

## Area News



### Kids spreading holiday cheer

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### Hitting the slopes

Winter means many things to different people.

Some see a radar image of a looming snow cloud on the morning weather report and think of the deplorable driving conditions. Others think skiing and snowboarding, and there is more of them than one might think.

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### Rowdy's new stick

It was Christmas Eve, and all throughout Albany

Nobody was stirring except for a rat named Rowdy...

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## New zoning code gives residents sale options

### Land divisions possible thanks to comp plan

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Simple residential land divisions, which were not allowed under Bethlehem's previous zoning code, are now a reality thanks to the town's comprehensive plan, which was passed last summer.

Under the old zoning code, a land owner wishing to sell part of his land would have to bring the proposal to the planning board for approval, a process that could take months. Now, with the revisions in zoning, a landowner only has to go through a process that would take just a few weeks.

"The new code recognizes the difference between a lot split and a major subdivision," said Mike Morelli, assistant director of economic development and planning for the town.

So far, the town has completed two lot splits, one in North Bethlehem and one in Selkirk. In both instances, the owners wanted simply to sell part of their lands as a way to augment their income. Morelli said there are several more applications pending at the moment.

"We get lots of inquiries from people about it," said town Supervisor Theresa Egan. "There was concern before that the town wasn't accommodating individual residents' needs to provide for their children or other family

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## Police charge, jail teen for sex crimes

### Incident said to have taken place in boys restroom at high school

By JIM CUOZZO

Two Bethlehem high school students are currently under disciplinary suspension and their alleged incident of sexual contact in a boys high school bathroom prompted a police investigation leading to the arrest of one student on additional charges of rape.

German Adolfo Lambert Jr., 18, of Slingerlands is facing both felony and misdemeanor charges, including criminal sexual act first degree and endangering the welfare of a child. The five misdemeanor charges, according to Bethlehem police and the Albany County district attorney's

office, stem from two separate acts of sexual contact involving a 14 year-old-girl at the high school. Lambert's felony charge involves the alleged rape of a second girl, a 16-year-old at her family's Glenmont home on Oct. 13. Police and prosecutors believe Lambert knew both victims. "I hope that kids will look at this case and get the message that force plus sex equals terrible consequences," Albany County

District Attorney David Soares said.

Lambert's 24-year-old brother Glen has lived in this area during the past six years. German Lambert Jr. moved to Slingerlands and enrolled in Bethlehem high school this past fall. Glen Lambert feels this case is unfair because all of the

girls involved consented to have sex with his brother. "They threw my brother in jail, and there is

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German Adolfo Lambert Jr.



## Highs and lows of heating costs

### Natural gas costs highest in five years

By DAMIAN PAGANO

John Brooks is building a new house in Glenville, and for the first time in 40 years he will heat his home with something other than oil. He's decided to use propane.

Brooks said a friend convinced him to install the new propane furnace because, he said, the fuel burns cleaner. The total cost is about the same, but propane could be slightly less expensive. He said the system could also be installed faster, and he wanted it in the house as soon as possible.

"I had to get it in as fast as I could," he said on Dec. 15, his house still under con-

struction. "We'll see how it works out."

This winter is a winter of choices for many people when it comes to heating their homes. With fuel prices at a record high, some people are trying to save money by heating with a different type of fuel. Others are asking for assistance with heating bills that can average more than \$1,900 annually.

According to the New York state Energy Research and Development Authority, which tracks energy use for state government, most New Yorkers heat their homes with natural gas; followed closely by petroleum products such as heating oil, propane and kerosene. Bio-fuel, including wood and wood pellets, is a distant third, according to data

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## Old and new

### Bigger space doesn't mean higher heating costs

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

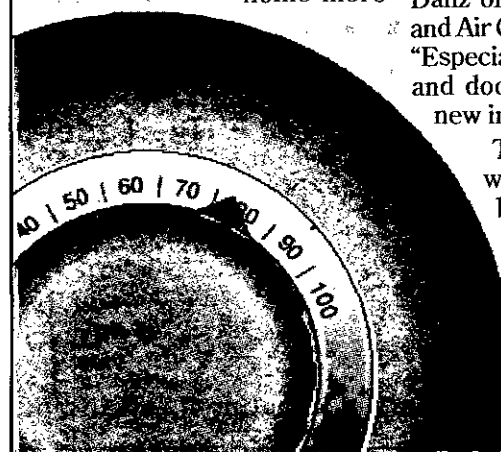
There's good news in energy efficiency for owners of older homes: It can be relatively inexpensive to make changes which will make that home more

energy efficient, considering that a new system will lower heating bills indefinitely and pay for themselves over time.

"Older homes can actually be very efficient," said Ted Danz of Family Danz Heating and Air Conditioning in Delmar. "Especially with new windows and doors installed, and with new insulation."

The home Danz lives in was built in 1776, he said, but thanks to the addition of some energy efficient heating systems, it remains comfortable. "I didn't want

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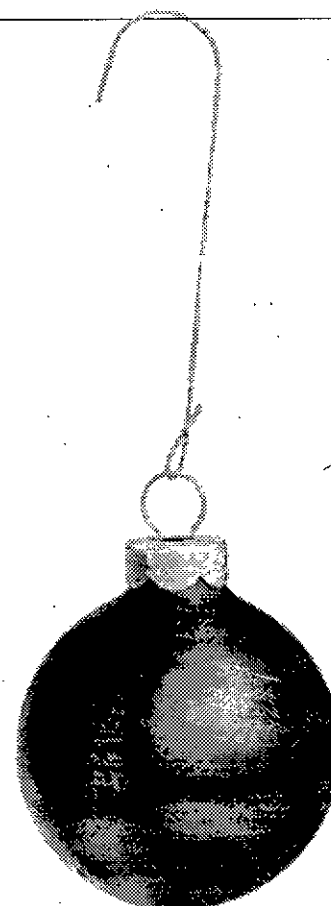
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The kindergarten class at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic school in Delmar. Students recently made a gingerbread house and door ornaments, pictured below, for children at the Ronald McDonald House in Albany.

## Kindergartners brighten house

**St. Thomas the Apostle students build house, create ornaments for Ronald McDonald House**

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

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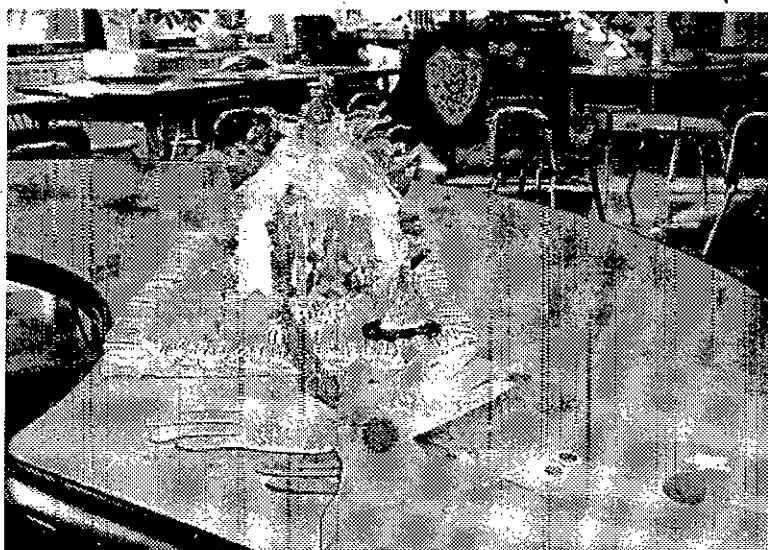
"It was so precious to get a chance to speak to the class this year," said Debbie Ross, resident house manager. "We explain to the children what the house does in simplistic terms, asking to imagine what it would be like to have a brother or sister who needed the Ronald McDonald House."

The gingerbread house and the decorations are inspiring to the residents of Ronald McDonald House, Ross said.

"A lot of parents comment on the 'little surprises,'" said Ross.

Volunteer work at the Ronald McDonald House began for students of St. Thomas the Apostle a few years ago, said Maureen Bernstein, vice president of community affairs at the school.

"One of the teachers decided that this was an appropriate place to do volunteer work," she said. "The kids started meeting the staff at the Ronald McDonald House



and learned about what it does."

Eth Ross and Bernstein said the kids really enjoyed the experience.

"The kids love doing the projects because it's fun," said Bernstein. "The baking is fun, and the teachers make sure to stress that community service is not supposed to be drudgery. Service for others is something to be enjoyed, and these kids have really gotten it. They understand."

Community service is an integral part of the curriculum at St. Thomas.

Students in all grades volunteer for many community service organizations throughout the year, and usually do a wrap-up project at the end of the year. Each grade level takes on a different population in need and becomes educated about different area service organizations. Bernstein

has been running the program for five years.

"It gets bigger and bigger for the kids, because it's progressive," she said. "We incorporate the ideas of service into the curriculum, and it's been successful. Sometimes kids come with me to do volunteer work after school, even after a long day of classes. It just becomes part of what you do."

The Ronald McDonald House of Albany is the only house in the area, and it serves families in 26 counties across the state. The house serves families with sick children and provides comfort, support and respite in a beautiful, homelike atmosphere. The house needs about 200 volunteers each month, 100 for the house and 100 for the Ronald McDonald House Family Room at Albany Medical Center.

## New homes proposed for Tall Timbers site

**Developer seeks to build 282 residential units; public hearing planned**

By JIM CUOZZO

A plan by a developer to allow 267 acres of land in New Scotland to be home to residential units and the proposed rezoning of the same northeast corridor by the town board has many residents wondering what the future will bring.

Engineer Scott Lansing presented a proposal from Louis Masullo of Masullo Brothers Builders to construct 282 residential units of varying size from 9,000 square feet to 40,000 square feet in the northeast quadrant of town. The units would be called Kensington Woods and would use the Vly Creek aquifer as its water source for two-family lots, carriage homes and executive lots to be built in the area formerly known as Tall Timbers, the site of a one-time private golf club.

"We are excited about this project and are looking forward to working with the town board and the planning board," Lansing said.

Town officials spent over an hour trying to determine the best first step before deciding on a public scoping session to be held Tuesday, Jan. 10 at 6:30 p.m. at town hall to present the project to the community.

"My concern is that there is ample opportunity for people to suggest better or more pleasing ways to do this project," said Supervisor Ed Clark.

"Over \$150 million of proposed assessed value is attached to this project," Masullo said. "We look forward to putting together a dynamic plan we can all be proud of."

But the Kensington Woods project could be over before it begins. In October, over 170 residents presented a petition to the planning board requesting consistent 2-acre zoning be approved for parts of Font Grove and Hilton roads. Clark and many residents in attendance agreed that would drastically affect the Kensington Woods project.

"What goes on in this project will

affect everyone in this town, not just 170 people who signed a petition," said resident Jim Finnegan.

The planning board recommended against a 2-acre rezoning at a meeting this month without input from the petitioners living in that area.

"My concern is that there was no opportunity for public input from the people who submitted the rezoning issue," said Clark.

The town board will ultimately decide the rezoning issue.

"The planning board made its recommendation," Clark said. "We can either accept it, ignore it, or reject it."

"If you want to move forward with the proposal I have to draft a local law amending the town zoning law to create a new zone," said town Attorney Mike Mackey. A draft of the new proposed zoning change will be in the hands of the town board before the end of the month and a public hearing will be scheduled in January.

A third Empire Zone designation in Albany County is under consideration for parts of Bethlehem and New Scotland on Lagrange Road behind the Slingerlands Price Chopper, proposed site of the Vista Technology Park. Sean McGuire, representing Albany Counties Economic Development Staff, said the tech park could attract software jobs to the region.

"Our Empire Zone isn't a program that brings big buck developments. It is targeting high-tech," McGuire said.

"Study after study has shown these empire zones are failures and the jobs don't materialize," said resident Edie Abrams.

The town board, however, unanimously endorsed the project, which will allow for incentives and tax breaks for participating businesses, which locate in the designated Empire Zone corridor.

### Two board members leave

Outgoing board members Andrea Gleason and Scott Houghtaling received proclamations for their years of service to the town board. Gleason spent eight years and Houghtaling served for twelve years on the board.

## Public meeting slated for six-month-old comprehensive plan

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

The town's planning and zoning departments are six months into using the new comprehensive plan, and it's taking some getting used to for

everyone.

Town Supervisor Theresa Egan is hoping for a public meeting in January, to allow residents and town department heads to bring any concerns with the comprehensive plan to the board's attention.

"We're having this meeting so we can iron out the kinks in the plan," said Egan. "We want the plan to reflect what's acceptable to the community."

Egan said the plan is meant to be a living document, one that is consulted on a regular basis, and because of that, the town board plans to regularly address practical concerns with the document as it is used.

"We're absolutely committed to hearing and addressing people's concerns," said Egan. "We're determined to hear everyone, even though we may not necessarily agree."

Because the comprehensive plan is a practical guide to decision making, it streamlines the process, but also makes decisions more difficult because each decision must be in line with the plan.

"Some of the people on these boards are not used to having to look at a document every time they have to make a decision," said Michael Morelli, assistant director of economic planning.

While a guideline for town planning was utilized in the past, it

was never formally adopted, and there were no laws stating that the town had to follow those guidelines. Now, with new zoning in place, there is a legal need for boards to be consistent with the comprehensive plan.

Recently, the town planning board granted a parking space waiver to developers at the old Ames shopping plaza, which caused some disagreement among members of that board. The comprehensive plan had recommended that the Panera Bread proposed for that location have a certain number of parking spaces, and the waiver was the first time that board had the opportunity to use this discretion.

"The new zoning amendments with the comprehensive plan have created tools for the planning board, and one of those things is

granting waivers if there is a compelling reason," said George Leveille, director of economic development. "In this case, construction for additional parking spaces would not have been needed. The new tools in the zoning code just give the boards other things to consider."

Egan said few complaints or other feedback have been received so far, but the board plans to revisit the comprehensive plan every six months regardless. Most suggestions so far have come from the town's planning and zoning departments, who most often utilize the plan. After the meeting in January, any proposed changes to the plan will go before a public hearing in May or June, Egan said.

The public meeting has not been scheduled yet, but will hopefully be in January, Egan said.

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# Cards keep us connected to those we love

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Commentary:

## Mom's The Word



They sit there on top of the microwave, in their lovely white boxes, calling to me.

"Send us out!" they cry. "You know you want to!"

One complaint seems to get a little louder each December: "Christmas just snuck up on me this year." The timing of Christmas cards attests to that, and each year I defer to a later and later date one of the pleasures I love about Christmas — writing Christmas cards.

I know that this puts me in a solid minority, since lots of people groan about the cards yet to send, but I move into total fantasy land, playing CDs of Bing Crosby and Nat King Cole crooning Christmas tunes, pouring myself a big old glass of Bailey's, and pulling out the cards and pens to stay in touch with all the people who have touched our family's lives.

I love sending cards because I love getting them. It's great to watch people's children grow up, and even better when the adults send pictures of themselves along too.

Whether or not to include the parents in the holiday photo is one of those topics that draws differing — and sometimes strong — opinions. For years, we always sent out pictures of just the children. Particularly in their first years, they were cute beyond

belief, so why would we mess up a picture of bright-eyed, smiling towheads with sooty-eyed, palefaced, sleep-deprived and slightly grumpy parents? On top of which, in the first few years of children's lives, one parent usually falls into the role of picture-taker, which means that it often looks like the young children only have one parent. It always seemed a little vain to send the picture of grown-ups, or like we have trouble sharing the limelight with our offspring. Our friends, after all, know what we look like; surely, they're more interested in seeing what the future of our civilization looks like.

As we've gotten older, though, I love to see what our friends look like, too. OK, mostly what I love to see is how they're holding up in the face of the aging process. Who's as heavy as me? Whose face is more lined? Who, darn them, looks exactly the same? Who, double darn them, looks even better?

My sister-in-law pointed out that while she loves to see people's children, those changes to her peers are what she really likes to see.

I had avoided it up till that point, but realizing that I also love

to see my friends on the cards, and the fact that we compare OK — not great, but OK — to our peers made me take the plunge. Plus, for a couple of years in a row, we got great family shots on vacation, where Chris and I looked rested, tanned and happy.

Those vacation photos are key. About 75 percent of our family pictures are taken during vacation, when we can put our children against beautiful backdrops and when we're all rested, looking good, and doing things new and different. Inevitably, a vacation shot ends up on the Christmas card.

We're not alone; our wall of Christmas photos would make a good travel poster.

"Bring your family to Florida, Cape Cod, Italy, Ireland, the Great Escape," it could read. "You will be compelled to put your arm around the spouse who never puts his laundry in the hamper; your teenage children will stand close to you and your spouse because you are the only other English-speaking people they know; and your skin will glow because you will finally get enough sleep at night."

Cormac's been a big proponent of real-life photos — anything to not have to abandon his comfy T-shirts for more formal clothing. When our church offered the chance to have family photos taken as they put together the parish directory, we all cleaned ourselves up and put on good clothes.

The definition of "good clothes" for our sons has evolved into "a shirt with a collar." For Christopher, this is no problem, because he wears a Hawaiian shirt every day of his life. While this has begun to worry me just a little (do you think you could wear a different kind of shirt if you had to? I regularly ask him), it does mean he generally looks neat and kempt — if slightly like a stereotypical midwestern American man on vacation.

So while Christopher pulled the cotton button-down Hawaiian shirt from his drawer, we began the negotiations with Cormac. Cormac was born with his umbilical cord around his neck, and my mother the nurse insists that children born that way hate anything around their necks. Cormac has latched on to this, and while I think he hates anything around his neck because, like his dad, his head looks like it goes directly into his shoulders without benefit of neck,

get the pictures they put on their Christmas cards! It's part of the magic we try to make at this time of year.

Some of that magic comes in the words that people write in their cards. Mine start out with great ambition, and the people in my address book from A-C get four whole paragraphs. C-E get three; E-F get two and everybody else gets wishes for all the best in years to come and let's try to get together. I toy with the idea of a Christmas letter each year, but

Chris is adamantly opposed to them.

I love getting them, though. Some make me laugh, some make me cry and some make me gaze out the deck door to my snow-covered backyard and remember times past.

I'm not greedy, though, and even a card with "Love" or "Best Wishes" suits me. It's nice to be thought of, particularly in a world that rushes past us far too quickly.

Christmas cards make me wonder why I don't pick up the phone and call these people who take a minute in the craziest time of the year to be in touch with us. The world of e-mail has been a blessing in that it keeps me in touch with people at great distances. Sometimes, making a phone call can mean just calling an answering machine, and phone tag, while amusing, gets old fast. I also get shy on the phone, or worry that I'm interrupting dinner, homework, bath, bedtime, or a friend's chance to finally sit down and watch ER uninterrupted.

But you can read a card on your time, even if that's in the 10 seconds between coming home from work and starting dinner. It's something you can hold in your hand, a tangible connection to the people who helped get us where we are now. We hang them around doorframes in our house, as if to keep the past all around us as we create this year's Christmas memories.

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he flees when he sees a tie.

On the occasions that he's had to wear a tie, he makes aking and gacking noises and thrashes around like a landed fish. So for the family picture, we didn't even bring up the idea of a tie and we let Cormac leave his dress shirt ("Itchy! It's so itchy!") untucked.

If Cormac grows up to be a politician, he'll be king of the filibusters, for in the 100 steps between our home and the church, he advocated tirelessly for pictures of us in our normal clothes.

"We never dress like this," he contended. "Why do we want a picture of the way we never look? Shouldn't we have a picture that will remind us what our life was like, of how we really are?" Heaven forfend. I'd be in the kitchen, in ratty jeans and a polo shirt with spots all over it; Chris would be in his sweats and the banded-bottom fleece he bought five years ago and rarely takes off; Christopher would be hunched over his Dungeons and Dragons books, albeit in a Hawaiian shirt; and Cormac would be in a red T-shirt, video game controller in his hand and a glazed look in his eyes.

