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'Blueprint' OK'd, Egan runs again

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Bethlehem Supervisor Theresa Egan's first term is almost up, and she's optimistic about winning another two years term at the helm.

Two years ago, Egan's platform was a "Blueprint for Bethlehem," which included the comprehensive plan and new zoning regulations, approved at the town board meeting Aug. 24.

"It's an aggressive plan, and we've accomplished about 95 percent of it," Egan said.

There is still work to be done regarding the comprehensive plan, she added, but her next term will focus on the town's internal departments.

"We need to concentrate on efficiency and proficiency," she said. "With gas prices the way they are, it will have a significant effect on our budget. To minimize impact on the taxpayers, we have to become more efficient."

Last spring, the town consolidated the planning, building and engineering departments, which eliminated the need to hire new people, Egan said.

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Theresa Egan

The town will continue to look at ways to maximize efficiency.

The town revaluation in the next several months is also something she will be watching.

"It's anxiety inducing for people, because the value of the homes will go up, but the tax rate will go down," she said. "We will be sending out letters explaining school taxes and the reval process."

Egan said the town will also be looking for ways to revitalize economic development. Deciding what kinds of businesses belong in the commercial zone on Route 9W will be a big part of that, she added.

"Solid development in that area will diversify and stabilize the tax base," Egan said. "Putting office complexes and other types of businesses will help the tax base while minimizing the impact on the schools."

One of Egan's concerns is that three of the biggest taxpayers in town are power-based. PSEG, Selkirk-Cogen and Niagara Mohawk currently pay the lion's share of taxes in town.

"It kind of makes you nervous," she said. "That's why we want to diversify."

Delmar man arrested on rape charges

Attack allegedly occurred at Elsmere firehouse

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

On Sept. 2, Bethlehem police arrested a 35-year-old Delmar man on charges of rape.

Eric P. Vanderloo of Booth Road in Delmar was arrested on charges of first-degree rape, first-degree sexual abuse, and second-degree unlawful imprisonment for an incident that occurred in October of 2004.

Police said on Oct. 30, 2004, Vanderloo allegedly forced the victim into a bathroom at the Elsmere Fire Department, where he sexually

assaulted her.

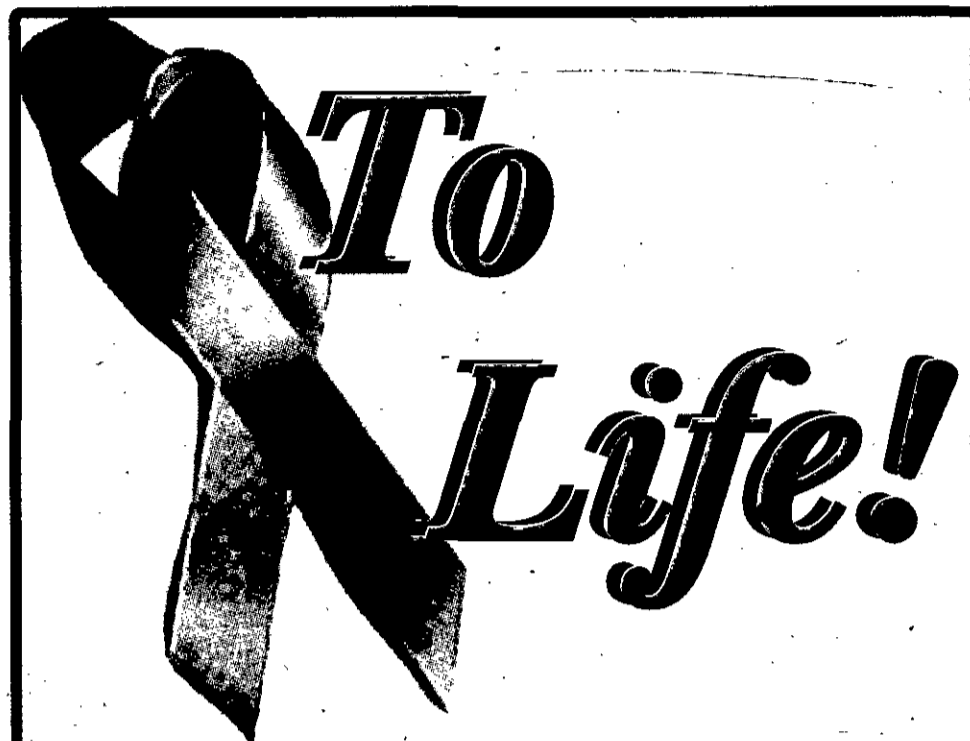
Vanderloo was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and remanded to the Albany County Correctional Facility on \$50,000 bail.

The victim, a 22 year-old resident of Delmar, was an acquaintance of Vanderloo, police said. She was treated at Albany Medical Center.

Vanderloo currently works as a self-employed handyman and has past employment and volunteer service as a paramedic and firefighter.

Anyone with additional information regarding Vanderloo is asked to contact the Bethlehem Police Department at 439-9973.

"We have reason to believe there may be other victims of Vanderloo, and we encourage anyone with additional information to call us," said Lt. Thomas Heffernan.



Local organization welcomes attention
to its cause

October is breast cancer awareness month, and the volunteers and employees at To Life in Delmar, a breast cancer education and support facility, are gearing up; they're doing the same things they always do. Educational seminars, support groups for both cancer survivors and their families, help with wigs, prostheses and cosmetics and, above all, friendship are what To Life is all about, volunteers and employees say, and breast cancer awareness month is no different from any other time of year.

"There is a lot that goes on nationally, but To Life doesn't really do anything, per se," said Ann Krischer, program manager. "We're at Albany Medical Center in October for community screening day, and we step up educational services in October, but we really just do what we always do."

To Life is now in its seventh year and was founded by Mara Ginsberg, who was diagnosed with breast cancer at age 42. A mother with young children, Ginsberg began the program as a way to help others diagnosed with the disease find and understand information and support during a difficult time.

"When you're sick, you sometimes don't have the energy to find the answers to questions," said Kathleen O'Connell, who helps fit survivors with wigs and prostheses. "The information is fragmented."

O'Connell began volunteering at To Life in 2000 when her sister was diagnosed with breast cancer. She said she was impressed with the support groups offered, and the positive effect they had on the participants.

"I would see women walk into one of the support sessions strung out and debilitated, and they walked out with a better attitude. They were laughing instead of crying," she said. "It's good for women to be together in a group setting."

To Life offers ongoing support with ACE — Awareness, Connection and Education — with specific groups for women in treatment, women post-treatment, women with metastatic breast cancer, meaning cancer that has spread to other parts of the body, and support for family members. Family is always welcome in any group, but there is also a special support group for children if they have family members involved.

One-on-one mentoring is available for newly diagnosed patients, as well

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A Survivor's Story

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

It was inconceivable to Vicky Derbyshire that she could have breast cancer. She had no family history of the disease. Even when a cloudy area showed up on a mammogram, she still had no fear, but an ultrasound changed that.

"The cloudy area came up the wrong color for a cyst, which is what I thought it was," she said. "I was very shocked. It was just unbelievable."

Derbyshire opted first for a lumpectomy, a procedure in which only diseased tissue is removed from the breast. Unfortunately, the procedure failed to isolate the cancer on the first try. It also failed on the second try and the third. Her doctors became aware that only a mastectomy could successfully remove all of the cancer cells.

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Town police arrest men for larceny

Three men from Selkirk were arrested for larceny on Aug. 26.

At 11:57 a.m., police received a call from the manager of Hewitt's Garden Center in Glenmont, reporting a drive-off larceny. It was reported that a 1987 Ford Pickup entered the landscaping area of the Garden Center and was seen leaving with numerous small shrubs, plants and bushes without paying for the items, police said.

The employee obtained a license plate number of the vehicle, and after a check of the area, Traffic Safety Officer Jeff Vunck stopped the vehicle. When stopped, James Ryan of Selkirk, 45, admitted to being involved with the drive-off larceny, police said. Ryan was placed under arrest.

Two other suspects were arrested in conjunction with the larceny. Mark Brate, 19, and Reed Brate, 21, both from Selkirk, were also arrested.

The arrest is in conjunction with a similar larceny that occurred on July 22 at Hewitt's.

Both Mark and Reed Brate denied knowledge of Ryan's involvement in the larceny on July 22, police said. Ryan also said the Brates were unaware that merchandise was stolen on that date, police said.

Ryan was also arrested for unlawful possession of marijuana.

On Aug. 28, Michael Coluccio of Glenmont was arrested for DWI and for an illegal and improper U-turn.

Police said an officer was near an auto accident that was illuminated with road flares and marked with numerous patrol units when Coluccio was observed making an improper U-turn onto Kenwood Avenue in the area of McGee Park.

After making the U-turn, Coluccio was spotted stopped in traffic in the vicinity of 35 Kenwood Drive.

Police detected a strong odor of alcohol from Coluccio's vehicle. According to police, Coluccio stated that he had left My Place and Company, where he drank three or four vodka drinks. He

then said he was on his way home when he observed the accident and police presence, according to police, and did the U-turn because he thought the road was closed. He also said he stopped in the roadway to make a phone call, police said.

Coluccio failed field sobriety tests and was arrested. He will return to Bethlehem Town Court on Sept. 20 at 4 p.m.

On Aug. 27, Kristian Snyder of Altamont was arrested for felony DWI and for speeding. Police received a report of an auto accident at the intersection of the Delmar bypass and Kenwood Avenue.

Upon arrival, police said, Snyder was observed in the grassy median on Kenwood Avenue and was unresponsive. A second subject was identified, and, according to police, he told officers he was a passenger on the motorcycle and that Snyder tried to turn onto Kenwood Avenue and lost control because he was going too fast. Snyder was transported to Albany Medical Center by Delmar Ambulance.

At the hospital, Snyder was interviewed by Officer Adam Hornick and Sgt. John Cox, who detected a strong odor of alcohol on his breath.

Snyder admitted to consuming alcohol earlier, police said.

Snyder was arrested and will return to Bethlehem Town Court on Sept. 20 at 4 p.m. He was charged with a felony DWI based

on a conviction from Bolton Town Court on Nov. 13, 1996.

On Aug. 27 at 12:55 a.m., Colin Kelly of 753 Bullock Road in Slingerlands was arrested on charges of second-degree assault and for violating the posted speed limit.

Police observed the vehicle traveling south on Blessing Road above the posted speed limit. Kelly was stopped by officer Rico Fiore, who ran a routine license check and discovered that Kelly had an active arrest warrant out of the Menands Police Department for second-degree assault, police said.

Kelly was placed in custody, processed through the Bethlehem Police Department and then turned over to the village of Menands. Kelly will reappear in Bethlehem Town Court on Sept. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

On Aug. 31, Justin Ferguson of Albany, 25, was arrested for felony DWI and also for an inadequate muffler and for not wearing a seatbelt.

The vehicle was observed by Officer Adam Cobb in the area of 232 Delaware Ave., and when stopped, a strong odor of alcohol was detected, and Ferguson had glassy eyes and slurred speech, police said.

Ferguson told police he had drank about two beers. He failed field sobriety tests and was arrested for DWI. Ferguson will reappear in Town Court Sept. 20 at 4 p.m.

File of Life program available in town

Town organizations are encouraging seniors and other residents to get in on the File of Life program recently undertaken in honor of the late Red Goyer by the Bethlehem Lions Club, Bethlehem Senior Services and Bethlehem Senior Projects.

The File of Life program is an improved-upon version of the Vitality of Life program, in which a tube with pertinent medical and personal information is kept in the refrigerator.

The File of Life, a national program, is a magnetized mini folder that goes on the outside of the fridge, and contains labels, prescribed medications, health problems, allergies, recent surgeries and other medical information.

The town has 10,000 that are ready for distribution, through community organizations and groups.

Files of Life can be obtained at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

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Kelly Spencer, Jeremiah Stone, Montana Stone and Jonathan Stone stand outside the Stone's home on Kenaware Avenue Aug. 31 selling their homegrown flowers and produce to raise funds for Hurricane Katrina victims.

Local kids pitch in for hurricane relief effort

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

With state and government agencies working hard to help raise funds for victims of Hurricane Katrina, it may be easy to overlook some of the smaller efforts.

Last Wednesday, four children from Slingerlands Elementary School took it upon themselves to help with the relief effort. Jeremiah Stone, Montana Stone, Jonathan Stone, and Kelly Spencer spent hours on the corner of the Stones' home on Kenaware Avenue in the heat and humidity attempting to sell their homegrown tomatoes and flowers, which have won awards at the Altamont Fair. The proceeds will be delivered to Price Chopper, which offered to match any funds collected to help hurricane victims.

"We were also thinking of

giving a contribution because it's such a good cause," said Mary Bayham, mother of Jeremiah, Jonathan and Montana.

After only their second hour selling, they had made \$27.50.

"That means \$54 at Price Chopper," said Bayham.

Jeremiah, 10, sold some of the

flowers and chives, and Kelly Spencer, 12, sold some of her award winning flowers.

Baby sunflowers, gladiolas, marigolds, cosmos and black-eyed susans were among the flowers for sale. The children charged \$5 for a bouquet, 50 cents for a stem, \$1 for a bag of chives,

and 25 cents for a tomato.

"We're just asking for donations," said Bayham.

Five hours worth of efforts resulted in \$50.

"People were generous," said Bayham.

Right when they were closing

for the day, they made one lady a huge bouquet. The kids said they were happy to do a small part to help.

"It felt good," said Jonathan.

"I just want to make sure that the people there have something," said Montana.

Town board says subdivision will have to wait

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

A 90-unit subdivision came before the planning board last month more than 10 years after it was originally approved.

New storm water regulations in the town of Bethlehem required planners of the Carriage Hill subdivision to make revisions based on the new guidelines.

Although the 66-acre subdivision, from applicant Charlew Construction, was originally approved in 1991, work on the subdivision was held up for many years due to improvements made to Jericho Road, a new water district in the area, and a moratorium. However, now that the town's comprehensive plan is finished, and the new zoning regulations have been approved, the planning board will be taking action on the plan in the next few months.

"Once the town accepts the

subdivision, the DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) can issue certification," said the applicant's engineer Howard Johannessen of Boutelle and Sons of Delmar. "We've been working with the Army Corps of Engineers, and they said it was okay as long as the DEC approves it. The ball is now in the town's court."

Three water retention ponds were created in the subdivision to manage the storm water, resulting in 85 lots, five fewer lots than originally proposed. The town will eventually have the responsibility for maintaining these areas.

Carriage Hill was originally approved before the town's new zoning regulations went into effect last month so most of the proposal is grandfathered in under the old zoning code.

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Howard Johannessen

"With two of the lots, the design will have to change slightly," said Janine Saatman, deputy town planner.

Under the new zoning code, residential building lots require 70 feet for road frontage, whereas the previous code only required 40 feet of frontage.

With the new ponds, two of the lots will need to be reconfigured,

which will take more time. Although planning board member Brian Collier suggested approval pending changes in the two lots, Saatman said the town would have to see the new plans before giving approval.

"I'm trying to appreciate the 10 years of pain that went into this," said Collier.

Johannessen said changes can be made, although it will be time consuming.

"The plans are on 15 sheets of paper," he said. "It's possible, but it's not like 'poof', it's done."

Planning board chairman Parker Mathusa said he's optimistic that it will work out, but he asked the engineering firm to look and see what can be done. Zoning board chairman Michael Hodom thinks the plan has a good chance of approval.

"It's a strong and legitimate plan," he said. "They are not asking for more, but for fewer lots."

Mathusa said the next steps are to iron out those few points.

"I hope this can be done in the next month or so," he said.

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Irish Crookhaven is heaven on earth

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Crookhaven, West Cork, Ireland, the last week of August—What next, what next, the Irish wind whispers into my ear. On vacation at Aunt Lanna's marvelous house in the most southwesterly part of the Emerald Isle, I can't tell if the question is metaphysical or practical.

I am the first one awake in a house full of people dealing with a time change exacerbated by late nights. Well, exacerbated is the wrong word, for it is a treat to turn up at O'Sullivan's Pub or walk into next-door Nottage's to find a room full of familiar faces. Sometimes Jimmy Burke is playing the prelude to the evening's singsong, gently urging a tune from his accordion. Sometimes a group of windburned, sun-kissed people are guffawing at one of the day's escapades, or laughing at an impromptu joke.

Caught out of time and place, we are all so happy here.

"People work at having fun here," Caroline Sheehan, editor of *The Gulf Stream Gazette*, an online publication, said, and it's a gift to have the perfect combination of beauty and the time to appreciate it. The "what's next, what's next" is answered too quickly at home, where laundry, cooking, lawn mowing, work, walking the dog, and querying the boys about the status of their homework always awaits.

Here, though, the morning light shines into the bedroom where Chris and I sleep and the day is only full of possibilities. The sunshine catches the water in the harbor outside the house and sends a broad swath of it to reflect on the ceiling. It glimmers and glints, and I wish I could put all my cares and woes into an imaginary boat to sail away when the light shifts or the clouds move in and the Atlantic Ocean no longer winks over me.

Maybe later we will go to Schull by boat. Maybe Christopher will climb into the tube that Lanna pulls behind the boat and our usually somber boy will grin ear to ear with the joy of flying over water that parts in big waves before Lanna turns her boat in the perfect sort of circle

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that will throw him from the tube. He will emerge ebullient from the icy North Atlantic and Cormac will scan the water worriedly for the sort of jellyfish that surrounded him after he took a spill out of the tube, marking the end of his ocean tubing career two years ago. We haven't since seen those sea creatures that Dermot O'Sullivan nicknamed "mushroom ballerinas" for their funny looks and peculiar way of moving, but Cormac prefers the boat from the cushioned seats in the bow. His grin comes when Lanna goes faster and faster still across waves that remind Chris and me that we are better suited to looking at waves than being one with them.

Perhaps we will walk again. We have been to Three Castle Head, where the ruins of the 13th-century O'Mahoney fortress still stand weather-beaten and we have wondered why a fortress would have been built so far up but then down in a valley, not high on a promontory. We have been to Mizen Head, Ireland's most southwesterly point, where construction on the stone bridge across a gap big enough to count as a fjord made Cormac and me clutch hands just a little less tightly than in past years.

We have yet to go up Brow Head, where the home that Chris' grandfather lived in still stands. What, we usually wonder, would he think of the daughter-in-law and granddaughter who have returned from across the silver sea to live in the village he never saw again after leaving for America in the 1920s, and the descendants who live 50 weeks of the year for the two they spend in the place he grew up?

The Ireland we visit is a far cry from the Ireland that people left as recently as the 1980s. The Celtic Tiger roars loudly and Crookhaven fills up in the summer with Irish, English, Kenyans, Americans, Australians, French, Germans...all of us who

have come around the bend to Crookhaven harbor and sigh with relief that we are home again.

Lanna and Maureen are not alone in settling here; there are people who have grown up here and people who abandoned other cities for the slower pace a beautiful place like this can provide.

My own mother has become part of the August crowd, and thanks to the great hospitality of my in-laws, my youngest brother and my sister-in-law spent 10 days with us this summer in the most beautiful place on earth.

We have talked in the past about whether we should move here, whether we should allow ourselves to get drunk daily on the beauty of this special spot. For now, the answer is no. The anti-American sentiment in Europe remains too strong to subject our children to; and after 10 years of living in New York's Capital District, we finally feel that is our home.

But "what next" whispers in my ear, the sort of question that only comes when there's been time to step out of the routine, to get enough sleep to feel refreshed, to have the time to be introspective. Sometimes I think that's why Americans avoid vacation; why ask a question with an answer we don't want to hear when we could just be forging ahead, telling ourselves that we're doing what we're meant to be doing?

But when I look at this harbor, these heathered hills, I wonder: am I living the life I'm supposed to be living? Does my work matter? When I'm dropped in the ground at the end of my life, will the world be a better place for my presence? I don't say these things out loud much; in our secular world, people look at me suspiciously and think they should be crying "Hallelujah!"

I look at my children, taking the steps that will lead them out to the world on their own, and know that there is the important work that matters. I'm watching with interest to see how they answer the "what next, what next" question. For Cormac, at 13, life is still about the here and now.



The view from our bedroom at Aunt Lanna's house in Crookhaven.

Christopher, about to be a sophomore in high school, is starting to lay the foundation for his life. I am grateful beyond measure that this Irish idyll has been part of their lives; that for two weeks every year, we can draw closer together as a family even as their opinions about the world are shaped by people from different parts of the world. They will live in a global village where people will leave their homes and travel around the world, but unlike Chris' grandfather, will probably return with some regularity to the place they began their lives.

When Chris and I dare to daydream about the "what's next" that might come after our children are through college and if we have any money left, we think about here. We have had so many dreams together, Chris and I. Some have come true — these

amazing people who happen to be our children — and some have not — how we wish our fathers' Chris' brother, and even the grandmothers and great-aunts who passed in their time could be with us. Through the surprises, the joys and the hard times, we have grown closer, and always, we draw on and dream of the magic of the time that is ours in Crookhaven.

So when the morning light entices me out of bed with its "What's next, what's next," I stop for just a minute to hug a still-sleeping Chris, drawing strength from what's here and now before moving on to the next part of this day, this life.



