Tiny (party etiquette is party etiquette, regardless of species). Dogs bring out the best in people and the boys spent more on her than they do on themselves; even if Christopher was delighted to find a huge bag of broken bones for just \$5. "Look!" he said, his eyes lighting up like Hanukkah Harry's on *Saturday Night Live* when he delivered six pairs of socks to kids. "Isn't this great?!"

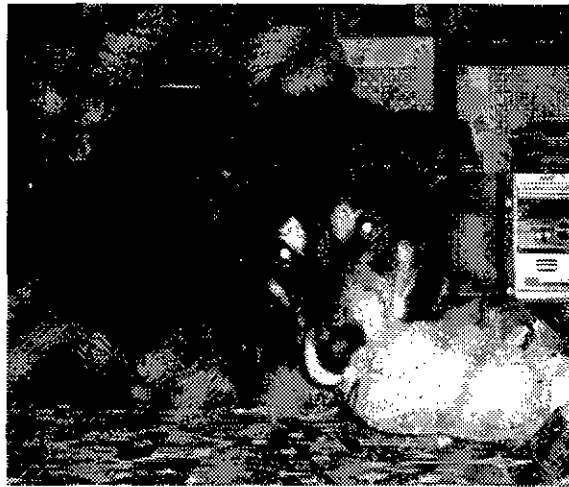
Before the party began, we wanted Maeve and her great-uncle to look their best, so we headed to Shampooo, a do-it-yourself dog-bathing place. It was pretty hysterical to have one dog in the tub and the other pacing frantically in our gated-off stall while waiting its turn, bumping into our legs (Maeve) or ankles (Tiny). Cormac's aim with the showerhead made for a slick floor, compounded by the wet hair the dogs so insistently shook off. Grandma sat outside and watched us and the other dog bathers, smiling serenely above the chaos. Her hearing has declined over the

years, which can be frustrating for all of us, but it occurred to me as I listened to Cormac crooning at the dog in the tub, Christopher

dogs were ready for their party. Maeve was delighted with the stuffed doll we bought her, although the boys questioned her maternal instincts since she seemed bent on chewing it to death quickly. Her rope chew and treats were a big hit, but the toy we gave Tiny only elicited a disdainful sniff. Cormac made his beloved girl her annual birthday cake: bread, peanut butter, canned dog food, and

day party into the next day, Easter, by getting hold of the remains of the lamb shank and devouring it greedily. We found out about this on Easter Monday, when we woke up to bones in the upstairs hallway and our birthday girl making the retching noises and pitiful eyes that many of us associate with having attended a very successful frat party. Monday was mostly an outdoor day for our carnivorous canine.

We weren't the only family members celebrating a dog's birthday. In Ireland, Aunt Lanna celebrated her dog's birthday on an oceanfront pier. Lady Ponc got to celebrate with her littermate, Bonnie, since both the owners are friends. I'm not sure I want to know what was in their cakes, and here's hoping the beer wasn't for



An American canine cousin treasures her birthday gift.



Irish birthday girls Lady Ponc, left and Bonnie, right, celebrate their birthdays while their people, Lanna McCarthy and Joey Sheehan, offer them special treats as the rest of the village serenades them.

talking to the dog patrolling the perimeter of our stall, the sound of spraying water and canine blowdryers on dogs less high-strung than ours, that a little bit of silence can be a beautiful thing.

Sweet-smelling and fluffv. the

little treat niblets. He offered some to Tiny, who turned his peculiar little nose up at it.

"He likes Italian food," Grandma explained. Osso bucco or no, Maeve was just delighted with her bounty. She extended her birth-

the dogs.

"Ah, well, we're all mad," Christopher said in a squeaky Irish accent as he looked at the pictures of the parties.

But we mean that in the best possible way.



## WEEKLY WEATHER

### Albany Almanac

#### Record high/low/year

AVERAGE HIGH 52°	AVERAGE LOW 32°
Day	High/Year Low/Year
Wednesday, April 6	82°/1921 14°/1943
Thursday, April 7	87°/1991 13°/1982
Friday, April 8	88°/1929 19°/1982
Saturday, April 9	77°/1991 16°/1977
Sunday, April 10	86°/1922 21°/1974
Monday, April 11	82°/1945 20°/1874
Tuesday, April 12	84°/1977 13°/1874

**SEASONAL SNOWFALL TO DATE**  
75.9 inches as of Thursday, April 1st  
16 inches above average

#### This week in weather

Two years ago, snow fell on 6 out of the first 8 days in April and snow remained on the ground through the 10<sup>th</sup>. During this period, the temperature in Albany was 11 degrees below average.

#### Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	6:29am	7:27pm
Thursday	6:27am	7:28pm
Friday	6:25am	7:29pm
Saturday	6:23am	7:31pm
Sunday	6:22am	7:32pm
Monday	6:20am	7:33pm
Tuesday	6:18am	7:34pm

#### Moon Phases



Planets	When	Where
Jupiter	Evening	High, East
Saturn	Evening	High West
Mars	Morning	Low East
Venus		Not Visible

#### Factoid

Daylight Saving Time began on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was first used in the US at the end of World War I and was optional by states for many years. Now, all but 3 states Spring forward the 1st Sunday in April.

#### Area Ski Conditions

Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails
Gore	40" - 58"	5	40
Whiteface	28" - 43"	4	56
Jiminy Peak	25" - 70"	5	43
Belleayre	27" - 68"	6	40
Hunter	16" - 94"	5	53
Windham	24" - 64"	5	36
Bromley	26" - 54"	3	40

#### Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	3:39am, 4:06pm	10:12am, 10:40pm
Thursday	4:33am, 4:57pm	11:05am, 11:28pm
Friday	5:23am, 5:46pm	11:57am, -----
Saturday	6:09am, 6:32pm	12:13am, 12:46pm
Sunday	6:52am, 7:16pm	12:58am, 1:35pm
Monday	7:35am, 8:00pm	1:42am, 2:22pm
Tuesday	8:17am, 8:43pm	2:27am, 3:10pm



# SADD students helping students drive sober

By MARY LANNON

Both stories had a before and an after. Before the drunk driver and after.

It's a before and after that Guilderland High School seniors and best friends Chelsea Cerutti and Megan Doak don't want to see it happen at their school, to their classmates.

"We see it more than anybody else," Doak said.

"We hear about it in the hallways," Cerutti added later.

Both explained they know their classmates make dangerous choices including drunk driving, and as they entered their senior year they decided they wanted to do something about it. They became co-presidents of Students Against Destructive Decisions, (formerly Students Against Drunk Driving) which recently sponsored a victim impact panel. There were 15,322 fatalities due to crashes involving at least one intoxicated driver nationwide in 2003, the latest statistics available from the National Highway Traffic Administration. Of those crashes, 2,234 involved drivers age 16 to 20 who had alcohol in their system.

Some losses do not go away.

It's not a popular notion in a land where as a rule every Hollywood movie has a happy ending and after-school specials end with everyone learning a

lesson.

But 15 years after losing her 4-year-old daughter because of a drunk driver, Anna Russo told an overflowing crowd of high school students there is no happy ending, there is no return to business as usual.

"But things go back to normal?" Russo said incredulously through tears. "Happy?"

The answers to these questions were clear, for Russo had just finished telling the story of her four-year-old's life and death. It's a story she tells frequently as part of an effort by the Albany Chapter of Removing Intoxicated Drivers (RID) to make students think about their choices with the approaching prom season when many drunk driving accidents involving young people take place.

"I'm living with the consequences of alcohol every day of my life," Russo said.

The beginning of Russo's story might have been the beginning of any story.

"We had a very close Italian family. Those of you with Italian families, you know how that is... You do everything with the family," Russo said.

A stay-at-home mom, Russo

spent a lot of time in the early years of Gabby's life with her sister-in-law Suzy, also a mom, shopping and having lunch with the kids.

With pictures of Gabriella on the screen behind her, Russo recalled her daughter fondly.

"We used to call her Gabby because she never shut up," Russo said.

How much of a talker she was became clear when on a family trip to Italy. Russo thought it cute that Gabby made pretend phone calls back to her cousins in Guilderland until on their return home, she got the actual phone bill.

The day the drunk driver struck Gabby started like any other day.

"It was a beautiful Friday," Russo said.

Russo, Gabby and her brother Alex, now a senior at Guilderland High School, went to the mall to purchase a birthday present. They met up with their Aunt Suzy and cousins Nicholas, Jennifer, and Sabrina.

The extended family returned

to Anna Russo's house together. Gabby begged to sleep over at her Aunt Suzy's house to play with her six-year-old cousin Nicholas.

Russo did not want to let her go.

"Mama, please I will really be good," Gabby said.

Anna relented.

Hours later, when she heard the phone ring, Russo thought that it was Gabby calling to say the ritual goodnight. But instead the hospital called to say Gabby was in the hospital. She would die as a result of her injuries, as would her 6-year-old cousin Nicholas. Aunt Suzy would be permanently injured, and Sabrina would recover from her physical injuries. None would be the same.

Some students cried; all listened attentively as the room, earlier filled with fidgeting and coughing, became intensely quiet.

Russo gives the emotionally wrenching presentations several times a month.

"I do it to help someone else not go through it," she said.

The students also heard from Mark Gauthier, who was picking up a pizza when he lost his legs in a drunk driving accident at the age of 11. Gauthier described the multiple surgeries and lifelong complications from the accident that recently left him unable to work.

The presentation also included a talk on the legal ramifications of drunk driving from School Resource Officer Brian Forte.

Cerutti and Doak said if they make even one person think twice, the presentations would be worth it.

"It's not enough to just not do it yourself," Cerutti said.

"We want to make sure all 500 plus of us get to graduation," Doak added.

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# Matters of Opinion

## At long last

It's about time!

Apparently 21 times is the charm for the New York state Legislature. Legislators were all smiles on April 1 after passing a budget on time for the first time in a score plus one year. We were surprised to see this happen after so many years of late and very late and embarrassingly late budgets.

Well, the budget passage is a step in the right direction, but it doesn't change the fact that for the past 20 years late budgets have wreaked havoc throughout the Empire State.

School districts were forced to resort to guesswork to prepare budgets that were reflective of real numbers of state aid in their budget packages, which in turn angered taxpayers who already felt overwhelmed by New York's high taxes.

The new budget also dictates hikes in fees for New Yorkers. Title fees for a new car, for example, will be \$50, up from the current \$10 charge. And millions of dollars in discretionary funds for the governor and the Legislature will mean funding for many deserving regional groups and organizations.

But these increases and "millions" of dollars pale in relation to much larger issues that remain unresolved.

If the average Jane or Joe is a little wary about the merits of the new budget package, it's no wonder. Healthcare and Medicaid costs are still under discussion so it will take time to evaluate this year's package and how it will affect the people who are going to pay for it, the average New Yorker.

The Legislature did the right thing, finally, this year, but that doesn't negate or justify its actions of the last 20 years. New Yorkers will remember the long history of the Legislature not even coming close to meeting the April 1 budget deadline.

That will not be easily erased in the minds of many voters, just because legislators decided this year to try to get it right and on time. Still, we applaud their action of finally responding to the law and the wishes of the people.

We sincerely hope our lawmakers have turned the corner and will continue to work for the people of New York in a timely and responsible manner. The people of New York deserve at least this — each and every year — from their elected representatives at all levels of government.

## Editorials

## It takes muscle to smile, no fooling

By ROBIN SHRAGER SUITOR

*The writer lives in Delmar.*

I simply cannot believe that it takes more muscles to frown than to smile. After all, frowning seems so effortless. Still, I keep seeing this muscle factoid spread via e-mails, magazine articles and inspirational calendars. There must be an underground movement by happy people to get the rest of us to relax and smile more.

Nothing sets me off more than being told to relax. I cannot relax on command any more than I can fall asleep or grow taller on a demand. Yet people are constantly telling me to lighten up, as if I am a shade of paint or the morning sky or a heavy load.

I'm no fool. I know that friends and family are well meaning, trying to save me from the myriad health hazards induced by stress. For these folks I have two words: Root Canal.

No, I don't wish for them to require root canal. Oddly enough, I consider visits to the dentist an opportunity to relax. It's not so much that I enjoyed last year's root canal, but rather relished the opportunity to be sitting down for an extended period of time without trying to juggle multiple activities.

I have tried more traditional methods of relaxation. For

## Point of View

example, a few months ago I was rushing to an appointment at a day spa. I had just taken my daughter to her dental appointment, at which no X-rays were taken since she threw up during the cleaning. Clearly, she does not share my admiration for the dentist's chair.

So I'm in the car stewing over the fact that I had not reminded her to skip breakfast, over the fear that delaying the X-rays will allow unknown decay to fester, over the realization that I'm going to be LATE for my special RELAXING



Bill Douglas, Robin Sutor, Cheryl Charbonneau, and Steve Suriano rehearse for the Harlequin Players production of Neil Simon's "Fools." The show opens April 8.

"Heaven on Earth" package at the spa.

At the spa I check in at the front desk shrieking, "I am STRESSED!" to the receptionist who asks the inevitable "And how are you today?"

Soon I'm lying on the heated massage table. I'm told "Take a deep breath. And now take another." Those are my first deep breaths of the year, I tell the masseuse. "Gee, that's not very good, considering it's December." Yeah, no kidding. I close my eyes and will myself to enjoy the experience.

At check out I learn that although my gift certificate has not yet expired, prices have increased since it was issued and I owe \$12. I stare blankly at the spa lady, explaining I will need to go out to my car and unearth my credit card with my freshly manicured nails. I drive home, concentrating on maintaining a relaxed, pampered state lest my husband's effort in procuring the gift certificate be in vain.

OK, so maybe I am a fool. After all, do intelligent people only take the time to kick back during a cavity filling? Do smart people allow themselves to remain tense during a massage?

Well, at least I am a fool with a sense of humor. With only limited access to Novocain and massage therapy, I rely mostly on humor, and specifically comedy theater, to keep myself in balance.

This month I am appearing on stage in the Harlequin Players' production of Neil Simon's comic fable "Fools." My character, Sophia, is short on brains, but big on hopes and dreams. She lives in the village of Kulyenchikov where all the residents have been cursed with chronic stupidity. A wandering schoolteacher, Leon Tolchinsky, is hired by the village to raise her intellect. If Leon succeeds, the curse will be broken. If he fails, he will fall prey to the curse and also become stupid for eternity. He has only 24 hours to meet the challenge!

This production continues the eighth season for the Harlequin Players, a nonprofit community theater group based in the Capital District. In addition to two full-scale productions a year, the group presents children's shows in local libraries.

The children's shows use humor to promote reading and tolerance and are original plays written and directed by Cheryl Charbonneau, a librarian at Guilderland High School and a founding member of the Harlequin Players.

Last summer, my husband, daughter and I all acted together in Cheryl's play "Undercover Elves." In that show a group of elves save the day by preventing the miserly mayor from shutting down the library. There were silly antics, a bit of music and a happy ending.

"Fools," on the other hand, contains silly antics, a bit of music, and, hey, wait a minute I can't give it all away! This time I'm the only family member on stage, but all three of us helped create the set, and 8-year-old Rachel was also my personal line coach.

More than just a night of laughs, "Fools" also raises thought-provoking questions, such as: Is ignorance bliss? Are there really 14 sheep in a herd of a dozen? What is the purpose of man's existence? How much is one plus one? Would you choose beauty over brains? Is it possible to correctly pronounce Kulyenchikov?

My foolish pondering led me to go online and research my hypothesis that smiling requires more muscles than frowning. I was looking for a simple answer, but ended up with an anatomy lesson and math quiz. You can't even answer the question without defining the kinds of frowns and smiles to be measured. Are they pouty furrowed-brow frowns? Perky, puffy-cheeked, raised-brow smiles? What about smirks?

It may take greater effort to smile, but it's energy well spent. And if smiling improves your health, just imagine what laughter can do. Now, it would be presumptuous of me to order you to relax and come see the Neil Simon show, but you'd be a fool to miss it.

"Fools" will be performed Fridays and Saturdays, April 8, 9, 15, and 16 at 8 p.m., and Sundays April 10 and 17 at 2 p.m. at the Community United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Tickets are \$8-\$12. For reservations and information, call 355-6694.

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## State budget process was open

## Fire district, residents set meetings on needs

Editor, The Spotlight:

On March 21, a group of Delmar Fire District neighbors met with representatives of the Delmar Fire District. In light of the larger issues and the intense feelings raised during the bond issue campaign last December, it seemed important to initiate a dialogue on the subject of fire district needs.

The purpose of this first meeting was to open a channel of communication between residents and district officials so as to facilitate discussions on the need for upgraded fire and EMS facilities in the district. Both sides were pleased to have the chance to talk with one another.

At the meeting, fire district officials expressed a desire to reach out to the community and solicit their ideas and concerns, while the neighbors reiterated their support of our volunteers, and expressed their understanding that the fire district has need of updated and additional space.

The primary outcome of this meeting was the agreement that multiple public forums will be scheduled for residents to interact with the district officials on the subject of fire district needs and concerns.

At these forums, our fire-fighters can speak directly to the voters and can gain insight into how the voters feel.

Dates and topics for these meetings are being developed. As soon as they are available, information will be disseminated to all concerned. All the participants in this initial meeting look forward to process that involves and engages every stakeholder, as the district moves toward a solution that satisfies all those it

affects.

It should be said again that both neighbors and fire district representatives took the opportunity during the meeting to agree that this is a chance for the entire district to work together productively.

D. Adler, J. Fuhrman, J. Garry, J. Moran, M. Redmond, F. Thumhart and H. Steadman

Editor, The Spotlight:

The New York State Legislature has passed an on-time state budget for the first time in 21 years. The budget was negotiated in an open and public process.

The budget process began when the governor introduced his budget in January. It included open leaders meetings, bipartisan, public conference committee negotiations, the involvement of every member of the Legislature and passage of budget legislation in the light of day after bills had been on desks for review for sev-

eral days.

The process included none of the endless disputes, standoffs and finger-pointing that delayed budgets for two decades. However, a couple of weeks ago, *The Spotlight* published an editorial criticizing the budget process for the very things that were absent from the process.

It was clear that whoever wrote the editorial, and was responsible for its angry tone, had paid no attention to the state budget process, had no idea what was going on at the Capitol, and didn't check

any facts, lest they get in the way of an opinion that was blatantly wrong.

I'll look forward to a follow-up *Spotlight* editorial that sets the record straight, that bipartisan cooperation and a public process resulted in an ontime budget.

Mark Hansen  
Delmar

*Editor's note: The writer is deputy director of communications for state Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno. The editorials were written by Susan Graves. See editorial on Page 6.*



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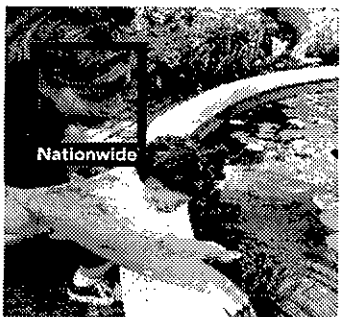
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# Matters of Opinion

## BC board member says thanks for support

Editor, The Spotlight,

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all the residents of the Bethlehem Central School District who entrusted me to contribute to proper stewardship of the district by service on the

school board over the past three years.

As my term draws to a close, I wish to immediately encourage other interested individuals to step forward to run for election to the board.

Candidate petitions are available at the district office at 90 Adams Place and are due by April 16.

Jon Bartow  
Slingerlands

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## V'ville to participate in relay fund-raiser

Editor, The Spotlight:

Few of us have not been touched by cancer in some way. Many times we wonder how we can help eliminate cancer or support those who have been touched by the disease.

This year the Voorheesville school district will host the Relay For Life on the high school track Friday evening, May 20 through Saturday morning, May 21.

Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's signature fund-raising event. This activity provides funds for research, education, advocacy, and patient services. The fund-raiser is a celebration of hope and remembrance. To raise awareness, participants walk around the track throughout the evening while enjoying music, activities, and games.

Once darkness falls, loved ones are honored with luminaries.

At this time, teams are being formed to raise money. Individuals, families, neighborhoods, organizations, businesses, churches, and school groups can establish a Relay team.

Each team is encouraged to raise funds to participate in the fight against cancer. Money is also raised through corporate sponsorship, track signs and the purchase of luminaries which honor those battling cancer or those we remember who lost their lives to this disease.

We encourage our neighboring communities to join us. Please consider becoming a team captain, a member of a team, or a sponsor in this community effort. For information please contact Carol Bishop-Panepinto with the American Cancer Society at 438-7842 or Sherry Burgoon at [sburgoon@gw.neric.org](mailto:sburgoon@gw.neric.org).

Sherry Burgoon  
Voorheesville

## BOU says thanks for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited board, I would like to express our gratitude to all the businesses and individuals who donated their time or goods to our 19th annual auction. We are aware that it is often difficult for these groups to help support every single cause that comes their way, and feel that the businesses in our community show tremendous spirit in giving to our local causes.

We received over \$11,000 in

donations for the coming year. These funds will be granted to further support youth-based programs in our efforts to provide today's youth with education, awareness of, and alternatives to, drug and alcohol abuse. I would also like to acknowledge Amy Ludic, who was misidentified in our program, for her donation of a beautifully handcrafted gingerbread house for the auction.

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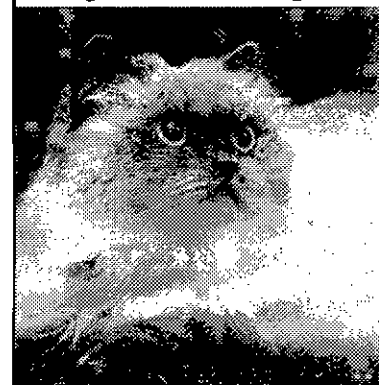
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# Now's the time to check out summer camps

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

If spring makes a young man's fancy turn to thoughts of love, it also makes parents' thoughts turn to summer camps. Every spring, there are more and more choices of camps and programs in the Capital District designed to meet the varying interests of today's multi-faceted children.

At Albany Academy on Academy Road between Whitehall Road and New Scotland Avenue in Albany, kids of varying ages are sure to find a program that works for them.

At the recreational day camp, children entering kindergarten through eighth grade can participate in a traditional day camp with activities that include sports; arts and crafts; performing arts; and daily swimming at the Academy's indoor pool. In the afternoons, there will be thumb activities for all the campers, like talent show or camp Olympics.