No wonder people go away to

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## WEEKLY WEATHER

Chief Meteorologist Mike Bono

### Albany Almanac

#### Record high/low/year

Day	AVERAGE HIGH 33°		AVERAGE LOW 17°	
	High/Year	Low/Year	High/Year	Low/Year
Wednesday, December 21	59°/1957	-18°/1942		
Thursday, December 22	60°/1990	-8°/1955		
Friday, December 23	64°/1990	-12°/1955		
Saturday, December 24	57°/1941	-15°/1989		
Sunday, December 25	66°/1889	-22°/1969		
Monday, December 26	59°/1895	-17°/1914		
Tuesday, December 27	60°/1895	-18°/1914		

#### SEASONAL SNOWFALL TO DATE

7.4 inches as of Friday, December 16th  
3.6 inches below average

#### This week in weather

December 25, 1980 Bitterly cold Christmas. Down to -34 in northern NY with severe wind chills and afternoon temps near -20. NYC dropped to -2 with steam fog on the East River, rising only to 7. Boston dropped to 7 below. Albany had a mean temperature of -8.5.

#### Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	7:22am	4:25pm
Thursday	7:22am	4:25pm
Friday	7:23am	4:26pm
Saturday	7:23am	4:26pm
Sunday	7:24am	4:27pm
Monday	7:24am	4:28pm
Tuesday	7:24am	4:28pm

#### Moon Phases

December 23<sup>rd</sup> Last  
December 30<sup>th</sup> New



Planets	When	Where
Jupiter	By Dawn	High SE
Saturn	Evening	Rising ENE
Mars	Evening	High South
Venus	Dusk	Bright SW



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### Ski Report

#### Area Ski Conditions

Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails	Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails
Gore Mtn.	17" - 39"	5	23	Stratton	23" - 35"	5	50
Whiteface	13" - 25"	4	25	Sugarbush	4" - 36"	5	38
Bromley	12" - 27"	4	13	Hunter Mtn.	14" - 69"	5	39
Mt. Snow	14" - 24"	9	59	Belleayre	12" - 38"	5	16
Okemo	14" - 28"	11	70	Jiminy Peak	16" - 50"	3	21
Jay Peak	12" - 36"	5	28	Bosquet	8" - 24"	2	5
Stowe	20" - 36"	5	27	Windham	25" - 50"	5	24
Killington	18" - 28"	10	77	Smugglers'	12" - 36"	4	21

#### Factoid

December 21<sup>st</sup> is known as the Winter Solstice or the first day of winter. It's also the shortest day of the year, which for the Albany area is about 9 hours long.

#### Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	8:48am, 8:47pm	3:13am, 3:21pm
Thursday	9:36am, 9:33pm	3:58am, 4:14pm
Friday	10:27am, 10:23pm	4:46am, 5:10pm
Saturday	11:20am, 11:18pm	5:34am, 6:06pm
Sunday	-----, 12:14pm	6:24am, 7:02pm
Monday	12:16am, 1:07pm	7:14am, 7:57pm
Tuesday	1:31am, 1:59pm	8:03am, 8:50pm





# Police Blotter

## Not such a holly jolly season at Wal-Mart

Police recently arrested several people for shoplifting at Wal-Mart in Glenmont. On Tuesday, Dec. 6, Kimberly Jones, 22, of 631 South Pearl St. in Albany was arrested on charges of petty larceny.

Loss prevention associates reported seeing Jones attempting to leave without paying for items in her possession, and she was detained, police said. The merchandise total was \$291.67. She was arrested by Officer David Caputo, and was brought back to the Bethlehem Police Station for processing and is due in Town Court on Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 4 p.m.

On Wednesday, Dec. 7, Dawn Whitman, 22, of 69 Livingston Ave. in Albany, was arrested on charges of petty larceny at Wal-Mart. The assistant manager reported the incident to Officer Adam Cobb. Loss prevention associates stopped Whitman from leaving store after two store associates witnessed her stealing, police said. Whitman had a valid receipt for groceries, but in two of her bags, cosmetics and toiletries totaling \$128.66 were found and no receipt could be produced, police said. Cobb arrested her and brought her

back to the Bethlehem Police Station for processing.

On Wednesday, Dec. 7, Trisha Palmer, 22, and Lisa Thomas, 22, both of 465 Burden Lake Road in Schodack, were arrested for petty larceny. Palmer was also charged with resisting arrest.

The assistant manager observed both women concealing merchandise in Wal-Mart bags and attempt to pass cashiers as they tried to exit the store, police said. Both were banned from the premises and were told they would be charged with trespassing if they return. Both

were brought to the police station for processing.

On Wednesday, Dec. 7, Gerald Winchester, 38, of 64 Clinton Ave. in Albany was arrested for petty larceny. Winchester was observed shoplifting and was detained by store personnel, who found \$252.37 of merchandise in Wal-Mart bags under merchandise already purchased, police said. Winchester was banned from the premises and was arrested by Officer Adam Hornick and brought to the police station for processing.

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## Family art program at Five Rivers

A family art program will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 2 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar. This program will be a mix of outdoor explorations and indoor activities.

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Learn to identify animal signs while on an outdoor exploration, then draw a picture from an animal mount back in the Interpretive Building. Use plaster to make a cast of an animal track and decorate it.

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## Winter woes

Here it is the first day of winter, even though it feels as if we've already been immersed in the season for months. The calendar defies our feelings as nothing but the onset of cabin fever. Still the New Year beckons and will be heralded by local First Night festivities.

So for a modest fee, regional revelers can enjoy a number of entertainment venues and fireworks in Albany and Saratoga Springs.

Old Man Winter, however, will have the last say as he tightens his grip on the Northeast in earnest in January and February.

Some find respite by vacationing in warmer climes, but most of us grimace and bear it, hanging on to the notion that spring will really return.

But until then, we must look for color in gardening brochures with photos of picture-perfect landscaping with vibrant displays of all colors of the rainbow. Looking out the window is like being in a black and white B-movie that never seems to end. Mother Nature's favorite winter color appears to be gray.

To ease the added financial burden of winter, be sure to make sure your residence is not spewing forth heat through leaky windows and doors. Caulking up cracks can save a lot over the course of the typically oil and natural gas-guzzling months of January and February.

Another common-sense thing to do is keep the thermostat down and layer up with extra clothing to keep warm. Nightcaps might have seemed like a silly old-fashioned notion, but they actually make sense if you think about it. Since we lose most of our body heat from our heads, it's a good idea to wear some type of head covering inside. Who's the wiser? And perhaps you'll end up being a trendsetter even at the risk of being a little bit Scroogy.

On sub-zero days, it's best to stay inside if possible. Seniors especially should protect themselves against extreme temperatures.

Drivers should make sure their vehicles' heating systems are in good working order and check the antifreeze from time to time.

Be sure to make sure the holidays are safe in your home — do not leave candles unattended and keep sharp ornaments away from young children and pets. (We've already had several serious local fires because of candles). Be sure to turn off holiday lights before retiring.

We wish everyone happy and safe holidays.

## Editorial

## Save a life, when one's lost

By SAM MESSINA

*The writer is a member-elect of the town board in Bethlehem, where he lives. He is a volunteer for the Center for Donation Transplant.*

At 3:20 a.m. on June 17, 2003, my wife and I got the call that all families dread. Our only son Matthew had been critically injured in a hit-and-run in Chico, Calif. "You need to be here now," the ER nurse said.

The flight and drive from Albany to Chico was the longest trip of our lives, since we didn't know if Matt was alive or dead, and if alive, what his life and future would be.

Matt died from his injuries two days later. He was 25.

It is said that when you lose a parent you lose your past, and when you lose your child, you lose your and their future. We can testify that nothing could be more truthful. We will not see him be the father, uncle and friend that were undoubtedly part of his future. And he will not get to experience these life pleasures and adventures.

It hurts me still to write about the loss of our son. But I do so to tell you about the one ray of hope and light in those devastatingly dark early days. I want you to know that Matthew gave life to others and hope and awareness of life's continuity to us by giving the gift of life. My wife Jan and I made the decision for Matt to donate his organs and tissues to the California Transplant Donor Network. It was the only thing at that terrible time that was the right thing to do. We could just hear our son saying "Do it, Mom and Dad, you know I would make the decision if I could."

We know that a 54-year-old man received Matt's heart, and two women, with children, are living today because

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they have Matt's liver, pancreas and kidneys. The man who received Matt's heart lived for about seven

"meet" Matthew in the pictures we brought of him, and the stories we told about him.

As a result of our decision on Matt's behalf, we have witnessed firsthand the tremendous good that organ



Matthew Messina

months after the transplant. We were saddened when we heard that he only lived a short while. Then we received a letter from the organ procurement organization stating this man and his family were overjoyed that they had this gift of time to be together and it was a blessing for them.

Another recipient is a married 41-year-old mother of a 17-year-old girl. She had been in extremely poor health and if she had not received a kidney and liver transplant at that time, she would not have been expected to survive. When we met at an organ donation ceremony 10

months later, with her mother in the best of health, her daughter cried because she was so glad that her mom was alive and well, but overwhelmed by the thought that our son's death had saved her mom. We gave them pictures of Matt, and we felt after just a little while as if we had known them all our lives.

The other recipient is a 47-year-old mother who received Matt's other kidney and his pancreas. The dramatic and abrupt improvement in her health was a true gift to her and her family, which they wrote to us about at Christmas. They too got to

transplants accomplish. Matt had not made the choice to give, but we know what he wanted and did that for him. In a very real way Matt's life lives on here on earth because his gift of life lives on in others.

I can understand how, in such traumatic and heart-breaking circumstances family members faced with this

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choice may not know what to do, or not want to deal with the issue. Therefore, please let me strongly encourage everyone to make the time to consider being a donor and to speak with other family members about their wishes.

I hope with all my heart that you will never have to give that gift of life, or make a decision for a loved one. But early thought about this important matter could be a gift of life and love for your family and other families if that is ever needed.

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# Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

## Selkirk fire heroes save man's life

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing this letter to commend the heroic efforts of the Selkirk Fire District, whose members put their lives on the line rescuing an individual, trapped in a burning car.

On Nov. 13 the Selkirk fire District responded to a one-car motor vehicle accident in the vicinity of Route 144 in Glenmont. The initial call was for a vehicle off the road and unknown injuries. As luck would have it a class was in progress at Selkirk Station No. 1 and the station was fully manned. A heavy rescue vehicle was immediately dispatched with a full crew.

Police at the scene of the wreck subsequently reported that the situation had escalated with the vehicle now on fire and the

driver trapped inside. At this point the rescue truck was less than a mile away but was significantly handicapped by the fact that it carried no water. The nearest Pumper, Engine 41 was several minutes behind the rescue truck.

As the rescue truck arrived, everyone at the scene had backed away from the vehicle which was now fully engulfed in flames. Without hesitation, members grabbed fire extinguishers along with rescue tools and ran to the fire. Those with extinguishers knocked the fire back while other members began cutting the roof of the vehicle with cutters and hydraulic tools.

As the extinguishers ran dry, the fire roared back. Members continued cutting even though they could feel the heat of the advancing flames. Firefighter Thomas Neri recalled being told to move away from the fire but later stated, "we realized the guy inside was alive, and we couldn't back off."

Just as the situation seemed hopeless, engine 41 arrived and additional members attacked the fire with fully charged lines. In a combined effort, members were able to remove the roof of the vehicle, roll the dashboard forward and push the fire back. The driver, Jesse M. Bradford of Melrose, was subsequently cut from the mangled vehicle just as the final flames from the fire were extinguished. Bradford was alive,

but had suffered serious burns and lacerations. He was immediately transported to Albany Medical Center and then air lifted to Westchester Medical Center.

Albany Fire Department Assistant Chief Robert Mengle, who was at the scene stated that in 35 years of fire fighting, he had never seen such a valiant effort, "These guys put their lives on the line and there is no question that they saved a life today."

The Selkirk Fire District answers more than 300 calls a year, at all hours and in all types of weather. During this holiday season, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the members of this department, who truly are the town's unsung heroes.

Dale F. Richter  
Commissioner Selkirk Fire District

## Thanks to student volunteers

Editor, The Spotlight:

During this season of thanksgiving and reflection, To Life would like to let Bethlehem residents know about some of the wonderful and dedicated young volunteers in our community. Some of them come to us through Bethlehem Central High's Participation in Government class and continue to volunteer even after they have finished their 20 hour requirement. All have given their time and energy to help us help women with breast cancer.

By helping with fund-raising and community education events, keeping the building and the grounds clean, doing endlessly repetitive tasks such as stuffing envelopes, photocopying and collating educational packets, these young people have been reliable and truly indispensable. Janyl Slater, Amanda and Josh Perez, Erica Danz, Rachael McCormick, Elana Krischer, Emily Caracandas, and Hannah

and Lindsay Derbyshire spent days making favors and assisting with a recent fund-raiser. Ryan Long, Matt Schmit, Jon Pratt and Ben Finkle have raked, trimmed, weeded, painted and cleaned. Alesia Hall, Jamie Eberle and Kelsey Heenan, our newest high school volunteers, have cheerfully done whatever was asked of them. Sisters Emily and Hannah Meckler call nearly every week to see if they can help.

Youthful pranks and problems make headlines but these kids quietly do a great job and deserve recognition for their good deeds.

Ann Krischer, MSW  
program manager and volunteer coordinator

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# Your Opinion *in the* Spotlight

## Relax and enjoy the holiday season *Need to celebrate Bill of Rights*

Editor, The Spotlight:

Please thank Art Stein for the delightful memoir in this week's issue. And thank you for publishing it. Here is my reaction to the flap over "Happy Holidays" vs. "Merry Christmas":

It's amusing to read letters from irate Christians who get all worked up because some people (and stores) acknowledge that

the Christian Christmas is not the only holiday happening toward the end of the year, and choose not to cede exclusive ownership of seasonal wishes to one group.

We hear the assertion that, since the word "holiday" may have been derived from "holy day," it must still carry that sacred meaning and, moreover, must refer exclusively to Christmas.

Well, consider:

1. If it really does mean "holy day," then what's the complaint? Who's to say that "Happy holy day" can't refer to Christmas? The Christian thing to do would be to accept the greeting and say "thank you."

2. There are other days around now that are "holy," in one degree or another, to others besides Christians. Why should they be slighted?

3. But actually, of course, the word "holiday" long ago lost its halo. I don't think those insisting on its "holy" connotation object to getting a day off on such secular "holidays" as Presidents Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, etc. (And Across The Pond; of course, any day you're at the shore you are "on holiday.")

4. For many people and many purposes, "the holiday season" begins with the Thanksgiving "holiday" and extends through the New Year's Day "holiday," with some more-or-less "holy days" in between.

It's the holiday season. Relax and enjoy it.

Richard McMahan  
Glenville

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bill of Rights defines America. Why don't we celebrate it?

The Constitution of the United States would never have become the law of the land without the Bill of Rights. Several states refused to join the Union unless there was a Bill of Rights to limit the federal power and protect individual rights. Why don't we celebrate it?

The Bill of Rights guarantees fundamental civil and human rights: the freedoms of speech, press, assembly, religion; protections against unreasonable searches and coerced confessions; rights to counsel and a jury trial. For these rights and freedoms people have struggled for centuries. The Bill of Rights remains a beacon to freedom-loving people worldwide. Why don't we celebrate it?

The Bill of Rights does more: it defines the limits of government power. More directly than any other single document of law, the Bill of Rights stands between tyranny and liberty. Refugees flee to the United States, not for its "three separate branches of government," not for its arrangement of senators and representatives, but for its liberty. The foundation of that liberty is the Bill of Rights. Why don't we celebrate it?

We have special days for the birthdays of great leaders, to remember special events, and to honor our military services. But all of these remarkable people

and events aimed to advance the cause of liberty — the cause of the Bill of Rights.

Let's celebrate it! Every town, city, and state should designate one day as Bill of Rights Day. The logical date would be Dec. 15, because on that date in 1791 the Bill of Rights was ratified. Just one day per year, let us fly the flag, put up a poster, and most important of all: read the Bill of Rights. And read it to our kids, in libraries, in schools, in homes.

Let's make Dec 15 Bill of Rights Day, and declare our support for all of the Bill of Rights for all citizens. We owe it to our forefathers, and we owe it to our kids.

Burr Deitz  
Chairman  
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### Thanks to samaritan for helping out

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you to the Good Samaritan and Albany Co. Paramedics who assisted me on Nov. 22 near Delmar Place, after a reaction I experienced from a medical procedure.

Your help was much appreciated.

Alica Lawson  
Delmar



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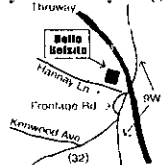
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# Board OKs Empire Zone resolutions

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

The town board passed resolutions at its meeting Wednesday regarding the Empire Zone status of Plasticware, L.L.C., the Vista Technology Campus, and Scarano Boat Works.

The state's Empire Zone program underwent legislative changes earlier this year that required the county to redevelop the program. The town board passed these resolutions as part of the new requirements for Empire Zones.

Empire Zones are the state's principal business attraction. Businesses that receive Empire Zone status pay taxes, but are reimbursed by the state.

Scarano Boat Works, located just south of the Port of Albany, received Empire Zone status a few years ago and is grandfathered into the previous plan. Both Scarano

and the Vista Technology Campus — proposed for the area behind the Slingerlands Price Chopper — are currently sub-zones, meaning the properties themselves are in Empire Zones but as of yet, the businesses are not.

"What this means is that

considered its own entity.

"Plasticware is different because it is a manufacturer," Leveille said. "It's a regionally significant project, and that zone status only belongs to Plasticware itself."

The company had a public hearing last Monday regarding bonds to begin the project, and is working on completing the financing to begin building.

In another matter, a new tenant for the Vista Park Technology Campus will hopefully be announced in January, after town officials meet with them a few more times.

"In the next week, we'll be meeting with the first tenant," said Leveille. "They are a clean, appropriate and exciting tenant, and are new to the area."

Leveille said the town is not ready to go public about the identity of the new tenant at this time.

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**"What this means is that there still could be businesses built in those areas that would need to apply to the state for Empire Zone status but the areas they exist in have already been approved as a sub-zone."**

George Leveille

there still could be businesses built in those areas that would need to apply to the state for Empire Zone status but the areas they exist in have already been approved as a sub-zone," said George Leveille, director of the town's economic development and planning office, and president of the Bethlehem Industrial Development Authority.

Plasticware in Selkirk is considered a regionally significant project and is

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# Professor honored with English award

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Thanksgiving was extra special this year for Dr. Margaret Malone of Glenmont.

The pharmacist, who is a professor at Albany College of Pharmacy, was designated a Fellow of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.

"Thanksgiving is not a holiday over there, and that's when I found out," said Malone, a native of South Yorkshire, about 150 miles north of London.

Malone was one of only four

pharmacists to receive the award this year. In the last 40 years, only about 500 pharmacists have been awarded fellowships, and very few are women.

"One thing that surprised me is that there are so few women fellows," said Malone. "This profession is about 50 percent female, so I'm surprised that there are so few women as fellows."

Malone originally moved to Glenmont in 1992 to accept an associate professor position at the Albany College of Pharmacy. In

1995, she became a full professor, and while she originally planned to stay for two or three years, she has been here ever since.

Malone submitted her materials for consideration for the award last February, and was then nominated by another fellow. Letters of recommendation, which Malone was not allowed to see, were also sent for consideration.

"Then the panel decides if I'm worthy," she said. "It's a conservative process and an honor to receive the award, but

there is no difference as far as my actual practice. There is no responsibility attached to the position, but it is another source of recognition."

A pharmacist deals with all aspects of managing medication for patients. Malone's work also includes research in obesity management, including diet and exercise regimens, patients in clinics, and medication that is issued to control obesity.

She was awarded the fellowship for her contributions to science and pharmacy practice, she said, but the fellowship can also be awarded for contributions to literature and science, or other kinds of contributions.

Malone received her U.K. Pharmacist's license in 1981, after graduating from Manchester University in 1980. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in clinical pharmacy as well as her Ph.D. in clinical pharmacy.

In addition to the Royal Fellowship, Malone is also a Fellow of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, an award she earned in 2000. She is planning to attend the award ceremony for the Royal Fellowship in London next May.

## Whitney Young receives \$180,000 grant for outreach

Following an Associated Press announcement that five areas in the Capital Region are among the worst in the nation for air quality, Whitney M. Young Jr. Health Services has announced that they will significantly increase asthma outreach and implementation of their asthma chronic care model in 2006.