WEEKLY WEATHER

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Record high/low/year

AVERAGE HIGH 73° AVERAGE LOW 52°

Day	High/Year	Low/Year
Wednesday, September 7	96°/1945	36°/1962
Thursday, September 8	93°/1945	34°/1978
Friday, September 9	94°/1959	36°/1938
Saturday, September 10	96°/1931	34°/1978
Sunday, September 11	98°/1931	36°/1917
Monday, September 12	94°/1947	36°/1875
Tuesday, September 13	92°/1948	37°/1964

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION

27.86 inches as of Friday, September 2nd
1.63 inches above average

This week in weather

September 12th, 1960, Hurricane Donna made landfall on Long Island with winds of over 100 mph. Winds reached 140 mph in New England and New York City had a record high tide. This was the first hurricane to affect every point on the East Coast from Key West, FL to Caribou, Maine.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	6:27am	7:19pm
Thursday	6:28am	7:17pm
Friday	6:29am	7:15pm
Saturday	6:30am	7:13pm
Sunday	6:31am	7:12pm
Monday	6:32am	7:10pm
Tuesday	6:33am	7:08pm

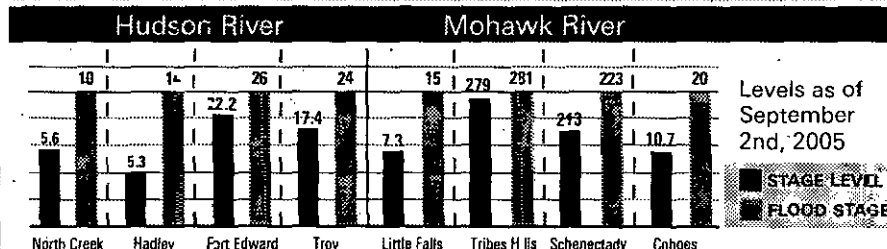
Moon Phases

Sept 11th	Sept 17th
First	Full

Planets	When	Where
Jupiter	Dusk	Low, WSW
Venus	Dusk	Low, WSW
Mars	Morning	High, South
Saturn	Dawn	Low East

Rivers & Recreation

River Levels



Water temp

Lake George	75°
Bolton Landing	73°
Sacandaga Lake	74°
Saratoga Lake	76°
Jersey Shore	75°
Cape Cod	71°

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	7:42am, 8:22pm	2:30am, 2:44pm
Thursday	8:17am, 9:03pm	3:16am, 3:23pm
Friday	8:59am, 9:51pm	4:06am, 4:06pm
Saturday	9:48am, 10:46pm	5:00am, 4:58pm
Sunday	10:48am, 11:49pm	5:58am, 5:58pm
Monday	11:59am, -----	6:57am, 7:01pm
Tuesday	12:55am, 1:14pm	7:56am, 8:03pm

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Volunteers needed for Parent Teacher Student Organization

As summer draws to an end and we are all getting back into gear for fall with school starting, the PTSO at the RCS school district is winding back up as well.

The PTSO is looking to fill several officer positions and volunteers to organize and work on our projects.

Specifically, we are looking for officers for Vice President and possibly Co-Vice President as well as Volunteer Coordinator.

We are also looking for volunteers to work and manage our magazine drive. The magazine drive is our largest fundraiser and is run over three weeks each fall. It brings in enough money to pay for most of the field trips for our middle school students.

There are several other

volunteer opportunities available, such as working mornings and lunch shifts in the trading post, helping out at school picture day, organizing and planning school spirit nights at Yannis and Applebees, organizing and planning and working at our twice yearly book fairs, and organizing and working at our Holiday In School store.

Not all volunteer opportunities require a year-long commitment. Many are for short periods of time, like the magazine drive and staff appreciation days. Also, not all positions require daytime hours. Please consider volunteering your time and skills to benefit all students in the middle school. The next PTSO meeting is Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. in the middle school cafeteria.

Committee to study nutritional value of school food

Parents are being sought for an ad-hoc committee to study the nutritional value of the items sold in RCS's cafeterias.

The committee will review all a la carte items sold in the cafeterias and advise Food Services Director George Dardani on the items.

The effort is part of the total RCS plan to increase the nutritional value of the cafeteria menus and help battle the national obesity epidemic among school-aged children.

Anyone interested in serving on the committee can contact Dardani at dardani@rcscsd.org at 756-5200, ext. 2037.

Once membership is determined, a committee meeting schedule will be established.

In recent years, RCS has undertaken a comprehensive effort to increase the nutritional value of the food sold in its four

cafeterias, including altering the daily menu to remove high fat and high carbohydrate snacks and replace them with healthier options, such as baked chips.

Church honors 9/11 with service

The First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will commemorate September 11 with an ecumenical prayer service for peace on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. at the gazebo in Hotaling Park in Voorheesville. The service will remember those taken away and

pray for an end to conflict, poverty, and injustice around the world. All are invited and urged to participate in the Vesper Service. Bring a lawn chair and willingness for peace.

4th Annual Teal Ribbon 5K Run and walk for ovarian cancer

The 4th Annual Teal Ribbon 5K Run and 1-mile walk for ovarian cancer will be held on Sunday, Sept. 18 starting at 9 a.m. at Albany's Washington Park. Proceeds from the race will be used to raise awareness and fund research to treat ovarian cancer, the deadliest of gynecologic cancers in the U.S. Runners/walkers may register at 7:30 a.m. on the day of the race at the Washington Park Lake House. The entry fee is \$15 on or before Sept. 2 and \$20 on the day of the race. Children ages 10 and under are \$5. The first 400 registered participants will receive a t-shirt. For information, call Caring Together at 783-7600 or go to www.timesunion.com

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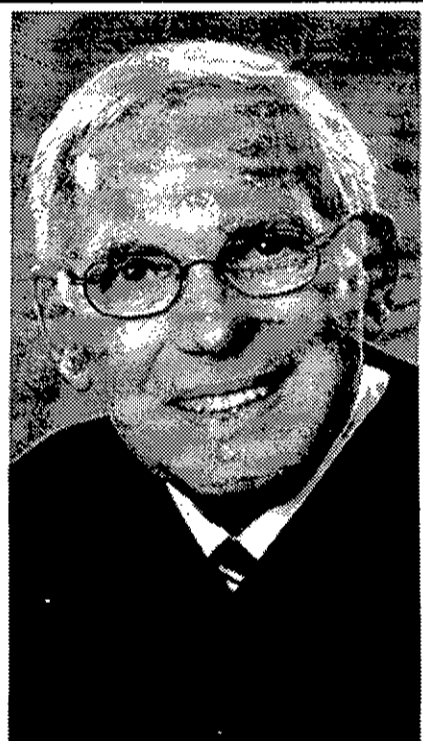
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Matters of Opinion

It's the law

Here we are again at the beginning of a new school year. That means for most of us a change of routine in the early morning and late afternoon commutes.

This week, the yellow buses will once again be picking up and dropping off hundreds of students who attend our suburban schools. Let's face it; it's a huge undertaking for the bus drivers and administrators who somehow always manage to get the job done.

Drivers need to remind themselves to be more careful at this time of year. When a school bus's red light is flashing, drivers on both sides of the road are required to stop. It's the law.

Editorial

It would behoove parents of young drivers to carefully review the rules of the road to be sure their teenagers are aware of the rules and the consequences of not strictly adhering to rules regarding school buses.

Many kids who ride the buses are very young, some barely 5-years-old, and the smallest have never experienced a real ride on the school bus. Even climbing up those steep stairs can be a challenge.

Some districts have trial runs, but on the first day of school, the little ones have a lot on their minds. They may be a bit hesitant for the first few weeks about their new routine.

Last year, we heard of drivers at busy intersections honking their horns to supposedly speed up the process. This is a violation of the spirit of the law and a serious distraction for young children and their parents who wait for the bus each day.

Drivers need to exercise more patience or leave earlier for work to avoid "getting stuck" behind a school bus.

All of the precautions are meant, after all, to protect our children from harm.

And that should be a common goal for all of us — watching out for the community's children as they board and leave the buses and being more aware of older kids as they walk or bike to and from school.

Many of our towns are nowhere near having sidewalks on all streets and roads, creating another at-risk situation for children.

Think about it. We are the adults and are supposed to set examples for children.

Obedience to the law and common courtesy should be what our kids see on the road. Honking horns and road rage behavior should never be the order of the day or tolerated.

Strike a balance in life, work

By LONNIE PACELLI

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When are you coming home? Here are five practical tips to realizing work/life balance.

So let's talk about over-used terms for a minute.

If you have been in the business world since the mid-1990s, you've likely heard your management espouse the desire for employees to achieve greater work/life balance. Many U.S. companies have adopted programs to help employees strike a better life balance by providing health club benefits, entertainment discount programs and additional time off for events such as the birth of a child.

Despite all this, Americans are one of the most overworked and flat-out busy people on earth, recently surpassing the Japanese and long surpassing the Europeans. With all this discussion of work/life balance, how can we in the U.S. also be one of the most overworked people in the world? The answer is pretty simple; many of us talk work/life balance, but don't live work/life balance, primarily because we don't know how to do it.

First, let's get clear on the primary purpose of achieving work/life balance. It's about minimizing stress in your life.



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Point of View

Much of the stress in a typical person's life is derived from work. Stress also comes from non-work activities as well.

You can say you've got work/life balance, but in addition to working full-time, you might participate in many activities with the kids, volunteer at the local homeless shelter, and exercise five days a week. If you're feeling stressed and tired, you haven't achieved the primary intent of work/life balance, which is to reduce stress. All you have done is balanced the degree of stress you have in your work life with the stress you have in your non-work life. But at least the stress is balanced.

To realize a practical work/life balance, consider the following tips:

You could be working a 40-hour work week and still be stressed out because of the non-work activities you've committed to. Doing too much "life" can be just as stressful to you and your loved ones as doing too much work. Don't feel obligated or pressured to fill up every hour of your week with life activities. Doing both in moderation helps you attain the key benefit of work/life balance: a low-stress life.

•Consciously (and honestly) decide what is important

Saying that work/life balance is important is one thing; truly meaning it is a different game altogether. You may want to believe you place other things above work, but wanting to believe it simply doesn't mean it's so.

Make a conscious, realistic declaration of what your priorities are, then examine your behaviors or ask a friend, relative, significant other or spouse to do so.

Taking the first step toward the quest for work/life balance means eliminating the gap between what you desire and what you do.

• Make your calendar a life thing, not just a work thing

Integrate important personal activities into your calendar. Examples of things to schedule include exercise, being home at a specific time for dinner and kids' activities.

Also, include items such as important meetings that your spouse or significant other needs to attend, which require you to be at home with the kids or to take junior to the dentist.

• Measure success in results, not hours

Those who measure success based on hours worked will

prioritize hours over results and tend to be less motivated to figure out how to get more work done in less time. Those who measure success based on results are more likely to figure out better ways to do things, prioritize their work and get home in time for dinner. Don't use the clock as your gauge of success; use the results you deliver as your success yardstick.

• Don't succumb to peer pressure

From our earliest years, we are exposed to peer pressure. The "I dare you's," from our youth become "Who's got a bigger house?" or "Who drives a nicer car?" as adults. Look, just because a peer works 18 hours a day doesn't mean he or she gets more done or is more effective. It just means that your peer chooses to run the hours race because he or she feels it is the best means to get ahead. Don't

let your peers' actions pressure you to run the wrong race. Just stay focused on providing meaningful results that provide value to the organization.

• Don't take on too much "life" in work/life balance

Achieving work/life balance doesn't mean you cram more and more stuff into the life side of the equation to balance out a high-octane work life. Achieving good work/life balance means doing both in moderation and minimizing the stress in your life. You could be working a 40-hour work week and still be stressed out because of the non-work activities you've committed to. Doing too much "life" can be just as stressful to you and your loved ones as doing too much work.

Don't feel obligated or pressured to fill up every hour of your week with life activities. Doing both in moderation helps you attain the key benefit of work/life balance: a low-stress life. Realizing the quest for work/life balance means first doing some serious soul searching and coming to grips with your true life priorities. If you acknowledge you are a workaholic and don't want to change, then by all means work 18-hour days. If you do want to change, though, you need to accept the challenge head-on and get on the road to a more balanced lifestyle.

You may be surprised at how your quality of life increases and how little it truly impacts your career aspirations.

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Editor, The Spotlight:

Seven local merchants are selling paper sneakers for only \$1 each to benefit diabetes research. This great sneaker sale is part of the effort of our townwide town team, Bethlehem Cares, that will participate in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's Walk to cure Diabetes on Sept. 254 at Corporate Woods in Albany.

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The next time you visit one of these great businesses, please consider making a \$1 donation. You won't just be buying a paper sneaker. You'll be buying hope for a lot of people that a cure will be found for diabetes and its complications.

If you would like more information on participating in the walk, call Bethlehem Cares at 4539-6894. If you can't participate but would like to make a donation to support diabetes research, you can mail a check (payable to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) to Bethlehem Cares at 65 Boylston Drive, Delmar 12054.

Maureen Carey
Delmar

Flowers were great for town's image

Editor, The Spotlight:

Just want to express the joy that I have experienced all summer as the lovely hanging baskets have burst forth into glorious bloom. They add such flair to the Four Corners area of our community.

I am certain that I speak for the majority of people who live and work in our town. To me it is yet another indication that this community cares about making this town "our home". Thanks to the town leaders who opted to put beauty into the budget, to the Highway Department and those early risers that have watered all of our gorgeous gardens and baskets over the summer.

I can assure you, your efforts

have not gone unnoticed.

To be sure we do live the a first rate community; working together to maintain "our home" is a priority.

May we continue to be blessed with the beauty of nature, the spirit of community teamwork and with the efforts of

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Matters of Opinion

October memories offer promise of best time of year

Editor, The Spotlight:

There is a slight chill in the air now; it comes at night, although not until after nine or so when the birds have returned to their nests

and the little nocturnal creatures scurry out of their homes to hunt for food for their hungry families. This has been an unforgiving summer, with the air so thick with humidity as to make one yearn for

the oncoming colder season. How many times have we heard, "I'll never complain about the cold again..."? The chill in the evening hours is a welcome respite from the hot, humid days.

It reminds us that October is coming, the best time of the year for many, with the magnificent colors of the season — flaming reds and golds and oranges; with the pungent smell of burning leaves for me, the misty memories of walking down Elsmere Avenue to school carrying my little book bag, festooned in the garb of the day; knee sox, saddle shoes, plaid skirt and white blouse. Perfectly groomed, we children of the 1950s were. And very lucky.

The walk was always the same, past Mr. Barachini's grocery store, past the old St. Stephen's Church, under the railroad bridge

and by Mullen's Drug Store (now CVS). October always, always, invokes the smell of sharpened pencils and the fragrance of chicken noodle soup wafting from the cafeteria at Elsmere School. And the memory of Mrs. Blaney and Miss French, Miss Hawkins, Mrs. Darrow, Miss Lee and Miss Portley — teachers of yore, whose gentle and benevolent spirits no doubt wander the corridors of the school now, looking over the shoulders of the children, gently reminding them to "sit up straight, children, and pay attention."

Has it really been 50 years since that child walked on Elsmere Avenue in that idyllic time when safety was taken for granted, when we were allowed to be children and not forced to grow up before our time, when our elders looked out for us and

we looked up to them? We took it for granted and thought it would last forever. But it is true that, "For everything there is a season"... and seasons change.

October is a month wrapped in memories and longing for what was and is no more. It is a month that represents a season of life, too. In the spring of life as children, when life itself seemed magic, like in school, it is time for a mid-term report... a time to reflect, to correct past errors, to reconnect with old friends, to look back with fondness and forgiveness and gratitude. Only in October can we understand why things happened to us, and how fortunate we were to have had the people in our lives — mostly gone now — who played such an important part in making us who we are. October is a time for reflection and contentment, a time to accept who we are and enjoy every day left to us.

As Mr. Sinatra reminds us about the seasons of a lifetime, "It Was A Very Good Year"; "And now the time grows short. I'm in the autumn of the years."

There are "miles to go before I sleep", and mountains yet to climb before I rest. Armed with the memories of old and the possibilities still ahead, it makes the inevitable winter looming ever nearer, not so frightening now.

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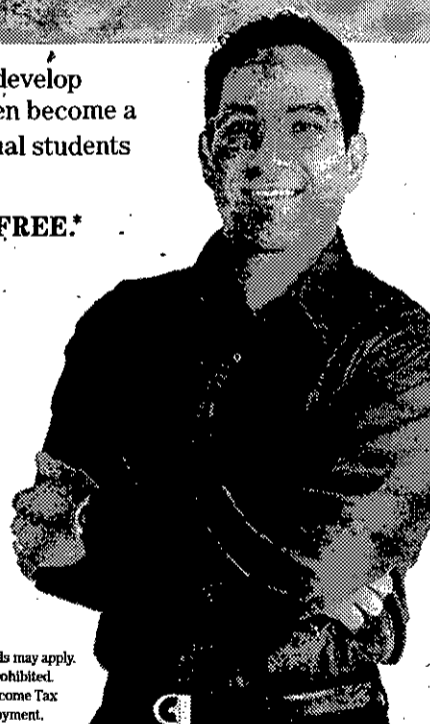
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Registration for the library's fall storytime season will take place next week. Bethlehem Central School District residents register first, according to the schedule below. Call 439-9314, ext. 3021. Registration is by phone only; no voice mail or e-mail registrations will be accepted.

- For toddler storytimes—call on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- For preschool storytimes—call on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- For advanced and family storytimes—call on Thursday, Sept. 15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Open registration begins Friday, Sept. 16. Anyone may register for any level by phone or in person on Sept. 16, and thereafter, during library hours. Call 439-9314 and press 4, or register in person at the Children's Place information desk. Storytimes will run from Monday, Sept. 19 through Wednesday, Nov. 23. On days when Bethlehem schools are closed or have a delayed opening, storytimes are canceled.

Fall storytime schedule

Toddler (age 22-months–35 months with adult): Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. or 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. or 11 a.m.; Thursday, 10:15 a.m. or 11 a.m.

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Book discussions begin with Bohjalian

Beginning next week, you will have two opportunities for literary conversations. Afternoons with Books continues as DayBooks on Monday, Sept. 12 at 1:30 p.m. Our evening book discussion has been re-established as a multi-genre offering called AfterDinner Books. It meets one Wednesday evening a month beginning next Wednesday, Sept.

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14 at 7 p.m. Both groups will talk about Chris Bohjalian's latest novel, *Before You Know Kindness*, a thought-provoking family saga that revolves around an accident with a hunting rifle and examines the deeply personal in light of contemporary social issues.

New members are welcome in both groups. Copies of the books are available at the information desk. Large-print, CD and cassette versions are often available,

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Meet Chris Bohjalian

Chris Bohjalian will read from *Before You Know Kindness* at the library on Wednesday Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. The event is free, but tickets are required. Tickets will be available to Bethlehem school district residents this Saturday, Sept. 10 beginning at 10 a.m. Ticket availability opens to all on Sunday Sept. 11, beginning at 1 p.m.

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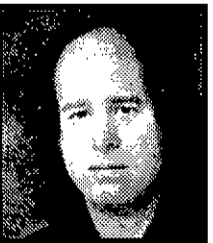
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Storytimes resume

From Sept. 13 to Oct. 28 (Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays) at 10:15 a.m. All storyhours are multi-age level and share a weekly theme.

No signup, but please arrive on time. The program is limited to 30 children. There is no storyhour on Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Writing workshop

Ever want to write a novel? "Everyone has one novel in them," is an old saying. Now may

be your chance to find out if there is a novel in you.

The library is hosting a "Weekend with Archer Mayor" featuring award winning Vermont-based mystery writer Archer Mayor. The library will get a jump-start on the weekend with a book discussion of Archer Mayor's *The Sniper's Wife* tonight, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. (No signup).

On Friday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. mystery writer Archer Mayor will read from his current and upcoming work on Friday (no signup). On Saturday, Sept. 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mayor will present an all day fiction writing workshop (signup is required and seating is limited).

A bag lunch, catered by Nichols Market, will be available, but must be pre-ordered. Call the library to register.

This program is made possible

in part through Community Arts Connection. The Community Arts Connection program is funded through the state and local partnership program of the New York State Council on the Arts and The Arts Center of the Capital Region and in part with funds from the Friends of the Library.

Poets to meet

Every Other Thursday Night Poets resumes meeting on Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. No signup. New members are welcome. For information about the group, call the library.

Crazy quilting workshop

On Tuesday, Sept. 27 from 1 to 3 p.m., instructor Linda O'Connor will demonstrate crazy quilt piecing by machine as well as by

hand. Be prepared to share some supplies. Call the library for a list of necessary suppliers to bring to the workshop.

College application help

On Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. the library will hold a "Help! I'm filling out my college application!" workshop led by Certified Educational Planner Sally M. Ten Eyck, of College Assistance Plus. This working session will allow high school seniors to develop essay ideas and ask questions. (The program will not cover financial aid applications.) Signup is required.

September Art Display

During September visit the library's Hall Gallery to see oils and watercolors by Joan Van

Alphen. Bruce Sowalski's "Old Toy Collection" graces our display case.

Ongoing programs

Sammi the good listening dog is available for Paws for Reading appointments. Call to schedule.

Nimblefingers welcomes newcomers every Tuesday at 1 p.m. No signup.

Yoga class with Mira Lechowicz takes place September 22 at 7 p.m. Free, wear comfortable clothes, no signup.