Campers are grouped by age and grade and the counselor to child ratio is one to five. There are two healthy snacks and lunch

(included in the cost) throughout the day. The camp day runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with complimentary extended care from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The Rec camp runs from June 13 to Aug. 12, but is closed July 4. The cost is \$240 per week; \$195 for additional children from the same family. Children can enroll for just one week or multiple weeks. During the week of July 5-8, rec camp costs \$195; \$160 for additional children from the same family.

The Academy's Learning Enrichment Activities Program (LEAP) is designed for children between the ages of 6 to 13 who are looking for a longer camp experience. It is made up of two three-week sessions, but kids can attend all six weeks for the full LEAP benefit. Those who attend all six weeks get a great and diverse experience. Campers expand their knowledge and skills in academics, arts, music, theater and athletics, and choose from a variety of enrichment modules as diverse as cooking, playing chess, acting and athletics.

The first LEAP session runs from June 27 to July 15, with no camp on July 4. The second session is from July 18 to Aug. 5. The program runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with wrap-around care available from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. There are two healthy snacks and free lunch every day, as well as swim time in the Academy's indoor pool.

Tuition is \$785 for the first session; \$630 for each additional child from the same family. Tuition in session two is \$840; \$675 for each additional child from the same family.

Single week tuition is \$280; \$225 for each additional child from the same family.

Some kids like to move in the summer and they may find the youth sports camp at the Academy a place they'd like to be. The camp runs from June 13-17 and June 20-24. With a ratio of one counselor per six children, kids in grades two through eight will get lots of instruction in basic skills, techniques, lead-up

activities and games. The mini-sport camps will be separated into two divisions, based on age and ability.

There's a different sport every day — basketball, soccer, tennis, track or volleyball and baseball/softball. There will be lots of skills clinics, some swim time every day, two healthy snacks and lunch.

Camp runs from 8:30 to 4 p.m., with extended care from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tuition is \$250 per week; \$200.00 for each additional child from the same family.

If your child loves basketball, there are three different basketball camps available. The

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## Camps

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coed basketball camp is for kids in grades five through eight and will be run by the Academy's varsity basketball coach, Vince Zabinski. Camp runs in one-week sessions from July 5 to July 29, and campers can register for as many sessions as they like.

During the camp, kids can improve their individual knowledge and skill levels while improving their conditioning. The staff will be made up of other local coaches and current college and high school players. Using two full basketball courts and various

sizes of basketballs, there will be individual and group drills; 3 on 3 games; shooting competitions; and full court games. Lunch will be provided each day.

Tuition July 5-8 is \$155; \$125 for each additional child from the same family. From July 11 to July 29, weekly tuition is \$190 per week; \$155 per additional child from the same family.

The coed basketball camp runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; with the earliest possible drop-off at 8 a.m. For \$6 per day, the Academy can provide supervised coverage from 3 to 5 p.m., which includes time in the indoor pool. Arrangements for afternoon care should be made the first day of camp.

Girls can get a little hoop time

in the week of Aug. 8-12, when two girls basketball camps will take place. From 10 a.m. to noon that week, girls in grades 5 to 8 can work on dribbling, passing, shooting and other basic tactics. There will also be time for games.

From 1 to 3 p.m. that week, girls in grades 9 through 12 can get some court activity, by working on conditioning, personal focus, offensive and defensive strategies.

The girls basketball camp is \$100 for the week.

Boys will also get their own basketball camp, from Aug. 1 through 5, with some high-level instruction. Jim Hart, director of Albany City Rocks, along with former European professional basketball player Carmen Maciariello and NBA player James Thomas (Portland Trailblazers 2005) will introduce the first Skills Academy Camp. City Rocks and NCAA Division I players will instruct campers in the basic fundamentals.

Camp runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., with lunch. It costs \$190 for the week.

The Albany Academy runs

weeklong summer skills programs to boost English skills; writing; math and give kids and introduction to robotics and the culinary arts. Summer skills sessions are available to students in grades 5 through 12, last about two hours and cost \$150.

Albany Academy will host two special camps this summer: Warrior Lacrosse Camp July 11-14, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at a cost of \$295. For information about this program, visit the Web site, <http://www.laxcamps.com/camps/NY/albany2005.html>.

USA Chess Camp will take place from August 8 through 12 for kids between the ages of 5 and 16, beginners and advanced. Morning sessions are from 9 a.m. to noon; afternoon sessions are from 1 to 4 p.m., or kids can go all day. Tuition for the morning or afternoon session is \$229 if you register by July 8; \$249 after that. The all-day session is \$369 if you register by July 8 and \$389 after that. For information about chess camp, go to [http://www.usa-chess.com/services\\_camps\\_Albany2005](http://www.usa-chess.com/services_camps_Albany2005).

For information about all the other camps at Albany Academy, visit the Web site at [www.albany-academy.org](http://www.albany-academy.org) or phone 465-1461.

A familiar face in the Capital District's summer camps and programs scene is Joe Urschel, who started his own business and will be running a co-ed summer camp for kids between the ages of 4 and 12 at St. Catherine of

Siena, located at 35 Hurst Ave. off Krumkill Road and New Scotland Avenue in Albany. Urschel is a teacher and coach in the Albany city schools and ran the summer program at Albany Academy for 10 years.

Urschel's company is called JMU 4 Kids Day Camp.

"My wife and I and our two children all have the same initials, JMU," Urschel said of the name he chose for his new endeavor.

Urschel is enthusiastic about the program he'll be able to offer at St. Catherine's.

"It will be a well-rounded day camp with enrichment, instructional and recreational activities," he said.

Camp will run from June 27 until Sept. 2, with July 4 off. Campers may choose one week or as many as they like, when they like.

"Every day, kids will participate in arts and crafts; music and dance; golf and tennis; storytelling; reading; computer training; recreation; and fitness," Urschel said. "There's also a free play arcade, and we'll swim daily at the University at Albany." The camp day is from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., and free wrap-around care is available from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. A box lunch costs \$2 per day, and there's free pizza on Fridays. The camp costs \$180 per week; \$160 for St. Catherine of Siena parishioners.

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facilities at St. Catherine's. "I'd really like to thank Father Doyle, the pastor, and then school principal, Terry Ewell, who agreed to let me rent this facility," Urschel said. "The gym, cafeteria, classrooms and arcade are all air-conditioned. There are great athletic fields and good blacktop space for playing."

The camp will be running under a permit from the Albany County Department of Health. "We're offering diversified activities," Urschel said. "That combined with the central location, the experience of the adult staff and the price, make it a great choice."

For information about JMU 4 Kids Day Camp at St. Catherine of Siena, contact Urschel at [jurschel@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jurschel@nycap.rr.com).

If you're looking for a program for your younger child, the town of East Greenbush has contracted with Cartwheels for Kids to run

its summer camp program for children 3 to 5 years old. The camp will run weekly sessions from July 5 until Aug. 12.

Martie Ripson, a computer software designer, opened Cartwheels for Kids at 668 Columbia Turnpike in East Greenbush to provide a space for kids and families to play.

Ripson enlisted the help of friend Karen Apgar, an early childhood education professional, to help create the space. There are two rooms in the facility that's drawn a steady crowd since it opened in October.

"Each room is 1,000 square feet," Ripson said. "One is an indoor playground, with equipment like climbing equipment and tunnels."

The other room is good for some of the classes available at Cartwheels for Kids, like Mommy and Me and the soon-to-start Kindermusik.

"Our vision is to become a center for families," Ripson said. "I'd like it to be a place where kids can meet kids and parents can meet parents. We host really great birthday parties here." This summer, day camp at Cartwheels for Kids will run from 9 a.m. until noon under the supervision of Jennifer Cahill, who ran the infant and toddler center at Bedford Discovery School in Westchester County before relocating to the Capital District.

"We'll be here Monday through Thursday," Ripson said. "On Fridays, we'll be at the East Greenbush town park."

There will be a maximum of 30 children per session, with four staff members. The day's schedule will include circle time, a game, story, snack, art class, time at the sensory table - where kids can play with sand, water or

fun substances like shaving cream - and some free time.

The camp will cost \$40 per week. Residents of East Greenbush will be accepted into the program first. Non-residents have to pay a one-time-only \$10 fee and will be wait-listed until June 13.

For information about Cartwheels for Kids summer camp, call the town of East Greenbush at 477-4194.

If Cartwheels for Kids is meeting the needs of the preschool set, the Saint Rose Summer Academy is providing opportunities for older children in grades 6 through 10 this summer.

"This is the 13<sup>th</sup> year of the program," said John Hunter, who's directed the Summer Academy for the second year after a 10-year stint as director of a Boy Scout camp.

"What sets us apart is that

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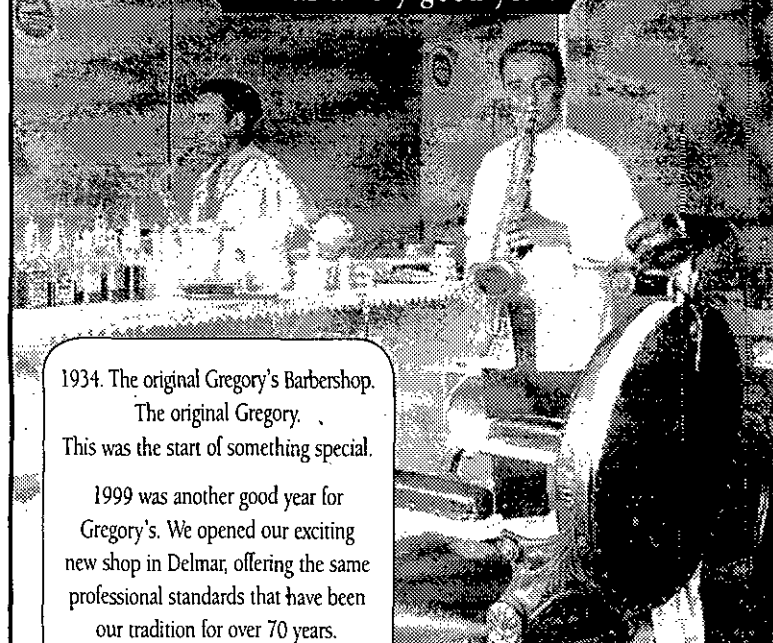
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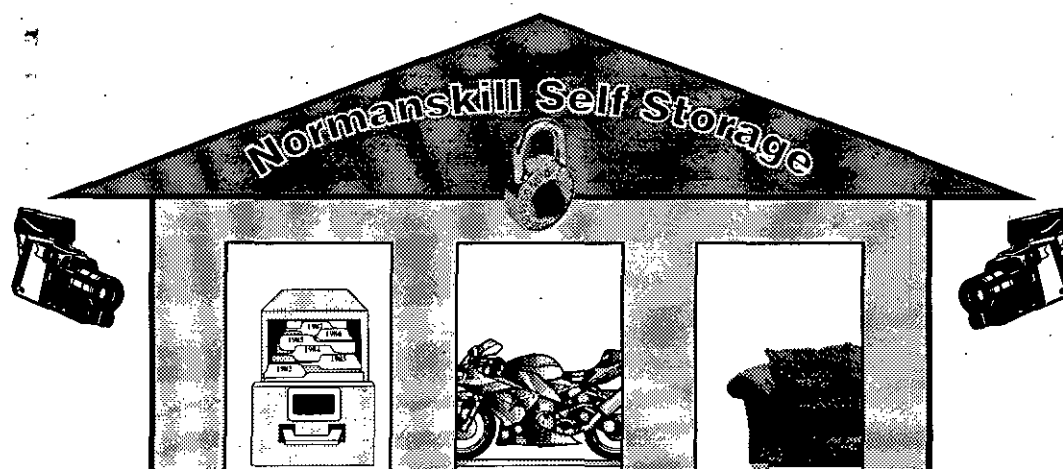
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we're blending educational enrichment with fun," Hunter said, pointing out that that particular combination meets parents' and children's goals for the summer.

"My experience is that kids resist anything academic in the summer," Hunter said, "but parents want them to not only be occupied, but do something enriching."

With classes that include TV production, forensics, jazz rock ensemble, comics and illustration, theatrical dance skills and political writing, the Summer Academy at The College of Saint Rose on Western Avenue in

Albany meets both those requirements.

The Summer Academy runs from July 5 until Aug. 12 and its numerous courses are grouped into the following categories: cultural passport (languages); science and technology; music; art; theater skills; writing; and theater program.

Sessions run from 9 a.m. to noon or from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Kids who choose to attend two sessions will have a supervised lunch period.

"We've made this parent-friendly with the opportunity for kids to go all day," Hunter said, "but we've also made it exciting and innovative."

Hunter pointed out that the program has tripled in size in the

past 13 years.

"We've got 32 different classes," he said.

The courses are \$130 per week and if one student takes two or more courses, the cost drops to \$115. Theater courses are priced separately.

For information about Saint Rose Summer Academy, call 454-5143 or visit the Web site, [www.strose.edu/summeracademy](http://www.strose.edu/summeracademy).

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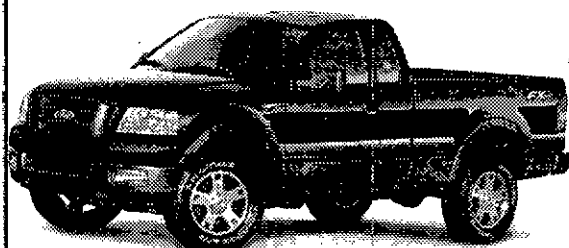


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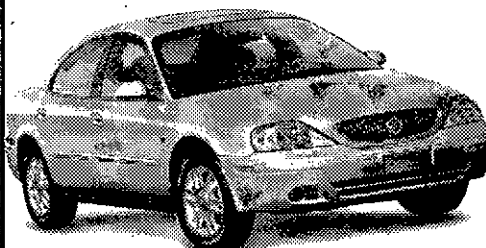
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By ROB JONAS

Voorheesville has the talent and the experience. Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk has the talent, but not the experience.

Both teams are contenders for the Colonial Council baseball title, but they'll have to get by defending champion Mechanicville to win it.

"I think Mechanicville is going to be very good ... and Lansingburgh is always going to be good," RCS coach Bob Dorrance said.

"I think we have a decent shot at winning the Colonial with our senior leadership and our experience," Voorheesville coach Hank Czerwinski said.

Voorheesville has 11 players back from last year's team, which finished third in the league and reached the Section II, Class B semifinals.

"My strength is pitching," Czerwinski said. "I have nine pitchers on the roster. It's a plus, especially when you have a situation where you're facing doubleheaders."

RCS is decidedly not in the same boat as Voorheesville. The Indians are relying on a large group of newcomers — partially due to the graduation of several key players from last year's team, and partially because two of their veterans are out for most, if not

all, of the season due to injuries. "The good news is the 15 kids (on the roster) are all talented kids who can play the game," Dorrance said. "The bad news is we already have three on the shelf, so that limits what we can do."

Here is a closer look at the two local Colonial Council teams.

### Voorheesville Blackbirds

Coach: Hank Czerwinski

Key veterans: Chris Hensel (pitcher), Brett LeFave (pitcher), Pete Lindner (pitcher/third baseman), Shayne Minick (shortstop), Greg Delaney (center fielder), Steven Cardinal (catcher), Nick Duncan (pitcher).

Key newcomers: Andy Catellier (pitcher/left fielder), R.J. Curreri (second baseman).

Outlook: The Blackbirds had one of the most powerful lineups in the league last year, anchored by Lindner, but Czerwinski said

he wants to see his team improve its on-base percentage. "Home runs are wonderful, but you need runners on base," he said ... With a batting average of more than .400, Minick gives Voorheesville a consistent hitter at the top of the lineup ... Hensel has the best record among returning pitchers with a 4-2 record in 2004.

### RCS Indians

Coach: Bob Dorrance

Key veterans: Tim Sugrue (pitcher/catcher/right fielder), Zach Smith (center fielder/pitcher), Josh Jones (third baseman/pitcher).

Key newcomers: Eric Stott (first baseman/pitcher), Cody Haack (shortstop), Keith Geraldson (outfielder), Colin King (pitcher/outfielder), Jeremy Putorti (second baseman), Justin Bullis (third baseman), Frank McDonagh (first baseman), Tim Sanderson (pitcher/infielder).

Outlook: The Indians took a blow to their lineup when veterans Ryan Cross (shoulder) and Matt Rios (hernia) needed surgery prior to the start of the season. Dorrance said Rios is expected to return in four to six weeks, but Cross is out for the

season ... Most of the newcomers were part of a junior varsity team that won the 2004 league title. "I think the talent level is pretty good," Dorrance said. "Of the 15 kids on the roster, I think 13 of them were involved in some sort of summer baseball league."

### Got sports news?

The Spotlight welcomes articles on community sports events, results of high school varsity games and updates on athletes in college.

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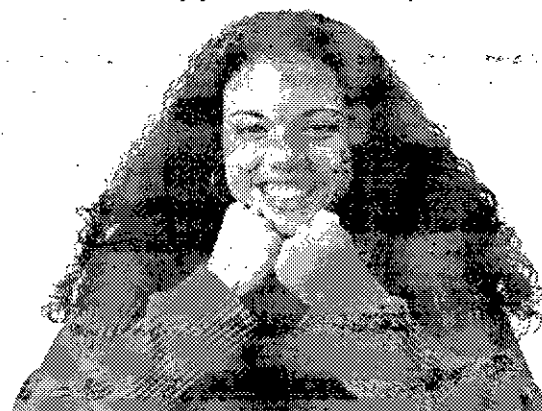
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# Wegman wins on new Delmar Dash course

By ROB JONAS

Not only did Roxanne Wegman dominate the women's division at Sunday's Delmar Dash, she also gave the top men a run for their money.

The Bethlehem Central High School senior won the women's title with a time of 30:40, which also placed her ninth overall in the five-mile road race.

"I was up there with (the top 10 men)," Wegman said. "Some of them were ticked because they didn't want a woman by them."

Very few women in the 558-runner field could keep up with Wegman. The second-fastest female, Rensselaer's Elizabeth Gamache, was 46 seconds behind Wegman, and the third-fastest woman, Saratoga Springs' Stacy Gaynor, crossed the finish line 90 seconds after Wegman.

"I realized this was going to be a strategic race because there weren't any women around me. They were all behind me," Wegman said.

Matt Mallet of Saratoga Springs won the men's division with a time of 27:18, 17 seconds ahead of runner-up Ken Plowman of Albany. Guilderland's Bob Irwin was third in a time of 28:13.

"Me and the first three guys all



Bethlehem Central High School senior Roxanne Wegman cruises through the finish line to win the women's division title at Sunday's Delmar Dash. *Jim Franco*

hit the first mile (marker) together," Mallet said. "It seemed like they were struggling, so I began to string them out."

The Delmar Dash was held over a new course this year. Instead of starting and finishing in the former Boston Market parking lot off Elsmere Avenue,

the staging area and finish line were moved to Bethlehem Central Middle School on Kenwood Avenue. Also, the course looped further south to include Murray Avenue, Parkwyn Drive, McGuffey Lane, Westchester Drive and Wisconsin Avenue.

"I think this course might have

been a little faster because it was a little flatter," said Wegman, who finished second in the women's division last year when it was on the old course.

Though the race is considered a tune-up for the April 18 Boston Marathon, many in the field were out to have fun. One competitor,

Barry O'Keefe of Delmar, pushed his daughter through the course on a stroller.

"That's the second time I ran with her," said O'Keefe with a smile after finishing 250th overall with a time of 42:09. "She gained 10 pounds (since last year), and I lost five minutes."

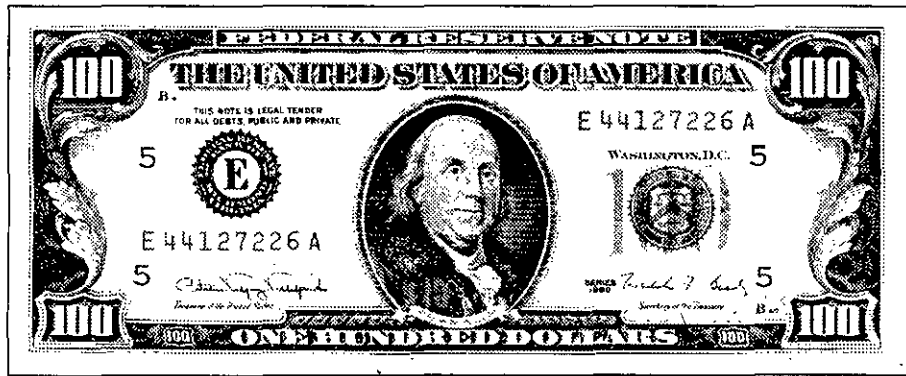
"This is really the only (race) I run. This is one of the best events in town," he added.

## Results

**Top 10 men:** Matt Mallet (Saratoga Springs) 27:18, Ken Plowman (Albany) 27:35, Bob Irwin (Guilderland) 28:13, Tom Twaname (Hicksville) 29:11, Chad Davey (Selkirk) 29:31, Bruce Beesley (Delmar) 29:57, Mark Luebbers (Delmar) 30:17, Chuck Racey (Clifton Park) 30:35, Rob Colborn (Niskayuna) 30:41, Rob Picotte (Slingerlands) 30:44.

**Top 10 women:** Roxanne Wegman (Delmar) 30:40, Elizabeth Gamache (Rensselaer) 31:26, Stacy Gaynor (Saratoga Springs) 32:10, Karen Mohr (Albany) 32:18, Eileen Leavitt (Delmar) 33:15, Nancy Nicholson (Queensbury) 33:17, Kathleen Newton (Bennington, Vt.) 33:35, Kimberly Miseno (Amsterdam) 34:24, Aimee Nicotera (Loudonville) 35:03, Ashley Dwyer (Slingerlands) 35:10.

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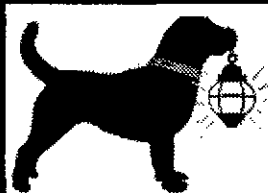
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## Conklin earns league honor

Bethlehem Central High School graduate Kaity Conklin was named the Little East Conference softball player of the week after helping the Keene State College Owls start their season with a 9-1 record.

Conklin drove in four runs with three hits in Keene State College's 14-1 victory over Nichols College and was a perfect three-for-three at the plate in a 5-2 win against Salem State College during the Owls' spring week trip to Florida.

A freshman, Conklin currently leads Keene State College with 12 hits and nine runs batted in. She has two doubles, a triple and a home run in her first 10 collegiate games for the New Hampshire-based school.



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The Guilderland Public Library, Bethlehem Public Library and Albany Public Library have combined efforts to produce Crossgates Family Storytime, a new joint community program that will begin Wednesday April 6.

