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Students net healthy hearts

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Spring a stone's throw away

Yes, the kids have been home all week, and it's been a non-winter in terms of snow, but take heart, signs of spring are everywhere this weekend.

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History in the making

History and intrigue were on the docket at last Saturday's Section II Wrestling Championships in Glens Falls.

The history happened early in the evening when Duanesburg's Amy Whitbeck defeated Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's Andy Lyman to become the first female to qualify for the state tournament.

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Inquiry won't affect education

Winchell on leave as investigation continues

By STEPHANIE LUBIS and MARTY BANNAN

For the first time since allegations of corruption were made against a recently retired school superintendent and business superintendent, the Voorheesville school board and residents of the district assembled together in an open forum.

With a large turnout attending February's regular school board meeting on Feb. 13, district officials held the meeting in the school's auditorium. Although plenty of people were on hand, only three people took floor privileges to speak on the matter.

The allegations stemmed from a state Comptroller's Office audit, which revealed questionable payments to former Superintendent Alan McCartney and Superintendent for Business Anthony Marturano over the last decade.

Auditors found that McCartney and Marturano paid themselves a total of \$216,000 for leave and other employment benefits. The two school officials allegedly authorized virtually all of those payments

to themselves without the knowledge or approval of the board of education. Voorheesville district officials conducted their own audit and subsequently filed a civil lawsuit to recover those funds.

According to the report, McCartney and Marturano paid themselves more than their contracts allowed for unused vacation time; failed to charge vacation time; took unauthorized leave benefits, inappropriate stipend and personal leave payments; and failed to notify the board about taking pay for unused vacation payments.

"The investigation required a lot of work by the board and administration, but in no way means we will neglect the mandate we have guaranteeing a quality education," said school board president Joseph F. Pofit.

As this was also the first public meeting since teaching assistant John Krajewski was arrested on rape charges for having relations with a 14-year-old girl, Pofit addressed that matter, saying that it involves the police.

"We are not privy to the investigation," he said. "People with any information should call 768-2367, Steve Nutting."

As for the case involving McCartney and Marturano, Pofit said

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Infant's death still under investigation

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

There are no new developments in the case of the three-and-a-half-month old baby who died Feb. 15 at Little Wonders Daycare in Delmar, according to Bethlehem police.

At about 3 p.m. on the 15th, members of the Bethlehem Police Department, Delmar Rescue Squad and Albany County Paramedics responded to a call from the daycare center saying the baby was unconscious. The baby was administered CPR prior to being transported to Albany Medical Center Hospital, where the infant was pronounced dead a short time later.

An autopsy performed last Thursday determined that the baby died from inhaling vomit. No other signs of physical injuries or marks were observed.

Little Wonders Daycare was licensed through the New York State Office of Children and

Family Services, which has suspended the license of the daycare, but no charges have been filed against the daycare providers at this time.

Also assisting in the investigation are the New York state Office of Children and Family Services, Albany County District Attorney's Office and the Albany County Department for Children, Youth and Families.

"Right now we're working with the three agencies and reviewing the evidence, but right now I can't make any comments on it," said Lt. Thomas Heffernan of the Bethlehem Police Department. "Right now, the death does not look suspicious."

Any time there is a death at a day care facility, those three offices will be involved, Heffernan said. The investigation is still pending, and it's not known when it will be completed, Heffernan said.

INDEPENDENTS DAY

Movie fanciers flock to Film Forum fundraiser

By GRAHAM S. PARKER

It's a safe bet that this year's Academy Awards season will lend itself to a barrage of late night television hosts honing their "Brokeback Mountain" jokes.

Those same jokes will certainly be the material for the amateur hour at the water cooler the next morning.

But true film devotees will spend the days leading up to the Oscars lamenting or praising the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Science's list of nominees, while others will reflect on the salad days and the gems of the silver screen.

On March 5, movie aficionados will gather in Saratoga Springs as they have for 13 years, enjoying a late night buffet in party attire, and keeping a close eye on the ceremonies.

The Oscar night gathering is a tradition of the Saratoga Film

Forum, a group of movie enthusiasts, who, despite awards season, simply enjoy the art of the motion picture. It's their love for movies that created the Oscars party every year. All proceeds go to keeping the forum up and running.

"Like any other nonprofit we are trying to do something that serves the public interest and need. And there isn't a lot of money out there to do it," said Graeme McKenna, managing director of the forum.

Since its inception, roughly 15 years ago in the dimly lit corners of Saratoga Springs coffeehouses, the forum has grown exponentially. Now, with 350 members, and an annual 15,000 circulation of the forum's newsletter, the group is looking to become a bigger and brighter star among independent motion picture buffs.

However, the goal of the forum

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Midnight at the movies

By STEPHEN PAUSE

In the 25 years that the Spectrum 8 Theatres have been around, they have perennially shown award-winning and Oscar-contending films, but a recently begun series on Friday nights that has given new life to a different genre: the cult classic.

Since its inception in January, the theater has been showing films that have gained cult status over the years as part of its midnight Underground Movie Series.

The brainchild behind the series is one of the theater managers, Mike Keegan, who said he came up with the idea after seeing the possibility in midnight films.

He said that in the past, the employees would get together and watch movies after the theater closed.

"There was a niche that we thought wasn't being served," he said. "It's done as a fun thing to

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Police Blotter

Police make arrests for DWI, burglary & drug possession

At 3:09 a.m., Feb. 11, police arrested Daniel J. Hillman, 19, of 87 Magnolia Circle in Ravena, for DWI and petty larceny.

Hillman's vehicle was stopped in reference to the petty larceny at Price Chopper in Slingerlands, police said. Officers Michael Cozzy interviewed the suspects in the vehicle and noticed a strong odor of alcohol. Hillman failed field sobriety tests and was arrested for DWI and petty larceny. Field sobriety tests were conducted at police headquarters on Delaware Ave. due to the number of occupants in the car and the hazardous weather conditions.

Hillman is due in court Feb. 22 at 4 p.m.

At 6:30 a.m. on Feb. 16, police arrested Michael P. Graham, 52, of 333 Delaware Ave, for burglary.

The burglary was reported at 333 Café on Delaware Ave. Graham resides in the apartment above the café and told police that he heard someone in the café earlier and that he looked out his window to see if there was anyone out on the street but saw no one, police said.

Responding officer James Rexford observed that the front window on the southeast corner of the building was smashed out and broken glass and a wine bottle were found in the bush just east of the sidewalk, police said.

Officer Rexford called for a second car for a building search and a detective to process the crime scene, and the owner of the café was contacted, police said.

Officer Peter Resnick arrived as well as the business owner and a search of the building was conducted, police said.

Detective Charles Rudolph arrived to process the scene and he found blood droppings on the edges of broken glass at the point of entry into the café, police said.

Officer Charles Radliff and Officer Rexford went to interview residents and found blood on the front door and on the stairwell and on the door handle to Graham's apartment, police said.

Graham said he was home from 9 p.m. the previous night, but he had cuts on both hands, and the left had fresh blood on it, police said. Other residents of the apartment building said they didn't see anything.

Graham signed a consent form to search his apartment and was arrested for burglary, police said. He was arraigned by Judge Paul Dwyer and will receive a preliminary hearing Feb. 22 at 4 p.m. He was sent to Albany County jail without bail.

On Feb 15, police arrested Patricia L. Pugh, 31, of Schuyler Falls on charges of criminal possession of a controlled substance in the third degree, a

felony.

Traffic Safety Officer Jeffrey Vunck originally received a complaint from the Econolodge Motel at Frontage Road because Pugh refused to leave. Upon arrival, Officer James Rexford said Pugh and her companion were found to be loading personal belongings into the car, and the Econolodge clerk said that they paid for one night but stayed past checkout, police said.

Upon checking Pugh's license, it was found that her license was revoked for multiple DWI convictions as well as it being an ID only, police said. Officers Rexford and Vunck left the Econolodge and moments later Pugh's vehicle was observed traveling from Econolodge lot to Frontage Road. The vehicle was stopped and Pugh was removed from the vehicle, police said.

A check of Pugh's purse revealed various white pills and a small bag of marijuana. Pugh said the white pills were Tylenol. A vehicle check revealed a small bag of white powder, which Pugh admitted was cocaine, police said. An EMS evaluation was requested and Pugh was returned to police headquarters for processing, but on the way, she began having seizures and thrashing violently and an EMS upgrade was requested, police said. The seizure lasted several

minutes, and Pugh was physically secured by four officers and sedated and transported to Albany Medical Center for evaluation and treatment, police said.

The pills were identified as hydrocodone and acetaminophen with codeine, police said. Pugh was released from Albany Medical Center, and medical staff thought Pugh's seizures were emotionally based from stress.

Pugh was arraigned before Judge Dwyer and was sent to Albany County jail without bail. She is due in court Feb. 22 at 4 p.m.

Host families needed for exchange students

Host families are needed for 30 American Field Service foreign exchange students who will be coming to the Capital District for the 2006-07 school year.

Students from countries all over the world will attend local high schools and participate in all aspects of family, school and community life.

Families who apply early this spring will have the best opportunity to view applications from students with special interests that match theirs, such

as athletics or music.

Local AFS volunteers provide family orientation and student support, as well as social and educational events for students, host families, and host siblings. For information about hosting, or about intercultural opportunities for US high school students study abroad for a summer, semester or year, contact Happy Scherer at 439-0016 or call 1-800-AFS-INFO.

Scouting crew seeks community support

Help support Scouting Venture Crew 58. Come to the all you can eat spaghetti dinner Sunday March 12, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Delmar Masonic Lodge, 421 Kenwood Ave. The cost is \$6.

Venture Scouting is a high adventure program run by the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women from age 14 to 21 years old.

Venture Crew 58 is sponsored by Bethlehem Lodge 85 Free and Accepted Masons and meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Delmar Masonic Lodge on Kenwood Ave.

In its first year, the crew has gone white water rafting, rock climbing and camping as well as having social activities like midnight rock and bowling.

Future plans include visiting the BSA National Sea Base in the Florida Keys for a week of sailing and snorkeling.



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Glenmont students show off their big hearts

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Shoot hoops and save a life.

Under the direction of physical education teacher Laurie Nolan, Glenmont Elementary School has been a leading force in raising funds to combat heart disease and promote education and prevention.

Over the last eight years, the school has raised over \$140,000, and last year raised over \$25,000, earning a rank of third nationally for schools that size and first in the state.

Hoops for Heart is an American Heart Association program to educate youth about the importance of exercise and diet to maintain a healthy heart. This year, County Executive Mike Breslin, D-Delmar, joined the fight, and announced he would shoot hoops one-on-one with a student and double his contribution to the cause if that student beat him. Breslin went home poor.

Fifth-grader Nathan Kale competed one-on-one with Breslin, fighting the good fight all the way. Breslin, a former varsity basketball player at West Point, had a tough time keeping up. Kale won the first round against Breslin, making seven out of 10 shots to Breslin's six out of 10. The second round was tougher, with each making their shots and making the one-on-

one match longer than anticipated, but in the end, Kale was the victor.

Kale said he felt good beating the county executive.

"I practiced right before," he said.

Breslin was more concerned with what the day really meant.

"What Laurie has done is fantastic," said Breslin. "Raising \$140,000 privately takes a lot of determination. The program allows us to think about what to do

to prevent heart disease. The more the kids learn at a younger age, the more likely they won't forget it."

Hoops for Heart's first year raised about \$6,000, said Kathi Davey, an office worker who helps organize the event every year. "The fourth year, we raised over \$20,000 and never went back."

Kids begin canvassing for donations in January, getting donations from family, friends and anyone else they know. Corporate matching from local businesses also helps.