Supported by a \$180,000 NYS Department of Health grant, Whitney Young will expand their highly successful asthma chronic care model in coordination with medical providers and community organizations in Albany, Saratoga and Schenectady counties.

Whitney Young providers plan to specifically target children and young adults up to age 17 with a poor socio-economic status.

Outreach efforts to providers and organizations will focus on the cities of Albany and Schenectady, with additional outreach to surrounding and rural areas.

Features of the expanded Whitney Young asthma program, "A System's Approach for Reducing the Burden of Asthma in New York State," include:

- Outreach to area medical providers and related community organizations to provide education on implementation of the asthma chronic care model.
- Creation of a Pediatric Asthma Coalition of the Capital Region.
- Providing formal asthma management training for health care and school staff for 8-12 schools in the Capital Region beginning in the 2006-2007 school year.

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# Board rules: Private property protected

## Resolution defines eminent domain in town

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

A recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling in favor of granting municipalities the power of eminent domain to take private property to convert into private businesses will not be a threat in the town of Bethlehem, thanks to a resolution passed by the town board at its meeting last Wednesday.

The power of eminent domain was previously limited to the installation of sidewalks and roads, but this June, the U.S. Supreme Court, in the case of Kelo vs. New London, expanded the government's power to take private land and use it for private businesses.

"Sometimes it helps the town wield this sword, and if we didn't have it, then it could potentially slow economic development," said board member Thomas Marcelle, who introduced the resolution that

prohibits Bethlehem from taking private property for commercial use. "But there is a difference between the town becoming business friendly and the town interfering with private citizens."

Marcelle, who will finish his term on the board at the end of the month, said he introduced the resolution as a way to protect the town's future.

"I don't believe there is a current threat, but we don't want to wait for there to be one before taking action," he said. "There is plenty of room for development now, but there may come a day when the town needs more room to develop."

Marcelle went on to say that the Supreme Court's ruling generally erodes the basic freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution on the right to private property. A number of states and municipalities have passed similar

resolutions, he said.

Most of the board members were in favor of the resolution but wanted to be cautious that the wording did not prevent the town from legitimate usage of eminent

that the town is not in the business of eminent domain."

Marcelle stressed that there must be a balance.

"When we are talking about someone's home, it's serious," he said. "It's more than the value that is recognized by the market."

Egan said Marcelle's resolution was kept but some stipulations were added, such as using eminent domain only for a compelling reason and if it is consistent with the comprehensive plan.

George Leveille, president of the Bethlehem Industrial Development Authority, said it would be wise for the town to reserve the right to use eminent domain, but it's not necessary in the town of Bethlehem.

"I don't see the context in our town where we would need this to support development here," he said.

Egan said she is happy the town passed the resolution.

"I think it's a good compromise, and that is echoed by the town board," said Egan. "It's protection for both the town and its residents."

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Thomas Marcelle

domain should it become a necessity in the future.

"I think we've expressed the town's desire to work with willing landowners on any projects," said Supervisor Theresa Egan. "My concern is saying that we will never do this is pretty far reaching."

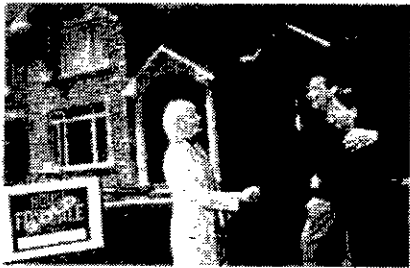
Board member George Lenhardt — who also will leave the board at the end of the year — also had concerns about the wording of the resolution.

"I want to be sure that we'll still be able to put in sidewalks, and I don't want the town's hands to be tied as far as the wording," he said. "But I would also like it clear

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## State museum announces winter programs

• Art program: Flip books. Monday, Dec. 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. Creative fun making flip books featuring the creatures from some of our exhibits. Crossroads Gallery.

• Star Lab Planetarium. Monday, Dec. 26, 2 p.m. New inflatable planetarium full of night sky adventures. Recommended for ages 7 and up. Sign up, limited to 30 people, at the main lobby desk. Museum Theater.

• Animal Drawing Program. Monday, Dec. 26, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Participants will capture the Museum's wild animals on paper as they learn to draw in the Museum's halls. Adirondack Hall.

• Arts and Crafts: New Year's Mask. Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1:30 to 4 p.m. Participants will learn to make masks of their own creation that they can wear to ring in the new year. Bird Hall.

• A Celebration of Armenian Heritage. Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1 to 4 p.m. Free. Join the Armenian community of the Capital District for an exciting afternoon of crafts, performances, music, and storytelling all celebrating the rich and vibrant Armenian culture of the Capital Region. Location announced day of events.

• Kwanzaa. Tuesday, Dec. 27, 4 to 9 p.m. Free. Come and celebrate Kwanzaa on the Terrace Gallery with an African marketplace, singing, and traditional foods. Terrace Gallery, 4th floor.

• Vacation Week Sports Day. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free. Participants will be invited to create a new sport or improve on an old one. They will use various materials to design the equipment that would be needed to play the new sport, develop rules or build a playing field for the sport. Exhibit halls.

• Art Program: Flying Dragonfly. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1 to 4 p.m. Participants will tour the Carboniferous Period of the Ancient Life of New York Exhibit for ideas, then try their hand at making their very own "flying" dragonfly. Crossroads Gallery.

• Rusty Johnson and His Wild Kingdom. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Free. This will feature a live peregrine falcon, a bay-winged hawk, a large bearded dragon, a 90-pound python and others. Participants will be entertained while learning about these wild creatures. Museum Theater.

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# Library to expand digital book offerings next month

The library will soon be adding to its downloadable audiobook capability with an additional service called OverDrive. Purchased by the Upper Hudson Library System, the OverDrive collection will be available to anyone with a UHLS library card.

OverDrive will offer an expanded array of audiobooks downloadable to a home computer, including many fiction genres, biographies and autobiographies, career and health resources, language study, and children's books. The collection will feature some special digital bookshelves — "hot titles," "recently added," and even "lost in the virtual stacks."

OverDrive will allow patrons to regulate their reading pace and bookmark their place. Because books can be downloaded in parts, OverDrive is workable with high-speed or dial-up connection.

A third of OverDrive's collection is available as e-books, readable as PDF files on a computer screen. In the case of e-books, special Adobe Reader software will allow users to increase type size, and in some cases, hear the book read by the computer — valuable features for sight-impaired patrons.

OverDrive differs from the library's current NetLibrary subscription in that digital rights to individual titles are purchased and distributed by the Upper Hudson Library System. Like a traditional library, OverDrive offers a finite number of copies of each downloadable book; a copy can be placed on reserve, if not immediately available. Our NetLibrary subscription offers unlimited copies of downloadables, but only to Bethlehem Public Library cardholders.

OverDrive, like NetLibrary, is accessible through our catalog. Clicking on an OverDrive title will provide links to a description of the book, reviews, and information on digital rights and restrictions — for example, whether or not a book can be copied to an MP-3 player or burned to a CD.

The library expects the new



service will be available to its patrons in early January.

## Downloadable service tours scheduled

Librarian-guided tours of our downloadable book service are scheduled in the next couple of months. Come to one of our demonstration sessions and see how easy it is. Demos will be offered Thursday, Jan. 26, at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 2:30 p.m., and Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. Help is also available anytime at the information desk.

## Book ends

### Holiday hours

A reminder that the library will be closed on the following days: Saturday, Dec. 24; Sunday, Dec. 25; Monday, Dec. 26; Sunday, Jan.

1; Monday, Jan. 2. You can access the catalog and other library services online anytime at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org).

Trustees and staff wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

## Beach dreaming

It's winter and thoughts turn tropical for middle schoolers in "Beach Dreamin'" at Bethlehem Public Library Thursday, Jan. 12, at 6:30 p.m.

Play beach games, listen to music, and enjoy some summer snacks.

Call 439-9314 to register.

## Learn Internet search techniques

Advanced Internet, a hands-on workshop for adults, will be offered at Bethlehem Public Library in January and February. The course will cover advanced searching techniques, Internet security, site evaluation, and e-mail.

Registrants must have command of basic computer skills and be comfortable navigating a Web page. Signup is on a rolling basis; the first session will be offered Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 2:30 p.m. Call 439-9314 for information.

## Evening book discussion

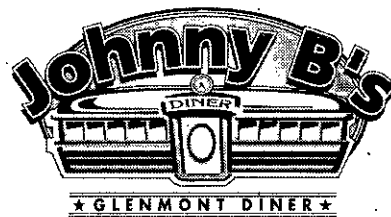
Philip Roth's novel \*The Plot Against America\* is the topic of the library's AfterDinner Books discussion Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 7 p.m. Copies available at the information desk. New members welcome.

## Teen council

The library's teen council will meet Thursday, Jan. 19, at 7 p.m. Middle school students help plan library services for teens and suggest book and movie titles. Visit the library Web site, [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org), or call Beth Nagel at 439-9314 for information.

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## Bruno grant creates master's program at Albany Law

State Senate Majority Leader Joseph L. Bruno recently announced that he has secured \$120,000 from the 2005-06 state budget to develop a new master's degree program at Albany Law School's Science and Technology Law Center.

The master's degree in legal studies, the first degree of its kind to be offered at an academic institution nationwide, will focus on the technical, legal and business components related to technology transfer.

The grant will fund the development of the degree's curriculum, including the hiring of support staff. Albany Law School will also collaborate with RPI, The University at Albany, Union College and the Capital Region business community to generate core aspects of the program in an effort to have the program ready for student enrollment by January 2007.



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# Christmas program nears end

The Albany County Sheriff's Dept. in conjunction with the Hilltown Community Resource Center is sponsoring the 14th annual Hilltown Christmas Program.

Today is the final day to drop off donations at the following locations: Nichols Market, Voorheesville; Kohl's Dept. Store, Colonie; Emma Cleary's in Slingerlands; Crossgates Mall, lower level; and the Albany County Sheriff's patrol station in Voorheesville.

Over the past 13 years, the Hilltown Christmas Program has provided numerous families from the rural areas of Albany County with toys, food and a little Christmas spirit. The goals of helping families in need cannot be accomplished without the help of the community.

Anyone wishing to donate non-perishable food items or new, unwrapped toys may do so at the above mentioned locations.

For information contact Kathaleen Taylor at 765-5976. Those wishing to make a monetary donation can mail a check (made out to Hilltown Christmas Program) to the Albany County Sheriff's

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### Food pantry items needed

The Community Food Pantry located in St. Matthew's Church is always in need of food and personal items.

Shampoo, toothpaste, spaghetti sauce and canned fruit, just to name a few items, are always appreciated not only at the holiday time but throughout the year.

### Middle school concert set for tonight

The fall Middle School concert will be held tonight, at the Voorheesville Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free and all are invited to attend.

### School district to close for holiday break

The Schools in the Voorheesville school district

will be closed for the holiday break from Monday Dec. 26, through Monday, January 3, 2006.

### Village board to meet

The next meeting for the Voorheesville board of trustees will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall in Voorheesville.

### NYSSMA Festival 2006 registration due

A reminder that the Spring 2006 NYSSMA Solo and Ensemble Festival will be held at Bethlehem Middle School on April 7-8, 2006.

Registration forms for both festivals will be available January 3rd and will be due back January 17.

### Entertainment books available

Entertainment books are available through the Men's Association at St. Matthew's Church. Please support this fund raiser. The books are available after masses and the new cost is only \$40.

For information call Dave Morrill at 765-9109.

## Church to host Christmas dinner

Town residents and members of churches within the Town of Bethlehem are invited to join First United Methodist Church for its 18th annual Community Christmas Day Dinner.

Hospitality starts Dec. 25 at 1:30 p.m. and dinner is served at 2 p.m. Cost is free, donations are accepted.

The Church is located at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

## Used snowblowers, mowers wanted

Parsons Child and Family Center is requesting donations of used lawn-mowers and snow-blowers to be used for student projects in the Neil Hellman School auto shop.

Riding mowers are preferred, but push mowers would be appreciated also.

For information, call John Posson at 426-2762.

## Explore the woods on snowshoes

Come up to the Thacher Nature Center and strap on some snowshoes, Wednesday, Dec. 28 and Saturday, Dec. 31, at 1p.m. for a snowshoe nature walk.

We'll explore the woods and fields, looking for signs of wildlife, then head inside for some hot chocolate. If there is not enough snow, we'll just hike.

The program fee is \$1 per person. A limited number of snowshoes are available to rent and should be reserved in advance.

Call 872-0800 to register.

## Art Association to host meeting

The Bethlehem Art Association will meet Thursday, Jan. 19, at 7 p.m. in the Bethlehem Public Library Community Room, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. There will be a presentation by children's book author/illustrator Sylvie Wickstrom. New members welcome.

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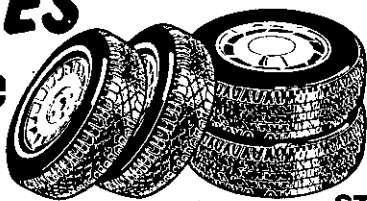
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Participants will make potato latkes and applesauce for Hanukkah, prepare Mexican tacos with all the trimmings for a Twelfth Night celebration, and finish with Christmas cookies and a cranberry punch.

The library is asking



and Library Services.

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### Mitten Tree thank yous

Thanks to all for your donations of hats, scarves and mittens for The Mitten Tree. Many kids at Phillip Schyler School needed the items and were extremely appreciative of receiving them.

### Display your collection

There are a few months still available for the display case

families to provide a special holiday cookie for the festival. (A dozen cookies per family is requested.)

Sign up is necessary at the reference desk.

The Cook's Club project is supported by Federal Library Services and Technology Act funds, awarded to the New York State Library by the Federal Institute of Museum

next year. If you have a collection to share, please contact 765-2791.

### Poets to meet

The Every Other Thursday Night Poets will meet Dec. 22, at 7 p.m. No signup necessary.

### Items to return

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### Holiday hours

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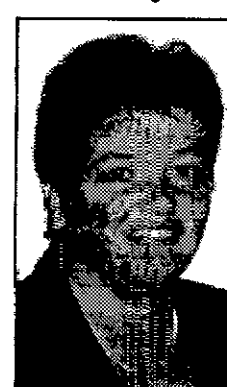
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## Options

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members in this way. They want to be able to sell their land if possible."

Egan said residential land divisions are an example of how the town is looking to streamline its administrative processes. Landowners who meet the criteria for a residential land division no longer have to bring the proposal before the planning board, which in turn allows planning board members more time to devote to other projects.

For a land division, a committee reviews the request and then makes a recom-

mendation to George Leveille, director of economic development and planning in town. The last land division took three weeks to approve.

"This is another tool the town can use," said Morelli.

Planning board chairman Parker Mathusa said requests for residential land divisions will go in chronological order.

"That way, there are no favorites, and we can give consideration to everyone who applies," he said.

Mathusa said also that water and sewer on the land are keys to residential development, and those who do have water and sewer on their property and who file a complete application will get a review more quickly.

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## Teen

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no evidence," said Glen Lambert.

A lawyer has been hired on behalf of Lambert, and some students from Bethlehem High School are surreptitiously circulating a petition asking for German Lambert Jr. to be released, Glen Lambert said.

"They're trying to hang my brother with no tree," Glen Lambert said.

Bethlehem Superintendent Les Loomis said that two separate incidents of sexual contact between Lambert and the 14-year-old female student occurred in two different boys bathrooms in October and November. When district officials learned of the incidents, they called Bethlehem police to investigate.

"This is obviously of great concern to us, and both students have been suspended at this time," said Loomis. The students disciplined were cooperative with district officials after the administration received a complaint.

"I spoke with the assistant high school principal — who is also a parent — and she told me what she heard from her daughter about the incident," said Loomis. Officials immediately con-

tacted Bethlehem police. The department's investigation revealed similar alleged sexual misconduct on Lambert's part with another underage girl.

Prior to his arrest, Lambert had been living at his aunt's home on New Scotland Road since leaving Houston a few months ago. Lambert could face up to 25 years in jail if convicted. Lambert is currently in the Albany County jail with bail set at \$15,000. The misdemeanor charges are scheduled to be heard in Bethlehem Town Court this week.

Rumors have swirled in the school community about the case, prompting Loomis to send a letter to all parents in the district.

"As superintendent — and as a father in this community — I share with you the concern that something of this nature has happened, particularly inside one

of our schools," Loomis' letter said.

The district is implementing better monitoring of restrooms, more hall monitors and further security measures.

"We are examining the feasibility and the cost of locating security cameras at not just the high school but throughout the district," said Loomis.

Loomis stressed the incidents of sexual contact inside the high school are isolated to these two incidents only and the school board is fully aware of the district measures to contain it.

"The school board has been notified on each phase of the investigation and is fully supportive of actions the district took," said Loomis.

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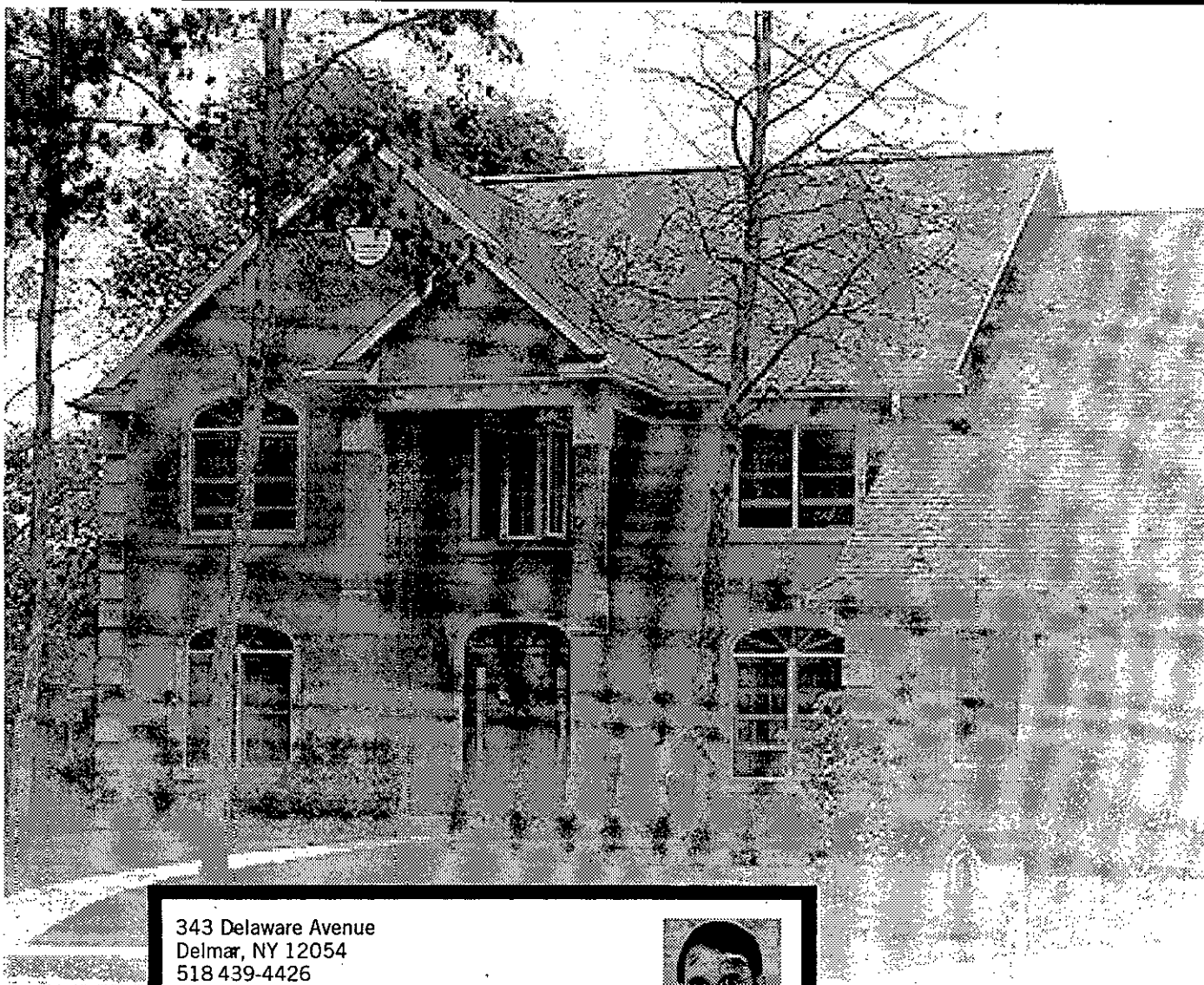
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## Costs

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in a 2003 report available on the authority's Web site, NYSEERDA.org.