In partnership with Crossgates Mall and with the support of the Guilderland Chamber of Commerce, librarian storytellers from the three libraries will present a storytime for families with children ages 6 months to 7 years on most Wednesdays through June 15.

"We hope by offering a storytime at the mall we will introduce the joy of listening and reading to families who may not

already be library users. We also want to introduce the many programs libraries offer which support the promotion of literacy and lifelong learning," said Barbara Nichols Randall, director of the Guilderland Public Library.

The idea for this type of outreach to families grew from the participation of the Guilderland library in the Guilderland Chamber of Commerce Family Expo, which is held at Crossgates Mall each spring.

"We saw many of our regular patrons at the Expo but met residents who were unaware of the programs and services of libraries," said Randall.

"All of the libraries in Albany and Rensselaer counties par-

ticipate in the Upper Hudson Library System. Through this regular networking, Bethlehem Public Library Director Nancy Pieri, Albany Public Library Director Jeffrey Cannell and I worked together to bring about this cooperative effort," Nichols Randall added.

Sara Nieves, Marketing Director for Crossgates Mall, said, "Crossgates Mall is delighted to

support an outreach to families in the community. We strive to keep the mall a safe family friendly destination."

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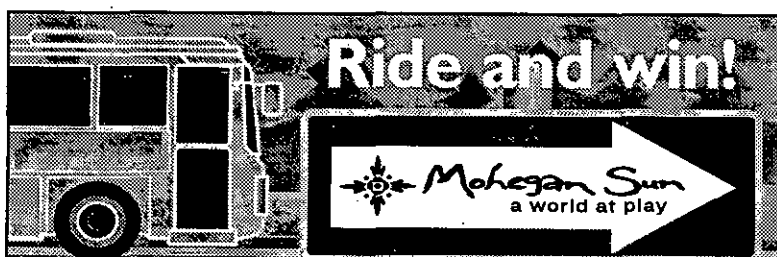
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## Evening of fun

Hudson River storyteller Jonathan Kruk will visit the library Thursday, April 7, at 7 p.m. for a family fun evening of interactive children's fairy tales, Hudson River lore, finger fables, rainbow dragons and witches who knot their noses to stop them from running.

## Book discussions set

Elementary age book dis-

cussions have been planned for this week. Grades 2 and 3 will discuss *Tippy Lemmey*, by Patricia McKissack, Friday, April 8, at 7 p.m. (The library will be closed except for program).

Grades 4 through 7 will talk about *Poppy*, by Avi, Tuesday, April 12, at 7 p.m.

## FOL names president

Friends of Library has a new president, Michele Reilly. Reilly recently took over the position vacated by the resignation of Cindy Childs.

Many thanks to Childs as she leaves to pursue the establishment of a home cleaning service after many years of faithful work with the Friends.

## Boston tickets available

There is still time to sign up for the Friend's bus trip to Boston on Saturday, April 23. Paid res-

ervations are being taken at the library circulation desk. For information, call Michele Reilly at 765-3411.

## News and notes


- Petitions are now available at the circulation desk for any school district resident over the age of 18 who is interested in running for a position on the library board of trustees. Candidates are required to obtain signatures from 26 qualified voters and return the notarized petition by 4:30 p.m. April 15.

- Adult book discussion will meet Wednesday, April 6, at 7 p.m.

- Pen and ink drawings by Frank Sheridan are on display in our hall gallery this month.

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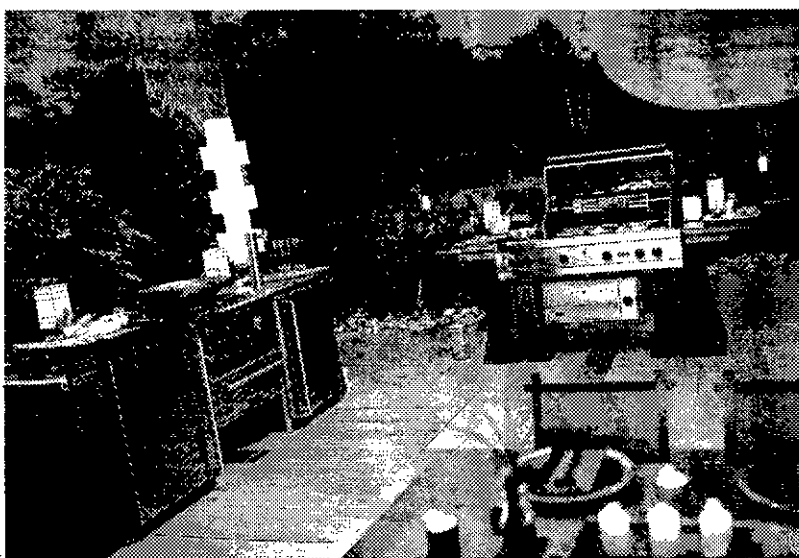
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Learn about the nitty-gritty of writing a poem in Poets-R-Us on Thursday, April 7, at 7 p.m.

Participants are invited to bring an original poem for review. A follow-up session on Thursday, April 14, will give you an opportunity to talk about your own creative process.

Presenter and library staff member Louise Grieco has published poems in several journals and anthologies, most recently "Line Drives" (Southern Illinois UP) and "Thirteenth Moon" (UAlbany Press).

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## Baseball meets scholarship

The library plays the second game of a doubleheader Sunday, April 10, at 2 p.m.

Humanities lecturer William M. Simons will take a look at baseball as a mirror of America's racial and ethnic past. His slide-lecture, *Where have you gone, Joe DiMaggio, Jackie Robinson, and Hank Greenberg* will examine and

compare an iconic baseball triumvirate.

Simons is professor of history at the State University College at Oneonta. He specializes in American social history, ethnic studies and sport history. His many and varied accomplishments include editorship of *The Cooperstown Symposium on Baseball and American Culture* from 200-2002.

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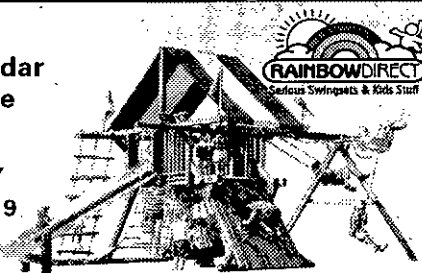
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# Voorheesville Performing Arts Center hosts Nashville concert

Spend an evening with Nashville songwriters, Billy McEntana, Steve Dean and Don Ellis, on Saturday, April 9, at 6:30 p.m.

This talented trio of singer/songwriters has authored many No. 1 hit songs.

The concert will be held at the Voorheesville Performing Arts Center at Voorheesville High School.

General admission is \$10.

For information or to reserve tickets, call 765-3314, ext. 752.

## Trustees to meet

The next regular meeting for the village board of trustees will be held at the village office Tuesday, April 12, at 7 p.m. at the

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village hall on Voorheesville Avenue.

The public is invited to attend.

## Blood drive scheduled

The student government of Voorheesville is planning a blood drive at the high school Thursday, April 14, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the middle school gym at the Voorheesville Junior/Senior High School.

For information or to set up an

appointment, call the high school at 765-3314.

## Gardening workshop

There will be a gardening workshop at Thacher Nature Center on Sunday, April 10, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Learn about native shrubs, perennials, high wildlife value plants, design tips and how to choose plants appropriate to our site.

This slide presentation/discussion workshop is designed for novice as well as experienced gardeners. Workshop fee is \$5 per person.

Space is limited and prior registration is required.

For information, call 872-0800.

## Spring garden cleanup

Winter wreaks havoc on the native plant garden and the Thacher Nature Center needs the public's help to prepare for the growing season.

A cleanup workshop will be held Sunday, April 17, at 9 a.m.

Refreshments and T-shirts or tote bags will be available for all volunteers who come to help at Thacher Nature Center and can give of an hour or so of their time.

## Volunteer day April 30

The town of New Scotland is looking for volunteers to help with a cleanup day Saturday, April 30, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The town-wide volunteer cleanup day is designed to help the elderly, financially limited, disabled, living alone and/or those with little or not family support.

If you know of anyone who fits this description or if you would like to sign up as a volunteer, please call Sue Weisz, Senior Outreach, at 439-9038 or the town supervisor's office at 439-4889.

## Fund-raiser planned

Plan to join the Friends for Life - Relay for Life fund-raiser that will be held Friday, May 6, from 7 to 11 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church Parish Center.

Hors d'oeuvres, desserts, beer, wine and soda will be served. There also will be dancing and a Chinese raffle.

Tickets are \$5 per person for admission and raffle tickets will

be available at the door. Checks for raffle tickets should be made payable to the American Cancer Society.

This event is for adults only, please.

Anyone wishing to help out could either bring an hors d'oeuvre or a small item to be raffled. Those interested should respond by May 1 to one of the following:

Carol Cillis, 765-3186 or cc86map@aol.com; Sharon Cillis, 765-4538 or jcillis@nycap.rr.com; Betsy Glath, 765-4415 or skiing765@aol.com; Sue Keenan, 765-5999 or MC320@aol.com; Mary Ann Jones, 765-4622; Linda Pasquali, 765-4990 or lsquali@nycap.rr.com; or Robin, 765-9007.

## Boston bound

The Voorheesville Public Library is planning a bus trip to Boston on Saturday, April 23. The cost of the trip is \$25 for FOL members and \$30 for non-members.

The bus will depart from the Voorheesville elementary school at 7 a.m. and leave Boston at 7 p.m.

For information, call Michelle Reilly at 765-3411.

## Swim classes offered

The Voorheesville Central School District will be offering its spring learn to swim classes on Saturdays through June 11.

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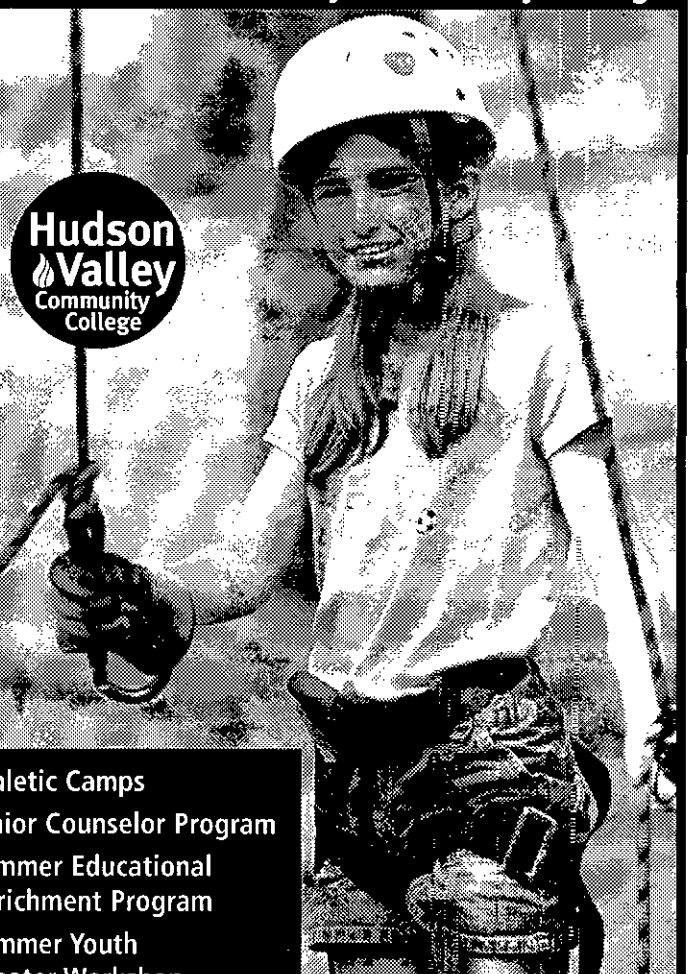
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# Follow these helpful guidelines to better gardens

**W**ith spring upon us, it's time to decide what you would like to do with your garden.

Seed catalogs conjure visions of beautiful bouquets around your home, their sweet fragrances permeating every room. Your appetite is whetted for meals prepared with homegrown vegetables, but how can you best prepare that plot of soil behind your house to help make your garden grow?

Here are some suggestions:

- **Remove debris:** If you didn't remove all the debris from your garden last fall, you must clear out the old leaves and stems before you plant. This is the single-most effective pest control measure you can take for your garden. Insect eggs or disease spores from last year's growth can infect your new crop.
- **Loosen soil:** After you have removed the debris, use a shovel to break up clods of dirt and loosen the soil to the rooting depth of your plants. You want to create a uniform, porous seedbed for seeds and seedlings.

Any plants that root below 5 or 6

inches are capable of penetrating most soils. If your garden plot has packed clay or sandy soil, till in organic matter such as peat, composted leaves or lawn clippings

and work them into the soil as deeply as you can. This will form a soil structure that allows roots to breathe and grow. It will also help retain vital moisture and nutrients.

Do not use lawn clippings for this if you have treated

your lawn with a weed killer or insecticide. Residual chemicals on the clippings can damage garden plants or make vegetables unsafe to eat. After all, leaving clippings on the lawn recycles nutrients back to grass plants, improving your lawn's health and beauty.

• **Fertilizing:** Melinda Myers, host of Great Lakes Gardener public television show and author of several gardening books, advises gardeners to always use a fertilizer that is gentle on both plants and the environment.

"Use a slow-release nitrogen fertilizer that provides plants with small amounts of nutrients over a long period of time," notes Myers. "This slow release nitrogen goes

directly to the plants and not into groundwater. It's friendly to the environment and allows plants to use all the nutrients you apply. It also promotes even growth, discouraging insect and disease problems."

Slow-release nitrogen fertilizer reduces the risk of damage to plants and the environment in the event it's misapplied or overused.

An organic-based nitrogen fertilizer, such as Milorganite GardenCare 6-2-0, is ideal for helping build soil while fertilizing. Information on fertilizing various types of garden plants can be found at [www.milorganite.com](http://www.milorganite.com).

**Seeding and planting:** It's exciting to watch plants grow from a tiny seed. If you plant seeds, follow the package directions. Directions will vary for each kind of seed you plant.

• **Be careful.** The most common planting mistake is planting too deep. This results in poor germination.

Water gently, keeping seeds moist until they germinate. Follow specific watering instructions for each kind of seed you plant.

Plant seedlings as deep as they were in their holder. You can see the soil level on the stem. Keep



A beautiful, bountiful garden can be yours if you follow some simple suggestions.

their roots vertical by making sure your hole is deep enough. If your soil is dry, fill the hole half full of water before you place the seedling in it. Firmly pack soil around it.

Gently water over the top of planted seedlings. Keep them moist for a week or so, depending on your local weather conditions.

• **When to fertilize:** In general, fertilize when you first seed or transplant. This encourages early root and plant growth. Fertilize again when plants begin to flower or display leaf growth that will mature for harvest.

For full-season plants, fertilize a third time in mid-to late summer. Potatoes, tomatoes and similar plants especially benefit from this third application.

If you have any doubts as to what kind of fertilizer to use or how much to apply, or if you would like your soil analyzed for nutrients, contact your local county horticultural extension agent.

• **Those darned pests:** Insects, weeds and disease can present problems to a healthy garden.

Mike Archer, master gardener and research coordinator for Milorganite, recommends using Integrated Pest Management

(IPM) for pest control. IPM is a low-cost, low-impact means for controlling harmful pests. IPM encourages the use of natural pesticides as a friendly method of pest control.

"Using commercial pesticides should be limited to times when the damage is beyond using natural methods," says Archer. "In many cases, treating a garden with pesticides kills off beneficial insect species that keep problem species under control," says Archer.

"Learn to identify these helpful insects, so you don't kill off friends of your garden," adds Archer.

Other methods of environmentally sound pest control include hoeing weeds; staking tall plants so fruit does not touch the ground; providing garden ventilation to minimize incidence of disease; and trickling water on the soil, not on foliage, when watering on sunny days so leaves don't scald.

• **Have fun:** There's no doubt about it; gardening can be hard work. But if you follow these simple tips, your garden will prosper and your experience will be a positive.

For more information on successful gardening, visit [www.milorganite.com](http://www.milorganite.com).

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# Be a swinger – put up a backyard hammock

**W**ith spring comes the desire to start fresh and clean house of all that is stressful. It is the season for lying back and compiling a plan for bringing elements of comfort into your life starting with the great outdoors – your backyard.

The number one element of comfort when beginning in the outdoors is a hammock. This crafted item has been created with the sole purpose of providing comfort.

But, a hammock is just a start. From there, many other elements of comfort come into play including scent, touch, and motion as well as personal and natural comforts.

- **Comforting use:** Choose a hammock that can provide not only unlimited comfort, but also long-lasting life in the elements. "Hammocks today are crafted of various types of materials that are durable in the outdoors as well as decorating with soothing colors and coordinating accessories such as pillows for even greater comfort," says Laurie Rudd, creative director for The HammockSource, manufacturer of Hatteras Hammocks and The Original Pawleys Island Rope Hammocks. Whether it is backyard, poolside or lakeside, the use of a hammock enables you to find comfort unlike that provided by any other outdoor furnishing.

- **Comforting scent:** By positioning your hammock next to a flower bed or patio pot brimming with such varieties as lavender, peonies, freesia or any stress relieving fragrance, you will soon feel your cares soothed away. Positioning your hammock in a garden setting is easily accomplished with the addition of a hammock stand. "Various hammock stand styles are available as well as wheel kits that can make moving your slice of comfort to any relaxing location easy," says Chuck Sineath, president of Nags Head Hammocks.

- **Comforting touch:** Hand-woven rope hammocks can provide body-hugging comfort.

This tactile soothing feeling gives great comfort while molding to the exact shape of the user. Hammocks, unlike patio chairs, offer the ability for full body lounging and quilted hammock styles also provide a "floating on air" feeling.

- **Comforting motion:** Even before birth, movement has been known to be soothing. In a hammock, a gentle sway or rocking provides that element of

motion. "Hammock accessories today include such items as a hammock rocking kit, says J. R. Pelletier, manager of internet retailer TheHammockCompany.com. "With such a kit, movement can be provided even when a soft breeze is nowhere to be found."

- **Comforting people:** Family and friends are always a source of comfort. Lying back in the hammock with a loved one, sitting still for the first time in who knows when will provide comfort for your heart. The stresses of the day won't seem as important from the vantage provided in a hammock.

- **Comforting naturally:** Nature itself, such as that found in your own backyard, provides comfort with its soothing sights and sounds all around you. Lying still to enjoy them is the secret. Place a comfy hammock pillow under your head and relax your shoulders, your neck, all the way to the top of your head. Total comfort can be yours.

Achieving these elements of comfort can be realized in any size backyard setting. And with

the purchase of one of the many sizes and styles of hammocks available today, your springtime home improvement project may just end up improving more than just your outdoor spaces.

For more information about hammocks or hammock accessories, contact: [www.thehammocksource.com](http://www.thehammocksource.com) or [www.nagsheadhammocks.com](http://www.nagsheadhammocks.com), or [www.thehammockcompany.com](http://www.thehammockcompany.com).



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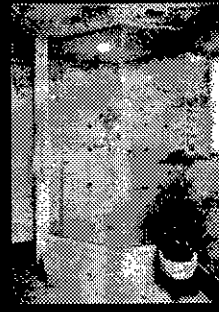
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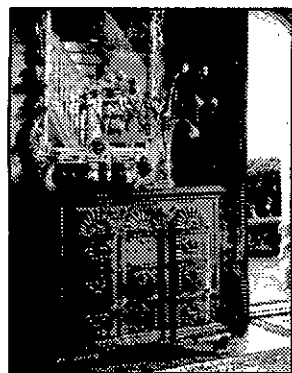


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# Tap into home fuel supply for outdoor barbecue

Whether your favorite summer pastime is going to the beach, playing golf or just soaking up the air conditioning at your local multiplex, the one activity almost all Americans partake in sometime during the season is an outdoor barbecue.

That people love to cook and eat outdoors should come as no surprise. A total of 14.4 million barbecue grills were shipped to stores last year to meet the demand, and the trend is expected to continue

in 2005, according to the Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association (HPBA).

On its Web site, HPBA ([www.hpba.org](http://www.hpba.org)) reports that the average grill owner holds 22 cookouts during the grilling season from mid-May to September. Some 70 percent of all grill owners fire-up their grills on the Fourth of July, making our nation's birthday the most popular holiday for

barbecuing, followed by Memorial Day (62 percent) and Labor Day (55 percent).



Most grill owners (63 percent) fuel their barbecues with Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG), better known as propane, and the majority of these grills use portable gas canisters that must be refilled or exchanged at designated locations when the canister is empty.

For the 63 million American households with access to natural gas or a propane supply (usually through a permanently installed propane tank), there is an easier way to barbecue that doesn't require refilling gas canisters.

Just as a gas fireplace, oven, water heater or clothes dryer may be permanently connected to a home's gas supply, so can an outdoor barbecue. Connecting a gas branch line to the grill is a relatively simple procedure that a qualified plumber can perform in a matter of hours.

To help keep installation costs down, make sure your plumber uses flexible soft-temper annealed copper

tubing. Sold in 50- and 100-foot coils, it can be installed in one long, continuous run – without the time-consuming jointing and threading required for rigid steel black pipe. It's also less expensive and easier to work with than corrugated stainless steel tubing, known in the industry as CSST.

Another option for homes with a gas supply is installing a gas convenience outlet outdoors. This makes plugging in your outdoor appli-

ances, such as grills and patio heaters, as easy as plugging in an electrical appliance inside.

Convenience gas outlets have a built-in safety device that prevents the gas from flowing if the appliance is not properly connected. The grill can be easily attached and disconnected from the outlet, so moving the grill for storage or cleaning is never a problem.

Grill manufacturers sell gas conversion kits separately to allow their grills to be used with either natural gas or propane, so you don't have to get rid of your favorite grill.



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Barbecuing is one of the nation's most popular summer pastimes with most grill owners firing up at least 22 times between mid-May to September.



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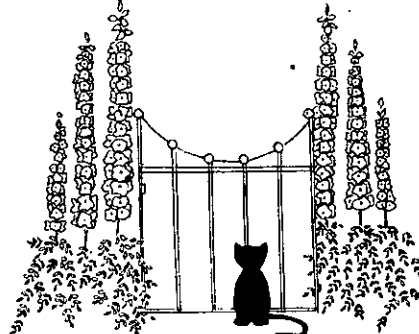
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# Bring an outdoor feeling to your kitchen design

By EDWARD PACUK  
CREATIVE KITCHENS OF GLENMONT

After long winters in the Capital Region, everyone is ready to spend as much time as possible outdoors. Your kitchen can help you feel connected to the outdoors year-round if you include the right design elements.

The current trend is to use mostly natural materials such as wood and stone for cabinets, counters and floors.

