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Drum roll



Bill Frueh of Delmar plays a drum at the fourth annual Civil War reenactment at the Mabee Farm in Saturday.

Jim Franco

V'ville relay team surpasses goals

\$58K raised as of Sunday

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

Some say it takes a village.

And this time, at the very least, it's true.

True, that it took the village of Voorheesville to help its Relay for Life committee not only meet, but surpass its fund-raising goals for the American Cancer Society by thousands of dollars. That it took a village mentality to get nearly 80 teams and nearly 1,000 people to sign up to walk around the newly built track at Voorheesville High School overnight to benefit cancer research. And it took the same village mentality from Voorheesville businesses and families to purchase track signs — more than in any other relay event in the area — which sold at \$100 a pop and help fund-raising efforts as well.

For 12 hours this Friday and Saturday, hundreds, and perhaps upward of 1,000, people will walk the candlelit track through the night and into the next day, symbolizing the trek through a sickness such as cancer: to start in the light of the day, walk through the dark times to reach the light of day again, the good times.

"In some of the relays in the bigger cities, they don't have the same kind of feeling, it's a lot of businesses, but there's not a lot of friends and family," said Carol Bishop-Panepinto, director of special events at the American Cancer Society's Capital District branch. "Towns, communities; there's a different feeling to it. It's so much more engaged, there's so much support for the survivors. They're the stars of the night."

How appropriate, then, that something that was once a family affair for a Voorheesville school board member will now become a community affair for the entire village and then some.

Richard Bracket, a Voorheesville School District board of education member, has participated in area relays for nearly a decade.

Cancer has also affected his family, as Bracket and his relatives have seen three loved ones die from cancer-related illnesses.

"I always thought, laying at the Colonie track, with all the traffic of the Northway (in earshot), that this would be so good in Voorheesville," Bracket said. "But we didn't have a track."

The initial fund-raising goal for Voorheesville's inaugural relay was set at \$30,000, but that was before Ravena's event was shut down, Bracket said. Then the target figure was set at \$38,000. The committee, which has been meeting most, if not every, Tuesday since October, had gotten up to about \$44,000 without all the checks or cash collected by last Tuesday. Last night was the bank night, when teams brought their final payments before the relay.

"This is going to be Voorheesville's version of Woodstock," Bracket said.

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Support group, district settle contract

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

A contract that's been in the works for almost a year has been settled between the Bethlehem Central school district and the Bethlehem Central United Employees Association, which represents support staff in the district.

The previous contract had expired June 30 of last year.

Chuck Preska, president of the BCUEA, said that in the 18 years on-and-off he's been president of the organization, he's seen the employees go much longer without a contract.

"I mean, given the present budget constraints and the general economic situation, I'd say it's a fair contract," Preska said. "Most everyone seems to be satisfied. Usually, you're only going to hear from the people who are negatively affected by something. They are the most vocal. But most everyone seems pleased."

Salaries will increase an average of 3.1 percent annually for the term of the contract, which is from 2004-

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Vandals use swastika in graffiti

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

It followed James Holland and his family around as they picnicked behind Elsmere Elementary School last week, perhaps like Mona Lisa's eyes would follow a visitor around the Louvre.

But what followed Holland and his family has much less art value these days and is hardly representative of a time period many humans regard with pride.

"To me, it was almost like a bell tower," Holland recalled. "You had the girls practicing softball on that field, and then the Boy Scouts came piling out of the gym. Here you had this wholesome, Norman Rockwell image and this emblem just flying in the face of that."

The emblem, a swastika graffitied on the back of Elsmere Elementary School on Delaware Avenue, "was like a clock

face staring over us, and it sucked a lot of the atmosphere right out. It was just dark," Holland said.

Bethlehem school district officials believe the graffiti appeared sometime over last weekend, with a group of four 10- to 14-year-old students playing a part in vandalizing three different BC schools — the middle school, Hamagrael and Elsmere elementary schools.

As of Friday, Superintendent Les Loomis said the students responsible were being punished. Bethlehem Police had petitioned two of the four to Family Court, with the other two expected to receive petitions before this week's end.

This incident appears to be unrelated to the string of three racial incidents that plagued the high school before spring break and confused district administrators. As a result of those incidents, one female was arrested and

petitioned to Family Court because of her alleged involvement in a fight in which a racial slur was used. An agreement was arranged between an alleged victim and alleged perpetrator of vandalism that included racial epithets on a car parked at the school, and no charges were filed because of that incident.

Jennifer Rosenberg on the Web site, History1900s.about.com, described Hitler and the Nazis using the swastika to represent

the "mission of the struggle for the victory of the Aryan man and ... the victory of the creative work, which ... will always be anti-Semitic" in the years leading up to World War II. In spite of that, Loomis said he didn't see the most recent string of vandalisms, particularly this swastika, as being racially provoked.

"It's negative, unthinking and foolish, but I don't, in any way, see the swastika as intended to be an anti-Semitic piece of

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"(It) was like a clock face staring over us, and it sucked a lot of the atmosphere right out. It was just dark."

James Holland



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Two arrested for DWI

Bethlehem Police made two driving while intoxicated (DWI) arrests last week, including one felony DWI.

On May 10, around 1:14 a.m., police saw a car driving south on Route 9W down the middle of the road at about 10 mph.

Then, police saw the same car veer from the center of the roadway to the right shoulder.

As police tried to pull the car over, it, at first, failed to stop and then when it did attempt to pull off the road, police said that it pulled completely off of the roadway and came to a stop in a grassy area off the shoulder.

When police pulled over Barbara Scofield, 36, of 506 Route 67 in Mechanicville, she admitted to drinking, police said. As police attempted to perform field sobriety tests on Scofield, they said she stumbled to the back of her car and then later failed the

tests.

Scofield was processed for DWI and later tested positive for alcohol police said.

She is due back in court on June 7 at 4 p.m.

On May 5, while driving along Krumkill Road, police pulled over Andrew J. Myers, 47, of 49A N. Main St. in Voorheesville, for failing to dim his high beams.

Myers allegedly admitted to drinking earlier in the night. After he failed several field sobriety tests, Myers was processed for DWI. His chemical test was positive.

A check later showed a previous June 26, 2003, DWI conviction in the town of New Scotland court.

Myers was scheduled to return to Bethlehem Town Court to answer to charges of felony DWI on May 17.

Local student continues to excel

Peter S. Bird, a resident of Delmar and a junior studying technical communications, information systems and business processes at Clarkson University has been selected to receive one of two national undergraduate scholarships from the Society for Technical Communication (STC), an organization with more than 18,000 members with a goal to improve the transfer of information about science and technology from its developers to its users. As a 2005-2006 STC scholarship recipient, Bird will receive \$1,000 to support his continuing education at Clarkson. He was selected for the award based on his potential for contributing to the profession, his academic record and recommendations from instructors.

Bird, who has a cumulative GPA of 3.981, has interests in both the design and presentation of information as part of the

communication process and in underlying computer technologies and applications such as databases and Internet applications. His research pursuits have included work with Dr. Brenton Faber, Clarkson associate professor of Communication & Media, on his Honors Senior Thesis project "Societal Dynamics of Nanoscale Science and Technology."

The research is funded, in part, by the National Science Foundation. He presented some of this research at a March 2005 National Association of Teachers of Technical Writing conference in San Francisco, Calif. Bird is a 2002-2005 Clarkson University Presidential Scholar, a 2003 winner of the Ilse J. Shaw Liberal Arts Award and 2004 recipient of the Thomas M. Sawyer Technical Communications Sophomore Award. He was inducted into the Beta Gamma Sigma Business

Honor Society in 2004 and the Phi Kappa Phi honor society in 2005. He has served as the Honors Program Multimedia Committee chairman. At the University's recognition day this year, Bird was also honored with the Thomas E. Turpin Technical Communications Award.

Since 1971, the Society for Technical Communications has helped train new generations of technical communicators by providing support to teachers and students through programs, scholarships, grants and loans, annual conferences and seminars, and ongoing networking, thereby fostering the growth of the profession. The organization's membership includes technical writers, editors, graphic designers, multimedia artists, Web and intranet page information designers, translators and professionals from related fields.

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39 BCSD students earn fitness awards

Bethlehem Central Schools were represented by 39 students receiving the Sandra G. Morley Physical Education Student Leadership Award. This is the 20th year the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance has presented this honor to elementary and middle school students for fitness, citizenship and leadership.

The award ceremony was held at Gunderland High School, which hosted the honorees from 97 schools in the Capital Zone. Olympic Gold Medalist, Jeff Blatnick, shared funny and touching personal anecdotes about growing up and physical fitness. "The Show Stoppers," a

Police Athletic League step team comprised of students from Hackett Middle School and Phillip Livingston Magnet Academy, gave a rousing performance for the student honorees and audience.

Local honorees include: from Bethlehem Central Middle School: Andrew Betor, Erika Danz, Cassie Ford, Evan Finkle, Peter Kleinke, Tom Klim, Allison Swiatowicz and Taylor Teal.

From Clarksville Elementary School: Charles Cultrara, Phoebe Gatta, Suzanne Gibeau, Erica Howland, Seth Partridge and Matthew Van Natten.

From Elsmere Elementary School: Eliza Barach, Brad Campion, Lucas Carpinello,

Simon D'Oelsnitz, Eilis Morgan and Calynn Parker.

From Glenmont Elementary School: Micheal Clawar, Sydney Ferrigan, Seamus Fitzpatrick, Brett Kaplan, Rachael Micelli and Alexandra Olsen.

From Hamagrael Elementary School: Erin Harrington, Molly Livingston, Grace McDermott, Casey McGraw, Matthew O'Keefe and Dan Ushkow.

From Slingerlands Elementary School: Jake Abbuhl, Benjamin Federman, Jennifer Francken, George Hetie, Emelia O'Neill, Christian Schubert and Natalie Sica.

Morley, formerly a Gunderland administrator, is now assistant principal at BC Middle School.

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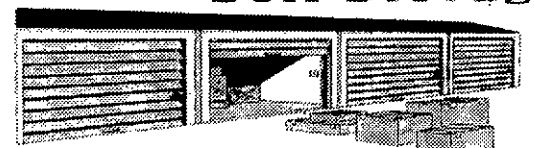
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Vernal pond sends students springing into scientific study

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Clarksville Elementary School's vernal pond may not be affected by the pull of the moon, like the ocean, but it sure can pull Barb Riegel's fourth- and fifth-grade students out the door in a hurry.

The prospect of a trip to the pond gets everyone moving efficiently. Students don the boots bought specially to wear to the pond and find the digital camera and pond journal before heading out. After a quick stop at the mural in the school's hallway to show what they'll find at the pond, they're off in a heartbeat.

The word vernal has to do with spring, and when winter's snows melt, the space that used to be an impromptu skating rink on the school grounds teems with nascent life. Riegel started using the pond as a teaching tool when Ellen Crane, a scientific illustrator, came to work with the students on the pond unit that can be part of a four/five curriculum. Parent Ellen Sachs found a grant from the Community Foundation for Bender Scientific Fund, and worked with Riegel to write the \$10,000 grant the school received last summer to create the pond.

Working with Agnes Zellin, who also taught a combined

fourth- and fifth-grade class last year, and heavily influenced by environmental writer Rachel Carson, Riegel started looking at green spaces as outdoor classrooms. She had long taken her students into the woods on the Clarksville grounds to inspire what went into their writers' notebooks.

After scraping the top layer of the pond down to rock and watching it fill in with water this spring, the students have become avid explorers and reporters.

"We let a turtle go here, but we can't find it," Nicholas Parente said. "His name is Jose Wurgltodd."

"We've got seeds to plant, thermometers and microscopes," Skyler Bell said.

"We've tested the water in the shade and in the sun," said Morgan Albright.

"There's usually a five degree range," Erin Corrigan said.

Calls came from across the pond.

"There's a huge frog!" said Alex Scheuermann, stirring up sand into the water. "That's pond fog."

"When there's a lot of water, there are a lot of frog eggs," said Brittany Tangora. "There's pond jelly with tadpoles in it."

The students point out Caddis



Fourth- and fifth-graders at Clarksville Elementary school monitor and record activity in the vernal pond behind the school.

Katherine McCarthy

Fly larva, tadpole necklaces and one red salamander. A bee sits lazily on a leaf on a nearby tree, and a wild strawberry blooms low to the ground.

"You can tell this water's clean because these aren't bad bugs,"

Griffin Hogan explained.

"They look and look," Riegel said. "It really inspires them. They read and draw. They're so engaged in their learning."

In addition to the actual work on the pond, digital thermometers and camera, the grant money will go to purchase microscopes to let the kids get an even closer look at what's growing in the pond. Wildflower and wetland seeds have been

donated and Boy Scout Mark Davidson will be building some walkways around the pond as part of his Eagle Scout project.

"A lot of it is dry now," Riegel said. "We won't know how it will look till we've lived with it for a year. It has to look ugly before it looks pretty."

From the perspective of fourth- and fifth-graders splashing and exploring, though, the pond is already a pretty perfect thing.

N.S. town tax collection to change

By JAMES CUOZZO

The New Scotland town board unanimously approved the elimination of elected town tax collector. The position currently being held by Marilyn Holberg will be replaced in January of 2006 by a new position under the jurisdiction of the town clerk's office. The elected position currently carries an annual salary of \$15,347. The abolishment of the elected position also means the elimination of the appointed deputy town tax collector position. Town Clerk Diane Deschenes said current town of New Scotland Deputy Tax Collector Arlene Herzog will retain her position in the town clerk's office in 2006.

The decision to abolish the receiver of taxes position passed after a lengthy discussion weighing the pros and cons of such a move. Supervisor Ed Clark said the town will have an opportunity to save money by abolishing the position.

"The system of collecting taxes needs to change," said Clark. "We would be better off with less government."

Councilman Scott Houghtaling said he is in favor of reducing the size of government.

"It is a one-time idea to eliminate this department and roll it into another department. The current tax collector is not seeking re-election. I see it as an opportunity to change the position," said Houghtaling.

Councilwoman Andrea Gleason reluctantly voted to approve the move.

"I represent people in the town and some residents feel the position should be retained but I am willing to try and work this out," stated Gleason.

Town of New Scotland Attorney L. Michael Mackey said the town does not need a public referendum on the issue.

"If the town were a first class town — a town with over 10,000 in population — they would be subject to a permissive referendum so people could petition to require that, but not for a second class town such as New Scotland. The matter is handled by board resolution," Mackey said.

Clark has already detailed several options as to how the town board could best provide the service of collecting town taxes. The board will review those options in the coming weeks.

Two animal control officers with the town have resigned. Larry Salvagni and Jamie Duncan will leave their part-time positions on June 1. Town Highway Superintendent Darrell Duncan said both officers will be asked to stay until June 31. Kevin Schenmeyer will be the only part-

time animal control officer in the town as of July 1. Duncan said the board has a few options to consider.

"We can hire either one full-time animal control officer, two part-time officers or minimize the program to a 'dangerous dog' program," said Duncan.

Time constraints were given as the reason for the two officers' resignations. The part-time animal control officer position in the Town of New Scotland pays \$5,370 annually.

Five public hearings were held prior to the town board meeting. They included a hearing to consider the purchase of a new fire truck for the New Salem Volunteer Fire Department. Department member Marty Finkle said the truck will be purchased through a 10-year low-interest loan. The truck, which costs \$325,000, will arrive in June and be in use by summer. The hearing and subsequent board resolution will allow the fire department to borrow the funds to purchase the vehicle at a lower interest rate.

The town will also move forward with public information meetings regarding the long-standing Clarksville water district project.

Houghtaling has been a proponent of the meetings, which will be designed to gather as much information from town residents who may be affected by any change in future water rates due to the cost of construction of the district.

Dates have yet to be determined for these meetings.

Flower power headed to Delaware Avenue

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

In hopes of showing business proprietors how the establishment of a business improvement district can help areas in town — particularly heavy commercial strips — the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency will soon launch its Flags and Flowers Project.

The \$25,000, IDA-backed project that has seen in-kind services donations from area businesses and organizations, would enliven and brighten the 2.5-mile stretch of the Delaware Avenue corridor from the Albany City line to just past the Four Corners, according to IDA Chairman and town Director of Economic Planning and Development George Leveille.

"We want to kick it off in time for Memorial Day and leave them out as long as they can stay," Leveille said. "Hopefully, this can turn into a more permanent type of program."

Business owners will be provided with flower baskets and banners that would be hung from Memorial Day for as long into the beginning of fall as possible.

Seasonal flags and banners could follow into winter and through spring, Leveille said.

A cooperation among different governmental and town departments, the project has even incorporated some of Delaware Avenue's business' niches, including Verstandig's, which has agreed to donate flowerpots.

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is participating, and the town Highway Department has agreed to water the flowerpots daily.

The Highway Department has also agreed to install the brackets that will hold the units.

The IDA project needed the town board to sign off on the project because agreements have to be signed between the town and Niagara-Mohawk and Verizon to display the banners and flowers, Leveille said.

Leveille said he hopes that come Memorial Day, residents and passersby will see about 100 flower baskets swinging in the summer breeze and about 36 banners doing the same.

If business owners like what they see, Leveille said, they may opt in to belong to such an association by taxing themselves and paying into a fund that would be used to make improvements in a certain area.

Leveille said it typically takes a year for a business improvement district to get underway after the decision is made to form one.

If such a district doesn't take hold for this portion of Delmar, Leveille said, it's possible that the IDA and area businesses could look to form a voluntary group that could make similar improvements in other areas of town.

Leveille said business improvement districts are common in both cities and towns.

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Signs of civility scarce, without enforcement

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

COMMENTARY:

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Of course we all think our children are perfect — even if signs can lead to the obvious conclusion that they are flawed. If you ask anybody who qualifies for an AARP membership, one of the first things they'll comment on is the lack of manners in today's children.

Maybe we poor beleaguered parents assume our children will be born polite; maybe we assume we are so polite that our children will pick up that lovely characteristic by osmosis. Modeling, we are told continually, is the main thing we can do for our children, and I don't think the child-rearing professionals are talking about strutting down a runway in nice clothes.

There was a clear moment in our parenting days that made me realize we needed to actively teach our children politeness. We hadn't lived in the Capital District too long when a new friend invited all of us to Sunday afternoon lunch at her house. Christopher was in second grade at the time; Cormac in kindergarten; our friends' children were in third and fifth grades. We left our friends' house late in the afternoon, after having had a lovely time — which means that the children had played on their own, far from the grown-ups, allowing us a rare couple of hours of uninterrupted conversation that had nothing to do with Barney, Power Rangers or who took whose toy and why and what severe punishment should be inflicted upon the perpetrator.

At the door, our hostess asked then-7-year-old Christopher if he ever saw her daughter, who was one year older, around school.

He shrugged a diffident sort of shrug I hadn't expected till the teen years set in and responded, "Don't know, don't care." We were mortified and all over him like white on rice. Where would he have learned to talk like that? What made him think it was OK to say that? We were furious and humiliated all at once and it was Death by Lecture for him when we got home. My friend

kindly brushed it off, attributing it to the blunt way of speaking boys between being little and big used.

Still, it was a watershed marker for us as a family. Chris, in particular, felt strongly enough that he was Mr. Manners for a while. He started with teaching the kids to shake hands and look people in the eye when they were introduced. We have talked at length about what's appropriate to say and what isn't around whom and when. As the boys age, they occasionally say things that are funny but need correcting and sometimes our compromise is to have them save the inappropriate stuff for their friends and under no circumstance ever repeat it around Grandma, Nana or Great-Grandma.

Trying to teach the art of small talk has been an interesting experience, because Christopher isn't a chatty kind of guy and Cormac's really only interested in talking lots. But we work on getting them to pay attention to what people are saying and to respond with fully formed answers beyond "I don't know."

Our biggest bugaboo has been the telephone. You know how everybody has one thing that makes them crazy? My sainted husband flinches, then gets irate when he answers our phone to have somebody just ask "Is so-and-so there?"

"Do they think I'm the secretary?" he mutters upon handing the phone over to the intended recipient, after finding out who's calling. We are always impressed when our children's friends call, identify themselves and use the word "please" when asking to speak to one of our children. Chris' instruction on telephone manners has both boys launching into practically a speech when they call friends.

I've been amazed at telephone manners in professional settings. For about a year-and-a-half now, I've been working part-time in the office. We're a small staff, so everybody picks up the phones. Most of the callers are sweet and we are a business, so it's up to us to serve them. But it's always surprising when people bark the name of the person they want to talk to into the phone, with no "hello," "ummm," or "please" to soften the auditory blow.

So to anyone who's gotten confused about telephone etiquette, here's what you do: whether you're calling an office or a private home, when somebody answers, identify yourself and ask politely for the person you'd like to speak with. Maybe abrupt telephone manners are the result of automated telephone systems, which can be a labyrinth to work through. Perhaps people are so tired by the time they get a human, they've got no energy to be polite anymore. I totally relate to that; if it were up to me, I'd replace all those automated voice mail systems with kindly old ladies who'd call me "honey" and would always know exactly who could solve my problem.

My guess is that our society's lack of civility stems largely from the time crunch we've all gotten ourselves into, combined with the fact that so many things are instant now that we could be losing the ability to wait more than 30 seconds for something. Sometimes it seems like there's no rhyme nor reason to what goes quickly and what goes slowly. A bowl of oatmeal can be ready in one minute, but you can wait 15 minutes to get a live person at the bank to talk with you.