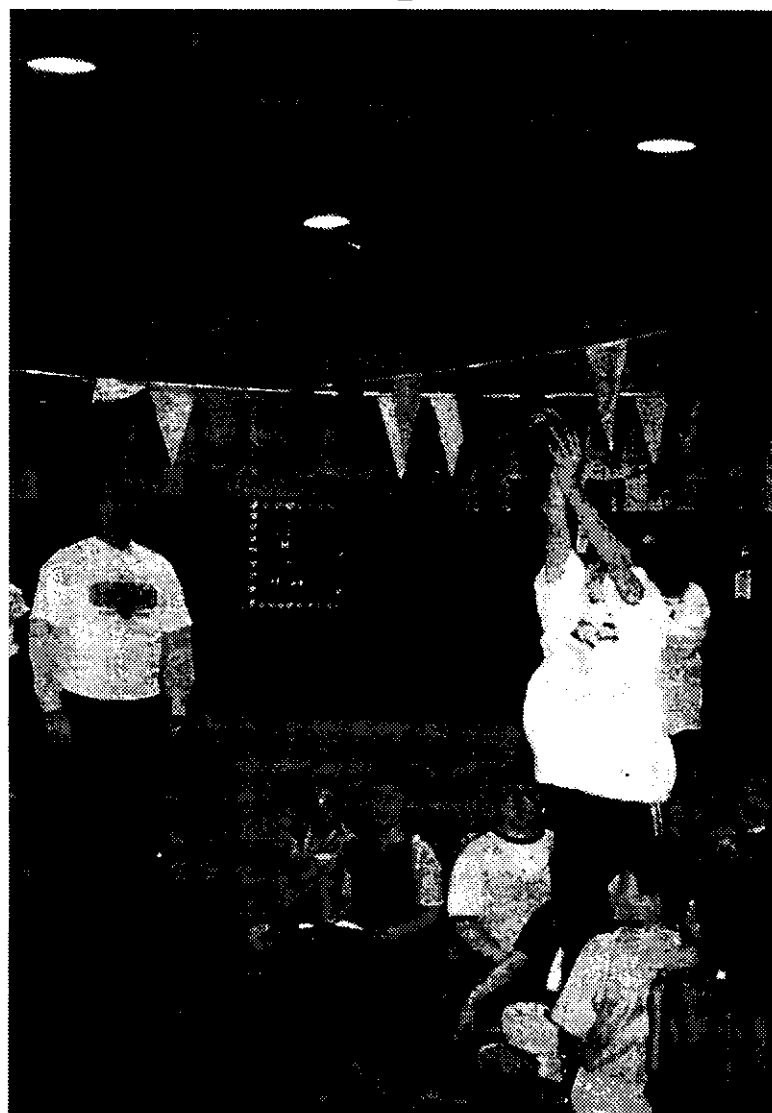
"It's a very community-based program," said Jeff Maslin of the American Heart Association. "We partner with schools and we help them with health and nutrition resources, and we get help from all over the community."

Breslin offered the school a proclamation, highlighting the students' accomplishments in Hoops for Heart over the last eight years.

"Good diet and exercise are the best things you can do for your heart," he said. "This may seem like it's just a good time, but it's a big deal."



County executive Mike Breslin, D-Delmar, shakes hands with fifth-grader Nathan Kale after Kale's victory against him in one-on-one.



Nathan Kale shoots a basket in a one-on-one match against county executive Mike Breslin. Breslin promised to double his contribution to Hoops for Heart if Kale wins the competition.

BCSD hosts health and wellness fair Feb. 28

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Next Tuesday marks Bethlehem Central School District's first Community Health and Wellness Fair, and the 10 months of work are down to the final week of last minute preparation.

Fresh approaches for dealing with stress, information on substance abuse, learning about bone health and other health concerns will be the topics of numerous seminars, exhibits and vendors at the fair, and special fitness activities will be demonstrated by students at all BCSD schools, from synchronized swimming to basketball.

"We're getting excited, we can't wait," said Kelly Ciavardoni, physical education teacher at the high school and co-chair of the committee.

Last Friday afternoon, students from Slingerlands moved their health models to the high school. The health models are of health related places in the community.

"One student did a model of CVS, and another did a model of

a house with a backyard pool," said Ciavardoni. "They came over to the high school on Friday, and they're adorable."

The Wellness Fair will be very hands-on. Many deliveries from vendors are arriving, including 5,000 pedometers donated from the Coca Cola Company. Eastern Mountain Sports is donating whistles and re-usable water bottles, the Cornell Cooperative Extension is donating 500 bags of trail mix, and a delivery of fruits and vegetables for kids and their parents to take home as snacks is also on the way.

The Wellness Fair will have fun activities, but it won't be a carnival atmosphere. Getting health information to the public and boosting awareness of area resources are the goals.

Health information will be available for all ages, including the special needs of young children and senior citizens.

Studies show that in the Bethlehem Central School District, children in grades six through 10 are at or above the national statistics for being overweight or at risk for overweight, and last year, the BC FitnessGram results showed that 15 percent of girls in grades four through 10 were in the "needs improvement" category for body mass index.

"Our goal this year is to reach out to the whole community, from elementary students to grandparents, in an effort to educate the community on wellness and

fitness," said Frederick Powers, supervisor of the department of health and physical education at the school. "The Health and Wellness Fair is an event that underscores the community's commitment to improving health and wellness."

Some of the specific topics will be diabetes; stress; metal health; bone health; anxiety and depression in children; senior fitness; asthma; performance enhancing drugs like steroids; building healthy habits; childhood obesity; athletic injury prevention; the rights and responsibilities of parents whose children host house parties when they are away; and nurturing the healer within. Check the program guide for times.

Fitness activities demonstrated by students include basketball skills; synchronized swimming; exercise bands and stability balls; the p.e. central challenge; Adirondack paddle-n-pole; dance; jump rope; and ballroom dance. Check the program for times.

Other activities and health screenings include cholesterol screening; glaucoma pressure check; visual acuity screening; body composition; blood pressure; BMI's; body fat composition tests; Aikido demonstration; specialized yoga for teens; health education and SADD; yoga kids; lyme disease and ticks, and recreational possibilities; and cup stacking.

Numerous vendors and

special exhibits are also featured. A raffle; Buster the Bus, an exhibit on bus safety; "The Produce Line", singing vegetables; and others will be on hand throughout the fair.

The Community Health and Wellness Fair will be at the high school on Feb. 28 from 6 to 9 p.m. There is no snow date.

Bethlehem Library appoints Sobiecki

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

a pool of five applicants.

Bethlehem Public Library trustees have appointed John Sobiecki to fill the unexpired term left vacant by the resignation of Louise Kavanaugh.

"I was involved with the library before as an architect, and I worked on their last capital improvement project," said Sobiecki. "Really I just want to give something back to the community. My kids have used the library for years, and it's a great resource."

Sobiecki was appointed at last week's monthly meeting. He will serve until May, and then he must be elected.

"I've already started," he said. "Right now I'm getting my feet wet, absorbing information."

Sobiecki's appointment was a decision made by all of the trustees, and was chosen from

"We're delighted to have John serve on the board of trustees," said library director Nancy Pieri. "I think he'll make a tremendous addition to our board."

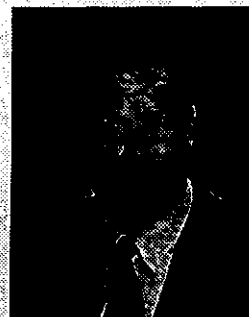
Sobiecki is a 15-year resident of Delmar and is a managing principal for Cannon Design in Albany. His work as an architect was also of interest to the trustees.

"I think they were interested in me as a trustee partly because of my architectural experience," he said. "I know about buildings and I can advise."

Pieri agrees.

"He'll bring a lot of expertise to the board, and that's very valuable," she said. "It's nice to have someone to help."

There are seven trustees. The trustees are responsible for setting policy, developing the library budget, and overseeing library operations. Terms are for five years.



Sobiecki

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The stuff of our lives heats up our home

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Our house is a hot spot. Who knew?

Christopher discovered it when he was messing around with his latest handheld video game. He and his brother had been beating the drum about being able to play games with friends while their friends were in their own homes, something I've been avoiding dealing with for a couple of reasons.

The first thing is that "friends" often broadens to include strangers. This is the natural next step of the online world, moving from solo to computer conversations, and one that parents regard with great wariness. Chat rooms, online backgammon and posts about subjects of specific interest fulfill the need for human contact without forcing us to leave the comfort of our own homes.

For any of us, but parents in particular, it's fraught with problems, since we don't know whom we're really contacting.

My kids dismiss my concerns out-of-hand, and go on to accuse me of not trusting their judgment.

One video game played through the television concerns me in particular, and makes me glad that my kids don't have it. It's a war game, and through your cable television, you can connect with other people to take down armies. I'm assured by work

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colleagues, my children, their friends, and their friends' parents, that you have control over who joins your game. I know my kids play it at their friends' houses, something that has long been my middle ground. If they have it there, we don't need it here; I can give them the safety lecture and hope that the presence of a friend beats the allure of any possible bad guys out there. And save my energy for lecture No. 2, which has to do with the violent aspect of this video game — and a plethora of other games.

Also, now that my kids are in their teen years, I do need to accord them some trust. Knock wood — and if you know differently, please call me — they haven't given me a reason to distrust them.

And it's great that our own Internet needs have let us avoid the discussion about whether and how to hook us up to a wireless network so that the kids can play their DS games with friends and others at a remote distance.

While on the face of it, I'm fully in favor of as much technology as the future can bring (look at great

things like washers, dryers, dishwashers and the telephone), add IT specialist to the résumé I'd write if I were dealing with all the home chores that our mine.

"Where's our wireless router?" Christopher asked, clutching his handheld game, after discovering that, contrary to his long-held belief, we do live in the modern era.

"I think it's that black box on top of the computer tower," I told him. That's the thing that always throws me when I have to call tech support on those horrifying instances when we lose our Internet.

Is it a modem? Is it a router? I end up reading numbers to the Indian-accented, young-sounding phone rep who insists she's in Toronto. I try to get my kids to make the fix-the-computer phone calls, since they are the ones who really know what's going on, but for all their love of and ease with modern technology, they hate the telephone. It's amazing to watch them punch buttons to immediately get cell phones, iPods, or video games going, but have them fear the telephone. Do they need their hearing checked? Are they too distracted by the world around them to listen to the voice on the other end? They have lots to say in real life; why do they become semi-mute when a telephone is put to their ear?

Their dad offered another question to the hot spot information. "Does that mean we have wi-fi?" he asked.

Does it? Should we invite an army of laptop users over to connect to one another and see if we do?

I'm reminded of something Mike Tangora of Bethlehem's Tangora Technologies once said.

"If we could hear all the communication going on in our atmosphere, we'd go crazy," he said.

Sometimes I think the sci-fi classic paradigm of the machines running the world has come true: we just don't know it because it's all happening on a frequency we can't hear.

It's funny that so much of the stuff of our lives has gone virtual, or shrunk to a tiny size. If that's the case, though, why is my house still cluttered with the stuff of a lifetime?

There are, of course, the toys, which seem to get displaced, shuffled, and eventually moved to the basement. Maybe a basement is a bellwether for a home: when it's full, the upstairs will start bulging at the seams.

It distresses me to have so much stuff all over the place, for

puts me in the modern-day category of spoiling my children, but it is his room, and I'd rather use up my argument chips with him organizing homework and making sure he turns it in.

Besides, as he is quick to point out, it's not like his father and I are so strong on the organization front. For the most part, our clothes are piled on the beautiful blanket chest my brother made us; books we'll read if we ever get to retire are stacked on our nightstands, and our dressers are a hodgepodge of pictures (in envelopes, waiting to go into albums), important papers, and stuff whose origin we're no longer sure of.

And then the stuff of middle age creeps into what should be our sanctuary. It's funny how the nature of things you acquire changes as you age. While my kids use their allowance to purchase books, Star Wars paraphernalia, and iTunes, Chris and I have moved away from purchasing CDs and electronics to purchasing the things that will keep us in this hot spot we've created.

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there are still so many people who go without in the world. The death by lecture format I'm taking to get Cormac to clean his room draws on that. "When I see this stuff strewn all over," I tell him as I pick my way to his dresser to put his clean clothes away, "it looks like wasted money. Yours, mine and Daddy's, and all the gifts that family and friends have given you."

His response is the time-honored one of a young teenager carving out his identity in the world. Every parent in the world, feel free to repeat it with me.

"It's my room, and I like it this way," he insists. He furthers his argument by saying that if it were put away, he'd never know it was there, and wouldn't that be even more disrespectful toward all the people who have made his treasure possible?