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M.K. Fottrell

Parsons hosts foster parent info. meeting

Adults interested in becoming foster parents or who are looking to adopt children are invited to attend an informational meeting at Parsons Child and Family Center, 60 Academy Road in Albany. Meetings will be held on the following dates for September:

Thursday, Sept. 1, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 9, from noon to 2

p.m.

Monday, Sept. 12, from 7 to 9 p.m.

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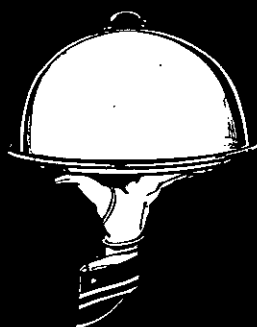
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Mystery writer reveals all secrets at library

By M.K. FOTRELL

"One thing that is true about writing, across the board," says author Archer Mayor, "is that it is lonely. For some that is good. But others get consumed by writing's endless road blocks, and they yield to temptation."

Mayor, an award-winning mystery writer, will be the guest of the Voorheesville Public Library for a "Weekend with Archer Mayor" Sept. 9 and 10. Mayor will read from his work on Friday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. and conduct a fiction writing workshop, showing participants how to hone their skills on Saturday, Sept. 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Mayor explained one of the most important things to remember about writing.

"To be exquisitely attuned to the following: the intelligence and imagination of your readers," he said. "A writer's major trick is to understand that writing is a conspiracy or collaboration between the writer and reader. If you understand that, you will be miles ahead."

Still, he cautions, writing is not easy.

"If you are an aspiring writer, keep in mind that almost every single anxiety you experience is not yours alone," said Mayor. "I have been writing for well over a quarter century. There are still moments when I think my writing is terrible. I worry that people will

think, 'he can't write.' Embrace it and get on with it," he said.

Mayor has embraced it, and his large body of work shows that he has gotten on with it, quite well.

St. Albans Fire, scheduled for release in November, is the 16th novel in Mayor's series featuring Joe Gunther of the fictional Vermont Bureau of Investigation.

It is a fire, every farmer's nightmare, which opens *St. Albans Fire*. But it's not just any fire; it is a horrific inferno that forever changes a Vermont farm family's life. The Cutts' teenage son, distracted by unrequited love and thinking the blaze manageable, decides to handle it on his own. He is quickly overtaken by explosions, burning walls, and stampeding animals. Ignited and burning, he falls to his death. In a few short moments, the Cutts lose their son, the family barn and their herd of dairy cows to the inferno.

In those same few moments, the reader is hooked into this

every lead and demands meticulous work from his subordinates. Was the fire set to ruin the Cutts' family economically? Or was murder the arsonist's real intent?

Clever detective work finds the arsonist but does not solve the case. As usual, with Mayor's plots, there are several twists and truly surprising discoveries in the last third of the book.

Mayor is a long-time Vermont resident who knows the people and their issues and dramatizes them in this series. His characters are real and fully fleshed out. Local touches and details about rural Vermont, where the "grinding economic struggle" of the farmers contrasts with green mountain vistas and peacefully grazing cows enrich "*St. Albans Fire*." Mayor captures the contrast between the old Vermont (family farms, bucolic settings,

peaceful lives) and the new (greedy land developers, conflict over genetically modified crops, restrictive farming regulations).

"The 'Weekend with Archer Mayor' program is free, but space is limited, so register early," said library director, Gail Sacco. "The opportunity to hear such a skilled and well-respected author read his work and hear him speak about the craft of fiction writing, is phenomenal."

Call the library at 765-2791 for registration information. This program is made possible in part through Community Arts Connection. The Community Arts Connection is funded through the state and local partnership program of the New York State Council on the Arts and The Arts Center of the Capital Region and in part with funds from the Friends of the Library.



Mayor

latest mystery offering by Mayor.

When the Cutts' fire turns out to be arson, Gunther is called in to investigate what is now a murder case. Gunther is a modest and, seemingly ordinary individual. But, as with all of Mayor's characters, he is more complex than he seems. Gunther is compassionate but doggedly follows

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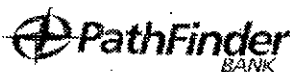
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As Fall Approaches, Higher Heating Bills Are Not Far Behind

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Albany, NY — It is that time of year when the days get shorter and the kids start heading back to school. That can only mean one thing — fall and winter are on the way. Are you prepared to battle the cold weather? Don't wait until the leaves are falling. With some simple adjustments, you can literally prevent the heat, and dollars, from leaking out of your home and pocketbook this winter.

With the help of New York Energy SmartSM programs, New Yorkers can save energy around their homes by making deliberate choices to use energy wisely. In addition to saving money, these individuals help the environment — the less electricity produced by power plants, the fewer greenhouse gases released into the air.

With increases in both the price of electricity and heating fuel, consumers often concede to paying more to stay comfortable. What most people don't realize is how often higher energy bills can be traced to simple home improvement challenges, like leaky windows and doors, or poor insulation. While it's not always easy to pinpoint the problem, taking time to find it and fix it can make your home more energy-efficient and comfortable.

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Why should New Yorkers care about home performance? Energy efficiency improvements can enhance the quality, comfort, and safety of your home, not to mention save money on energy bills. Whether your home is old or new, it could be wasting up to 40 percent on energy costs due to inefficient heating and cooling systems, poor insulation, and air leaks through cracks and gaps in the attic, basement, plumbing fixtures and duct systems. Many homes have rooms that are too hot or cold, or have drafts, poor indoor air quality, and ice build-up on the roof that can cause structural damage. These may be common signs that the house is not sealed, ventilated, insulated or heated properly.

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Smith, president of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). NYSERDA administers the New York Energy SmartSM Programs.

Additional fall tips:

- Have your heating and cooling equipment serviced annually and remember to replace air filters regularly.
- Use a programmable thermostat and lower your thermostat when you're not at home and at night.
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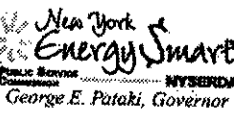


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RCS already feeling crunch of higher fuel prices

With more than 5,600 miles a day logged by its buses, RCS officials are exploring a number of options in an effort to reduce fuel costs as the district begins the school year.

Absent a successful effort to reduce the cost of the gas or reduce usage, the district would exceed its budget for the 2005-06 school year because of the high price of diesel fuel and unleaded gas, Brian Kreis, RCS business administrator, said.

Fuel and diesel prices are a large factor for the district. The district uses in excess of 128,000 gallons of diesel fuel and 10,000 gallons of gasoline a year.

Kreis said that when the administration and board of education budgeted for fuel in the spring, prices at that time were at record levels. Despite that, he said, an increase was still factored into. However, that projected increase has been outpaced by the actual skyrocketing prices.

In March, when the district was in the midst of budget preparation, fuel cost \$1.72 a gallon off state contract. Last week, RCS was paying the following prices:

Diesel Fuel - \$2.23 a gallon
Unleaded Fuel - \$1.91 a

gallon

To find some savings, RCS is currently seeking a grant to fund a pilot project that would eliminate the need to warm-up buses for long periods of time during the winter, Kreis said. Presently, buses need to be warmed as much as an hour prior to being driven in order to raise their interior temperatures to state-mandated levels.

Using funds provided by the grant, the district would use miniature heaters that could either work off a timer or be manually turned on and would preheat bus liquids each

morning.

Other avenues RCS is pursuing to mitigate the impact of high fuel prices are:

- Utilization of a logistics program that plots the most direct routes.

- Exploring the potential of shared bus routes with other school districts busing students to private schools

- Combining more out-of-district bus runs to utilize fewer buses and burn less gas.

To avert this type of problem arising, Kreis asked state contracting officials prior to

budgeting for the coming year if they could project fuel costs for the coming year. Officials told him at the time there was no way of gauging future costs.

"Fuel prices, if they do not level

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The training consists of love, walking the dogs on a leash in public places with the dog wearing a special "training coat" when being socialized. To reserve a place at this meeting, call Carl Treiber at 765-4910.

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Fiction writing workshop on deck at library

The Voorheesville Public Library will be holding a Fiction Writing Workshop with Archer Mayor on Saturday, Sept. 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The workshop will cover various aspects of fiction writing. Other subjects, including writing the mystery novel will be

discussed as time permits. There will be handouts for each topic and time for questions and answers. Archer Mayor will read from his work on Friday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. at the library. For information or to register, call 765-2791. You can plan to pre-order a bag lunch catered by Nichols for \$5, or you can bring your own.

Thacher Nature Center announces annual art show

Thacher Nature Center announces its third annual art show which will run from Sept. 9 to 21. The Thacher Nature Center is inviting artists and art enthusiasts to participate in this annual Nature Art Show. Artwork will be displayed at the Thacher Nature Center from Sept. 9 to Sept. 21. Artists may bring one to two pieces of their work for display. In addition to paintings and sketches, other handcrafted pieces such as a sculpture, woodcarvings, baskets, quilts or stained glass will be accepted. Artwork in process will also be considered. Completed paintings and drawings should be framed and ready to hang. Call Thacher Park at 872-1237 for information about submitting artwork or to inquire about art classes offered at Thacher Park or at the Nature Center.

School to hold opening day barbecue

The schools in the Voorheesville school district will have their first day back to school on Wednesday, Sept. 7, with their annual back-to-school barbecue during regular lunch hours. They will be serving hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and ice cream. The price for the lunch is the regular lunch price of \$2.

If any parents or adults would like to volunteer to help cook or serve, contact the school at 765-3314 ext. 212 so they can anticipate the number of helpers they will have on hand.

PTA sets first meeting

The first PTA meeting for the new 2005-2006 school year is set for Thursday, Sept. 13, at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria at Voorheesville Elementary School.

The room parents meeting will meet first in the school cafeteria at 6:15 p.m. All future PTA meetings will be held in the elementary school library.

Thacher hosts hawk watch

Thacher Nature center is holding the 4th annual Hawk Migration on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10 and 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Thacher Park Overlook.

Plan to meet with experienced hawk enthusiast Will Aubrey at the Overlook. This is the "winged migration" of several species of raptors over the Helderberg escarpment. Hawk watchers may wish to bring their own binoculars. This program is free and open to the public.

For information, call 872-1237.

School board to meet at high school

The next regular Voorheesville School board meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Voorheesville High School.

All are welcome to attend. For information, call 765-3313 ext. 101.

BC meal programs announced

Bethlehem Central School District once again announces its free and reduced-price meal policy for Bethlehem school children, establishing family income eligibility requirements to participate in the program. The district announces its policy on a regular basis.

Applications and eligibility requirements for the free and

reduced-price lunch program are sent home with students during the first week of school. Families that qualify and wish to apply must provide all the information requested.

Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Families can view the eligibility requirements online.

For an application, call Kathy Haege in Bethlehem Central's business office at 439-7481.

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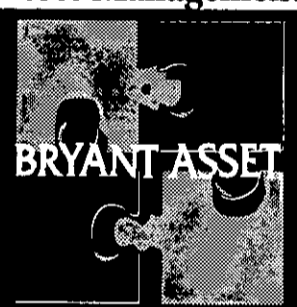
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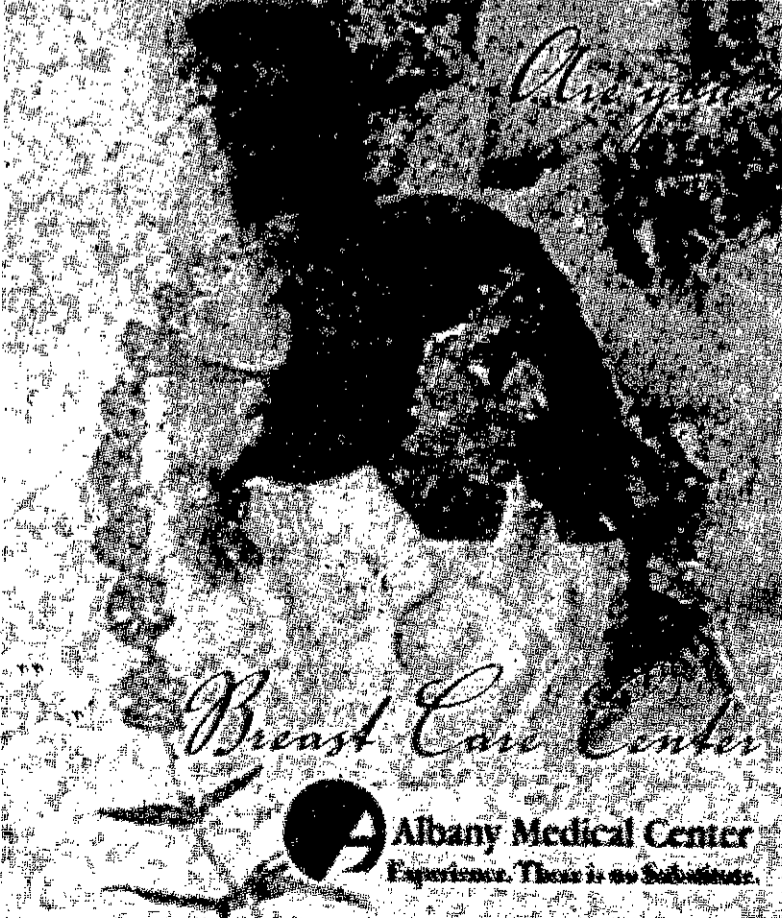
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Plans for water tanks near airport cause uproar

By GRAHAM S. PARKER

Dozens of three-by-five cards were filled out at the Aug. 31 Albany Airport Authority's first public input meeting regarding the proposed removal of the Latham Water District's two, red-and-white-checked water towers located off of Utica Avenue.

While the cards indicated that a number of people had something to say about the project, nearly everyone yielded their time at the podium to two Loudonville residents, Kathleen and Tom Dwyer, who have filed a lawsuit against the authority and have led the charge against a

proposed replacement tank to be built on the Sanderson Farm site.

Authority representatives defended the project at the meeting, the announced purpose of which was to gather rather than respond to public comment. The deadline for public comment is Sept. 28.

"We look at this project as averting potential disaster. We need to remove that Latham water tower," said Albany Airport Authority Chief Executive Officer John O'Donnell.

O'Donnell was joined by Latham Water District Superintendent John Frazier, C.T. Male and Associates Engineer John Munsey and authority officials.

O'Donnell has said that recent regulations require the airport to take action to replace the Utica Avenue towers, which officials have long been concerned are located where planes may crash into them.

The initial scope of the project has changed since the town asked authority officials to consider the removal of the Ross Court Tower, adjacent to the Sanderson site. The authority has begun new environmental assessments to include the removal of the old tower. As part of the agreement, the town will pay the expense for the removal.

Since then, town residents have been urging the authority to consider burying the proposed 2.5 million gallon replacement tank. The authority has continually held that burying the tank, or tanks, is not an option.

"An underground tank that requires generators, pumping...the FAA will not fund the expenses," said authority spokesman Doug Myers after the meeting. "The town and the taxpayers would have to incur that."

The Dwyers, accompanied by members of the Concerned Citizens of Historic Loudonville, turned in a petition with more than 500 signatures. Their principal argument against the

proposed tower is that it is in direct conflict with the goals set forth in the recently approved townwide comprehensive plan. If the concern is one of safety, as the authority and FAA contends, and limiting the effects on local homeowners' views is a concern, then underground tanks are the best option, both Dwyers argued.

"Erecting a 13-story tower on historic farm land would be in clear violation of that plan," said Kathleen Dwyer.

In the past, authority officials have repeatedly informed residents that the roughly \$8.5 million in federal money made available to fund the removal of the old towers, construction of replacements and subsequent infrastructure, is reserved solely for the "in kind" replacement of the towers. An in-ground tank with necessary pumping apparatus is out of the question, according to authority officials.

Although those in favor of a tower at the Sanderson site were greatly outnumbered, residents have agreed that the Utica Avenue towers need to come down.

The Dwyers have publicly criticized the authority and the town's selection of the site as well as the authority's refusal to consider a below ground tank. They also accuse the authority, and town of not being forthcoming with information requested under the Freedom of Information Law regarding the selection of the site.

According to Myers, all the

information the Dwyers had asked for regarding the site has been furnished.

Quoting his father, Tom Dwyer said that the process of selection for the Sanderson site doesn't pan out.

"If it doesn't pass the smell test, then you need to take a look at what's going on," said Tom Dwyer.

Dwyer and his wife Kathleen are the two original petitioners on the suit against the authority filed in state Supreme Court in January 2005. Since then a number of residents of the area have signed on as petitioners to the suit. The Dwyers' suit contends that the authority violated state environmental quality review act proceedings in its selection of the Sanderson site in Loudonville for the location of a 13-story tank to replace the existing Latham tanks.

The call to remove the towers came down from the Federal Aviation Authority in 2000. The FAA has listed the towers as obstructions to Runway 28 since the 1960s.

After negotiations with town officials, and federal funding for the project was secured to remove and replace the towers, the Sanderson site was listed as the best location of nine in a C.T. Male study Frazier and the authority have backed the firm's selection of the site for the replacement.

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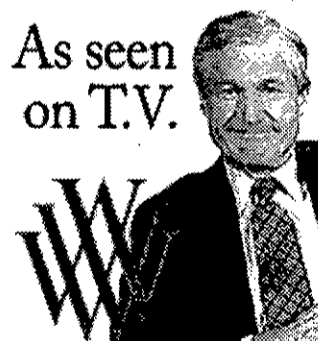
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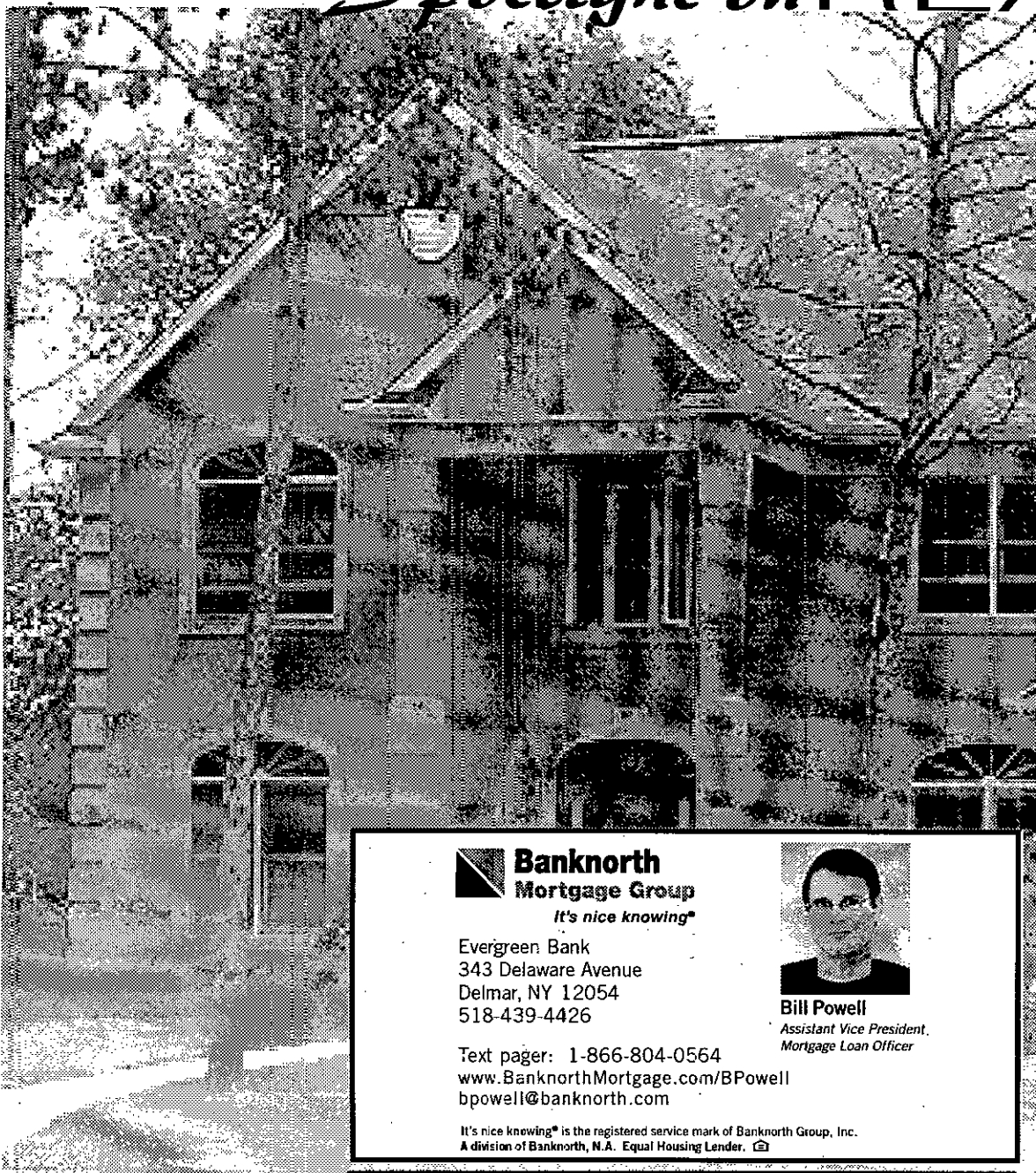
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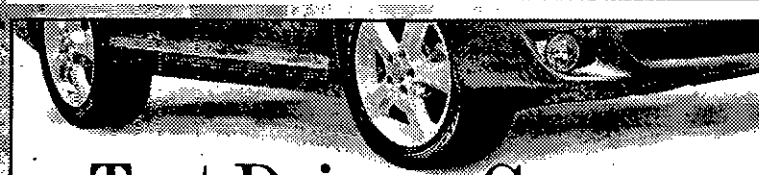
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By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

It's time for new pencils, new notebooks, and to change the conversation from summer fun to school work, as school starts up again.