But if we're really crunched for time, being a little more civil can make the time we do have pass more pleasantly. Sometimes I think we get so wrapped up in our lives, our own thoughts, our own realities, that we forget the world starts at our feet; it doesn't end there.

I remember once, as a high school upperclassman, talking with my father about a youth group leader I respected. Dad

shrugged and his only comment was, "He's pretty cold." "Well, he's a little shy," I said.

"It never hurts to develop a little personality," said my father, who had that quality in spades.

That exchange came when full-fledged teenage paranoia had set in, the kind that makes a person sure that everyone is looking at you and judging you negatively. It helped me see that, in a room full of strangers, I wasn't the only one who felt awkward and inept. It taught me that I had an obligation to be a cheerful participant in the world around me. I laugh now that I frequently channel my father, who never met a stranger he didn't have a million questions for.

"Now, Mom," Christopher will frequently tell me as we're about to enter a store, a party, a classroom, or anywhere that people are gathered, "Don't go into journalist mode. Let's just get in and get out again."

I'm not advocating that every transaction end up in the kind of conversation and bonding

moment that creates lifelong friendships. There is a certain value, though, to saying please and thank you, to everyone, whether they're the person who bags the groceries at the supermarket or the doctor who prescribes the antibiotics that finally cure the sinusitis we've been fighting for a couple of weeks. It may sound Pollyannaish, but we only get one shot at life — why not make the most of it by injecting a pleasant tone into it?

As for our kids and their manners, it's an ongoing process. We've got that hand-shaking-look-em-in-the-eye thing down now and I'm working on Cormac to overcome the shyness that leads him to stand behind me when we're talking with somebody new.

I have the same hopes with my children that I do for all of us: we're all ongoing works in progress; let's be patient with one another. Oh, sorry, forgot to say please. Please. And thank you very much.

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Thursday, May 19	91°/1989	29°/1981
Friday, May 20	91°/1962	29°/2002
Saturday, May 21	92°/1941	30°/1949
Sunday, May 22	97°/1911	31°/1967
Monday, May 23	93°/1964	33°/1967
Tuesday, May 24	92°/1964	30°/1963

SEASONAL PRECIPITATION

12.03 inches as of Friday, May 13th
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This week in weather

On May 18th, 2002, Albany received 2.2 inches of wet snow with up to 5 inches in the Catskills. It snowed for the UA Albany commencement and it's the latest measurable snowfall on record in Albany.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	5:30am	8:14pm
Thursday	5:29am	8:15pm
Friday	5:28am	8:16pm
Saturday	5:27am	8:17pm
Sunday	5:26am	8:18pm
Monday	5:25am	8:19pm
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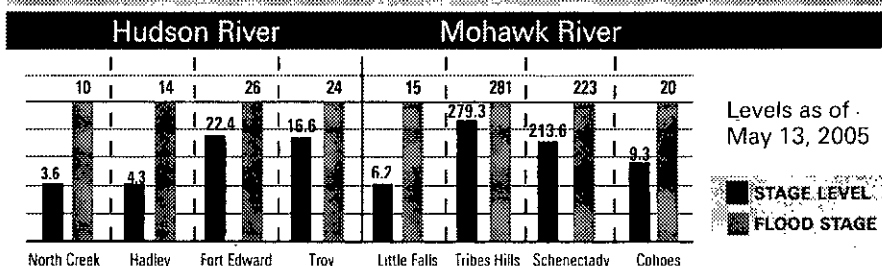
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Saturn	Evening	West
Mars	Dawn	Low, SE
Venus	Evening	Very Low, W

Rivers & Recreation

River Levels



Factoid

May is the height of the climbing season for Mt Everest and other Himalayan peaks. The high altitude weather is warmest and least windy just before the monsoon storm season begins around June 1st.

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	1:21am, 1:28pm	7:58am, 8:27pm
Thursday	2:14am, 2:21pm	8:52am, 9:14pm
Friday	3:04am, 3:12pm	9:45am, 10:00pm
Saturday	3:51am, 4:01pm	10:35am, 10:45pm
Sunday	4:36am, 4:48pm	11:24am, 11:29pm
Monday	5:21am, 5:33pm	-----, 12:12pm
Tuesday	6:05am, 6:19pm	12:13am, 12:59pm



Car accidents keep police busy

By LIBBY SCHIRMER

Bethlehem Police responded to two car crashes May 12, one of which closed the heavily traveled Delaware Avenue down for a number of hours.

A driver who police believe had hit several parked cars in Albany before crossing the city line into Delmar later crossed a double yellow line, setting the scene for an accident that tied up traffic for a few hours.

Around 2:25 p.m. on Thursday, Mary L. Sacca, 45, of Catlyn Court in Delmar, was traveling west on Delaware Avenue in her 1995 Ford, from Albany into town when she crossed over the double yellow line, striking another driver whose 13-year-old son was in the car with her.

All occupants were transported to Albany Medical Center, said Lt. Thomas Heffernan, Jr.

Two fire departments and several police officers from the Bethlehem and Albany Police

departments responded to the Thursday afternoon accident that shut down Delaware Avenue. Heffernan said police believe Sacca hit between two and four parked cars before hitting Ann M.

and facial injuries. All are expected to recover, Heffernan said, adding that the accident is still under investigation. No charges have been filed.

Before that accident tied up traffic at the eastern end of town, an accident on the other end of town also had police baffled.

Around 7:42 a.m., in the area of Anders Road off Route 9W, Jacqueline A. McGurn, 42, of Beaver Dam Road in Selkirk drove her 1992 Mercury across the double yellow line, hitting two trees before coming to a stop down an embankment. Heffernan characterized that

accident as a roll-over.

Heffernan said police are still trying to figure out what happened. He said alcohol was not a likely factor in either of the accidents.

McGurn was transported to Albany Med with a laceration to her hand. Heffernan said she is expected to recover.

Griffin head-on while she was driving her 2002 Dodge.

Heffernan said Friday that police were still considering eyewitness accounts of the accident.

Griffin sustained an arm injury, and her son was taken to the hospital mostly for precautionary reasons, Heffernan said.

Sacca, meanwhile, suffered leg



This wreck Thursday afternoon stopped traffic along Delaware Avenue. None of the injuries sustained by drivers and passengers was life threatening.

Damian Pagano

Church to sponsor chicken barbecues

A drive through chicken barbecue will take place at Jerusalem Reformed Church on May 26 and June 9 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The menu includes a half of a barbecued chicken, a baked potato with butter, homemade

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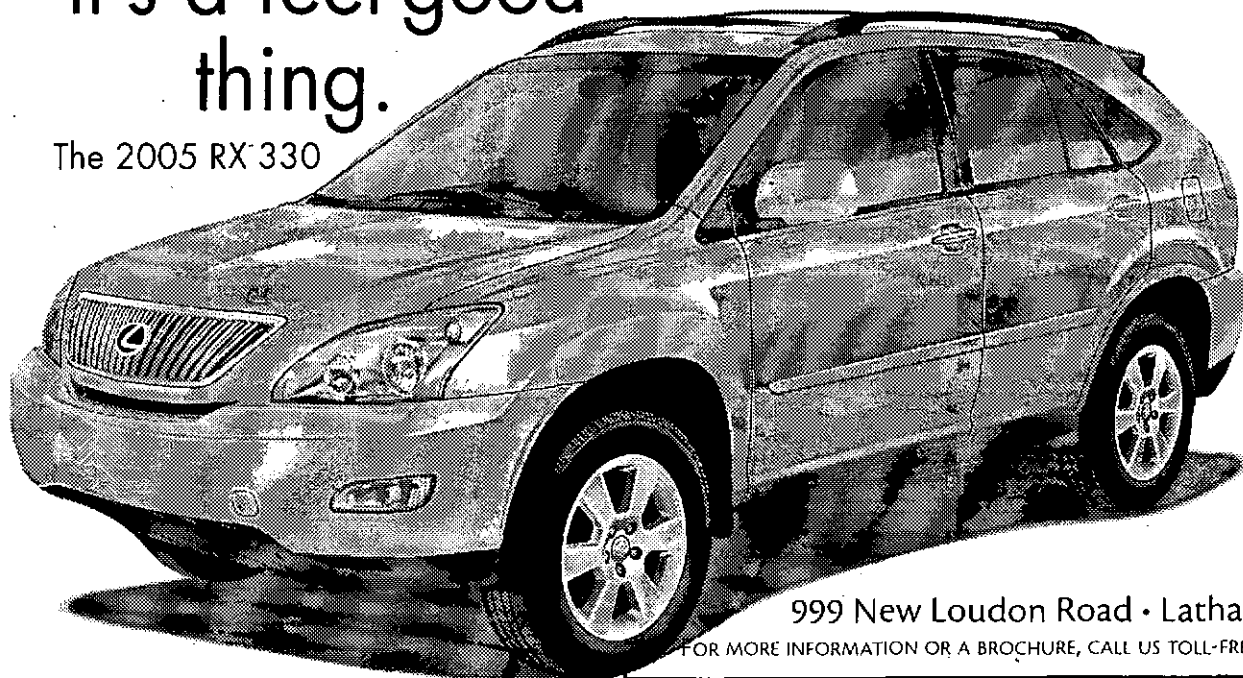
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The Spotlight also welcomes longer opinion pieces for the Point of View section. For information on submitting a Point of View, contact Susan Graves at 439-4949.

Craft fair will benefit volunteer fire co.

The Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Co.'s auxiliary is holding a craft fair and flea market on Saturday, June 11, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Clarksville Firehouse at 2178 Tarrytown Road in Clarksville.

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Matters of Opinion

Monitoring a must

The level of supervision sex offenders receive after their incarceration ends and they return to society has become a matter of grave concern through the region.

The push for tighter controls moved to the fore after *Spotlight Newspapers* ran stories reporting that a Malta motel was used to house four Level 3 sex offenders less than a mile from a pre-school and daycare center. Level 3 offenders are considered the most likely to attack another victim in the future.

A Schenectady basketball team also ended up in the headlines when it was discovered that another offender was coaching them.

Editorial

In Albany County, lawmakers have adopted legislation requesting tighter monitoring of sex offenders including the use of ankle bracelets tied to a Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) to track the movements of the worst offenders. It is unclear whether that idea will come to fruition.

Schenectady County officials have a plan backed by District Attorney Robert Carney and Sheriff Harry Buffardi that would beef up the use of local law enforcement personnel to track offenders. The support for tighter monitoring also exists in Saratoga County where Malta Town Supervisor David Meager has unveiled his own proposal.

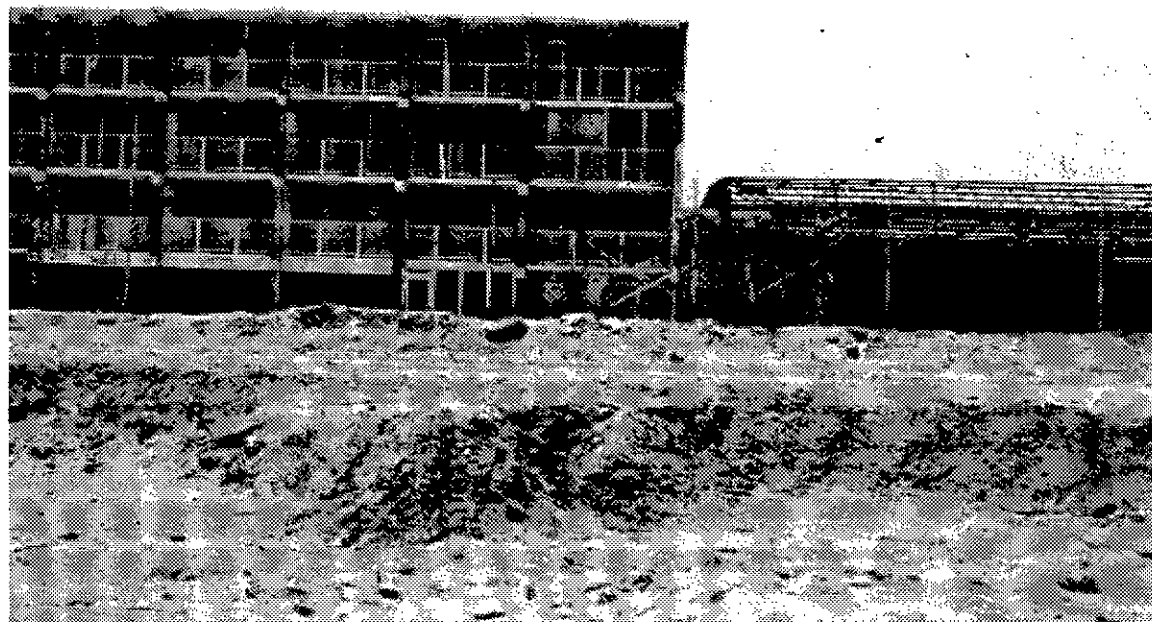
Considering the high recidivism rate of those who commit sex crimes, particularly those that victimize young children, it is crucial that something be done to address this problem. However, a hodgepodge approach in which each county has a different set of rules may not be the most effective response to this pressing public safety concern. It would be more reassuring if area families knew offenders throughout the state were subject to enhanced monitoring.

Gov. George Pataki took a big step in that direction on April 25 when he introduced his own proposal to strengthen Megan's Law. In a key part of his legislation, Pataki seeks to expand the state sexual registry to include both Level 1 and Level 2 offenders. Currently, only Level 3 offenders are listed on the registry.

Pataki wants all sex offenders to be subject to lifetime registration.

In addition, the governor has proposed civil commitment legislation that would give courts power to keep extremely dangerous sex offenders incarcerated even after their criminal sentence has run its course.

The state Senate recently approved those changes to Megan's Law but the Assembly has not yet moved on the governor's proposals. Their action on this issue is overdue.



The wood frame was up for the new back wall at Shuckers restaurant on Hutchinson Island in late March, but the attached hotel still had plywood covering some of the back windows following Hurricane Jeanne's landfall on Florida's east coast last September. Rob Jonas

Scarred, but still standing

By ROB JONAS

The writer is the sports editor for *Spotlight Newspapers*.

Imagine a thresher plowing through a huge field and running over a needle hidden in the tall grass. Now imagine a second thresher coming along a month later and running over the same needle after the grass grows back.

Hard to do? Almost impossible? Try telling that to the citizens of Hutchinson Island, Florida. They were hit by the eyes of not one, but two hurricanes in a one-month time span last summer, and they haven't completely recovered since.

I happened to see the aftermath of the two storms that made landfall on the thin sandbar of an island off Florida's east coast when I visited my parents in March.

Even before making the trip, I suspected it wasn't going to be like my previous visit in 2004 — not when the restaurant two buildings down from the condominium my parents rent for two months in the winter was

shown on TV after the second hurricane (Jeanne) took out the back wall.

There was plenty more evidence of the destruction Jeanne and Hurricane Francis left behind when I arrived. Defoliated trees, damaged sidewalks and blue tarps on roofs still to be fixed because the insurance claims hadn't been processed yet were common sights around the island.

My parents rent a ground-floor condo unit, and it used to have a view of a sand dune covered with low-lying shrubs that lay between the building and the beach. When I was there, the dune wasn't. Instead, there was a nearly clear view of the Atlantic Ocean. The pounding waves from the hurricanes, especially Jeanne, leveled the one layer of protection the island had from the mighty sea.

Keeping up with my exercise routine meant I had to pick a different walking route. Instead of walking toward the business district south of the condos, I walked north toward the nuclear power plant because the sidewalks to the south were crumbled and prone to flooding after a rainstorm.

At least I got to see the nuclear power plant, which I can tell you isn't much of a tourist attraction. Thankfully, that wasn't damaged by either hurricane. Otherwise, there might not be a Hutchinson Island to visit.

Getting rid of the scars left behind by the hurricanes was moving at a snail's pace the week I was down on Hutchinson Island. Two days before I went home, work began in earnest to rebuild the dune, which meant hearing the earth movers and other trucks from morning till late afternoon. Not exactly the peace and quiet I had always associated with the island.

The restaurant that was featured on national news broadcasts after Jeanne left, Shuckers, still had no back wall when I went

for a final walk on the beach. There was a wooden frame where the wall was going to go, but that was as far as the work had progressed. The attached hotel still had boarded-up windows in spots because replacements hadn't been installed. Another hotel farther down Route A1A (the main drag in Hutchinson Island) was also standing idle because the damage hadn't been repaired.

There was other damage that I never got to see — primarily, a mobile home community on the Port St. Lucie River side of the island where numerous homes had been damaged or destroyed.

But from what I did see, it was hard to believe this was the same place that had been a lush and well-heeled island paradise (some condos go for upwards of \$750,000) one year earlier.

When the island returns to its pre-hurricane appearance is anyone's guess. Many property owners in that part of Florida were still waiting for their insurance checks when I was there, and that was six months after Jeanne came ashore.

They weren't alone either — residents across the state who were victims of any of the four hurricanes that hit last summer hadn't gotten their checks, either.

And we New Yorkers complain about how slow our government works. Try living under a blue tarp for six months in the Florida heat because the roof blew away and the check to buy a new roof hasn't come in yet.

(Note to Florida Governor Jeb Bush: between the slow pace of processing hurricane damage claims, the woeful performance by the state's public schools and the recent incidents where young girls were murdered by convicted sex offenders, you're doing a bang-up job.)

The damage will be cleared up eventually, but it's going to be hard to forget the images of what was left behind when the environmental equivalent of two lightning bolts striking the same tree hit Hutchinson Island.

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Your Opinion Matters

Golf course would be great asset to town

Editor, The Spotlight:

In the April 27 *Spotlight*, Libby Schirmer wrote a news article about the fact that the owners of Colonial Acres Golf Course in Glenmont have placed the property on the market.

The course has been a recipient of the Audubon International Award since 1998 and is a delightful sanctuary for flora and fauna.

Amongst the "fauna" who find sanctuary there are new golfers who are learning that gentle athletic art form, and senior citizens who have passed their peak; and for whom this nine-hole, par 3 course is a paradisaal answer to their fervent prayers.

It is also ideal for 18-holers who wish to hone their skills in early

spring and any other time of the Bethlehem golf season.

It would be a crime to have the property fall into the hands of land developers; a crime whose damage could never be reversed.

It has been argued the town can ill afford to purchase such a piece of property at this time. I would say in rebuttal that it can and should be done, with some innovative thinking and joint ventureship. One possible joint venture would be to float bonds at \$2,500 apiece, with the enticement being to offer free usage for three seasons.

It can be done if the will is there; and in the long run, it will prove to be a definite asset to the town, aesthetically and financially.

Levon Bedrosian

Delmar

Town should adopt incentives

Editor, The Spotlight:

I recently read the article regarding the sale of the golf course in Colonial Acres, and Ron Berger's letter to the editor titled 'It may be too late to save precious unspoiled land.'

It seems to me the underlying cause for both of these situations is high property taxes, which cause property owners to convert land to higher use, because of the transfer of the cost of local government, which is primarily the cost of schools, onto property that does not use those services but that we as a community value. Corn does not drive on roads, trees do not use the senior van

and even smart cows do not go to school.

Perhaps a better way to accomplish what Mr. Berger and many of us want to see is for our town board to adopt a plan that sets incentives for lower use land such as forested and agricultural land, and a concerted effort by citizens organized as part of this planning process to eliminate state mandates that make the cost of educating students in the public schools, now approximately \$10,500 per pupil per year at Bethlehem Central, so expensive.

Jared King

Coxsackie

Drivers ignore speed limit at middle school

Editor, The Spotlight:

Each weekday between 7 and 7:30 a.m., I travel Kenwood Avenue and over Elsmere Avenue passing Bethlehem Central Middle School and St. Thomas Catholic School.

It wasn't too far into the 2005 school year that I began to notice many vehicles traveling the route well over the posted school zone speed limit.

In both directions of travel there are blinking lights above the speed limit signs to alert drivers of the speed limits, but few abide by the law.

The majority of speeding vehicles enter the middle school parking lot to discharge their passenger(s). None of the drivers turn the vehicle's engine off while waiting for their passenger(s) to exit with backpacks, musical instruments, etc. Why is there no protest about what is coming out of these exhausts?

Every day, I witness drivers exiting the middle school parking lot as well who are traveling in my direction in front of my vehicle. These drivers pay no attention to the fact that they are still in a posted school zone and continue speeding by St. Thomas School.

What prompted me to finally take the time to write this note? On May 3, at approximately 4:30 p.m., I was driving home via Kenwood Avenue from Delaware Avenue. As I drove past the middle school but before the parking lot exit, I noticed a child stopped in the whitelined crosswalk on the school side of the street attempting to cross to the opposite side of the street.

I safely stopped my vehicle in full view of the child in front of me. I watched a vehicle approaching from the opposite direction as far back as the intersecting street with plenty of time to safely come to a full stop.

There was no obstruction of the view of the child for this driver. However the adult female driver paid no attention to the child stopped in the walkway nor the school's reduced speed limit which was still in effect and sped past only to drive into the entrance the school's parking lot at the far end.

I was happy that the child was sensible and cautious to realize that many drivers break the law and that this driver had no intention of stopping her vehicle. I supposed that exceeding the posted speed limit to pick up her passenger was a good reason to drive recklessly.

It did amaze me, and I cannot help but ask, "What is wrong with you people?" Every morning you exceed the posted school speed limit with children in your vehicle and you set a great example.

Maryann Wetra

Delmar

Winn story was delightful

Editor, The Spotlight:

Congratulations on your excellent front-page article about Lt. Col. Gregory Winn by Katherine McCarthy that was in the April 27 issue.

It was a distinct pleasure to see a local graduate of BCHS


honored, and rightly so as a doctor, Army physician, Bronze Star holder and compassionate American.