It costs an average of \$2,100 to heat a home with natural gas; \$1,920 to heat a home with oil; and slightly less than that to heat with propane, according to NYSEERDA spokesman Tom Collins. The average prices were determined by factoring an average home size of 1,700 square feet, although actual costs vary depending on energy efficiency of a house and its size.

Those costs have increased dramatically and to record amounts during the past year, according to NYSEERDA's analysis. In September, the last month for which data is available, the price of natural gas was more than \$20 per thousand cubic feet. That amount is two-thirds more than the January 2005 price of about \$12 per thousand cubic feet, and

it is the highest price recorded in the past five years.

The cost of propane has similarly increased. The current average price of \$2.39 per gallon is about \$.25 per gallon more than it was in December 2004 and about \$.80 per gallon more than December 2003. The price of propane is almost double what it was five years ago, when it cost about \$1.20 per gallon.

"I'd like to see it go down," John Brooks said.

The cost of heating oil is also at record level. The current price of about \$2.46 per gallon is about 46 cents more expensive than it was last year and about \$1.11 more expensive per gallon than it was five years ago, according to NYSEERDA's data.

The increase is due to an increase in the trading price of petroleum products, according to industry insiders. Although the United States has more oil in reserve now than it ever had, the price is at a record high, according to Joel Fingerman, an analyst with Oil Analytics, an industry analyst.

"It's too high," he said.

The price of crude oil and petroleum commodities has risen on the New York Mercantile Exchange during the past year. Buoyed in part by increased demand for petroleum products in China and India, the natural disasters in the Gulf of Mexico and speculation on behalf of market players, the price spiked this summer and hit record highs during the fall.

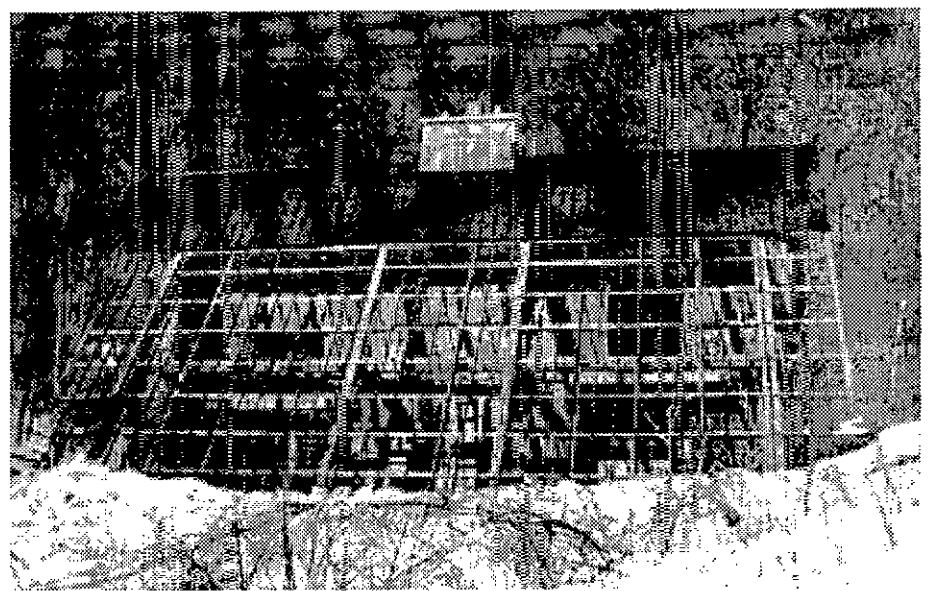
The price has come down in the past few weeks, but is still unnaturally high, Fingerman said.

"We've got an inflated price that is out of line with the fundamentals of economics," he said. "Eventually, the system won't be able to keep up with it."

Despite a comparatively mild autumn and winter so far this year, social service agencies around the region are already seeing increases in the amount of people who apply for home heating assistance. County governments administer the federal Home Energy Assistance Program, which in New York state last year distributed \$236 million to almost 970,000 households in New York.

In Saratoga County, the Department of Social Services has received 2,997 applications for assistance so far this year. That is about 15 percent higher than the total number of aid requests (2,053) that the department received last year, according to Commissioner Robert Christopher.

"People are utilizing the program because of the higher cost of fuel," Christopher said.



This Gloversville home uses solar energy to offset heating expenses.

In Albany County, the department of Social Services has received about 7,000 requests, also about 15 percent more than they received last year, according to Mary Witkowski, a

spokeswoman for Albany County Executive Michael Breslin.

## Old

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to get new windows, because I like the way the old ones look, but the old-fashioned stuff really does work."

However, for those who don't want to spend money on upgrades, there are a few simple things that can be done.

"You can pick and choose," said Danz. "You can seal up an older home, airtight, with some of the newer things on the market, and you can also change your lifestyle. Keep the thermostat as low as you can stand, and wear a sweater. Sometimes if you want to keep what you already have, you have to sacrifice."

Danz said many of the new and more efficient heating appliances would pay for themselves after awhile. Most of the newer heating technologies run at least 90 percent efficiently, as opposed to some older systems which run at only 50 percent efficiency, he said.

"Many people have oversized furnaces," he said. "And most people don't replace their home furnace until it breaks down completely. But now, with some towns going through a reval process, people are looking for ways to cut down on energy costs and raise the value of their home."

Another inexpensive way to increase heat efficiency in an older home is buying a humidifier. Larry Mack, service manager for Tangora Technologies in Delmar, said newer homes while more energy efficient, also may have the problem of being so airtight that no fresh air gets in

the house, increasing indoor pollution. In those cases, a fresh air heat exchange is attached to the furnace, which brings in air from the outside to warm the fresh air.

Older homes usually have many more cracks in the infrastructure, which decrease indoor pollution, but add to heating costs in the home. A humidifier is a simple way to make the home feel warmer with less heat.

"Heat from radiators can dry the air out, and it may not feel as warm. A humidifier can make the air feel warmer and less dry," said Mack. "Humidifiers can also be installed right on to the furnace."

Finding and plugging the cracks in an old home is essential, he said.

"Cracks are usually around windows and doors, but it's hard to get every one of them," he said.

Heating for newer homes is less expensive, not surprisingly, due to higher quality insulation and more efficient systems, Mack said. For people who do not want to invest in a complete energy makeover for their home, Mack recommends a heating tuneup. At Tangora Technologies, the tuneup would cost about \$95 and would ensure efficient heating throughout the season. The home would have to be tuned up each year.

"I definitely recommend a new system if you can afford it," he said.

Jessica Loy of Bethlehem, who moved from a smaller, older home to a larger, new one six years ago, said her heating costs even out.

"With the smaller home, it's easier and less expensive to heat, but with the larger, newer one, there's more area to heat, but the heating system is more efficient," she said. "Most often when people move, they are moving from a smaller home to a larger, newer one."

Had Loy and her family stayed in their previous home, they would have looked into upgrading their heating system, but Loy said they really didn't feel too much of a pinch. With their new home, Loy said they were happy to be able to purchase energy saving appliances at the outset.

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# Adviser: Board must be more fiscally responsible

By JIM CUOZZO

Voorheesville school board members came face to face with the future at last week's meeting.

"It's a new day, and you are not just policy makers anymore," said Betty Cure, a representative of the New York State School Board Association advisory solutions council. "You have to pay attention to the finances and develop an understanding of financial reports."

Cure presented each board

member with a detailed report of their new roles based on legislation designed to provide more fiscal accountability to districts across New York.

Establishing a board audit and finance committee is one of the top priorities.

School board president Joseph Pofit along with members C. James Coffin and David Gibson were selected to serve on the committee. Cure said school boards need to be trained to understand and read detailed accounting and auditing reports.

"You can't turn to

independent auditors for all your accounting advice," said Cure, who added that the top fiscal priority for all districts statewide is to streamline the business office.

"This is another mandate from the state but this is a mandate that we really need," Coffin said.

"You are helping us understand the financial practices that are good, and this is very helpful," Gibson said.

Superintendent Linda

Langevin believes the report from Cure will help the district iron out new financial procedures.

retreat for general discussion on where we want to go with a district budget," said Pofit.

## Superintendent has new hiring power

In other news, the board unanimously approved expanded hiring duties for the new superintendent. The board said

Langevin can now hire new district personnel on a temporary basis pending board approval at the following meeting. The board still retains the right to deny the appointment.

Cross country coach Kelly McHale and the boys and girls high school cross country teams received recognition for outstanding athletic achievements this fall including Class 'C' Section Title for the girls team and a trip to the state championships where they finished in sixth place. The modified boys cross country team remained undefeated for the fourth year in a row. A plaque was presented to the team on behalf of the school board.

"We did great as a team, and we hope for more success next year," said McHale.

**"It's a new day, and you are not just policy makers anymore. You have to pay attention to the finances and develop an understanding of financial reports."**

Betty Cure

"The staff is moving quickly and action is being taken in many of these areas," said Pofit.

Even though the board won't vote on a new budget until next spring, the first budget workshop will be held at 7 p.m. Jan. 23 in the high school cafeteria. Pofit asked that the board and Langevin have a two-hour retreat prior to the workshop.

"I think we need a two-hour



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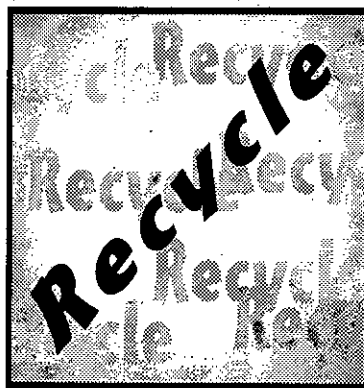


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# Festival of Lights holiday begins Sunday

By MARTY BANNAN

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Although not the most important or holiest of holidays in the Hebrew calendar, Hanukkah, a festival of light and rededication, is perhaps the best known of Jewish holidays, mainly because it falls close to Christmas.

According to Jewish tradition, the story of Hanukkah goes back more than 2,000 years when Israel fell under the regime of Antiochus IV and the Hellenistic Empire.

Antiochus oppressed the Jews through mass slaughter and by defiling their temple. Jews living under the regime were prohibited from practicing their religion.

In time, a nationalistic group led by Mattathias the Hasmonean and his son Judah Maccabee teamed up with a religious traditionalist group known as the Chasidim to oppose Antiochus forces and preserve Israel and Judaism.

The revolt triumphed, but when it came time to rededicate the temple after the Greeks defiled it there was only enough oil left to burn the candelabrum called a menorah for one night. Jewish customs required that the menorah in the temple burn every night, but their enemies had wasted most of the oil. Miraculously, the oil burned eight days and nights, the time needed to prepare a new batch of fresh oil.

Rejoicing for the miracle, Jews since then have celebrated Hanukkah.

"The miracle occurred

during one of the darkest times in Jewish history," said Rabbi Robert Kasman of Congregation Agudat Achim in Schenectady. "We celebrate the miracle during the darkest week of the year to show that even during the darkest of time there is always hope."

The eight-day festival begins on the 25th day of the Jewish month of Kislev, in which this year happens to fall on the 25th of December, Christmas.

"This is the only time in a 19-year cycle where Hanukkah falls after Christmas," said Kasman. "That makes shopping for presents a little easier because people can shop after the rush has died down."

The reason Hanukkah isn't a strict religious holiday is because the celebration doesn't appear in Hebrew scripture and thus was not commanded by God, as opposed to Passover and the High Holy Days, according to Linda Woodward Stein, chair of the interfaith committee at the temple.

"Jews can work and carry money during these days," she said.

Stein added there is deeper meaning and interpretation to the festival depending on whom you talk to, and celebrations vary as each family defines its own traditions.

The most important and religious tradition is lighting the menorah. The menorah holds nine candles, one for each of the eight nights of the festival, and a shamus candle used to light each of them. On the first night, one candle is lit and placed at the far right. The second night two are lit, and so forth, until all

eight are lit on the final night.

As the candles are lit, prayers are recited offering gratitude to God for the miracle, as well as other of his blessings.

The shamus candle, also called the servant candle, is easily recognized as it stands elevated from the other candles. By tradition, the eight Hanukkah candles serve only for pleasure, but the shamus candle may be used for any practical purpose.

Gift giving is a newer tradition that was adopted in countries where Jews have a lot of contact with Christians. It came into being so children would not feel deprived of fun after seeing Christian children receive gifts. Most gift exchanging is done among immediate family members and in many cases gifts are only given to children.

"In my family my parents and I exchanged small but imaginative gifts," Stein said. "We stopped exchanging after I got married, but other families continue to exchange gifts after their children grow up."

Food is also an important part of the festivities. Most commonly served are latkes.

Latkes, or potato pancakes fried in oil, symbolize the oil that burned for eight days.

"The potato pancake is an eastern European tradition popular here in America," Stein said. "In Israel people enjoy a type of a doughnut cooked in oil."

Latkes don't necessarily always have to be made from potatoes. Vegetables and grains are commonly used as well.

Hanukkah gelt symbolizes the prizes won in dreidel games. Stein added that as a child her

family played for matchsticks.

A favorite tradition of children, playing dreidel is a game in which players spin a top for toys or treats. The game symbolizes the means by which oppressed Jews living in captivity or occupation concealed their Torah studies.

A dreidel is marked with four Hebrew letters: Nun, Gimmel, Heh and Shin. These letters stand for the Hebrew phrase "Nes Gadol Hayah Sham," a great miracle happened there, referring to the miracle of the oil.

"It's a festival about games, food, song, family gatherings and sharing happiness with each other, but it is also about renewal as the oil that burned for eight days was used to rededicate the temple," said Ann Zonderman.

"Most important it's a way we celebrate a joyful moment in Jewish history."

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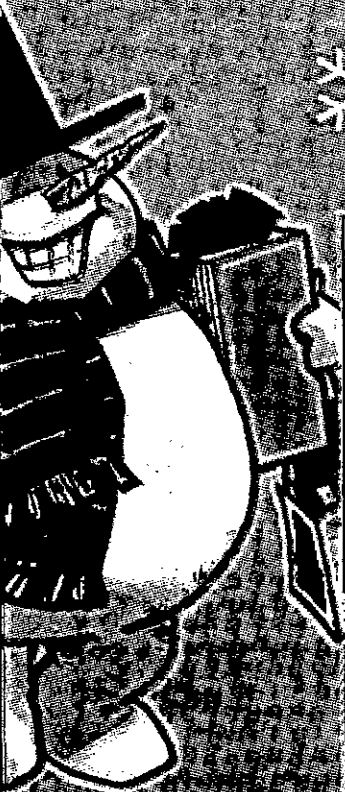
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# Embrace pain to conquer pain

## Psych prof's therapy helps people get through the holidays

By STEPHEN PAUSE

With four days to go until Christmas, the time for holiday joy often turns into holiday jitters in those last frantic moments of preparation. John Forsyth, a professor of psychology at the University of Albany, has spent a decade working to help people cope with stress related anxiety, and has a unique method for conquering holiday stress.

Known as acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT), Forsyth has been researching a treatment that helps cure diseases such as obsessive compulsive disorder or panic attacks, but also has practical applications for those people who tend to get a little too caught up in the anticipation of the holiday.

Forsyth, the director of the university's Anxiety Disorders Research Program, said that many times people become so caught up in realizing that they have anxiety or fear about something that they allow it to dominate their psyche. This can lead to a downward spiral that only gets worse as time goes on. Focusing on the anxiety, he said, only leads to more anxiety.

"The main thing that happens is that there's a lot of things that go on in a short period of time, so in addition to normal life obligations and stress, there's so many other things that have to be done," he said.

People become so focused on wanting to be happy, he said, that it actually prevents them from achieving that goal. There are so many expectations about what a

person should be feeling at this time of year that it creates a burden of stress counterintuitive to what they really want.

"The research is based in clinical psychology. When you struggle with thoughts that you don't want, you're going to get more of the same thing," Forsyth said. "When you struggle with unpleasant thoughts and feelings you end up having more of them. Lives are built around efforts to not have anxiety, which causes anxiety."

Forsyth's ACT method is based on a relatively simple concept that helps a person realize that this stress is part of life, and in coming to terms with what is unavoidable, a person is able to move on.

"The truth of it is that these are perfectly normal types of feelings, and thoughts, and even worries can be helpful if they help you to plan and get things done," he said.

He used the metaphor of a chessboard to make his point more clear. He likened the internal battle over stress to the opposing pieces on the board, and said that if people view their lives in such an opposing fashion, there will always be a loser. Instead of choosing a side, he said, people should look at stress from the perspective of the board, which observes the game, but doesn't have a stake in who wins or loses.

In order to accept and conquer the stress that may prevent people from being happy during the holidays, Forsyth offered a few simple tips.

One tied in closely with the acceptance of anxiety and stress is to abandon any commitment to perfection, because it will set up

expectations that cannot be realistically achieved.

"You can go to a party with friends or family for the sake of it, not for it to be good," he said.

Another tip to practice kindness of kindness. Doing something that will not receive any thanks, Forsyth said, will help people to understand that they have choices in what they can do, and in turn will help them to realize they have power over events.

Other tips Forsyth offered are simpler, such as making time for yourself, something as easy as making a cup of your favorite tea or taking a deep breath. Likewise, avoiding over-scheduling will help a person to decide which events are truly important to them.

By asking, "Is this really what I care about?" people can prioritize based on what they want, not what they think others want them to do, he said. Choosing not to go to that third Christmas party may save some energy that in the long run will lead to a more enjoyable season.

Another is to focus on the process, not just the outcome.

"If you're in the checkout line and people are going slow in front of you, step back and focus on why you're there—the gift, the big picture, the process, not the outcome," he said.

Most importantly, Forsyth emphasized that people should realize the stress of the holidays is unavoidable.

"Stress is 100 percent prevalent in all human beings, and accepting that will help them to move on," he said. "Most of us believe that they have to be gotten out of the way, but that's not true. If you want to have a life that's well lived, pain is a part of it."

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# Automated postal machine helps stamp out holiday stress

By STEPHEN PAUSE

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Automated postal centers (APCs) offer many of the services that a clerk behind a counter can, but with a shorter wait and faster results.

The John Finn post office at Stuyvesant Plaza in Guilderland is one of a growing number of postal branches to offer the

machines, which work in a fraction of the time a visit used to take.

With an APC, customers can purchase stamps, send out express mail, parcel post, and certified letters. The simple, touch-screen machine can automatically weigh a package and print out a postage sticker to be affixed to the parcel. The machine is fast enough that it can serve a number of people in the time that it takes for a conventional line to whittle down.

And, people can use an APC when it's convenient for them.

Like an ATM at a bank, the postal machines are available 24 hours a day. This allows people to completely avoid high traffic periods and to mail letters and packages even in the middle of the night.

Despite touting all of the APCs benefits, Ryan Morrell, a customer service supervisor for the United States Postal Service, doesn't think the machines will ever completely replace people at the post office.

"It's just an alternate access that will better serve the public. There are things that the machine can't do," he said.

Although an APC can mail an international letter, any letters over an ounce still have to go through the hands of a

human for security reasons. Likewise, the machines cannot accept international packages.

Packages too large to fit into the collection kiosk also have to go through the window.

Another drawback to the machines is an inability to accept cash. Only customers with a credit or debit card are allowed to use the machine, and must keep their costs to \$50. The spending ceiling, along with a 10-parcel limit, acts as a security measure.

Marie Lemma, who owns a business at Crossgates Mall, said she uses the machine because it is fast and convenient, not to avoid the postal clerks.

"The employees are great, they're nice and helpful when you get there, so it's not that," she said.

Lemma, who had used the machine several times before, said she was slow to catch on at first, but using the machines gets easier each time.

The first APC was unveiled in Pittsfield, Mass. in November 2004, and since then they have spread throughout the area. In addition the Stuyvesant Plaza post office, there are APCs at Karner Road, Colonie Center, and Latham.

The Albany postal district, which includes places as far away as Syracuse and Utica, has a total of 12 APCs.