I point out that the clear plastic bins that seem to take up every spare penny we ever had would allow him to keep everything organized and visible, then I give up the fight. Yes, yes, I know that

from purchasing CDs and electronics to purchasing the things that will keep us in this hot spot we've created.

Chris' sleeplessness is finally cured, thanks to a machine called a CPAP that forces oxygen into his airways during the night. While the boys and I refer to him as Darth Vader when he wears it, because it makes the same noise the villain's breathing does, it has at last given him the joy of a good night's sleep.

Not content to let him have all the fun, I recently got a night guard so I would stop gnashing and grinding my teeth at night.

"Oh, baby, we're happenin' now," I told him as we kitted up and settled down for a long winter's night recently.

I have high hopes for all this technology. Well-rested and with all our teeth intact, we'll be ready to usher in the next generation of technology. I sure hope that includes an inexpensive robot that folds and puts away the laundry.

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WEEKLY WEATHER

Chief Meteorologist Mike Bono

Albany Almanac

Record high/low/year

AVERAGE HIGH 33°	AVERAGE LOW 15°	
Day	High/Year	Low/Year
Wednesday, February 22	68°/1997	-8°/1963
Thursday, February 23	62°/1984	-16°/1972
Friday, February 24	65°/1985	-11°/1894
Saturday, February 25	67°/1976	-14°/1914
Sunday, February 26	63°/1976	-11°/1950
Monday, February 27	61°/1997	-13°/1940
Tuesday, February 28	63°/1903	-10°/1950

SEASONAL SNOWFALL TO DATE
26.2 inches as of Friday, February 17th
17.4 inches below average

This week in weather

February 23 1802 A big snowstorm raged over New England with 4 feet of snow falling north of Boston. 54 inches fell in Epping, NH.
February 28, 1900 A record snowstorm from Kansas to NY dropped 43 inches at Rochester and 60 inches in the Adirondacks.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	6:42am	5:36pm
Thursday	6:40am	5:37pm
Friday	6:39am	5:38pm
Saturday	6:37am	5:40pm
Sunday	6:36am	5:41pm
Monday	6:34am	5:42pm
Tuesday	6:33am	5:43pm

Moon Phases

February 27 th	March 6 th
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Planets	When	Where
Jupiter	Dawn	Dominates S
Saturn	Dusk	Glow in East
Mars	Dusk	Yellow, High S
Venus	Dawn	Bright, Low SE
Mercury	Dusk	Very Low W



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Ski Report

Area Ski Conditions

Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails	Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails
Gore Mtn.	24" - 53"	9	54	Berkshire East	12" - 65"	5	28
Whiteface	34" - 49"	8	67	Sugarbush	6" - 30"	12	107
Stratton Mtn.	26" - 38"	8	81	Hunter Mtn.	10" - 90"	8	43
Mount Snow	20" - 34"	10	85	Belleayre	15" - 55"	8	34
Okemo	18" - 32"	16	104	Jiminy Peak	18" - 50"	5	35
West Mtn.	24" - 48"	5	13	Willard Mtn.	18" - 34"	3	10
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Killington	20" - 30"	19	142	Smugglers'	14" - 40"	8	63

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Sunday	3:12am, 3:42pm	9:47am, 10:26pm
Monday	4:05am, 4:32pm	10:39am, 11:13pm
Tuesday	4:56am, 5:20pm	11:30am, 11:59pm



School releases preliminary budget, looks for public input

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Bethlehem's school district preliminary budget doesn't leave a lot of room for additional requests.

Challenges facing all school districts in the state, such as rising pension, insurance and health care costs, have many districts feeling the pinch.

Debt service beginning this year for Bethlehem's bond issue is yet another challenge the district is facing, and striking a balance between advancing program goals for the district and developing a budget taxpayers will accept will be even more of a challenge in the next few years.

Debt service will likely add another two percent per year to the district's annual average tax increase of about five percent, and tax revenues from the still-to-be-built Vista Technology Campus won't be seen until about 2009.

"It's a tough time for us," said Superintendent Leslie Loomis. "The tax rate will be a bit higher in the next few years because of the bond issue, but if we make cuts in the budget to offset those extra costs, we won't be able to reach our program goals."

Even though key program goals in the next year include advancing scores on the SATs and increasing passing rates in standardized testing and Regents exams, the school also wants to help the students who may be having problems not

exhibited through their test scores.

"We do have some students who have been falling through the cracks, and so we are making it our goal that no student will be allowed to fail," said Loomis. "We want to organize a series of interventions such as extra help, extra time, more scrutiny, more parental involvement, and make sure that we give those students all they need to pass."

A mentoring program for ninth grade students, which would put another teacher in each homeroom to help monitor for potential problems, is an idea the district will implement next fall. Ninth grade has by far the highest number of suspensions and cases of disciplinary action, Loomis said, and the program is designed so problems are more likely to be caught early and addressed.

A homework club being started at the middle school to help students with problems getting homework done, tutoring, and five-week progress reports sent to parents, in conjunction with with other programs, are all ideas that Loomis said would be difficult with a contingency budget.

If a district twice defeats a school budget, the district must go to a bare-bones contingency budget, and according to Loomis, the proposed budget for 2006-07 can't get much lower without cutting essential programming.

"Basically, we're stuck with this baseline budget," said

Loomis of the proposed budget. "We really can't cut anything else without cutting staff. There just isn't a lot of room to go leaner."

Loomis said the question is whether it is worth adding a percent to the tax increase to do the things proposed in the budget, and it is up to the board and the community to decide.

"These things are legitimate, they are not a wish list," he said.

A total savings of \$800,000 in the next year's budget from returning 16 BOCES students to the district, reduction of bus attendants, and summer school for special education students along with no new proposals for next year's budget would still mean an overall tax increase of about five percent, Loomis said, but with the programs the board wants to implement, a six and a half to seven percent overall increase is likely.

Part of the presentation at last week's school board meeting included some consequences with a contingency budget, which would mean a

staff cut of 30 teacher positions, 40 staff support positions, or 20 administrative positions. The spending increase would be capped at four percent, which is a reduction in the overall budget of at least \$1.25 million.

The board is looking for

meeting together will get exactly what they want," said board member Stuart Lyman. "But we are interested in hearing about needs from those schools that they just can't do without."

"People need to know what the board is looking for as far as realistic expectations," said Loomis.

Several parents spoke at the meeting, sharing suggestions to make the budget process

more palatable to the average person. In addition to smaller meetings, a detailed explanation about how a defeated budget affects the school community was also a suggestion.

"We need to be able to picture how the budget relates to us on the household level," said Ann Burdick of Glenmont.

The board will be working over the next six weeks on individual areas of the budget at its bi-weekly meetings. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

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alternative ways to elicit public comment and suggestions in time to shape the final budget.

In addition to the regular budget meetings, two parent meetings will take place March 6 and March 9, so the board can share budget concerns, and so board members and administrators can hear some of what students are doing.

However, there is concern that there is not a lot of room for add-ons in the budget.

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Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Do your homework

Local school districts are already anticipating budgets for the next school year, which is no simple task.

In fact, it's daunting and requires hundreds of hours of study and hard work by local school boards, superintendents and administrators.

Most school districts have to juggle what they have little control over — faculty and staff salaries and health benefits — and the quality and future of education for students throughout the region.

Editorial

The sad thing is, unless there is a pressing issue, most of the public stays home on budget meeting nights, as do the majority of voters on school budget election day in May.

Unless the public is involved in the process, chances are this trend will continue. And because these budgets are decided by a vote, it is one of the few areas where voters can participate in the process.

Disgruntled residents, therefore, can defeat a budget without having any idea of what the budget will mean to educators and students.

Many of the towns and villages Spotlight Newspapers covers are similar in nature, suburban, relatively affluent and proud of their communities for supporting topnotch education for our children.

We would like to think our readers would be more active participants in the school district budget process.

Our schools are the reflection of the community and what it values as a whole entity.

Granted, there are immense pressures on average citizens in terms of being overtaxed. And of course the spiraling jumps in the cost of living in the form of increasing heating and gasoline costs continue to strain our budgets to the max.

But even so, that doesn't mean our kids should be short-changed as far as their education is concerned. A computer will not educate a child, pique his curiosity or instill a love of reading and learning. Only teachers, parents and other role models can do that. In today's world, more and more of the burden of educating the whole human being has been in the school setting, which taxes us in other ways than money.

It places even more responsibility on the school environment.

Many people moved to suburbia because of the quality of education there. That quality will erode if budgets fail because of voter apathy and lack of concern.

All we advocate is for voters to make an informed, intelligent decision as to how the school district and its future are determined. Don't sit back to allow a minority of voters to make those important decisions. Check out the budget schedule on your district's Web site, go to meetings, and know the issues facing school districts — and ultimately, our children.

Ready for retirement? Not so fast

By JACK CONNELL

The writer is a resident of the town of Bethlehem and has been struggling with retirement since 2000.

Retirement: magazine articles, countless books and seemingly every media site regularly bombard us with the critical need for to plan and prepare for this wondrous event. Often, we think about it even in our 30s and 40s and sometimes earlier than that. We are conscious of it and long for it sometimes decades before it might be a reasonable possibility for most of us.

As we age, increasingly we talk about it as if it were some happy state of nirvana; we dream about it more often as a place where stress is at a minimum and where we can now do what we really always wanted time to do. Simply put, we can't wait for this blessed event. Yet most of our preparation and planning is, as we are cautioned to do, centered around developing a sustainable financial plan which will allow us to continue our current lifestyle without a significant negative adjustment. This is a reasonable and necessary precaution, especially given that we Americans are now projected to live longer after retirement than ever before in our history. That's the good news. But the rest of the story is, what will we do with all that time?

Many of us rushed into retirement not necessarily tired of working 9 to 5 or eager to get out of a dull or stressful career, but because

Point of View

we now could by virtue of age and/or financial security. We left the world of work to follow our other dreams: to travel to all those exotic places we always wished we had time for; to spend more time with families, which by now are grown and scattered hither and yon; to pursue our hobbies in greater depth and refinement or to finally catch up on all those great books we heard about and longed to read.

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Uncomfortable new realities begin to emerge and they are truly a shock, to say the least! We have too much time on our hands! We have traveled to China and Ireland; we have visited our children in Seattle, Chicago or Katmandu; we have taken continuing education classes and sat in on college lectures; we have read new books and old favorites till our eyes begin to cross; we have gardened and painted and carved until we discover why "hobbies" are called "hobbies" and learn that they lose much of their appeal when they become full-time pursuits. We have done all these and more and still we have too much time on our hands, and we feel that something is missing.

In planning for retirement, the essential element that we did not take into account was that most of us have been working for decades, sometimes for half a century or more. We often had a part-time job in high school and/or during college followed by 30 to 40 years in the work force following a career. We had schedules to meet, places we had to be, people to interact with and tasks, which had to be done in a timely

fashion. We now have nobody to give orders to or to take them from (of course, notable exceptions being our spouses!).

We are like the old fire horses that can never stop reacting to the sound of a bell or horn. We have been likewise conditioned over the decades to get up and to go someplace every morning and to do something concrete and productive. Now, when we get up we wonder how will we fill up our day without that regular 9 to 5. Retirement planning often did not include how we would answer the questions of our decades-long conditioning. Changing our pace to match a slower retirement rhythm is very difficult but not impossible.

Studies have shown that successful retirement clearly includes much more than the obvious need for financial security. Successful retirees are often those

who had been previously involved outside of their work life in their communities regularly participating in social, religious or other volunteer activities involving close contact with others. These contacts do not necessarily have to be close intimate friendships but can be more like what we had in the work environment of cooperative surface relationships focused on a particular task. These contacts on a person-to-person basis often provide the missing bridge between work and the successful retirement of which we initially envisioned and dreamed.

We might call this a broader state of "conditioning:" as it includes regular and consistent contact with others outside of the work life and away from interests, which we might have done alone. A healthy dose of this human contact ingredient allows us then to pursue all of those other dreams we had for retirement and without us feeling that we are still missing something. For those of us already retired, we need to actively seek out activities that put us back into situations where we have regular contact with others.