This can be complemented with earth-tone colors on the walls. Sage, terra cotta or gold tones promote the serene feeling we have while relaxing outside on a warm, sunny day.

These colors and materials may also be included in your backsplash for a consistent look throughout the room.

Natural light is the key to bringing warmth indoors, even on the coldest days. Many homeowners are replacing smaller windows with larger, more efficient ones to create well-lit spaces.

Sliding glass doors or French doors are also desirable in the kitchen to allow easy access to a deck or patio when you can eat outside.

And a garden window can be the ideal spot to keep plants or

herbs, creating an indoor greenhouse.

Some garden lovers are including a potting area near their kitchen, which is helpful for working with plants indoors. This may consist of a sink, cabinets or open shelving to store garden tools and materials, and a durable countertop.

Floral or botanical prints can also be used in the room to give the kitchen a garden style.

There is no reason that you can't grill all year round if you have the right equipment in your kitchen.

Mark Feiden, of Earl B. Feiden (one of the area's largest appliance dealers), says that many of his customers choose modular grill units for their professional-style ranges.

These can be removed for easy cleaning and storage, but allow cooks to grill meats and vegetables indoors.

There are also built-in countertop grills for the serious barbecue fan. Plan to use a powerful ventilation system in conjunction with indoor grilling or you will have more smoke and mess than you want inside.

Of course once the weather is nice, there are many appliances available to set up an outdoor kitchen for the grilling season.



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Your kitchen is the room in your home where you spend the most time. So if you love the outdoors, why not let it inspire your kitchen design to reflect that look all year long.

*The writer is the president of Creative Kitchens, located in the Glenmont Plaza, Route 9W and Feura Bush Road. For information on the latest trends in kitchen remodeling and help with your upcoming project, call Creative Kitchens at 432-1320.*

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# Sunrooms: Enjoy outdoors with indoor comfort

In the wintertime, people stay inside to avoid the cold. In the springtime, we venture out once again; but before you know it, the bugs will be back with a vengeance and people will be running for cover.

Not Marci Zodi of Abington, Pa. She goes outside any time she feels like it.

"Probably because I can enjoy the great outdoors from the comfort of my backyard sunroom," she says.

Marci and her husband, Neil, decided to add a sunroom to their home about three years ago. They were inspired by a neighbor who had built one.

"We have a beautiful backyard, but never really took the time to enjoy it until we added the sunroom because it wasn't practical," says Marci. "All we had back there was a tiny concrete deck big enough for a chair or two and a grill; and

since I hate bugs, I never wanted to go back there. Now that we have the sunroom, I can enjoy the outdoors any time I want."

Industry experts estimate that more than half-a-million new sunrooms are built in this country each year. Some people put them up to expand their living space; others, like the Zodi, so they can enjoy the backyard all year-round.

"It's my favorite place

in the house," says Marci. "We've hosted sit-down dinners in the sunroom, my kids have had parties out there, and I go out there just about every day to sit and relax."

Sunrooms are enjoying increasing popularity for a variety of reasons.

"With Americans spending more time at home, home improvements have increased; and with a lower cost of con-

struction than traditional additions and a higher valuation, adding a sunroom is a smart move that assures an excellent return on investment," says Andrew Stone, president of Craft-Bilt Manufacturing in Souderton, Pa.

The company, in existence since 1946, is the manufacturer and distributor of Betterliving Patio & Sunrooms. Depending on your needs and the options you choose, the cost of building and installing a sunroom can range from \$8,000 to \$50,000 and up, for an elaborate project.

Because it's such a big investment, deciding what company to go with is an important decision. Here are some important things to keep in mind when shopping around:

- Look for a company that stands behind both its product and installation. You want to choose a company that uses its own factory-trained employees to install the room — not subcontractors. If the sunroom is not put together properly, the roof could leak, or the doors and windows may not operate properly.

- Make sure the sunroom is fully engineered and has been tested to meet local building codes. No matter what state you live in, the structure must be able to meet or exceed local building codes, have a building permit and pass inspection.

"Our company has put up more than 1,000 sunrooms in and around Jacksonville and during last summer's hurricanes, we only had four instances where roofs suffered puncture damage from limbs punching through them. No one lost any windows. None of the structures blew down. We're very proud about that," says Michael Kaufman, owner of Betterliving by Suntastic in Jacksonville, Fla.

- Work with a company that is willing to pull the permit for you. If you don't have one, you will not be able to sell your house in the future until you get one.

- Avoid companies that only offer short warranty periods. Instead, find a company that stands behind its product and

will be there to offer support if a problem arises months or even years after your purchase.

- Look for a company that offers a wide range of styles and options, including three season patio rooms, year-round sunrooms and glass conservatories. The company should also have staff members available that will work with you to build the sunroom or patio of your dreams.

"I consider getting a sunroom the best thing we've ever done. It's part of the house, but every time I go out there, I'm transported someplace else. It's like going on vacation everyday," says Zodi.

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# Mow Master answers your lawn-care questions

Is your green thumb brown? Put a little life in your lawn this spring with advice from John Deere's Mow Master Bill Klutho.

**Q:** It's finally getting warmer, so I can't wait to pull my lawn mower out of the garage. What should I do to make sure my mower is warmed up for the season?

— Spring Fevered

**A:** Before the warm weather

arrives, read your operator's manual to learn your mower's recommended routine maintenance schedule. Most maintenance needs can be handled annually, so now is the perfect time to tune up your mower.

Common maintenance tasks include sharpening your mower blade; replacing the spark plug; clearing fans and intake screens; changing the oil, oil filters and fuel filters; checking safety shields and switches; and replacing the gasoline since old gas can clog the carburetor.

A improperly maintained mower can cause harm to your lawn, your equipment and yourself. If you can't or just don't want to perform your own maintenance, take your mower in to your local dealer for a tune up.

**Q:** Dear Mow Master: I'm a newlywed, and we just bought our

first house. Any tips to make my lawn the envy of the neighborhood?

— Married Mower

**A:** Congratulations! Welcome to the world of marriage, home ownership and lawn care. To keep your lawn growing as strong as your love, stick to the basics:

• Fertilize your lawn when it starts growing in the spring and in the fall, one month before the lawn goes dormant.

• Follow the one-third cutting rule, mowing only the top third of the grass each time you mow.

• Most lawns need about an inch of water per week. If you're unsure of how

long to water, put a mark one inch from the bottom of several plastic containers and spread them around the watering zone. Clock the time it takes to reach the one-inch mark and water for that length of time in the future. Make a life-long commitment to safety too; your spouse (and future children) will appreciate it.

**Q:** Help me, Mow Master. My lawn is all soft and spongy. Is something wrong?

— Concerned Cutter

**A:** Sounds like you've got thatch. Thatch is mostly dead



Proper mower maintenance and lawn care can provide you with the kind of lawn that will make you proud.

roots caused by excessive watering or fertilizing. Up to a half inch of thatch can be beneficial, as it helps prevent ground compaction and holds moisture in the soil. However, a thick layer of thatch is

detrimental. It acts like a sheet of plastic to hold back water, nutrients and air, all the things roots need to stay healthy. Thatch can also harbor insects and disease. If you already have thatch problems,

use a dethatcher or aerate your lawn. To avoid thatch buildup, follow the one-third rule and mow on the high side. Water your lawn infrequently, but deeply, about an inch a week.

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# Hydrangeas lend color, excitement to gardens

Hydrangeas are among the most popular flowering garden plants. Prized for their huge, dramatic flowers, they can literally stop traffic. Yet cold winters and late frosts often damage the flower buds and prevent blooming.

Fear of losing the flowers has kept many gardeners from enjoying these beautiful plants. This need not be the case, because with careful selection, all gardeners can enjoy hydrangeas and their remarkable flower displays.

When choosing a hydrangea it is very important to pay attention to the type of species or variety.

Big leaf hydrangeas (*Hydrangea macrophylla*) are very popular for their large colorful flowers but unfortunately they are the least hardy.

Lush green plants that do not bloom every year may disappoint gardeners. The blooms often fail because their flower buds are formed in fall of the previous year; a hard winter, an untimely frost or inappropriate pruning may damage the buds and the flowers

will be lost.

Native to the mild coastal regions of Japan, big leaf hydrangeas are not well suited to the dramatic temperature swings of continental North America. These hydrangeas are best reserved for gardeners on the East and West Coast who have a milder maritime climate similar to Japan.

Care must also be taken to prune at the proper time. Prune only

lightly, while the plants are blooming in June.

The flower color of big leaf hydrangea ranges from white to deep pink to rich blue depending upon the variety selected and your soil type. Soil pH and aluminum content affect the flower color; with acid soils producing blue flowers, and alkaline soils producing pink blooms.

Even in acidic soils low levels of aluminum or high levels of phosphorous may result in pink flowers. Spring and autumn treatment with aluminum sulfate will solve this and help produce blue flowers.

Most gardeners will find greater success with panicle hydrangeas (*hydrangea paniculata*). These plants are very hardy and bloom reliably no matter where you live.

Pruning is not complicated so you will be rewarded with plenty of dramatic summer flowers. The difference is that panicle hydrangea flower buds are formed in late spring. The flower buds will never be damaged by frost or freeze, so they bloom reliably every year.

Pruning is much easier as well. Simply prune them from late fall to spring. If you want larger flowers, cut them back extra hard. It's that easy.

One of the best panicle varieties is Limelight. It's a beautiful new selection with remarkable soft green flowers. It is a very strong bloomer with loads of flowers from July until frost.

It's unique because its large, full blooms change to shades of pink and burgundy as summer runs into fall. The result is a dramatic combination of green, pink and burgundy flowers on the same plant.

Limelight is very easy to grow, can be planted in full sun or partial shade, and is unaffected by soil pH. This 6- to 8-foot tall beauty is a great addition to existing shrub borders, the back of the perennial bed, or it can be used as a dramatic low-maintenance hedge.

The flowers are perfect for cutting, and will retain their green color if placed in a vase for drying. Limelight is a gardener's dream.

If you are lucky enough to find it, Little Lamb is an excellent new



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selection of panicle hydrangea. Noted for its semi-dwarf habit, its delicate white flower heads look like little lambs dancing across the plant.

Children especially will enjoy Little Lamb and like picking flowers for mother all summer long. It, too, is easy to grow and blooms reliably every year. Gardening doesn't get any easier than this.

White Dome hydrangea (*Hydrangea arborescens*) is another easy to grow selection. Hardy as far north as Minnesota, White Dome rewards gardeners with blooms every year.

In mid-summer White Dome is a cloud of large, lacy white flowers. Its 4- to 5-foot height makes it the perfect plant for the back of the perennial garden or a foundation planting. Like Limelight and Little Lamb, it is very easy to grow, a reliable bloomer and adaptable

any decent garden soil. It can be planted in full sun or partial shade. Strong stems make it a great choice for gardeners and flower arrangers.

Hydrangeas are wonderful plants that add excitement to the home garden from mid-summer through fall. Many varieties are also good for cutting bouquets or for drying, and so provide year-round enjoyment.

If you've been afraid to try hydrangeas because they seem too complicated, then reconsider. Just ask at your local garden center for hardy, reliable varieties such as White Dome, Limelight and Little Lamb and you'll be successful.

No matter where you garden, there's a hydrangea for you.

For more information about these hydrangea and other varieties, visit [www.colorchoiceplants.com](http://www.colorchoiceplants.com).

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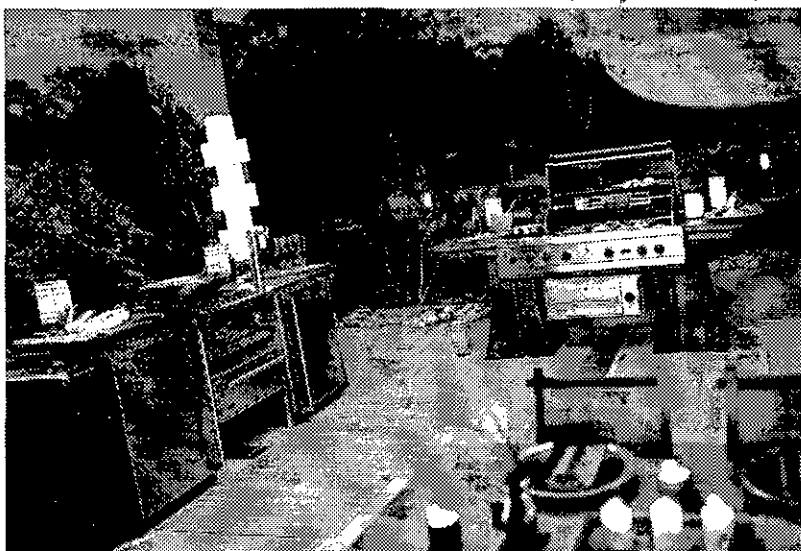
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# Perhaps the most neglected space — your garage

Every year, people spend thousands of dollars on home remodeling, and the rooms that get the most attention are the kitchen, bathrooms, family room and basement.

The last place most people think of updating is the garage. But the role of the room where you store your car (and your sports equipment, extra freezer and assorted boxes of junk) is changing. Garages are now becoming an extension of the home, complete with flooring, cabinetry for all your storage needs, and even furniture.

In fact, there are now entire companies devoted to nothing but

helping your garage clean up its act.

If you're ready to upgrade your garage, start with the floor. Bare concrete floors are functional, but not very attractive — they crack and show stains.

There are many concrete paint products on the market, but they can be messy and very time consuming to apply — and your garage will still look bare.

"Having had many years of experience in the floor coating

business, I advise people against do-it-yourself floor coating kits," says Mike Parker of American Garage Floor, a company that



A roll-on flooring can be installed in your garage simply and inexpensively and give this area of your home a make-over.

specializes in garage solutions. "Not only do they involve a lot of preparation, but after all of the work, it is very possible for the coating to start peeling and chipping within a matter of weeks."

For an attractive floor that offers performance and value, Parker recommends the G-Floor roll out garage flooring by Better Life Technology.

"This flooring is easy to install, durable and attractive," he says.

Created by father and son Brett and Don Sneed, the G-Floor, made of specially formulated polyvinyl, hides cracks and stains while protecting floors from oil, battery acid, grease, brake fluid, antifreeze, salt, mud and other dirt that finds its way into the garage.

The original G-Floor features a rib/channel design that controls debris while liquids are contained by the channels. The company

recently introduced an attractive new coin pattern as well.

"Anyone who lives in a colder climate knows what a mess winter snow, slush and salt can make both in the garage and in the house," says company president Don Sneed. "Not only does our flooring beautify your garage, it also allows you to keep dirt outside, where it belongs."

Also important in winter weather, the flooring puts a vapor barrier between the cold concrete and your vehicles — and it's slip resistant.

The flooring comes in six attractive colors, and installation is a snap: Simply unroll and cut to size using a utility knife, overlapping or butting the flooring

together for seamless protection and a custom fit; no adhesives are required.

The flooring comes in a variety of different widths, up to 10 feet wide, and a typical two-car garage will use three rolls of flooring, at a cost of \$500 to \$1,000.

To clean, simply hose off the floor.

Among the satisfied customers is Edward R. Noble, publisher of Wheels magazine.

"I have a nice garage, but the G-Floor makes it a show place," he says.

Once you've finished sprucing up your garage, consider other uses for the G-Floor. The coin pattern version of the flooring also looks great in other areas of the house, such as a workshop, laundry room, and basement storage room, even a wine cellar.

Better Life Technology is based in Kansas. The product is made in the United States, and carries a five-year limited warranty.

BLT products are now available through major catalogs such as Frontgate, Griots Garage, Northern Tool, Herrington, Sky Mall, Auto Sport, Sporty's, Improvements, Preferred Living and California Car Cover.

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Fencing is another area where composite materials are becoming more popular. Consumers find they don't have to give up rich, wood-grain beauty when it comes to a maintenance-free fence.

FiberTech Polymers, a leading composite manufacturer based in Newport Beach, Calif., has recently introduced the industry's first composite privacy fencing product.

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# Clematis offer a royal addition to your garden

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Clematis Collection will make growing clematis easier and more rewarding than ever. This new series promises dazzling new cultivars that bloom much

longer than traditional clematis.

Bloom after bloom covers the compact vine from the base to the tip from spring till fall. And these beauties have more vigor and disease resistance as well.

"The Washington Post calls these plants super-performers and that's just what they are,"

says Joe Gray of Hines Horticulture. "Raymond Evison is the finest breeder of clematis anywhere. His hope is that these Royal Horticultural Society clematis will revolutionize the use of clematis in the garden."

Understanding how clematis fits in the big garden picture will guarantee success with this showy bloomer.

According to famed British gardener Christopher Lloyd, "clematis does not relish isolation."

American gardeners would probably say they are team players. In other words, clematis is a social plant that likes to mix it up in the garden.

"The Royal Horticultural Society Clematis Collection is very special," says Gray. "They were specifically selected

because they are easier to grow, hardier and bloom longer than traditional clematis."

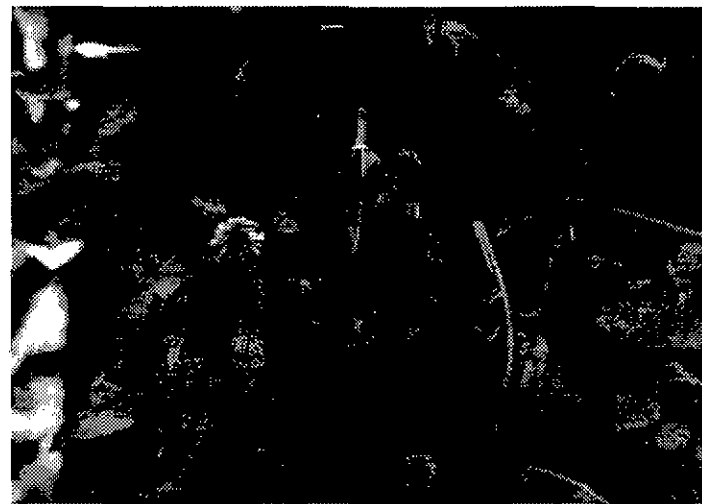
Rosemoor with deep-red dramatic blooms is a natural for climbing arches, arbors and pergolas. Its large flowers keep going from May to September making it the perfect gateway or transition for a garden room.

Once Harlow Carr, with its star shaped flowers in periwinkle purple, starts blooming in May it doesn't know when to stop. It is a workhorse in the garden, producing hundreds of flowers up and down the cane.



▲ Gardeners can extend the beauty of their garden by interplanting Wisley with roses.

◀ The foolproof deep-red Rosemoor clematis blooms from May to September on both old and new growth, making it easy to maintain and prune.



This vine makes an ideal ground cover and is a must for use with grey-foliage, flat spreading conifers or any other ground cover plants.

Rich-blue Wisley weaving through roses from June to September can extend the beauty of the garden. In addition, its greenish-white stamens coordinate well with variegated foliage.

Hyde Hal with a somewhat shorter bloom time makes up for it with an explosion of luminous flowers. Think moonlight garden. Think

fabulous cut flowers.

Keep the roots cool is the cardinal rule of clematis growing. Use mulch or groundcover, and even better, skirt her legs with compact shrubs for a layered professional look that shades her feet as well.

And if you want to prune, do it when the daffodils bloom. Just pull the vine up like a ponytail and cut it 6 to 12 inches from the ground.

With such a small footprint for such a big bloomer, this versatile vine can be tucked behind a perennial border for a flowering backdrop, or trellised behind low hedges as a screen.

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For thousands of years, people have used awnings to keep indoor and outdoor spaces cool and shielded from the damaging affects of the sun – a simple concept that dates back at least as far as ancient Egypt.

It's no surprise that today's energy-conscious homeowners are rediscovering the benefits of awnings for countless applications, including decks, porches, terraces, windows and window expanses.

Contemporary retractable awnings allow us to expand our homes beyond their interior boundaries and turn decks and patios into added living space. They combine the comfort of an indoor lifestyle with the beauty of outdoor living.

Awnings shelter homes from the sun's harmful rays and prevent fading of carpets and furniture while conserving energy. By adding an awning to

your home, solar heat gain can be greatly reduced because the amount of direct and indirect sunlight that enters a window or door is limited.

According to studies conducted by the American Society of Heating and Air Conditioning Engineers, the use of fabric awnings reduce solar heat gain

by up to 77 percent – lowering indoor temperatures by up to 20 degrees.

"The retractable awning was invented nearly a century ago in the United States but initially became popular in postwar

Europe," says Larry Bedosky, director of marketing for Durasol Awnings, America's leading brand of custom-made, professionally installed, retractable awnings. "In more recent years, the North American market for retractables has been experiencing explosive growth."

Durasol is one of only a few American awning manufacturers that also has a European presence and is serving to bridge the continental gap.

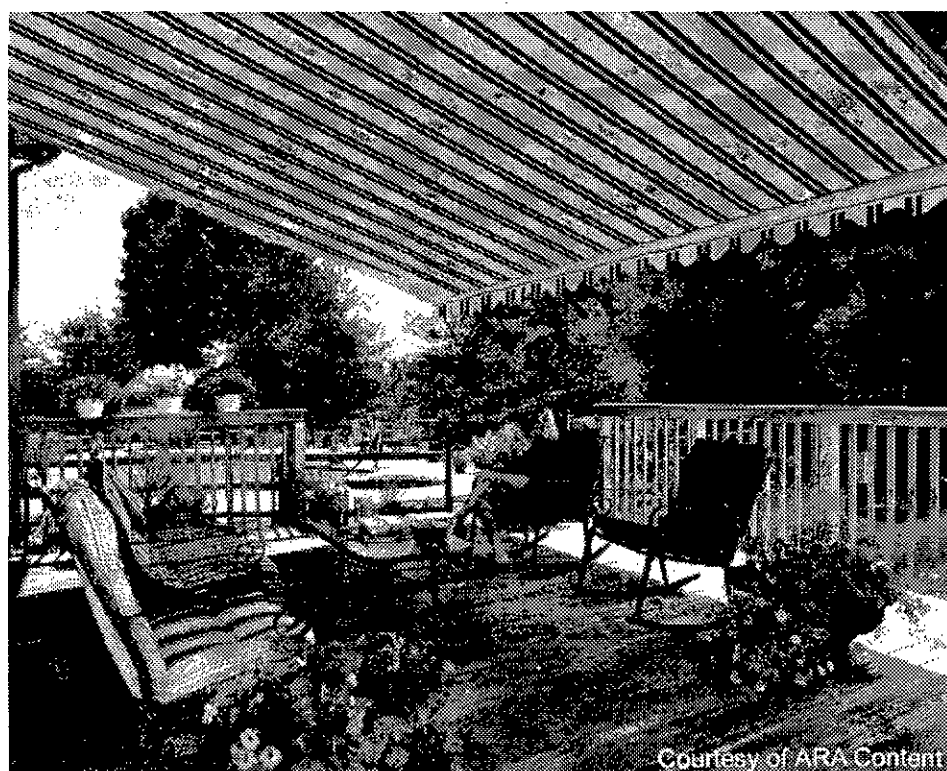
"Factors such as culture, architecture and approaches in marketing have all contributed to differentiating the American and European markets," says Bedosky. "Each has its own distinctive sense of color and style. North American consumers tend to be more traditional with their awnings, whereas their European counterparts prefer brighter and bolder styles. There are signs however that European influence is slowly making its way over."