Hope to see more uplifting stories like that one.

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Spotlight on FINANCE

Finding balance by letting go

By JOYCE WEILER,
Vice President, KeyBank N.A.

For Mary LoVerde, author, speaker and president of Life Balance, Inc., May 5 started early and ended late. She began with a television interview and then spoke at a presentation. Next she led a couple of sessions with a client in Tulsa before hopping on a plane and returning to her home in Denver. She exercised, went shopping and cooked dinner. She convinced her oldest daughter to fly home for Mother's Day. Then, at 11 p.m., she said to herself, "That's good enough," and went to bed.

Clearly, Mary LoVerde—a woman with a lot to juggle—is a woman in control.

Or is she...and does she even want to be?

Author of the books *Stop Screaming at the Microwave!*, *How to Connect Your Disconnected Life* and *I Used to Have a Handle on Life But It Broke*, LoVerde will readily admit that she has piles of work undone and a seemingly endless

to-do list. She will say that at times she feels overwhelmed and disconnected. She might even tell you—as she does in the introductory paragraph of her biography—about the time when one day, while working at her computer and shouting at the kids to keep their distance, she realized she had become disconnected—from her family, from her work and from the person she was and wanted to be.

For certain, LoVerde will tell you that it was her very desire to be in control—to be the supposedly idealistic modern woman, juggling a career, family and social obligations—that caused her



Joyce Weiler

disconnect. She will also tell you, as she told me in the interview that follows, that for today's woman to be happy, she needs to let go. She needs to give up control.

You had a very poignant moment in your life when you realized that you had become very disconnected from your family and even from yourself, which led to your adopting a new life motto: when you can't keep up, connect. To you, what does it mean to connect?

It means to feel good, to feel unity with yourself or someone else and to be involved in relationships that make you feel good, because feeling good gives you energy, and energy makes you feel connected.

What, at the point in your life when you had this realization, did you change so that you could connect?

I had to change two core beliefs I held about myself. One, that I could get it all done. Two, that it was important to me that everything I did had to be perfect. So I had to let go. When I did I realized that I could never get everything done that I wanted to get done and that what I could do would never be perfect. In fact, I realized I didn't even want it to be perfect. Getting it done, accomplishing something, was good enough.

In your book, I Used to Have a Handle on Life But It Broke, you talk about the need to be in control as a source of disconnect. If you could only give one piece of advice for letting go, what would it be?

To give ourselves permission to feel good and to let go. Also to reward ourselves for letting go, because at some point in our lives we just have to go for it and grasp that the sky will not fall when we do. Things will be all right. Knowing that, that the world will not come to an end, is an important first step.

Does this process of letting go translate to how a person manages money?

Absolutely. People should develop an attitude of abundance. If you think you lack, then you begin to believe that there will never be enough. Also, trust is important. Just because you're letting go does not mean you're relinquishing all control. There are people who can help, like your financial advisor, accountant and insurance broker. Let them do what they do—trust them to do what they do—and allow yourself to feel that it is all right to let them do it.

You tell a story about buying your first house, about your parents not wanting to help you because they did not want to rob you of the thrill of buying your home for yourself.

You say it was a great gift. Why, in your mind, is self-sufficiency such a valuable gift?

There is a geometric progression in every part of your life. Being self-sufficient in one area of life expands your world in others. It makes you feel powerful. It helps you believe that you can accomplish anything.

You are now president of Life Balance, Inc., and an in demand speaker and consultant. Do you at times find it difficult to stay connected?

Sure. My books are my autobiographies. In fact, many people say to me that my books feel like a videotape of their lives. So I'm really not that different. I think what may make it easier to stay connected for me is that with my work I am right there with it [the sources of disconnect] and recognize the behaviors and attitudes that shape it. I find that building relationships—with friends, parents, colleagues and our partners—is the greatest source of energy.

The old question used to be: what do I have left to do on my list.

The new question is: with whom will I connect?

Nurturing our relationships, and giving something of ourselves to others, creates happiness.

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CWD in wild deer confirmed, domestic herd testing done

By GRAHAM S. PARKER

After state authorities confirmed positive samples of chronic wasting disease in wild deer populations, measures are under way to keep the disease isolated in or around Oneida County.

On May 4, the state Department of Environmental Conservation announced that two positive wild deer samples had come back from state labs.

A yearling white-tailed deer and a 3-year-old doe, both found in the immediate area of the initial CWD discovery, were found to have CWD.

"Emergency regulations have been implemented to help address the situation," said DEC spokeswoman Maureen Wren.

To date, there has been no indication that CWD has spread to deer populations in DEC Region 4, which includes the Capital District.

Deer samples in the Region 4 area were also included in the

monitoring, she said.

A containment area has encompassed 17 Oneida County municipalities, as well as three Madison County municipalities.

The regulations prohibit the movement of any deer parts outside of the area and DEC monitoring stations have been set up to check deer taken by hunters in the area.

The possession of any deer killed by a motor vehicle is prohibited, as well as the collection, sale, and possession of deer or elk urine from the containment area.

The feeding of wild white-tailed deer is also prohibited.

The state Department of Agriculture and Markets confirmed on Friday, May 13 that two other captive bred herds that had been in contact with the two contaminated Oneida County captive herds have tested negative for CWD.

However, the department will continue its stringent testing for CWD, and work with area deer

herders, said spokeswoman Jessica A. Chittenden.

The department has identified all the captive bred herds in the area that had contact with members of the two contaminated herds, she said.

"Sampling is now complete," she said. "Our program is statewide, and we will continue to conduct the program the way we have."

On April 27, the DEC and Agriculture and Markets announced the disease had been found in the wild deer population.

In early April, the department uncovered five cases of CWD in the two Oneida County captive bred white-tail deer herds.

Since then, state wildlife personnel have mulled over a cumulative 3,700 samples from several counties and other areas looking for traces of the disease.

More than 300 samples in the Oneida County area alone were

screened between April 8 and April 30.

The samples were processed at the state Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at Cornell University.

The two departments have conducted public meetings in area towns surrounding the outbreak area regarding the department's next steps in controlling the spread of the disease.

CWD is a rare and fatal neurological disease found in like members of the deer family.

It is a transmissible disease that has a one- to five-year incubation period before it attacks the brain of the infected deer and elk.

CWD will cause emaciation and abnormal behavior before death.

There is no evidence that CWD is linked to disease in humans or domestic livestock other than deer and elk.

Summer program teaches kids French

A summer program for children ages 5-11 to learn French during two week-long sessions in July. Children who attend La Petit Ecole will learn French through songs, games, crafts and stories. Lessons are theme-based and taught in French. The summer program will meet Monday through Friday, from 9:15 to 11:45 a.m. The program will be held at the Academy of Holy Names, Lower School, New Scotland Road in Albany.

The first week-long session will run from July 11 to 15 and week two will run from July 18 to 22. Tuition for each week is \$90 for the first child and \$81 for the second child. Families can register children for one or both weeks.

For information, call 439-5854 or 439-3930. The fax number is 475-0458.

Cub scouts learn conservation

The Cub Scouts of Den 5, Pack 23 Hamagrael, have completed the Cub Scout World Conservation Award. The Award required, in addition to a number of other activities, the completion of a stream conservation project and a community conservation project. On Saturday, April 16th, the scouts learned about erosion and the Normanskill landslide and then went over to the nature trail, which follows a tributary to the Normanskill, behind Elmsmere Elementary School for a stream clean-up project. On April 30, the scouts and their families learned about the importance of planting trees, the group planted 24 trees in an orchard of historical and ecological significance at Fiver Rivers Environmental Center.

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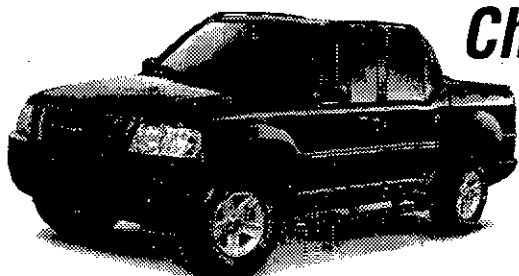
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Swastika

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graffiti," Loomis said. "It obviously represents a terrible insensitivity."

As a matter of policy, the district presses charges against suspected perpetrators of crimes on school property, Loomis said.

Bethlehem Police Lt. Thomas Heffernan Jr. said the students face a range of charges, including felony criminal mischief, making graffiti and criminal trespass.

The vandalism to the three schools also included derogatory comments against BC employees and Bethlehem Police.

Students are expected to make full restitutions, Loomis said.

Loomis said no building in the school district appears to be immune to vandalism, noting the public nature of the buildings, which have surveillance equipment.

"The fact that younger students were involved, just demonstrates again the need to work with all of the students, from kindergarten on up to develop openness and sensitivity," Loomis said, noting an impending survey that will be performed throughout the district regarding instances of harassment and bullying in the district.

Loomis said the results of the nationally validated Olweus survey, which will be conducted in the district, will help formulate

a K-12 program that stresses the importance of accepting differences.

What Holland, who described himself as simply a concerned citizen, found disturbing was the district's reluctance to remove the graffiti from the building.

The swastika was easily viewable from the school's playground in back of the building.

"We saw it on Wednesday evening and when my girlfriend went to the main office to report it, she got the impression that they'd known it had been there since Monday, but didn't do anything about it because the principal was out," Holland said, adding that his girlfriend was "visibly shaken" by that exchange. "You shake your head in frustration on a couple of different levels."

Holland got a call Thursday afternoon, notifying him that the district was taking care of the graffiti.

"The swastika's been covered up, and we're sorry that it took so long," Loomis told *The Spotlight* Friday.

Before the swastika was adopted by the Nazis as their symbol, the swastika, which is believed to be one of the oldest known symbols, was used by many cultures to represent life, sun, power, strength and good luck.

Settle

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2008. The salary increases will be applied retroactively from the beginning of this year.

"It's not terribly long (to go without a contract)," said Superintendent Les Loomis. "But I'm sure everyone prefers to settle rather quickly. In this case it took a little longer."

The negotiations for the contract before this one lasted about two-and-a-half years, said Preska, who first sat a table to negotiate in 1976. By law, when a contract expires, it carries over until a new one is agreed upon.

Loomis called the contract, which requires employees to pick up a higher percentage of health insurance premiums, a "fair" compromise for both sides.

"With any good conclusion to a negotiation, I would expect that

neither side would be totally satisfied," Loomis said. "It took a while, but I believe we were able to achieve a fair and mutually acceptable compromise."

Under this contract, individual employees' health insurance contributions will increase from 2 to 12 percent of the cost of premiums. Minimum doctor's office co-pay amounts are also increasing from \$10 to \$15 per visit. The range of prescription drug co-pays is also increasing, from between \$5 and \$20 to between \$5 and \$60.

This contract also ups the eligibility requirements for retirees to receive health insurance, from 10 years to 15 years of service to the district, though current employees who have worked in the district for 10 years and currently receive that benefit will continue to do so.

Loomis said health insurance costs have been a rising concern for the district.

"Because of the increases in cost, any employer these days is concerned about health insurance as a major expense," Loomis said. "The changes that we made are going to make a big difference and will provide more cost-effective coverage."

The contract, worked on by negotiating teams from the district and the BCUEA, along with lawyers, was approved by the board of education at its May 4 meeting.

"Our support personnel are very important to us," Loomis said. "Without them, we wouldn't be able to educate the students. They are the first people students see in the morning, as they are greeted by their bus drivers."

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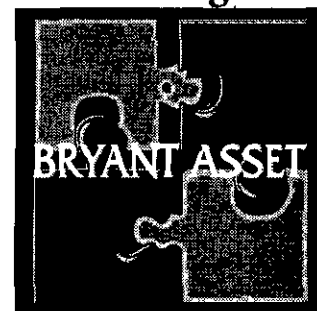


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Relay

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This past weekend proved to be a successful one in terms of fund-raising, Bracket said Monday.

"Last night, we were up at \$58,000, so I've upped my prediction to \$72,000," Bracket said, noting that his fourth-grade daughter's team raised \$500 in a bottle drive alone. "As I see things go up, my prediction follows."

Bracket's daughter's team, has raised \$4,000.

Raffle tickets have been sold, garage and bake sales have been

held, cars have been washed and the teams have been set.

Bracket wants anyone who isn't on a team to still come and participate on the night of the relay.

People who aren't on a team can still do their part for cancer research, Bracket said, by participating in Friday's 7 p.m. opening ceremony, where a cancer survivor and Voorheesville graduate will speak. Participants can buy a candle and paper bag to participate in the Luminaria ceremony at 10 p.m. on Friday night, an event that Bracket

described as moving. The candles that surround the track at the walkers' feet are bought and signed in honor or memory of someone's loved ones and can get up to "20 deep," Bracket said.

"This is going to be Voorheesville's version of Woodstock."

Richard Bracket

"Voorheesville is kind of a small village, a close one, where everybody knows what's going on, but nobody really ever sees anybody," Bracket said. "Everyone drives their cars into their garages on their way home from work and shuts the garage door and is in for the night. This is a great way to see everybody together."

Capital Region military bases spared from closure

By MARTY BANNAN

Two Capital District communities, not to mention 2,300 military and civilian department of defense employees, can breathe easier.

On May 13, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld announced the latest round of base and facility realignments which spare Scotia's Stratton Air National Guard Base and the Watervliet Arsenal from the chopping block, at least for now. Nationwide, 180 military installations including 33 major bases face elimination as part of the Defense Department's Base Realignment and Closure, BRAC released May 13. This is the first series of base closures in 10 years.

"Our current arrangements, designed for the Cold War, must give way to the new demands of the war against extremism and other evolving 21st Century challenges," Rumsfeld said. He added that base closures and realignment would save the government \$50 million.

In the weeks leading to the announcement, state and local officials feared that both the Scotia and Watervliet facilities were in jeopardy of closing. Statewide, nine facilities including the Air National Guard station in Niagara Falls and an Army National Guard facility Glens Falls made the list.

"The BRAC process is about consolidation and realignment," said Rep. Michael McNulty, D Green Island. "Stratton won a consolidation competition with a

California Navy Base in the 1990s, and the Arsenal brought in private businesses to complement its government mission. The visionary thinking of officials both facilities is what saved them. I am happy for the 2,300 of Stratton and the Arsenal, their families. I salute their outstanding service to our country."

McNulty added that while the BRAC process will not conclude until the fall, the Pentagon's recommendation all but assures continued operation at both facilities.

Scotia Mayor Michael McLaughlin agreed.

"I am very pleased a lot of people worked hard to make sure the merits of the base were well promoted," he said. Some realignment, however, is in store for Stratton's 109 Airlift Wing. The unit will lose four of its 14 C-130 Hercules transport planes and possible 19 jobs.

The arsenal, on the other hand, stands to gain \$63.7 million in investments, including \$32.4 million to manufacture the M777A1 Howitzer canon and Benet Labs will get \$2.5 million ATLAS Lightweight Rarefaction Wave Gun according to a press release from Democratic Sen. Hillary Clinton's office.

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your condition is mild to moderate, the dentist will often recommend a procedure called scaling and root planning. This is non-surgical periodontal therapy that is often performed by the dental hygienist, and can achieve optimal results. This procedure occurs in multiple appointments with a final evaluation at the end. During the reassessment it may be determined that there is disease still present in specific areas, and your dentist may recommend a localized antibiotic treatment. Other options for periodontal treatment may be surgery and can be determined by your dentist and a periodontal specialist.

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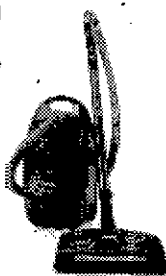


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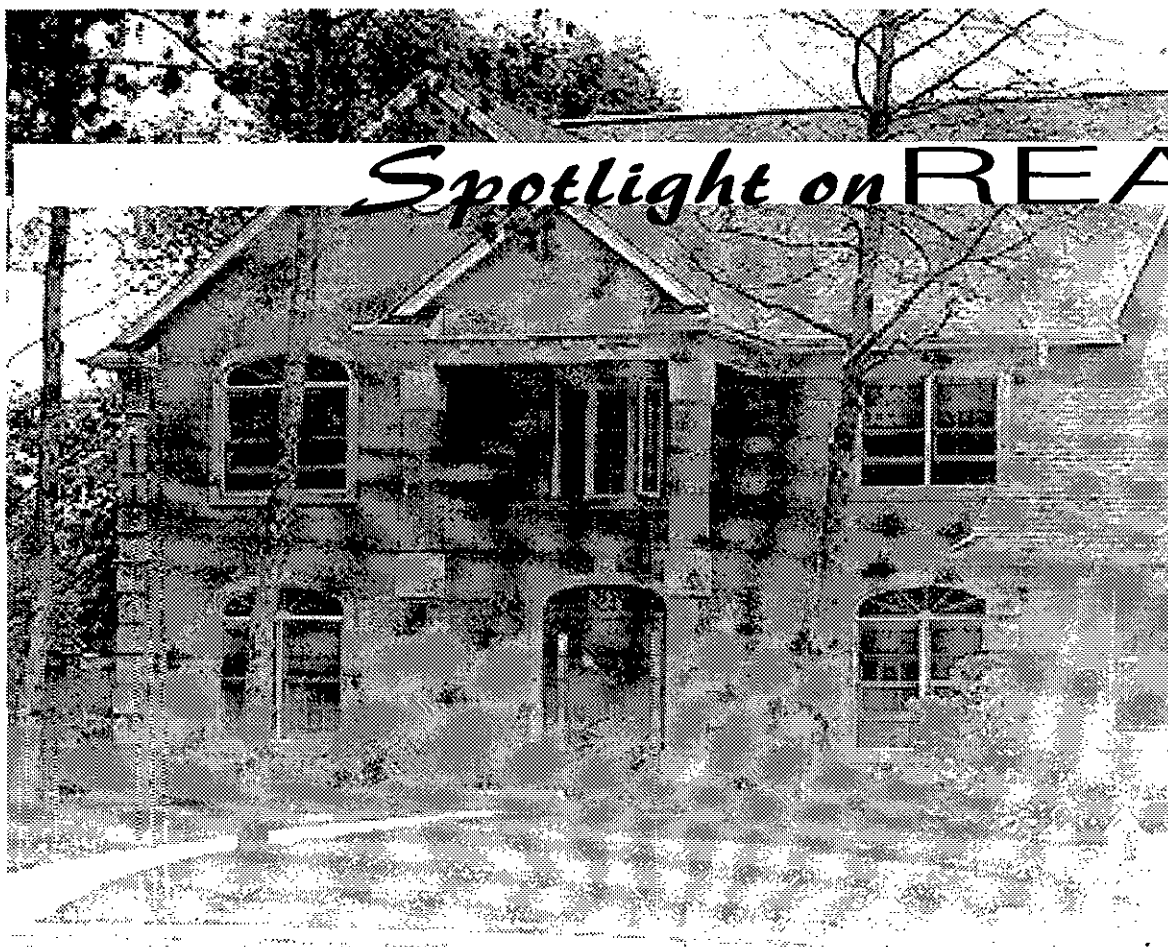
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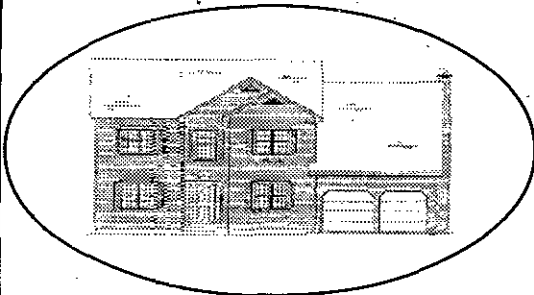
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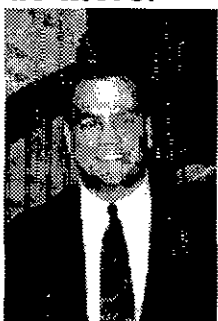
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Parents ask school board to consider more elementary school teachers

By JAMES CUOZZO

A contingent of concerned parents representing students in the Voorheesville Elementary School is asking the school board to add two full-time teachers to the district's payroll.

Christine Wilcenski, who has a daughter in the first grade, presented the board with a petition signed by 42 parents urging the staff additions. "Twenty-four children in my daughters' class is too many," she said. "Parents are very upset with the class size and we are here

tonight to urge you to add another second-grade class."

Shara Biernacki, who also has a first-grade daughter, said her daughter would benefit from more one-on-one attention by the teacher.

"All we ask is that students' education is a priority in this

year's budget process," Biernacki said.

"Discipline and a lack of control by the teacher is also an issue," Beth DiAngelis said.

Class sizes in kindergarten through third grade average between 24 and 25 students. The parents are seeking two additional full-time elementary teachers to reduce those class sizes to 17 or 18 students per class. Superintendent of the Voorheesville Central School District, Alan McCartney, said the district has set aside money in the new proposed budget for additional staff.

"We do have money for a contingency plan but we have to take a look at what is the ratio between adults and kids in the classroom, how much support do they have," he said. "We have to look at the schedule, the timing and what the true impact is, not just one teacher teaching a number of kids." McCartney also presented the budget that was scheduled to be voted on yesterday, the results of which came too late to be included in this newspaper.

The \$19,325,855 spending plan is up \$661,410 from the current year's budget. It calls for a 6.67 percent increase in the tax levy and a potential tax rate increase of 4 percent on town of New

Scotland residents. The major increases in the coming year's spending plan is a \$204,000 increase in health insurance costs and a \$174,000 increase in retirement system costs. The budget also includes the use of \$319,000 in fund balance, leaving the district's fund balance reserve for the coming year at \$371,000.