Although the recommended deadlines for most items have passed, there is still a chance for residents to get out those last minute packages. The post office recommends that parcels shipped with priority mail service are addressed no later than Wednesday, Dec. 21 and that express mail be sent no later than Dec. 23.

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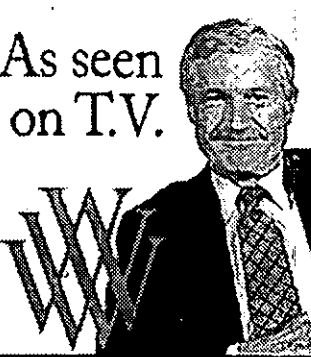
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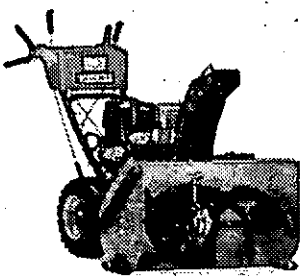
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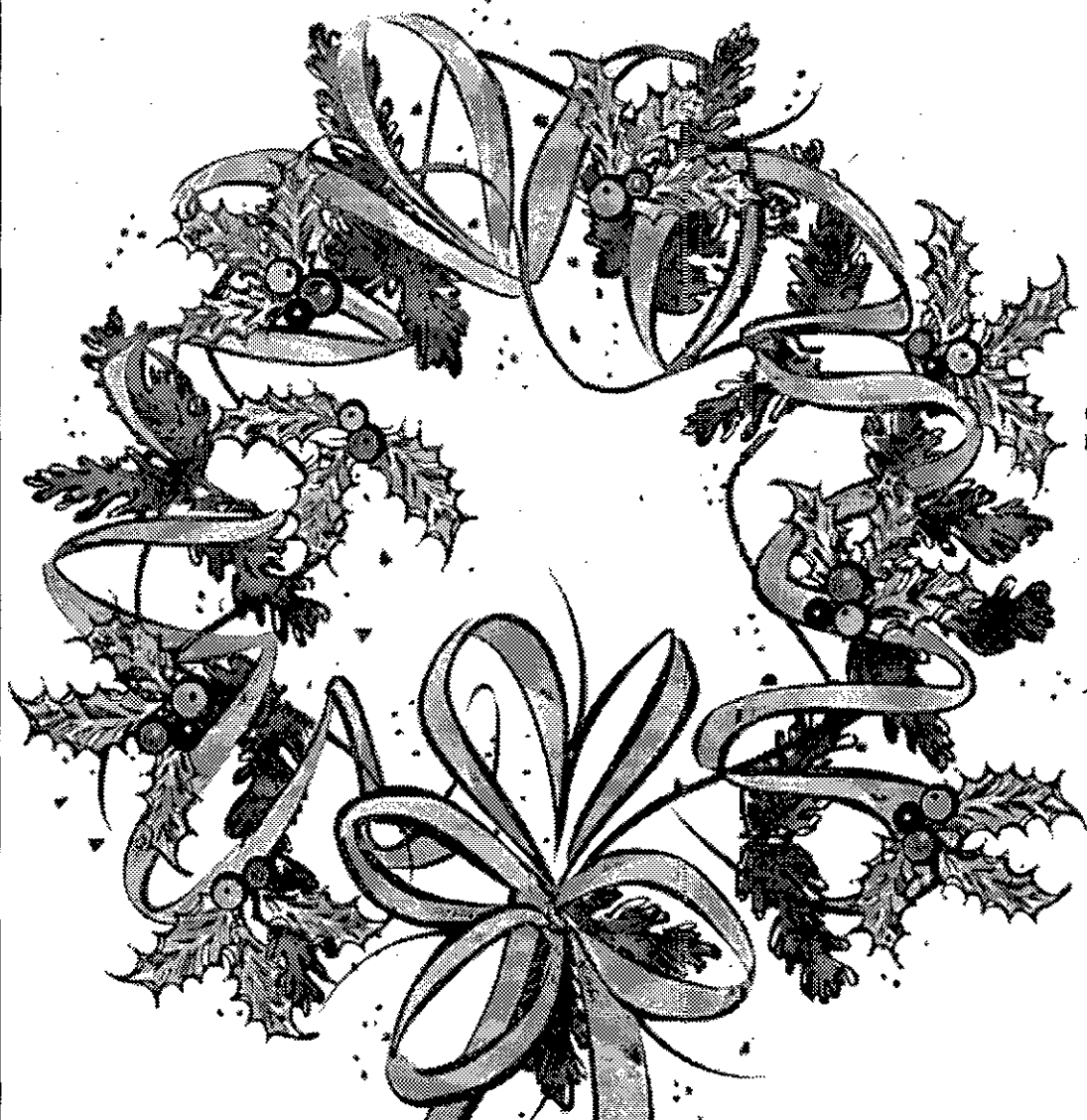
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# Saratoga's track is closed, but virtual racing runs on

By DAMIAN PAGANO

The races go off every five minutes, 24 hours a day and seven days a week at Greenside Park, the virtual thoroughbred racecourse. There is no chance of a scratched entry and the weather is always good.

The interested public can wager real money on the not-so-real races at Greenside Park. Horses are assigned random numbers, and the odds are determined by how many of the given number each horse has. During the course of the race, a computer draws numbers and whatever number comes up most frequently makes the winning horse.

Greenside Park is one of several virtual horse races that take place online, and people around the world wager £320,000 — or about \$600,000 — each week on races run there, according to Jennie Prest, a spokeswoman for English wagering company William Hill, which operates Greenside Park on its Website Willhill.com.

The site has been up since 2003, about the same amount of time that races have been run

at Raceclubs.com and Digiturf.com. On those Web sites, players can buy, name, train and race virtual thoroughbreds for real prize money. Players design their own silks, pay stable fees, buy new horseshoes and supply their horses with performance-enhancing vitamins. Horses get faster the more they are trained and the better they are cared for. Digiturf.com even features a stakes race called the Saratoga Sprint.

"It's very popular," Prest said of virtual racing, which is legal in England and can only be played by people with memberships to the Internet sites. "You don't get any jockeys falling off or horses refusing to run. You know you're always going to get a good run for your money."

Internet gambling, including wagers placed on virtual horse racing, is illegal in New York, according to Brad Maione, a spokesman for the state Attorney General's Office.

"It's against the law," he said.

But enforcement of the law can be difficult. The physical plants for Internet gambling operations are usually located in countries where the activity

is allowed, such as England. Anyone in the world can log on and, using their credit cards, pay to play. In the United States, Oregon, California and Louisiana allow wagers to be placed via the Internet.

Maione said the New York attorney general's office has reached out to credit card companies and reached agreement with some of them whereby the companies block gambling transactions.

"That's how we've gone after it," Maione said.

But many people gamble online without penalty. It is not a crime for somebody to gamble on the Internet, according to Bennett Liebman, coordinator of the Racing and Gaming Law program at Albany Law School. What is illegal, he said, is a company hosting gambling sites in states where the activity is prohibited. Players are not prosecuted, and it is estimated that of the \$7 billion wagered online every year, about half of it is wagered in the United States.

"It's extraordinarily difficult to effectively regulate," Liebman said.

According to Maureen Corbett, director of the Center For Problem Gambling in Albany, 60 of their approximately 400 annual clients, or 15 percent, gamble online.

"That's the fastest growing segment of our clientele," she said. "About two years ago, we didn't have any."

She said nobody has sought help from the center

for problems with virtual horse racing. Most of the people who gamble online play poker. She is concerned that virtual horse racing could catch on and become a problem for some people — either wrapping them up in playing the game or causing them to gamble more at actual racecourses.

"I don't think it's too far down the road," she said.

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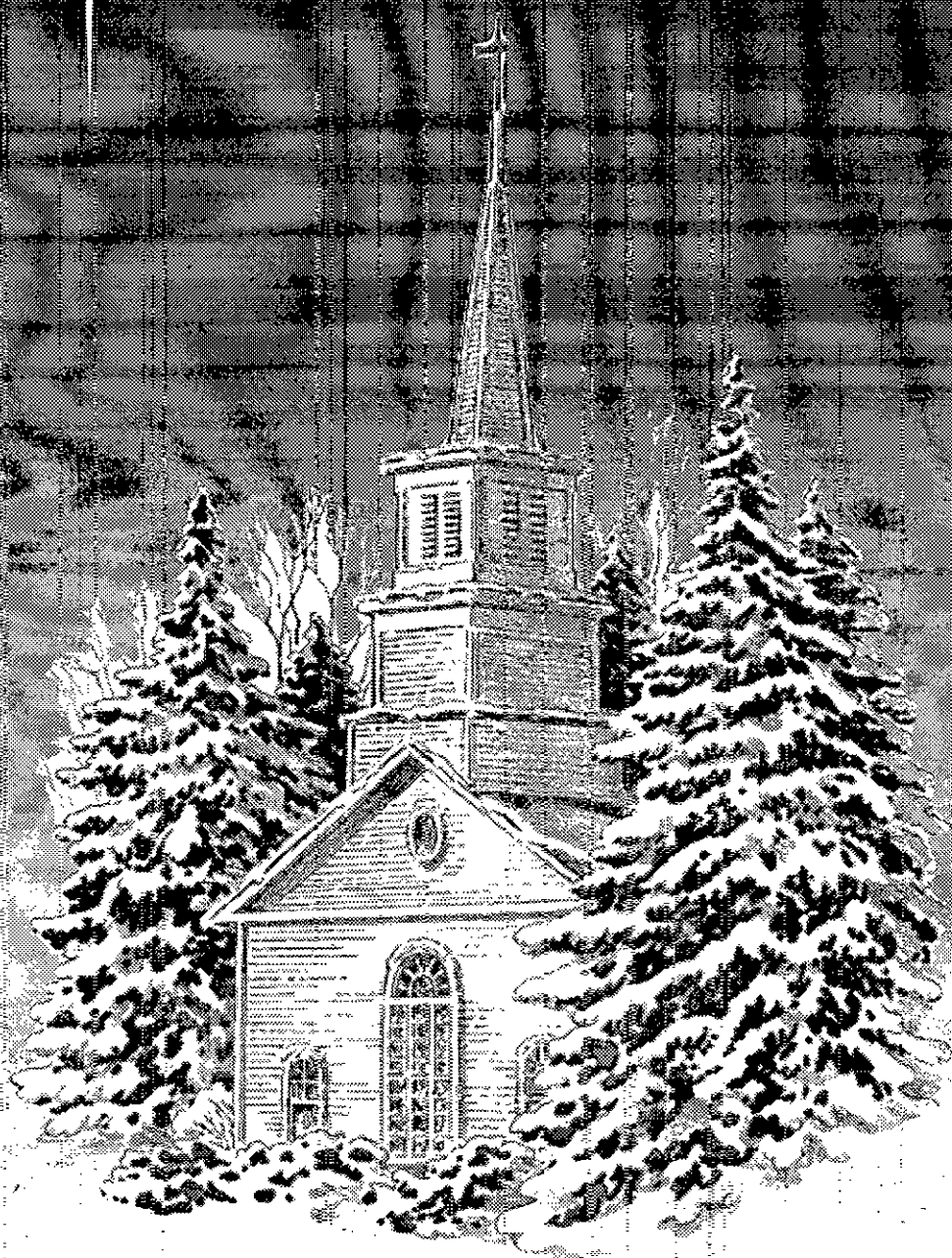
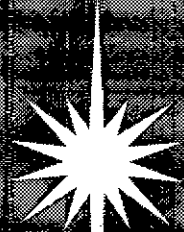
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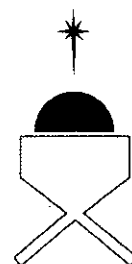
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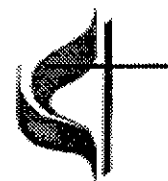
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# Business *in the* Spotlight

## Start the new year with dinner and a mystery

By JOSEPHINE ORSINI

Plans for spending time with loved ones, chaotic last minute shopping trips to the mall and timing traditional holiday meals consume most people at this time of year.

But never fear, it will all end, and then it's time to make plans for New Year's Eve.

Unwinding with good food and lively entertainment can be the perfect fix after the stress of the season, and the Good Times Lakeview Inn restaurant in Ballston Lake keeps this in mind when getting ready for its dinner-theater performances.

Guests are served a full course meal and live entertainment from the Ballston Lake Mystery Players, where audience members can even participate in the show if they want.

"The improvisational type of theater makes for a one-of-a-kind experience," said Desiree Kelleigh, owner of the family restaurant for 18 years along with

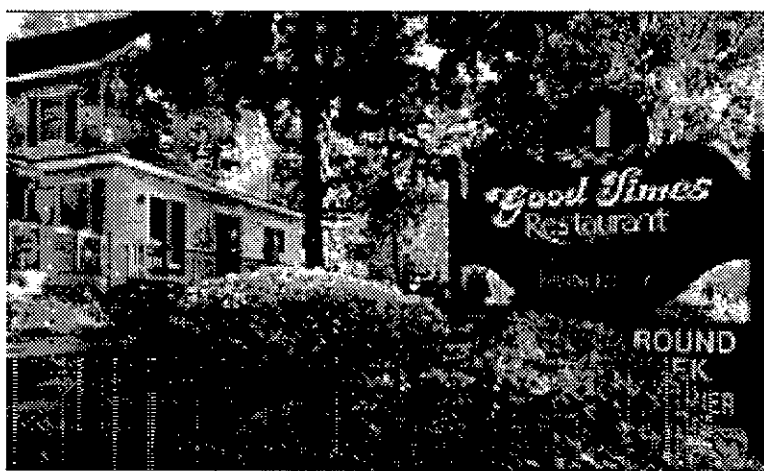
her husband Hugh. "The fun part is not knowing what is going to happen and how the audience will morph and change it."

Diners do not have to participate in the show, and those who choose to do so can participate from their seats or stand up and recite lines from a script provided.

"You never know what people will do with their lines," said Kathy O'Neill, executive director of the show, who develops a core set of actors and script for the production, and also gathers participants from the audience. "People can get really into it, and they have a lot of fun."

The restaurant hosts a dinner theater about once a month along with private parties. On New Year's Eve, the event is more formal, with a menu of shrimp and champagne enhancing the fun.

The dinner runs from 6 to 9 p.m., kicking off with the dinner and introduction to the actors in the first half and getting into the play toward the second half.



The Good Times Lakeview Inn restaurant in Ballston Lake hosts a dinner theater about once a month. Guests are served a full course meal and live entertainment from the Ballston Lake Mystery Players, where audience members can even participate in the show if they want.

"What I love about our business about 10 years ago production is it allows you to still when O'Neill suggested the idea do what you want to do," said Kelleigh of the 9 p.m. conclusion, and the fact that the bar closes an hour later. "We never wanted to take the responsibility of people getting hurt. We want people to have a great night where everyone is safe."

The restaurant started the dinner-theater aspect of its

to Kelleigh.

"It was a win-win or lose-lose situation, that if people came to

it then it would move forward," said O'Neill. "We did a couple shows, and people liked them."

The shows are specifically written by O'Neill for her actors to include the audience as actors, and are about murder mysteries—but in no way try to create a seemingly realistic situation.

"Don't think along the lines of twists and turns and clues," said O'Neill, "Think of having a good time that's lighthearted with a mystery along the way."

O'Neill is a retired English and theater arts teacher who continues to work with various theater groups.

"We see people leave laughing and as they leave they will invariably stop and thank us for having fun," said O'Neill. "We make them laugh and that's important."

Reservations are required and can be made by calling 399-9976. The cost is \$75 per person and that includes dinner, show and tax. Cost does not include gratuity. Dinner is a choice of stuffed shrimp, chicken cordon bleu or homemade manicotti.

Also served is a bruschetta appetizer, salad and dessert. The evening finishes with a champagne toast along with coffee, tea, party favors and door prizes.

"We want people to have their evening," said Kelleigh. "Those who do it have a fantastic memory for the rest of their life."

**"The improvisational type of theater makes for a one-of-a-kind experience. The fun part is not knowing what is going to happen and how the audience will morph and change it."**

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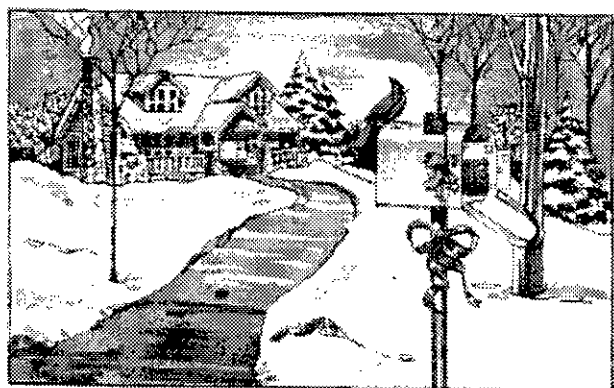
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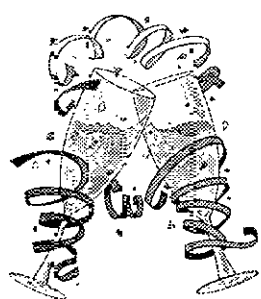


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# Milestones *in the* Spotlight

## Nash, Keenan marry



Natalie and James Keenan

Natalie Lyn Nash, daughter of William and Jacqueline Nash of Loudonville, and James Patrick Keenan, son of John and Margaret Keenan of Albany, were married Oct. 1.

The ceremony was performed by Father Michael Farano at the St. Pius X Church in Loudonville.

A reception followed at the Shaker Ridge Country Club in Loudonville.

The maid of honor was Jacqueline Nash, niece of the bride. The Matron of honor was Malinda Benaquisto. Bridesmaids were Gillian Huggins, Morgan Schewe and Nicole Peters.

The flower girl was Margaret Keenan, niece of the groom.

The best man was Ian Desacia. Groomsmen were Christopher Tymann, Michael Lalibert, Peter Finnerty and Howard Grieves.

The bride is a pharmacy sales support liaison for Empire Bluecross, Blueshield in Loudonville.

The groom is a senior electronic product analyst for Lexis Nexis Publishing Co. in Albany.

After a honeymoon in Aruba, the couple resides in Albany.



David Murphy and Kelley Jones

## Jones, Murphy to marry

Kelley Kristen Jones, daughter of William and Laurie Jones of Colonie, and David Thomas Murphy, son of Shirley Murphy of Colonie and the late Thomas Murphy, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Colonie High School and the College of St. Rose where she received her master's degree.

She is a speech pathologist at Milestones Speech Pathology in Rensselaer County.

The future groom is a graduate of Colonie High School and Hudson Valley Community College.

He is a service manager at Verizon Wireless in Clifton Park.

The couple plans a May wedding.

## Floyd, Mair engaged

Elizabeth Floyd, daughter of William Floyd of Gunderland and the late Joan Floyd, and Aaron Mair, son of Arnold Mair of Peekskill and the late Margaret Mair, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a freelance editor and writer.

The future groom works for the New York State Department of Health. He also co-founded and sits on the board of directors of several nonprofit environmental organizations.

The couple plans an August wedding.

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# Obituaries

## Earle R. Pillsbury

Earle R. Pillsbury, 99, of Clarksville passed away at home on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

Born at home in Haverhill, Mass., he was the husband of the late Dorothy McMillen Pillsbury.

Survivors include two daughters, Sherle H. Sparkman of Clarksville and Dorothy Mae Rhone of Kansas City, Mo.; a brother, Richard C. Pillsbury of Richmond, Va.; five grandchildren; and 15 great grandchildren.

Mr. Pillsbury was a retired self employed carpenter. In spite of advancing age, he kept very active, mowing his own lawn and doing things around the yard. He enjoyed oil painting, particularly seascapes, and woodworking. He loved nature and the outdoors, hunting and fishing. He was a caring and loving father, grandfather and great grandfather.

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

## Craig Sipe

H. Craig Sipe of North Bethlehem died Monday Nov. 21, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Flushing, Ohio, he received a bachelor's degree from Bethany College, a master's degree from the University of Virginia and a doctorate from

Peabody College of Vanderbilt University.

Mr. Sipe taught chemistry and physics in public schools, private schools and at Teachers College in Florence, Ala.

After he received his doctoral degree, he taught science education at Peabody and conducted workshops. After a year as visiting professor at Ohio University, he came to SUNY Albany as head of the department of instruction.