Consumers are seeing retractable awnings as an elegant and practical way to increase living space and the value of their homes. They are avoiding the inconvenience of building costly additions to their homes and choosing, instead, to expand their living space by adding a splash of color and style through retractable awnings.

Retractable awnings are quick, easy and very convenient.

"Simply flip a switch and the awning rolls out effortlessly," says Bedosky. "Relief from the hottest summer sun is literally at the homeowner's fingertips."

Durasol offers a complete line of solar shading systems designed to meet a variety of shading needs. The Durasol SunShelter Series of lateral arm awnings are custom-made to suit any home size and style, offering a variety of projection ranges and virtually unlimited widths to meet any space requirement.



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A retractable awning can provide additional living space while providing a shield against the sun to keep your home's interior cooler during warm weather months.

SunShelter awnings can be mounted on virtually any flat surface, under a soffit or even on a roof – when limited mounting height is available. An optional Drop Valance allows a section of fabric to be manually lowered from the front bar, providing additional solar protection from early morning and late afternoon sun.

Long lasting, 100 percent acrylic fabrics, combined with non-corrosive hardware, contribute to a maintenance-free investment.

"Awnings of the past were generally made of cotton or canvas fabrics and were easily affected by time and the elements," says Bedosky. "The newer acrylic covers provide a better fit, greater stability and can last for well over 10 years."

With a wide variety of over 200 vibrant fabric colors and patterns,

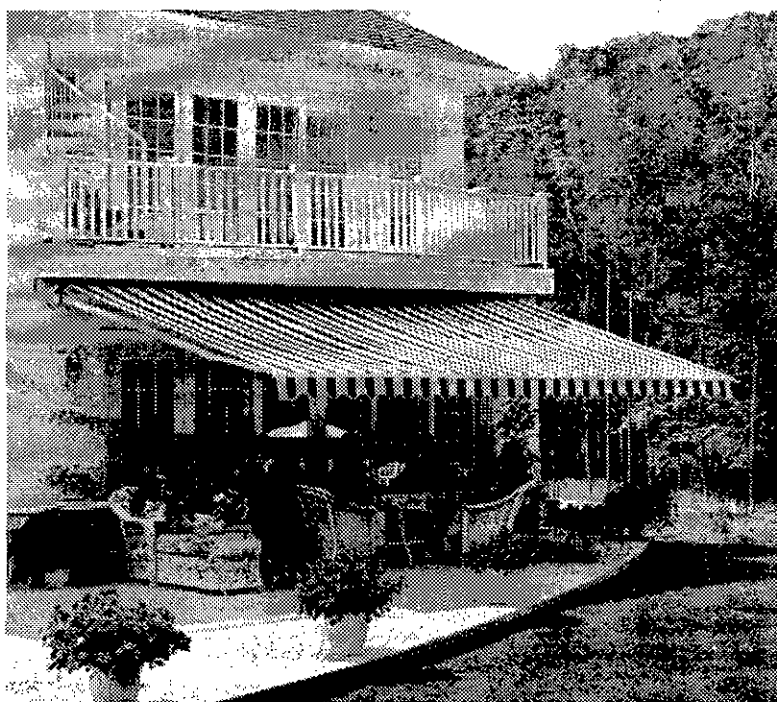
Durasol's retractable awnings will complement any decor.

An optional Wind Sensor is available that allows awnings to automatically retract when wind speeds reach a predetermined level, preventing awning damage. A Sun Sensor can also be added to allow for automatic operation determined by the sun's strength.

An interior wireless remote control is an option that provides easy-access operation. When not in use, Durasol Awnings are easily retracted, safely stored and will subtly blend in with the exterior beauty of any home.

Retractable awnings become an extension of a home's personality and charm. They add lasting value and classic beauty that will remain absolutely timeless.

To learn more about Durasol Awnings or to locate your local dealer, visit [www.durasol.com](http://www.durasol.com).



## For most effective spring cleaning use a from top to bottom strategy

In with the new, out with the old – dust that is.

For many, spring-cleaning is the true start of the new year, a chance to chase away cobwebs and to open windows wide.

The most efficient way to spring clean is to tackle one room or project at a time. Here are some room-cleaning tips to help:

- Improve your room's outlook by cleaning your windows. Don't forget to vacuum windowsills and molding.

- Start at the top of the room and work your way down. Use a vacuum attachment to clean fan blades and remove dust wisps hanging in ceiling corners. Dust all surfaces before cleaning the floor.

- It's important to start with the right tools. The right vacuum cleaner and its proper use can double or triple a carpet's life expectancy.

- It's also best to get a vacuum that has an efficient filtration system.

- After wooden floors are vacuumed, damp mop them lightly with plain water or water in which a small amount of

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- Don't forget to vacuum upholstered furniture since dirt can grind into furniture and wear it down, the same way it does on carpets

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# It's easier than ever to acquire a 'green thumb'

As spring unfolds, the itch to get out of the house and get your hands dirty will become a full-blown rash. But while you're confined to thumbing through flower and seed catalogs, those who grow the flowers, plants and shrubs are stoking a fever of their own, creating a whole slew of new green goods.

This spring, the emphasis in gardening will be on ease, convenience and results. New to the market are exotic annuals, patio ready plants, lightweight containers and, of course, dependable and disease-resistant roses.

Patio Ready Plants Create an instant "patio ready" solution with color and long lasting appeal with the Raymond Evison Patio Clematis Collection.

Each plant comes in a decorative pot ready for your patio, deck, balcony or front porch. Compact

and showy, these container clematis are covered up and down the entire vine with richly hued flowers, creating a striking tower of color from spring through fall.

Once enjoyed for the summer, they can be planted in the garden in fall and will spread like a ground cover.

## New Stars in the Garden

Looking for a great low-maintenance rose for your garden? Why not choose The Pink Knock Out

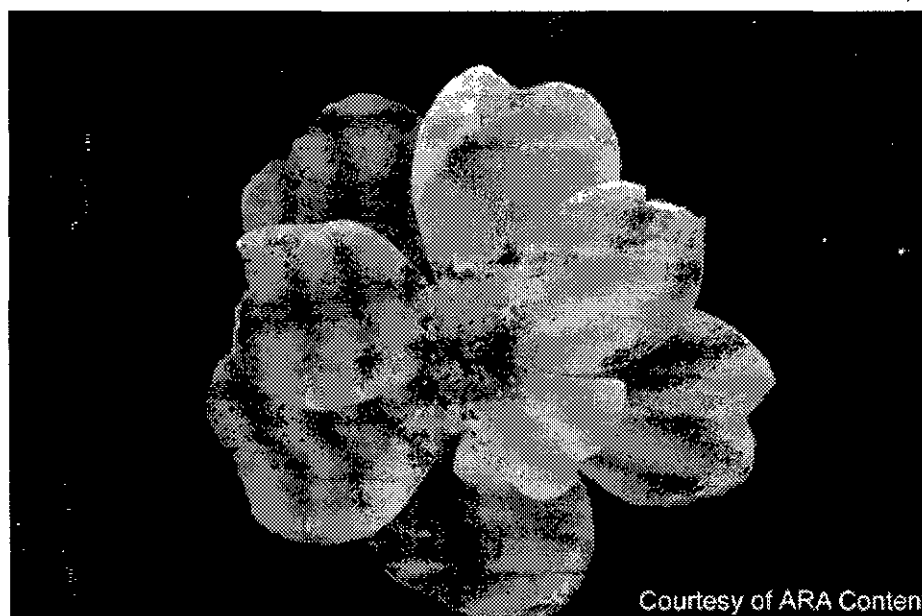
Rose, a color sport of the breakthrough The Knock Out Rose.

Pink Knock Out blooms profusely and thrives in very humid climates, where most other roses need spraying.

Other new roses include Elle, a hybrid tea AARS winner that produces long-stemmed shell pink roses with deep yellow undertones or White Drift, the first compact rose ideal for hanging baskets. With pure white blooms and a strong spicy fragrance, this rose is sure to turn your neighbor's heads.

## Specialty Annuals

New annuals from Simply Beautiful can



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The pinkish-red petals and contrasting yellow sepals of the Picardy Clematis from the Raymond Evison Patio Clematis Collection look great when incorporated with well-trained shrubs.



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With its gigantic multi-colored leaves, Kong Coleus from Simply Beautiful will sure to be a showstopper in your garden this year.

easily be integrated into your garden to complement perennials and shrubs. Try Simply Beautiful Kong coleus this year with its gigantic multi-colored leaves for the shade or Simply Beautiful Fusion Infrared exotic impatiens for containers.

And don't forget your Wave Petunias. Easy Wave Red, the first true red in the Ride The Wave petunia family, is phenomenal in garden beds where they can spread up to a whopping 3 feet. Try any of the Wave petunias for instant impact without any fuss.

Vincas return in a big way

this season with Simply Beautiful's Titan series, sporting gigantic flowers in seven colors including Polka Dot, Punch and Lavender Blue Halo.

## Contain Yourself

So you don't have the time or space for a full-size garden? You can still get the flavor and feel of getting your hands dirty, and create elegant accents inside and outside your home with one or more of the latest designer containers from Campania International.

"This new line of container and styles

reflects our desire to match specific styles with different parts of the home both inside and out," says Peter C. Cilio, vice president of product development. "The different types of materials easily fit together to form an overall, different look."

New products on the market include COTTO-Lite and LEAD-Lite Containers, which are lightweight alternatives to lead or terra cotta containers.

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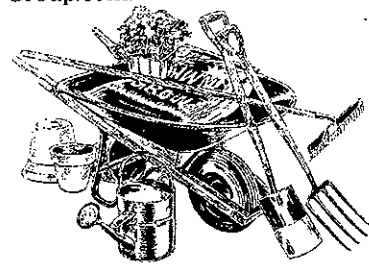
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Despite their 75 percent power savings over regular incandescent bulbs, and rising consumer demand, there are still many myths about CFLs that steer some consumers away from buying the high-quality bulbs. For instance, older versions of CFLs fit into all normal-size light sockets, but they either didn't always fit a particular lampshade or didn't work for certain fixtures like dimmable ballasts. Older versions of CFLs also took a few seconds to warm up and sometimes flickered. That's no longer the case today, as ENERGY STAR-qualified fixtures and bulbs give off the same amount of light as incandescent or halogen lighting, while providing a true and natural color without the flicker, hum, or buzz.

There are many versions of CFLs for recessed lighting, dimmable ballasts, outdoor fixtures and more. ENERGY STAR-qualified fixtures and CFL bulbs can come equipped with 3-way lighting. Some CFLs now look almost like traditional incandescent bulbs in both shape and size. Bottom line, ENERGY STAR-qualified CFL bulbs can replace regular, incandescent bulbs in almost any fixture, making them appropriate and cost-effective for fixtures throughout your home.

Also, for ENERGY STAR fixtures, there are pin-based CFLs (unlike standard screw-based CFLs) that are made specifically for the energy-efficient fixtures. ENERGY STAR fixtures fitted with pin-based CFLs allow for maximum lighting efficiency and quality.

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Tired of changing the ceiling lights year after year? The compact fluorescent light bulbs used in ENERGY STAR-qualified fixtures last seven-to-10 years, making CFLs more labor efficient and ideal for replacing bulbs in those hard-to-reach areas. All ENERGY STAR-qualified

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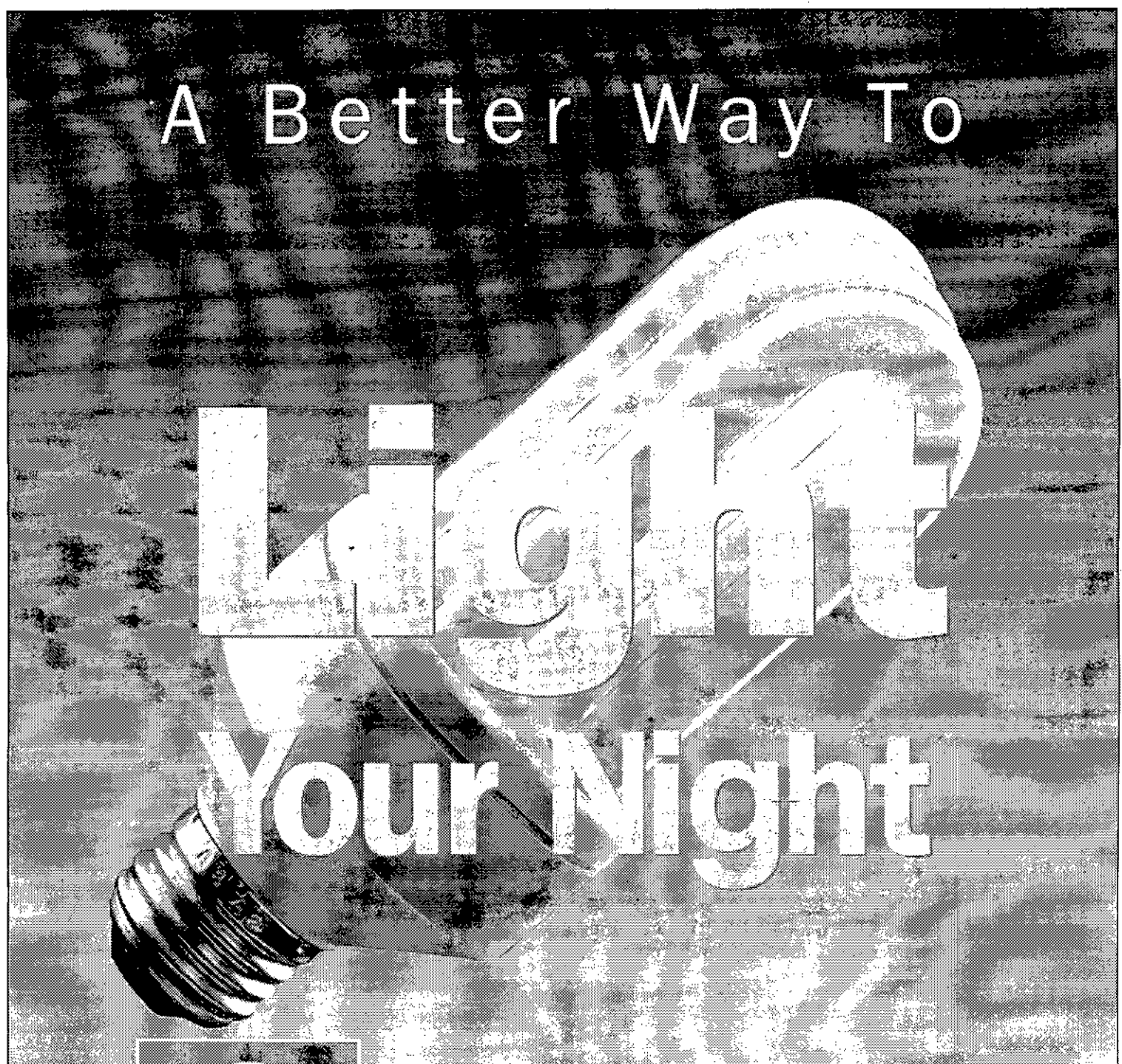
Lower your electric demand and save money with CFLs! By replacing five of your most used bulbs with CFLs, you will save nearly \$60 a year in energy costs. When compared to traditional incandescent light bulbs, CFL bulbs are more expensive to purchase, but are much less expensive to operate. They will save you about \$25 to 30 per bulb in energy savings over their lifetime, more than offsetting their initial cost.

To find out general information about ENERGY STAR lighting or other New York Energy Smart<sup>SM</sup> programs, visit [www.GetEnergySmart.org](http://www.GetEnergySmart.org).

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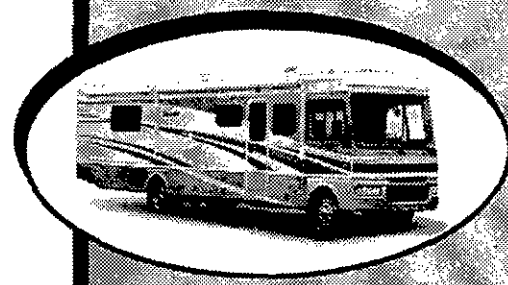
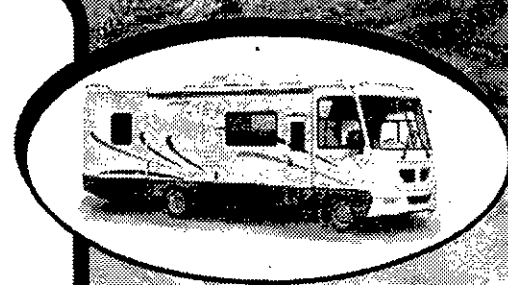
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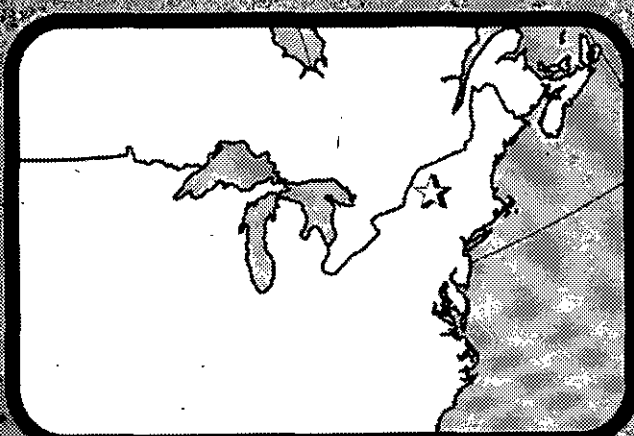
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## Lefko, McKinney to wed



Sarah Lefko and Mark McKinney

Sarah Lefko, daughter of Alan and Linda Lefko of Penn Yan, and Mark McKinney, son of Charles and Barbara-Ann McKinney of Naples, Fla., and formerly of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. She received a master's degree from New York University. She is a senior business development manager in MSN for Microsoft Corporation in Latham and Seattle.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Albright college. He received a master's degree from Union

College.

He is the director of product development for NMHC Integrail in Latham.

The couple plans an Oct. 15 wedding.

Lauren Gitto, daughter of Thomas and Adrienne Gitto of Staten Island, and David LaValle, son of Vincent and Sandra LaValle of Delmar, were married in September.

The Rev. Otto Hentz performed the ceremony at the Church of St. Ignatius Layola in Manhattan.

A reception followed at The Lighthouse at Chelsea Piers in Manhattan.

The matron of honor was Kathryn Kokolus. Bridesmaids were Julie Mosiello, Leah Cassellia, Abigail VanEchaute and Sarah Spindler.

The best man was James Cavanaugh.

Groomsmen were Peter Molica, Vikas Patel, Joseph Viola, Damian Sullivan and Darren Fiore.

The bride is a graduate of Northwestern University. She is an account supervisor with McCann-Erickson in Manhattan.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Georgetown University.

He is an equities specialist with the Kellogg Group at the American Stock Exchange in Manhattan.

After a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple lives in Manhattan.

## Gitto, LaValle marry



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# Obituaries

## James Cunningham

James A. Cunningham, 82, of Slingerlands died Saturday, March 26, in the Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Mr. Cunningham was born in Glens Falls. He attended Vincenzian Institute and Christian Brothers Academy. He graduated from Siena College and the

University of Buffalo Dental School.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II having served in the European Theater.

He operated his own practice in Albany for the past 52 years.

He was a lifetime member and past president of Wolferts Roost Country Club. He also was a member of the United States Golf Association and New York State Golf Association.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Gerace Cunningham; three sons, Mark Cunningham of Cortland, Bill Cunningham of Newtonville and Dan Cunningham of Loudonville; a daughter, Cathy Hans of Loudonville; a brother, Thomas Cunningham of Albany; and six grandchildren.

Services were from McVeigh Funeral Home in Albany and The Historic Church of St. Mary on Capitol Hill in Albany.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

## Barbara Fink

Barbara A. Fink, 56, of Ravena died Monday, March 28.

Survivors include her husband, Frederick Fink; her mother, Eleanor Burnham of North Carolina; six daughters, Wendy Slusher of Georgia, Sherrie Stainrod, Jena Fink and Patricia Stroud, all of Ravena, Elizabeth Fink of Albany, Linda Faulkner of Washington; a son, John Fink of Selkirk; six sisters, Harriet Campbell, Marion Ohler, Ethel Peters, Patricia Nestoriak, Connie Burnham and Debra Gensler; six brothers, Crawford Burnham, Robert Burnham, Paul Burnham, Gregory Burnham, John Burnham and Francis Furnham; 10 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Services were from Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

## Virginia Hasselwander

Virginia Ruth Hasselwander, 76, of Slingerlands died Tuesday, March 29.

Mrs. Hasselwander was a homemaker.

She was the widow of John J. Hasselwander.

Survivors include two sons, John Hasselwander of Syracuse and James Hasselwander of Albany; three daughters,

Margaret A. Hasselwander Siegel of Albany and Janet H. Barker and Eileen Fielman, both of Delmar; a sister, Emily Bates of Rochester; and 10 grandchildren.

Services were private at the convenience of the family.

Contributions may be made to Catholic Charities (Disability Services), 15 Avis Drive, Latham 12100 or to the American Heart Association, 440 New Karner Road, Colonie 12205.

## Sarah Smith

Sarah E. Smith, 90, formerly of Delmar, died Wednesday, March 30, at Guiderland Center Nursing Home.

Mrs. Smith was born in Albany. She was a longtime Delmar resident.

She helped her husband operate Sporthaven Bowling Alley in Delmar for many years.

She was the widow of Joseph Smith Sr.