"It's the start of a new school year, so it's a good time to set a pattern of communication between children and parents," said Cathy Hull, executive director of Sylvan Learning Center of Albany, Clifton Park, Schenectady and Syracuse. "Try to get past the typical question

and answer, 'How was school?' 'Boring.' Ask what's going on in English, for instance."

Asking specific questions while things are going smoothly will give parents a baseline for the student's year — and make it easier to assess problems should they arise later.

"Parents should start making contact with the teachers early in the year," Hull said. "Later, if a student gets uncomfortable, parents can talk to the teacher, or to other parents."

Many parents turn to tutors if their children have a difficult time

in school. Tutoring, Hull said, is usually one-on-one or small group instruction, either with a private teacher or through an organization like Sylvan, which is nationwide.

How can you tell if your child needs a tutor?

Grades, Hull said, are one indicator.

"If grades are below what a family feels is acceptable, a tutor might be a good option," Hull said. "Also, if a teacher says a student is not keeping up with the class work, a tutor may help."

That exceedingly difficult time of day for any family — homework time — can be another indicator of how things are going.

"When students are very young, they need a lot of supervision during homework," Hull said. "But as they get older, if they still need a lot of supervision, that's another sign. Also, if there are tears during homework. Keep an eye on how long homework takes, and if it seems too long, ask the teacher how much time should be spent on homework."

There are other signals that things aren't right. If a child cries in the morning, complains of a stomach ache, or says "I can't do it" or "I'm stupid," those signs should raise red flags.

In junior and senior high school, distress signals could manifest in different ways.

"If students do the homework, but don't hand it in, a couple of

things could be happening," Hull said. "It could be an organizational issue — the paper could have gotten stuffed into a backpack or locker and the student can't find it. That could be an issue of a student not knowing how to set their materials up."

Also, a student may not be confident they've done the homework correctly. This could be related to verbal or reading comprehension, Hull said. This can also manifest itself if a student studies for a test with mom and dad and seems to know all the answers, but doesn't do very well on the test itself.

"Reading impacts everything," Hull said. "With homework, a child might not think they've understand the verbal instructions correctly, or the written instructions on an assignment. Reading gets more complex as students get older, and if questions on a test are worded in a different format than a student is used to seeing, that can be difficult."

Reading comprehension can even be the problem with math, where a student can perhaps do the computation — once he or she understands the instructions.

While teachers and parents can provide help, a tutor can offer something neither can.

"A teacher can give a little bit of time, but a teacher usually has 25 students," Hull said. "Children usually want their parents to be parents, not teachers."

Tutors can provide one-on-one instruction, and in the case of Sylvan Learning Centers, Hull said, assessments and resources are available to figure out exactly what the course of action should be.

"A tutor can work in a couple of different ways," Hull said. "They can address what a student is doing right now, or go back and figure out what's causing the difficulty."

Hull pointed out that high school algebra can often pose difficulties, and it can often go back to fractions not learned sufficiently.

"If you can't do fractions, you can't do algebra," Hull said.

Another sort of tutoring is enrichment tutoring, often seen in high school students thinking ahead to college. At Sylvan, students can take a writing course with an eye to the SAT, and a study skills test helps students buff up their organizational and time management skills.

"Students take these skills to college, and on through life," Hull said. "A student who can use a planner will be a stronger employee some day."

Hull advised not letting too much time go by before addressing a suspected problem.

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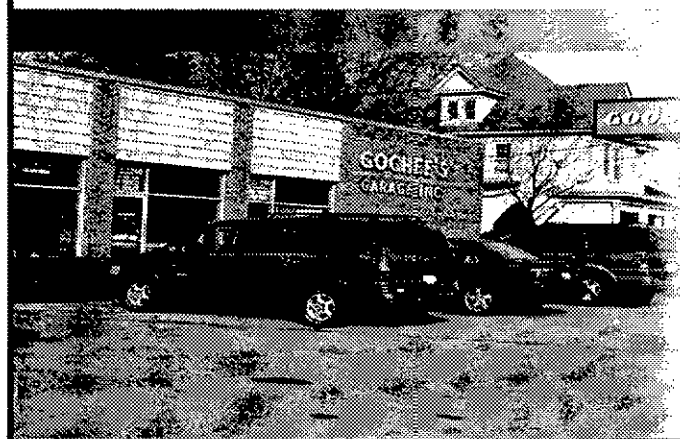
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- Maternal and Child Health Nursing, 447-4600.

- Physically Handicapped Children's Program, 447-4683.

- Public Health Education, 447-4648.

Mental Health Board

South Ferry and Green streets,
Albany, 447-4555.

- Adult Mental Health Clinic, 447-4555.

- Children's Mental Health Clinic, 447-4550.

- Capital District Psychiatric Center Mobile Crisis Team, 447-9650.

- Intensive Case Management, 447-4569.

- Substance Abuse Clinic, 447-4551.

- Discharge Planning, 447-9611, ext. 4538.

Nursing homes

- Albany County Nursing Home, Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie, 869-2231.

- Ann Lee Home, Albany-Shaker Road, Colonie, 869-5331.

- Eddy-Ford Nursing Home, 421 W. Columbia St., Cohoes, 237-5630.

- Child's Hospital and Nursing Home, see listing under Hospitals.

- Daughters of Sarah Nursing Home, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, 456-7831.

- Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center 125 Rockefeller Road, Bethlehem, 439-8116.

- Guilderland Center Nursing Home, 428 Route 146, Guilderland Center, 861-5141.

- Julie Blair Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 325 Northern Blvd., Albany, 449-1100.

- Our Lady of Hope Residence, 1 Jeanne Jugan Lane, Latham, 785-4551.

- Our Lady of Mercy Life Center, 2 Mercycare Lane, Guilderland, 464-8100.

- Teresian House, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, 456-2000.

- Villa Mary Immaculate Nursing Home, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, 525-7600.

Hospitals

- Albany Medical Center Hospital, 43 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 262-3125.

- Albany Memorial Hospital, 600 Northern Blvd., Albany, 471-3221.

- Bellevue Hospital, 2210 Troy-Schenectady Road, Schenectady, 346-9400.

- Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, 447-9611.

- Child's Hospital and Nursing Home, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 292-1300.

- Ellis Hospital, 1101 Nott St., Schenectady, 243-4000.

- St. Clare's Hospital, 600 McClellan St., Schenectady, 382-2000.

- St. Mary's Hospital, 1300 Massachusetts Ave., Troy, 268-5000.

- St. Peter's Hospital, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, 525-1550.

- Samaritan Hospital, 2215 Burdett Ave., Troy, 271-3300.

- Sunnyview Hospital & Rehabilitation Center, 1270 Belmont Ave., Schenectady, 382-4500.

- Samuel Stratton Veterans Administration Medical Center, 113 Holland Ave., Albany, 626-5000.

Clinics

- Bethlehem Physical Therapy, 365 Feura Bush Road, Glenmont, 436-3954.

- Center for the Disabled, 314 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, 437-5700.

- Albany County Health Department, 447-4580.

- Whitney M. Young Jr. Health Center, Lark Street and Arbor Drive, Albany, 465-4771.

Hospices

- Community Hospice of Albany, 445 New Karner Road, Colonie, 724-0200.

- Community Hospice of Rensselaer, 295 ValleyView Blvd., North Greenbush, 285-8100.

Mental health

- Clearview Mental Health Association, 500 Central Ave., Albany, 435-9931.

- Albany County Mental Health Association Family Advocacy Program, 260 Washington Ave., Albany, 447-4555.

- Alliance for the Mentally Ill of New York State, 260 Washington Ave., Albany, 462-2000.

- Capital District Psychiatric Center Mobile Crisis, 447-9650.

- Child Guidance Center, 31 Lafayette St., Schenectady, 381-8911 (emotional problems in children).

- SUNYA Psychological Services Center, 135 Western Ave., Albany, 442-4900.

Helplines

- AIDS Hotline, 445-2437. Anonymous HIV testing information: 1-800-962-5065.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 292-0488, or see weekly Community Calendar listings for specific meeting times.

- Alliance for the Mentally Ill of New York State, 462-2000.

- Child Abuse Hotline, 1-800-342-3720.

- Hope House Outpatient Clinic, 482-4673.

- Crisis Services, CDPC, 447-9650 (mental health services).

- Domestic Violence, 482-5465.

- New York Statewide Senior Action Council, 1-800-333-4374. Patient's rights hotline for New Yorkers of all ages.

- Rehabilitation Support Services Compeer Program, matching volunteers with adults receiving mental health treatment, 314 Central Ave., Albany, 462-1094 ext. 274.



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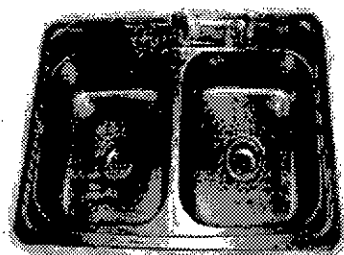
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as coping strategies and friendship.

To Life is unique, O'Connell said, because they do things other support groups don't do.

Educational seminars are offered on a variety of topics, and they service 10 counties throughout the state.

"If we find there is a need for something, we fill that need," she said.

Seminars featuring medical experts to discuss treatment options and coping strategies, a lending library of books, tapes and articles and Internet information, as well as support with other physiological factors such as fatigue, exercise, and nutrition are readily available.

"I think being here means different things to different people," O'Connell said. "It's more important and memorable to some people than others. It depends on what you're looking for."

One of the reasons breast cancer has become such a prevalent topic is because the older a woman gets, the more likely it will affect her in some way, O'Connell said. By age 70, one in three women will be diagnosed with it.

"Also, the baby boomer population is getting older," she said. "And the people getting diagnosed are getting younger, but that also means that they are finding it earlier."

One of the things women find difficult once they are diagnosed with breast cancer is its effect on their looks. Chemotherapy kills fast growing cancer cells, but hair cells also grow quickly. Dealing not only with a disease, but the effects the treatment has on appearance is a double whammy. To Life offers the Abracadabra Boutique, a one-stop salon for wigs, breast prostheses, mastectomy bras and cosmetics.

"Breast cancer affects the two indicators of womanhood, which are the hair and the breast," O'Connell said.

O'Connell, along with two hairdressers from The Scissor Society in Delaware Plaza, helps

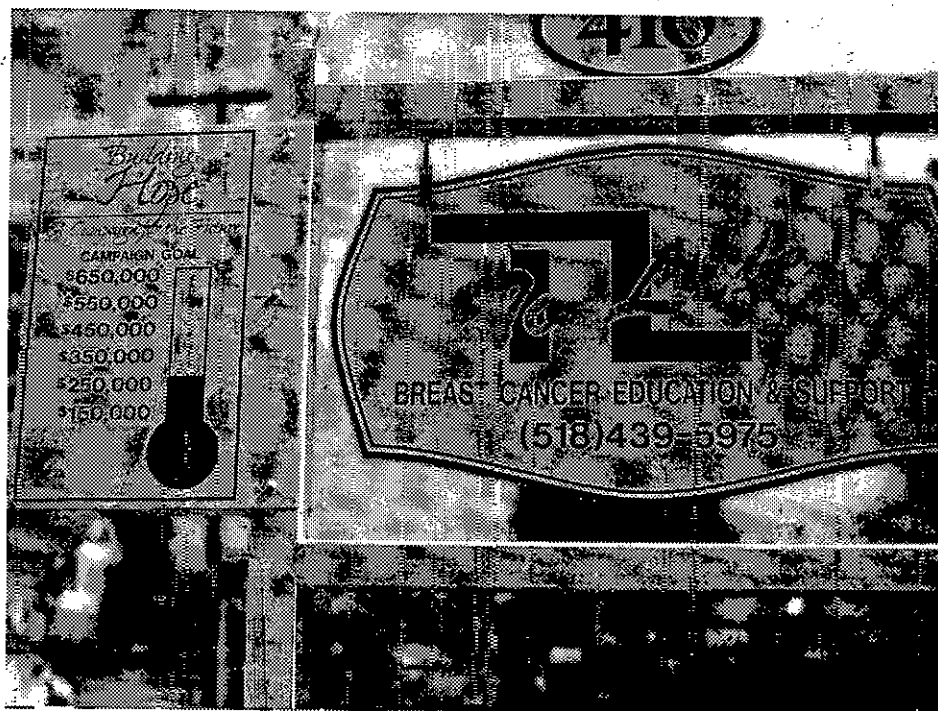
women deal with the difficulty of losing their hair by helping them find flattering wigs and hairpieces. Hairstylists work with each woman to determine what look she wants. Some women prefer to shave their heads if they feel they would look better that way instead of with a wig, O'Connell said, and the stylists can help a woman deal with the sensitive issue of hair loss in a private setting.

"Some women may feel uncomfortable going to a regular salon in this situation," said O'Connell. "When someone is losing their hair, it can be strained, but we try to make it fun. We encourage women to bring their husband or friends or their children, even bring wine. We sometimes hear friends say they will shave their heads too, for support."

Scarves and hats are also options. Along with wigs, the correct prostheses and attractive lingerie can help a woman who has had a mastectomy feel more like herself.

"When women walk into the salon, there is a lot of trial and error, but when we find what works best, that's very gratifying," said O'Connell.

Some of the women who work



To Life! on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

Stephanie Lubis

at To Life are breast cancer survivors, but not all. Krischer said it's common for some women, once their ordeal is over, to not want to hear anything about it ever again. But some also want to help others and become volunteers.

To Life also gets help from the community. The Scissor Society will be holding a fund-raiser Oct. 2 from noon to 3 p.m., offering 100 percent of the proceeds to the cause.

"It's really a big deal that they're doing this," said Thea Hoeth, executive director of To Life. "They're coming in on a Sunday, a day they don't normally work, and it's not just the owners. Most of the other hairdressers will be there too."

Mary Minshell, owner of the salon, said she's holding the fundraiser because it's a good cause.

"We've had customers who were diagnosed with breast cancer and died from it, and we've had survivors too," she said. "Some of the girls here fix the wigs at To Life."

Donations have also been received from people not getting their hair done that day, she said. People interested in helping can make an appointment by calling 439-8171.

For information about To Life, call 439-5975 or visit the Web site, www.tolife.org.

See Page 23 for support groups and local resources.

Story

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What Derbyshire found most difficult about her condition was not the loss of her breast, however. It was the loss of control over her situation. A scientist, she describes herself as organized and controlled. The fact that she was no longer in control, that even her doctors had to proceed with her treatment by trial and error, was the worst part of her ordeal.

"After every lumpectomy when I thought I was okay, it turned out that I wasn't," she said. "The concept of having the mastectomy was worse than the reality, though. After it was done and I had reconstructive surgery, it wasn't so bad. After three lumpectomies, it was sort of a surreal experience."

Part of what helped Derbyshire get through the experience was the support of her family. Her husband, Keith, and her two children were made an active part of her treatment and recovery process, and for that, she is grateful. Especially challenging was explaining to her daughters, then 6 and 10, what was happening.

"You learn not to tell them that anything is certain because things change," she said. "But I always shared everything with them, so they wouldn't think I was holding anything back."

Derbyshire is one of many women diagnosed with breast cancer to seek support at To Life, a breast cancer education and support facility in Delmar.

"They know how far you need them to go," she said. "I had great doctors, and I understood what they were doing with my treatment, but when treatment plans would change, To Life was a big help. And while I have great friends, they don't understand in the same way, and I don't want them to. You can be the best friend in the world, but you don't get it until it's you."

Months of chemotherapy left Derbyshire feeling drained and sick with the inevitable hair loss, a side effect of the chemo. Worried that it would be difficult

for her children to see her bald, she enlisted them to help her cut off her hair once it began to fall out. Making it a family event helped her children to see her without hair.

"It would have been hard for them to see me bald, so I made them part of the process," she said. "When they were done, they weren't so shocked. I was still Mommy."

Derbyshire never wanted to be part of group therapy. With a family and great friends, she felt she had all the support she wanted. To Life was helpful, she said, because they could explain what is normal.

A self-proclaimed positive person, Derbyshire actually became worried that she was as calm about the situation as she was. Although she said she had moments of being sad and angry because her life had changed, she was worried that she would suddenly freak out. So she did seek out one-on-one therapy.

"After the therapy, I became aware that some people just don't do that, and it's normal," she said.

After returning to work in September 2004 and getting stronger every day, she began volunteering at To Life to help pass on the positive experience she had. Now fully recovered, she writes a column for To Life's newsletter, explaining scientific articles in layman's terms. She also participates in To Life's fundraising activities, and her husband has also been a big help. Last year, he began his own fundraising efforts by starting the Slingerlands Golf Association, which holds a fund-raiser each year for To Life. Last year, the fund-raising tournament raised \$3,200, which went toward renovations at the To Life building. The fund-raiser ties in with Race for the Cure, being held on Oct. 1.

Derbyshire also works as a mentor for other cancer patients, talking to them and helping them to understand their situation.

"Lots of people don't have the kind of support that I had, and if I can help in any way then it's great."

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AAA offers tips to conserve fuel, save money

In the 1970s, when American motorists faced soaring gas prices brought on by the Arab oil embargo, AAA published *Rolling Along with the Gasoline Shortage* and produced its first *Gas Watcher's Guide*. AAA's companion brochure, *Your Driving Costs*, has been produced since 1950, when driving a car 10,000 miles annually cost 9 cents per mile, and gasoline sold for 27 cents a gallon.

Those prices will never return, but in recent decades, automobile manufacturers have made significant advances toward improving the overall energy efficiency of most passenger vehicles. At the same time, Americans continue to purchase larger, less fuel-efficient vehicles. Because of this

trend, the average fuel efficiency of new vehicles has changed little over the past 20 years, remaining at about 24 miles per gallon. In addition, motorists are driving more.

According to the latest statistics from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Americans drive an average of 29 miles a day and spend some 55 minutes of every day in their vehicles. The average vehicle is driven about 12,000 miles per year, and annual per-vehicle gasoline use is approximately 550 gallons. Household income spent on transportation is about 19 percent, and 65 percent of American households own two vehicles or more.

Transportation continues to be a major sector of the U.S. economy and is a critical factor in our quality of life.

Responsible use of energy is learned behavior. To conserve, we must slow down and find ways to do more with less. The benefits of fuel conservation are a healthier environment, financial savings and improved safety on our roads. AAA's brochures offer ways to be a consistent and effective "gas watcher."

Driving routines

The type of car or truck you drive, how it's maintained and how you drive are the most important factors in both conserving fuel and staying safe behind the wheel. Here are some tips from AAA that will help you save gasoline and money.

- If you own more than one car — especially if one of your vehicles is a less fuel-efficient vehicle such as a pickup truck, sport utility vehicle or van — use the more energy-conserving vehicle as often as possible.

- Consolidate trips and errands to cut down on driving time and miles traveled.

- Find one location where you can take care of banking, grocery shopping

and other chores. "Comparison shop" by phone, online or through newspaper ads.

- Slow down. The faster a vehicle travels, the more fuel it burns.

- Avoid quick starts and sudden stops. This wastes fuel, is harder on vehicle components and increases the odds of a traffic crash.

- Lighten the load. Don't haul extra weight in the passenger compartment, trunk or cargo area of your vehicle. A heavier vehicle uses more gasoline.

- Keep your eyes open for low fuel prices, but don't waste gas driving to a distant filling station to save a few cents.

- Stick to a routine maintenance schedule. Keeping tires inflated, moving components properly lubricated and ignition and emission systems operating properly will help ensure maximum fuel efficiency and extend the life of your vehicle.

Driving Style

Your driving style can have a significant impact on the amount of fuel you use.

Remember the following:

- Know the correct starting

procedure for your car. Don't race a cold engine to warm it up or allow it to idle for an extended time. Avoid rapid acceleration until the engine temperature is in the normal range. The engine will warm up faster under a light load, and emissions equipment will begin to function sooner.

- Maintain steady speeds for the best fuel economy. A car uses extra fuel when it accelerates.

- Minimize the need to brake by anticipating traffic conditions. Be alert for slowdowns and red lights ahead of you, and decelerate by coasting whenever possible.

- Travel at moderate speeds on the open road. Higher speeds require more fuel to overcome air resistance. Remember, however, speeds slower than the flow of traffic can create a traffic hazard.

- Use the air conditioner conservatively. Most air conditioners have an "economy" or "re-circulation" setting that reduces the amount of hot outside air that must be chilled. Both settings can reduce the air-conditioning load — and save gas.

- Fuel is part of the total cost of vehicle ownership, so fuel conservation should be an important factor when choosing a new car. Consider whether your car, truck or sport utility vehicle is bigger and heavier than necessary. Compare the Environmental Protection Agency fuel economy ratings on the vehicles you're considering. Other options to consider include:

- Four-wheel-drive vehicles generally use more gasoline than other vehicles, especially if the four-wheel-drive system is engaged during routine driving.