A number of years ago, a published statistic indicated that the average life span after retirement for a 65-year-old was an additional three years. This was qualified by happily noting that a positive increase in longevity was possible for those who maintained regular involvement with others.

It may take a whole village to raise a child, but it also seems to be relevant to keeping us retired folks happy and healthy long into the future!

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Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Development should not be built near Five Rivers

Editor, The Spotlight:

Unfortunately it appears that a proposed housing development in Slingerlands that will adversely affect a place many of us hold dear, flew under the radar of area residents when it appeared before the Town of Bethlehem's Development Planning Committee on the morning of Jan. 19.

I am referring to the proposed "Phillipinkill Manor" development of 110 "upscale luxury residences" that will stretch from Fisher Boulevard to Orchard Road on property owned by William Cade, and which will be adjacent to Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road. Please let your readers in the Capital District know of the threat to one of the few remaining natural areas in the region that is readily accessible and used and enjoyed by thousands of people year-round. The impact of a huge housing complex on this oasis of green in the midst of an ever-expanding metropolis cannot be underestimated.

As currently proposed by the owner's representatives at the meeting, this enormous development will necessitate the leveling of much of the hilly topography of the property to create level building lots and to install the supporting infra-

structure of water, sewer and road systems. The engineer for the project boasted that several acres of "greenway" would be donated to serve as a buffer to protect the natural areas at Five Rivers. However, what is readily evident from looking at the map of these proposed areas is that they are existing wetlands, where development is not permitted by state or federal regulation anyway. Other wetlands shown will be filled in for paved roads and "mitigated" (replaced) by large ponds, as if the two are the same type of bodies of water and supported the same types of aquatic life.

What effect will the change in topography have on the Phillipinkill (a tributary of the Hudson River) and thereby also on Five Rivers? Obviously it will alter the biodiversity that thrives here currently by making it more uniform and less hospitable to diverse types of plants and animals. Leveling the land will lessen the area's ability to act as a filter and sponge for the water that enters the stream from rain and melting snow. If it decreases the amount of water flowing to parts of Five Rivers, changes in the types of wildlife that can survive

there would occur. Reducing the kinds of plants and animals able to live in this environment means that more of a single type would be fighting for the same limited food sources, with adverse results. The competition for food, shelter and water on protected land would be heightened further by the animals displaced by construction from their previous habitat to land at Five Rivers.

Furthermore, if this housing is built, what type of experiences will we have at Five Rivers when we go there for educational programs or for recreation? Will the bright lights from the residences at night cause owls and other nocturnal creatures to seek their homes elsewhere? Where will we and our children go to see the stars on a dark night when the ambient light from all those houses makes the celestial bodies visible no more? Five Rivers is the only place in the area whose prime focus is on environmental education for people of all ages, but especially for children.

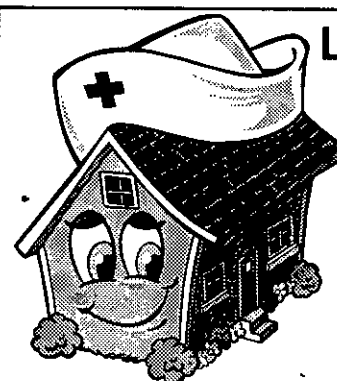
When asked specifically by a member of the audience that morning, Mr. Cade's lawyer indicated that he wouldn't be persuaded by any financial

inducements or tax advantages to donate or sell the property to the state or the town. So please, before Five Rivers is irreparably impacted by the proposed development, heed this wake up call to the dangers facing it.

Write the town of Bethlehem planning board, the town board, the supervisor, the head of the state Department of Environmental Conservation and the governor. Let them know you are

in opposition to the proposed Phillipinkill Manor Housing development and insist that Five Rivers be preserved and protected for future generations. If we can find money to conserve large areas of the remote Adirondacks, we ought to be able to find funds for preserving and enhancing the gem we already have in our midst.

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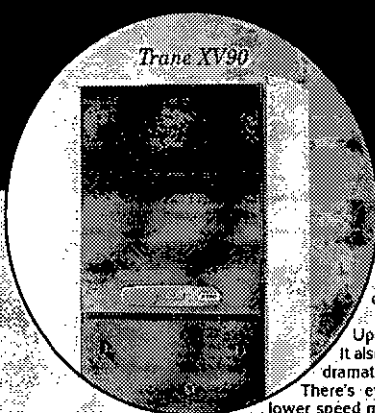
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Your Opinion *Spotlight*

BC '65 reunion packed with fun

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bethlehem Central Class of 1965 held its 40th reunion Columbus Day weekend 2005. In attendance were about 150 classmates and spouses. Included in the class were an amazing 11 sets of twins.

The festivities included a casual evening at the American Legion Hall. Saturday morning started with coffee and bagels at Java Jazz, followed by an inspiring

tour of the high school for over 90 participants. The banquet on Saturday was held at Shaker Ridge Country Club; complete with tables of old pictures, old play posters, sports letters, tennis sweaters. We sponsored a silent auction of items classmates brought from their individual locales. From the proceeds, the Class of '65 was able to contribute over \$6,000 to the endowment fund for the Project Adventure course at the High School.

Sunday morning the class rented an AquaDuck for a trip through Albany and onto the Hudson River. The weekend culminated with a big picnic at Thacher Park. Plans are already in the mix for the next reunion in 2010. We're hoping for sunshine the next time — it poured the entire weekend! Didn't squelch our fun or enthusiasm for reuniting though.

The Reunion Committee included: Terry Klein, Lou Ann Jackson Connelly, Cheryl Elmendorf Trager, George Lenhardt, Janet Kerr, Linda Drew, Suzanne Clark Mason, Karen O'Hern Gerstenzang, William Tougher, Beth Benoit Tougher, Scott Christianson, Mary Scoons Hallenbeck, Nancy Alford Panganiban, Paul Contento, Bob Spence, Cressy Starkweather Spence, Deb Adler, Scott Sargent and Donald Slingerland.

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Let's hope lone tree is saved from chainsaw

Editor, The Spotlight:

Throughout the past two years, the town of Bethlehem has made enormous progress to enhance the aesthetic appeal of our community that is now rates among the best place to live in the country. Bethlehem has vastly improved the appearance of the Four Corners, created more green space, upgraded community parks and expanded perennial gardens all of which has increasingly contributed to the quality of life here. Most of us care about preserving and protecting what we have in balance with an interest in attracting community-friendly businesses. These private businesses also have an obligation to keep the character, the quality and the look of the town intact.

Those of you who have witnessed the recent bulldozing

at the corner of Elsmere and Delaware avenues to make way for the new CVS store will see that most everything on the site has been razed, except for one lone maple tree on the corner.

If ever there was a tree in that vicinity that is ablaze in full color during the Fall foliage season, it is this old maple. Every autumn, this tree is among the first to burst into brilliant gold, orange and red colors. Sadly, I am told that the tree will be "replaced by new plantings." This old maple tree needs TLC to be saved by the chainsaw so it is not reduced to sawdust. Bethlehem and our community-friendly businesses must protect viable greenery that is old and living, even under winter's veil. I urge residents to contact town officials to save this maple tree before it is too late:

Sheri Sanduski
Slingerlands

Garden Club doubles grant

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bethlehem Garden Club will double its science education enhancement grant this year, raising it from \$500 to \$1,000. The grant will be awarded this spring to the elementary classroom

teacher who has the best proposal for enriching the school's environmental science curriculum. Teachers from the Bethlehem Central and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School Districts are invited to apply.

Forms will be delivered to the two districts' elementary schools by March 1. Teachers interested in applying for this grant are urged to complete the form by March 31. Suggested proposals might include attending a conference, creating or improving gardens or nature trails, hiring outside speakers or buying science supplies. This year's winner will be selected by April 28.

Last year's grant was awarded to two teachers from A.W. Becker Elementary School for their proposed improvements to their 9/11 Memorial Garden. The prize-winning project spurred even more grant money and physical help as well as other donations from area businesses.

Carolyn Miller
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Stand firm on freedom

Editor, The Spotlight:

Katherine McCarthy was correct when she wrote that "free speech doesn't give any of us carte blanche to say what we want in Feb. 15 issue of *The Spotlight*."

Indeed, it was George Washington, who Mrs. McCarthy mentioned in her article, who said, "It should be the highest ambition of every American to extend his views beyond himself, and to bear in mind that his conduct will not only affect himself, his country, and his immediate posterity; but that its influence may be co-extensive with the world, and stamp political happiness or misery on ages yet unborn."

She doesn't get the big picture when she said, "to stay safe I am willing to give up some liberties."

It is important to understand that the current administration does have the authority to conduct wiretaps and all they have to do is go through the secret FISA court which has denied about 1 percent of all the requests it has ever received and even gives retroactive warrants.

There is no spin that can explain why the president chose not to do this legally, especially after he specifically told the American people on more than one occasion in the past that it is always necessary to obtain warrants for wiretaps.

Mrs. McCarthy should also keep in mind the statements of some American statesmen. Patrick Henry said, "Give me liberty or give me death". Benjamin Franklin wrote, "They that can give up liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."

Ronald Reagan said, "those who would sacrifice freedom for security have embarked on [a] downward path." And Thomas Jefferson wrote, "When the people fear their government, there is tyranny. When the government fears the people, there is liberty."

I believe if we were to give up any of our liberties for any reason, the terrorists will have won.

James Garry
Delmar

BC music group launches campaign for piano

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Bethlehem Music Association is pleased to announce the kick-off of The Grand Campaign – The Steinway Grand Piano Campaign for town schools. Over the next few months, we will be actively engaged in a fund-raising campaign to purchase a 7-foot concert Steinway grand piano for the school district.

The Bethlehem Central School District music program is renowned locally and across the state. In December, our district sent more students than any other Suburban Council program to the All-State conference with 12 fine student musicians being selected from Bethlehem.

Our noted music program is missing one important component, a concert quality piano. An excellent music program such as ours deserves an excellent piano, so the Bethlehem Music Association is working with the community to raise the funds to donate a Steinway piano to the district. Student musicians, faculty, accompanists and guest artists will benefit from the piano to be housed at the high school. Currently, the high school piano is in great disrepair, and we are excited to be able to purchase this


fine musical instrument. Our Steinway piano will last for generations, and will appreciate in value.


Parents with children currently enrolled in a Bethlehem school will soon be receiving a mailing about The Grand Campaign. Others interested in knowing more about this project and anyone willing to make a donation should contact the music department at the high school, 439-4921.

We would particularly like to thank the Bethlehem Central High School Student Senate for their very generous kick-off contribution.

Lisa Finkle & Lisa Callahan
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For information, call Suzanne Paulson at 765-2382, ext. 518.

NEWS NOTES

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p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, at the Five Rivers Environmental Center. In the event of insufficient snow, the walk will be done on foot. Registration is required if you need to borrow snowshoes. For information or to register, call 475-0291.

Nature Center Saturday, Feb. 25. Plan to meet at the park office for a snowshoe walk in the woods. Snowshoes are available to rent and may be reserved in advance. Program fee is \$1 per person and for information or to reserve snowshoes, call 872-0800.

Local students study abroad

Hartwick College freshman David Bon-Keen of Delmar participated in Hartwick's January term off-campus program in the Czech Republic.

Students enrolled in the course, "Golden Prague," visited some of the most beautiful concert halls and opera houses in Europe.

They also visited some sites closed to tourists, such as Radio Free Europe. Special emphasis is placed on Jewish culture in the program. Students visit Prague's Jewish Museum and its famous cemetery as well as take side trips to Poland to visit Krakow, a former concentration camp in Auschwitz, and Cesky Krumlov, a UNESCO protected Czech medieval town.

Bon-Keen is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Hartwick College sophomore Kristopher Hauser of Slingerlands participated in the college's January off-campus program in Costa Rica.

Students enrolled in the course, "Natural History of Costa Rica," were introduced to tropical biodiversity and its conservation in Central America. Students lived and studied at biology field research stations in tropical rain forests, cloud forests, and dry forests on both the Atlantic and Pacific sides of Costa Rica.

There is an emphasis on vertebrate animals, including mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians in the program. Students also examined invertebrates and visited museums, national parks, and historical sites.

Hauser is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton Junior Senior High School in Voorheesville and is majoring in art.