Newsweek magazine ranked Voorheesville 270 out of 1000 schools surveyed in Advanced Placement testing.

"It's a great honor to first be placed on that list but it only measures one small item of all the different things we do," McCartney said. "But when I'm looking at 1,000 schools in the United States, even if you're on that list you are in the top 4 percent in the country and any school on that list should be proud."

New Superintendent Linda Langevin was officially voted in to replace McCartney, who will retire in July. Langevin was the former superintendent for the Ausable Forks Central Schools. The board also accepted the resignations of elementary teacher Megan M. McMahon, foreign language teacher Ana Valladares-Weiser and art teacher John A. Lopez.

The next school board meeting is scheduled for June 13.

BC Class of 1985 reunion set for August

The Bethlehem Central High School Class of 1985 will be holding its 20th reunion at the Normanside Country Club on Saturday, Aug. 13 from 7 to 11 p.m. Please forward current mailing addresses and e-mail

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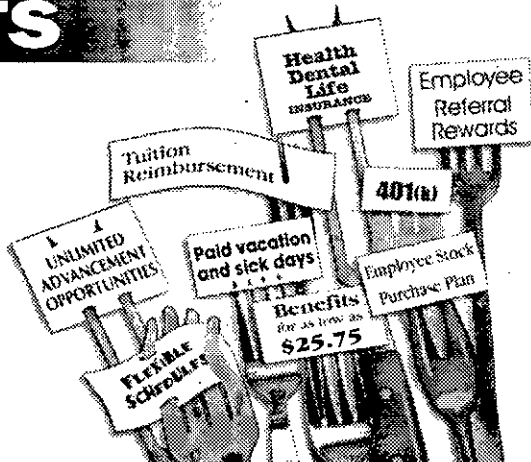
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The doors open Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. for Sneak Preview Night if you are a member of the Library Friends. If you are not already a member, you can join the Friends

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group at the door for as little as \$5. This is a sneaky way for Friends' to increase its membership and for you to have first crack at the best books.

An incentive for early arrival on Saturday is the mouth-watering

homemade baked goods offered for sale beginning 10 a.m. and continuing until the goodies are gone.

Then, on Sunday, May 22, from 1 to 4 p.m. the library will conduct its "Buck-A-Bag" when you can bring your own bag and fill it to overflowing for just \$1.

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Regarding the Fountain: A Tale of Letters, of Liars, and Leaks, by Kate Klise is great fun and should tickle the fancy of fourth through seventh graders who will meet for book discussion on Tuesday, June 7, at 7 p.m.

Stairway to another world

Secrets of Droon #1: The

Instructor Julie Stump assists Mugette Martel with the construction of a colorful sweatshirt-quilt jacket at a recent Nimblefingers meeting at the Voorheesville Public Library.

Hidden Stairs and the Magic Carpet by Tony Abbott is the book for grades 2 and 3 discussion on Friday, June 3, at 7 p.m.

When Neal and Julie are helping Eric straighten up his basement, they follow a soccer ball into the small room under the basement stairs where the floor suddenly evaporates to reveal a rainbow staircase to another world.

The children are caught in the midst of a battle and are saved by Princess Keeah of Droon who promises to help them get home.

The world of Droon is full of magic, flying lizards and fun, furry creatures.

Sign up at the reference desk for either program and pick up a copy of the book.

News and notes

• Adults should come prepared to give a short talk about a favorite book at adult book discussion on May 25 at 7 p.m.

If you don't want to talk, it is permissible to just listen and take notes on what you might want to add to your reading list.

• *Bubbles Pop!* at family storytime on Tuesday, May 24, at 7 p.m. Books about bubbles will provide an eye-popping good time. After our stories, be prepared to blow bubbles and experiment with bubble solution. Let's hope for some lovely weather to take our bubbles outside.

• For information, visit the library Web site at www.voorheesvillelibrary.org.

Barbara Vink

Memorial Day parade route set

The American Legion Nathaniel Blanchard Post is organizing this year's Bethlehem Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 30.

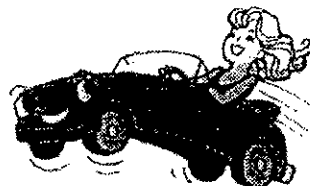
The parade route is the same as in the past. Stepping off at 11 a.m., residents can travel to any of these roads to watch the parade as it follows this path: Starting at the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post on West Poplar Drive, Elsmere Avenue to the Bethlehem Cemetery, west on Kenwood Avenue, Adams Place to Adams Street, to Delaware Avenue to Bethlehem Veterans Memorial Park. At the park, there will be a flag raising, a wreath laying ceremony, prayer service, final taps and playing of the national anthem.

Group meeting topic includes plant sale

The Hudson Adirondack Daylily Society will meet Saturday, May 21, at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County on Martin Road in Voorheesville at 10 a.m. Topics include the member auction plant sale and discussion of new events.

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Bethlehem Public Library offers free legal help for senior citizens

Senior citizens and others can get information about health care proxy, power of attorney, guardianship, wills and probate at the New York State Bar Association's 11th Annual Decision Making Day, hosted by Bethlehem Public Library Friday, May 20, at 2 p.m.

Through this public service project, volunteer lawyers give free presentations to help people make more informed decisions about health care and personal finances.

Topics for this year's program include *A Legal Checklist* – an overview of legal documents every New Yorker should know about.

Last year, the Bar Association conducted approximately 170 programs across the state at community facilities, senior centers, libraries and hospitals.

Presenter Margaret Z. Reed is an Elder Law and Estates attorney practicing in Delmar. She chairs the Bar Association's Elder Law Client and Consumer Issues



Committee and its annual statewide Decision Making Day program.

Reed is a graduate of Albany Law School and a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. Prior to entering private practice, she served as staff attorney for the Government Law Center of Albany Law School's Aging Law and Policy Program. She is a frequent speaker for the Bar Association and other organizations.

Decision Making Day at the library is cosponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects. Call 439-9314 to register for this free program.

Signs of summer

June will be here soon, and the library is offering two programs to get the summer season off to a

great start.

Imagine yourself into summer with storyteller Joni Goldberg in *Waiting for Summer* on Sunday, June 5, at 2 p.m. Activities, a craft and summer snacks round out this family program.

Learn about America's favorite summer treat in *What's the Scoop?* on Monday, June 6, at 10 a.m. Learn about the history of ice cream, ice cream makers, and "ye olde ice cream shoppe." Help make and sample America's favorite dessert.

This free program is presented by the Scotia-Glenville Traveling Museum and cosponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects.

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Ravena Friendship Festival returning; needs vendors

The Ravena Friendship Festival will return in August 2005 after a six-year absence. In preparation for the Aug. 27 day-long event, a newly formed committee is looking for interested craft vendors.

The day is aimed at fostering community involvement and family fun. Some of the old favorites will return, but new additions are expected, too.

The festival, held in Mosher Park, will offer food, music, entertainment and fireworks.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Friendship Festival Committee or who is looking for an application to be a vendor, should contact Nancy at the village offices at 756-8933 during regular business hours.

The committee also will be seeking support from the community to sponsor some of the activities and music.

Ravena Public Library gearing up for Saturday, June 4, book sale

The Ravena Public Library's Book Sale will be on Saturday, June 4, — Village Yard Sale Day — from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m..

Donations of books in good condition are welcome.

We will have adult fiction with a separate section for mysteries, all kinds of nonfiction and many children's books.

There also will be music CDs for sale. Proceeds from the CDs will be set aside for music-related library activities, per federal stipulations for the class-action settlement that gave them to us.

Please, no encyclopedias or textbooks.

Summer schedule

The library's 2005 newsletter contains the summer activities schedule.

The schedule lists locations and times for library youth activities from July 5 through Aug. 11.

If you have not received a newsletter, please contact us. We will send you a schedule and correct our mailing list.

Young writers welcome

Young Writers Workshop is

the only activity in the summer schedule that requires pre-registration.

The workshop is for children in the middle grades, age 9 and above. We prefer attendance for five of the six weeks of the weekly sessions, otherwise the project is difficult to finish.

Call 756-2053 to register.

Participants can choose either Tuesday or Thursday afternoon.

Closed for holiday

The library will be closed on Saturday, May 28, and Monday, May 30, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday weekend. Until July, Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Judith Felsten

Bethlehem students receive honor

Albany College of Pharmacy recently recognized two Bethlehem Central students for their achievement in science at the recent Regional Chemistry Olympiad.

Vidhya Aroumongane and Eric Braunstein, both of Bethlehem Central High School, are two of 10 local nominees and 1,000 nationwide who have an opportunity to compete to become members of the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad by taking a national qualifying exam.

From those scores, 20 students will be identified, after which four will be chosen to go to the International Chemistry Olympiad competition.

The local competition was sponsored by the Eastern New York Section of the American Chemical Society, and the national competition was sponsored by the American Chemical society.

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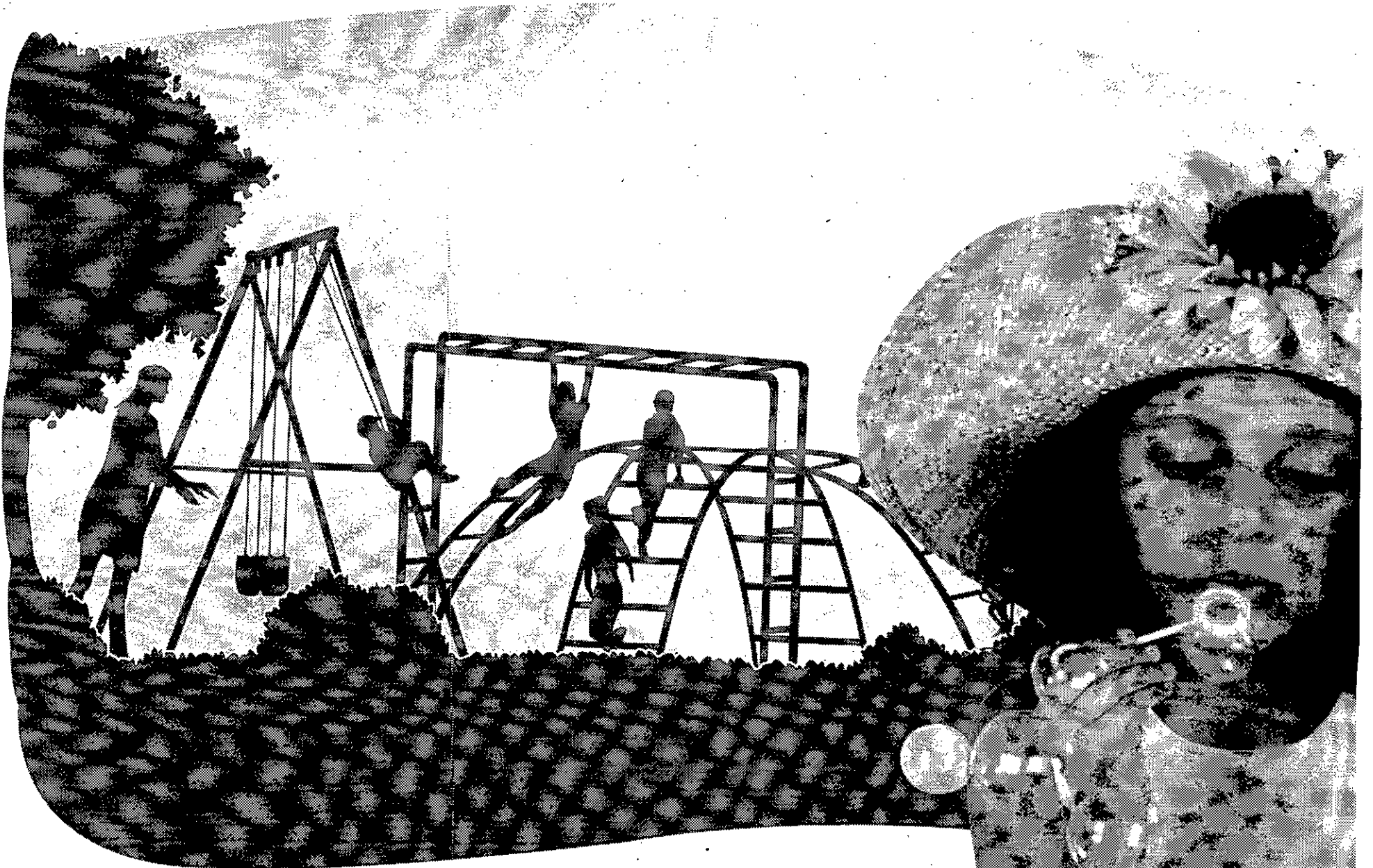
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America's Love Affair With Outdoor Barbecues

The benefits of a

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Spring into Spring with
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routine

Put spring in your step



Now is the time to
get outdoors and
start a routine

Finally spring is here. Now you can spend less time indoors and start enjoying the warm weather outside.

Gone are the excuses so commonly used in the winter months. You know them: It's too cold. It's too snowy. There's nothing to do outside.

By contrast, spring offers us just as many reasons to go outdoors and get our exercise routines back on track.

"Exercising outdoors can be extremely invigorating, especially if you've been cooped up inside all winter," said Jeff Zwiefel, senior vice president, Life Time University. "Incorporating outdoor activities into your daily exercise routine allows for a refreshing change of scenery and can put the fun back into your workouts."

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Plus, diversifying your routine by bicycling, walking, jogging, playing golf and tennis can also help strengthen and condition a range of muscle groups.

Another of the great things about outdoor exercise is that you can turn it into a social outing.

In case the warm, spring weather isn't quite the motivation you need, get yourself involved with new outdoor exercise groups and activities.

For example, the Life Time Fitness Running Club is one of the fastest growing running clubs in the country. The club welcomes people of all ages and abilities, including the fitness walker, beginning runner, seasoned triathletes and veteran marathoner.

"Our running club is a great

way to socialize and reach your fitness goals at the same time," said Dan Finanger, running club director of Life Time Fitness. "The running club provides coaching and training opportunities along with a variety of social activities, personal attention and a team atmosphere."

However you refresh your workouts with the coming of spring, supplementing outdoor exercise with regular visits to your health and fitness center will ensure that you remain active during those rainy days and colder months.

Remember, too, that your resistance training is a critical component of a balanced fitness program, so keep visiting your gym for weight training and

group fitness classes.

And remember, exercise doesn't need to be done alone, so call that long-lost friend and arrange to meet over a brisk walk or bicycle ride in the park or a stroll through your neighborhood.

Try to find someone with a similar fitness level and don't be afraid to try a variety of activities. It will keep your fitness routine from getting boring and you might find a new activity that you enjoy.

So, take advantage of the warmer weather and enjoy the outdoors while getting back into or while staying in shape.

For more training and nutrition tips, or to find a Life Time Fitness center near you, visit www.lifetimefitness.com.

Gardening without a garden

You don't need a plot of land to enjoy the fruits of your labor

As days warm and mailboxes burst with garden catalogs, many people begin to find their green thumbs itching to play in the dirt.

But if you're one of the countless people for whom a full-fledged garden isn't a possibility, you don't have to give up the vision of bountiful blooms and fresh produce. There are options available to provide everyone with a way to grow.

Folks with limited space or mobility — or those who want the

beauty and benefits without the hours of work — are discovering the many different types of container gardening. Once reserved for apartment dwellers only, container gardening can now work for every lifestyle, as more and more people are discovering.

If you're looking for a way to grow vegetables, flowers or herbs without all the tilling, weeding and pest control and without tearing up large portions of your yard, consider a self-contained

growing system that takes up almost no space and needs very little maintenance.

A multi-pot system, such as the American-made EzGro kit, allows gardeners to cultivate up to 20 plants in only a few feet of space. These complete kits provide everything you need to start growing, including an easy-to-assemble plant tower; durable, specially designed pots; and growing medium and plant food for lush, bountiful harvests. The structure allows the plants to be rotated for optimal sunlight exposure.

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And harvesting is easier as well without bending, stooping or digging.

Containers can also create a welcoming entryway. Filled with trailing vines and colorful blooms, baskets and decorative pots are easy to care for and provide a punch of color at your door. Choose large, shallow baskets on either side of a doorway, or place a half-round basket against a gate or fence.

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Six steps to backyard tranquility

Choosing a hammock is the way
to go as summer approaches

With 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 No. 1 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, motion as well as personal and natural comforts.

1. **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 decorative with soothing colors and coordinating accessories such as pillows for even greater comfort," said 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.

2. **Comforting Scent:** By positioning your hammock next to a flowerbed 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," said Chuck Sineath, president of Nags Head Hammocks.

3. **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.

4. **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," said J. R. Pelletier, manager of Internet retailer **The Hammock Company**.

"With such a kit, movement can be provided even when a soft breeze is nowhere to be found."

5. **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.

6. **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.

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Eighty-five percent of families barbecue regularly, as the outdoor lifestyle evolves. If yours is the typical barbecuing household, you have more than one grill.

America's love affair with barbecuing is burning brightly, as today three quarters of U.S. homes have a grill and more than 60 percent of gas grill owners cook outdoors year-round.

Those few who don't own a grill probably enjoy barbecued food at the homes of families or friends.

Eighty-five percent of families barbecue regularly (families of four or more is an even higher number), as the outdoor lifestyle evolves. If yours is the typical barbecuing household, you have more than one grill. Odds are the second (or third) one is a smoker, a turkey fryer, a kamado cooker or a portable grill to take along on family outings or vacations.

The twelve-month season

What began as barbecue week became National Barbecue Month in May of 1982, when the industry figured it was time to acknowledge that this is the time when the season typically began.

Now most people would say barbecue time is any time, with very good reason. Six out of 10

new grills sold are gas fueled, and most gas grills are covered. Ditto smokers and kamados. That takes care of cooking out anytime, even with rain or snow.

Just as important, outdoor hearth appliances such as chimineas, portable firepits and patio heaters are increasingly

barbecuers are also discovering the advantages of using wood chunks or logs as a primary fuel source.

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popular as the trend toward the 'Outdoor Room' continues in all parts of the country. The warmth and ambiance they provide stretches the season in most locations and makes longer evenings outdoors more comfortable than ever.

Woodfires to infra-red searing

Cooking food over fire has had some evolution. While it may not be rocket science, grill design and technology has come a very long way – all with the objective of giving you the flexibility, quality, affordability and safety you want in your backyard.

Cooking over charcoal is enjoying a tremendous resurgence, especially using natural lump charcoal. More

adventuresome meals – for nearly any size gathering – without even turning on the kitchen light.

Any time is barbecue time

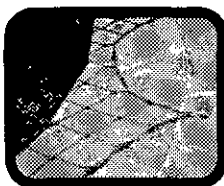
According to the Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association (HPBA) there are literally billions of barbecue occasions annually in the United States. And maybe that's because it is an occasion, whether cooking a family meal or entertaining.

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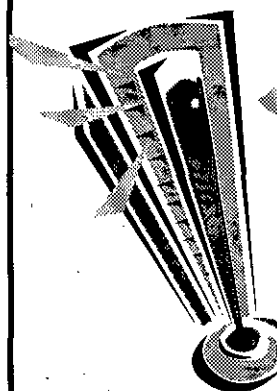
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Backyard playgrounds benefit the whole family



An outdoor play system attracts children to play

Summer is just around the corner and parents everywhere are bracing themselves for those well-worn phrases that every kid utters dozens of times a day – “I’m bored,” and “There’s nothing to do.”

“Summer should be a time for kids to be kids,” says Karl Jessen of Detailed Play Systems, whose company was named a best buy award winner in the playground category in the April issue of Consumer’s Digest. “They should be outside exploring their surroundings, using their imaginations to create their own little worlds, learning to share and play with other kids.”

What better way to encourage that sense of imagination and fun than with a backyard play system?

From forts to rock climbing walls to sandboxes, parents can customize a play set for their family that the kids will enjoy for years to come. And mom and dad will love it, too, since the kids will keep themselves entertained for hours.

Research has found that playgrounds are essential not only to a child’s physical strength, but mental well-being. They help kids develop cognitive reasoning and problem solving skills, and encourage them to use their imagination and creativity.

Jessen founded Detailed Play Systems in 1998 after completing an extensive search and compare market study to provide a high quality yet affordable play system for his own two sons.

“I started looking into getting

a backyard play system, and the prices were so high, I decided to build one myself,” he said. The problem was, no one was selling materials that met his standards as a kit; he found himself dealing with different vendors for various components – hardware and lumber at one place; swings, slides, monkey bars and other play equipment from various other vendors. He decided there was a niche to be filled and started his business.

Daniel and Bethany Jacques of Hadley, Mass., also suffered sticker shock when they started pricing play systems for their family and discovered that wooden play sets typically cost between \$2,000 and \$3,000, depending on how fancy they are.

“While doing our research online, we came across Detailed Play Systems and found we could give our kids a high-quality play set for under \$1,000 with a little

work on our part,” said Daniel.

“Our play systems are designed to meet the needs of the cost-conscious consumer who wants to save approximately 50 percent off the cost of comparable prefabricated wooden forts and swing sets, without sacrificing the safety, size, quality or features of their children’s backyard playground,” said Jessen.

The key to the savings is low overhead and customers’ willingness to spend about eight hours of their time cutting and drilling hand-selected wood prior to starting to build something special for their children.

Detailed Play Systems provides its customers with detailed plans, top quality hot-dipped galvanized hardware, swings, slides and all play equipment accessories needed to build.