Survivors include five sons, Joseph Smith Jr. of Florida, John Smith of Myrtle Beach, S.C., Edward Smith of Cobleskill, Robert Smith of Latham and James Smith of Feura Bush; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

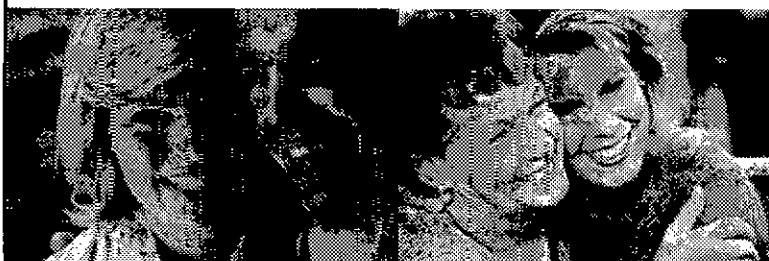
Services were from Applebee Funeral Home and Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, both in Delmar.

Burial was in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

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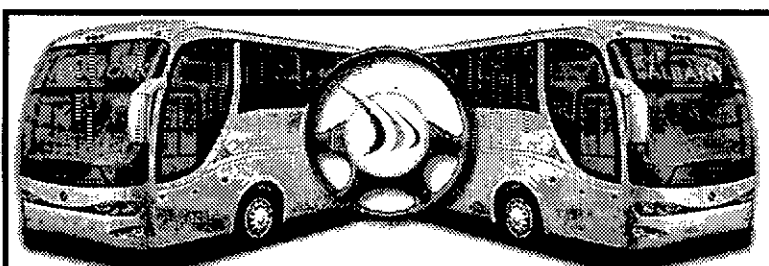
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# Obituaries

## Roger Russell Jr.

Roger L. Russell Jr., 86, of Singersland died Monday, March 23.

Mr. Russell was born in Bellwood, Ill., and lived for many years in Bloomington, Ind. He graduated from the United States Military Academy with a bachelor's degree in engineering. He also earned degrees from Indiana University in mathematics and a master's degree in engineering from the University of Illinois. He attended the Army Command and Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

During his military career he served in the Panama Canal Zone, was Military Attache at the American Embassy in Buenos Aires, and served Korea, Washington, D.C., California, Texas and many other posts. He

retired from the Army with the rank of major in 1963 and worked for state Tax Department as supervisor of systems and programming. He later worked for Albany Medical Center in computer systems and designs, retiring in 1983.

Mr. Russell was a long time supporter of the Boy Scouts of America and served as a Scoutmaster.

After retirement, he was a volunteer tax aid for seniors as conducted by the AARP for Internal Revenue Service. He was a member of the USMA Association of Graduates, the Army Athletic Association, Indiana University Alumni Association, the Military Officers Association of America, Bethlehem Historical Association, Gunderland AARP, Albany Medical Center Hospital

Auxiliary, Sunshine Seniors of First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Seniors, Second Milers, Retired Businessmen's Club of Delmar and New York Statewide Action Council.

He also was a supporting member of Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Five Rivers Environmental Center and the State Museum.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Meyer Russell; two daughters, Sally Russell Malik of Homewood, Ill., and Linda Russell Maguire of Schenectady; a son, Ronald Edward Russell of Colorado Springs, Colo.; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were from Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery in Selkirk.

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

## Thomas Shen

Thomas T. Shen, 79, of Delmar died Saturday, March 26.

Survivors include his wife, Cynthia Shen; two daughters, Grace Sher Law and Joyce Shen Shavers; and a grandchild.

Mr. Shen was born in Chia Hsin, China. He arrived in the United States in 1959. He was educated at St. John's University in Shanghai, China,

Northwestern University and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

He served as a senior engineer with the Washington State Health Department and the state Departments of Health and Environmental Conservation. He taught at Columbia University and was a member of the USEPA Science Advisory Board. He also served as a consultant to the United Nations' Development Program, the World Health Organization and was one of the technical reviewers for President Bush's 1991 and 1992 Annual Environment and Conservation Challenge Awards.

In 1993, he received the Air and Waste Management Association's Frank Chamber Award and Taiwan's National Industrial Waste Minimization Excellent Performance Award.

He remained an active lecturer and published writer of many papers and books until his death.

He was co-founder of the Chinese Community Center, and a member of the Rotary Club, Torch Club, 2nd Miler Club, Emeritus Board Member, Bethlehem Public Library and a member of the Phi Tau Phi Scholastic Honor Society, American Civil Engineering, Overseas Chinese Engineers and Scientists Association, St. John's Alumni Association and Chinese Institute of Engineers.

He was active in the tri-state Chinese community and sponsored and supported several overseas scholars.

Services were from Clark Associates Funeral Home in Katonah.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 16, at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 275 State St., Albany at 7 p.m.

Contributions may be made to Emmanuel Baptist Church, 275 State St., Albany 12210 or the Chinese Community Center, P.O. Box 13951, Albany 12212.

## Sarah Cohen

Sarah Sosnoffsky Cohen, 87, of Fountain View of Gunderland died Sunday, March 27, at the Daughter's of Sarah Nursing Home.

Mrs. Cohen was born in Springfield, Mass. and resided in Roslyn most of her life. She had been a Capital District area resident since 1994.

She was the widow of David Cohen.

Survivors include a daughter, Susan Bieber of Niskayuna; a brother, Fred Sosnoff of Worcester, Mass.; and two grandchildren.

Services were from Congregation Agudat Achim in Schenectady.

Burial was in New Montefiore Cemetery in Farmingdale.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 440 New Karner Road, Colonie 12205 or Reading is Fundamental, 1825 Connecticut Ave., NW Suite 400, Washington, DC 20009.

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## Alphonse Diana Jr.

Alphonse W. Diana Jr. of Guilderland died Sunday, March 27.

Mr. Diana was born in Lake Placid and grew up in Keene Valley. He attended Syracuse University, majoring in political science.

He was an Army veteran.

Mr. Diana was a graduate of Royal Barber School. He later became an instructor there. He owned and operated the Fairway Omni Style barbershop on Wolf Road for 25 years.

He also owned the A&B

Catering business and for years ran a food booth at the Altamont Fair.

He was court clerk for the town of Guilderland for 18 years. He was also the Zone Enforcement Officer and Marriage Officer. He officiated at many weddings including his own daughter's, Katherine Caywood. He was a volunteer mediator for the courts, a member of the Guilderland Republican Committee and was vice chairman for 25 years. He ran for Albany County Legislature.

He also worked part-time for the state Department of Taxation and Finance.

He was a member of the Guilderland Elks, chairman of the Political Action Committee of the Colonie Chamber of Commerce, and was president of the Albany-Colonie Kiwanis Club and the Willowbrook Homeowners Association.

Survivors include his wife, Diane Tusang Diana; a daughter, Katherine Caywood of Guilderland; two sons, John Diana of Rotterdam and Paul Diana of Guilderland; a sister, Marlene Rossow of Valley Cottage; a brother, John Diana of Sarasota, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

Services were from DeMarco-Stone Funeral Home and St. Madeleine Sophie Church, both in Guilderland.

Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Schenectady.

Contributions may be made to St. Madeleine Sophie Church Building Fund, 3500 Carman Road, Schenectady 12303 or to the Guilderland Elks, 3867 Carman Road, Schenectady 12303.

## Jonathan Burke

Jonathan T. Burke, 22, of Guilderland died Wednesday, March 30.

Mr. Burke was born in Albany. He graduated from Guilderland High School.

He was a Teamster with Local 294. He worked for the past two years at UPS in Latham.

Survivors include his parents, Colleen A. Moore Burke and Timothy J. Burke; and grandmother, Anna Praga.

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

Contributions may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northeastern New York, 950 New Loudon Road, Suite 280, Latham 12110.

## Thelma Whydra

Thelma D. Whydra, formerly of Clearwater, Fla., Hadley and Guilderland, died Tuesday, March 29, in Lake Katrine.

Mrs. Whydra was born in Guilderland.

She retired from J.A. Reagan Co. as an office manager.

Mrs. Whydra attended Salvation Army Church in Clearwater, Fla., and was a member of the Ladies Home League at Salvation Army Church.

She was the widow of William C. Turner and Joseph Whydra.

Survivors include two daughters, Denise Gjone of Lake Katrine and Donna D. Lepki of Waterford; two stepsons, Dale Vincent of Colonie and Thomas Whydra of Albany; a brother, Alberto D. Smith of Marston Mills, Mass.; 11 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Services were from McVeigh Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to

Salvation Army Church, 1625 N. Belcher Road, Clearwater, Fla. 33765.

## Anthony Rocchio

Anthony Rocchio, 81, died Wednesday, March 30, at Guilderland Center Nursing Home.

Mr. Rocchio was born in Ohio.

Survivors include a sister Minnie Gallucci of Rotterdam.

Services were from Bond Funeral Home in Schenectady.

## AAA Hudson Valley sets driving course

AAA Hudson Valley is offering a five-hour pre-licensing course on Sunday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at its offices at 618 Delaware Ave. in Albany.

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# Preteens dance the day away for senior citizens

By MARY LANNON

When it comes to dancing, the nursing home crowd favors a go-go beat.

At least in the experience of two 12-year-old girls who spend some of their weekends dancing for the elderly at two area nursing homes.

Gabrielle Carmello of Guilderland and Danielle Smith-Boncaro of Watervliet said they got the greatest response after dancing a jazz number costumed in go-go boots, flashy pink tunics and 1960s-style wigs to the tune of "You Can't Stop the Beat" from *Hair*.

Since January the two preteens have been spending some of their Saturday afternoons at The Villa Mary Immaculate in Albany and the Van Rensselaer Manor in Troy strutting their stuff.

"It's fun. It's practice for competition," Smith-Boncaro said.

The residents of the nursing homes seem to enjoy the show, the girls said.

"They always say 'thank you for coming in,'" Carmello said.

"Or they say 'good job girls,'" Smith-Boncaro added.

Other shows have included a jazz number to "We are Family," for which the girls wear hot pink jackets and bell bottoms in red

orange; a tap dance to "The Race" with the girls clad — as one might expect — as race car drivers and another tap number, in which the two dress up as boys with caps and suspenders to dance to "Carrying the Banner."

The two dancers say their moms hatched the idea for the nursing home gigs.

Gabrielle's mom heard from Danielle's mom that Gabrielle had been dancing for her grandmother at the nursing home in Troy for the past four years, and she thought it would be a great idea to put on shows in a semi-regular manner.

That was around January and the girls have done several shows since then, fitting them in among hectic schedules.

Both dance about 14 hours a week with Smith-Boncaro studying tap, jazz, ballet and lyrical, and Carmello studying tap, jazz and ballet. In addition, the two compete as part of a team and solo on weekends once a month. They study at Dance Dimensions in Albany.

Carmello likes tap because she feels her strongest skills lie there, and Smith-Boncaro favors lyrical because there's a lot of jumping, and she likes to jump.

The costumes and the travel are also perks in the dancing life, the girls said.



Danielle Smith-Boncaro, 12 and Gabrielle Carmello, 12 in costumes from their "We Are Family" jazz dance number.

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## Music and nostalgia at The Troy Savings Music Hall

Following the Korean War in the late 1950s there was a general good feeling in the country, particularly among college students. This allowed the emergence of two folk era bands, "The Brothers Four," and "The Kingston Trio," who continue to entertain and impress audiences of all ages today. On April 7, at 7 p.m., the two groups of musical legends perform at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall.

In 1957, just out of college, Bob Shane, Nick Reynolds and Dave Guard created a national audience for their new style of music, causing a ripple effect on the entire music industry, with their newly formed band, The Kingston Trio. With songs like "Worried Man," "Tom Dooley," and "Scotch and Soda," it's no wonder that the in December of 1957 Billboard magazine listed four Trio albums among the top 10, a feat unsurpassed to this day.

Today's The Kingston Trio includes Bill Aorn, George Grove and Bobby Haworth. They are continuing the Kingston Trio legacy with fantastic reviews, command performance and numerous standing ovations whenever they perform. As a fan put it, "our generation might not live forever, but I'll be The Kingston Trio will!"

The Kingston Trio is one of the few groups today that has survived the many changes in the world of music. They have

remained consistent in their sound, which probably explains their resurgence in popularity over the last years,

Acclaimed as "America's Musical Ambassadors to the World," The Brother Four: Bob Flick (acoustic bass), John Pain (guitar), Mike Kirkland (guitar & banjo) and Dick Foley (guitar), met at the University of Washington in 1956, where they were all in the same fraternity, Phi Gamma Delta. After going to San Francisco and "getting

discovered," the Brothers Four sang with Columbia Records and created the single, "Greenfields." Shortly after, they recorded "The Green leaves of Summer," of the Joan Wayne hit movies, "The Alamo."

Over the past four decades, The Brothers Four, now consisting of Mike McCoy and John Hylton along with Bob Flick and Mark Pearson, notice a definite resurgence of popular folk music in the states during the past seven or eight years. Flick said, "I think people are really genuinely rediscovering and connecting to this America music. And we're very happy to accommodate them."

Folk songs from America, Ireland, Scotland and even Japan round out a repertoire of tunes old and new. The Brothers Four were pioneers in the musical movement, which came to be known as the "folk revival," and

they remain on the most popular. There all-acoustic presentation consists of guitars, banjo, mandolin, upright bass, and of course the trademark rich blend of their four voices.

Reserved seats for the Kingston Trio and The Brothers Four are \$32 and \$20 and may be

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## Recital at Nisky Library



Pianist Angelina Gadeliya will perform a free recital on Saturday, April 9 at 2 p.m. at the Niskayuna Branch Library. The concert, sponsored by the Young Musicians Forum, will feature music by Haydn, Chopin, Beethoven, and Schumann. A native of the Republic of Georgia, Angelina Gadeliya started her piano studies at the age of 5 in Ukraine. In 1990, she came to the United States with her family. Her performances have taken her throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Gadeliya has been a top prize winner in numerous competitions. She received a full scholarship from the Juilliard School, where she completed a master's degree in music.

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Performing works by Haydn, Chopin, Beethoven and Schumann, April 9, 2 p.m. at the Niskayuna branch of the Schenectady County Library, 2400 Nott St. East, free. Information, 377-1764 or 374-2018. Part of the library's Young Musicians Forum.

KENNY RANKIN

Singer-songwriter, April 9, 8 p.m., WAMC Performing Arts Center, 339 Central Ave., Albany, \$25. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

RALPH STANLEY

Bluegrass legend, with Ramblin' Jack

Elliott, April 10, 7 p.m. at The Egg, \$24. Information, 473-1845.

AUDRA MCDONALD

Classically-trained soprano and four-time Tony Award winner, April 16, 8 p.m., Proctor's Theatre Schenectady, \$19.50 to \$39.50. Information, 346-6204.

TIM O'BRIEN & CHRIS SMITHER

Acoustic roots musicians, April 17, 7 p.m. at The Egg, \$22. Information, 473-1845.

ENTER THE HAGGIS

Celtic music band, April 22, 8 p.m., WAMC Performing Arts Center, 339 Central Ave., Albany, \$18. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

ROGER MCGUINN

Founding member of folk-rock band The Byrds, April 23, 8 p.m. at The Egg, \$24. Information, 473-1845.

THE COUNT BASIE ORCHESTRA WITH DIANE SCHUUR

Legendary jazz band with Grammy Award-winning jazz singer, April 28, 8 p.m. at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, \$45 and \$48. Information, 273-0038.

NATALIE MACMASTER

Celtic fiddler, April 30, 8 p.m. at The Egg, \$24. Information, 473-1845.

Comedy

RICHARD LEWIS & JEFF GARLIN

Stars from HBO series "Curb Your Enthusiasm," April 9, 8 p.m., Proctor's Theatre Schenectady, \$29.50 to \$39.50. Information, 346-6204.

CARROT TOP

Prop-based comedian, April 15, 8 p.m., Proctor's Theatre Schenectady, \$19.50 to \$32.50. Information, 346-6204.

COLIN QUINN

Former Saturday Night Live star, May 6, 8 p.m. at The Egg, \$27 to \$29. Information, 473-1845.

Dance

ALONZO KING'S LINES BALLET

Acclaimed contemporary dance company, featuring performances of "Before the Blues," which includes a

collage of early 20th century gospel and country blues recordings and new compositions by jazz artist Pharaoh Sanders, and "Who Dressed You like a Foreigner," April 8, 8 p.m. at The Egg, \$24 adult, \$20 senior and \$12 child. Information, 473-1845.

GARTH FAGAN DANCE

Featuring performances of "Dancecollage forromie" — with music by Shostakovich, Villa-Lobos and "Jelly Roll" Morton — and "Translation Transition," featuring music by the Jazz Jamaica All Stars, April 22, 8 p.m. at The Egg, \$24 adult, \$20 senior and \$12 child. Information, 473-1845.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Elder Grace: The Nobility of Aging," an exhibit of photos by New York Times photographer Chester Higgins, Jr., through April 17; "Extra-Ordinary: The Everyday Object in American Art," through July 10. Plus permanent collections on the 9/11 recovery effort,

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

THE CLARK

"A Walk in the Country: Inness and the Berkshires" through April 17, plus other ongoing exhibitions. Information, 413-458-0524.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

"The Mary Wilson Supreme Legacy Collection" and "The Supremes: A Community Album," through May 22. Plus exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Giants of Industry: Edison's Powerful Legacy, through April 18. The Sky Above Mister Rogers Neighborhood, a program that introduces children to the wonders of the sky, hosted by characters from Mister Rogers Neighborhood, Suits-Bueche Planetarium, through June 26. Plus Spirit of Schenectady, collection highlights and planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Precious Little," a multi-artist exhibition, through Sept. 4, plus site-specific installations by Anthony Garner, Baris Karayazgan, Paul Katz, Nancy Klepsch and Victoria Palermo. Information, 242-2243.

THE HYDE COLLECTION

Presents "Carrie Mae Weems: The Louisiana Project," the artist's examination of the history of New Orleans through still photography, narratives and video projection, through April 10, Charles R. Wood Gallery, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls, hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Information, 792-1761.

Call for Artists

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

COLONIE TOWN BAND

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

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

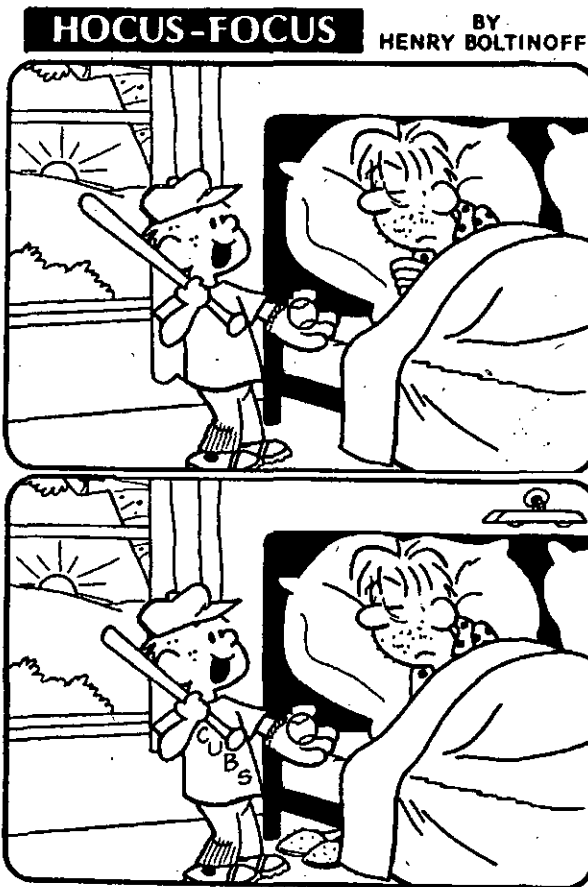
Openings for brass players, rehearsals on first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

Openings in mixed chorus, rehearsals Sundays at 7 p.m. at Lynnwood Reformed Church, Route 146, Guilderland. 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.