Middle School movie night planned

There will be a middle school movie night at Voorheesville high school in the commons area for grades six to eight Friday, March 3, from 7 to 10 p.m. There will be chances to win prizes while you enjoy a movie. Movie night is sponsored by the Freshmen Class of Voorheesville. The cost is \$2.

Ugly Doll workshop at library

These quirky colorful dolls are soft and huggable and kids in grades four and up can learn about this craze in a two-day workshop Feb. 22 and 23 from 2 to 4 p.m. For information or to register, call 765-2791.

Cross-country ski, snowshoe at night

A night cross-country ski and snowshoe walk will be held at 7

Garden club meeting set

The Helderview Garden Club will be having its next regular meeting Thursday, March 2, at 6:45 p.m. at the Voorheesville Legion Hall. The topic is "Hanging Baskets" with master gardener Molly Kelly. The public is welcome.

Snowshoe walk

A snowshoe walk will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Thacher

Fun festival set

The Voorheesville PTA is sponsoring a Fun Festival 2006 Saturday, March 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Voorheesville elementary school. Volunteers are needed for various duties and if you would like to help, call Mary Flansburg at 861-0876 or Christine Whiteley at 765-4019. There will be games, prizes, lots of food and fun. All are invited to attend and support the Voorheesville PTA.

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Around the County

Local fundraiser helps Guilderland shelter

By STEPHEN PAUSE

Guilderhaven Inc. will be holding its opening fundraiser of the year beginning today at Val and Mike's Sweets and Treats in Delmar.

Sue Green, the treasurer of the animal shelter Guilderhaven, said the event will be a garage-type sale that will feature a bevy of items both new and old. There will be some furniture mixed in with antiques, jewelry and kitchen and other household items. There will also be some items from the shop on sale, in addition to all the regular sweets and treats it regularly sells.

Green said the group has had such events in the past, including two years ago in Altamont.

Val Barrett, the owner of Sweets and Treats, explained why she decided to lend a helping hand.

"Sue Green has been a friend of mine for a long time," she said. "I love animals too, so it was kind a natural for me, between helping animals and helping a friend."

She said that this time of year was ideal for her sweet shop to hold the fundraiser, since it's between Valentine's Day and Easter.

"I enjoy doing anything that I can to network with other businesses and organizations and businesses," Barrett said.

Barrett said she works with two main charities in the area, Guilderhaven and the Regional Food Bank, through both outright donations and fundraisers with the groups selling the chocolates and fudge from her shop.

The sale started today and will run through Saturday, March 4. The sale will run Mondays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fridays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The garage sale is the first event in what will most likely be a banner year for Guilderhaven.

The expansion of the animal shelter is nearing completion and

will most likely open later this year. In addition, Guilderhaven is working on getting a Web site up and running.

The group will have a display at the Guilderland YMCA's sixth annual health and fitness fair on Saturday, March 4. That event will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

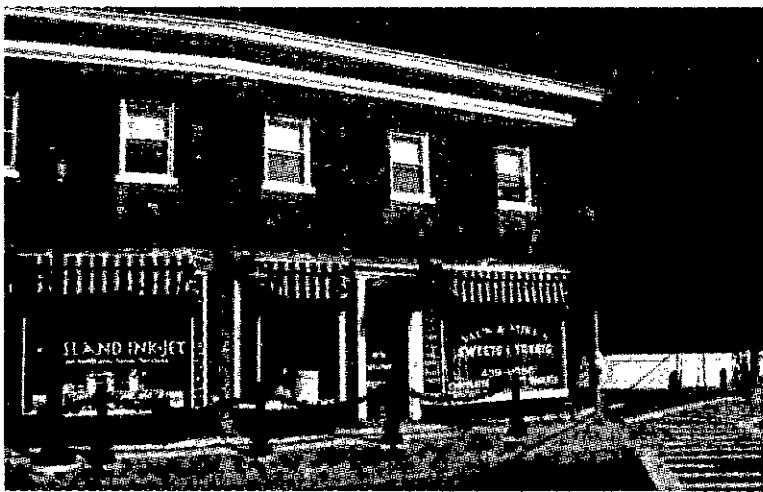
There is also the biannual book, barbeque and bake sale, which will be held near the shelter.

Guilderhaven Inc was inspired by a group of volunteer from Guilderland Animal Shelter. They work to raise money for the animals of the shelter, with medical costs to have them spayed or neutered, and to raise public awareness through education. They help not just cats and dogs, but all animals in need of a helping hand.

Sweets and Treats has been in operation for 26 years and offers homemade chocolates fudge, jams, and wedding favors.

Sweets and Treats is located at 399 Kenwood Ave. at the Four Corners in Delmar.

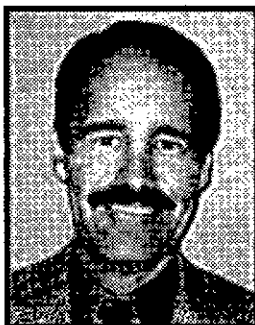
For information, or to make a donation to Guilderhaven, call Sue Green at 861-6861 or Pat House, 456 2007.



Val and Mike's Sweets and Treats in Delmar is the site of the opening fundraiser of the year for Guilderhaven Inc. The event will be a garage-type sale that will feature a bevy of items both new and old, said Sue Green, the treasurer of the animal shelter Guilderhaven.

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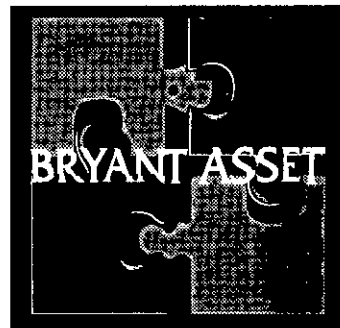
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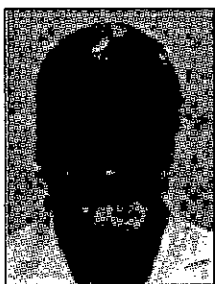
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Lamont named executive director

Sheila Lamont has been named executive director of CASA: Advocates for Children of New York State (CASANYS), the state association for affiliated CASA programs in 33 counties across the state. CASA is an advocacy organization for children who have been abused, neglected or who are at-risk.

Lamont previously served as assistant Albany County attorney for seven years. She provided legal counsel to the Department of Children, Youth and Families, the Department of Social Services, and the Probation department among others.

Lamont, a resident of Delmar, received her juris doctorate from Union University, Albany Law School and earned her bachelor's degree at the State University at Oswego.

New online community calendar unveiled

Many people have voiced the need for a community calendar which lists meeting information about local organizations. The library is happy to now meet this need with an online calendar for community announcements.

You can submit an event at the library's Web site any time of the day. Go to the library homepage, www.voorheesvillelibrary.org and choose "calendar" on the left-hand bar. On the calendar page you will choose "click here to submit an event for this calendar." Fill out the form and e-mail it to the library. The library will review it to make sure it meets its guidelines and then post it. You will receive e-mail confirmation when it is put on the calendar.

The community calendar is designed for non-profit and group use, not commercial. Events are posted for

Voorheesville Public Library



informational purposes and each organization is responsible for the accuracy of the content. You can find the calendar guidelines on our Web site under About the Library. Get started and post your listing now.

Catch the spirit

"School's out, Library's in" features indoor Olympics Thursday, Feb. 23, at 10:30 a.m.

Children aged 4 through grade two can get in the Olympic spirit with some team and individual competitions. Readings and an art activity are planned as well. Signup is necessary.

Poets to gather

Thursday Night Poets is scheduled to meet Feb. 23, at 7

p.m. New or experienced writers are invited to attend with a short sample of their work to share with the group.

Library closed

The library will be closed Friday, March 3, for a staff seminar day.

Tax time

Tax forms are available at the library. If you don't find what you need, ask at the reference desk.

Quilt show

Remember that the Nimblefingers quilt show will hang Feb. 7 to 28.

Barbara Vink

•All library programming is free (unless otherwise noted) and open to the public. Voorheesville Public Library is located at 51 School Road, Voorheesville. For information, call 765-2791 or visit www.voorheesvillelibrary.org.

Capital District Community Gardens welcomes new board members

Capital District Community Gardens recently welcomed five new members to its Board of Directors.

The new board members, who will serve three-year terms, join a 14-member board that actively participates in the organization's program development and implementation. "Capital District Community Gardens is thrilled to add five new members to our Board of Directors. These individuals bring valuable skills and insight that will greatly help our organization's ambitious plans for the future," said Amy Klein, Executive Director of the organization.

The new board members include:

Kathy Agneta of Delmar. She is employed by the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York, a gardener at the

Normanskill Community Gardens and longtime CDCG volunteer. Agneta will serve on the board's program committee.

Bill Karchner of Delmar. He is a client and community advocate with the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute, and an avid gardener at the Chuck Shoudy Memorial Garden in Albany. He "developed a fondness for vegetable growing and an appreciation for the stewardship necessary to sustain our global environment" growing up on his father's farm. Karchner will serve on the board's Ad Hoc Planning Committee.

Bill Sage of Latham. He is owner and president of Sage Brothers Painting Co. Inc., on the Board of Directors of the Painting & Decorating Contractors of America and was the New York State past president and past president of the Rotary Club in Watervliet. He also is currently on the Board of Directors of St. Ambrose in Latham and a member of the Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce. He will serve on the board's Program Committee.

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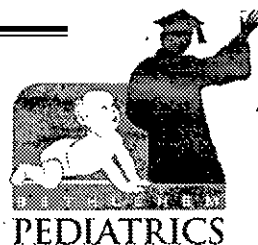
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Grant renewed, program will continue at nursing home

Last summer, Bethlehem Public Library started bringing library service to the residents of the Good Samaritan Health Care Center and Assisted Living facility in Delmar. Adult services librarian Ginny LaJuene visits monthly, toting books and A-V materials, to lead book discussions and offer reference help and reading suggestions. The materials are added to a growing collection on site. Residents may borrow freely from that collection; no due dates are set, no fines are imposed.

This innovative outreach has been well received by residents



and Good Samaritan staff. It's a way of reconnecting people with their community and the library they once loved and frequented.

The project was made possible with a grant from the Upper Hudson Library System. The grant was renewed last month. Our goal this year is to expand the service to include materials and services helpful to residents with low vision.

Support for state aid

A recent statewide poll commissioned by the New York Library Association confirmed continued public support for increased state aid to libraries for augmented services and construction needs. New York State currently ranks 13th in the nation in per capita state support for libraries.

Asked whether libraries deserved more state financial support, 63 percent of respondents said yes. An overwhelming 85 percent said they would support an increase in state aid for library construction

and renovation projects. Right now, only \$800,000 in aid is spread among the 754 public libraries in the state.

Read more about the survey at the New York Library Association website, www.nyla.org.

Peer group study

Here are a few interesting facts from closer to home. We recently ran figures for 34 comparable state libraries with annual circulation (total number of materials borrowed) between 450,000 and 750,000 in the year 2003. With a total circulation of

583,067, Bethlehem Public Library had the highest circulation per capita at 22, almost twice the average. Yet cost per circulation was lower than average for the group. That figure ranged from a high of \$12.84 to a low of \$2.46, with Bethlehem at \$4.62.

This presents a telling profile of our community's commitment to and involvement with its library. It also points to prudent fiscal practices by our staff and trustees — our commitment to you.

Academy of the Holy Names holds open house and exam

The Lower, Middle and Upper schools of the Academy of the Holy Names in Albany, a nationally recognized School of Excellence, will hold an open house for prospective students in Pre-K through Grade 12 on Wednesday, March 1 at 7 p.m.

There will be tours in the

schools, and an opportunity to speak with faculty members and administrators.

The Entrance Examination for students entering the Academy of the Holy Names will be held on Saturday, March 11 at 8:30 a.m. on the Holy Names Campus, 1065-

1075 New Scotland Road in Albany. All students in grades 2 through 11 interested in applying for admission to AHN must take this exam. To register, call the Admissions Office at 438-7895. The entrance exam fee is \$10.

BCHS Lab School to serve chicken BBQ

The Lab School of Bethlehem Central High School will hold a Brooks Chicken BBQ on Saturday, March 4 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. This event will take place in the BCHS cafeteria at 700 Delaware Avenue in Delmar. This is the eighth annual chicken barbecue to raise funds for field trips, speakers and other Lab School activities.