The wood is not included (shipping wood can easily add \$500 to the cost of a play set, Jessen notes), but each kit contains a lumber purchase guide that shows exactly what a customer needs to buy to build the desired configuration. Kits range from \$169 for a basic Jungle Fort Builder Kit to \$900 and up for the works – a dual fort plus swing set combination. The company’s most popular kit, the Jungle Fort Swing Set kit, sells for \$389 and features a 6-foot by 6-foot fort with sandbox beneath, complete with inclined step ladder, gangplank ramp and

attached three-position swing set.

“Sets are fully customizable, giving kids and parents practically

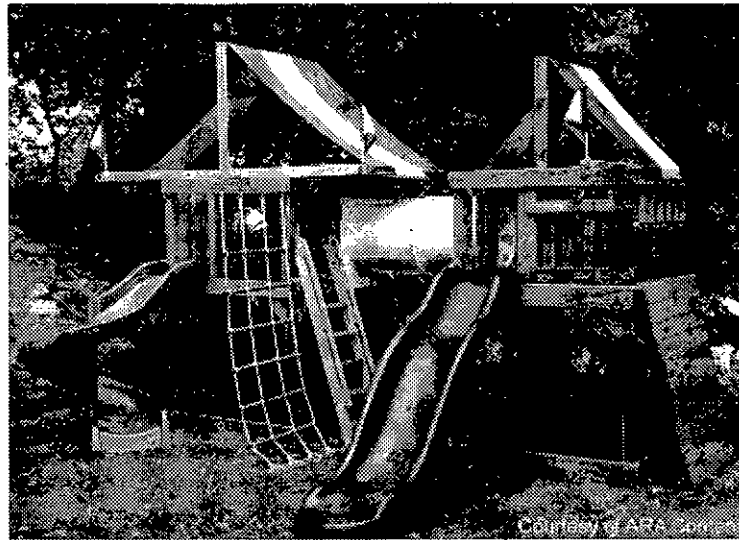
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The new

Rock Climbing Wall entrance design, like most others, offers kids the challenge of climbing their way into the play set. Detailed Play’s design exclusively offers the option to build a “half fort wall” safety barrier – instead of leaving the fort wall wide open – to help prevent accidental falls out of the 5- or 7-foot deck height play structures.

Detailed Play Systems is based in New Jersey, but does most of its business online and through catalogs. To order a catalog, call (800) 398-7565 or log on to www.detailedplay.com.



endless options,” said Jessen.

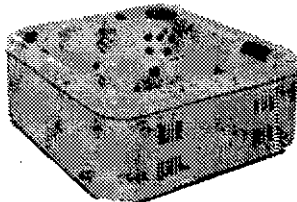
And because everything works together, you can build a basic play set now and add on as your kids get older. Choose from accessories such as periscopes, telescopes, steering wheels, sandbox covers and specialty swings.

Jessen is excited about the most recent additions to his line, the Jungle Fort Campus, which is perfect for large groups of kids and in-home daycare providers, and an innovative and exclusive new Rock Climbing Wall entrance.

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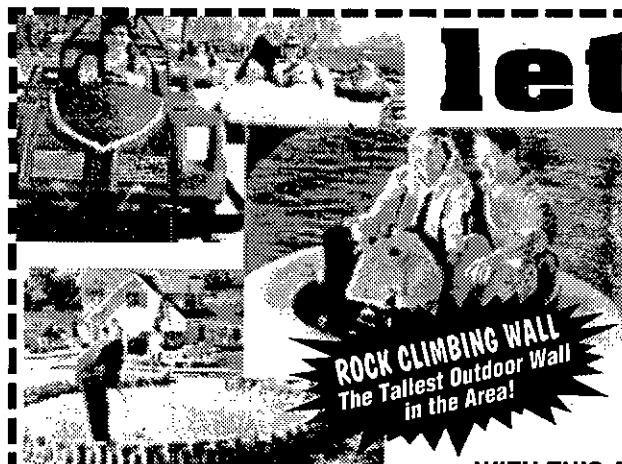
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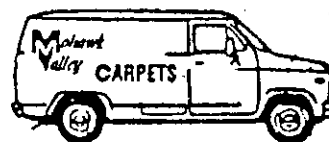


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Deciding what to do is an annual survival technique for those emerging from a long winter hibernation and the answer is obvious. Spring-cleaning requires lots of motivation and dedication.

Spring is home improvement time. Generally speaking, this falls into major categories such as: spring cleaning, lawn and garden work, maintenance and repairs, upgrades and the "honey-do list" of accumulated small things. Deciding what to do (and in what order) is an annual survival technique for those emerging from a long winter hibernation — and the answer is obvious. Spring-cleaning requires lots of motivation and dedication (because as Yogi Berra once noted "It ain't over 'til it's over").

Lawn and garden work (once started) goes until next fall. And doing "big stuff" requires dragging out tools and costs some evenings and/or weekends as well.

Thus, for those wanting to "ease" into their chores, the "honey-do" list wins hands down.

And this year, completing it (and then some) is incredibly easier and more creative than ever.

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press it back into place. In 24 hours, you're good to go. Grout needs a touch-up? Use some there, too.

•Caulk any gaps or cracks that appeared over the winter. It saves energy, prevents water damage and improves appearance. Don't forget you can also touch up windows, doors, baseboards, tubs and sinks and much more.

•Noisy cabinet doors or drawers that slam shut with a



— whenever and wherever you need them.

Besides all the traditional uses (such as small caulking jobs for the kitchen and bath), the new mini is invaluable for everything from saving time to saving money.

Here are a few ideas and interesting uses — just to get you thinking:

•Loose tile in the shower? On a countertop or backsplash? Remove it, add a few dollops, and

bang? A dab on inside corners (or on the frame) serves as quieting bumpers.

•Keep picture frames and mirrors hanging straight with a dab on corners too. Dab, let dry and hang.

•Make non-scratch/non-slip "feet" for soap dishes, liquid soap dispensers and ceramic canisters.

•Flower pot or patio table rocking back and forth due to an uneven surface or bottom? To make "self-leveling" feet — turn it over, add a few dabs, let it partially set-up (six or seven hours) and place the bottom or legs down on pieces of waxed paper right where you want it. Next day, you'll have a "solid" fit. Levels most things — big or small, inside or out.

•Toilet tank lid doesn't fit right? Scrapes and grinds because it's loose? Put a bead around the top edge of the tank or inside the lid. Let dry for 24 hours and replace for a snug (and quiet) fit.

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- To smooth a bead of adhesive caulk, use a popsicle stick or moistened finger. Many pros use an ice cube for a slick finish.

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AJCC names director

Teen camp celebrates 30th anniversary

Bob Rivers has been appointed Albany Jewish Community Center of Albany Teen Camp director.

The announcement was made by Albany Jewish Community Center Executive Director Susan Shpeen.

Rivers comes to the AJCC camp with over 30 years experience teaching water skiing. He is a former member of the United States Water Ski Show Team.

A native New Yorker, Rivers has worked with youth as an instructor of boating, water skiing and navigational and basic survival skills for much of his teen and adult life.

"The most important aspect of the summer camping experience has to be child safety. My staff and I will work hard to achieve that goal while at the same time making certain that each camper has the quintessential day camp experience," said Rivers.

The teen camp set up, based

on Warner Lake in East Berne, will allow teens to participate in wakeboarding, kneeboarding, tubing, sailing, kayaking, canoeing, swimming, water volleyball, and other sports and crafts.

"Thirty years of operation with a track record for child and parent satisfaction is something we are incredibly proud of."

Susan Shpeen

Campers also will be able to avail themselves to overnight trips to Six Flags Great Adventure Park, in New Jersey, Hershey

Park in Pennsylvania, Montreal and Lake George.

"We are thrilled to be offering one of the oldest continuously operated exclusive teen camp programs in the Capital District," said Shpeen. "Thirty years of operation with a track record for child and parent satisfaction is something we are incredibly proud of."

Teen camp is open to all children entering grades seven through 10. Camp begins Monday, June 27.

Campers are transported to Warners Lake each day by school bus from the home base of the Albany Jewish Community Center on Whitehall Road in Albany. Camp hours are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Teens and their parents are invited to a camp open house Sunday, June 5, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Warner Lake.

For information, contact Rivers at 438-6651, ext. 339 or visit Bobr@saajcc.org.



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Getting yard equipment powered up for spring



An annual tune up is just what the lawn doctor ordered

It's that time of year when handheld outdoor power equipment is pulled from storage and pressed into service. It's also the time when this equipment should get its annual maintenance. Fortunately, equipment manufacturers and their dealers have made it easy.

"Most products out there today have a tune-up kit available," said David Shumate, owner of Ike's Small Engines in Bryan, Texas. "The kit typically includes air and fuel filters, the

type of oil the equipment requires, a pre-gapped spark plug and whatever else is needed for the tune-up."

Take the model and serial numbers of your equipment with you to get the kit, because "the kits are product-specific. Nobody shares parts," adds Shumate.

A thorough tune-up goes beyond the obvious, said Nick Ellis, owner of Bethel Power in Bethel, Conn. "Lubricating the gearbox on a string trimmer is

overlooked, as are control cables and carbon deposits in mufflers. And although manufacturers design engine cooling fins that won't collect debris, those fins should be checked and cleared of any leaves or pine needles that have accumulated there."

Shumate agrees that it pays to be thorough. When a customer brings in a piece of equipment, "we look at every moving component," including clutch, clutch drum, safety devices, air box integrity as well as belts, bearings, pulleys and the recoil starter rope.

Is all this too involved for the average homeowner?

"I recommend that everyone give it a shot themselves," said Shumate. "If they replace the filters and the spark plug and that doesn't solve their problem, then they can bring it in to us."

Complete servicing takes only a half an hour to three-quarters of an hour, said Ellis. That's for the pros, who are familiar with the process, and they have the necessary tools at hand. Even so, the homeowner should be able to service a piece of equipment in an hour or so.

And how often does it need to be done?

"About every 25 hours," said Ellis. "If you use the equipment for an hour a week and your season is six months long, once a year is just about right."

Ellis recommends the machine be brought to a dealership every



other year for inspection and servicing.

Lots of people bring their machines to their dealers whenever service is needed. Lots of them bring them in when the weather warms. That's a problem, says Shumate. "The earlier, the better, especially if you want to get the machine back in three or four days."

By late February, many people in his area are already cutting grass, so his regular customers bring their machines into the dealership in late January or early February to beat the rush.

Proper servicing ensures safe and productive use of the equipment. It also prolongs the

life of the machine, says Ellis.

"Homeowners who invest in a premium brand like ECHO and service the equipment regularly will get 10 or 15 years of reliable use without a problem," said Ellis.

For information on the full line of ECHO handheld outdoor power equipment, visit www.echo-usa.com.

Managing fuel

Springtime equipment problems often start as storage problems in fall. The No. 1 offense is failing to drain the fuel before the machine is put away.

"All gas in the U.S. is oxygenated," said Andy Kuczmars, director of national service and technical training at Echo Incorporated. "Oxygenation reduces exhaust emissions, but it also makes the gas unstable. Gas should stay in the tank or can no longer than 30 days."

After four months of storage, gas has almost certainly gone bad. Bad gas is easy to spot. It's discolored. "It has a yellowish or brownish tinge to it," says Kuczmars.

"The best way to tell is to look at the fuel filter inside the tank. Filters are made of white felt, so if yours is brown, a red flag should go up."

Bad gas also changes scent; it smells like varnish.

The solution?

Carefully drain the bad gas into a proper container, and then bring it to a recycling center or add it to the nearly full gas tank in your automobile. Install a new fuel filter. Refill the equipment with fresh fuel. If there's a purge bulb, pump it several times to get fresh fuel into the carburetor.

If you drained the tank last fall and are now refilling it, Kuczmars has this advice.

"Fill the tank, pump the purge bulb and then let the machine sit for a half-hour. The fuel will restore flexibility to the carburetor's diaphragm so that the motor idles smoothly."

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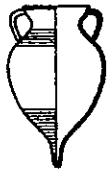
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Voorheesville High School hosts Relay for Life cancer benefit

The first Relay for Life Cancer fundraiser will be held at the Voorheesville High School track on Friday and Saturday, May 20 and 21.

Proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. This overnight community event provides an opportunity for all of us to help fight cancer and provide services for those affected by the disease.

The evening will feature entertainment and fun activities. It will also be a time to honor survivors and remember those who lost their battle to cancer.

For information, call Sherry Burgoon at 765-3314, extension 319.

Day of recognition

The New Scotland Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a Community Recognition Day for Cliff Casey, who is retiring his practice as of June 1.

Well-wishers are invited to stop by Sunday, May 22, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Hoteling Park (across from the Methodist Church) in Voorheesville.

Kiwanians will be serving hot dogs, soda and cake and music will be provided at the gazebo.

For information, call Sue Reilly at 765-2538.

PTA meeting May 19

The next regular meeting for the Voorheesville PTA will be held Thursday, May 19, at 7 p.m. in the Voorheesville Elementary School library.

Wildflower workshop

A wildflower identification

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workshop will be held Tuesday, May 24, at 7 p.m. at the state Dept. of Environmental Conservations Five River Environmental Education Center in Delmar.

The program is free.

Participants should dress for the outdoors. Bring your own wildflower guide if possible. The center will have a limited number of guides available for loan.

For information, call 475-0291. Register by Sunday, May 22, as space is limited.

Annual gala set

The Second Annual Gala and Auction, run by the Voorheesville Community & School Foundation, will be held on Saturday, June 4, at the Albany Country Club.

This year the foundation is honoring Alan McCartney on his retirement. For information,

contact Peggy McKenna at 765-3452.

Student art displayed

Voorheesville High School will present *Students Visions*, a senior art exposition through May 31 at Professor Java's, a coffee sanctuary on 217 Wolf Road in Colonie.

There will be an artist's reception from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public.

Refreshments will be served.

For information, call Marie Triller at 765-3314, extension 350.

Thacher schedules walks

Weekly walks in the woods are scheduled every Thursday morning in June, July and August at Thacher Park. The walks will begin at 9:30 a.m. and last until approximately 11 a.m.

Each week, a different trail will be explored. The lengths of the walks will vary but the average walk will be between 1.5 and 2.5 miles and all walks are easy to moderate.

The first walk of the summer will meet Thursday, June 1, at 9:30

a.m. at the Paint Mine Picnic Area.

In the event of inclement weather, the walks will be rescheduled to the following day at the same time.

For information, call the park office at 872-1237.

Basket-making class

A basket-making class will be held at Thacher Park Thursday, June 1, beginning at 9 a.m. The class will meet at the Paint Mine Picnic shelter.

Experienced basket-weaver Pat Lightbody will instruct participants in designing and creating a Strawberry Basket in celebration of June's full moon — The Strawberry Moon.

Fresh strawberries will be available for snacking. Participants may wish to also bring a picnic lunch.

The fee for the workshop,

including materials is \$12.

Space in the workshop is limited so advance registration is necessary. For information or to register, call 873-1237.

Frog watch program

An evening walk in search of amphibians will be held Friday, May 27, at 7:30 p.m. at the New York state Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Center in Delmar.

Participants should bring flashlights, dress for the outdoors and wear footwear that won't be a problem if it gets wet.

For information, call 475-0291.

Team selling caps

The Voorheesville Blackbirds baseball team is selling baseball caps. The hats are black with an embroidered "V" and sell for \$15.

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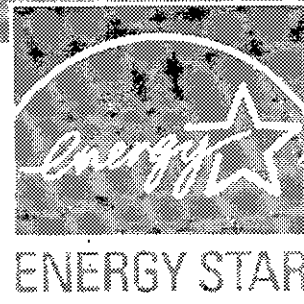
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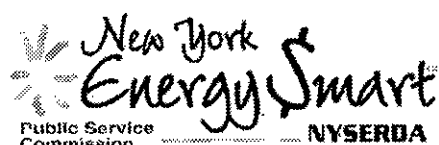
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Obituaries

Gladys Deschenes

Gladys Hickey Deschenes, 97, of Voorheesville died Monday, May 2, at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Mrs. Deschenes was born in Scotia.

She worked at the Army depot in Scotia during World War II.

Mrs. Deschenes was a homemaker.

She was the widow of Albert A. Deschenes.

Survivors include two daughters, Judith Roraback of Schenectady and Marjorie Oles of Burnt Hills; two sons, Albert Deschenes of Voorheesville and John Deschenes of Schenectady; 12 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were from Bond Funeral Home in Schenectady.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to Mercy Care Life Center for the Lourdes Unit, 2 Mercy Care Lane, Guilderland 12086.

Eugene Pace

Eugene D. Pace, 80, of Delmar died Wednesday, May 4, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Mr. Pace was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was an electrical engineer for Bausch & Lomb of Rochester and Genesee Brewing Co.

He was also a member of the Ravana Gun Club.

He was husband of the late Marguerite Pace.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Wallace Pace; three daughters, Mary Ellen Pace of Delmar and Donna Jean Maggiore and Carol Ann Romano, both of Gansvoort; a son, Christopher Michael Pace of Selkirk; a stepdaughter, Kelly Matthews Jones of Charlotte, N.C.; a brother, Americo Pace of New Jersey; a sister, Linda Caruso of New Jersey; and six grandchildren.

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

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospital Coronary Care Unit, 319 S. Manning Blvd. Albany 12208.

Morton Tryon

Morton D. Tryon, 81, died Tuesday, May 3, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Mr. Tryon was born in Coeymans Hollow and lived in the area all his life.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

In 1985, he retired after 20 years of service with Penn Truck Lines.

Morton was a life member and past commodore of the Cossackie Yacht Club, a member of the Flying Knights and Greene County Aero Modelers.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Stacey Rivenburg Tryon of New Baltimore; a daughter, Sharon Davis of Florida; three stepsons, Frederick of Cossackie, Donald of Climax and Richard of Manhattan; and five grandchildren.

Services were from Babcock Funeral Home in Ravana.

Burial was in Chestnut Lawn Cemetery in New Baltimore.

Contributions may be made to Senior Projects of Ravana, P.O. Box 142, Ravana 12143 or to Ravana Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 144, Ravana 12143.

Daniel Whyte

Daniel Thomas Whyte, 73, of Slingerlands and formerly of Ravana, died Friday, May 6.

He was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

He retired in 2000 after 48 years of service in the insurance claims industry.

He was a member of the Mother McCauley Council 3424 Knights of Columbus in Ravana.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Louise Coppola Whyte; two sons, Thomas Patrick Whyte of Esperance and the Rev. Michael Whyte of Connecticut; three daughters, Cynthia Seay of Voorheesville, Bridget Brown of Altamont and Kathryn Whyte of Slingerlands; a sister, Ellen Patricia Whyte of Catskill; and five grandchildren.

Services were from Babcock Funeral Home in Ravana and St. Catherine of Siena Church in Albany.

Inurnment was in St. Patrick's Mausoleum in Coeymans.

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

Jean Becker

Jean LaRose Becker, 58, of Ravana died at home Saturday, May 7.

Mrs. Becker was born in Troy and lived in Ravana for 40 years.

She worked for the Ravana-Coeymans-Selkirk School District as a suspension aide and a janitor. She also worked at Ed's Diner for 18 years.

Survivors include her husband Rodrick Becker; three sons, Russell LaRose, Mark LaRose and Roger Becker; a stepson Ralph Becker; five sisters, Lillian Abare, Helen McFarland, Shirley Nestoryak, Nancy Miller and Joyce Firstern; three brothers, John Nestoryak, Richard Nestoryak and Robert Nestoryak; and four grandchildren.

grandchildren.

Services were from Babcock Funeral Home in Ravana.

Burial was in Chestnut Lawn Cemetery in New Baltimore.

Contributions may be made to the Justin Bonafide Scholarship Fund, the Coeymans Hollow Methodist Church or to the Ravana Rescue Squad.

George McAlpin

George W. McAlpin, 89, formerly of Delmar, died Wednesday, May 11.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Staples McAlpin of Rye, N.H.

Services were from J. Verne Wood Funeral Home in Portsmouth, N.H., and Rye Congregational Church.

Capital District Transportation Committee Business Meeting

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Obituaries

Mark Fiato

Mark J. Fiato, 53, of Voorheesville died Sunday, May 8.

Mr. Fiato was born in Albany and also lived in Voorheesville.

He was the owner and operator of Taco Pronto Restaurant for 25 years.

He was an accomplished businessman, a member of Mohawk-Hudson Cycling Club, sponsor of the Electric City Motorcycle Riders Club and a member of the American Motorcycle Association.

Survivors include three daughters, Amy Suzanne, Kristin Kale and Heather Kathryn Fiato, all of Voorheesville; a brother,

Mick Fiato of Boston; three sisters, Martha Fiato of Gunderland and Mona George and Miriam Fiato, both of Voorheesville and his parents, Kale Fiato of Albany and Salvatore Fiato of Slingerlands. The mother of his children, Laura Williams Fiato, also survives.

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

Burial was in Jerusalem Cemetery in Feura Bush.

Contributions may be made to the Capital District Cancer Resource Foundation, 317 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Mary Rowley

Mary Rowley, 101, of Delmar died Monday, May 9.

Mrs. Rowley was born in Schoharie County and grew up in Cobleskill. She graduated from Syracuse University. She also lived in Morrisville before moving to Delmar in 1938.

She taught math and Spanish in Horseheads and Bath schools.

She was a member of the Lutheran church and was also a national officer in Lutheran Students of America. While living in Delmar, she was a member of First United Methodist Church.

She was a member of the Delmar Progress Club and the antique study group.

She was the widow of Ralph Sutliff and H. Eliot Rowley.