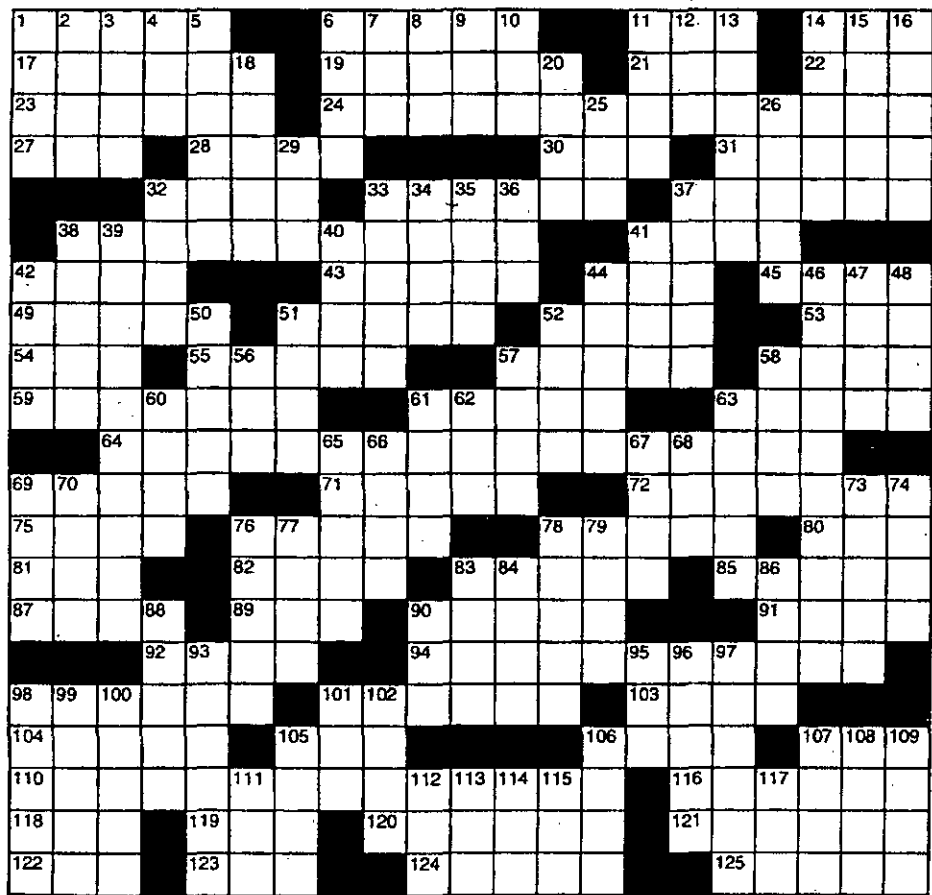
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1 "Dracula" prop  
6 — mignon  
11 Roast beef au —  
14 Enjoy the Alps  
17 Tropical treat  
19 Classical hunk?  
21 A Turner  
22 Another Turner  
23 Toed the line  
24 Start of a remark by 38 Across  
27 Prom wear  
28 Idle  
30 Fury  
31 "Garfield" cartoonist  
32 Shalit or Siskel  
33 Ned of "Deliverance"  
37 Stir up  
38 Speaker of remark  
41 Carrey title start  
42 Windmill part  
43 Violinist Mischa Scaggs  
44 Singer Cabbage  
45 Cabbage concoction  
49 Aquatic animal

51 Bodybuilder

Charles "Show" (94 film)  
53 Private pension  
54 Robert of "Quincy, M.E."  
55 Restive  
57 Trumpeter Berigan  
58 Explorer Hedin  
59 '68 Tom Jones hit  
61 Shatter  
63 — suit  
64 Part 2 of remark  
69 Raid  
71 Sinuous  
72 Jihad  
75 Verve  
76 Posada of baseball  
78 Thin porridge  
80 Thurman of "The Avengers"  
81 Deighton or Dawson  
82 Blows away  
83 Isaac's mom  
85 Remove varnish  
87 Lug  
89 Morning moisture  
90 Comic Sherman

91 "It a Pity?" (70 song)

92 Got older  
94 Part 3 of remark  
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101 Titania's hubby  
103 "Java" man?  
104 Tom of "Adam's Rib"  
105 Woody herb  
106 With 107 Down, "Chocolat" actress  
107 Kimono closer  
110 End of remark  
116 Like some recordings  
118 Out — limb  
119 Gumshoe  
120 Update a story  
121 Ida of "The Sea Wolf"  
122 Fashion monogram  
123 Symbol of sturdiness  
124 "Jane Eyre" character  
125 Murcia mister

4 Kyser or Starr

5 Ornamental opening  
6 Comic Joey  
7 Wedding words  
8 "Hulk" Ferrigno  
9 SASE, e.g.  
10 Mowry of "Sister, Sister"  
11 Be in accord  
12 Luau instrument  
13 Rarely  
14 Martin or McQueen  
15 Actor Sorbo  
16 What i.e. stands for  
18 Hersey setting  
20 Tizzy  
25 Strive  
26 Whittier's feet  
29 Buddhist movement  
32 Merriment  
33 Beer storage?  
34 Humorist Bombeck  
35 Cry of concern  
36 Dress size  
37 Like a peach  
38 Photo finish  
39 Narrow-minded

40 One of the Marches

41 Rub out  
42 Nullify  
44 Swindle  
46 Sausage type  
47 Precinct  
48 Lack  
50 Bendix role  
51 "— Breaky Heart" (92 hit)  
52 Wharf  
56 Prepare to feather?  
57 Seeks change?  
58 Fluctuate  
60 Tenor Kozlovsky  
61 Peevishness  
62 Genetic info  
63 Vends  
65 Flung  
66 Warm embraces  
67 "No dice!"  
68 Farm tool  
69 Crafter's cloth  
70 Toast topper  
73 — acid  
74 All ears  
76 Too experienced  
77 Had bills  
78 Bit of a beach  
79 Be bombastic

83 Disparage

84 Palo —, CA  
86 Cast  
88 Scout rank  
90 Presidential nickname  
93 Trattoria treat  
95 Heifer or hen  
96 Last  
97 Telescope sighting  
98 Croce's Mr. Brown  
99 "Hee Haw" host Buck  
100 Mount Everest's locale  
101 Absent  
102 Grumpy guy  
105 Singer  
106 Springfield  
106 Alzado of football  
107 See 106  
108 Pro — (free)  
109 Perpetual lab assistant  
111 Soho snack  
112 PBS benefactor  
113 Accounting abbr.  
114 Tiny  
115 "— of You" (84 hit)  
117 "Tarzan" extra



# The Spotlight CALENDAR

*Wed. Apr. 6*

## BETHLEHEM

### DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m., Information, 767-2930.

### MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

Christian fellowship group for mothers of preschool children, at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., Information, call Jennifer at 439-9929 or e-mail, [info@drchurch.org](mailto:info@drchurch.org).

### 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.

### CHENREZIG PRACTICE AND MEDITATION

Meditation on the Bodhisattva of Compassion, at the KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 7 p.m., Information, 374-1792.

### BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

Normanside Country Club, Delmar, 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

*Thurs. Apr. 7*

## BETHLEHEM

### BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

### 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.

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, 7 p.m., Route 9W, Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

### 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. Apr. 8*

## 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.

## NEW SCOTLAND

### PIONEER CLUBS

For children grades 1 through junior high; Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 3:45-5 p.m. Information, 765-3390. YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

*Sat. Apr. 9*

## BETHLEHEM

### AA MEETING

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

*Sun. Apr. 10*

## BETHLEHEM

WORSHIP INFORMATION  
Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 439-3135.  
Bethlehem Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road, 439-0358.  
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 439-4328.  
Delmar Full Gospel Church, 292 Elsmere Ave., 439-4407.  
Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 439-9252.  
Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 439-9929.  
Family of God Nazarene Church, Krumkill Road at Blessing Road, North Bethlehem, 453-9953.  
First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 439-2512.  
First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Selkirk, 767-2243.  
First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., 439-9976.  
Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 436-7710.  
Gospel Fellowship, 10 Rockefeller Road, Delmar, 482-2132.  
King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.  
KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 10 a.m. meditation, 11 a.m. tea, 11:30 a.m. study course, 374-1792.  
Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510.  
Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766.  
Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314.  
South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953.  
St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.  
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue, Delmar, 439-3265.  
St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar, 439-4951.  
Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship, 436 Krumkill Road, North Bethlehem, 438-7740.  
WEDDING GOWN EXHIBIT (JUNE THRU AUGUST)  
Bethlehem Historical Association, 1003 River Road, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

## NEW SCOTLAND

### WORSHIP INFORMATION

All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., Guilford, 475-9086, ESL and Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Services, 10 a.m.  
Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.  
Family Worship Center, 92 Lower Copeland Hill Road, Feura Bush, 768-2021.  
Faith Temple, New Salem, 765-2870.  
First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 765-2895.

Jerusalem Reformed Church, Route 32, Feura Bush, 439-0548.  
Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, Voorheesville, 765-3390.  
Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush, 768-2133.  
New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 439-6454.  
St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 765-2805.  
Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.  
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 765-4410.

*Mon. Apr. 11*

## BETHLEHEM

### FOOD STAMP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Bethlehem Senior Services sponsors free program where representative of Legal Aid Society will help with food stamp applications. Appointment required, 10 a.m. to noon, Bethlehem Senior Services office, 445 Delaware Ave., 439-4955 ext. 173 or 174.

### PEACE VIGIL

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

### DELMAR KIWANIS

Tool's Family Restaurant, Delaware Avenue, 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.

### 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.

### 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. Apr. 12*

## BETHLEHEM

### FARMERS MARKET

Market and Chicken Barbeque, 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. rain or shine, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave.

### TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2-5:30 p.m. Also Thurs. 2-5:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

### PRAYER MEETING

At Gospel Fellowship, 7 p.m., 10 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, beneath Normans Kill bridge, Information 482-2132.

### ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSION

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

### A.W. BECKER PTA

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

## BINGO

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

Slingerlands Fire Commission firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734. NEW SCOTLAND

### 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.

*Wed. Apr. 13*

## BETHLEHEM

### DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m. Information, 767-2930.

### MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

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### SECOND MILERS

Normanside Country Club, noon, Information, 439-2752.

### SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

### CHENREZIG PRACTICE AND MEDITATION

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### TOWN BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave.,

5:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

### BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

### EVENINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)

Bethlehem Public Library's Free Summer Concert Series, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9341.

## BINGO

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

### BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

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

### DELMAR FIRE COMMISSION

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

### TESTIMONY MEETING

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

## NEW SCOTLAND

### TOWN COUNCIL

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

### PRAYER MEETING

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

### FAITH TEMPLE

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

### 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.

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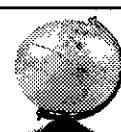
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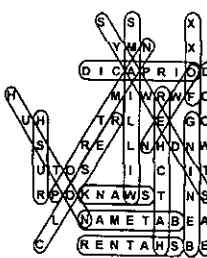
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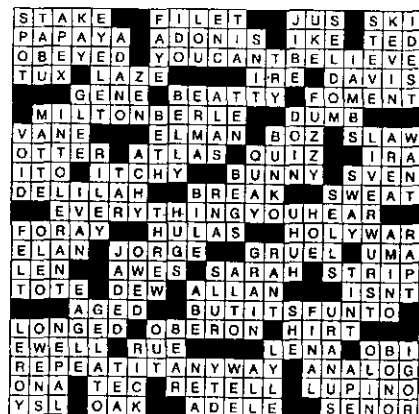
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# Spotlight CLASSIFIEDS

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**ARE YOU HAVING A SPECIAL EVENT?** Let Everybody know about it in the Spotlight Newspapers. **DEADLINE** is Thursday by 4 PM. Call Juli 439-4940.

## TUTORING

K-12 All Subjects including Math, Science, Social

Studies, English, Reading, Special Education, SAT Prep, Regents Prep, Organizational/Study Skills. Reasonable Rates. Your home or local library. Call 280-2782

**TUTORING EARTH SCIENCE.** NYS Certified. Niskayuna, Colonie area. \$35/hr. 377-8765.

**MATH TUTORING HIGH SCHOOL** All Subjects Including SAT Prep. 35 Years Experience. NYS Certified. Also Interested in Albany Academy Students. 439-0610. **SAVE THIS NUMBER!**

## TV SYSTEMS

**FREE 4-ROOM DIRECTV SYSTEM IN-**

**CLUDES STANDARD INSTALLATION!** 3 months free 50+ Premium Channels. Access to over 225 channels! Limited time offer. S&H, restrictions apply. 1-800-208-4645

## WANTED

**BUYING:** All old costume and better jewelry. Call 439-6129.

toy cars, any condition, all plastic toys, Pre-1920 photographs, postcards, penny banks, Pre 1950 Fountain Pens, Teddy Bears, Dolls, shaving mugs, straight razors, World War II/American or Nazi items, Civil War swords, pictures, etc.. Any condition, even broken or rusty. Call 745-8897.

## YARD SALE

**VENDORS NEEDED FOR LAWN SALE:** Saturday, May 21. First Reformed Church of Bethlehem 38 Church Rd., Selkirk. \$20. perspot. No Firearms, No Pets, No Food Concessions. Reservations Necessary. Call 767-3052.

# Employment CLASSIFIEDS

## HELP WANTED

**ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT:** P/T Position Available. Familiarity with Quickbooks preferred. Please fax (518) 475-7207 or e-mail resume to hasmith@nycap.rr.com

**CAREGIVERS:** STUDENTS, RETIREES, HOMEMAKERS-1 Week PCA Course, Class starts April 25th. Vehicle required. Call Interim Healthcare. 452-3655 www.interimhealthcare.com

**CHILDCARE: P/T ACTIVITY LEADERS-** Before School Program in Bethlehem, 7:15-9:15 a.m. Play & have fun with children. Excellent Benefits. School's Out, Inc., 239 Delaware Ave., Delmar schoolsoutinc@aol.com 439-9300.

**DIRECTOR OF THE CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM (BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT)-** This is a 12-month position for a dynamic individual to take a leadership role in the management of the District-wide Child Nutrition Program. This role will include but will not be limited to personnel management, menu development through the maintenance of quality menus while adhering to State and Federal guidelines, understanding and management of the Free & Reduced Lunch program, continual interaction with administrators and principals with a goal to enhance the Child Nutrition Program coupled with

accommodating the student and community expectations for the Child Nutrition Program in our school district. This individual will possess a degree in a related field and/or Civil Service certification, and/or experience in a food service position (School Food Service experience a plus). Competitive Salary and Benefits Package. Resume, cover letter, transcripts, certificates from Master Instruction workshops, and letters of reference are to be sent

to Mr. Steven O'Shea, Assistant Superintendent for Business, Bethlehem Central School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, NY 12054 by April 30, 2005.

**F/T MAINTENANCE,** M-F 7:30a.m.-3:30p.m., Bethlehem Apartment Complex. Painting, Repairs, General Plumbing, Electric. Must Have Pick-up and Some Tools. Start Immediately. Carla 439-1191.

**HELP WITH GARDEN MAINTENANCE.** Must be

dependable, have own transportation. Call 457-1773.

**High-Paying Postal Jobs!** No Experience Required! **DON'T PAY** for information about jobs with the Postal Service or Federal Government. Call the Federal Trade Commission toll-free, 1-(877)-FTC-HELP, or visit www.ftc.gov to learn more. A public service message from the SPOTLIGHT Newspapers and the Federal Trade Commission.

**KENNEL HELP P/T, F/T.** Reliable individuals only need apply. Includes weekends and holidays. 767-9718

**CARETAKER/MAINTENANCE:** 2 immediate year round openings for children's camp in Sullivan County. Must have strong skills in carpentry, plumbing, electric & supervision. House provided for Caretaker. (914) 271-4141

**Driver- COVENANT TRANSPORT.** Regional Runs Available. Home Weekly. Excellent Pay & Benefits. Exp. Drivers, O/O, & Students Welcome. Equal Opportunity Em-

ployer. 888-MORE PAY (888-667-3729)

## EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

**SAWMILLS - \$2,695.00-** LumberMate-2000 & LumberLite-24- Norwood Industries also manufactures utility ATV attachments, log skidders, portable board edgers and forestry equipment. www.norwoodindustries.com -Free information: 1-800-578-1363 ext300N

**Friendly Home Parties** featuring Ideal Gifts and New Karla's Kitchen catalog has openings for Party Plan Advisors. Earn CASH, TRIPS, RECOGNITION. FREE catalogs 1-800-488-4875 www.idealgifts.com

**POOL & SPA INDUSTRY:** Great Jobs! Great Pay! Great Business! Service Technicians, Supervisors, Administrative, Sales, Plumbers, Drivers Needed- Visit pooltechnician.com to find out more!

## WORK WANTED

**INDEPENDENT CAREGIVERS-** Private Duty, Hospice, Long-term Insurance Accepted. 24Hr Elder Care. Reasonable. Linda 312-7404. Alice 573-6399.

# Real Estate CLASSIFIEDS

## REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

**\$595+** Glenmont, 1BR Luxury Apt., Adjacent Family Home, Suitable for med/law student, ret. couple or single, Female Preferred. Fireplace, w/d hookup, dishwasher. 475-7884.

**ALBANY-** New Scotland area: 2BR, Beautiful, Large, Just remodeled, off street parking, laundry on premises, no pets/smoking. \$800. 461-6013.

**ALTAMONT:** 2 bedroom apt., Includes Heat, Hotwater, storage areas, walk-in closet, deck and 2 off road parking spaces. \$675 month, 1 yr. lease plus security deposit. 221-6065 for info. Sorry no dogs.

Apt. for rent -- 1BR, 2nd Floor. 3 miles from Delmar. \$450 incules all utilities. 768-2974.

**CLARKSVILLE / DORMANSVILLE:** 1BR/ Den, Garage Apt. behind family home. 1 Professional. Deck, Views, IG-pool, All utilities/cable. \$600. 797-3757.

**COLONIE, VILLAGE:** Small 2BR Home. Central A/C, Kitchen & BA Completely Remodeled. All new appliances, including W/D. Huge Yard. \$995+ Available mid-May. 458-8601.

**DELMAR:** Lovely 1BR Apt., Excellent Condition, Lots of Storage, Private Entrance, \$700. Includes Heat/Water. No Pets. 966-5090.

**DELMAR:** Studio at Four Corners, Private Parking, \$425, heat included. Day phone 439-6644, Evenings 783-3634.

**Loudonville House-** \$1500+, Great neighborhood, 3-4BR, 1BA, N. Colonie Schools. 591-0059.

**Quiet, Secure Neighborhood-SPACIOUS & BRIGHT 1 BR Apt.** on 2nd Floor. \$600+ utilities. 475-9321.

**RAVENA:** New Luxurious 2BR Duplex, Includes heat/hot water, W/D. Couple preferred, \$850. 756-8823.

## REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

**BIGSBEE VILLAGE,** Rotterdam: 2BR Condo, Excellent Condition, Must see! Available Immediately. 355-0897.

**DELMAR:** 4BR, 2.5BA, 2 car garage. \$289,900. Possible Open House 4/9, 1-3. Call First 439-0222.

**BUILDING SALE!** "Built to Last"/Priced to sell! Economical all steel arch style. Best for wind/snow. Many sizes/shapes. Pioneer, 1-800-668-5422. Since 1980. www.pioneersteel.com

**COASTAL GEORGIA-GATED COMMUNITY** Large wooded water access homesite. Ancient Live oaks, pool, tennis, golf. Water access. From \$64,900. Pre-construction discounts. www.cooperspoint.com 1-877-266-7376

**NO DOWN PAYMENT? PROBLEM CREDIT?** If you're motivated and follow our proven, no-nonsense program we'll get you into a NEW HOME. Call 1-800-830-2006, or visit www.AmericanHomePartners.com

Time to join the successful investors who have made wise investments in New and Pre-Construction properties in the HOT Florida Market! **FREE INFORMATION** Call Beverly S. Rothstein 954-914-9111 Exit Team Realty

## OUT OF STATE REAL ESTATE

**\$\$\$CALLING ALL INVESTORS\$\$\$** The Florida Real Estate market is booming! Don't miss out on the red hot preconstruction/condo Conversion. Call our experts. Exit Realty 954-675-2702

## HOUSES FOR SALE

**FORECLOSED GOV'T HOMES \$0 or Low Down!** Tax repos and bankruptcies! No Credit O.K.! \$0 to Low Down For Listings. (800) 501-1777 ext 1099

## COMMERCIAL FOR LEASE

**DELAWARE PLAZA - DELMAR** - Retail space available. For leasing information call Delaware Plaza Associates at 439-9030.

## REAL ESTATE FINANCING

**MORTGAGE BROKER:**

Provides Friendly, Professional Service to Get a Loan That Works For You. ALL Credit Profiles and ALL Income Levels. Bankruptcy OK. Call Local Broker Angela McCrey 878-1994. angelamccrey@yahoo.com

## VACATION RENTALS

**\$1,200/week - Schroon Lake** townhouse, 3br 2 1/2 baths, On the lake w/ beach, All amenities, Close to village 518-356-2695

**\$1200 Per week. Schroon Lake - 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath** townhouse, private beach, walk to village, 518-356-2695, www.adirondacklakefront.com

**BRAND NEW FOUR BEDROOM HOUSE** Brewster Cape Cod. \$1000-\$2000/wk. Sleeps 8. Contact Paul 330-7033.

**CAPE COD:** 2BR, Eastham Near Bay Beach. Available 7/2, 7/9, 8/13, 8/20 \$650/wk 785-6092.

**DISNEY VACATION HOME APRIL SPECIAL:** 4 bedroom, 3 bath, pool, hot tub, sleeps 10. Available weekly or monthly. In desirable Oak Island Cove, Kissimmee. (518) 383-4984.

**Great Sacandaga Lake, Lakefront, Wonderful view, Private setting, Dock, Attractions, Sleeps 6, No pets. \$1100/wk. 518-458-7465.**

**LAKE GEORGE-** (Northern) Huletts Landing. Eight Lakefront Home Rentals. \$1,200-\$4,000.

Weekly. 768-4676.

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD-** Charming antique cottage in woods, Sleeps five. 439-6473. http://home.ncap.rr.com/huckleberrylodge/

**OGUNQUIT, MAINE CONDO-** Ocean and Pool Views, Near Beaches. Large 1BR, 2BA, Sleeps 5. June-Oct. 482-6321.

**ROCKPORT, MA. 5BR Home** Overlooking Ocean. Close beaches/town. 6/25-7/2, \$1900. 7/2-7/9, \$2000. Call 463-6225.

**WILLIAMSBURG, VA, Aug. 20-27- 2BR, 2BA. \$795.** In Fabulous Resort. View website www.powhatanplantation.com or Call 475-7754.

**OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND.** Best selection of affordable rentals. Full/partial weeks. Call for FREE brochure. Open daily. Holiday Real Estate. 1-800-638-2102. Online reservation: www.holidayoc.com

## WATERFRONT PROPERTIES

**MYRTLE BEACH, SC-INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY** Rare Opportunity! New Offering-Grand Opening Preview Visit - June 16, 17, & 18. (Not Timeshare). Gated Waterway Community-Large Wooded, Deepwater Homesites. Full Service Marina - Minutes to Beach. 100+ Golf Courses. SC's Best Schools. Priced from \$60's. 1-866-567-9523 or 1-888-243-0133

# Automotive CLASSIFIEDS

## AUTOMOTIVE FOR SALE

**03 HONDA CRV-EX,** Silver, 4WD, Excellent Condition, Fully Loaded, 22K, \$17,900. 765-2665.

**1995 Grand AM, Auto, V6, AM/FM/Cassette,** power windows/locks, cruise, good condition, blue, 92k, asking \$2,800. 785-8751.

**2001 Pontiac Grand Prix GTX:** GTP with dealer authorized Ram Air, 78k highway miles, great condition; service records, accident-free, non-smoker; \$10,495 or BO MUST SELL!! 439-2348

**AAA Rated Donation.** Donate Your Car, Boat

or Real Estate. IRS Tax Deductible. Free Pickup/Tow Any Model/Condition. Help Underprivileged Children 1-800-939-4543 Outreachcenter.org

**GET CASH/GIFT DONATING** your vehicles, boats, property, and collectables to D'Var Institute. Maximize your IRS deductions. Call for free prompt pick up: 800-338-6724

## AUTOS WANTED

**A1 USED AUTO PARTS- HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR YOUR JUNK CARS.** WILL PICK UP. MOBILE CRUSHING AVAILABLE. 768-8103.