Dinners include one-half BBQ chicken, one baked potato, one portion of coleslaw, one dinner roll, butter, and a beverage. Vegetarian lasagna with a mixed salad is also available. Adult dinners are \$9.50 and a quarter chicken child dinner is \$7.50. A half chicken only is available for \$6.50.

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Around the County

Program spotlights 'well-dressed' pets

By GRAHAM S. PARKER

They're typically the last to walk out the doors of the Mohawk & Hudson River Hudson Humane Society.

But, this February the humane society is giving its black-and-white felines the upper hand in the game where the only goal is to keep them moving out as fast as they move in.

"Tuxes and Tails" is the society's latest program offering all black, or black and white cats six months and older for \$35 dollars. Standard adoption rates, after shots, de-worming, and vaccinations, are \$75.

The hope is to get these cats out the door before kitten season begins in early April.

"We want to get prepared for kitten season when we get 40 to 90

cats per day," said Cydney Cross, shelter manager. "We try to do these specials at times, for instance, when we have a lot of black-and-white cats."

So far, 25 cats have been adopted so far. Programs such as "Tuxes and Tails" ride the backs of numerous outreach programs the society undertakes regionwide to curb the number of strays.

The education programs have the most success in keeping stray populations to a minimum, said Cross. Society staff and volunteers travel to schools to teach children about safety with animals, and why animals should be spayed or neutered. Still, the society has had to add more kennel areas and expand racks of cages to hold stray cats and dogs.

It is a constant battle to keep numbers down, and place the



Left: Nigel is a chocolate lab/border collie mix. He is about 2 years old and housebroken. Below: Babe, a two-year-old spayed female that can be adopted for \$35 through Feb. 28. For information about pet adoption, call 434-8128 or visit www.mohawkhumanesociety.org.

out there, even if they are sick, we hold onto them."

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nationwide,
shelters are
becoming over-
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Although many animals continue to come into the Men-and-s-based society, generally

the turnover rate is good, according to Martin.

Animals are held for five days as they are checked for disease or injury, and shelter volunteers seek the pet owner if they believe there is one.

If still unclaimed on the sixth day, the animals go up for adoption and often enter one of the societies seasonal specials.

Puppies and kittens fare well in adoption, but older animals have less success in moving onto to a home, or a second one.

To learn how to adopt an animal from the shelter, contact the society at 434-8128 or visit www.mohawkhumanesociety.org.

animals in good homes. In the past, an animal's days at the shelter had been numbered, said Kim Martin, who volunteers her time caring for the cat population.

Although animals are no longer terminated, space is tight.

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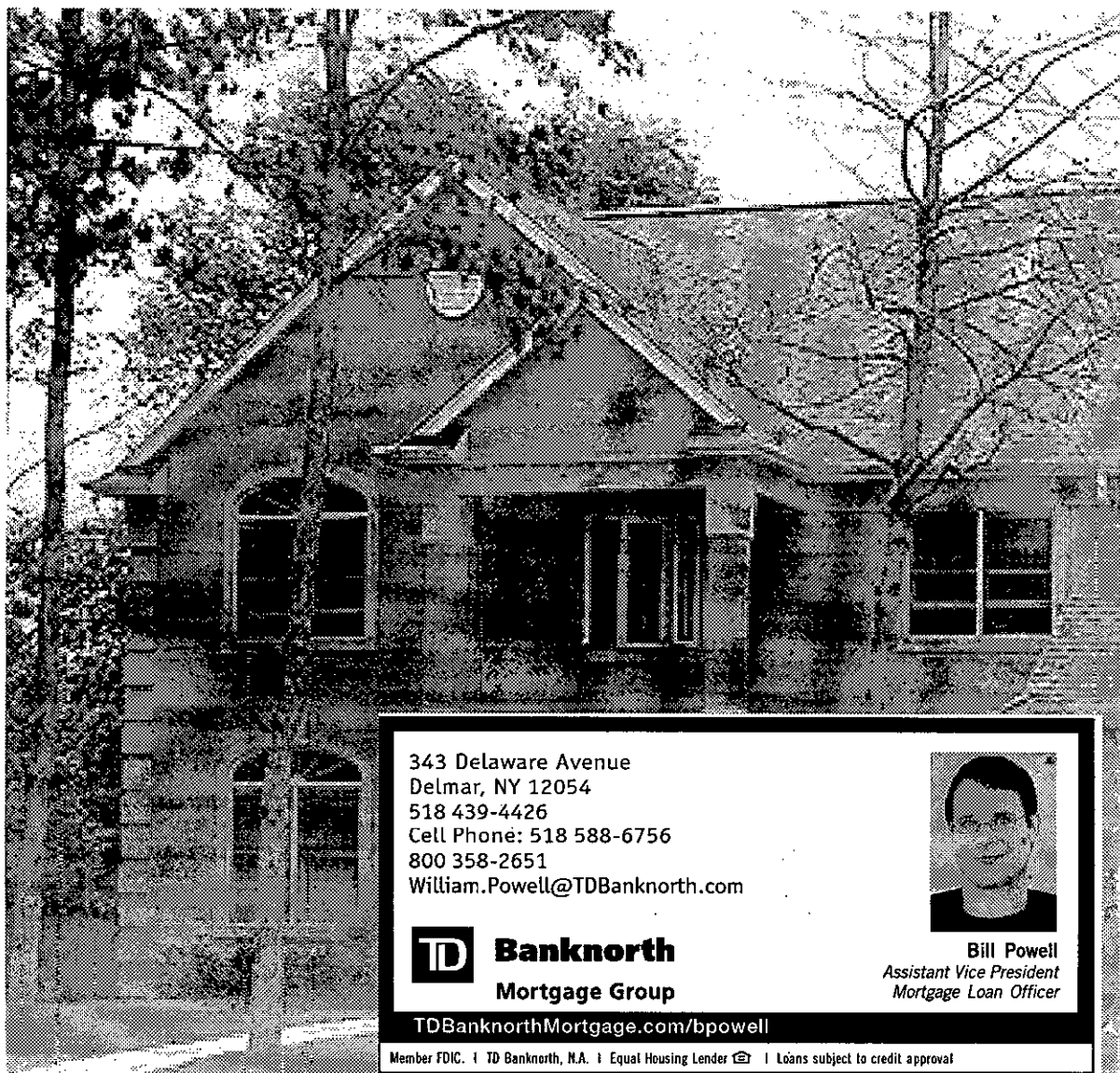
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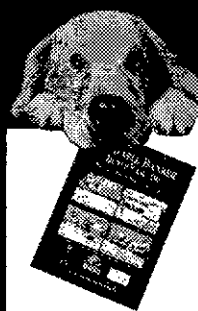
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Spencer Gyory, Alon Harari-Arnold and Daniel Hart. Also, Jesse Hoffman, Sarah Hooper, Molly Howland, BoQian Jia, Marie Kalet, Sasha Kassoff, Devon Keir, Kevin Kennedy, Michelle Kennedy, Emily Knapp, Adam Kohl, Kristiana Laccetti, Michael Ladue, Madison Lang, Jon Leckering, James Lee, and Christianne Ludwick. And Madeline Magin, Thomas Matthews, Kelsey McNary, Ashley Moak, Ashley Moore, Bradley Morris, Michael Mosher, Xiaoxi Niu, Rebecca Nordhauser, Casey

O'Connor, Megan Olsen, Sean Osborne, Jonathan Piedmont, Samara Pollak, Rachel Porter and Ryan Prinzo. Also, Ariel Rodriguez, Elena Rooney, Austin Santoro, Dilpreet Saran, Carolyn Schrade, Caroline Sloat, Stephen Smith, Joshua Steiner, Samuel Stewart, Elizabeth Sullivan, Kiersten Swete, Thomas Swift, and Joseph Tanenbaum. Also, Seth Tobolsky, Alexander Walsh, Gregory Welter, Samantha Welter, Rebecca White, Layla Wolfgang, Allison Yates, Kristen Yates, Ali Zaidi.

Grade 9 merit roll

Fiyinfoluwa Abraham, Shauna Agneta, Aakash Agrawal, Michael Amico, Nicholas Amirault, Alexander Anneling, Sarah Aronson, Europa Baker-Brathwaite, Julia Baldwin, Zachary Barach, Amye Barends, Ezekiel Barnett, Devon Barrett, and Daniel Barth. Also, William Baynes, Anita Bernardi, Andrew Bettinger, Matthew Biagiotti, Zachary Bink, Alexandra Black, Daniel Blalock, Adam Blau, Benjamin Bloodstein, Lorraine Breen, Esther Buff, Andrea Carrillo-Rodriguez, and Kathleen Clyne. And, Lindsay Coe, Eleanor Cohen, Fiona Connors, Jennifer Conophy, Benjamin Conti, Michael Costello, Erika Danz, Ellen Davidson, Marcela Desemone, Daniel Donato, Bari Jean Dorman, Evan Finkle, Paula Gadowski, Rebekah Gericke, and Benjamin Gollop. Also, David Goodemote, Eleanor Grady, Benjamin Greenman, Noah Greenstein, Kyle Gross, Amy Halvorsen, Julianna Harder, Joseph Hartunian, Ryan Henry, Erik Hill, Rebecca Himmelfarb, Paul Hospodar,

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Around the County

Bethlehem comments on Thruway sound barriers

By STEPHEN PAUSE

As part of its draft Environmental Impact Statement regarding the 6.7 mile reconstruction of the Thruway between exits 23 and 24, the state Thruway Authority has recommended 10 of the 15 noise barriers originally proposed for the area along the highway.

The EIS, compiled by Clough Harbour and Associates, LLP, described the project as designed to alleviate traffic congestion, improve the pavement conditions, and have the potential for better response times by emergency personnel. The bulk of the construction will involve the addition of a third lane in the median that would service traffic in both directions.

Don Reeb, the president of the McKownville Improvement Association, said he was pleased with most of the recommendations for the sound barriers, but was disappointed that others were left out of the

plans.

All five of the barriers within the town of Guilderland that were included in the study were recommended by the EIS, but five within the city of Albany and town of Bethlehem were deemed too expensive or not effective enough to be included.

"Based on the analysis, the remaining five barriers would not provide a substantial noise level reduction and/or would involve a cost-per-unit benefited that greatly exceeds \$50,000; thus, these barriers were eliminated from consideration," the EIS said.

Reeb said the Schoolhouse Road barrier, which was not one of the 15 included in the EIS, was turned down because of the way the state conducts its sound survey. He said they state only took into account the impact on residences, not the businesses, such as the pediatrician offices on Schoolhouse Road.

Reeb said the association plans to make its suggestions heard at the upcoming public

hearing.

Guilderland Town Supervisor Ken Runion said that his office is still reviewing the document and would comment at a later date. In a letter dated March 1, 2005, Runion expressed the concerns of residents about the noise impacts of the project and stressed that noise barriers should be built to protect the neighborhoods.

Bethlehem Town Supervisor Theresa Egan had similar comments in letter dated Feb. 23, 2005. Both letters were included as part of the study.

The roadway of I-87 will be reconstructed with new pavement that is expected to have a life of 50 years. The travel lanes and shoulders will also be redone.

There were a total of six proposals made, and the one

chosen was deemed the most feasible.

The two-year project is slated to begin in 2009 at an estimated cost of \$71.4 million dollars, which will be funded by the Thruway Authority. Approximately \$6.4 million of that will be for the sound barriers.

The reconstruction between exits 23 and 24 is the first project to come from the Albany Corridor Study, which was conducted between 21A and 25A.