He was a fellow of AAAS, life member of the American Chemical Society. He served as president of the national Association for Research in Science Teaching and was an editor of Journal of Research in Science Teaching.

He was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Albany. He was a volunteer at Beverwyck where he lived for the past nine years.

Services were from Emmanuel Baptist Church.

## Correction

There was an error in the Dec. 14 obituary for Vivian Sawyer.

Survivors were incorrectly listed. Survivors include two daughters, Donna Sawyer of Delmar and Lorna Lawrence of Yorktown, Va.; a brother, Ernest Klemme of Chicago; and four grandchildren.

# Milestones *in the* Spotlight

## Hallock, Toyama engaged

Erica D. Hallock, daughter of Gary and Nancy Hallock of Delmar, and Eric I. Toyama, son of Thomas and Cheryl Toyama of Churchville, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Ithaca College.

She works in the Office of Alumni Relations at Ithaca College and is a graduate student in the Roy H. Park School of Communications at Ithaca College.

The future groom is a graduate of Ithaca College.

He is a middle and high school vocal music teacher in the Groton Central School District.

The couple plans a July wedding.



Eric Toyama and Erica Hallock

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Milestones,  
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# Milestones *in the* Spotlight



Kerry Johnson and Zachary Fraatz

## Johnson, Fraatz wed

Kerry Johnson, daughter of Karl and Nancy Johnson of Delmar, and Zachary Fraatz, son of Grace Baldwin of Charlestown, Ohio and George Fraatz of Lakewood, Ohio, were married Dec. 18, 2004.

The ceremony was performed at the Aventura Spa Palace Resort on the Mayan Riviera in Mexico.

The maid of honor was Alissa Johnson, sister of the bride.

The best man was George Fraatz, father of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Rochester and recently received her master's degree from Ohio State University. She is an academic counselor at Ohio State.

The groom is a graduate of Hiram College and is currently pursuing an MBA at Ohio State. He is employed as a systems analyst for Abbott Laboratories in Columbus.

After a honeymoon on the Mayan Riviera, the couple resides in Lithopolis, Ohio.



Lauren Patricia West and Erik Leeming Kvam

## West, Kvam marry

Lauren Patricia West, daughter of Lester and Sandra West of Slingerlands, and Erik Leeming Kvam, son of Peter and Patricia Kvam of South Burlington, Vt., were married Aug. 26.

The ceremony was performed by Reverend Robert Peterson at the Glen Sanders Mansion in Scotia where a reception followed.

The matron of honor was Sarah Trindade. Bridesmaids were Hillary Finnegan, Kate Hawley, Marcia Ranieri and Erin Kvam, sister of the groom.

The best man was Ian Kvam, brother of the groom.

Groomsmen were Art Leeming, grandfather of the groom, and Jeffrey Moore.

The bride is a graduate of Albany High School and SUNY Geneseo where she received her master's degree. She is a special education teacher for LeRoy Central School District in LeRoy.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Rochester where he received his master's degree. He is a graduate student pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Rochester.

After a honeymoon to Yellowstone National Park, Wyo., the couple resides in Rochester.

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# Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

By GRAHAM S. PARKER

**W**inter means many things to different people.

Some see a radar image of a looming snow cloud on the morning weather report and think of the deplorable driving conditions. Others think skiing and snowboarding...and there are more of them than one might think.

In the last five years New York ski areas have seen their four best seasons. Last year alone, from November through April, the state saw more than 4 million people make their way to mountains to ski or snowboard, according to Ski Areas of New York (SANY).

The organization has represented the state's ski resorts through programs and public outreach since 1971.

With temperatures ideal for snowmaking and an early season blessing of the white stuff, mountains are reporting that they are up and running strong.

"Truthfully, everything is going very well," said SANY Executive Director Dirk Gouwens. "Most of the ski areas had a great opening weekend. Last year we had a very slow start but it came on really strong."

Despite the strong showing, Gouwens and other state agencies work overtime to keep attendance high.

"We try to let people know what is going on at the ski areas," said I Love NY spokesman Eric Scheffel. Scheffel and his staff publish a weekly ski report posted on [iloveny.com](http://iloveny.com).

Winter in New York is a time for recreation, he said, although both winter and summer are great for recreational activities in the state. In the winter months, ski areas offer a variety of activities, from tubing to cross-country skiing, to hiking and snowmobiling. However, SANY



Skiers hug the curves of the slopes at Catamount.

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monitors resort performance by the amount of lift tickets purchased per day, and not by how many people attend mountain resorts for a number of other activities. So far, those numbers are showing that people are hitting the slopes.

Some of the state's success can be attributed to man's struggle against nature. In the fight to maintain thick snow bases and sufficient grooming, ski areas have put Mother Nature out of the equation. Many mountains have vast snowmaking capabilities and have nearly eliminated the need for natural snow, said Gouwens. They only require temperatures below freezing.

The ability to overcome those

unfortunate snowless seasons has made for sound survival of state ski areas.

In 1978, New York had 117 ski areas. That number has since decreased to 52. That's still a surprisingly high number, and makes New York one of the more competitive ski vacation states, Gouwens said.

"One of the big differences is that New York has more ski areas than any other state in the country," said Gouwens.

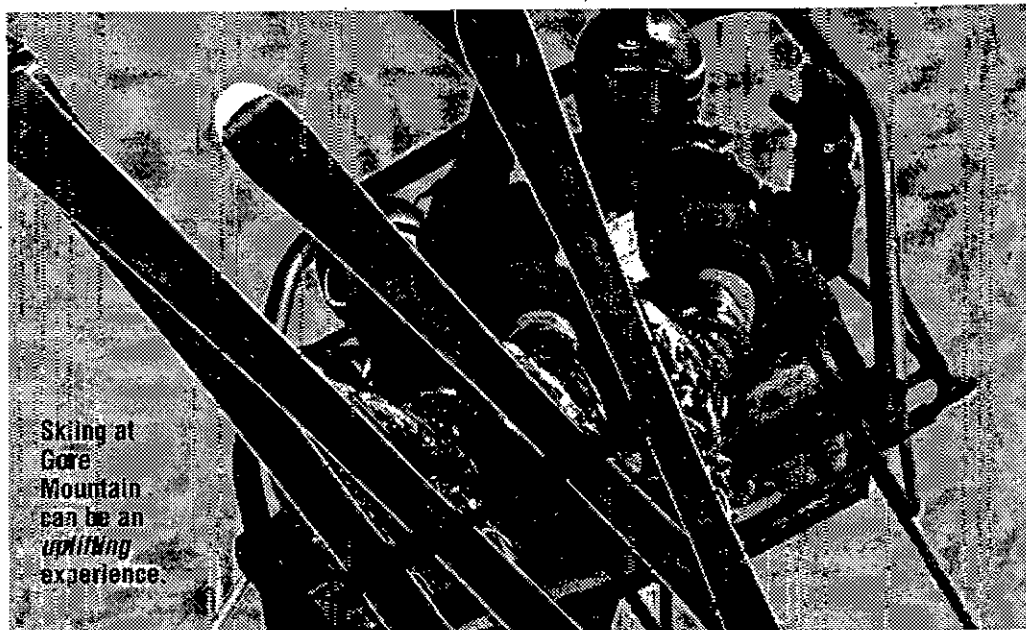
The state ranks fourth in the country when it comes to lift ticket sales. New York has drawn to within

100,000 tickets of neighboring Vermont's annual sales. Nationally, Colorado ranks No. 1. However, Colorado draws a majority of its skiers from out of state, leaving New York and California to vie for the top two seats for highest per capita of skiers in their respective states. The Empire State has yet to claim that crown, but is steadily closing on the Golden State.

To learn more about New York's ski areas, from lift ticket to season pass prices and trail conditions, visit I Love New York's Web site, [www.iloveny.com](http://www.iloveny.com) or SANY at [skiny.com](http://skiny.com).



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# Arts & Entertainment

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## Music

### VIENNA BOYS CHOIR

Holiday concert with world famous choral group, Dec. 21, 8 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, \$20-33. Information, 273-0038.

### EMPIRE STATE YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Performing holiday concert with Empire State Repertory Orchestra and Empire State Junior Percussion Ensemble, Dec. 22, Patricia Brady-Danzig Performance Hall, College of Saint Rose, Albany, \$15 adults, \$10 students and seniors. Information, 454-5178.

### REBA HASKO

Former Capital District singer/songwriter performs unique collection of songs, with Matthew Loiacono of Kamakaze Hearts, Dec. 22, 8 p.m., WAMC Linda Norris Performing Arts Center, Central Avenue, Albany, \$7. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

### PADDY KILRAIN

Local singer/songwriter performs with her band, Dec. 23, The Van Dyck Restaurant and Brewery, 237 Union Ave., Schenectady. Information, 381-1111.

### TRANS SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA

Rock instrumentalists perform holiday classics, Dec. 26, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., Pepsi Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, \$30-50. Information, 487-2000.

### FOLDING SKY

Local blues band, Dec. 30, Positively Fourth Street, 46 Fourth St., Troy. Information, 687-0064.

### THE MACHINE

Pink Floyd tribute band brings classic progressive rock band's light and sound show to Albany, with Jim Weider's Project

Percolator featuring Tony Levin, Dec. 31, Washington Avenue Armory, corner of Washington Avenue and Lark Street, Albany. Information, 694-7160.

### DECADENT ROYALS

Capital District rock band making a comeback, Dec. 31, Positively Fourth Street, 46 Fourth St., Troy. Information, 687-0064.

### SUPER 400

Power trio headlines New Year's Eve bash, Dec. 31, Red Square, 388 Broadway, Albany. Information, 432-8584.

### LUSTRE KINGS

Capital District rockabilly band performs tribute to Elvis Presley on Presley's birthday, Jan. 7, 8 p.m., WAMC Linda Norris Performing Arts Center, Central Avenue, Albany, \$20. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

## Visual Arts

### NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Mammals Revealed: Discovery and Documentation of Secretive Creatures," through Dec. 31; "Sports: Breaking Barriers and

Breaking Records," through Jan. 8; "Ann Zane Shanks: Behind the Lens," through Feb. 26; "Miracles: New York's Greatest Sports Moments," through March 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

"Pastels," featuring works by late 19th- and early 20th-century artists, through June 18; "The Clark: Celebrating 50 Years of Art in Nature" and "50 Favorites," through May 16, 2006; and other ongoing exhibitions. Information, 413-458-0524.

### ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

"Alice Morgan Wright: Sculptor and Activist," through Dec. 31; "Rodin: A Magnificent Obsession — Sculpture from the Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Foundation," through Jan. 1, plus exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture, Egypt and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

### SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

"Visions of China," a collection of photographs by Dr. Clinton Millett, through

Jan. 8, plus Spirit of Schenectady, collection highlights and planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

### ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Precious Little," through Jan. 8, site-specific installations by Larry Kagan and Cara Nigro, plus installations by Anthony Garner, Baris Karayazgan, Paul Katz, Nancy Klepsch and Victoria Palermo. Information, 242-2243.

### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

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

### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF RACING AND HALL OF FAME

"Peb: The Art of Humor," featuring horse racing-themed cartoons by Pierre "Peb" Bellocq, through Dec. 31, "Golden Memories: 50 Years of the Racing Hall of Fame," through Dec. 31, 191 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-0400.

### NEW YORK STATE MILITARY MUSEUM

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

### SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

Ongoing exhibits including "East of Detroit" and New York racing, 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Information, 587-1935, ext. 20.

### SKIDMORE COLLEGE

"Richard Peltibone: A Retrospective," Tang Teaching Museum and Gallery, through Feb. 12, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-5049.

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### COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

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### SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

Openings in mixed chorus, rehearsals Sundays at 7 p.m. at Lynnwood Reformed Church, Route 146, Guilfordland. Information, 861-8000.

### FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

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

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### THE ORCHESTRA ON THE COMMON

Openings in the string section, also need French horn, trombone, flute and bass drum players, rehearsals Friday at 9 a.m., Shenendehowa Senior Center, Clifton Common, Clifton Park. Information, 372-5146.

### ELECTRIC CITY CHORUS

Male singing group, training provided, rehearsals at Faith United Methodist Church, Brandywine Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-4807.

### RIVER VALLEY CHORUS

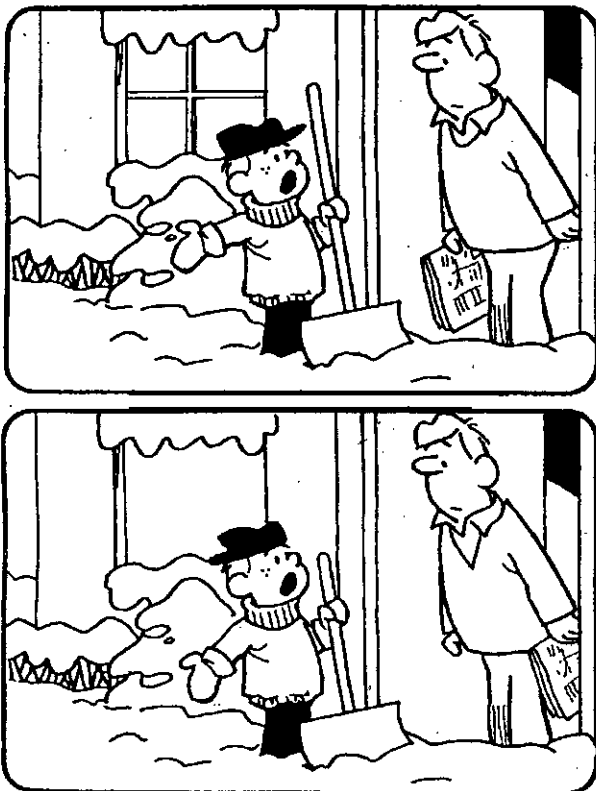
Sweet Adelines group, based in Scotia-Glenville area, rehearsals on Tuesdays, 7 to 9:30 p.m., call for location. Information, 399-9480.

### MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Panes are missing. 2. Cap is reversed. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Handle is shorter. 5. Neckline is different. 6. Paper is moved.

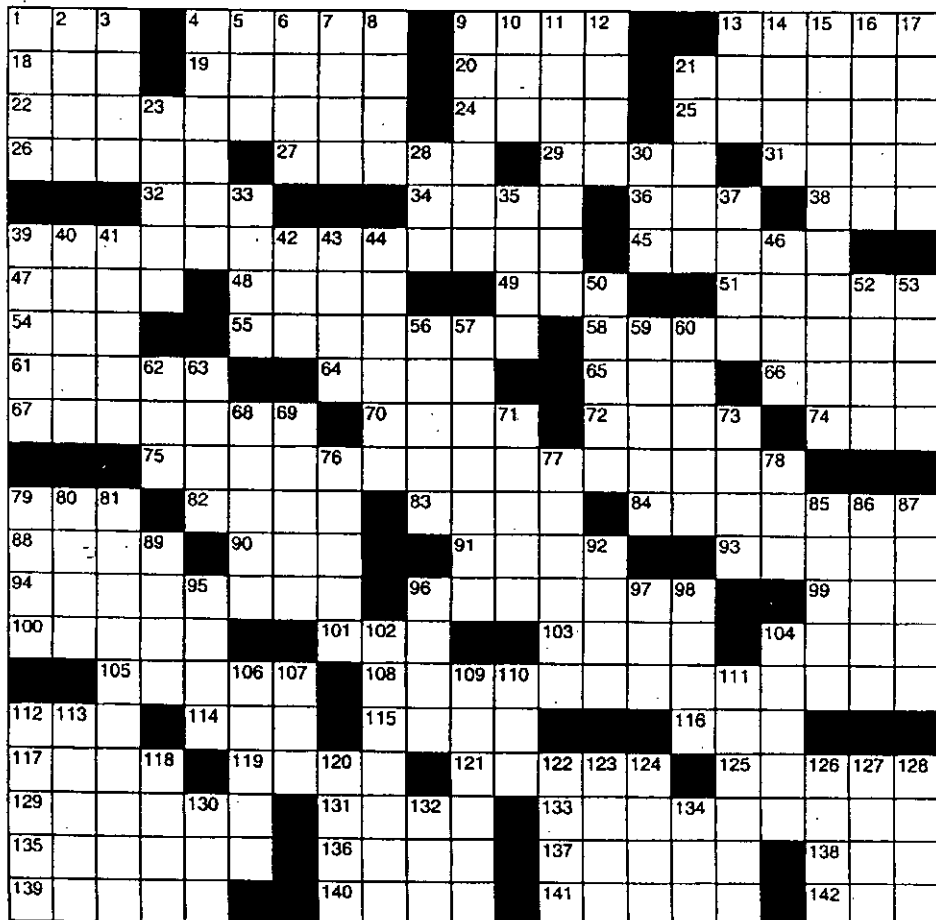
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Burger  
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Ellsworth  
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Hughes  
Marshall  
Rehnquist  
Rutledge  
Stone  
Taft  
Taney  
Vinson  
Waite  
Warren  
White

# Super Crossword



### ACROSS

- 1 Pugilistic poke
- 4 Silenced a squeak
- 9 Fuel source
- 13 "Turandot" tenor
- 18 Heady quaff
- 19 Savanna sight
- 20 Lhasa —
- 21 Arbus apparatus
- 22 Rodent's favorite
- 26 Brimming
- 27 Join up
- 29 Take into account
- 31 Hook's mate
- 32 — reaction
- 34 Diva Ponselle
- 36 Moon crawler
- 38 Relative of —
- 39 Rodent cheese-cake?
- 45 Laundry problem
- 47 Frigga's fellow
- 48 Young boxers
- 49 Relished a roast

- 51 "Taras Bulba" author
- 54 Emulate Pinocchio
- 55 Brandy cocktail
- 58 Protect with plastic
- 61 Resident
- 64 "Yours, Mine and —" ('68 film)
- 65 Keatsian creation
- 66 Redact
- 67 "The Bartered Bride" composer
- 70 Serenade accompaniment
- 72 TV's "South —"
- 74 Road curve
- 75 Rodent's educational level?
- 79 Dit's cousin
- 82 Read quickly
- 83 Actress Vima
- 84 Peepers protectors
- 88 Oomph
- 90 Tokyo, once
- 91 Like some cellars
- 93 It may suit you
- 94 Closet fresher
- 96 Calculator features

- 99 Winter hazard
- 100 Trattoria treat
- 101 TV chef Martin
- 103 "— Shuffle" ('77 song)
- 104 Seaweed product
- 105 Bobby's flashlight
- 108 Rodent's Olympic motto?
- 112 Broad st.
- 114 "Gotcha!"
- 115 Article
- 116 "— Night" ('58 hit)
- 117 Apt rhyme for squirm
- 119 "L'—, c'est moi"
- 121 Matches
- 125 Inception
- 129 Cartoonist Charles
- 131 Writer Charles
- 133 Fictional rodent?
- 135 Rink rental
- 136 List ender
- 137 "Peer Gyn"
- 138 Psychic Geller
- 139 Veronica of "Hill Street Blues"
- 140 Surrender
- 141 Big revolver?
- 142 Sticky stuff

### DOWN

- 1 Secure spot
- 2 — mater
- 3 Rosary part
- 4 Speak freely
- 5 Roth —
- 6 Exist
- 7 Temptation location
- 8 Earl —
- 9 Living room
- 10 Antipollution
- 11 "The — Jungle" ('50 film)
- 12 Carry
- 13 Perfect pet?
- 14 Grandpa McCoy
- 15 Rodent refreshment?
- 16 Pisces follower
- 17 Sapphire side
- 21 Future officer
- 23 "We've Only Just —" ('70 hit)
- 28 Hockey legend
- 30 Urban transport
- 33 Sugar amts.
- 35 Barbecue
- 37 Christmas visitors
- 39 Voting venue
- 40 Tum of phrase

- 41 Sib's kid
- 42 On the — vive (alert)
- 43 Summer coil
- 44 Tristan's tootsie
- 46 Actress Skye
- 50 Take the honey and run
- 52 Mayberry town drunk
- 53 "Why don't we?"
- 56 Sadistic
- 57 In the saddle
- 59 Saying
- 60 Cheerful
- 62 Bk. convenience
- 63 Neighbor of Thailand
- 68 Used the microwave
- 69 Digression
- 71 Prose piece
- 73 Boat bottom
- 76 Atlanta campus
- 77 Indentation
- 78 Mintz or Whitney
- 79 Johnny of "Chocolat"
- 80 Soap additive
- 81 City of rodents?
- 85 Architect Jones
- 86 Window dressing?