Survivors include four sons,

Larrie Sutliff of Briarcliff Manor, John Rowley of Paupack, N.J., Roger Sutliff of Delmar and Calvin Sutliff of Brooklyn; 16 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Services were from Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar and First United Methodist Church.

Burial was in Slate Hill Cemetery in Sharon.

Contributions may be to the town of Bethlehem Senior Van Service, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.



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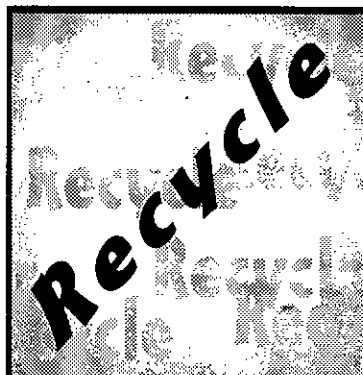


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Bethlehem graduating class seeks help from juniors

Parents of Bethlehem Central High School seniors are planning Graduation Celebration 2005, a drug and alcohol free all night party for graduating seniors. The group is looking toward junior class parents for support they can give to make the event, which includes dancing, entertainment, raffles, games, food and prizes, worthwhile.

This year's event will be held Friday, June 24, from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. at the high school.

Volunteer committee parents will be making calls this month asking for assistance in making the event safe and enjoyable for the seniors.

Traditionally, junior parents provide support during the event for registration, games, food service and security.

This event will be the 15th annual for Bethlehem Central. The volunteer committee will have information regarding specific jobs and shifts.

Also, there will be a meeting for interested junior parents at the high school cafeteria on June 6 at 7 p.m.

Parents who need more information can call one of the following volunteer committee chairs. Maureen Cagino at 475-0519, Tracey Stanton at 475-1045 and Anita Stein at 439-8451.

Family Day to note 20 years of FOL

The Friends of the Bethlehem Public Library will sponsor a Family Fun Day in May to celebrate its 20th anniversary. In conjunction with other groups, the Friends will kick off a day of fun on May 21 at the Large Pavilion in Elm Avenue Park at 2 p.m. The day's schedule includes games, pony rides, bouncety

rides, demonstrations, crafts, food vendors and a raffle. From 4 to 7 p.m., a chicken barbecue will be held. Advanced purchase of tickets is required. Tickets cost \$9 and can be purchased at the Bethlehem Public Library desk until May 17. Live entertainment by Sylvia and her Magic Trunk will begin at 5:45 p.m. during dinner. Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and students 13 and up. Children will be admitted for free. After 5 p.m., no admission will be charged.

All of the proceeds from this event will be donated to the library to support the purchases of library materials and special equipment and sponsorship of lectures, concerts and children's programs.

For information, call David Cooper at 527-0455 or e-mail him at dmcrider@yahoo.com.

AAA Hudson Valley sets driving course

AAA Hudson Valley is offering a five-hour pre-licensing course on Sunday, June 5, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at its offices at 618 Delaware Ave. in Albany.

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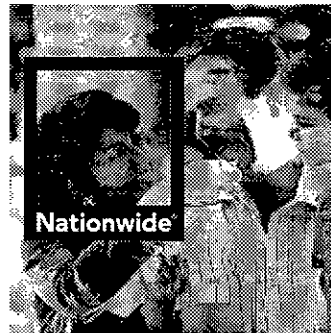
Cost for this course is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

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Woosters celebrate 50th anniversary



Barbara and Richard Wooster in 1955

Richard and Barbara (formerly Rentein) Wooster of Delmar recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party hosted by their children.

The couple was married April 30, 1955 at St. Kevin's Church in Montreal.

They are the parents of John (Nancy) Wooster of Glenmont, Peter Wooster of Schenectady, Susan (David) Pace of Delmar and Charles (Debbie) Wooster of Glenmont.

They are the grandparents of Corey, Laura, Sarah, Sam, Meagan and Henry Wooster and Owen and Stuart Pace.

Barbara is a water colorist and artist.

She has been an animal rights supporter and enjoys her Labrador retrievers and grandchildren.

Richard was vice-president of First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Rochester.

He enjoys sailing, Labrador retrievers and being with his family.

He is a lifelong New York Giants and Yale football fan.

Persing, Hentnik engaged

Katherine Leigh Persing, daughter of Daniel and Joan Persing of Delmar, and Ethan Andrew Hentnik, son of John and Elizabeth Hentnik of Amsterdam, are engaged to be married.

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

She is a legal assistant for Kriss, Kriss, Brignola & Persing.

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

He is employed by Value Options, Inc. in Latham.

The couple plans a July wedding.



Katherine Persing and Ethan Hentnik

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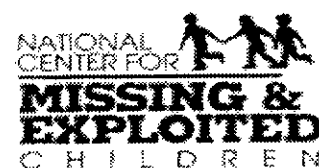
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 B4: before B4N: bye for now BAK: back at the keyboard BBIAB: be back in a bit BBL: be back later BBN: bye
 bye now BBS: be back soon BEG: big evil grin **BF: boyfriend** BFN: bye for now BG: big grin BL: belly laughing
 BMTIPG: brilliant minds think in parallel gutters BRB: be right back BTA: but then again BTW: by the way
 BWL: bursting with laughter BWTHDIK: but what the heck do I know C&G: chuckle & grin CID: crying in
 disgrace CNP: continued (in my) next post CP: chat post CRBT: crying real big tears CSG: chuckle, snicker,
 grin CU: see you CUL: see you later CYO: see you online DBAU: doing business as usual DIKU: do I know
 you? DL: dead link DLTBBB: don't let the bad bugs bite DQMOT: don't quote me on this EG: evil grin EMFBI:
 excuse me for butting in EMSG: email message EOT: end of thread F2F: face to face FC: fingers crossed
 FISH: first in, still here FMTYEWTK: far more than you ever wanted to know FOMCL: falling off my chair
 laughing FTBOMH: from the bottom of my heart FUD: fear, uncertainty, and doubt FWIW: for what it's worth
 G2G: got to go G: grin GA: go ahead GAL: get a life GD&R: grinning, ducking, and running GF: girlfriend GFN:
 gone for now GIWIST: gee, I wish I'd said that GMBB: giggling my butt off GMTA: great minds think alike
 GOL: giggling out loud GTRM: going to read mail GTSY: glad to see you H&K: hug and kiss HAGN: have a good
 night **HDOP: help delete online predators** HHIS: hanging head in shame HTH: hope this helps HUB: head up
 butt IAC: in any case IANAL: I am not a lawyer (but) IC: I see IDK: I don't know IHA: I hate acronyms IIRC: if I
 remember correctly ILU: I love you IM: instant message IMHO: in my humble opinion IMNSHO: in my not
 so humble opinion IMO: in my opinion IOW: In other words IPN: I'm posting naked IRL: in real life IWALU: I
 will always love you IYSWIM: if you see what I mean JIC: just in case JK: just kidding JMO: just my opinion
 JTLYK: just to let you know K: okay KIT: keep in touch KOC: kiss on cheek KDL: kiss on lips KOTC: kiss on the
 cheek KWIM: know what I mean? LBR: later LD: later, dude LDR: long distance relationship LLTA: lots and
 lots of thunderous applause **LMIRL: let's meet in real life** LMSO: laughing my socks off LOL: laughing out
 loud LSHMBB: laughing so hard my belly is bouncing LTM: laugh to myself LTNS: long time, no see LTR: long-
 term relationship LULAB: love you like a brother **LULAS: love you like a sister** LUWAMH: love you with all
 my heart LY: love you M/F: male or female MOSS: member of same sex MOTOS: member of the opposite sex
 MSG: message MTF: more to follow MUSM: miss you so much NADT: not a darn thing NIFOC: naked in front
 of computer NP: no problem NRN: no reply necessary OIC: oh I see **OLL: online love** OM: old man OTF: off
 the floor OTDH: on the other hand OTTOMH: off the top of my head P2P: peer to peer PDA: public display of
 affection PEBCAK: problem exists between chair and keyboard PLZ: please PM: private message PMFJIB:
 pardon me for jumping in but POANF: put on a happy face **POS: parent over shoulder** PU: that stinks QT:
 cutie RL: real life ROTFL: rolling on the floor laughing RPG: role playing games RSN: real soon now S4L:
 spam for life SETE: smiling ear to ear SHCOON: shoot hot coffee out of nose SHID: slaps head in disgust SF:
 surfer friendly SNERT: snot nosed egotistical rude teenager SO: significant other SOMY: sick of me yet? SOT:
 short of time STW: search the web SWAK: sealed with a kiss SWL: screaming with laughter SYS: see you soon
 TA: thanks again TCOB: taking care of business TCOY: take care of yourself TIA: thanks in advance TILH: tell
 it like it is TMI: too much information TOY: thinking of you TTYL: talk to you later UW: you're welcome WB:
 welcome back WFM: works for me WIBNI: wouldn't it be nice if **WTGP: want to go private?**
 WTG: way to go WU: what's up WUF: where are you from? YBS: you'll be sorry YL: young lady YM: young man

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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

Austin Tichenor, far right as General George Washington addressing the Minutemen, left to right, Dominic Conti and Reed Martin, in the Reduced Shakespeare Company's "The Complete History of America-abridged."



The Civil War, Reduced-Shakespeare style: Austin Tichenor, left, and Reed Martin, right, re-enact a battle.

They didn't teach you this in sixth grade

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

An hour and a half might not seem like much time to cover the entire history of the United States. The authors and performers of "The Complete History of America (abridged)," now on stage at Albany's Capital Repertory Theater, see it differently. "It's a public service, really," said Reed Martin, one of the members of the Reduced Shakespeare Company who wrote and is performing in the play that opened last week.

Before decamping from his home in the wine country of Sonoma, Calif., to bring the troupe's humorous version of American history to the Capital District, Martin talked by phone about the show and the acting company.

The Reduced Shakespeare Company got its start as a pass-the-hat act in California with high school and college friends.

"The entertainment was quasi-Elizabethan," Martin said. "By 1987, we were doing half-hour versions of 'Hamlet' and 'Romeo and Juliet.' We heard about The Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland, and wrote the material for 'The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)' on the plane over."

The shortened Shakespeare play began touring in 1987 and Martin joined the company in 1989. In addition to receiving a traditional education at the University of California at Berkeley and the University of California at San Diego, he had also attended the Bill Kinnamon School of Professional Umpire Training and Clown College. Before joining the RSC, he had worked for two years as a clown with the Ringling Bros.

"The circus taught me direct interaction with the audience," Martin said. "If people come in late to our show, we stop and ask them why." His stint as an umpire also helps onstage. "As an umpire, you learn to not put up with any crap," Martin said. "If somebody heckles you, heckle them harder."

Involving the audience, Martin said,

keeps a performance more interesting for the cast.

Martin promised that the show would prove interesting for the audience, too.

"We're kind of Monty Python meets the Marx Brothers on a pot of coffee," he said. "It's a fast, funny and physical show."

To get the history of the country to the length of the show, Martin said they "cut out all the minor historical characters and get right to the sex and the killing, which is what people like to see."

One of the writers and performers, Austin Tichenor, was a classmate of Martin's and a history major at UC Berkeley. He's responsible for keeping things accurate ... sort of.

"What we're not twisting for comic effect, we try to get right," Martin said. "We're also equal opportunity offenders and our only agenda is that the audience has fun. Whether it's history, Shakespeare or literature, it doesn't have to be boring."

There are six performing members of the Reduced Shakespeare Company; Martin, Tichenor and Dominic Conti opened the show in Albany. Wherever the cast travels, they try to add a local dimension to the show.

"I'm an avid newspaper reader," Martin said. "When we arrive someplace, we ask people a lot of questions and find out what the local scandals are."

While performing in Lowell, Mass., last fall, the cast used the presidential debates as the format for question-and-answer time with the audience.

"I can't make any promises for Albany," Martin said, "but sometimes the Commander-in-Chief shows up and takes questions from the audience."

In addition to Martin and Tichenor, Adam Long is co-owner of the Reduced Shakespeare Company. Long is based in England, where the second RSC is located. In addition to its versions of American history and the plays of William Shakespeare, RSC members have also written "All the Great Books (abridged)" and "The Bible: The Word of God (abridged)."

They've ventured into the musical world with "The Complete Millennium

Musical (abridged)" and they've taken on Richard Wagner by reducing his Ring Cycle to a half-hour radio show. In addition to touring, RSC members have performed on the English radio giant, the British Broadcasting Corporation, and been regular guests on National Public Radio. Much of their work has been recorded on CD and just before coming to Albany, they were their own category on "Jeopardy." The Shakespeare show airs periodically on PBS and has been published so that other companies can also perform it.

Martin said "The Complete History of America (abridged)" is rated PG-13. He advised Capital District residents to be sure and catch the show. "You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll kiss good money good-bye," he said.

"The Complete History of America (abridged)" will run at Capital Repertory Theater on Broadway in Albany through June 5. As always, Cap Rep has special events planned around the show.

On Saturday, May 21 and Saturday, June 4, you can see the 4 p.m. show and

take the Albany Aqua Ducks 75-minute tour on land and sea for \$44 per person, or take the tour, then see the 8:30 p.m. show, for the same price. The Duck leaves Cap Rep promptly at 6 p.m.

On three consecutive Wednesdays — May 18, May 25 and June 1 — there will be a post-show discussion with the cast, artistic director and special guests. On Sunday, June 5, a half-hour pre-show discussion with a light continental brunch will start at 1 p.m.

Regular performance times are Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 4 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets cost between \$22 and \$40. Discounts are available for groups of 20 people or more. Half-price rush tickets are available 30 minutes before the show, based on availability; teachers, people under 30, subscribers, and seniors also receive discounts.

For information, call the box office at 518-445-7469 or visit the Web site, www.caprep.org.



World War I "dough boys" in the trenches. Left to right - Dominic Conti, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor.

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

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Condensed version of Disney animated movie presented by Home Made Theater's Youth Conservatory, Saratoga Spa State Park, 7:30 p.m. May 20, 1 and 4:30 p.m. May 21, \$8 adults, \$5 children 12 and under. Information, 587-4427.

THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES

Parody of classic story presented by Confetti Stage, Hilton Center for the Performing Arts, 40 Russell Road, Albany, May 20-22, \$10 adults, \$5 children 12 and under. Information, 253-1253.

RUMORS

Neil Simon comedy presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through May 28, 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, \$18. Information, 877-7529.

Music

"THE HILLS OF HOME"

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Texas alternative country singer/songwriter, May 23, 7:30 p.m. at The Egg, \$38.50. Information, 473-1845.

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Capital District rockabilly favorites, May 31, 6:30 p.m., Cook Park, Colonie, free. Information, 869-7562.

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Local blues singer/songwriter, June 1, 11:30 a.m., Ten Eyck Plaza, Albany, free. Information, 465-2143.

"BEACH PARTY"

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Alternative country rock band featuring former lead singer of rock legend Whiskeytown, June 3, 7:30 p.m., Northern Lights, Clifton Park, \$20 to \$22. Information, 371-0012.

CAPTAIN SQUEEZE & THE ZYDECO MOSHERS

Zydeco band from Capital District, June 8, 11:30 a.m., Ten Eyck Plaza, Albany, free. Information, 465-2143.

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Singer/songwriter, June 8, 7:30 p.m. at The Egg, \$26. Information, 473-1845.

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Polish music, June 14, 6:30 p.m., Cook Park, Colonie, free. Information, 869-7562.

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Town pops band, June 16, 7 p.m., Cook Park, Colonie, free. Information, 869-7562.

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Singer/songwriter backed by the North Mississippi All Stars, June 23, 7:30 p.m. at The Egg, \$29.50. Information, 473-1845.

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Annual festival of folk music including performances by Susan Trump, Guy Davis and Groovemama, June 24-26, Altamont Fairgrounds, \$15 to \$85. Information, 765-2815.

Comedy

DAVE ATTELL

"Insomniac" host, May 28, 7:30 p.m. at The Egg, \$29.50. Information, 473-1845.

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Star of "King of Queens," June 16, 7:30 p.m. at the Palace Theatre, Albany, \$38 to \$58. Information, 465-3334.

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Visual Arts

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SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

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.

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"New York's Fighting Zouaves," through October, "Battleground for Freedom: New York during the Revolutionary War," and "To the Standard: Civil War Cavalry Flags from the New York State Battle Flag Collection," ongoing, 61 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs. Information, 581-5100.

SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

"King of the Clubs," plus paintings by Ken Orton, through June 4. Ongoing exhibits including "East of Detroit" and New York racing, 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Information, 587-1935, ext. 20.

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"Light and Shadow," paintings by Colonie Art League members, through July 1, 961 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 786-6557.

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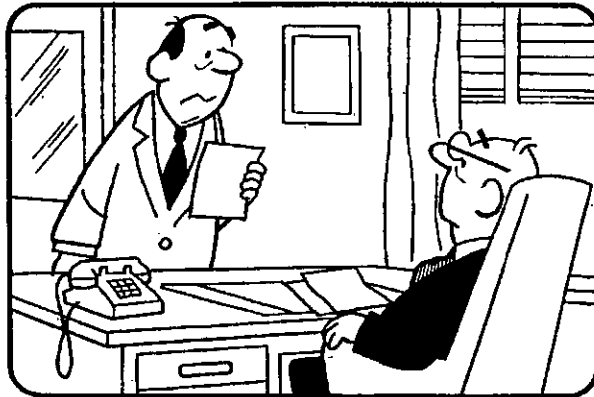
SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

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, Singerslands. Information, 439-2360.

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FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Nose is different. 2. Tie is different. 3. Picture is moved. 4. Handle is different. 5. Sleeve is shorter. 6. Chair back is lower.

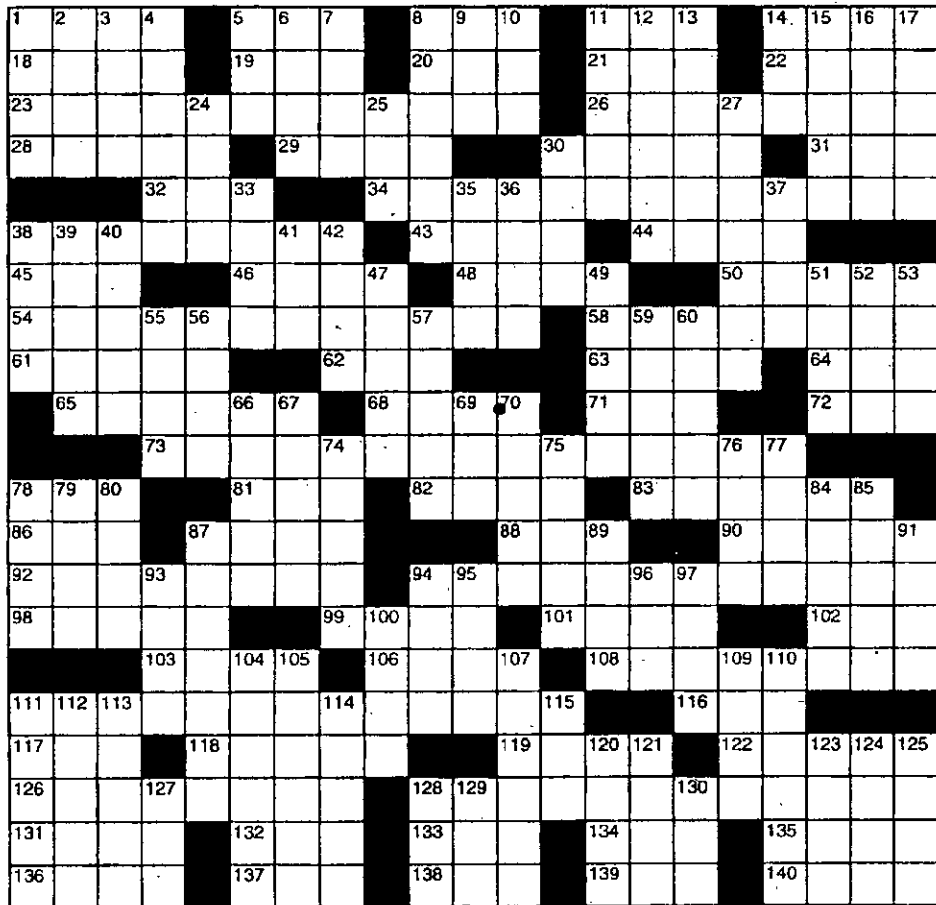
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KIGBERKSHIREEOO
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WVTSRPOONIHCNTH

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Berkshire Farmington Hickory Old as the
Beverly Foot Laguna Rolling
Cheviot Forest Malvern Them thar
Chino Head for the Mole

The Super CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 Strike-breaker
- 5 Suffix with spat
- 8 Salon supply
- 11 Research site
- 14 Blind as —
- 18 — Romeo
- 19 Word with pack or rug
- 20 Generation
- 21 Air-quality org.
- 22 Pedestal part
- 23 Fishy actress?
- 26 Dignified
- 28 "Gay"
- 29 Jannings or Gilels
- 30 "— Man" ('78 song)
- 31 — kwon do
- 32 Quiche ingredient
- 34 Fishy outlaw?
- 38 Bucolic
- 43 James of "Brian's Song"
- 44 Jacob's twin
- 45 A mean Amin
- 46 "Nabucco" number
- 48 Neighbor of Niger
- 50 Alcove
- 54 Fishy film?
- 58 Future
- 61 Submarine finder
- 62 — Tse-tung
- 63 Lurid Lugosi
- 64 Chest protector
- 65 Funt apparatus
- 68 Supreme leader?
- 71 Parka part
- 72 Southern constellation
- 73 Fishy physician?
- 78 Use a phaser
- 81 Letter from Athens
- 82 "Mein —" ('Cabaret' tune)
- 83 C&W's Tubb
- 86 Seville shout
- 87 Whirl
- 88 Actor Tognazzi
- 90 Cairo creed
- 92 Collegiate sport
- 94 Fishy TV show?
- 98 Crooked
- 99 French couturier
- 101 Dashboard feature
- 102 Cpl.'s superior
- 103 Border on
- 106 Bucket