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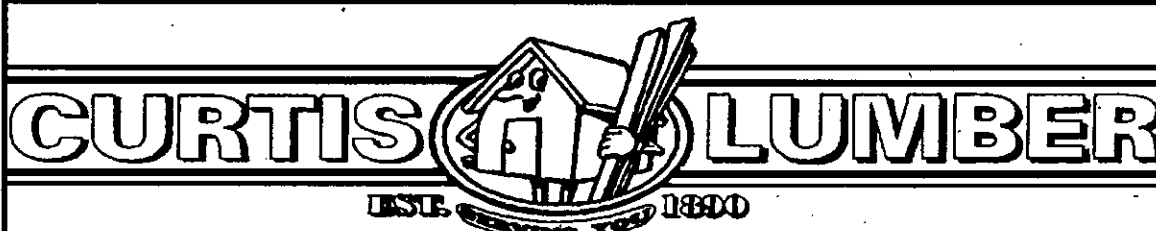


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Bethlehem escaped major storm damage

By STEPHANIE LUBIS

Like most of the Capital District, the town of Bethlehem had far less than its share of wind damage and power outages throughout town last Friday.

An underground fire near the Delmar Fire Department on Feura Bush Road, which was the result of lines that had come down from the storm, forced work crews to close the road for several hours.

"A pine tree brought down the primary wires in the area, and the tree fell so hard that the pavement had to be repaired,"

said James Kerr, Delmar fire chief.

Flint Drive was also closed, sending traffic along Dover Avenue down to Elm Avenue. The wind added to the problem, with power outages all over town.

"There were power lines down on Feura Bush, but no real issues," said Oliver Holmes, commissioner of public works.

"Aside from the Feura Bush Road incident, there were just a few branches down, some wires down and some power outages, but no big problems at all," said Kerr. "We only ran three calls."

Inquiry

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District Attorney David Soares is investigating this case as to possible criminality.

"The administration is cooperating with the DA and state Comptroller's Office, but as of now, no criminal charges have been filed against anyone," he said.

Pofit stressed that the board and administration must be careful not to expose the district to any liability regarding confidential personnel matters.

"We seek to recover the entire amount in question, with interest," Pofit said. "If additional amounts are found missing we will seek to recover them, as well, but right now we are not aware of any."

Pofit also announced that the district's assistant superintendent for business, Sarita Winchell, was placed on paid administrative leave as of Jan. 25 for the duration of the investigation to protect her and the district from any possible allegations of impeding the investigation.

During the public comment period, three residents addressed the board, concerned that it was rushing to judgment on the case before the Comptroller's Office had finished its audit.

Voorheesville resident Bob Burns accused the board of hastily concluding malfeasance on the part of McCartney and Marturano, and told the board members to take a look at themselves before making judgments, and to reassess their own accountability. He also criticized the board for not standing

behind Winchell.

"Winchell is a great employee. If we don't stand up for her other good employees will bail out of the district."

Pofit said it was no one's intention to say anybody was guilty; it's a judicial action.

"We would be criticized if we sat on this and waited and now we are criticized for moving too quickly. We are damned if we do and damned if we don't," Pofit said. "We

The investigation required a lot of work by the board and administration, but in no way means we will neglect the mandate we have guaranteeing a quality education."

Joseph F. Pofit

were upset about the findings and determined to take action to recover misspent funds."

Portia Hubert, a district employee, said, "It's easy for people to mistake this as a witch hunt. People are wondering what will happen next."

Margarette Flanders told the board she had overheard board member Richard Brackett say before the meeting, "Let's get this circus over with," and "We got three, now there's one more to go."

Brackett responded to Flanders, saying she must have taken him out of context and that he had not been talking about district administrators.

"You have responsibility," Flanders told Brackett. "You have to be careful what you say."

Burns also asked whether McCartney or Marturano could come back and sue the school

district should they be cleared of the allegations.

"What are your accruals for legal expenses?" he asked.

Pofit said the district's insurance covers normal legal expenses, but that the district would incur additional expenses as a result of taking legal action. Pofit added it was too early to determine how much that would be. Board member Kevin Kroencke added that he didn't know whether McCartney or Marturano could bring a countersuit because the allegations stem from findings made by audits conducted by the state Comptroller's Office.

Pofit said the board moved quickly to file the suit based on legal advice by its own counsel and the Comptroller's Office.

Other questions pertained to how the investigation would affect the upcoming budget process.

"The investigation should not further delay or interfere with that," Pofit said. "Work on the budget had been delayed but is now in progress."

Hubert said she is confident the board could have a meaningful budget proposal on time and reminded the board that its credibility rests on that accomplishment.

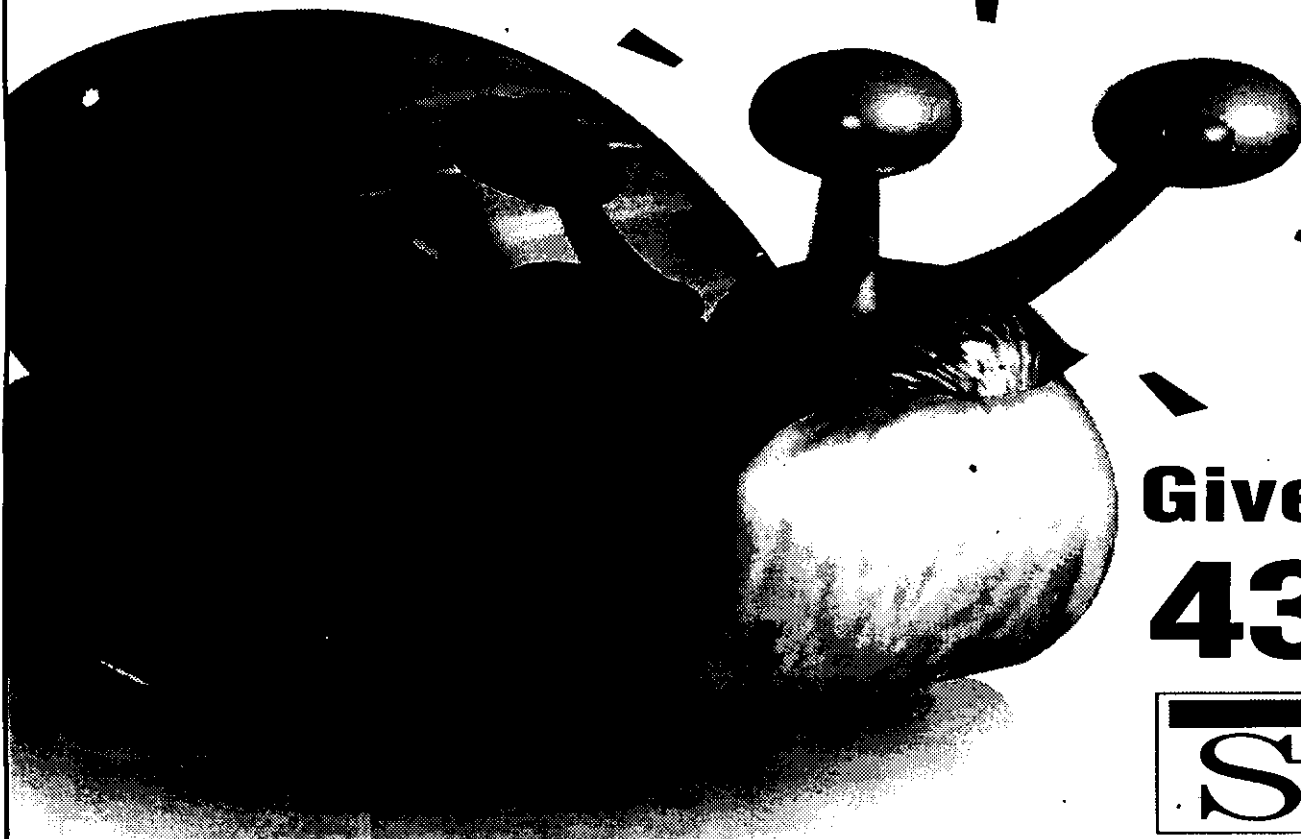
"It's important to show that the board has good intentions," she said.

Pofit agreed.

"Our job is to rebuild trust," he said. "As for the investigation, we can't be more open because we don't know any more. We have to wait until the state finishes its audit."

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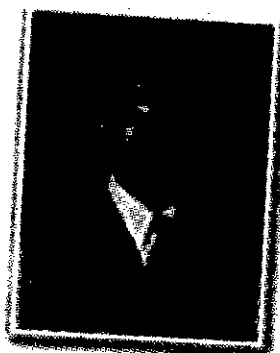
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Packham, Heiss to marry

Holly Packham, daughter of Garry and Terry Packham of Hemet, Calif., and Flynn Heiss, son of John Heiss of Severance and Michele Heiss of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Hemet High School and California State University Northridge. The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central School and SUNY College at Geneseo. He is pursuing a doctorate degree at UCLA.

The couple plans a May 6 wedding. She is employed by L.A. Unified School District in



Holly Packham and Flynn Heiss



Joel Dzekciorius and Kerri Rich

Rich, Dzekciorius engaged

Kerri Rich, daughter of Guy and Virginia Rich of Granby, Conn., and Joel Dzekciorius, son of Donald and Joyce Dzekciorius of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of North Carolina State University.

She is in public relations for Horizon Wind Energy in Albany.

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

He is director of sales and technical services for Chase Corp.

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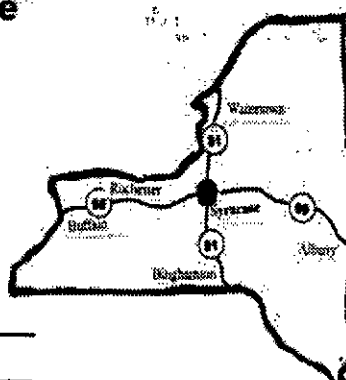
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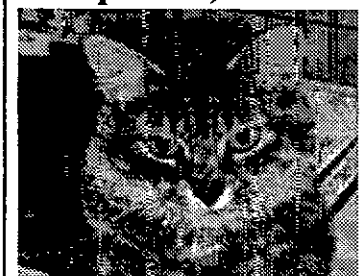
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Obituaries *in the* Spotlight

Elizabeth Morgan

Elizabeth H. Morgan, 84, of South Wellfleet and formerly of Delmar, died Wednesday, Jan. 25.

Mrs. Morgan was born in Wayne, Neb. and was valedictorian at Wayne High School. She attended Wayne State College for two years.

She ran a bed and breakfast in her home on Cape Cod for many years.

She was a resident of Wayne for 20 years and lived in Lincoln, Neb. for three years, Philipsburg, N.J. for four years, and Delmar for 31 years. She and her husband retired to South Wellfleet 26 years ago.

Mrs. Morgan was a member of Nauset Fellowship and a volunteer for Wellfleet Senior Center and Cape Cod National Seashore. She also entertained visitors from many countries for the International Center in Albany.

She was a gourmet cook and caterer, as well as an avid reader and bridge player.

Survivors include her husband, Jack F. Morgan, three sons, Douglas Morgan of Straatsburg, William Morgan of Albany, and Frank Morgan of Ojai, California.

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Mary moved to South Bethlehem in 1950 and became a homemaker. She was an active member, trustee and former officer of the Capital District Mineral Club. She was also an active member of South Bethlehem United Methodist Church. She was a Sunday school teacher and youth leader and a member of UMW.

Mary was recently recognized in church for her 33-year cookie ministry to Hudson Correctional Facility. She was a member of the DAR and was a patriotic American of faith.

Survivors include her husband, Louis J. Dushek; two daughters, Christine Dushek of Delmar and Carol LaFlesh of Chazy, two brothers, George Morley of Ulysses, Pa. and Edwin Morley of Lock Haven, Pa.; and several grandchildren, great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were from South Bethlehem United Methodist Church. Burial was in Saratoga National Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 98, South Bethlehem 12161.

Arrangements were from Caswell Funeral Home in Ravena.

Elsie Brauer

Elsie Cushman Brauer, 88, of South Bethlehem, died Thursday, Feb. 9.

Born in Kingston, Mass., she was a graduate of Avon High School and attended Brocton Business College in Massachusetts. During World War II, she worked at Alden Products as a facsimile technician. In 1945, she married John Everton Brauer and moved to North Tonawanda. She was active in the PTAs of Wurlitzer and Felton Grammar Schools, the North Tonawanda Council of Parents and Teachers and the Niagara District of the New York State Congress of Parent Teachers. The family moved to South Bethlehem in 1963.

An avid gardener and landscaper, Elsie was active in the Bethlehem Garden Club and was a member of the town of Bethlehem Tree Planting Committee. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Albany. Survivors include her

dear friends, Will, Terez and Britt Limer, all of Hannacroix.