**Advertise your business with Spotlight Newspapers - Call us today at 439-4949**

## LEGAL NOTICE

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JDFFR, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 1/27/05. 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 process to The Towne Law Offices, P.C., 421 New Karner Road, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LCD-11201 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

GARRETSON REAL ESTATE, LLC. Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company. Articles of Organization of Garretson Real Estate, LLC ("LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("DSNY") on February 24, 2005. Office location: Albany County. DSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. DSNY shall mail a copy of any process to Garretson Real Estate, LLC, 4 Ruso Drive, Menands, NY 12204. 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-11206 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Articles of Organization of Claesgens Integrated, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on March 2, 2005 effective on 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, 12 Petra Lane, Albany, NY 12205. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. LCD-11216 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is FOUR SEASONS BOOK BOUTIQUE, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 2, 2005. 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 1789 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-11218 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

MRP-MM Associates, L.L.C. notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on February 24, 2005. 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 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York

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(April 6, 2005)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP") The name of the LP is MM FAMILY PARTNERSHIP IV, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on February 24, 2005. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP is c/o MRP-MM Associates, L.L.C., 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205. LCD-11224 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Articles of Organization of Best Way To Buy, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on March 4, 2005 effective on 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, 38 Cherry Tree Road, Loudonville, NY 12211. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. LCD-11229 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Cleary Schultz Insurance, LLC DBA Cleary Schultz Insurance Agency LLC was filed with the SSNY on 3/4/05. 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: Derek M. Schultz, Cleary Schultz Insurance, LLC 133 Portland Street, Boston, MA 02114 Purpose: Any lawful purpose. LCD-11246 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

"Asseli Group LLC" was filed with the SSNY on 03/01/05. 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: 307 Hamilton Street, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCD-11250 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is Jupiter Park, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 29, 2004. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 1025 Central Avenue (Rear), Albany, New York 12205. LCD-11271 (April 6, 2005)

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OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is Troy Realty, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 26, 2004. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 1676 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159. LCD-11272 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is Envoy Construction, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on November 30, 2004. 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 5545 Depot Road, Voorheesville, New York 12186. LCD-11273 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

CHANGE IS GOOD, LLC. Notice of formation of Change Is Good, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 3/3/2005. Office location: Rensselaer 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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the LLC; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11285 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

ORION REALTY MANAGEMENT, LLC. Notice of formation of Orion Management Realty, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 3/3/2005. 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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the Limited Liability Company; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11290 (April 6, 2005)

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WATERTIGHT CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Notice of formation of the above Lim-

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ited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/07/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process against it to WATER-TIGHT CONSTRUCTION, LLC, 271 Miller Road, Berne, NY, 12023. LLC is member-managed. Purpose: to conduct any lawful business. LCD-11291 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

EMPIRE LAWN CARE, LLC. Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 7/20/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process against it to EMPIRE LAWN CARE, LLC, 1813 Route 9, Castleton, New York 12033. LLC is member-managed. Purpose: to conduct any lawful business. LCD-11292 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

DBKC ENTERPRISES, LLC. Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/7/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process against it to DBKC ENTERPRISES, LLC, c/o Kimberly Cardella, 45 Industrial Park Road, Albany, NY 12206. LLC is member-managed. Purpose: to conduct any lawful business. LCD-11293 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

EL RIO'S, LLC. Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/20/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process against it to EL RIO'S, LLC, 122 4th St., Troy, NY 12180. LLC is member-managed. Purpose: to conduct any lawful business. LCD-11294 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

201 NORTH PEARL LLC. Notice of formation of 201 North Pearl LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 2/11/2005. 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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the Limited Liability Company; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11297 (April 6, 2005)

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203 NORTH PEARL LLC. Notice of formation of 203 North Pearl LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 2/11/2005. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been

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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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the Limited Liability Company; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11298 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is Q3 MANAGEMENT, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 10, 2005. 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 6 Shaker Bay Road, Latham, New York 12110. LCD-11299 (April 6, 2005)

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18 TEN BROECK LLC. Notice of formation of 18 Ten Broeck LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 2/11/2005. 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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the Limited Liability Company; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11301 (April 6, 2005)

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16 TEN BROECK LLC. Notice of formation of 16 Ten Broeck LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 2/11/2005. 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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the Limited Liability Company; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11302 (April 6, 2005)

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108 SCHUYLER LLC. Notice of formation of 108 Schuyler LLC, a limited liabil-

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ity company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 2/11/2005. 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 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the Limited Liability Company; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11303 (April 6, 2005)

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MCCORMICK HOME MECHANICAL, LLC. Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/4/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process against it to MCCORMICK HOME MECHANICAL, LLC, c/o Thomas McCormick, P.O. Box 324, Delmar, NY 12054. LLC is member-managed. Purpose: to conduct any lawful business. LCD-11317 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is R & R Property Holdings, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 18, 2005. 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 49 Upper Wedgewood Lane, Voorheesville, New York 12186. LCD-11357 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of New York Settlements and Escrow Services LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 3/18/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1979 Marcus Avenue, Suite 210, Lake Success, NY 11042. LCD-11373 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Freedom Road, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 46 Main Street, Suite 225, Monsey, NY 10952. LCD-11374 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

19 WESTERN AVENUE, LLC notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 29, 2005. 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.

## LEGAL NOTICE

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 36 Marion Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-11382 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

260 ONTARIO STREET, LLC notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 29, 2005. 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 36 Marion Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-11383 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

111 LANCASTER STREET, LLC notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 29, 2005. 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 36 Marion Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-11384 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

53 PHILLIPS STREET, LLC notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 29, 2005. 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 36 Marion Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-11385 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

258 ONTARIO STREET, LLC notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 29, 2005. 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 36 Marion Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-11386 (April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Centre Development Group, LLC, filed under the original name of NCM Funding Northeast, LLC, as amended 2/7/05, Art. of Org. filed Secy of State (SSNY) 1/24/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: Three E-Comm Square, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose.



## LEGAL NOTICE

LCD-11387  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Austin Peters Enterprises, LLC, located in Albany Co., filed articles of organization on March 24, 2005 with the secretary of state of NY (SSNY). SSNY has been designated its agent upon whom processes against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 25 Hunters Run Blvd., Cohoes, NY, 12047. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful activities.

LCD-11392  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF HARBOR SERVICES LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law.

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is: HARBOR SERVICES LLC SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Albany.

THIRD: (optional) The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: Perpetual duration.

FOURTH: 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 this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: William H. Welch, Jr. 60 Strawberry Lane Westerlo, NY 12193

FIFTH: (optional) The name and street address within this state of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company may be served is: None.

SIXTH: (optional) The future effective date of the Articles of Organization, which does not exceed 60 days from the date of filing, is: Not Applicable.

SEVENTH: (optional) If all or specified members are to be liable in their capacity as members for all or specified debts, obligations or liabilities of the limited liability company as authorized by Section 609 of the Limited Liability Company Law, an affirmative statement must be made. A statement of such effect is made as follows: Not Applicable.

Dated: March 1, 2005  
William H. Welch, Jr.,  
Organizer

LCD-11395

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ARACHNE PROPERTIES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/20/05. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2105. 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, 182 Van Wies Point, Glenmont, New York 12077. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

LD-11195  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of New York Becknell Investors LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/28/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/19/05. 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. Principal office of LLC: c/o UBS Realty Investors LLC, 242 Trumbull St., Hartford, CT 06103. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of

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State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11196  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of BLUE SOLUTIONS LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/4/05, as amended. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 2/4/03. 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. NJ address of LLC: 830 Bear Tavern Rd., West Trenton, NJ 08628. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Secy. of State, 225 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11197  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Advance Processing Systems, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/25/2005. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/19/1996. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. 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: any lawful activity. LD-11214  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of DFS Funding L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/3/05. NYS fictitious name: Dell Funding Services. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/16/04. SSNY designated as agent of LP 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 LP: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: for any and all lawful purposes. LD-11215  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Campaign Confidential, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/2/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Pamela Hicks, Esq., c/o Barnes Morris et al., 1424 2nd Street, 3rd Floor, Santa Monica, CA 90401 Purpose: any lawful business. LD-11226  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Global Solutions Network LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/23/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 12/10/04. 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. FL address of LLC: 1172 S. Dixie Hwy., #532, Coral Gables, FL 33146. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Dept. of State, PO Box 6327, Tallahassee, FL 32314. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11231  
(April 6, 2005)

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Notice of Qualification of Argentum Resources, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/25/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Colorado (CO) on 9/7/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the principal office of LLC: 370 17th St., Ste. 5000, Denver, CO 80202. Attn: Jessica Richardson. Arts. of Org. filed with CO Secy. of State, 1560 Broadway, Ste. 200, Denver, CO 80202. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-11234  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Century 21 Real Estate LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/23/2005. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/17/1979. 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. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Lookerman & Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11240  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Fairchild Media LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/3/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/24/04. 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 Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11241  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AMB-SGP Operating Partnership, L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/7/01. SSNY designated as agent of LP 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, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11247  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AMB-SGP Georgia, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/7/01. 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. Principal office of LLC: Pier 1, Bay 1, San Francisco, CA 94111. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: real estate investments. LD-11248  
(April 6, 2005)

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Notice of Qualification of

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CATAPULT OFFERS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/16/04. 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-11252  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Sobe Life, LLC, using the fictitious name Sobe Life of Illinois Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/19/04. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Illinois (IL) on 5/28/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Delaney Corporate Services, Ltd., 41 State Street, Suite 405, Albany, NY 12207 Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 825 North Cass Avenue, Suite 209, Westmont, IL 60559. Arts. of Org. filed with IL Secy. of State, Department of Business Services, LLC Division, Room 351, Howlett Bldg, Springfield, IL 62756. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11254  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ISRAEL FAMILY REALTY CO. LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/27/05. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2105. 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, 42-12 Queens Boulevard, Sunnyside, New York 11104. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11264  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SONSHINE RESOLUTIONS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/18/05. 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, 87 Meadowbrook Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11265  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Best Buy Gov, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/9/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/14/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 9 E. Lookerman St., Ste 1B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of DE, John G. Townsend Building, Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11267  
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liability company (LLC). Name: A+ Employment Services, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/27/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: P.O. Box 662, Cohoes, New York 12047. Term: perpetual. Purpose: employment services LD-11268  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Global Advanced Technology LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/03/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, DE 19958. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11269  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of HMC Drake LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/7/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/2/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Prentice-Hall Corporation System, Inc., 80 State St., Albany, NY. Principal office of LLC: 6903 Rockledge Drive, Ste. 1500, Bethesda, MD 20817. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11288  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Eastern Skies, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/11/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/28/05. 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. Principal office of LLC: 63665 19th Ave., P.O. Box 581043, North Palm Springs, CA 92258. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Suite 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11304  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tech Park I LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/14/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Abacus Capital Group LLC, 666 5th Ave., 26th Fl., NY, NY 10103, Attn: Benjamin L. Friedman. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11305  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tech Park II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/14/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Abacus Capital Group LLC, 666 5th Ave., 26th Fl., NY, NY 10103, Attn: Benjamin L. Friedman. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11306  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tech Park I LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/14/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent

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of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Abacus Capital Group LLC, 666 5th Ave., 26th Fl., NY, NY 10103, Attn: Benjamin L. Friedman. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11307  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tech Park II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/14/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Abacus Capital Group LLC, 666 5th Ave., 26th Fl., NY, NY 10103, Attn: Benjamin L. Friedman. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11308  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Z & J LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/16/05. NYS fictitious name: Z & J of Delaware. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/10/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 8 Sycamore Lane, Madison, CT 06443, principal office of the LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11309  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of NCI Projects International, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/08/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/27/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served is: Paracorp Incorporated, 640 Bercut Drive, Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95814. The principal office of the LLC: 301 North Lake Avenue, Suite 910, Pasadena, CA 91101. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Division of Corporations, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11324  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of West Global Analysis LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/22/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, DE 19958. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11325  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: C.J. Romano's, LLC; Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/4/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 113 Kenosha Street, Albany, New York 12209. Term: no specific. Purpose: restaurant LD-11326  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: Amedore-Gordon Development Group, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on October 14, 2003. Office location is in Albany County. The 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

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LLC, 1900 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12230. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. LD-11332  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

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 9, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Commons Area of the Clayton A. Bouton High School in said district for the presentation of a budget for the school year 2005-2006.

And notice is also given that said vote will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 in the Voorheesville Middle School Foyer. 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 terms of Robert J. Baron and John A. Cole.

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 May 17, 2005, the following proposition will be submitted:

PROPOSITION

PURCHASE OF BUSES:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, Albany County, New York, is hereby authorized to purchase buses at a maximum estimated cost of \$230,000 and that such 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 may be issued.

RESERVE FUND:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, is hereby authorized to establish a capital reserve fund in order to defray the cost of renovating and equipping School District buildings and, in order to accomplish the same, said Board is hereby authorized to establish the ultimate amount of such Reserve Fund to be \$500,000 with a probable term of five years and to appropriate from fund balance and/or other legally available funds of the School District to such Reserve Fund.

SALE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Shall title to the District building at 51 School Road; Voorheesville, New York, currently owned by the Voorheesville Central School District and occupied by the Voorheesville Public Library, be transferred to the Voorheesville Public Library, a public corporation, for \$1.00 good and valuable consideration?

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 Educa-

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tion 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-six (26) 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: March 30, 2005  
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 9, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Commons Area of the Clayton A. Bouton High School in said district, the Public Library budget for the year 2005-2006 will be considered and such other business transacted as is authorized by law.

And notice is also given that said vote will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2005. 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 expiration of the term of James Reilly.
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: Schoolhouses  
Voorheesville Elementary School  
Clayton A. Bouton High School

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Clerk, Board of Education  
Voorheesville Central School District

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P.O. Box 498  
Voorheesville, NY 12186  
Dated: March 30, 2005

Gail Sacco  
Clerk

LD-11339  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF  
532 WEST 175th STREET, LLC

The name of the LLC is 532 WEST 175th STREET, LLC. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the N.Y. Secretary of State is: 04/27/04. The office of the LLC shall be in the County of ALBANY and State of N.Y. The N.Y. Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon him/her is 210 East 86th Street, Suite 404, New York, NY 10028. The purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-11340

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bucks Realty Associates, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/18/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11341

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Regency Realty Associates, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11342

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of 311 East 11th Street Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11343

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Notice of Qualification of Albany Capital Partners, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11344

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Capital District Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/18/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11345

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bucks Crossing Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/18/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11346

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of District Capital Partners, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/18/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11347

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Regency Capital Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process

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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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11348

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Capital Realty Associates, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/18/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11349

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)  
Name: 1036-1040 MADISON AVENUE L.L.C. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 15, 2005. 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, 1036-1040 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York 12208. Purpose: Any lawful business purpose. LD-11356

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of HONEYWELL HOMMED LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/10/04. 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. Principal office of LLC: 101 Columbia Rd., Morristown, NJ 07960. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11358

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Town of New Scotland  
Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland, at a special meeting thereof held on March 23, 2005 adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution, an abstract of which is as follows:  
Resolution authorizing lease by the Town of New Scotland of approximately 9 acres of land owned by the Town of New Scotland on New Scotland South Road. The resolution authorizes lease of such property to LaGrange Brothers for use of the same for agricultural purposes for calendar year 2005 at rental \$1.00 for the period of such lease.  
Such resolution shall become final within 30 days after adoption unless within

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such time a signed, acknowledged petition by electors of the Town of New Scotland qualified to vote, in number equal to at least 5% of the total vote cast for governor in the Town of New Scotland at the last gubernatorial election, is received protesting said resolution and requesting a referendum thereon.

DIANE R. DESCHENES  
NEW SCOTLAND TOWN CLERK

LD-11367  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of H.D.W. 2005 NEW CASTLE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/24/05. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1839 58th St., Brooklyn, NY 11204. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-11375

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of HCI Specialty Pharmacy, LLC Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/17/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 7/12/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corpdirect Agents, Inc., 103 N. Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 255 Alhambra Circle, Suite 900, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. Arts. of Org. filed with Florida Secy. of State, 409 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11376

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of GNW-Evergreen Insurance Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/17/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in California (CA) on 9/8/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporate Services, Inc., 516 N. Charles Street, 5th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 18321 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 400, Tarzana, CA 91356. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11377

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of DMH STUDIOS, LLC Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/10/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/11/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Tera Hanks, 6030 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 301, Los Angeles, CA 90036. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 6030 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 301, Los Angeles, CA 90036. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Division of Corporations, 401 Federal Street, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11378

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Helvetia Real Estate LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/24/2005. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, DE 19958. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11379

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MEB ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/6/03. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1839 58th St., Brooklyn, NY 11204. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-11381

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## LEGAL NOTICE

SIMMONS AVE., LLC  
1. The name of the limited liability company is SIMMONS AVE., LLC.  
2. The Articles of Organization creating the limited liability company were filed in the Office of the New York Secretary of State on March 22, 2005 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 a copy of process against it is SIMMONS AVE., LLC, 3 Whitehall Place, Niskayuna, New York 12309.  
5. The purpose of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.

Dated: March 31, 2005  
NOLAN & HELLER, LLP  
Attorneys for SIMMONS AVE., LLC  
39 North Pearl Street  
Albany, New York 12207  
LD-11391  
(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of 311 EAST 11TH STREET REALTY ASSOCIATES, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/25/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/11/05. 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: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Federal & Duke of York St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11393

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of H.D.W. 2005 FOREST, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/29/05. Office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1 Stone Place, Bronxville, NY 10708. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-11394

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of B.A.G. Northeast No. 195, L.P. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/28/2005. Office location: Albany County, LP formed in California (CA) on 10/29/04. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 8665 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 302, Beverly Hills, CA 90211. The principal office address of LP: 8665 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 302, Beverly Hills, CA 90211. Name/address of the genl. ptr. is B.A.G. Investments, Inc., 8665 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 302, Beverly Hills, CA 90211 available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th Street, 3rd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11395

(April 6, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is B.A./Millennium, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on March 30, 2005.

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

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

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2055, unless said period is further extended by amendment of this Agreement or sooner terminated in accordance with this Agreement.

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity pursuant to Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Law. LD-11396

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## LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is B.A./S.D., LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on March 30, 2005.

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

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

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2055, unless said period is further extended by amendment of this Agreement or sooner terminated in accordance with this Agreement.

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful activity pursuant to Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Law. LD-11397

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## Growth

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same goal in different ways.

Bethlehem, for example, issued a residential moratorium for the whole town, while Colonie instituted a residential and commercial moratorium in certain parts of town. Guilderland finished its comprehensive plan about three years ago, and as a consequence of that process, is in the midst of planning the rural sections of town, a goal outlined in the plan.

"They are pretty much contiguous towns but are very different towns with very different needs," Bethlehem Supervisor Theresa Egan said of the five towns that will be represented at the event.

The supervisors from Bethlehem, Guilderland, Colonie, New Scotland and Berne will speak in an informal panel-type discussion on Tuesday, April 12 at The Crossings in Colonie.

"There's no other agenda here," said Heinzen, who has played an active role in Bethlehem's planning process as a resident. "Just to set up the information and a time to raise community issues, share problems and solutions."

The topic, "Creating Communities We Want to Live In," parallels a May 2000 concurrence statement released by the League of Women Voters relating to urban sprawl.

That statement supported notions of open space and pro-

tection of water resources and the ability of the local governments and town officials to take a "proactive role" in improving the quality of life in their towns.

Open space proved to be a somewhat contentious topic in Bethlehem's comprehensive planning process, which began about one year ago, after a moratorium was levied against all residential development in town.

Even in neighboring towns, the planning process can take on a very different shape.

Egan has said she could consider Bethlehem's process a success on sheer numbers alone, with many public workshops and meetings attracting hundreds of people; some seeing standing room only crowds.

"In my campaign, (the moratorium) was a mandate as far as I was concerned," Egan said. "And our experience has been different than Colonie's, which has been, as I understand, struggling to get people to show up (to the comprehensive plan meetings)."

Bethlehem's process was actually a second attempt after a less successful go about 10 years ago. Since that attempt, Egan noted, there has been a shift in demographics and development that necessitated a comprehensive plan.

Though Heinzen said she personally supports the League's concurrence statement, the format of the session will remain informational and educational.

## To Life announces spring programs

To Life's spring 2005 education series will address a number of topics this year.

On Wednesday, April 13, participants can learn how music therapy can achieve rehabilitation goals. The presentation will feature Margie Wood, a breast cancer survivor, humorist and motivational speaker.

Rachelle Vishneowski, a music therapist at the Stratton Veterans Administration Hospital, will also speak. The event will be held at the Holiday Inn Express at 1442 Western Ave., a quarter-mile east of Stuyvesant Plaza. Check-in will be at 5:30 p.m., with the program scheduled to follow at 6 p.m. Though the program is free of charge, pre-registration is requested by calling 439-5975 or e-mailing [info@tolife.org](mailto:info@tolife.org).

On Tuesday, May 10, participants will hear about two healing methods used for cancer patients, one regarding a radiation therapy that's designed to spare surrounding organs and tissue and one that combines the best practices of conventional and complementary medicine to maximize the body's potential for self-healing. Featured speakers will be Sarada Reddy, a radiation oncologist and Eliot Edwards, a doctor of naturopathic medicine. The event will be held at the Krause Center on Burdett Avenue in Troy. Check-in will begin at 5:30 p.m., the program will be at 6 p.m.

This program is free but pre-registration is requested by calling 439-5975 or e-mailing [info@tolife.org](mailto:info@tolife.org).

## Pope

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Anyone under the age of 35 so would probably not have significant memories of any other pope, he explained.

"He was certainly very active and vital and well-known," Belogi said. "There's also an awareness that he's been sick for a number of years and labored valiantly, and he's come to a well-deserved rest."

Students at St. Thomas the Apostle School in Delmar walked across the street to the church Monday afternoon.

"I'm sure they have been talking about it," said Sheila Valenti, who works at the school. "So this afternoon, we're all, all 211 of us, going over as a school family to say a rosary for the pope."

At St. Matthew's in Voorheesville, fabric was draped over both entrances.

The drapes displayed the papal colors, white and gold, and some purple, said the Rev. Tom Chevalier.

"Usually you'll see them in black and white," Chevalier said, "because the focus is on death and sorrow. But because the focus is really on the Resurrection, we used the papal colors and mixed some purple in."

Even after Sunday's services, candlelit pictures of Pope John Paul II remained at the altar, for people to stop in on their own and pray or say a rosary.

Chevalier said his church

didn't plan anything too specific because of the proximity to the cathedral in Albany. He said many would probably travel there for special masses.

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 125 Eagle St. in Albany will have host a requiem by Albany Pro Musica Wednesday at 7 p.m. and there will be Mass Friday, the same day as the pope's funeral, on Friday at 12:15 p.m.

"He was prominently referred to in our liturgies this weekend and will probably continue to be next weekend. It's certainly on the minds of a lot of people," Chevalier said.

St. Pius X School in Loudonville planned a memorial Mass at its church for the school community Tuesday at 9 a.m.

St. Ambrose Church of Latham held Mass over the weekend for the passing of Pope John Paul II, said the Rev. Francis Dubois.

Old Loudon Road Church will be holding an additional Mass in recognition of the pope's passing on Friday, April 8, the day of his funeral. The message of those Masses has been and will be, about Pope John Paul II. Mass over the weekend and a service held with the students of the St. Ambrose School touched upon that, Dubois said.

"The message is a message of love, and one he shared around the world," Dubois said.

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