- 87 McCarthy's trunkmate
- 89 West. alliance
- 92 Brace
- 95 Astra's mistress
- 96 Snarl
- 97 Banned pesticide
- 98 London district
- 102 Shake up
- 104 Actor's actor?
- 106 Spassky's game
- 107 Pillow, e.g.
- 109 Bit of a beach
- 110 Medical grp.
- 111 TV's "Eight Is —"
- 112 About to sink
- 113 Screwdriver ingredient
- 118 Spouse
- 120 Composer Wilder
- 122 Prod.
- 123 Binch's "— Road"
- 124 Tend the sauce
- 126 Wallop
- 127 Architect Saarinen
- 128 Small combo
- 130 Gibson or Tillis
- 132 Unbalanced
- 134 Wager



# Calendar of Events *in the* Spotlight

## Wednesday, Dec. 21

### BETHLEHEM

#### DELMAR ROTARY

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

#### MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

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

#### BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

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

#### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

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

#### SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

#### CHENREZIG PRACTICE AND MEDITATION

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

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

#### BINGO

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

#### BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

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

#### BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

#### BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

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

#### TESTIMONY MEETING

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

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### FAITH TEMPLE

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

### PRAYER MEETING

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

### NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

### AA MEETING

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

## Thursday, Dec. 22

### 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.

#### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

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

#### BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

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

#### AA MEETINGS

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

#### NEW SCOTLAND

#### THE CLOTHING CLOSET

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

## Friday, Dec. 23

### BETHLEHEM

#### VISUAL SUPPORT GROUP

Strategies to cope with visual impairment, led by Dr. Edwin Pesnel. Refreshments. Room 101, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, 1-2 p.m. Sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Services. Information, 439-4955, ext. 4.

#### 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.

## Saturday, Dec. 24

### BETHLEHEM

#### AA MEETING

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

## Sunday, Dec. 25

### BETHLEHEM

#### AA MEETING

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

### 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 Rocketteller 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., Guildford, 475-9086, ESL and Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Services, 10 a.m.

Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.

Family Worship Center, 92 Lower Copeland Hill Road, Feura Bush, 768-2021.

Faith Temple, New Salem, 765-2870.

First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 765-2895.

Jerusalem Reformed Church, Route 32, Feura Bush, 439-0548.

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, Voorheesville, 765-3390.

Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush, 768-2133.

New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 439-6454.

St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 765-2805.

Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.

United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 765-4410.

## Monday, Dec. 26

### BETHLEHEM

#### PEACE VIGIL

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

#### DELMAR KIWANIS

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

#### CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

#### INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

#### EXPLORER POST 157

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

### DELMAR COMM. ORCHESTRA

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

### AA MEETING

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

### NEW SCOTLAND

#### QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

## Tuesday, Dec. 27

### BETHLEHEM

#### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

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

#### FARMERS MARKET

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

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

#### PRAYER MEETING

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

#### BINGO

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

### NEW SCOTLAND

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#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

#### V'VILLE VILLAGE BOARD

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

## Wednesday, Dec. 28

### BETHLEHEM

#### DELMAR ROTARY

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

#### MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)

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

#### SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

#### CHENREZIG PRACTICE AND MEDITATION

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

#### TOWN BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 5:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

#### BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

#### BINGO

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

#### BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

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

#### TESTIMONY MEETING

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

### NEW SCOTLAND

#### FAITH TEMPLE

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

#### PRAYER MEETING

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

### NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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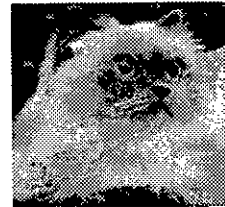
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## LEGAL NOTICE

SENECA FALLS OF ALBANY, L.P., Notice of formation of a limited partnership (LP) Certificate of Limited Partnership filed with the New York Secretary of State on October 28, 2005. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP is 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. LCD-12450 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Digital Storm Designs LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 10/20/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Warren L. Smith, 164 Harvard Rd., Watervliet, NY 12189. Purpose: any lawful activities. LCD-12460 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is 791 NEW SCOTLAND, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 16, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-12461 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is Landing Creek LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the New York Secretary of State on November 9, 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 Tri-City Rentals, 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205. LCD-12487 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CAMELOT ASSOCIATES DEVELOPMENT, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law. FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is : CAMELOT ASSOCIATES DEVELOPMENT, LLC.

## LEGAL NOTICE

SECOND: The county, within this state, in which the office of the corporation is to be located is: the County of Albany. THIRD: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the 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 limited liability company served upon him or her is: Camelot Associates Development, LLC, c/o Camelot Associates Corporation 210 Morris Road, Suite A Schenectady, New York 12303. FOURTH: The limited liability company is to be manager managed. Dennis A. DeGennaro, Organizer Camelot Associates Corporation 210 Morris Road Schenectady, New York 12303. Filed by: Alexander Powhida, Esq., Attorney-in-Fact Harvey and Mumford, LLP 20 Corporate Woods Boulevard Albany, New York 12211 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF CAMELOT MASTER HOLDINGS, LP Under Section 121-201 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act. FIRST: The name of the limited partnership is: CAMELOT MASTER HOLDINGS, LP. SECOND: The county, within this state, in which the office of the limited partnership is to be located is: the County of Albany. THIRD: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited partnership upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail copies of process accepted on behalf of the limited partnership is: Camelot Master Holdings, LP c/o Camelot Associates Corporation 210 Morris Road, Suite A Schenectady, New York 12303. FOURTH: The name and business or residence street address of each general partner is: Dennis A. DeGennaro. Filed by: Alexander Powhida, Esq., Attorney-in-Fact Harvey and Mumford LLP 20 Corporate Woods Boulevard Albany, New York 12211 LCD-12498 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

new luck big sky, LLC Notice of Organization: new luck big sky, LLC was filed with SSNY 09/29/05. Office: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: c/o the LLC 95 West Saugerties Rd., Woodstock, NY 12498 Purpose: To engage in any legal activity. LCD-12522 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a limited liability company (LLC). Name: Western Garden Apartments, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/4/05. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 436 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LCD-12539 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is MONROE ST OF ALBANY, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on November 30, 2005. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. LCD-12554 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Stonecreek Management, LLC Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 11/29/2005. Office location, Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to: the LLC, 928 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. LCD-12555 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The name of the LLC is C.D. Man, Inc. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on November 23, 2005. Office location: County of Albany. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served to: William Biers, 340 Biers Road, Coeymans Hollow, NY, 12046. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. LCD-12620 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of NYK3, Ltd. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/9/05. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Texas (TX) on 8/4/05. 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. TX address of LP: 3600 Bee Cave Road, Ste. 202, Austin, TX 78746. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with TX Secy. of State, P.O. Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-12449 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: MLJ Properties, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 7, 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, Pine Street, Green Island, NY 12183. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. LD-12457 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Fashion Outlets of Niagara LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/7/05. Office location:

## LEGAL NOTICE

Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/26/05. 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: 4000 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Ste. 420, Coral Gables, FL 33146. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12463 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Niagara Investors LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/7/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/26/05. 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: 4000 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Ste. 420, Coral Gables, FL 33146. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12464 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: EL DIVINO, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/08/05. 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, 1801 Chrysler Avenue, Schenectady, New York. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-12465 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Twin Oaks Associates, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/9/05. Fictitious name in NY State: TOA. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Indiana (IN) on 6/16/05. 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: 560 Sylvan Ave., 3rd Fl., Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632. Arts. of Org. filed with IN Secy. of State, 302 West Washington St., Room E-018, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12473 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of NyNote Enterprises, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/9/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12477 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of New York Ducks, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/14/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/10/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 160 S. Route 17 North, Paramus, NJ 07652. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Fed-

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eral St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12489 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 765175 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/20/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 49 Windsor Road, Great Neck, New York 11021 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12492 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 1970 Walton Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/20/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 49 Windsor Road, Great Neck, New York 11021 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12493 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Queens Plaza North Development LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/17/05 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, New York 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12494 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 35 North Station LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/18/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1015 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10021 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12495 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Jeco LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/18/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1162 Intervale Avenue, Bronx, New York, 10459 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12496 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HW CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/17/05. 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, 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-12504 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Scary Movie 4, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/8/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/27/2005. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 375 Greenwich St, NY, NY 10013. Principal address of LLC: 375 Greenwich St, NY, NY 10013. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State,

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401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12508 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Benson & Rowland LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/25/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 301 E. 79th St, Ste 24-H, NY, NY 10021. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12510 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Covenham Solutions LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/25/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 301 E. 79th St, Ste 24-H, NY, NY 10021. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12511 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SUKHOTHAI RESTAURANT, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/10/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 254 Lark Street, Albany, New York 12210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-12512 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of OLEN LLC filed with SSNY on 12/31/03. Off. Loc.: Albany. SSNY designated as agt. of the LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process to P.O. Box 66041, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purposes. LD-12523 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Schuyler of New York, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 11/7/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, the Reg. Agt. upon whom proc. may be served. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12524 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Inside Edge Commercial Interior Services, LLC, App. for Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 11/7/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC org. in MN 1/12/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o National Reg. Agts. Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. MN office addr.: 2915 Commers Dr., Ste. 500, Eagan, MN 55121. Art. of Org. on file: SSNM, 60 Empire Dr., Ste. 100, St. Paul, MN 55103. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-121525 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of DCWI Manager LLC, App. for Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 10/06/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC

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org. in MI 9/28/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o National Reg. Agts. Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. MI office addr.: 1700 Stutz Dr., No. 25, Troy, MI 48084. Art. of Org. on file: MI Dept. of Labor and Economic Growth, PO Box 30054, Lansing, MI. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12526 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HWT CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/17/05 as amended. 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-12530 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Broker Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/29/2005. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY 301 East 79th Street, Ste 24-H, New York, NY 10021 Tuxedo Dr., Melville, NY 11747. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12546 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GLENMONT PROPERTIES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/06/05. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2055. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 415 Route 9W, Glenmont, New York 12077. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-12559 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of GDT (US), LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/2/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 10/12/05. 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. NV address of LLC: 711 S. Carson St., Ste. 4, Carson City, NV 89701. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, 206 N. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12561 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 153-157 Lenox LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12564 (December 21, 2005)

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 164-172 West 141 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/21/05 Office location: Albany



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Notice of Formation of 17-25 St. Nicholas Avenue LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/3/05 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. LD-12566 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 1829 Adam Clayton Powell Blvd LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/3/05 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. LD-12567 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 1833-1835 7th Avenue LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12568 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 1987-2001 Coney LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/18/05 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. LD-12569 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 2010 7th Avenue LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12570 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 239-253 West 116 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12571 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 345 Manhattan LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/3/05 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. LD-12572 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 349

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Manhattan LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/3/05 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. LD-12573 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 47 Lynbrook LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/10/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12574 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 6 Morningside Avenue LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/3/05 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. LD-12575 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 610-620 West 141 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12576 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 617 West 143 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/2/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12577 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 6th Street Development LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/20/05 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. LD-12578 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 707 St Nicholas Avenue LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/21/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 566 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12579 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Javis Center Development LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/20/05 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. LD-12581 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Herald Square Development LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/17/05 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. LD-12582 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Manhattan Valley West LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/20/05 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. LD-12583 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Long Island City Luxury Lofts LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/17/05 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. LD-12583 (December 21, 2005)

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of SC GP LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/27/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 15-58 Park Lane South, Kew Gardens, NY 11418 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12585 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of Esplanade Condominiums LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/9/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 350 - 5th Ave., 59th Fl., NY, NY 10118 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12586 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 8th Ave Holding LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/9/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 350 - 5th Ave., 59th Fl., NY, NY 10118 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12587 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of OBA Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 12/2/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 5 Client Rd, Great Neck, NY

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11201 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12588 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 565 Manhattan LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/15/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Moline Court, Kings Point, NY 11024 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12589 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of 102 Manhattan LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/15/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 236 W. 26th St. Suite 801, NY, NY 10001 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12590 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 2097 Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/29/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 49 Windsor Road, Great Neck, NY 11021 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12591 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of SLS Equities LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/29/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 60 Pinewood Road, Manhasset, NY 11030 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12592 (December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Menco Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/18/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 822 Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, NY 11213 Purpose: any lawful activity LD-12593 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of EZ Funding Group, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/7/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 33 Pleasant Ridge Rd, New Hempstead, NY 10977 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12594 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of Ander Properties LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/17/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 15 Sherri Lane, Wesley Hills, NY 10977 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12595 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of River East Development, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/28/05

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 95 Delancey Street, Brooklyn, NY 10002 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12596 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of Genius Tools LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 11/3/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 61 North Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 Purpose: any lawful activity. (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of 87 Kent Ave. Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 10/31/05 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. LD-12598 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Qualification of Planet Fitness Equipment, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/6/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Hampshire (NH) on 5/6/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. NH address of LLC: 113 Crosby Road, Unit 15, Dover, NH 03820. Arts. of Org. filed with NH Secy. of State, 107 North Main St., Concord, NH 03301. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-12605 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: THE DUCK INN AT LAUDERDALE, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/02/05. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2104. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Donald P. Segal, Esq., 1738 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-12609 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF FIRST CHOICE BUILDERS, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is: FIRST CHOICE BUILDERS, LLC SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Albany THIRD: (optional) The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: Shannon M. Oeser 41 East Highland Drive

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Albany, New York 12203 FIFTH: (optional) The name and street address within this state of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company may be served is:

SIXTH: (optional) The future effective date of the Articles of Organization, which does not exceed 60 days from the date of filing, is: SEVENTH: (optional) If all or specified members are to be liable in their capacity as members for all or specified debts, obligations or liabilities of the limited liability company as authorized by Section 609 of the Limited Liability Company Law, an affirmative statement must be made. A statement of such effect is made as follows:

Shannon M. Oeser, Member Filed by: Robert A. Bosman, Esq. One Executive Centre Drive Albany, New York 12203 LD-12614 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Public Notice of Hearing The Town of New Scotland Zoning Board

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Town of New Scotland, New York will hold a public hearing pursuant to Chapter 190, Article IX, Section 190-73 of the Zoning Law on the following proposition: A Public Hearing for Area Variance # 343 Variance Application submitted Mary E. Mulhern for an area variance to allow for the replacement of a front deck/entry within the front yard set back. The site is owned by Mary E. and Maurice W. Mulhern, is identified as New Scotland tax parcel id # 95.-2-50, is located at 1233 Delaware Turnpike and is situated within the RH district. The front setback for a structure erected on a parcel located within the RH district is thirty feet. This request is for six feet of relief from the thirty foot front setback to allow for an existing deck/entry to be replaced on the dwelling at a setback of twenty four feet from the front property line. This request is for a variance to Article II, Section 190-15 of the Town of New Scotland Zoning Law. Said hearing will take place on December 27, 2005 at the New Scotland Town Hall beginning at 7:00 P.M.

Ronald Von Ronne Zoning Board of Appeals The Town of New Scotland is an equal opportunity provider and employer LD-12618 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Public Notice of Hearing The Town of New Scotland Zoning Board Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Town of New Scotland, New York will hold a public hearing pursuant to Chapter 190, Article IX, Section 190-73 of the Zoning Law on the following proposition: A Public Hearing for Appeal Request # 344 Appeal from the decision of the Building Inspector denying the use and occupancy status of a parcel as a "pre-existing, non-conforming use". Norman E. Donaldson's appeal is refers to a parcel owned by Mr. Donaldson in Clarksville. Mr. Donaldson contends that the current use and occupancy of the site, a "repair shop with accessory storage", had been in use prior to the inception of Zoning and has been used as such continuously to date without interruption. The parcel is located at 1998 Delaware Turnpike, lies within the Commercial Hamlet District and is identified as New Scotland tax parcel id# 106.03-1-17. Said hearing will take place on December 27, 2005 at the New Scotland Town Hall beginning at 7:00 P.M.

Ronald Von Ronne Zoning Board of Appeals The Town of New Scotland

**LEGAL NOTICE**

is an equal opportunity provider and employer LD-12619 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice of Formation of CityView Commercial LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 12/12/05 Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process 5377 Kings Highway, Brooklyn, New York, 11203 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12622 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the purchase of one (1) track-mounted sidewalk snowplow-snowblower for use by the Highway Department. Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 4th day of January, 2006 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Ms. Theresa Egan, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: December 14, 2005 LD-12624 (December 21, 2005)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 14th day of December, 2005, duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution as follows: WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is necessary to replace two medium duty rack trucks, one light duty four-wheel drive dump truck with plow, and a track mounted sidewalk snowplow-snowblower for use by the Highway Department; and WHEREAS, it is estimated that the cost of said equipment will be approximately \$225,000; and WHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purpose are in the Highway Department Equipment Reserve; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to purchase this new machinery; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of the reserve moneys to fund this purchase up to a maximum amount of \$225,000; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the Highway Department Equipment Reserve the funds necessary up to \$225,000 in said reserve fund; and This resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law. The motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Lenhardt, was seconded by Mr. Plummer and duly adopted by the following vote: AYES: Ms. Egan, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Lenhardt, Mr. Marcelle, Mr. Gordon.



# Sports *in the* Spotlight

## Eagles get their act together, win two straight

By ROB JONAS  
The Bethlehem boys basket-

ball team is beginning to live up to the promise it showed in the preseason.

The Eagles defeated Saratoga and Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake last week to record their first two Suburban Council victories.

"We're happy with our offensive improvements, and we just played our best defensive game of the season against Burnt Hills," said head coach Jeremy Klugman.

Guard Kevin Stempsey helped Bethlehem (2-1 league, 2-3 overall) pull out both wins, but he didn't have to carry the team by himself. Stempsey scored a season-high 34 points in last Tuesday's 72-63 victory over Saratoga and got help from Bill Yates and Craig Orner, who added 12 points each. In last Friday's 57-45 victory over Burnt Hills, Stempsey had 25 points and Yates added 10 points.

Klugman said he's pleased to see consistent contributions from Yates, a senior forward making his varsity basketball debut.

"He really stepped it up in practice, and we had no choice but to start him after his performance in the Averill Park game (a 53-41 loss Dec. 6)," Klugman said of Yates, who has scored at least 10 points in each of his first three Suburban Council games.

Klugman has also been happy with his other low-post players, Orner and John O'Brien-Carelli.

"John O'Brien-Carelli has really stepped it up with his low-post scoring, and Craig Orner has

been playing well defensively for us," he said.

Bethlehem has two tough games before entering the holiday break. After traveling to Niskayuna (3-0, 4-1) Tuesday, the Eagles host Colonie (3-0, 4-1) Thursday at their temporary home, the Junior College of Albany. Bethlehem's varsity basketball teams will be using the college's gym until the floor is fixed at the high school's lower gym.

"We realize we're not the first Suburban Council team to go a year without a home floor, but we're fortunate that the Junior College of Albany has let us use their floor," Klugman said.

### Spartans pull away

The Bethlehem girls basketball team couldn't keep up with

Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake in a 54-38 loss last Friday.

The Lady Eagles (1-2, 2-3) were within five points of the Spartans entering the fourth quarter. But the defending Section II, Class A champs from Burnt Hills outscored Bethlehem 20-8 in the fourth quarter to seal the victory.

Sarah Morton had 19 points to lead Burnt Hills, while Julie Hooper and Leah Gillham each scored eight points to pace Bethlehem.

"The key is Sarah Morton is a very good player, and their coach (George Dudas) is a very good coach. There's no shame in losing to them," said Bethlehem coach Mark Nealon.

## It's a draw



Bethlehem's Tom Dolfi takes a face-off during Saturday's game against Newburgh Free Academy at the Bethlehem Holiday Tournament. The homestanding Eagles defeated NFA 3-2. *Jim Franco*

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ABSENT: None.  
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(December 21, 2005)

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Notice of Formation of Bush

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(December 21, 2005)

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Terminal Associates, LLC

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(December 21, 2005)

LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF LIMITED LIABILITY  
COMPANY.