DOWN

- 1 Close as can be
- 2 Family
- 3 "The Mod Squad" haido
- 4 "Petrouchka," for one
- 5 Decorative vase
- 6 Like some excuses
- 7 Mighty mite
- 8 Medicinal plant
- 9 Self-esteem
- 10 Singer Dickey
- 11 Paul of "American Graffiti"
- 12 Cochise or Geronimo
- 13 Washes
- 14 Fuss and feathers
- 15 Swahili, e.g.
- 16 Dwight's competition
- 17 Fiddled (with)
- 24 Desdemona's enemy
- 25 Loon lips
- 27 '82 Toto hit
- 30 Sociable stalling
- 33 Alum
- 35 Shoestring
- 36 Bolger/Halby co-star
- 37 Throw in the towel
- 38 Prepares cherries
- 39 — committee
- 40 Tuscan town
- 41 Pound sound
- 42 Neeson or O'Flaherty
- 47 Video game company
- 49 Exclude
- 51 Arnaz's country
- 52 It grows on you
- 53 Napoleonic site
- 55 Sleep in the woods
- 56 Hurler Hershiser
- 57 Booze
- 59 Brink
- 60 Glue guy
- 66 Runs around in circles?
- 67 Grate stuff
- 69 Vane dir.
- 70 Emulate
- 74 Like many bathrooms
- 75 Coaxed
- 76 "I'm working —"
- 77 Nuthatch's home
- 78 "Nana" author
- 79 "Oh, woe!"
- 80 Act like a chicken
- 84 Winter mess
- 85 Ballroom dance
- 87 Lake sight
- 89 Birdsong of basketball
- 91 Lauer or LeBlanc
- 93 Paper quantity
- 94 Actor Beery
- 95 Like a desert
- 96 Solo of "Star Wars"
- 97 King of comedy
- 100 — facto
- 104 Opens
- 105 Daze
- 107 Tripoli native
- 109 Knitting stitch
- 110 Little mouse?
- 111 Sock a shuttlecock
- 112 "Farewell!"
- 113 Light beer
- 114 Alliance
- 115 Put away a pickle
- 120 Any
- 121 Chilly powder?
- 123 Inventive sort?
- 124 Neutral tone
- 125 Slink
- 127 Mil. address
- 128 Critic's god?
- 129 President
- 130 "The Gold Bug" author

The Spotlight CALENDAR

Wed. May 18

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.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

Normanside Country Club, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Northeast NY Alzheimer's Association meetings for families, caregivers, and friends; Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 7 p.m.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

1 Kenwood Ave., evening prayer and Bible study, 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.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

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

BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

1016 River Road (Route 144), Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

FAITH TEMPLE

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

AA MEETING

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

Thurs. May 19

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

BETHLEHEM ART ASSOCIATION

Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m., Information, 439-3948.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2-5:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

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

AA MEETINGS

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

NEW SCOTLAND

THE CLOTHING CLOSET

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

NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB

New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 7 p.m.

Fri. May 20

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. May 21

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

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

Sun. May 22

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.

NEW SCOTLAND

WORSHIP INFORMATION

All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., Guilderland, 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. May 23

BETHLEHEM

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 Kehwood Ave., 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

DELMAR COMM. ORCHESTRA

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

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. May 24

BETHLEHEM

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

Weekly meeting at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Information, 465-8732.

FARMERS MARKET

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

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

BINGO

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

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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.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

V'VILLE VILLAGE BOARD

Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7 p.m. (6 p.m. workshop meeting). Information, 765-2692.

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TOWN BOARD

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BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

The Clubhouse, Adams Station Apts., 1

Juniper Drive, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0871.

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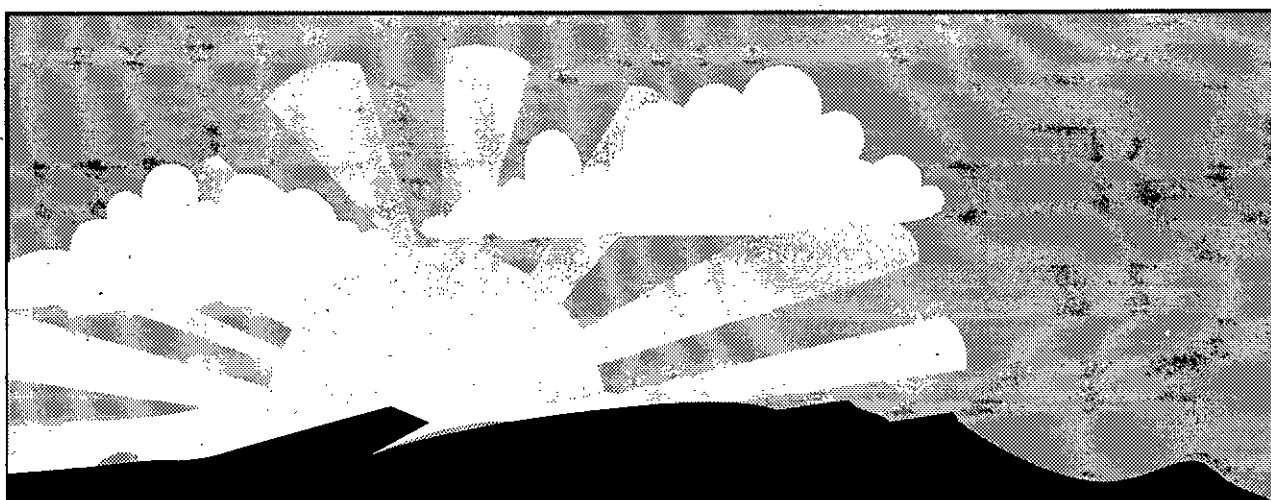
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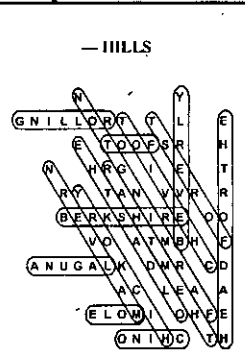
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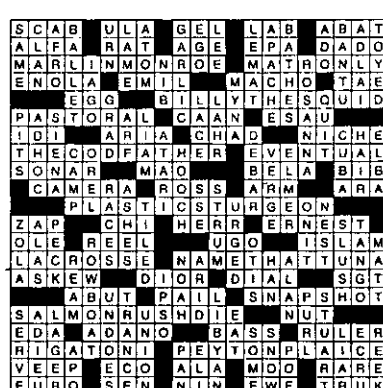
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NOTICE FOR
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FORMATION OF A NEW
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Pursuant to New York Limited Liability Company Law Section 206 (c) FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Porky's Busline, LLC SECOND: The date of filing of the articles of organization with the Department of State was March 24, 2005.

THIRD: The county in New York in which the office of the company is located is Albany County.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company upon whom process may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the company served upon him or her to Michael J. Giaccone 1355 Broadway Albany, NY 12204

FIFTH: The latest date upon which the company is required to be dissolved is August 31, 2049.

SIXTH: The business purpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.

LCD- 11495
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

CBI Financial LLC, LLC was filed with the SSNY on 3/28/05. 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: Alan Lurty, CBI Financial LLC, 7111 Valley Green Road, 2nd Floor, Fort Washington, PA 19034 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LCD-11401
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

CTP Financial LLC, LLC was filed with the SSNY on 12/3/04. 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: Clifford K. Freundt, CTP Financial LLC, 10935 Vista Sorrento Parkway, #300, San Diego, CA 92130. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LCD-11402
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of A & F Ventures, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 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, 301 South Allen Street, Albany, NY 12208. 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-11411
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
NAME: TDS Management, LLC

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on March 23, 2005. Office Location: Albany County. The Secretary of State of New York has been designated as agent of the LLC upon which process it may be served. The Secretary of State of New York shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, PO

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Box 1465, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.
LCD-11420
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

MRP MENANDS 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 March 31, 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 12205.

LCD-11431
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

MRP CENTER ALBANY 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 March 31, 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 12205.

LCD-11432
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

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

The name of the LLC is W A T E R F R O N T PROPERTIES OF ORMOND BEACH, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 1, 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203.

LCD-11441
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("LP")

The name of the LP is Windsor Vermont of Albany, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on April 6, 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 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

LCD-11449
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

"ICC-International Company of Commerce LLC" was filed with the SSNY on 03/21/05. 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

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served upon him: c/o Vanguard Corporate Services, 307 Hamilton Street, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
LCD-11454
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Mt. Ida Apartments, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 3/23/05. 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.

LCD-11459
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

G. Grieco Ventures, LLC Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 4/4/05. 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 any such process served to: The LLC, 10 Airline Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: any lawful business purpose.

LCD-11461
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

SEGEL, GOLDMAN, MAZZOTTA & SIEGEL, P.C. NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

The name of the LP is NM Family Partnership I, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on April 12, 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 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205.

LCD- 11491
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

SEGEL, GOLDMAN, MAZZOTTA & SIEGEL, P.C. NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

The name of the LP is NM Family Partnership- Murray, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on April 12, 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 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205.

LCD- 11492
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

SEGEL, GOLDMAN, MAZZOTTA & SIEGEL, P.C. NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

The name of the LP is NM Family Partnership- E. Julie, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on April 12, 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

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process against the LP is 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205.
LCD- 11493
(May 18, 2005)

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SEGEL, GOLDMAN, MAZZOTTA & SIEGEL, P.C. NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

The name of the LP is NM Family Partnership- Laurie, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the New York State Secretary of State on April 12, 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 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205.

LCD- 11494
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LLC

MRP Woodlake 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 April 12, 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 12205.

LCD- 11496
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LLC

MRP Somerset 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 April 12, 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 12205.

LCD- 11497
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NEW TROY ASSOCIATES, LLC, Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 15, 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 12205.

LCD- 11524
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is BBL EDGEWOOD, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 7, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to

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engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203.

LCD- 11534
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is 258 ONTARIO STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NY 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-11553
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is 260 ONTARIO STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NY 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-11554
(May 18, 2005)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is 19 WESTERN AVENUE, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NY 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 23 Booth Street, Albany, New York 12205.

LCD-11590
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is 111 LANCASTER STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NY 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-11555
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is 111 LANCASTER STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the NY 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-11556
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is 53 PHILIP STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were

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filed with the NY 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-11557
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Wolf & Associates Attorneys At Law, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 4/27/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 575 Madison Ave. 10th Fl, New York, NY 10022.

LCD-11559
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Bensley & Associates LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 12/21/04 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 575 Madison Ave. 10th Fl, New York, NY 10022

LCD-11568
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY [LLC]

The name of the LLC is CHRIS VANDENBURG CONSTRUCTION, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State on March 23, 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 agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 23 Booth Street, Albany, New York 12205.

LCD-11590
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Parkside Development Group LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 3/22/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 246 Seigel Street, Brooklyn, NY 11206

LCD-11600
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of From Farm To Table Regional Market LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/25/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: Stephanie Pelham, 168 Wormer Rd., Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

LCD-11601
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

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

The name of the LLC is CAP CITY ACQUISITIONS, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 5, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The

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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 37 Marion Avenue, Albany New York 12203.

LCD-11602
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Cato Development L.P. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 3/30/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of L.P. upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 246 Seigel Street, Brooklyn, NY 11206 Purpose of L.P.: to engage in any lawful act or activity.

LCD-11605
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

On April 4, Kepp Realty, LLC which is located at 16 Van Rensselaer Road in the City and County of Albany, State of New York, filed its Article of Organization with the New York Department of State. The Secretary of State has been designated the agent of the company upon whom process may be served. The business purpose of the LLC is to engage in the purchase and sale of real property together with any and all other lawful business purposes.

LD-11408
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of T. Star Group LLC. Fict nam. Tri-Star East. Authority file with Secy. of State of N. (SSNY) on 3/25/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in NEVADA on 12/3/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2248 Meridia Blvd. #H, Minden, NV 89422. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 2248 Meridia Boulevard, Suite H, Minden, NV 89423. Arts. of Org. file with (NV) Secy. of State, 20 North Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: any lawful activities.

LD-11409
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification. Jeraembe-New York LLC Authority filed with Secy. State of NY (SSNY) on 3/2/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed Wyoming (WY) on 2/14/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, PO Box 2869, E. Simpson Ave., Jackson, WY 83001. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: P.O. Box 2869, 60 East Simpson Avenue, Jackson, WY 83001. Arts. Org. filed with WY Secy. State, Cheyenne, W. 82002-0020. Purpose: any lawful activities.

LD-11410
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
Name: RIVERFRONT CINEMAS OF ALBANY L.L.C. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 2, 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 The LLC 1036-1040 Madison Avenue Albany, New York 12206 Purpose: Any lawful business purpose.

LD-11417
(May 18, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of NY Maspeth, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/31/05. Office location: Albany County. 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. Purpose: all lawful activity. LD-11422 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of UPC NY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/1/05. Office location: Albany County. 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. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11429 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Albany National Cable Advertising Interconnect, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/25/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/3/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Cable advertising. LD-11435 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of CBAC Funding LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/4/05. 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: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 695 East Main St., Stamford, CT 06901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11437 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of NATIONAL MUSIC WORKSHOP, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/6/2005. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Connecticut (CT) on 12/9/1999. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. CT address of LLC: 407 Bantam Road, Unit #A-1, Litchfield, CT 06759. Arts. of Org. filed with CT Secy. of State, 30 Trinity St., Hartford, CT 06106. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11446 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Snelling Franchising, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/6/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/7/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19803. Arts.

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of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11447 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Coyote Temple Mall, L.P. Certificate filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/1/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Coyote Temple Investors, L.P., 16475 Dallas Pkwy., Ste. 250, Addison, TX 75001. Registered agent upon whom process may be served: Capitol Services, Inc., 40 Colvin Ave., Ste. 200, Albany, NY 12206. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Term: until 12/31/2050. Purpose: own & operate real estate. LD-11448 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of WEP Worldwide Entertainment Production LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/18/2005. 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-11451 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: METRO SPA & SALON LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/13/05. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2104. 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, 350 Watervliet Shaker Road, Watervliet, New York 12189. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11464 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of PAGE TWO PRODUCTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/17/05. 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 Vail & Schneider, P.C., 275 Madison Ave., Ste. 1100, NY, NY 10016. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-11473 (May 18, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Solomon Apartment Management, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/11/05. 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 Corporation Service Company, 80 State, Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11474 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of CHY Partners, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/11/05. 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 Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207,

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registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11475 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CONTRACTING, LLC
1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: C H A R L T O N CONTRACTING, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on April 18, 2005.
3. The County within New York which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany.
4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom the process against the Company may be served and the post office address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon it is: 9 Cornell Road, Latham, NY 12110
5. The registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the liability company can be served is: 9 Cornell Rd., Latham, NY 12110
6. The character of the business is to conduct any lawful business activity for profit that is not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of New York.
LD-11512 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of CONEY ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/15/05. 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 11219. Purpose: all lawful activity. LD-11514 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION BLACK DIAMOND ORTHO, LLC
Pursuant to Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law:
First: The name of the limited liability company is Black Diamond Ortho, LLC
Second: The county within this state in which the principal office of the limited liability company is to be located in is Albany.
Third: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office mailing address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served him or her is P.O. Box 553, Slingerlands, NY 12159.
Fourth: The effective date of these Articles of Organization is the filing date, April 1, 2005, a date which does not exceed the sixty days from the date of filing.
Fifth: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
In Witness Whereof, this certificate has been subscribed to this 1st day of April, 2005 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under penalties of perjury.
Filed by Robert E. Molloy, Esq.
200 Broadway, Suite 205
Troy, NY 12180
LD-11515 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Gulfstream Acquisition LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/15/

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of CANTON OVERSEAS INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/21/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207, Atn. USA Corporate Services, Inc., registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful activity. LD-11527 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/8/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 18 Corporate Woods Blvd., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12211. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-11517 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of CANTON OVERSEAS INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/21/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207, Atn. USA Corporate Services, Inc., registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful activity. LD-11527 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of EUROPEAN PRODUCTION VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/21/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207, Atn. USA Corporate Services, Inc., registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful activity. LD-11528 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
ALBANY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LLC
1. The name of the foreign limited liability company is ALBANY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LLC.
2. The certificate of formation of Albany Community Development, LLC creating the limited liability company was filed in the Office of the Delaware Secretary of State on January 5, 2005.
3. The Application for Authority of the foreign limited liability company was filed in the Office of the New York Secretary of State on April 13, 2005, and became effective on said date.
4. The principal office of the foreign limited liability company within the State of New York is in Albany County.
5. The New York Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any copy of process against it is Albany Community Development, LLC c/o Charter One Community Development Corporation, Office of Counsel, 833 Broadway, Albany, New York 12207.
6. The address of the office required to be maintained in the jurisdiction of the foreign limited liability company's organization is 2711 Centerville Road, Suite 400, Wilmington, Delaware 19808. The name of its registered agent at such address is Corporation Service Company.
7. The name and address of the authorized officer in the jurisdiction of the foreign limited liability company's organization where a copy of its Certificate of Formation is filed is the Secretary of State, Division of Corporations, State of Delaware, PO Box 898, Dover, Delaware 19903
8. The limited liability company is formed for the purpose of engaging in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized and any other business purposes

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permitted by law. Dated: April 18, 2005
NOLAN & HELLER, LLP
Attorneys for Albany Community Development, LLC
39 North Pearl Street
Albany, New York 12207
LD-11529 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF ABSOLUTE CONSTRUCTION ENTERPRISES, L.L.C.
UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW.
The undersigned, being a natural person of at least 18 years of age and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company hereby formed, hereby certifies:
1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: Absolute Construction Enterprises L.L.C.
2. The purpose of the Limited Liability Companies may be organized under the law. The company is not formed to engage in any act or activity requiring the consent or approval of any state official, department, board or agency.
3. The county within this state in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is: Albany
4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the Limited Liability Company upon process against it may be served. The post office address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon him or her in c/o the company: 5926 Veeder Rd., Slingerlands, N.Y. 12159
5. The Limited Liability Company shall have the power to indemnify to the full extent permitted by the New York Limited Liability Company Law, as amended from time to time, all person whom it is permitted to indemnify pursuant thereto.
6. The company is to be managed by one or more managers.
In witness whereof, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under penalties of perjury, this 4th day of April, 2005.
Patricia Mohr-Voss, Organizer.
LD-11533 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Furniture and Fine Art Investors LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/26/2005. 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, c/o Blumberg Excelsior Corporate Services, Inc., 62 White Street, New York, NY 10013. Registered agent upon whom process may be served to: Blumberg excelsior Corporate Services, Inc., 52 South Pearl St., 2nd Fl., Albany, NY 10013. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-11536 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of A P P L E G A T E MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/20/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, c/o NKA Blumberg Excelsior Corporate Services, Inc., 62 White Street, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful activities. LD-11537 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of EAST COAST INVESTERS IN ART LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with

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Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/19/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, c/o NKA Blumberg Excelsior Corporate Services, Inc., 62 White Street, New York, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful activities. LD-11538 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Dundalk Acquisitions, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/15/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 6/3/2003. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. NJ address of LLC: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Secy. of State, 225 West State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11539 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Regency Associates, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/15/05. Fictitious name in NY State: Hudson Regency. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 11/24/1998. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. NJ address of LLC: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Secy. of State, 225 West State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11540 (May 18, 2005)

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Notice of Qualification of Bucks Crossing, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/15/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 8/9/1999. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. NJ address of LLC: 200 Sheffield St., Ste. 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Secy. of State, 225 West State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11541 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Royco Construction Management, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/25/2005. NYS fictitious name: Royco Construction. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 10/29/1999. 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. NJ address of LLC: 200 Sheffield St., Suite 101, Mountainside, NJ 07092. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Secy. of State, Div. of Revenue, 225 West State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11545 (May 18, 2005)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1200 WESTERN REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/05/05. 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, 1200 Western Avenue, Albany, New York. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11552 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of 197 FRANKLIN REALTY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/29/05. 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, 592 Fifth Ave., 9th Fl., NY, NY 10036. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-11567 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of Petro-Chemical Transport, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/15/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 01/05/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: 4895 Dressler Rd., Canton, OH 44718. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., Federal & Duke of York Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11581 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of formation of TCB Homes, LLC, a NYS Ltd. Liability Co. (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 4/15/05. Off. Loc: Montgomery Co. SSNY designated as agt of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The Vindicuerra Law Firm, 10 Utica Ave., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-11584 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of KR D BDC HANSON, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/27/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11585 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: KMC REALTY OPPORTUNITIES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/03/05. 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, 355 State Street, Albany, New York 12210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11586 (May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE
On May 5, 2005, Dada Bing, LLC, which is located at 416 Southern Boulevard in the City and County of Albany, State of New York, filed its Articles of Organization with the New York Department of

Sports

Middle school hosts summer hoop camps

Bethlehem Central Middle School is the site for summer basketball camps planned by the varsity boys and girls basketball coaches at Bethlehem Central High School.