- Vehicles with automatic transmissions may use more gasoline than those equipped with manual transmissions.

- Smaller engines usually equate to better gas mileage.

- Vehicle engines that require premium fuel, as stated in the owner's manual, will cost more to operate in the long run.

- Some trucks, vans and SUVs come in several sizes and configurations. Models with a shorter bed, abbreviated cargo area or smaller cab are lighter and generally consume less fuel.

- Light exterior and interior colors and tinted windows can reduce heat buildup, which saves on air conditioning.

- Cruise control may be a fuel-saving option if you drive a lot on open roads. Maintaining a steady speed conserves fuel.



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Maintenance

Check your owner's manual for routine maintenance instructions, and keep the following points in mind:

- Spark plugs must be in good condition. Some will last for 100,000 miles, but many need to be replaced more often.
- Check the air and fuel filters at least twice a year. Dirty filters increase fuel consumption and can cause poor performance.
- Inflate tires according to manufacturer recommendations. Under-inflated tires are a safety hazard and can cut fuel economy by as much as 2 percent per pound of pressure below the recommended level.
- Have your vehicle serviced immediately if the emissions malfunction indicator light — MIL — or "check engine" light comes on.
- Have your vehicle serviced regularly by a certified technician, who can also inspect important vehicle components that can affect fuel

consumption.

At the pump

If your vehicle's engine does not need premium fuel, using anything other than regular is simply a waste of money. Other tips include:

- Don't top off your gas tank. In warm weather, fuel expansion can cause overflow.
- If you must replace a gas cap, make sure it is the right one for your car. A poorly fitting cap can cause engine problems, increase emissions and reduce fuel economy.
- Keep track of gas mileage. If you notice a decrease in fuel economy, your vehicle may not be operating at peak performance.

Look into gas rebate programs such as the AAA Visa® card, which provides a rebate every time you fill up.

Vacations

Some 90 percent of Americans vacation by personal vehicle. Chances are, you're one of them. These tips will help you save fuel as well as reduce hassles:

If you have a choice of vehicles, take the one that gets the best gas mileage. Renting a fuel efficient model also can save you money in the long run — both at the pump and by reducing wear and tear on your personal vehicle.

Choose a route that enables you to travel at constant speeds and bypass congested areas as much as possible. Unless you're taking a scenic drive, avoid two-lane roads with lots of stop

signs and traffic signals. Your AAA Travel representative can help you plan the best route and provide door-to-door driving directions with a customized TripTik® routing, or visit AAA's Web site — aaa.com — and create your own.

Start trips early in the day while traffic is light. Plan meal stops to coincide with likely periods of traffic congestion.

Take only what you need to keep the load lighter. Keep luggage inside the vehicle, rather than strapped on the roof where it will create wind resistance.

Choose a vacation spot where only minimal driving will be needed after you arrive.

If your trip seems too far to drive the whole way, consider driving part way and using public transportation or air travel for the remaining distance.

Commuting

Transportation to and from work is one of the most obvious places to save money and fuel. Consider these options:

When possible, combine errands with your daily commute.

If your work hours are flexible, try leaving earlier in the morning or returning home later in the evening

to reduce fuel burned in bumper-to-bumper traffic.

Talk to your employer about telecommuting. Working from home one day a week can significantly reduce your fuel consumption over the course of a year.

Participate in a car or van pool. Many families use car pools to transport children to and from school or activities. Starting a car pool can be as easy as talking to neighbors who travel to the same destination or posting a notice on a company or school bulletin board.

When available, public transit is

usually the least expensive and most fuel-efficient way to commute. It may take a little longer to get where you're going, but you'll save money and help the environment.

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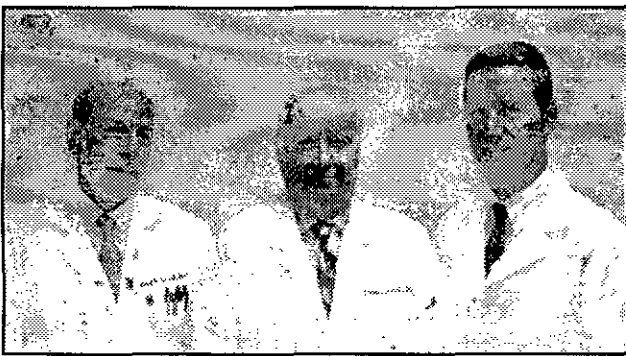
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Stewart's milk wins 'best in state' award at fair

By DAMIAN PAGANO

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The Holstein dairy cows at Gettysville Farms in Hebron, Washington County, are some of many that supply Stewart's Dairy with raw milk. Stewart's, the Saratoga based dairy/convenience store chain, was recently

awarded first prize for having the best milk in New York.

The award was made at the New York State Fair, which was held last week in Syracuse.

Gary Warren, vice president of Stewart's processing plant, said the company was honored to receive the top prize, which it has been vying for during the past several years.

"It's a nice conformation of

doing things right," he said.

Two dozen of the state's largest milk producers entered the state fair competition. Cornell University scientists collected from them more than 400 random samples of whole, reduced fat, low-fat and fat-free milk between July 1, 2004 and June 30 of this year. The scientists conducted more than 4,000 tests to determine hallmarks of milk quality, such as shelf life, butterfat content, post-pasteurization bacteria counts and vitamin concentrations. They conducted a taste test too.

"It confirmed what we've always known," Warren said. "Our milk tastes great."

Stewart's processes more than 30,000 gallons of milk per day, seven days a week, at its plant on Route 9N in Greenfield. The raw milk comes from 60 farms in the Capital District, including

Gettysville Farms. Warren said the company has focused on keeping a consistently high standard for its milk and rewards farmers when they produce quality product.

Farmer Kevin Getty at Gettysville Farms, which has produced milk for Stewart's during the past four years, said he was pleased to hear that Stewart's won the statewide award.

"Very good," he said. "It shows they obviously do a good job of handling the milk down there."

Warren said the company has gotten a lot of good publicity from the award. The story made the Associated Press newswire and was published in several local newspapers.

Beyond that, though, Warren said the company probably would not do much in-store promotion.

Even pairing up for a mar-

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"Well, that's not a bad idea," he said.

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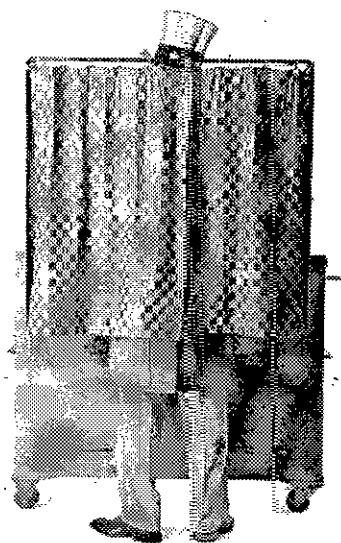
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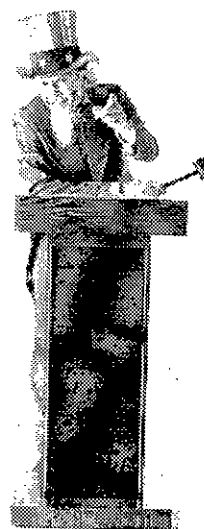
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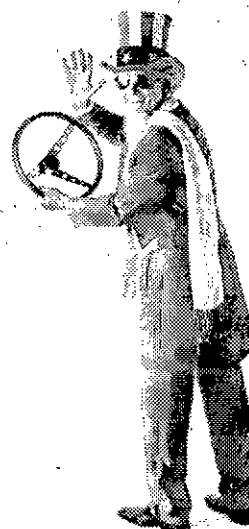
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You, a map, and a field, a mountain, woods, and a stream. Think you could wander off and find your way back again?

You can if you join in one of the activities of the Empire Orienteering Club (EMPO), a group that holds "meets" at different venues throughout the Capital District.

"Orienteering can be a sport or a recreation," said EMPO president Phil Hawkes-Teeter, who got involved with the group in the early 1990s and is now its president. "Like canoeing or

kayaking, there are those who like just paddling around, and those who try to make it to the Olympics."

Orienteering is a sport that originated in Scandinavia about 100 years ago and came to the U.S. with soldiers returning from World War II about 60 years ago.

It's a mental and physical sport; a foot race, a puzzle-solving thought race, a cross-country running sport and a fun recreational activity, according to the EMPO Web site, <http://empo.us.orienteering.org>.

The objective in orienteering — suitable to men, women and

children of all ages — is to locate orange markers called controls in the woods using a special, highly detailed topographic map. Participants navigate their way through a series of controls before crossing the finish line. Courses vary in difficulty and length.

Beginner courses are typically 1 to 2 kilometers long with navigation entirely or almost entirely on established trails, while the most advanced courses are 6-10 kilometers long and require extensive cross-country navigation.

Participants can travel alone

or in groups, running, walking, or leisurely strolling the course. The sport can be enjoyed as a healthy form of family recreation, or as a highly competitive race involving navigational skill, speed, and physical stamina.

"My original attraction to this was how family-friendly it was," said Hawkes-Teeter, who learned about orienteering through ski orienteering, which he had participated in as part of the Empire State Games.

"When I discovered that orienteering took place year-round, my wife, very young son and I joined in 1993," Hawkes-

Teeter said.

The Hawkes-Teeter family started by going out as a family and just doing the basic course.

"You don't have to know what you're doing," Hawkes-Teeter said. "There's always somebody there to instruct the newcomers."

Participants use U.S. topographical maps to negotiate their way around courses that one or two people mark before participants arrive.

"The largest maps are on a 1:24 scale," Hawkes-Teeter said of general maps. "Our largest is 1:15. Items on it seem much larger. There are more detailed contour lines, and you see what's in them, like vegetation, boulders, cliffs and streams. There are a series of points where you check in."

Some of the meets are competitive and some are not.

"To win, you move faster," Hawkes-Teeter said. "But there's no reason to feel competitive unless you want to. Otherwise, it's just a fun walk in the woods."

Hawkes-Teeter's son, Martin, started orienteering when he was 3; when he was 6, his parents followed him around the course at a discreet distance. Now, at 18, he's a member of the U.S. Junior



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On Sunday, Sept. 18, the group will be at Grafton Lakes State

Park, with registration and starts from 11 a.m. to 1

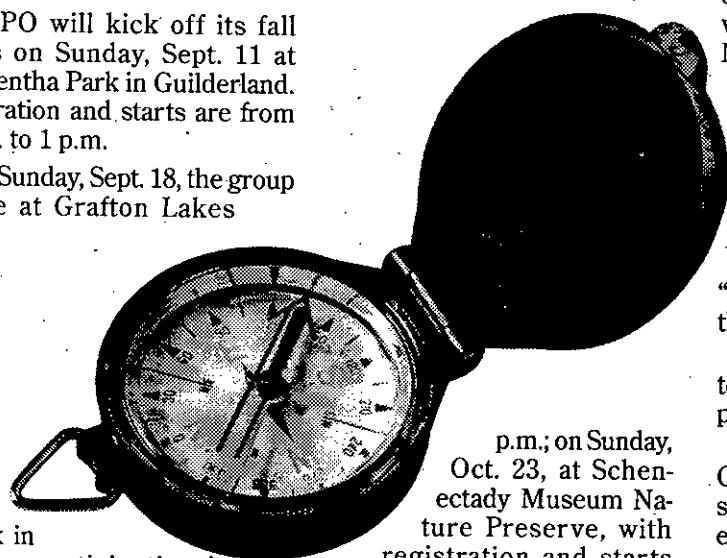
Saturday, Sept. 17.

Non-members pay \$8 per person to participate in meets; with a maximum family price of \$20. EMPO members pay \$5, with a family maximum of \$13. Membership fees range from \$6 for a junior membership in the autumn to \$27 for a family membership in the summer.

"Orienteering is a physical and mental activity you can enjoy at whatever speed you can move," Hawkes-Teeter said. "It might take you up a hill or through a marsh.

You have to figure out where to go. It's a puzzle as well as a physical activity."

For information about Empire Orienteering Club and its fall schedule, visit the Web site at empo.us.orienteering.org/.



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EMPO will be at the Five Rivers Environmental Center's Fall Festival in Delmar on

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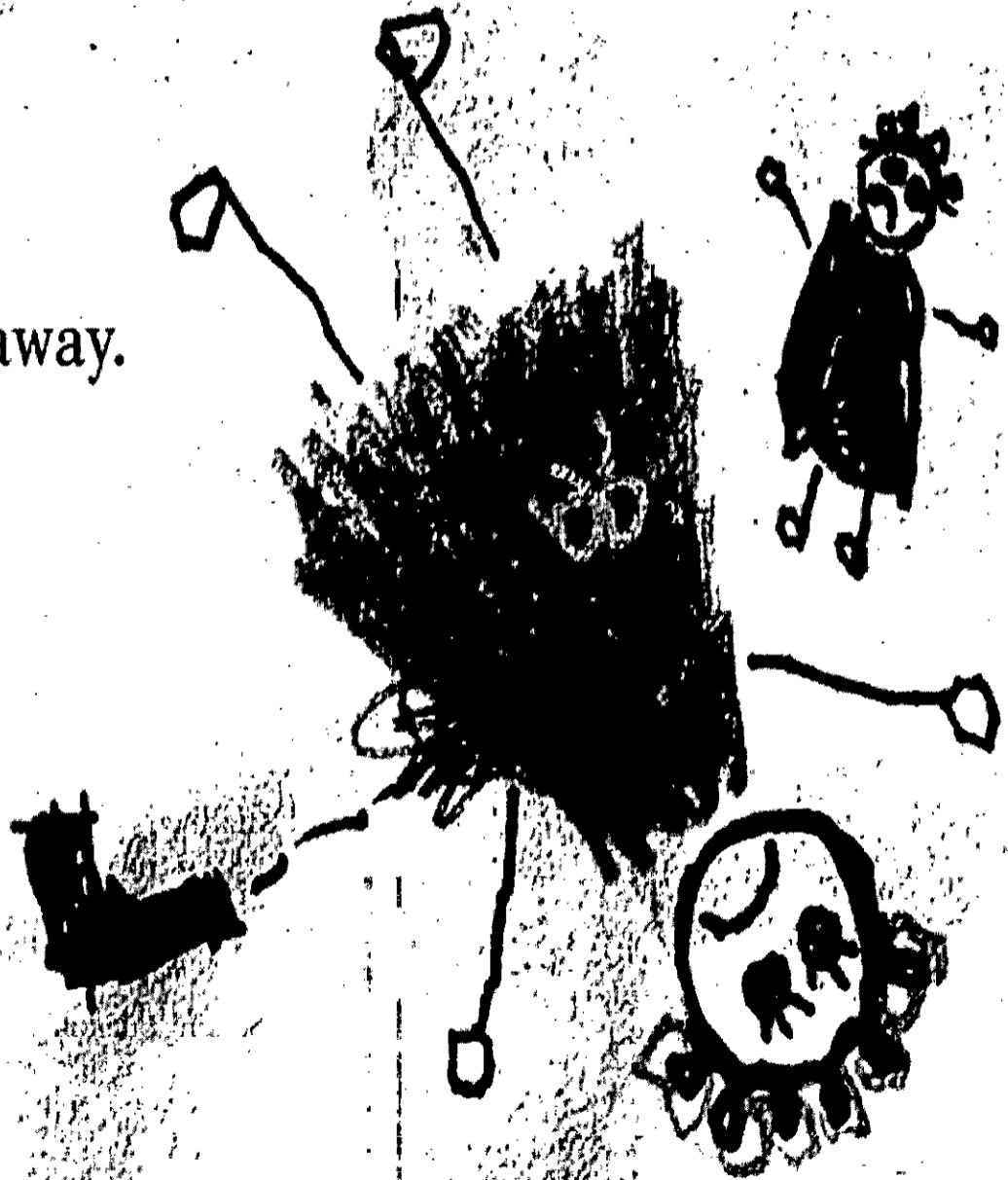
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The couple was married June 30, 1945 in Delmar.

Robin worked for Hartford Insurance Group.

Leonard ('Pete') worked for Ford Motor Co. in New Jersey. He served in the Army during WWII. He was captured during the Battle of the Bulge and was a prisoner of war until liberated in May 1945.

They are the parents of Peter (Anna) Schaap of Delmar and Robin Geery of Voorheesville.

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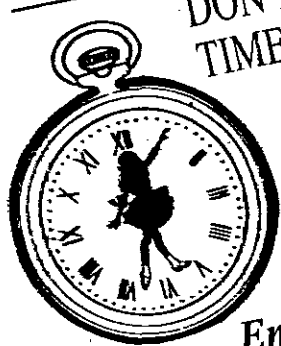
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Survivors include her husband, Richard I. Lavery; a daughter, Kathy Ann Lavery Brayton of Rensselaer; a sister, Camilla Clarke of Rensselaer; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were from Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

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mond, Va. 23294 or the Voorheesville Ambulance Service, 21 Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville 12186.

William Buschofsky

William N. Buschofsky, 89, of Glenmont, died Thursday, Sept. 1, 2005 at St. Peter's Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Heilmann Buschofsky; a daughter, Carol A. Mastro-marchi of Schodack; a son, William E. Buschofsky of Schodack; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were from Rockefeller Funeral Home in Rensselaer.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Ambulance, 145 Adams St., Delmar 12054.

Marion Decker

Marion Mimi T. Decker, 95, of Delmar died Saturday, Sept. 3, 2005 at Good Samaritan Lutheran Nursing Home.

Born and raised in Albany she was a graduate of St. Anne's Academy and The College of Saint Rose.

She was a member of Albany Public Library, and served on the fund-raising committee of the Monastery of Immaculate Conception.

She retired from the State Liquor Authority in 1972.

Survivors include a sister, Veronica C. Decker; and a brother, George E. Decker.

Services will be from Daniel Keenan Funeral Home in Albany and St. James Church.

Burial will be in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made in her memory to the Retirement

Fund, Convent of Mercy, 634 New Scotland Ave., Albany 12208. Arrangements are by Rockefeller Funeral Home in Rensselaer.

Wilma Hutchins

Wilma Coulson Hutchins, 84, of Slingerlands died Thursday, Sept. 1, at her home.

Born in Albany, she was a graduate of the Albany Academy for Girls and attended Russell Sage College.

Mrs. Hutchins was an art teacher for several years at the Albany Academy for Girls.

She was a member of Third Reformed Church and was active with the Women of Third. Mrs. Hutchins was a former member of Normanside Country Club in Delmar and the Aurania Club of Albany. She was an excellent artist and a talented knitter. An avid golfer, she was the first woman to make a hole-in-one at the Winding Brook Country Club

in Valatie.

She was the widow of Mason C. Hutchins II.

Survivors include a son, Stephen Hutchins of Ballston Spa; a grandson; two step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; and her special caregiver, Joyce Vaughn of Clifton Park.

Funeral services will be held today, Sept. 7, at 10 a.m. in the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, 490 Delaware Ave., Albany.

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Obituaries

Joseph Howard

Joseph E. Howard, 68, of Guiderland died Tuesday, Aug. 30, at his home.

Born in Hempstead, he was a Navy veteran serving from 1957 to 1961.

Mr. Howard was a machine operator with NL Industries in Colonie and Campbell Plastics in Schenectady.

An avid baseball fan, he coached his son's youth baseball teams for several years.

He enjoyed walking and gardening.

Survivors include wife of 43 years, Lorraine Howard; two sons, Dane Howard and Darren Howard; a daughter, Christine Howard; two brothers, Walter Howard and Russell Howard; a sister, Jane Beautikant; and three grandchildren.

Services were from New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home and St. Gabriel's Church in Rotterdam.

Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 440 New Karner Road, Colonie 12205.

Robert Russell

Robert Russell Sonny Miller Sr., 81, of Guiderland died Sunday, Aug. 28, at St. Clare's Hospital in Schenectady.

Born in Guiderland, he worked for the former New York Telephone Co. for 40 years and was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Mr. Russell was an Army veteran.

He was husband of the late Frances C. Miller.

Survivors include three daughters, Barbara Pahl, Rose and Gail Miller; two sons, Robert Miller Jr. and Wayne Miller; and nine grandchildren.

Services were from Fredendall Funeral Home in Altamont.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 7 Washington Square, Albany 12205.

William Hoffman

William Hoffman, 80, of Colonie, died Sunday, Aug. 28, at Guiderland Center Nursing Home.

Born in North Greenbush, he was a resident of Colonie for most of his life.

Mr. Hoffman was an Army veteran of the 3908th Signal Service Battalion during World War II.

He was an electrician for 37 years until his retirement in 1987 from Clifford Gray. He was a member of IBEW Local Union 166, currently 236 of Schenectady.

He was an antique car enthusiast.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Dorothy Marie Waters Hoffman; a son, William Hoffman Jr. of Colonie; three daughters, Patricia Dudley of Guiderland, Sandra White of Rotterdam and Sharon Douglas of Saratoga Springs; two brothers, Herbert Hoffman and Lester C. Hoffman; three sisters, Ellen Merrihew, Olive Hoffman and Anna Kennedy; and four grandchildren.

Services were from Griswold Funeral Home, in Schenectady. Interment was in Evergreen Memorial Park in Colonie.

Patricia Ann Mason

Patricia Ann Mason 50, formerly of Colonie died Tuesday, Aug. 23, at her home in Los Angeles, Calif.