### LEGAL NOTICE

NAME: MILLINGTON  
SCHLOSS, LLC. Articles of  
Organization were filed with  
the Secretary of State of  
New York (SSNY) on 08/30/  
05. Office location: Albany  
County. SSNY has been  
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LLC upon whom process

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(December 21, 2005)



# Indians show their might in winning tourney title

By ROB JONAS

The coach is different, but the results are the same.

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk wrestling team keeps on winning.

The Indians had six individual champions and 13 wrestlers place in the top six of their weight classes to win last Saturday's Lee Van Slyke Memorial Tournament in Burnt Hills.

"We had all 13 guys place in the top six. What more can you ask for?" said Henry Mormile.

Middleweights Nate Graham and Dillon Ruxton each had big victories in the championship round. Graham shut out Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake's Trevor Flynn 4-0 to win the 160-pound division title, while Ruxton edged the Spartans' Casey Leahy 2-1 in the 171-pound finals.

Andy Lyman (96), Emmanuel Hernandez (112), Tyler Lane (130) and George LaMountain (135) also won their champion-

ship round bouts for the Indians, who claimed the team title with a convincing 240-203 margin over runner-up Peru.

Saturday's victory is the latest in a string of strong performances for RCS. The Indians are undefeated in Colonial Council matches and finished with a 2-3 record at the Northeast Duals — a tournament featuring powerful large-school teams from eastern New York and western Massachusetts.

Having Mormile take over the program from Matt Stein was a help for RCS. Mormile has been involved in the program for several years as an assistant for Stein and, prior to that, John Vishneowski.

"The kids have adapted very well," Mormile said. "I've been in the program and in the (training) room forever, and the kids knew the philosophies would be the same (from what they were used to with Stein)."

The Indians are hoping to

continue their unbeaten run through the Colonial Council Thursday when they travel to Watervliet. RCS already owns a

convincing victory over Lansingburgh, and perennial powers such as Schalmont and Cobleskill are both rebuilding.

"We've just got to keep going out there and wrestling, and the league title should be ours," Mormile said.

## Thanksgiving tourney champs



The Bethlehem Knights Under-14 premier boys soccer team won the Thanksgiving Tournament last month at Afrim's Sports in Colonie. The Knights defeated Plattsburgh 2-1 in the finals. The team is, from left, (front) Nick Boardman, Dan Lee, Andrew Kitzrow, Christopher Czech, Max Kornstein, Ian Taggart, Dan Krzykowski and coach Brett Miller; and (back) James Naughton, Paul Buehler, Joseph Naparstek, Philip Sell, Anthony Czech, Michael Mulhall, Zachary McMahon, Sam Reider and Christopher Wilsey. Missing from picture are Stephen Russo, Peter Collins and David Rosen.

## Bethlehem grad receives all-regional team nod

Bethlehem Central High School graduate Luke Sullivan was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Mid-Atlantic all-region team.

Sullivan scored four goals and added an assist in his sophomore season as a defender at Lafayette. The 2004 Bethlehem grad scored

the game-winning goal in the Patriot League championship game, which earned the Leopards their fourth-ever NCAA tournament berth.

Sullivan has started every game in his two-year career at Lafayette. The Leopards allowed 0.86 goals per game this season.

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# HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY SPORTS RESULTS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 12-18

## Tuesday, Dec. 13

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### Bethlehem 72, Saratoga 63

Bethlehem leaders: Kevin Stempsey 34 points, Craig Orner 12 points, Bill Yates 12 points.

#### Voorheesville 51,

#### Ravena 40

Voorheesville leader: Greg Klopfer 17 points.

Ravena leaders: Eric Stott 14 points, Corwin Hendy 13 points.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

#### Bethlehem 54, Saratoga 37

Bethlehem leaders: Leah Gillham 13 points, Kiersten Swete 11 points.

#### Ravena 35,

#### Voorheesville 34

Ravena leader: Jessica Byerwalters 14 points.

Voorheesville leader: Jenna Massaroni 10 points.

### BOYS BOWLING

#### Colonie 28, Bethlehem 4

Bethlehem leader: Jason Burger 221 game, 608 series.

### BOYS SWIMMING

#### Bethlehem 99, Albany 63

Bethlehem individual winners: Bruce Wemple (200-yard freestyle, 100 butterfly), Sean Kennedy (200 individual medley), Paul Cafiero (100 freestyle), Boris Virnik (500 freestyle).

#### Burnt Hills 96,

#### Guilderville 68

Guilderville individual winners: David Cerutti (200-yard freestyle), Vadim Yafayev (200 individual medley, 100 freestyle), Sam Pelham (50 freestyle).

## Wednesday, Dec. 14

### BOYS BOWLING

#### Ravena 19, Cohoes 13

Ravena leader: Dan Irwin 268 game, 685 series.

#### Broadalbin-Perth 19,

#### Voorheesville 13

Voorheesville leaders: Mike Tesch 258 game, Justin Lupien 681 series.

### GIRLS BOWLING

#### Ravena 27, Cohoes 5

Ravena leader: Renee Rohl 214 game, 576 series.

### WRESTLING

#### Saratoga 51, Bethlehem 30

Bethlehem winners: Tom Burke (103 pounds), Tolan Sharlow (112), Giles Chase (119), Josh Finkle (130), Luke Tress (135), David Sterrett (140).

## Thursday, Dec. 15

### BOYS SWIMMING

#### Bethlehem 99,

#### Mohonasen/Schalmont 74

Bethlehem individual winners: Larry Gloeckler (200-yard individual medley), Tim DeGroff (50 freestyle, 100 freestyle), Jake Kindlon (diving), Nate Foley (100 butterfly), Drew Acquaviva (100 backstroke).

### WRESTLING

#### Ravena 79, Voorheesville 6

Ravena winners: Joey Persico (96 pounds), Andy Lyman (103), Emmanuel Hernandez (112), Jordan Lane (119), Doug Winne (125), Mike West (130), Tyler Lane (135), George LaMountain (140), Cody Legg (145), Frank McDonagh (152), Nate Graham (160), Dillon Ruxton (171), Nick LaMountain (189), Chris Stead (275).

Voorheesville winner: Charlie McGrail (215 pounds).

## Friday, Dec. 16

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### Bethlehem 57,

#### Burnt Hills 45

Bethlehem leaders: Kevin Stempsey 25 points, Bill Yates 10 points.

#### Voorheesville 50,

#### Schalmont 44

Voorheesville leader: Greg Klopfer 11 points.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

#### Burnt Hills 54,

#### Bethlehem 38

Bethlehem leaders: Leah Gillham 8 points, Julie Hooper 8 points.

#### Schalmont 41,

#### Voorheesville 30

Voorheesville leader: Brigit Feeney 14 points.

### HOCKEY

#### Bethlehem Tournament

#### Bethlehem 2,

#### Queensbury 2

Bethlehem scoring: Adam Lipnick 1-0, Erik Russo 1-0, Nick Dugan 0-1, Scott Strohecker 0-1.

Bethlehem saves: T.J. Caswell 25.

### BOYS SWIMMING

#### Albany Academy 107,

#### Guilderville 79

Guilderville individual winners: David Cerutti (200-yard freestyle, 100 freestyle), Vadim Yafayev (200 individual medley, 100 breaststroke), Sean Molloy (diving).

## Saturday, Dec. 17

### GYMNASTICS

#### Shaker Invitational

Team scores: Saratoga 174.15, Shenendehowa 163.70, Gunderland 161.45, Bethlehem 155.40, Shaker 151.30, Roy C. Ketchum 144.80, Franklin D. Roosevelt 141.00.

Top 5 all-around: Dana Goodknight (G'land) 35.15, Kaitlin Dewey (Sar.) 36.85, Kiya McIntyre (Sar.) 36.35, Tara Harding (Shen) 34.8, Candace Board (Sar.) 34.45.

### HOCKEY

#### Bethlehem Tournament

#### Consolation game

Bethlehem 3, Newburgh Free Academy 2

### WRESTLING

#### Lee Van Slyke Memorial Tournament

Team scores: Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 240, Peru 203, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 182, Kingston 140, Victor 121.5, Gunderland 114.5, Saranac 104.5, Johnstown 100, Mohonasen 87, Corinth 62, Mechanicville 32, Goshen 30, Albany Academy 28.5.

Championship results: 96 pounds — Andy Lyman (RCS) dec. Brendan McKeown (BH-BL) 7-5; 103 — Mark Gillen (J'town) pinned Matt Cubillos (G'land) 4:44; 112 — Emmanuel Hernandez (RCS) dec. Joey Morrison (J'town); 119 — Josh Tripp (Peru) dec. Ed Galvin (Cor.) 1-0; 125 — Chris Payne (Vic.) dec. Kyle Vuillaume (BH-BL); 130 — Tyler Lane (RCS) dec. Marcus Epling (Vic.) 1-0; 135 — George LaMountain (RCS) dec. Paul Martin (BH-BL); 140 — Caleb Remillard (Peru) pinned Ian DeSol (G'land) 4:54; 145 — Dimitri Laurent (Vic.)

dec. Cody Legg (RCS) 12-4; 152 — Matt Kaylor (BH-BL) dec. Kevin Lashway (Peru); 160 — Nate Graham (RCS) dec. Trevor Flynn (BH-BL) 4-0; 171 — Dillon Ruxton (RCS) dec. Casey Leahy (BH-BL) 2-1; 189 — Keith Nevins (King.) pinned John Rondeau (Peru) 3; 15;

215 — Chris Stimpson (Vic.) dec. Ryan Stacey (Peru) 2-1; 275 — Peter Baker (Peru) pinned Cory Jones (King.) 5:56.

Most outstanding wrestlers: lightweight — Caleb Remillard (Peru); heavyweight — Matt Kaylor (BH-BL).


## Sullivan earns honor

Clayton A. Bouton High School graduate Erin Sullivan was recently named the National Soccer Coaches Association of America NCAA Division III New England Coach of the Year.

Sullivan, a member of the 1990 state champion Voorheesville boys soccer team, guided Western New England College to a 21-3 record and the Great Northeast Athletic Conference regular season title. The Golden Bears reached the third round of the NCAA Division III tournament and was ranked 12th nationally.

"I am incredibly honored and humbled to receive this award," said Sullivan. "I owe sincere thanks to my peer coaches for this recognition and to my players for their character and performance this season. Most of all, I owe a debt of gratitude to my coaching mentors throughout the Northeast who have provided me with immeasurable guidance and support during my development."

Sullivan owns a 75-45-11 career record as a coach.



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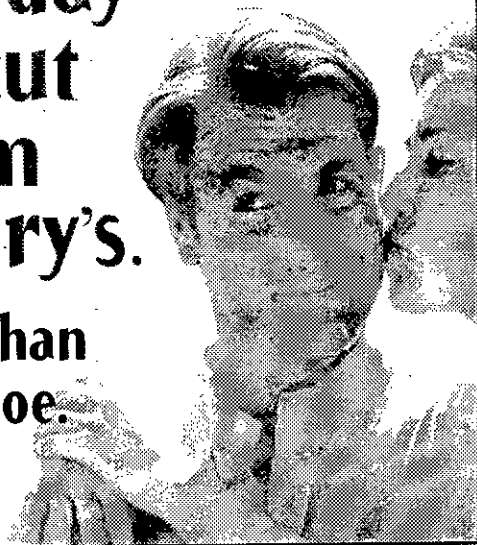
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# Sports *in the* Spotlight

## HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS SCHEDULE

### Wednesday, Dec. 21

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bethlehem at Colonie, 7:30 p.m.

#### BOYS BOWLING

Bethlehem at Averill Park, 4 p.m.

Ravena at Waterford, 4 p.m.

Voorheesville at Cobleskill, 4 p.m.

#### GIRLS BOWLING

Bethlehem at Averill Park, 4 p.m.

#### WRESTLING

Guilderland at Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.

### Thursday, Dec. 22

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

Colonie at Bethlehem (Sage College), 7:30 p.m.

#### BOYS SWIMMING

Bethlehem at Guilderville, 4:30 p.m.

#### WRESTLING

Ravena at Watervliet, 6 p.m.

Voorheesville at Broadalbin-Perth, 6 p.m.

### Friday, Dec. 23

#### HOCKEY

Bethlehem at LaSalle (HVCC), 7:20 p.m.

#### WRESTLING

Voorheesville at Duanesburg, 6 p.m.

### Monday, Dec. 26

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Troy at Bethlehem (Sage College), 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, Dec. 27

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

Gold Medal Tournament at Ravena, 6 p.m.

#### Guilderland Holiday Classic

Guilderland vs. Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.

#### GYMNASTICS

Bethlehem at Shenendehowa  
Guess Your Score meet, 11 a.m.

### Wednesday, Dec. 28

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

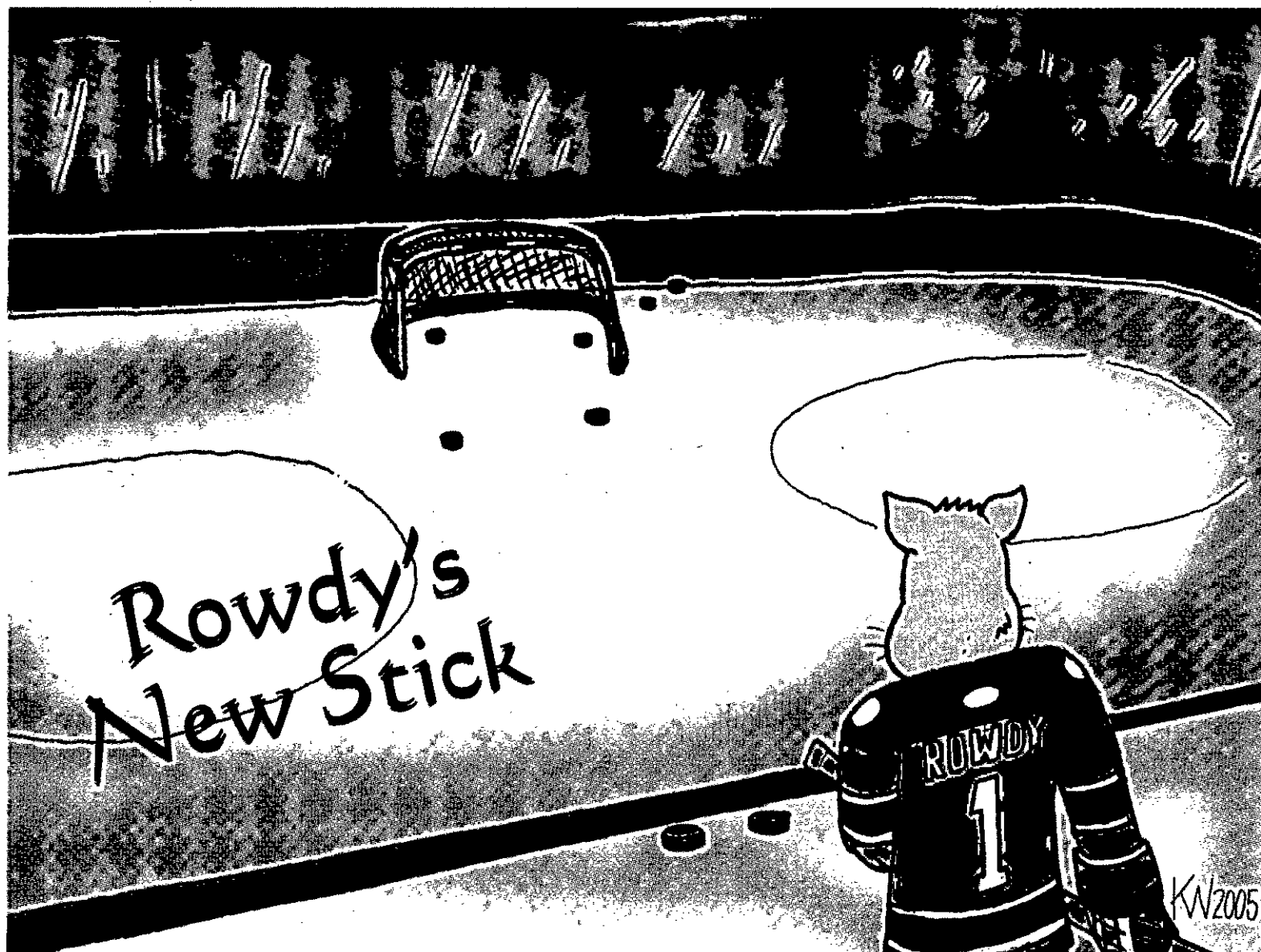
Gold Medal Tournament at Ravena, 4:30 p.m.

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Gold Medal Tournament at Ravena, 6 p.m.

#### INDOOR TRACK

Bethlehem at league meet, TBA



## A river rat gets his game back

By ROB JONAS

I've been working on my rhymes for a while (songwriting will do that to a person), so I figured I'd try my hand at some holiday prose this week. I'm sure that within the first sentence, you will realize which Christmas classic I'm ripping off here, but for clarity's sake, it's basically my version of "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Enjoy, and happy holidays.

*It was Christmas Eve, and all throughout Albany*

*Nobody was stirring except for a rat named Rowdy*

*He'd spent the past hour lying in bed*

*With thoughts of hockey dancing through his head*

*For years, he'd been the team's faithful mascot*

*Now he was wondering what other talents he's got*

*He began to think back to his teen years in Fort Edward*

*Playing river hockey and drinking hot chocolate at Stewart's*

*Rowdy started seeing the moves he used to make*

*The ones that made his opponents shudder in their skates*

*He could move like Mario and score like Gretzky*

*And fight like Bobby Clarke if need be*

*"I wonder if I still have it,"*

*Rowdy said aloud*

*There was only one way for him to find out*

*So he got dressed and crept into the arena at midnight*

*When the ice was fresh and the guards were out of sight*

*He stepped onto the ice and set up the goal*

*Grabbed the bucket of pucks and dumped them out slow*

*Rowdy gathered one of the rubber discs into his stick*

*Skated to the red line and darted to the zone quick*

*He made one cut, two cuts and then a third*

*Before launching a shot that might have killed a bird*

*Rowdy got another puck and tried again*

*But it came no closer to going in*

*He kept shooting for an hour at the empty net*

*But his shots weren't going in, and he started to fret*

*"Man, I didn't think I'd be this rusty*

*Why did I think I could still play hockey?"*

*That's when he heard someone laughing*

*But from where could the sound be coming?*

*Rowdy looked around the darkened stands*

*Frantically trying to pick out the laughing man*

*"Who's that?" he asked. "How long have you been here?"*

*"Ho, ho, ho," was the only response Rowdy could hear*

*As the laughing man drew closer, Rowdy began to shiver*

*"If I'm discovered, I'll probably be sent back up the river"*

*Finally, a shadow emerged from the Zamboni bay*

*He wore a red snowsuit and was woefully out of shape*

*"I'm sorry to intrude, but I thought you were asleep"*

*"I have more deliveries to make, so I'll be brief*

*"I saw the plight you're in, and I wanted to help you"*

*So I found this hockey stick that I want to give you"*

*The stranger reached into a large sack he was holding*

*And pulled out a brand new stick that seemed to be glowing*

*"This should help you with your accuracy," the man said*

*"And by the way, you really should have a helmet on your head."*

*Rowdy touched the hockey stick — it felt like any other*

*So he asked, "Does this have a magical power?"*

*The stranger laughed again and then looked Rowdy in the eye*

*"Nah, the blade's got a better*

*curve — give it a try."*

*So Rowdy skated back and tried a shot from the blue line*

*Wouldn't you know, it went in for the first time*

*Rowdy tried a few more shots from different spots on the ice*

*They all went in the goal with a "thwap" that sounded nice*

*Rowdy beamed with delight, he knew he was on his way*

*"This is perfect! Thanks pal," he wanted to say*

*But before Rowdy could get the words out, the stranger was gone*

*So he kept on shooting until it was almost dawn*

*When he was done, Rowdy walked back to his home*

*Placed the new stick beside the bed and laid down*

*He still couldn't sleep, though he tried with all his might*

*Because he kept wondering about the stranger he met that night*

*How did he get past security And how did he know what he needed?*

*Rowdy finally decided it didn't matter*

*Because he got what he desired*

*He learned he could still play the sport he loved*

*And that meant more to him than his autographed Marty Brodeur glove*

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