The Lady Eagles Basketball Camp takes place June 27 through July 1. The girls camp is led by varsity coach Mark Nealon and his staff, along with several former Lady Eagles.

The camp is broken into two sessions. Morning sessions are for girls entering grades three through six, and the afternoon sessions are for girls entering grades seven through 12. Campers are then grouped by age and ability for drills that focus on individual skill development while remaining fun.

The cost of the Lady Eagles

Basketball Camp is \$100 per player, and snacks and water are provided. The application deadline is June 20, and checks should be mailed to Nealon at 6 Terrace Place, Troy 12180.

The Eagle Pride Basketball camp takes place July 11-15 at the middle school. The camp is led by boys varsity coach Jeremy Klugman, with assistance from other Section II hoop coaches and former Bethlehem players.

Sessions run from 9 a.m. to noon for players entering grades three through six and from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. for players entering grades seven through 10.

The registration fee is \$100 per player and is due by June 15. Checks can be mailed to Klugman at 49 Cardinal Ave., Albany 12208.

May Day champs



The Bethlehem Soccer Club under 14 boys team won its division at the Saratoga May Day Classic tournaments April 30 in Saratoga Springs. The team is, from left, (front) James Rosander, Gavin Tougher, Brendan Jacques, Neil Robertson, Ben Bloodstein and Ross Triner; and (back) Sam Cochetti, Coach Andrew Clinton, Sam Clinton, Tom Matthews, Alex Mangeri, Andrey Dubianski, Greg Roeth, CJ Hagen, Sean Osborne, and Greg Roth. Missing from the picture is James Angermeier.

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	SUN.-Rhode Island Steamers.....	\$5.99

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State. The Secretary of State has been designated the agent of the company upon whom process may be served. The business purpose of the LLC is to engage in the operation of a cafe/restaurant, together with any and all other lawful business purposes.
LD-11598
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of 455 CPW, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/10/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/6/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400,

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Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., Federal & Duke of York Sts., Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-11603
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

FOR SALE BY SEALED BID 1984 International Packer, 1979 Hyster Roller, 5-7 yd. Dump truck box used, Drum roller 30", 1975 Walters Truck w/plow, 2 used in-body sanders, 1993 John Deere 318 50" mower, 1989 John Deere 430 diesel 60" mower, 1980 John Deere 316 44" mower, Homelite XL 98c cut saw, homemade generator, 1979 Ford tractor w/power broom, 1987 Ford Tractor 1310 w/front end loader and 60" mower deck, 3 one way roll plows, 5' Ford brush hog, 8' used bed liner, Misc. Binks Compressor, Used backhoe bucket, 275 gallon metal

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water tank, Misc. spreader pieces(sold as a group) as is with no warranty whatsoever and no guarantee that items will pass NYS inspection. Payment must be Cash or Certified Check ONLY, and must be removed from Town Property within 5 days of sale date. Bids will be received at the office of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Town of New Scotland, County of Albany, 2029 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159 until 10:00 a.m. on the 31st of May, 2005 at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Bids shall be in duplicate, in sealed envelopes and shall bear on the face thereof the name and address of the bidder at the office of the Highway Superintendent. Items are available for inspection m-F 7:00 a.m.- to 3:30 p.m. at the Highway Garage. The Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

LEGAL NOTICE

Dated May 11, 2005
BY ORDER OF THE
TOWN BOARD OF THE
TOWN OF NEW
SCOTLAND
DIANE DESCHENES
Town Clerk
LD-11608
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Chestnut Street Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/7/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Pennsylvania (PA) on 11/1/00. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 5619 DTC Pkwy., Suite 800, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. Arts. of Org. filed with PA Dept. of State, 206 North

LEGAL NOTICE

Office Bldg., Harrisburg, PA 17120. Purpose: information and communications services.
LD-11609
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HARBOR AND OCEAN TRANSPORTATION, LLC, a domestic Limited Liability Company. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/2/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 647 County Route 351, Medusa, New York 12120. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-11611
(May 18, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of HARBOR BARGE SERVICES, LLC, a domestic Limited Liability Company. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/2/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 647 County Route 351, Medusa, New York 12120. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-11612
(May 18, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

JEREMIAH MANNING, ESQ. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION OF A NYS Limited Liability Company, Pursuant to NY LLC Law Section 206 (c). FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Commercial Properties

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Holding Services, LLC. SECOND: The date of filing of the articles of organization with the Department of State was February 24, 2005. THIRD: The county in New York in which the office of the company is located is Albany County. FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company upon whom process may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the company served upon him/her to Jeremiah F. Manning, 27 Brookman Ave., Delmar, NY 12054. FIFTH: The latest date upon which the company is required to be dissolved is August 31, 2049. SIXTH: The business purpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York.
LD-11482
(May 18, 2005)

HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY SPORTS RESULTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9-15

Monday, May 9

BASEBALL

Bethlehem 4, Averill Park 0

Bethlehem highlight: Chris Morrill double, single, 2 RBI.

Voorheesville 12, Cobleskill 6

Voorheesville highlight: Brett LaFave 3 singles, 4 RBI.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Bethlehem 20, Shaker 4

Bethlehem scoring: Katie Rowan 6-1, Kelly Hughes 5-5, Hannah Morgan 3-1, Halley Quillinan 2-3, Emma Strachman 2-2, Theresa Ladouceur 1-3, Erica Hill 1-0, Jen Aiken 0-1.

Bethlehem saves: Emily Szelest 6, Rae Mahon 1.

SOFTBALL

Voorheesville 5, Lansingburgh 0

Voorheesville highlights: Brittany Vogel 3 singles; Cyrilla Suker 2-hitter, 10 strikeouts.

Bethlehem 7, Columbia 0

Bethlehem highlights: Dana Affinati 2 singles; Erin Fitzpatrick 2 singles.

Tuesday, May 10

BASEBALL

Voorheesville 13, Bishop Gibbons 7

Voorheesville highlights: Pete Lindner double, single, 3 RBI; Shayne Minick 3 singles, 2 RBI.

BOYS LACROSSE

Bethlehem 11, Saratoga 10

Bethlehem scoring: Matt Johnson 4-0, Ryan Eder 2-2, Andrew Kelleher 2-2, dan Mulhall 2-0, Dylan Eder 1-0, Nate Rauch 0-1.

Bethlehem saves: Kevin Gebhardt 13.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Bethlehem 20, Averill Park 0

Bethlehem scoring: Lauren Wendth 4-1, Erica Hill 4-0, Caitlin Hill 3-0, Theresa Ladouceur 2-1, Halley Quillinan 2-0, Kelly Hughes 1-4, Katie Rowan 1-4, Mackenzie Riegel 1-1, Jen Aiken 1-0, Natalie Singer 1-0, Hannah Morgan 0-1, Tricia Primomo 0-1.

Bethlehem saves: Emily Szelest 2, Rae Mahon 2.

TRACK AND FIELD

Colonial Council Championships

Boys team scores: Lansingburgh 135, Albany Academy 130, Mechanicville 83, Cobleskill 70, Ravena 57, Voorheesville 36, Schalmont 16, Watervliet 16, Cohoes 14, Waterford 0.

Girls team scores: Holy Names 168.5, Cobleskill 86, Ravena 75, Schalmont 60.5, Lansingburgh 57, Cohoes 51, Voorheesville 36, Watervliet 13, Mechanicville 6, Waterford 4.

Wednesday, May 11

BASEBALL

Voorheesville 5, Lansingburgh 1

Voorheesville highlights: Nick Duncan 2 singles, RBI; Shayne Minick 2 doubles, 2 runs scored.

Ravena 11, Cohoes 9

Ravena highlights: Zach Smith 2

doubles, 3 RBI; Tim Sugrue 3 singles, 2 RBI.

Suburban Council Tournament

Division I

Shen 5, Bethlehem 1

SOFTBALL

Voorheesville 2, Cohoes 1

Voorheesville highlight: Cyrilla Suker 2-hitter; 1,000th career-strikeout, 2 singles.

Suburban Council Tournament

Division I

Shen 9, Bethlehem 2

Thursday, May 12

SOFTBALL

Troy 2, Voorheesville 0

Voorheesville highlight: Cyrilla Suker 3 hitter, 13 strikeouts.

Friday, May 13

BOYS LACROSSE

Bethlehem 11, Queensbury 3

Bethlehem scoring: Matt Johnson 4-0, Andrew Kelleher 2-2, Ryan Eder 2-1, dan Mulhall 1-1, Nate Rauch 1-1, Chris Johnson 1-0.

Bethlehem saves: Kevin Gebhardt 6, Justin Murphy 2.

SOFTBALL

Schalmont 10, Ravena 0

Schalmont highlights: Amber Pidgeon 1-hitter, 7 strikeouts, double, 3 singles; Amy Scheffer 3 hits.

Saturday, May 14

TRACK AND FIELD

Eddy Meet

at Niskayuna

Boys team scores: Rome Free Academy 84, Shen 73, Shaker 52, Westbury 42, Columbia 25, Fayetteville-Manlius 25, Schenectady 24, Fonda 20, Lockport 20, Niskayuna 19, Lansingburgh 19, Plattsburgh 15, Albany 14, Colonie 12, LaSalle 12, Bethlehem 11, New Hartford 10, Gunderland 10, Gloversville 8, Saratoga 8, Martin Luther 7, Mechanicville 6, Cobleskill 6, Berne-Knox-Westerlo 2, Mohonasen 1, Glens Falls 1.

Girls team scores: Uniondale 90, Shaker 77, Colonie 42, Scotia-Glenville 32, Niskayuna 32, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 30, Rome Free Academy 27.5, South Glens Falls 27, Holy Names 23, Bellport 20, Plattsburgh 12, Mohonasen 10, Emma Willard 10, Berne-Knox-Westerlo 10, Averill Park 10, Albany 9, Iroquois 8.5, Hoosic Valley 8, Fayetteville-Manlius 8, Greenwich 8, Schenectady 7, Westbury 6, Maple Hill 6, Broadalbin-Perth 6, Ravena 4, Cobleskill 2, Fonda 1.

Queensbury Invitational

Boys team scores: Queensbury 224, Ticonderoga 85, Scotia-Glenville 79, South Glens Falls 56, Glens Falls 54.5, Greenwich 51, Hoosic Valley

40, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 32, Mount Anthony (Ver.) 22.5, Voorheesville 22, Corinth 16, Whitehall 16, Ballston Spa 12, Seton Catholic 8, Hudson Falls 5, Granville 2.

Girls team scores: Queensbury 182, Columbia 161.5, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 56, Greenwich 54.5, Mount Anthony 46, Voorheesville 33.5, South Glens Falls 31, Seton Catholic 30, Whitehall 30, Glens Falls 28, Scotia-Glenville 17, Granville 17, Hoosic Valley 9, Ticonderoga 5.5.

Sunday, May 15

CREW

New York State Championships

Girls team scores: Saratoga 127, Shen 45, Mohawk Homeschool 44, Brighton 40, Friends Academy 32, Newburgh Free Academy 30, Manhasset 30, Our Lady of Lourdes 30, Liverpool 30, Northwood School 26, City Honors School 24, Cold Spring Harbor 22, St. Anthony's 22, Buffalo Seminary 20, Niskayuna 20, Nardin Academy 20, Baldwinsville 19, Waldorf Spring Hill 16, Fayetteville-Manlius 16, Arlington 16, F.D. Roosevelt 15, Warwick 14, Holy Angels Academy 12, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 10, Our Lady-of-Mercy Academy 10, Shaker 9, Huntington 8, Schenectady 8, Poughkeepsie 6, West Side 6, Albany Rowing Club 5, Newburgh Rowing Club 4, Scotia-Glenville 4, Fairport 3, Saratoga Rowing Center 2, Nichols School 1.

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COMMUNITY SPORTS UPDATE

Tour du Parc scheduled for May 29

The Tour du Parc 5-kilometer cross country race is scheduled for Sunday, May 29, at 9 a.m. at Bethlehem Town Park.

The race is open to runners of all ages and abilities. There will also be a one-mile race for children 12 and under and fun runs of one-quarter and one-half mile.

The cost to enter the Tour du Parc is \$12 in advance and \$15 the day of the race, and proceeds benefit youth track and cross country programs in Bethlehem through the Bethlehem Central Cross Country/Track and Field Booster and the Bethlehem Youth Track and Field clubs.

For high school students and seniors, the entry fee is \$10 in advance and \$12 the day of the race. There is no entry fee for the children's races.

For information, contact Brian Gallagher at Gallagher_894@msn.com.

Burns wins IC4A title

Guilderland High School graduate Gered Burns added to his list of accomplishments by winning the 800-meter title at the IC4A Track and Field Championships Sunday at Princeton.

The University at Albany student became the first Great Dane to win an IC4A title by establishing a school record time of 1:48.66. His performance came one week after winning the 800 at the America East Championships in Binghamton.

Burns' next race is the NCAA East Regional May 27 and 28 in Randall's Park.

Shaker second at state event

The Shaker crew team's girls novice 8-plus-coxswain boat placed second at last weekend's New York State Rowing Championships in Saratoga.

Shaker completed the course in a time of 6:21.53 in Sunday's final. West Side Rowing Club of Buffalo took first place in a time of 6:18.80.

Two other Shaker boats — the girls 4-plus varsity and the boys 8-plus varsity — placed sixth at states.

Sports

The Voorheesville connection

Coach, player on UAlbany's NCAA tournament-bound softball team once were Blackbirds

By ROB JONAS

Two faces from the Voorheesville softball team's past are making history at the University at Albany:

Former Voorheesville coach Chris Cannata and her Great Danes — including Clayton A. Bouton High School graduate Brittany Burnham — are making their first trip to the NCAA Division I championships after winning last weekend's America East Conference Tournament in Stony Brook, Long Island.

"It's absolutely what we envisioned," Cannata said. "We knew it was going to be a while in the making."

"This is my best graduation present ever," said Burnham, who just finished her final semester at Albany. "I'm happier than anyone."

The Great Danes had been primed for a trip to the NCAA tournament for the past couple of seasons. They reached the America East tournament finals in 2003 and were the No. 1 seed last year before losing in the semifinals.

"I think it was a little more pressure because we lost last year," Cannata said. "I felt it, but I hoped the kids didn't feel it as much."

If the players felt the pressure, they responded well to it. Junior Ashley Rios hit a walk-off home run to give Albany a 4-3 victory over Stony Brook in the first round of the double elimination tournament. The Great Danes then beat Boston University 7-3 to advance to the finals, where they shut out Stony Brook 4-0 behind a one-hitter by South Glens Falls graduate Amanda Morin.

Securing a spot in the NCAA tournament is the latest addition in a long list of accomplishments for Cannata. After coaching Voorheesville to the first of several Section II titles in 1994, she accepted the Albany job as the program was beginning its move from Division III to Division I status.

"It'd be your dream job to



Clayton A. Bouton High School graduate Brittany Burnham, left, and her University at Albany teammates are headed to the NCAA Division I Softball Championships. Under the guidance of coach Chris Cannata, right, the Great Danes won their first America East Tournament title.

Rob Jonas

coach at the highest level," Cannata said. "I knew it would be a while because we had to go from Division III to Division II before going to Division I."

It didn't take long for Cannata's teams to start winning at each level. Albany posted a 23-7 record in Cannata's first season while it was still a Division III team. After jumping to Division II in 1996, the Great Danes posted a 23-15 record the following season and won the ECAC tournament title in 1999. Albany then went 27-9 in its first Division I season in 2000.

Cannata's recruiting classes changed with each step up. Where once she looked around the Capital District for players, Cannata now looks nationally but still draws players from New York.

"When you get to be at Division I, you have to look nationally, and it's a lot of work. It's added hours just to see the (recruits) and travel," she said. "The majority of our kids are New York kids, and we've taken what we feel are the top local kids and brought them here."

Burnham is one of three Section II players — along with Morin and Columbia High School graduate Casey Halloran — on Cannata's current roster, and she said Cannata's connection to Voorheesville's history was what drew her to Albany.

"I came here for (softball) camp when I was 12 years old, and she was here," Burnham said. "She also coached my sister (Deah) at Voorheesville, so I knew her."

Burnham was a key player for Cannata's first America East regular-season championship team last year. The outfielder batted a career-high .308 with 17 runs scored in 44 games, 24 of which she started. So far this season, Burnham is batting .235 in 37 games with 14 runs scored.

Burnham and her Albany teammates are guaranteed at least two games when they travel to South Bend, Ind., for the NCAA tournament regionals at Notre Dame. The Great Danes face a great challenge in their opener Friday as they play ninth-ranked Northwestern.

"We're excited to be playing anybody right now," Cannata said. "There's only 64 teams left playing in the nation, and we're one of them."

Eagles fall short in tournament title bid

Blackbirds lock up first Colonial Council title with undefeated week

By ROB JONAS

The Bethlehem baseball team didn't mind losing to Shenendehowa in the Suburban Council Tournament — not when the Eagles have their eyes on a much bigger prize.

Bethlehem will be the No. 1 seed out of the Suburban Council when the Section II, Class AA tournament begins later this week. The seeding was determined by a tiebreaker between Bethlehem and Colonie based on the league's point system. Both teams finished with 20 points, but the Eagles grabbed the top seed by virtue of their regular-season victory over Colonie.

"The way I look at the No. 1

seed is it's the same as the No. 2 seed — you get a (first-round) bye, and then you have to work," Bethlehem coach Rob Helm said. "I will throw anybody and everybody to win (Saturday's quarter-final). I'm not even going to look at the next round."

Shen, which will be the No. 3 seed for Sectionals, received a strong pitching performance by Murphy Smith and Dave Skumurski in last Wednesday's 5-1 victory over Bethlehem. Smith allowed only a second-inning run and combined with Skumurski on a five-hitter.

"I looked at it as a non-league game, and I played everybody," Helm said. "But, the kid (Smith) pitched a good game — he shut

us down."

The Eagles had one game before today's Sectional seeding meeting, a third-place contest against White Division champion Mohonasen Monday. Helm said he would play as much of his 19-man roster against the Mighty Warriors.

"I don't play until Saturday, so Chris Olson — who's been our Monday pitcher anyway, the way things have been working out for us — will pitch a couple of innings, and then I'll throw somebody else for a couple of innings," Helm said.

Bethlehem may not be the only local team to gain a top seed for Sectionals. Voorheesville made a strong case for the No. 1 seed in

class B after locking up its first Colonial Council title with a pair of wins last week that gave it a two-game bulge over Watervliet with one game left.

"One coach told me that having a two-game lead going into the final week is unusual in this league," Voorheesville coach Hank Czerwinski said.

Czerwinski had no plans to rest his Blackbirds for Sectionals when they faced Watervliet Monday at Swift Road Park.

"We're going after the win, and we're set up to do so," Czerwinski said. "Our first Sectional game is Friday or Saturday, and Watervliet is our arch-rival. They are a powerhouse in the Colonial Council."

Saratoga thoroughbreds fly into Albany airport

By DAMIAN PAGANO

Spanish Chestnut arrived in Albany May 13 no worse for wear after a 90-minute flight from Kentucky.

The horse who led the Derby field early on but finished 16th was one of 18 thoroughbreds that flew on a plane from Lexington, Ky. to Albany International Airport. Their flight, the first "horse plane" of the season here, touched down at about 1 p.m.

"All the horses are very good. It was a perfect flight," trainer Patrick Biancone said.

Spanish Chestnut and his co-passengers disembarked the aircraft via ramp and went immediately onto three tractor-trailers — six horses per trailer. Their handlers guided the animals and lugged bails of hay from the plane, and they did not pause for light conversation.

"Meet us in Saratoga," one said

as he got into a pickup truck.

The horses went to the Oklahoma training course in Saratoga. There, they will prepare for the summer races. Most are used to flying and suffered no ill effects for being in the air. Generally, thoroughbreds travel by air if they have to make long trips.

"It beats the hell out of an 18 to 20 hour van ride," said Mel Prince, a long-time employee of the H.E. "Tex" Sutton Forwarding Company, which flew the horse plane to Albany.

Prince said horses might lose as much as 150 pounds during a long van ride. Weight loss is due mostly to stress from traffic and

the van's frequent starts and stops. Heat and dehydration can play a factor, Prince said. Also, horses lose their sheen during long-van rides.

"It's not like flying Delta. But it is the quickest way to get (the horses) there. They're up and down before they even know where they are."

Gail Prince

"Vans are fine for anything up to six or seven hours," Prince said. "If the horses have to go any longer than that, you really want to fly them. That way, they don't lose anything."

The horse plane that flew into Albany on May 17 was a Boeing 727 cargo plane that was gutted and refitted to carry horses. The Tex Sutton company advertises first-class accommodations for its equine passengers, but there is really no such thing, Prince said.

"It's just a gutted freighter," he said of the airplane.

The stalls on board are specially fitted to the airplane and it can carry a maximum load of 18 horses. In addition to a pilot co-pilot and engineer, a six-person Sutton crew and 7 of the trainer's employees fly with the plane.

Prince said horses fly well.

"They spend a lot of time in paddocks and starting gates, so they're used to being in tight quarters," he said. "So 99 percent of them will ride good."

The flight is tailored to them. The flight's take-off and landing are more gradual than human flights. That is done so the horses don't slip and fall. The



A horse crosses between trailers while unloading.



A thoroughbred and a stable pony; look out from the door of a transport van. The two recently disembarked from the Tex Sutton horse plane.

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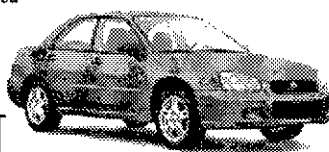
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