At the time of her death, she had over 29 years of service with the United States Postal Service in Los Angeles.

She was baptized at Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church. She graduated from South Colonie Central High School in 1973.

Survivors include by her aunt, Shirley Dyson of Washington, D.C.; a sister, Diane Powell of Wynantskill; and three brothers, Van C. Dyson of Albany, Paul G. Mason Jr. of Columbia, Md. and Bryant M. Mason of Los Angeles.

Services were from New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Veronica Gecewicz

Veronica "Ronnie" Gecewicz, 78, died Wednesday, Aug. 31.

Born in Albany, she was employed by Ann Lee Home for many years. She was a communicant of the former Church of Our Lady of Angels. She was a member of the Joseph

E. Zaloga Post 1520 Auxiliary.

She was the widow of Stanley M. Gecewicz.

Survivors include four daughters Maureen Wright, Karen Lenney, Kathy Hesch and Patricia Poulin; two sons, Ronald Gecewicz and William Gecewicz; 12 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Services were from Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home and Holy Family Parish.

Interment was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie. Contributions may be made to the V.N.A. of Albany, 35 Colvin Avenue, Albany 12206 or to Consumer Directed Choices, Inc., 7 Washington Square, Albany 12205.

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Shauna Duncan and Gregory Sorrentino

Duncan, Sorrentino engaged

Shauna Duncan, daughter of William and Bridget Duncan of Donegal, Ireland, and Gregory Sorrentino, son of Dominick and Linda Sorrentino of Guilderland, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Ulster.

She is a business excellence manager for UNISYS Corporation

in Blue Bell, Pa.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of Guilderland High School and Villanova University.

He is a senior project controller for UNISYS Corporation.

The couple plans a Aug. 11, wedding.

Dean's List

The College of St. Rose

Mandi Bareis, Maria Giglio, Jamie Masterson, Lisa Momberger, Bryande Murray, Catherine Robichaud, Rachel Saddlemire, Stephanie Scaccia, Mark Tidd and Lynne Washburn, all of Voorheesville.

SUNY Oneonta

Sarah Frueh, Peter Hoffman, Christopher Rooney, Sara Thompson and Kelly Yates, all of Delmar.

Sarah Emond, Marisa Heydary, Michael McGuire, Mary Moon, and Josh Okun, all of Glenmont.

Kaitlyn Arico, Michael Walker Jr., both of Slingerlands.

Skidmore College

Althea Koburger of Delmar.

Binghamton University

Pamela A. Cherko, Victoria R. Graf, Brian C. Greenburg, Scott A. Lipnick, Patrick R. Shaffer and Ada S. Cornell, all of Delmar.

Mallory L. Myers and Benjamin J. Salovitz, both of Glenmont.

Ferraro, Smith engaged

Jill Elizabeth Ferraro, daughter of Vincent and Elizabeth Ferraro of Delmar, and Allen Clark Smith, son of Melvin and Mary Lou Smith of Dubois, Pa., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and University of New Hampshire, where she also received her master's degree.

She is a child and adolescent therapist for The Mental Health Center of Greater Manchester.

The future groom is a graduate of Pennsylvania College of Technology. He is employed by Wal-Mart Distribution Center in Raymond, N.H.

The couple plans a June 24, wedding.

Class of '05

The College of St. Rose

Andrea Schmit of Delmar, bachelor's of science.

Marielle Martin of Delmar, master's of science in education.

Matthew Murphy of Delmar, master's of science in education.

Sarah Parsons of Delmar, master's of science in education.

Michelle Miesowicz of Feura Bush, bachelor's of science.

Janelle Vanoni of Feura Bush, bachelor's of science.

Annette Seminario of Glenmont, master's of science in education.

Carrie Griffin of Ravena, bachelor's of science.

Justin Reuter of Ravena, bachelor's of science.

Stacey Shields of Ravena, bachelor's of science.

Caitlin Spoor of Ravena, bachelor's of science.

Elias Mokhiber or Selkirk, bachelor's of arts.

Aja Biel of Selkirk, bachelor's of science.

Jared Marsh of Selkirk, bachelor's of science.

Tricia Kandefer-Margic of Selkirk, master's of science in education.

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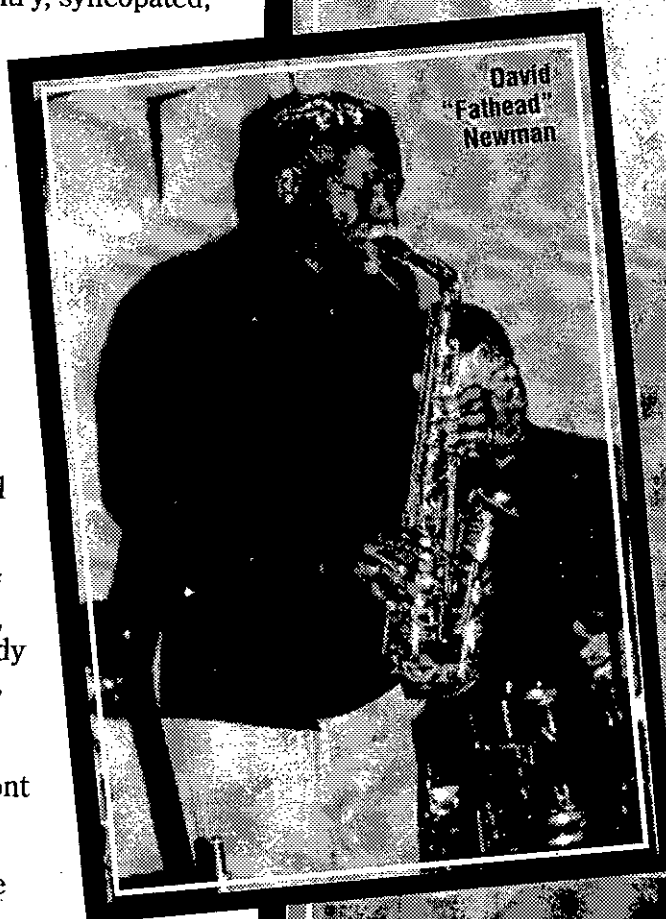
Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

Music lovers know that there are endless ways to describe the sounds of jazz: cool, hot, sweet, sultry, syncopated, smooth... and this Saturday you'll get to hear experience them all as the Albany Riverfront Jazz Festival takes over Riverfront Park. From noon to 6:30 p.m., the best in regional and national jazz will be on tap to turn a pleasant summer evening into an event on the banks of the Hudson.

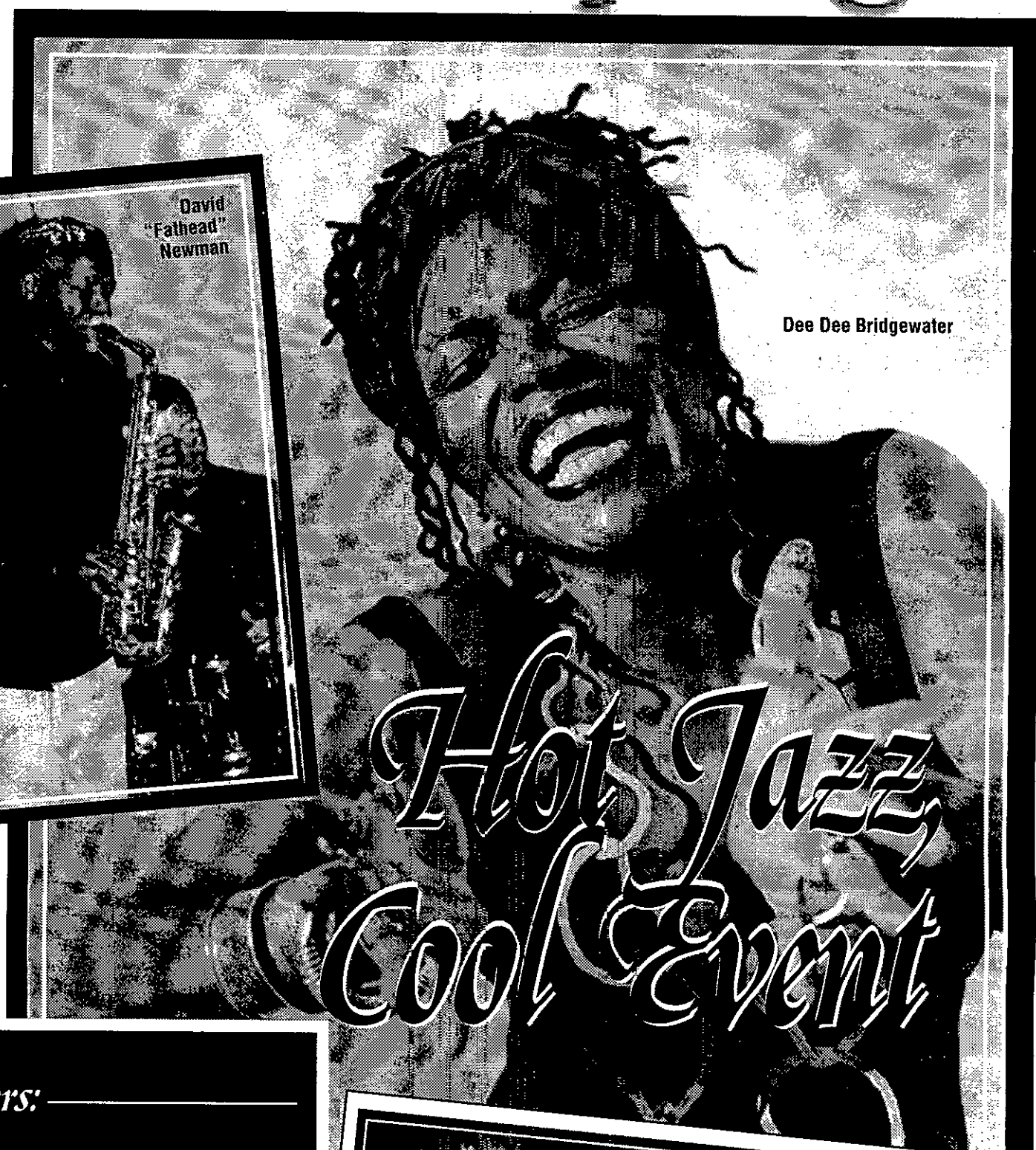
For the kids there will be face painting, a balloon artist and a hands-on craft activity. If you're hungry or thirsty, food vendors will be ready to serve you. Best of all, the event is free.

Access to the amphitheatre at Riverfront Park is via the Hudson River Way pedestrian bridge. Parking available downtown in various garages and on the street. The rain site for the event is the Palace Theater on the corner of Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street.

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2:15 p.m.

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effortlessly bridge R & B and jazz traditions. His smooth saxophone triumphs on his latest CD "I Remember Brother Ray," a tribute to his friend, and former boss, Ray Charles.

3:45 p.m.

Kurt Elling

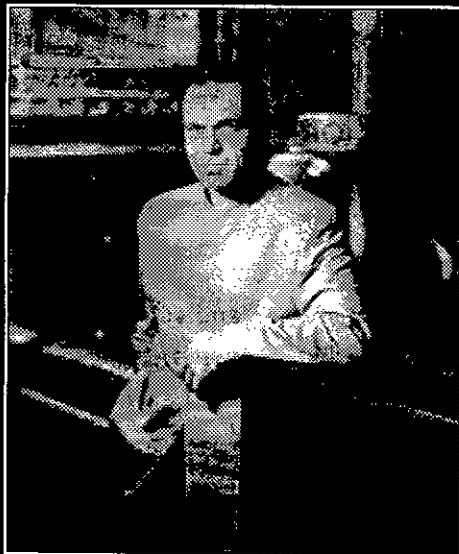
In just over seven years this groundbreaking jazz artist has risen to international prominence. Elling sings, scats, does vocalese, tells stories and reads poetry in a beautiful baritone voice. Every one of his recordings for the prestigious Blue Note label has been nominated for a Grammy Award.

5:15 p.m.

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Kurt Elling



The J Street Jumpers



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Famous detective searches for killer of West End theater critic, presented by Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., Albany, through Sept. 25, \$12. Information, 462-1297.

Music

RUMDUMMIES

Capital District blues-rock band, Sept. 7,

11:30 a.m., Ten Eyck Plaza, Albany, free. Information, 465-2143.

ALBANY RIVERFRONT JAZZ FESTIVAL

Featuring Dee Dee Bridgewater, Kurt Elling, David "Fathead" Newman and the J Street Jumpers, Sept. 10, noon, Riverfront Park, Albany, free. Information, 434-2032.

THE PIPE KINGS

Playing favorites from the Baby Boomer era, Sept. 13, 6:30 p.m., Cook Park, Colonie, free. Information, 869-7562.

SCHOOL BUS YELLOW

Local jam band, Sept. 14, 11:30 a.m., Ten Eyck Plaza, Albany, free. Information, 465-2143.

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With special guest Paul Asbell, two virtuoso guitarists, Sept. 16, 8 p.m., Linda Norris Performing Arts Theater, Central Avenue, Albany, \$15. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

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Jazz guitarist and his band, Sept. 23, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$28. Information, 465-2143.

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Jazz trumpeter, Sept. 24, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$24. Information, 465-2143.

PERNICE BROTHERS

Alternative pop-rock band, Sept. 25, Valentine's, 17 New Scotland Ave., Albany, information, 432-6572.

THE MCKRELLS

Local Celtic band, Sept. 27, 6:30 p.m., Cook Park, Colonie, free. Information, 869-7562.

ALEJANDRO ESCOVEDO

Texas roots rocker, Sept. 28, 8 p.m., Revolution Hall, 421-425 River St., Troy, \$18 to \$22. Information, 273-2337.

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Improvisational jazz group, Oct. 2, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$22. Information, 465-2143.

ROBERT FRIPP

Avant-garde guitarist, Oct. 4, 8 p.m., Revolution Hall, 421-425 River St., Troy, \$24 to \$27. Information, 273-2337.

Comedy

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Eddie Murphy's brother and "Chappelle's Show" cast member, Oct. 1, 8:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$27. Information, 473-1845.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Mammals Revealed: Discovery and Documentation of Secretive Creatures," through Dec. 31; "Ann Zane Shanks: Behind the Lens," through Feb. 26. Plus permanent collections on the 9/11 recovery effort, New York state history and geography, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

THE CLARK

"Little Women, Little Men: Folk Art Portraits of Children from the Fenimore Art Museum," through Oct. 15; "The Clark: Celebrating 50 Years of Art in Nature" and "50 Favorites," through May 16, 2006; and other ongoing exhibitions. Information, 413-458-0524.

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Exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

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"Dancing Rebels," an exhibit about the New Dance Group, plus ongoing exhibits, 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-2225.

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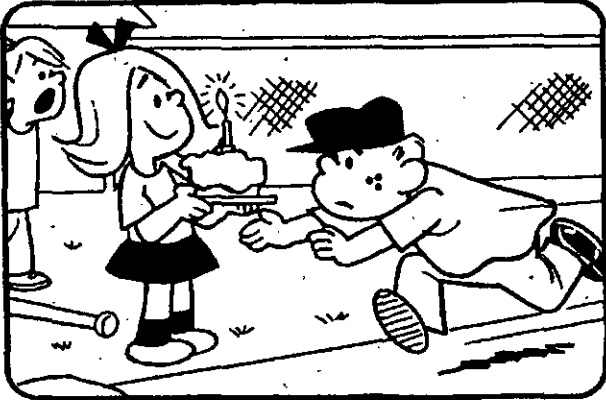
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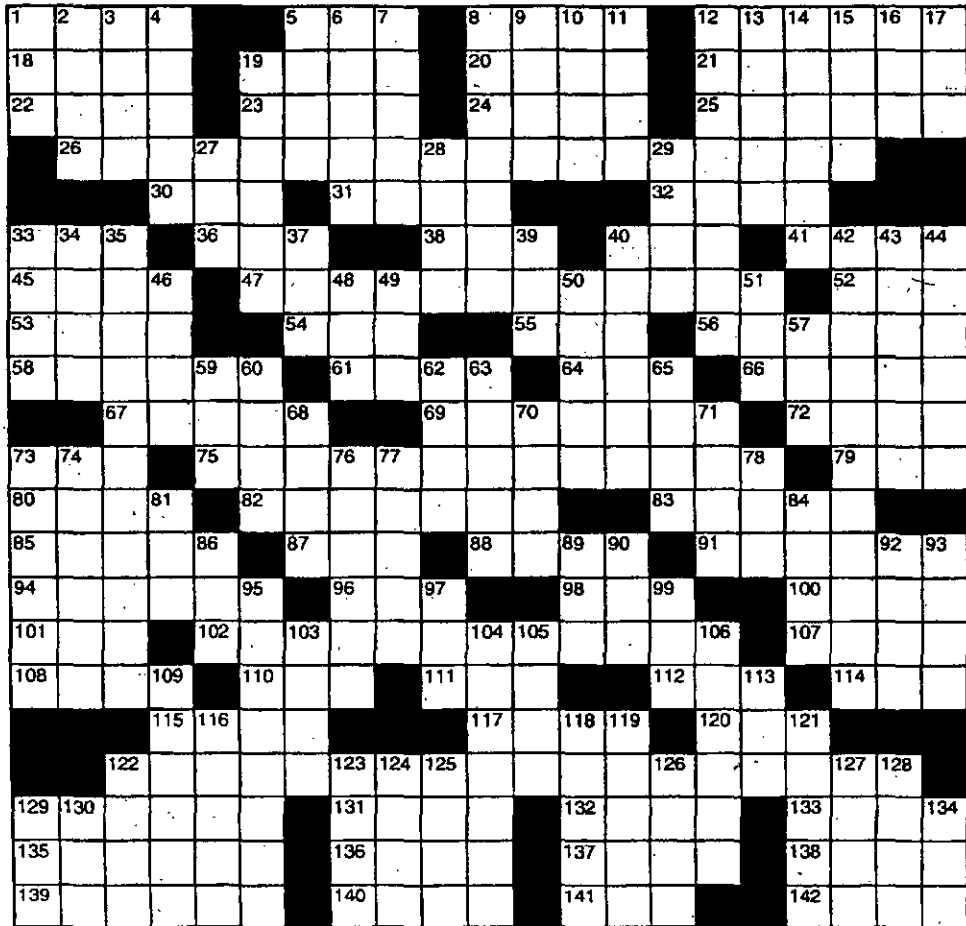
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ACROSS

1 Gung-ho
5 Petite pooch
8 Curly coif
12 Easter essential
18 Actress Merrill
19 Crooner Perry
20 Harness part
21 Llama kin
22 Faction
23 Pin part
24 Swimmer Biondi
25 Alpines event
26 Canine movie?
30 Augsburg article
31 Jai —
32 Sup in style
33 Tiffany treasure
36 Failure
38 Routh —
40 An Everyly brother
41 Identical
45 Colleague of Yves and Christian
47 Canine comic strip?
52 Kyser or Starr
53 Gumbo veggie

54 "generis"
55 Road curve
56 "Ticket" (65 hit)
58 Gadget
61 It may be square
64 Elsie's chew
66 Platinum or potassium
67 Picnic area
69 Connection
72 Celebrity
73 Act human
75 Canine football player?
79 TV's "You — Your Life"
80 Trusting sort
82 Break
83 Trencher-man
85 Certain prisoner
87 Recede
88 Medieval menial
91 Polish a manuscript
94 Batman's butler
96 Brit. lexicon
98 NASA affirmative
100 Brad, for one
101 Co. kingpin
102 Canine aircraft?

107 Dancer Pavlova
108 — May Oliver
110 Nonclerical
111 Plead
112 Spitz sound
114 Hamilton bill
115 Pluck
117 Besides
120 Pirate's quaff
122 Canine fairy tale?
129 Captivated
131 Christiania, today
132 List ender
133 Set of threads
135 Fuel choice
136 "Elephant Boy" actor
137 Depend (on)
138 "La Douce"
139 Blab
140 Alan of "Laugh-In"
141 Pro-gun grp.
142 Astrology term

6 Cornhusker city
7 Runway figure
8 Wardrobe
9 Dread
10 "Puttin' on the —" (29 song)
11 Aware of
12 Nursery item
13 Edgar — Poe
14 Shows mercy
15 Cabbage cousin
16 Author Umberto
17 Flat hat
19 Imp's opposite
27 Chianti color
28 — out (help)
29 Superstar
33 Buck's "The — Earth"
34 Actress Sommer
35 Canine TV personality?
37 — Peres, MO
39 Justice Fortas
40 Toy fate
42 Canine singer?

43 Wayland Flowers puppet
44 A hole near the sole
46 Author Sheehy
48 Great bird?
49 Cotton —
50 Computer acronym
51 — Kippur
57 Ring figure
59 Cornfield cry
60 Correct a text
62 Pat on the buns?
63 Colosseum completer
65 Took the plunge
68 Adams or McClurg
70 "Vissi d' —" ("Tosca" aria)
71 Around the corner
73 Intertwine
74 Inveighed (against)
76 Personality
77 Defy a dictator
78 Hwy.
81 — de-lance
84 Sicilian smoker
86 Agt.

89 Meadow male
90 Dandy
92 Yearn
93 Cavalry characteristic
95 Murphy role
97 Society miss
99 Essential
103 Solemn statement
104 Envious
105 Citrus fruit
106 Once in a blue moon
109 Horrified
113 Baby basenji
116 Drive off
118 Draconian
119 Furry fisherman
121 Rap or rock
122 Tare's relative
123 Supreme leader?
124 Jacob's twin
125 Czech river
126 Tra —
127 Spiritual guide
128 Jazzman Zoot
129 CT hours
130 Long or Peoples
134 Eavesdrop electronically

The Spotlight CALENDAR

Wed. Sep. 7

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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.

OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

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

BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

CHENREZIG PRACTICE AND MEDITATION

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

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB (NOT IN JULY OR AUGUST)

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

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

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

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

BINGO

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

BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

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Onesquethaw Chapter, Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2181.

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V'VILLE ZONING BOARD

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

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

FAITH TEMPLE

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

AA MEETING

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

Thurs. Sep. 8

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

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

DELMAR FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

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

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN (SEPTEMBER THRU MAY)

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

BETHLEHEM MEMORIAL VFW

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

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

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

AA MEETINGS

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

NEW SCOTLAND

THE CLOTHING CLOSET

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

Fri. Sep. 9

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. Sep. 10

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

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

Sun. Sep. 11

BETHLEHEM

WORSHIP INFORMATION

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

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

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

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

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

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

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, 765-3390.

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. Sep. 12

BETHLEHEM

FOOD STAMP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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

PEACE VIGIL

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

DELMAR KIWANIS

Toof's Family Restaurant, Delaware Avenue, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-2437 or 439-6952.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

EXPLORER POST 157

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

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

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

AA MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. Sep. 13

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.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSION

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

A.W. BECKER PTA

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

BINGO

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

SLINGERLANDS FIRE COMMISSION

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

NEW SCOTLAND

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS (SEPTEMBER-JUNE ONLY)

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

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ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

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BOY SCOUT TROOP 58 (WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)

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.

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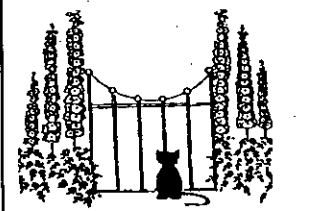
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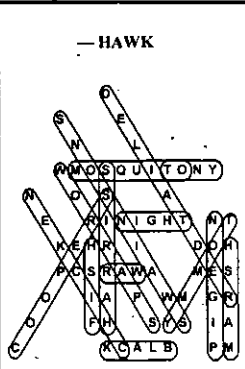
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Notice of Formation of 12 Huntington Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/12/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1 Shore Drive, Kings Point, NY 11024 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-11922 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Charm Imports LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/15/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3011 Avenue J, Brooklyn, NY 11210 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-11958 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Kelwert Properties LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 8767, Haledon, NJ 07508 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-11959 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LYONS BUILDING & CONSULTING LLC a domestic Limited Liability Company, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on July 5, 2005. New York office location is Albany County. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. A copy of any process against the LLC served upon George Lyons, with an address of 25 Ledgewood Drive, Albany, New York 12205. The Purpose of this LLC is building, remodeling and consulting.. LCD-11960 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

H & D SECURITY SYSTEMS, LLC Notice of formation of H & D Security Systems, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 7/06/2005. Office location: Saratoga County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, c/o 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the LLC; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11965 (September 7, 2005)

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North East Precision Equipment Company, LLC Notice of formation of North East Precision Equipment, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 7/15/2005. Office location: Montgomery County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, c/o 26 Computer Drive West, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to engage in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the LLC; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. LCD-11966 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A MM-FAMILY I, L.L.C. The name of the LLC is MM FAMILY I, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on June 28, 2005. The purpose of the L.P. 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-12009 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of D.C. West Public Affairs, LLC (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/3/05. Office located in Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: P.O. Box 7214, Albany, NY 12224-0214. LLC is Member Relations and Political Campaign Consulting and any lawful act or activity. LCD-12011 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Obistfeld & Associates LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/2/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 320 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12022 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is Urban Redevelopment Group, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State ("SSNY") on June 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 SSNY is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is PO Box 3806, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-12047 (September 7, 2005)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOVE STREET ASSOCIATES LLC a domestic Limited Liability Company, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on July 25, 2005. New York office location is Albany County. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon Deborah M.L. Walsh, with an address of 502 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York 12208. The Purpose of this LLC is to purchase and sell real estate. LCD-12065 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of A Vested Interest LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/10/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 295 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12080 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of M&C Hennigan LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/28/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2 Osborn Street, Stony Point, NY 10980 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12081 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Smirn Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/27/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 87 Kent Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11211 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12082 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Stevli LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/28/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 278 Beach 141st Street, Belle Harbor, NY 11694 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12083 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Belle Harbor Washington LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/28/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 136-14 Rockaway Beach Blvd., Belle Harbor, NY 11694 Purpose: any lawful activity. (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 3-26G-DS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/28/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Moline Court, Kings Point, NY 11024 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12085 (September 7, 2005)

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ington Heights New York LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 7/29/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Wha Sup Chung, Tamarack Road, P.O. Box 295, Alpine, NJ 07620 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12086 (September 7, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 13-15 Essex LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/1/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12087 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Buffalo Property Holdings LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/4/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 5314 16th Street, #316, Brooklyn, NY 11204 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12088 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AdBaggers, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/8/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 665 East 7th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12089 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 3924 Broadway LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/8/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 36 West 44th Street, Suite 1019, New York, NY 10036 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12090 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Deborah Flynn Consulting LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 8/5/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: Deborah Flynn, 39 Hills Rd., Loudonville, NY 12211. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCD-12092 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Trinitar Enterprises LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 6/3/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: 108-02 Ditmars Blvd., East Elmhurst, NY 11369. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCD-12093 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is NEWSTONE MOBILE IMAGING, LLC The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 10, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in

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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 PO Box 511, Wrentham, Massachusetts 02093. LCD-12095 (September 7, 2005)

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580 LOUDON ROAD, LLC, Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on August 10, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. LCD-12096 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

New Horizons Title, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, using the fictitious name in New York of "New Horizons Title Abstract" was formed on 6/21/04, filed an Application for Authority with the New York Department of State on 8/9/05. Secretary of State is designated as upon whom process against the LLC may be served. A copy of any process served should be forwarded to New Horizons Title, LLC, 1118 Campus Drive West, Morganville, NJ 07751. New York office location: Albany County. The principal office of New Horizons Title, LLC is 1118 Campus Drive West, Morganville, NJ 07751. A copy of New Horizons Title's Certificate of Formation may be obtained from the Florida Department of State, 2661 Executive Circle West, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. Purpose: title abstract company. LCD-12104 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Greenpoint On The Water LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/18/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12115 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

UPSTATE NEW YORK REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC Notice of Formation of Upstate New York Realty Management LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 8/12/2005. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 435 New Karner Road, Albany, New York 12205. The purposes of the LLC are to acquire, own, hold, improve, manage, and operate the real property known as 889 Atlantic Avenue, in the City of Rochester, New York. LCD-12116 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice For Publication Pursuant to New York LLC Law Section 206-c Name of Limited Liability Company is Tech Valley Restorations, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State on May 9, 2005. Office of LLC is in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for service of process and shall mail copy

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of any process to: Tech Valley Restorations, LLC, 1 Gail Lane, Latham, NY, 12110. Business purpose is any lawful act or activity for which LLC may be organized under NY LLC law. Ms. Paige Warwick Mr. Paul Hudson Partner Partner Date: August 25, 2005 LCD-12119 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Shipwreck 1690, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on August 24, 2005 effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 12 Petra Lane, Albany, NY 12205. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. LCD-12129 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Capitaland Container, LLC Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 8/29/2005. The LLC will be headquartered in the County of Albany. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The mailing address to which the SSNY may mail any process served is: 16 Douglas Road, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose of the business is any lawful activity pursuant to NYS LLC law. LCD-12143 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is MMH REALTY ASSOCIATES, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 24, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o Norman Massry, 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205. LCG-12145 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tri-angle West Enterprises LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 8/18/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12148 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Real-istic Real Estate Consultants, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 6/9/05. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: Margaret J. Langille, 14 Frank St., Schenectady, NY 12304. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LCDJ-11977 (September 7, 2005)

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ware Stanwix Partners, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 7/13/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: c/o Mercer Holding Co. LLC, Three E-Comm Square, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-11976 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BLACKBURN MANSION, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/15/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 37-60 Blackburn Road, Coeymans, NY 12045. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11961 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BLACKBURN RANCH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/15/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 37-60 Blackburn Road, Coeymans, NY 12045. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11962 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Hoboken Wood Flooring LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/18/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 5/18/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the NJ address of the LLC: 70 Demarest Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Dept. of Treasury, 225 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11974 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BLACKBURN TUDOR, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/15/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 37-60 Blackburn Road, Coeymans, NY 12045. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11982 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BLACKBURN ISLAND LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/15/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 37-60 Blackburn Road, Coeymans, NY 12045. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-11983 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1726 UNION STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/25/05. Office location: Schenectady 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, 1730 Union Street, Schenectady, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11993 (September 7, 2005)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1730 UNION STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/25/05. Office location: Schenectady 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, 1730 Union Street, Schenectady, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-11994 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Long Distance Savings Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/26/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/14/05. 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: 42 Weston St., Ste. 2A, Waltham, MA 02453. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12001 (September 7, 2005)

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Notice of Qualification of ABS Sheepshead, LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/22/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Connecticut (CT) on 3/10/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 1385 Hancock St., Quincy, MA 02169. Arts. of Org. filed with CT Sec'y of State, 30 Trinity St., P.O. Box 150470, Hartford, CT 06115. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12002 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Empire Solutions Consulting, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/12/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Thomas Basile, 161 Homes Dale Ave., Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: to carry on the independent consulting business conducted by the Member and any other lawful business, purpose or activity which an LLC may carry on under the LLC. LD-12003 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Capital One Services II LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/20/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/18/05. 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: 1680 Capital One Drive, McLean, VA 22102. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12004 (September 7, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of SYNTEK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/27/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to:

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c/o The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207, Attn: USA Corporate Services Inc., registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12005 (September 7, 2005)

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Notice of Qualification of 2929 Expressway, LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/5/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/28/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: c/o 630 W. Germantown Pike, Ste. 300, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12006 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PREMIER GROUP SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/1/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207, Attn: USA Corporate Services Inc., registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12023 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 206(C)
1. The name of the limited liability company is Donato Carpentry, LLC
2. The date of filing of the articles of organization with the Department of State was May 11, 2005
3. The county in New York in which the office of the company is located is Albany
4. 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 David Donato
7 Gay Street
Delmar, N.Y. 12054
5. The latest date upon which the company is required to be dissolved is August 31, 2049
6. 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-12025 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ANNUAL RETURN
The annual return for McNamee Charitable Trust for the calendar year ending 12/31/2004 is available for public inspection during regular business hours by any interested individual at the Foundation's principal office located at 677 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207, beginning on the date of this publication and continuing for 180 days thereafter. The phone number is (518) 447-8500. The principal manager of the Foundation is George C. McNamee. LD-12026 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TRADEMARKS AND PATENTS LLC
The name of the LLC is TRADEMARKS AND PATENTS LLC. The date of filing of the Articles of Organi-

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zation with the N.Y. Secretary of State is: 07/15/05. The office of the LLC shall be in the County of ALBANY and State of N.Y. The N.Y. Secretary of State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon her is: The LLC, 301 East 79th St, Suite 24-H, New York, NY 10021. The purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12028 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF BLUE REAL ESTATE LLC
The name of the LLC is BLUE REAL ESTATE LLC. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the N.Y. Secretary of State is: 07/13/05. The office of the LLC shall be in the County of ALBANY and State of N.Y. The N.Y. Secretary of State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon her is: The LLC, 301 East 79th St, Suite 24-H, New York, NY 10021. The purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12029 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ABERCROMBIE INTER-SERVICES LLC
The name of the LLC is ABERCROMBIE INTERNATIONAL SERVICES LLC. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the N.Y. Secretary of State is: 07/12/05. The office of the LLC shall be in the County of ALBANY and State of N.Y. The N.Y. Secretary of State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon her is: The LLC, 301 East 79th St, Suite 24-H, New York, NY 10021. The purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12030 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REVX-420 LLC
The name of the REVX-420 LLC. App. for Auth. Filed with Sec. of State 07/07/2005. Jurisd. and date of org: MONTANA 06/21/05. NY State office loc: ALBANY County. Sec of State of NY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Sec. of State shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 8 SOUTH IDAHO STREET, SUITE C, DILLON, MT 59725. Copy of cert. of org. is filed with: Montana Secretary of State, PO Box 202801, HELENA, MT 59620-2801. The character & purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12031 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: JM & JH, LLC
Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 19, 2005. Office location is in Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of Process to the LLC, 2115 Central Avenue, #117, Schenectady, NY 12304. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. LD-12032 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REVX-419 LLC
The name of the REVX-419 LLC. App. for Auth. Filed with Sec. of State 07/07/2005. Jurisd. and date of org: MONTANA 06/21/05. NY State office loc: ALBANY

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County. Sec of State of NY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Sec. of State shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 8 SOUTH IDAHO STREET, SUITE C, DILLON, MT 59725. Copy of cert. of org. is filed with: Montana Secretary of State, PO Box 202801, HELENA, MT 59620-2801. The character & purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12042 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REVX-418 LLC
The name of the REVX-418 LLC. App. for Auth. Filed with Sec. of State 07/07/2005. Jurisd. and date of org: MONTANA 06/21/05. NY State office loc: ALBANY County. Sec of State of NY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Sec. of State shall mail copy of process to: THE LLC, 8 SOUTH IDAHO STREET, SUITE C, DILLON, MT 59725. Copy of cert. of org. is filed with: Montana Secretary of State, PO Box 202801, HELENA, MT 59620-2801. The character & purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12043 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF 4INCOME LLC
The name of the LLC is 4INCOME LLC. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the N.Y. Secretary of State is: 06/22/05. The office of the LLC shall be in the County of ALBANY and State of N.Y. The N.Y. Secretary of State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon her is: The LLC, 301 East 79th St, Suite 24-H, New York, NY 10021. The purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12044 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of First Advantage CIG, LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/2/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/22/05. 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: One Progress Plaza, Ste. 2400, St. Petersburg, FL 33701. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: credit reporting services. LD-12048 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Inland Western Saratoga Springs Wilton Member, L.L.C. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/22/05. 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: 2901 Butterfield Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: to acquire, own, hold, administer, service, manage, sell and otherwise deal with property or any interest therein, either directly or indirectly. LD-12049 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MARIIVILLE MATERIALS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/5/05. Office location:

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Schenectady County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Connor, Curran & Schram, PC, P.O. Box 77, 441 East Allen St., Hudson, NY 12534. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12050 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Inland Western Saratoga Springs Wilton Member II, L.L.C. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/22/05. 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: 2901 Butterfield Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Sec'y of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: to acquire, own, hold, administer, service, manage, sell and otherwise deal with property or any interest therein, either directly or indirectly. LD-12051 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of EACHERN CONSULTANTS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/5/05. 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, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207, Attn: USA Corporate Services Inc., registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12052 (September 7, 2005)

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW SECTION 206
The name of the limited liability company is THE MASTER BATH, LLC. The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization was 07/26/05. The County in which the office of the LLC is to be located is Schenectady. The agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served is the Secretary of State and such shall mail a copy of any process to: Burke & Casserly, PC, 255 Washington Ave Ext, Albany, NY 12205. The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Company Law. LD-12059 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
163 Central Avenue, LLC filed Articles of Organization with the New York State Secretary of State on July 27, 2005. Its Office is located in Albany County, New York. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process so served to 163 Central Avenue, LLC, P.O. Box 395, New York, New York 10150. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under section 203 of the New York Liability Company Law. LD-12063 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of B.A.G. Webster #198, L.P. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/28/05. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in California (CA) on 5/17/05. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against

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it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Partnership, 8665 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 302, Beverly Hills, CA 90211. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with CA Sec'y of State, Kevin Shelley, 1500 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12070 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ACHIEVE HEALTHCARE INFORMATION SYSTEMS LLC
The name of the ACHIEVE HEALTHCARE INFORMATION SYSTEMS LLC App. for Auth. Filed with Sec. of State 07/29/2005. Jurisd. and date of org: DELAWARE 07/29/05. NY State office loc: ALBANY County. Sec of State of NY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Sec. of State shall mail copy of process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 501, New York, NY 10001. Address required to be maintained in home jurisdiction: 7690 Golden Triangle Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344. Copy of cert. of Org. is filed with: Delaware Secretary of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. The character & purpose of the LLC is to transact any lawful business. LD-12071 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
1. The name of the limited liability company ("Company") is GRIFFON TITLE AGENCY, LLC.
2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on 7/22/2005.
3. The county within New York State in which the office of the Company is located is Albany County.
4. SSNY has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served, and the post office address within New York State to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is 291 Hudson Avenue, Albany, NY 12210.
5. The purpose of the business of the Company is to conduct any lawful business activity for profit that is not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of Delaware or the State of New York. LD-12072 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Shannon Properties, LLC. Authority filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/10/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in North Carolina, (NC) on 2/12/01. 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. NC address of LLC: 1115 E. Morehead St., Charlotte, NC 28204-2857. Arts. of Org. filed with NC Sec'y of State, Corp. Div., 300 N. Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC 27603-5909. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12075 (September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Chansonette Farm, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/10/05. 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 Capitol Services, Inc., 40 Colvin Ave., Ste. 200, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: buy, own, train & sell competition show horses. LD-12075 (September 7, 2005)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION

Sports

BC soccer teams placed in top division

Suburban Council realigns its teams

By ROB JONAS

The Suburban Council didn't do Bethlehem's boys and girls soccer teams any favors when it realigned its three divisions for the 2005 season.

The league went from basing its divisions on school size to past performance. The four strongest programs from last year went into one division, with the next four going into a second division and the four weakest going into a third division.

Since Bethlehem was highly successful last year, both the boys and girls teams wound up in the top division. The boys team will compete with Shenendehowa, Niskayuna and Shaker, while the girls team is in a division with Shen, Niskayuna and Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake.

"I like it a lot," said Bethlehem boys coach Brett Miller. "I think it pushes the kids. I think it hurt us last year not playing Shen and Shaker twice in the league."

The move couldn't come at a worse time for the girls team, though. The Lady Eagles are rebuilding for the first time in several seasons after graduating nine seniors from last year's Sectional finalist squad.

"We still have some good players returning, so we're hoping to be as competitive as we have been in the past," said Bethlehem girls coach Tom Rogan.

Here is a closer look at the Bethlehem boys and girls soccer teams:

Boys

Head coach: Brett Miller

Key veterans: Kyle Dunleavy (goalkeeper), Max Petraglia (defender), Ryan Banagan (midfielder), Ross Stanton (midfielder), Geoff Narode (midfielder), Bryan White (forward), Darko Knezevic

(forward).

Key newcomers: none

Outlook: The Eagles are loaded with talent again as they search for their third Sectional title under Miller.

"We've got a lot of depth," Miller said. "Our JV (junior varsity) team went 15-1 last year, and our freshman team also lost one game. We've got some role players who are going to be very good."

Dunleavy moves into a full-time role as Bethlehem's starting goalkeeper after splitting time with Zach Sherman last year.

"I think he's the best goalie in the area," Miller said.

The Eagles lost some of their scoring punch with the graduation of Chris Dudek and Cody Germain, but Miller said he's expecting good offensive numbers from Narode, White and Knezevic among others.

Bethlehem opened its season with a non-league game against

Columbia Tuesday.

Girls

Head coach: Tom Rogan

Key veterans: Lindsay Rood (center defenseman), Catie Vincent (defensive midfielder), Cate Quinlan (forward), Laura Boucher (forward), Becca Lee (midfielder).

Key newcomer: Megan Braaten (defensive midfielder).

Outlook: The Lady Eagles have several holes to fill at both ends of the field. Up front, they have to find some help for Boucher, who emerged as one of

the team's leading scorers last year.

"We're hoping that Becca Lee will step up a lot in scoring goals," Rogan said.

Defensively, Bethlehem must break in a new goaltender, which means the defense will be asked to shoulder more of the load, Rogan said.

"We've focused a lot on limiting scoring and shots on goal," he said. "I'm pretty sure we'll be pretty strong on defense again."

The Lady Eagles hosts Columbia Wednesday in a non-league game.

Shaker edges BC tennis team

The Shaker girls tennis team opened the Suburban Council season last Thursday with a 5-4 victory over Bethlehem.

Jasleen Sandhu, Katie Barlow and Stephanie Sloane won their singles matches for Shaker in straight sets. Lindsey Grossman and Betsy Breznell earned three-set singles victories, and Jen Frangello won in straight sets for Bethlehem.

LEGAL NOTICE

OF MAMMOR LLC
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/04/2005. 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, 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, DE 19958; registered agent upon whom process may be served (None). Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-12077
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
81 Ten Broeck Street, LLC filed Articles of Organization with the New York State Secretary of State on August 15, 2005. Its Office is located in Albany County, New York. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process so served to 81 Ten Broeck Street, LLC, P.O. Box 395, New York, New York 10150. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under section 203 of the New York Liability Company Law.
LD-12094
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

FOREIGN LLC PUBLICATION NOTICE
Name of LLC: NETWORK COURIER/LOGISTICS, LLC App. For Auth. filed with Sec. of State 06/20/05. Jurisd. And date of org: OREGON ON 06/10/05. NY State office loc: ALBANY COUNTY. Sec. of State of NY designated as agent of LLC. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process served upon him/her is: Registered Agent Solutions, Inc., 1773 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Address of principal office: 920 S.W. Sixth Ave., Suite 1400, Portland, OR 97204. Copy of cert. of org. is filed with Oregon Secretary of State, Corporation Division, 255 Capitol Street NE, Ste 151, Salem, OR 97310-1327. Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-12096
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF DELMAR PEDIATRICS, PLLC

LEGAL NOTICE

Under Section 1203 of the Limited Liability Company Law
FIRST: The name of the professional service limited liability company is Delmar Pediatrics, PLLC
SECOND: The professional service limited liability company shall practice the profession(s) of medicine
THIRD: The country within this state in which the office of the professional service limited liability company is to be located is Albany
FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the professional service limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the professional service limited liability company served upon him or her is: 785 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054
FIFTH: The names and residence addresses of all individuals who are to be the original members and the original managers, if any, are: Michael P. Looney, MD, 426 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054
SIXTH: The names of all domestic and foreign professional service corporations, domestic and foreign professional service limited liability companies, domestic and foreign registered limited liability partnerships and domestic and foreign professional partnerships who are to be original members and managers of this professional service limited liability company are: none
The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on August 8, 2005.
David M. Siegal, Esq., Organizer, Siegal Law Offices, LLC, 16 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, New York 12211
LD-12109
(September 7, 2005)

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Notice of App. for Auth. of UHY Capital Advisors, LLC,

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a foreign ltd. liability co. (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with SSNY on 7/1/05. LLC org. in DE on 12/5/01. NY Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o S.J. Mandel, Esq., UHY Advisors Inc., 555 Long Wharf Dr., 12th Fl., New Haven, CT 06511. Off. addr. in jurisd. of org.: S/ SDE, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Copy of Cert. of Org. on file with S/SDE. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
LD-12111
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Martin's Fox Hollow Farm LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/16/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/21/05. 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: 301 N. Ankeny Blvd., Ste. 145, Ankeny, IA 50021. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-12114
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of PARADISE GARDEN, LLC a NYS limited liability company (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 08/22/2005. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 2814 Emmons Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11235 Purpose: All Lawful purposes.
LD-12117
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of NNS SERVICES, LLC a NYS limited liability company (LLC). Formation filed with SSNY on 08/22/2005. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 554 Greeley Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10306 Purpose: All Lawful purposes.
LD-12118
(September 7, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Yip Sing Trading LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/29/2005. 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, 301 East 79th Street, Ste 24-H, NY, NY 10021. Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-12134
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Helios, LLC., fict name: Helios of Indiana. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Indiana (IN) on 5/25/01. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Principle address of LLC: 6270 Corporate Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46278-2900. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of IN, Business Services Division, 302 W. Washington St., Rm E018, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-12135
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Aspinwall East Coast, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/11/2005. Office location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Frances A. Goldfarb, 15 Linden Ave, Pelham, NY 10803. Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-12136
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Griffin & Phoenix Productions LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/15/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 7/6/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 9420 Wilshire Blvd, Ste 250, Beverly Hills, CA 90212. Principal address of LLC: 9420 Wilshire Blvd,

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Ste 250, Beverly Hills, CA 90212. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of CA, 1500 11th St., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-12137
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DLP MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/17/05. 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 The LLC, 15 Richmond St., Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: all lawful activities.
LD-12150
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
LEGAL NOTICE
TAX NOTICE Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, have received the Tax Rolls and Warrant for the collection of School Taxes for the Town of New Scotland properties in and for the Bethlehem Central School District, and will receive payments as follows: Tax payments are to be mailed to Tax Collector, P.O. Box 181, Delmar, NY 12054. There will be a 2% penalty for payment from October 1 through November 1, 2005. Unpaid school taxes will be turned over to the Albany County Treasurer on November 15, 2005.
Kathy Haeger
Tax Collector
DATED: August 31, 2005
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Fox Island Holding LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/25/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/3/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-12155
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Escalante Solutions, L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/24/05. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/29/01. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LP: 1625 W. National Court, Suite 150, Sacramento, CA 95834. Name/address of genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-12156
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND
SPECIAL MEETING
Please take notice that the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland will hold a special meeting on September 7, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at New Scotland Town Hall, 2029 New Scotland, Road, Slingerlands, New York to consider renewal of the water department truck note and interview applicants for the position of Planning Board Alternate.
Diane Deschenes
New Scotland Town Clerk
The Town of New Scotland is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
LD-12157
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Clearwire Telecommunications Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/23/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 5/3/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 5808 Lake Washington Blvd. NE, Ste. 300, Kirkland, WA 98033. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, Capitol Complex, Carson City, NV 89710. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-12158
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Fowler & Hunting, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/1/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 40 Colvin Ave., Ste. 200, Albany, NY 12206. Principal office of LLC: 1390 Enclave Parkway, Houston, TX 77077. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: food service distributor of fresh produce.
LD-12159
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO NY LLC LAW, SECTION 206
Notice of formation of limited liability company: the name of the limited liability company is OUTSIDE THE BOX REALTY SOLUTIONS, LLC; The articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 3, 2005. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, and the address to which SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served is: c/o 5 Mercer Street, Albany, NY 12202-1314. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful business permissible under the LLC law.
LDG-12149
(September 7, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of CRES Insurance Services, LLC, with a fictitious name of CRES Insurance Agency Services, App. for Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 7/26/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC org. in CA 2/21/01. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process: c/o CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. LLC addr. in CA: P.O. Box 500810, San Diego, CA 92150. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
LJ-12061
(September 7, 2005)

'Birds spoil new Mechanicville coach's debut

By ROB JONAS

Kevin Collins will wait another week to get his first win as Mechanicville's first new football coach in more than two decades.

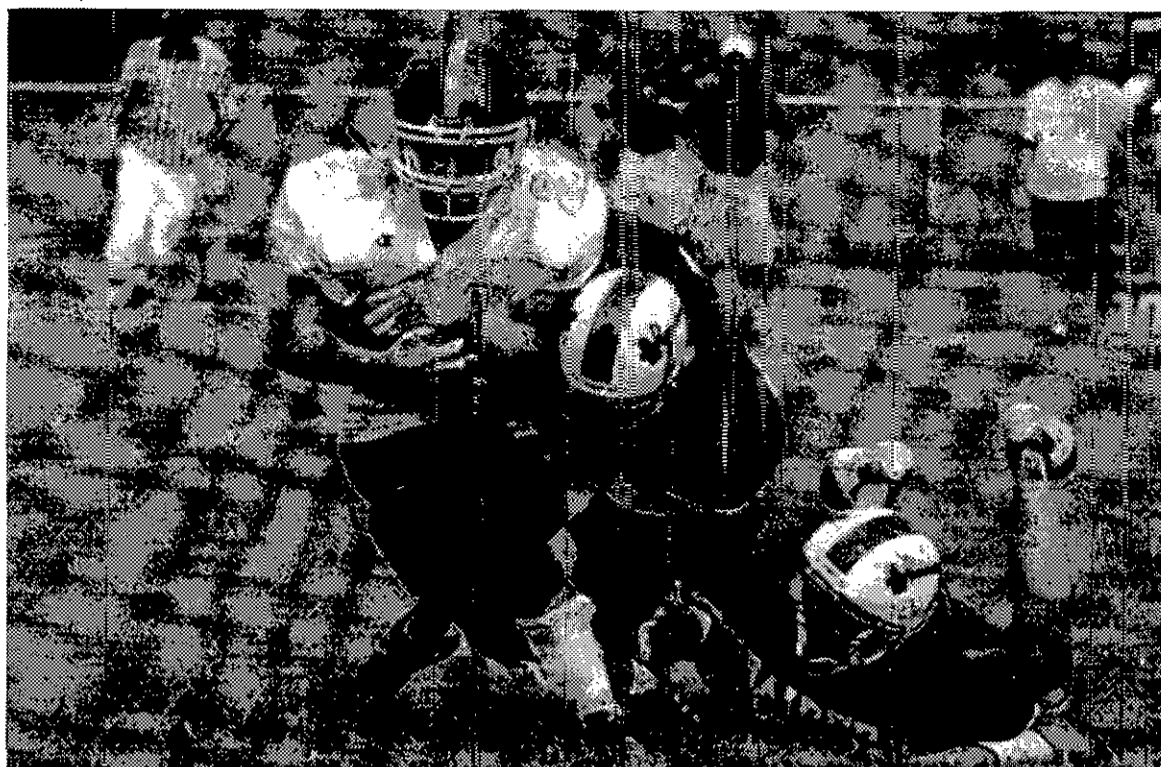
The Voorheesville Blackbirds overcame their own mistakes with a stifling defensive effort to defeat the Red Raiders 12-0 Saturday in a class C South Division game in Mechanicville.

"I think the question we had as coaches was were we going to go after the Mechanicvilles and Watervliets of the world, and after today, we're optimistic," Voorheesville coach Joe Sapienza said.

The Blackbirds (1-0 division, 1-0 overall) gave little ground to their hosts. They limited Mechanicville to 99 yards on the ground and picked off five passes.

"The defense kept us in it. They played fantastic all day," Sapienza said.

The defense had to play well because Voorheesville's offense kept shooting itself in the foot. The Blackbirds had the ball deep in Mechanicville's end four times in the first half, but penalties and an interception prevented them



Two Mechanicville defenders try to stop Voorheesville running back Paul Hognestad in Saturday's South Division game.
Rob Jonas

from entering the end zone.

Voorheesville finally broke through in the third quarter. Nick Duncan picked off Keith VanVeghten at Mechanicville's 38-

yard line 1:06 into the period to set things up. Five plays later, Andy Catellier connected with Duncan on a 13-yard touchdown pass to put the Blackbirds ahead

to stay.

"Andy just put it in a perfect spot for me to go get it," said Duncan, who leaped over a Mechanicville defender in the back of the end zone to haul in Catellier's pass.

"Nick's phenomenal, and

Catellier to Duncan is a fabulous combination," Sapienza said. "I think it says a lot when a team tries to take Duncan out of the offense in the first week of the season."

Mechanicville was driving early in the fourth quarter when Kurt Hoffart picked off VanVeghten and returned it to the Red Raiders' 47-yard line. Catellier then engineered a 12-play series — capped by a 1-yard touchdown plunge by Justin Lupien — that ate up nearly six minutes of the game clock.

Paul Hognestad carried the ball 21 times for 86 yards, and Catellier threw for 53 yards and a touchdown to lead Voorheesville to its first win over Mechanicville since the 1998 Section II, Class C Super Bowl.

"It's definitely a good thing to come out strong," Duncan said. "And with other top teams in our division losing this week, we have to fight on and try to hold on to first place."

Voorheesville travels to Troy Friday night to play Catholic Central, which edged Coxsackie-Athens 28-27 Saturday.

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damage can be assessed. Certainly, many buildings (some historic, some ordinary) will have to be gutted or torn down because they are simply unusable.

The Superdome certainly had a lot going for it. It's been a wonderful home for the New Orleans Saints for more than three decades, and it's seen its share of major events. But even before Katrina slammed into the city, there was some grumbling from Saints owner Tom Benson about the need to refurbish the stadium to suit his team's needs.

There's little doubt that the Superdome is going to need more

than some new luxury boxes to get it up to snuff now. The condensation alone has probably damaged the ceiling, the seats and possibly the FieldTurf surface, and the hallways are most likely littered with garbage and human waste — maybe even a human body or two (and I'm being highly conservative with that estimate).

But the damage goes beyond the physical. The Superdome was never meant to be associated with human tragedy. Now that it is, how is anyone ever going to feel comfortable going to a sporting event (or any event) in that facility again? Instead of remembering the night Adam Vinatieri kicked the New England Patriots to a

Super Bowl victory four months after 9/11, people are going to remember the day someone jumped out of the upper deck in pure desperation because he had lost everything in Katrina's wake, including hope. Instead of remembering Jordan's shot to win the 1982 NCAA title, people are going to remember the stories told by those who felt that they were left to die by a government that didn't care.

Those are scars that cannot be healed by replacing the seats or resurfacing the field. And that may ultimately turn the Superdome into nothing more than a grim memorial to a tragedy no one could have ever imagined.

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Salisbury Road, Delmar

HOW: For more information contact Liz Bradt at the Chamber office: 439-0512 or email her at: Liz@bethlehemchamber.com
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BETHLEHEM SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Sept. 7

GOLF

Mohonasen at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Columbia at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 4 p.m.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem at Niskayuna, 4 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 8

FIELD HOCKEY

Bethlehem at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.

GOLF

Ballston Spa at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Guiderland at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Shenendehowa at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 9

FIELD HOCKEY

Bethlehem at Taconic Hills, 4 p.m.

GOLF

Bethlehem at Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

Saratoga at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Colonie at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Bethlehem at Schenectady, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 10

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Bethlehem at Shaker Invitational, TBA

GIRLS SOCCER

Bethlehem at Oneonta Tournament, 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 11

GIRLS SOCCER

Bethlehem at Oneonta Tournament, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 12

GOLF

Bethlehem at Averill Park, 4 p.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

Averill Park at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem at Saratoga, 4 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.

Sports

Eagles soar in opener

Brian Nicholson leads Bethlehem past Colonie

Bethlehem senior tailback Brian Nicholson chalked up 288 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Eagles to a 26-13 victory over the Colonie Garnet Raiders last Friday in Colonie.

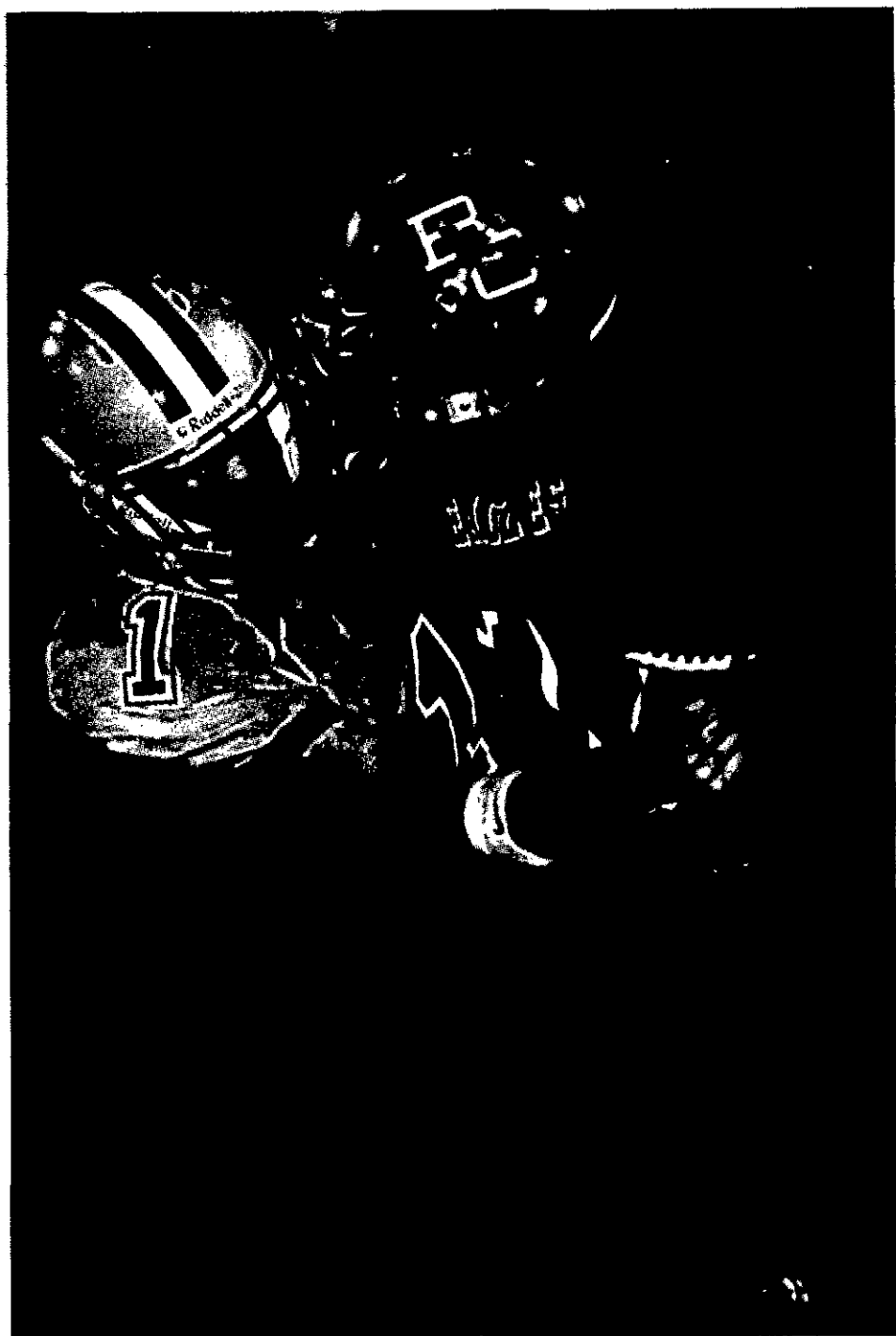
It was an important Division 1 win for the Eagles, who are trying to build on last year's appearance in the Section II, Class AA playoffs.

"We have to kind of earn our respect. No one is giving it to us," said Nicholson, who had scoring runs of 60, 73 and 33 yards. "The offensive line opened the holes, and I got the speed. Colonie always brings it every game and they did tonight, but I finally believe in our team."

Bethlehem (1-0 division, 1-0 overall) trailed 7-6 at halftime, but erupted with 14 fourth quarter points with touchdown runs by Nicholson and Dan Unright. The Eagles used their size advantage on the line to allow their backs to rush for 388 yards.

"We wore them down. This is the biggest team size wise we've had since I've been head coach," said Bethlehem coach Ron Smith. "Our coaching staff made some adjustments at halftime, and we called the right plays in the second half. But our kids really showed me something. I thought our heads were down at halftime, but they really responded in the second half."

"Brian Nicholson can run the



Colonie Central's Rob Goo, left, tries to stop Bethlehem's Brian Nicholson during last Friday's Division 1 opener in Colonie.

Jim Franco

ball with the best of them. We did a good job up front, and we had sustained drives in the second half."

The Eagles had two first half turnovers — a fumble and an interception — but did not cough up the ball in the second half as they repeatedly ran the ball.

Colonie head coach Mike Ambrosio said his squad (0-1, 0-1) failed the first test of the season.

"We played well in the first half, and in the second half we had a little trouble with the big runs," Ambrosio said. "They did things to us today that we were not

prepared for — the physicality of it. Our kids were not ready to step up and play physical football. I guess that is my fault for not getting them prepared."

Bethlehem travels to Schenectady for a crossover game Friday, while Colonie hosts Shenendehowa in a Division 1 contest.

Once a sports haven, now a disaster zone

By ROB JONAS

It used to be the place where dreams came true. Now, it's a place where nightmares came true.

The place in question is the Louisiana Superdome — host to several Super Bowls, the annual Sugar Bowl and some of the most memorable NCAA Final Fours ever. (North Carolina vs. Georgetown, 1982. Michael Jordan. Need I say more?)

Last week, though, the New Orleans landmark was the site for one of the worst tragedies that came out of the killer that was Hurricane Katrina. With the category 4 storm closing in, city officials opened the huge dome to citizens who couldn't get out of town because they didn't have the means.

In fairness, the Superdome had weathered bad storms before without trouble. It was even used as a shelter when Hurricane Ivan threatened to come ashore last September (it wound up making landfall too far east to affect New Orleans). So, city officials were banking on the stadium's ability

From the sports desk...

to weather Katrina's wrath.

Unfortunately for the thousands who entered the Superdome, they soon discovered that the large steel-and-concrete structure wasn't quite super enough.

The problems began once power was cut to the city. I remember being told by a tour guide the last time I visited New Orleans in the mid-1980s that the Superdome needed to run its air conditioning system 24/7 because without it, condensation would develop quickly and cause an indoor rain storm. Well, as soon as the power went out Monday, the air conditioning stopped and the water began dripping from the ceiling. And that turned out to be the least of the problems.

Katrina's winds ripped the outer shell of the roof nearly completely off the Superdome

and punched some holes into the inner shell. So now, there was a way for the hot, humid, late-August Gulf Coast air to get into the already increasingly-hot and humid stadium. Insult to injury.

Then to compound matters, the bathrooms stopped functioning properly, and what food supplies there were at the Superdome were consumed quickly. So

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now, there was little or no food and water, and there was nowhere to go when nature called. Suddenly, this once-gleaming sports facility was a dingy hellhole straight out of a Third World horror story.

The worst of it was there was no escape from this hellhole for four days. That's how long it took government officials to find a way

to bring buses and National Guard amphibious vehicles into the city's center to provide some supplies and an escape route for those who were stranded. And even then, the process was slow and spotty.

Now, I could spend another 100 inches of copy describing the disgust I and others felt watching as American citizens huddled on

the hot, steamy streets waiting for buses that didn't come for days on end (and those who didn't survive the wait were left lying on the ground covered in whatever people could find). But that ground has already been covered.

What hasn't been discussed — and it will probably be several months before any real discussion can take place — is what will happen to the Superdome and the rest of New Orleans once the flood waters recede and the

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