A graveside service will be held in the spring in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in South Bethlehem. In accordance with her wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral service.

Patricia E. Franze

Patricia E. Franze, 57, of Slingerlands, died Friday, Feb. 10.

Born in Albany, she had lived

in Watervliet and Slingerlands most of her life and was a communicant of St. Brigid's Church in Watervliet. A graduate of Watervliet High School, she was employed as a legal secretary for several law firms, working last for the Commission of Independent Colleges and Universities in Albany.

Patti was past president and active member of Guelderland PTA. She was a manager and championship winning coach with the Pinebush Girls Softball League. She enjoyed traveling and spending time on the lake.

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Mary Dushek

Mary E. Dushek, 83, of Glenmont, died Thursday, Jan. 26.

Mary was raised in Gold, Pa. and was a graduate of Ulysses High School and Mansfield State Teachers College. She taught home economics in Harrison Valley, Pa. for three years and in Ulysses for half a year.

Mary was an adventuresome woman who traveled extensively to Denver, Chicago and New York City, where she was an eyewitness to the crash of B-25 bomber into the Empire State



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Survivors include her companion, Russell Zindle of Slingerlands; a daughter, Jennifer Zindle of Slingerlands; and a sister, Maria Upton of Menands.

Services were at W.J. Lyons Jr. Funeral Home in Rensselaer and St. Brigid's Church in Watervliet. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont. Contributions may be made to the Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Vincent J. Popolizio

Vincent John Popolizio, 92, of Glenmont, died Feb. 10.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine Diana Popolizio; a daughter, Jo Ana Finger of Glenmont; a brother, Arthur Popolizio of Conn.; and a grandchild.

Mr. Popolizio was the chief of the bureau of art education for the

state and was a World War II veteran.

Services were at St. Pius X Church, 23 Crumitie Road, Loudonville.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Senior Projects, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.

Joseph Longo

Joseph F. Longo, formerly of Delmar, died in Newport, Ore. on Feb. 5.

Mr. Longo was born in Herkimer and graduated from Herkimer High School and was active in sports. He enlisted in the Army Air Forces and during WWII, was a bombardier on B-25 aircraft. As a first lieutenant of the 310th bombardment Group, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. He flew over 70 combat missions, in Europe during WWII and retired from active duty as a major. He married his high school sweetheart, Betty

Haskell, and graduated from Syracuse University in 1949.

For most of his career, Mr. Longo was employed by Albany International Corp. in sales and traveled all over the world. He retired and moved to Worcester in 1979 and spent time rifle and bow hunting, camping, fly fishing, golf, and with his grandchildren. He was a member of the Elks, and the Worcester American Legion Post 1584.

Mr. Longo was husband of the late Betty Longo.

Survivors include a son, Marc Longo of Milford; a daughter, Michele Eder of Newport, Ore.; and two grandchildren.

Services were at St. Joseph's Church in Worcester. Contributions may be made to the Joseph F. Longo, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Worcester High School, 198 Main Street, Worcester 12197.

Paul Clark

Paul R. Clark, 68, of Voorheesville, died Wednesday, Feb. 15.

Born in Albany, Mr. Clark was employed for many years in the foundry industry, including Albany Casting Co. and Adirondack Steel.

Mr. Clark enjoyed spending time with his family.

Survivors include two sons, Paul C. Clark of Albany and Michael J. Clark of Voorheesville; a daughter, Lynda Pearl of Los Angeles, Calif.; and several grandchildren.

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

Bethlehem Cemetery.

James P. Donnelly

James Jake P. Donnelly, 64, of Ravena, died Tuesday, Feb. 14.

Mr. Donnelly was born in the Bronx and lived in Ravena for 24 years. He retired in 1995 after 33 years of service with Blue Circle Cement Co. He had been active in the Selkirk No. 3 Fire Co. before his illness and, in the late 50s, Jake was a rodeo bull rider in the Cairo area.

Survivors include his wife, Dianne Rosato Donnelly of Ravena; son, James K. Donnelly of Albany; stepchildren, Marylou Delamora of Albany and Michael Margiasso of Ravena; brothers, Jerry Donnelly of Earlton and Edward Donnelly of Fla.; and a granddaughter.

Services were from Babcock Funeral Home and burial was in St. Patrick's Church, Ravena. Contributions may be made to the Albany Regional Kidney Center, 2 Clara Barton Drive, Albany 12208 or to Senior Projects of Ravena, P.O. Box 142, Ravena 12143.

Olga E. Miller

Olga E. Miller, 81, of North Bethlehem, died Wednesday, Feb. 15. She was born and raised in Troy and was employed for 17 years with the state Thruway, Workers Compensation Board and Tax & Finance, retiring in 1983. She enjoyed singing in the choir and spending time in the Adirondacks.

She was the widow of Robert H. Miller. Survivors include three sons, Robert M. Miller, William E. Miller and David W. Miller; a daughter, Susan Dvorsky; a sister, Anne Fallon; a brother, John Karichkowsky; and several grandchildren.

Services were from New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home in Colonie, and interment was at St.

Nicholas Ukrainian Cemetery in Troy. Contributions may be made to the American Red Cross, 33 Everett Road, Colonie 12205.

Planetarium explores ancient Egypt

The Henry Hudson Planetarium, located at the Albany Heritage Area Visitor Center in Albany announces a new program examining ancient Egyptian astronomy. The program is being presented to enhance trips to the only Northeastern U.S. exhibit of "Excavating Egypt: Great Discoveries from the Petrie Museum of Egyptian Archaeology" on display at Albany Institute of History and Art through June 4.

The program incorporates 3-D images of the stars and planets of the dome of the planetarium with the flat screen movie version of "Stars of the Pharaohs" and a live presentation by the Henry Hudson Planetarium's education staff. The program explores how ancient Egyptians used the horizons to tell time, make a workable calendar, create early zodiacs and align the tombs and temples of their leaders.

Hands-on family activities follow each show. The February school break program is Thursday, Feb. 23, at 1 p.m. A planetarium show only will be Saturday, April 8 at 2 p.m., and the spring school break program is on Thursday, April 20 at 1 p.m. The cost is \$3 for adults and \$1 for students.

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Scisci, Makowski marry

Karra Scisci, daughter of Marino and Christine Scisci of Delmar, and Benjamin Makowski, son of Bernard Makowski of Schenectady and Cynthia Roe of Schenectady, were married Aug. 6.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. David Berberian at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar.

A reception followed at Crossgates Restaurant and Banquet Hall in Gunderland.

The matron of honor was Rachel Wolf. The maid of honor was Jessica Scisci, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Sandy Scisci, sister-in-law of the bride, Allison LeGrow, and Kelly O'Brien. The junior bridesmaid was Sabrina Bates, niece of the groom.

The flower girls were Madison and Isabel Scisci, nieces of the bride.

The best man was McGline Sebastien. Groomsmen were Anthony Scisci, brother of the bride, Ed Lubarda, Bernie Makowski, brother of the groom, and Bill Swidorski.

The ring bearer was Zachary Armenia, cousin of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Plattsburgh State University, and SUNY Albany. She is a second grade teacher at St. Pius X School in Loudonville.

The groom is a graduate of Plattsburgh State University. He is a central sign shop clerk for the New York State Thruway Authority in Albany.

After a honeymoon to Hawaii, the couple resides in Latham.



Karra Scisci and Benjamin Makowski

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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

Yes, the kids have been home all week, and it's been a non-winter in terms of snow, but take heart, signs of spring are everywhere this weekend.

Bloomin' joy

Even before the first crocuses push through the ground, the State Museum in Albany's "New York in Bloom" gives us a preview of what our summer gardens might yield. The 15th annual flower show takes place this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24 - 26, and coincides with the 13th James Campbell Memorial Gem, Mineral and Fossil Show and Sale.

A schedule of lectures and activities go with both shows. There are gallery tours, face painting for kids, and lectures that run the gamut from rock formation in the Catskills to discussions about orchids; flowers for home entertaining; and how to grow a perennial garden.

There's also a new exhibit at the museum: "Preserving Family History: The Heritage of an Albany County Family," which traces the history of Stephen Tompkins, whose ancestors include the people who shaped the area. They include the Ten Eycks, Vanderzees, VerPlanks, Whitbecks and many of the early Dutch families of Coeymans. Historian John Scherer will discuss the exhibit at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Proceeds from New York in Bloom and the Gem and Mineral Show will benefit the museum's after-school programs, The Museum Club and The Discovery Squad. Admission is \$3 on Friday, and \$5 on Saturday and Sunday. Children under 12 are free with an adult.

For information, including a schedule, visit www.nysm.nysed.gov, or call 486-2011 or 474-5877.

Tappin' toes

The earth theme continues at the Troy Music Hall on Sunday, Feb. 26,



Andy Cooney and his band, left, will perform at the Troy Savings Bank on Friday, March 3. Mac & O, below, will join them to kick off the St. Patrick's Day celebrations.



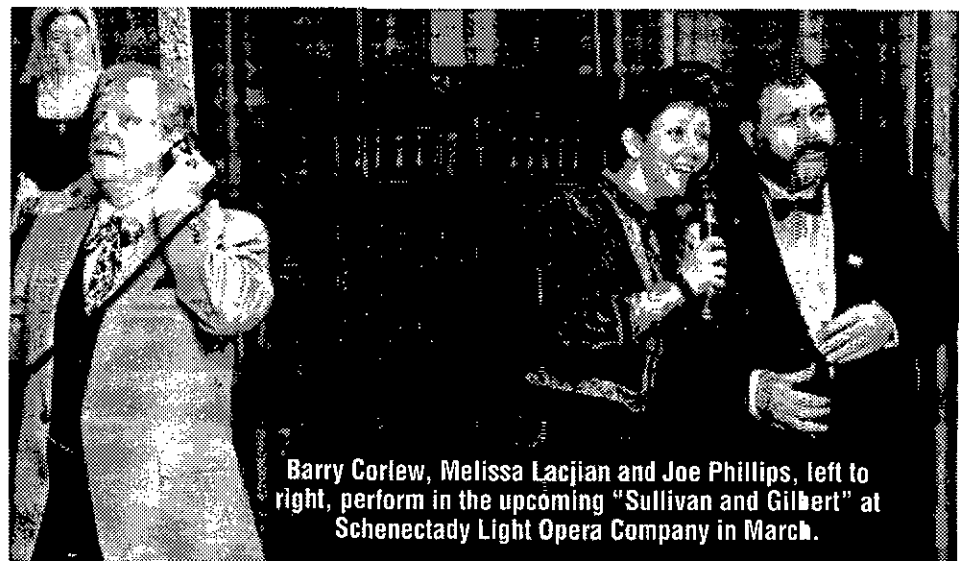
Get the fun going this weekend!

The Capital Region provides countless opportunities to put some spring in your step!

when Ricky Skaggs brings his Grammy-winning bluegrass music to town. He'll be appearing with Kentucky Thunder, which will bring fiddles, rhythm guitar, bass, banjo, mandolin, and an acoustic flat-top player into the hall with perfect acoustics.

Rock on at the Gem and Mineral Show at the State Museum this weekend. There are flowers, too, at "New York in Bloom."

Skaggs is named as the man making sure that bluegrass continues in legend Bill Monroe's vein. Skaggs played for a while with Emmylou Harris, and made a mark on country music before creating the Skaggs Family Records label and turning his attention to bluegrass. He also played with Ralph Stanley, the Country Gentleman and J.D. Crowe and the New South. He's known for the tunes he created with his own band, Boone Creek.



Barry Corlew, Melissa Lacjian and Joe Phillips, left to right, perform in the upcoming "Sullivan and Gilbert" at Schenectady Light Opera Company in March.

Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder will be at Troy Music Hall this Sunday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and \$32. For information, call 273-0038 or go to the Web site, www.troymusichall.org.

Never too soon

St. Patrick's Day might not be till March 17, but all things Irish fill the Capital District this month. The Irish-American Heritage Museum gets the fun going with its annual fundraiser, "A Salute to St. Patrick" at the Troy Savings Bank on Friday, March 3. Popular crooner Andy Cooney will bring his "Forever Irish" tour, with soprano Kathryn Smith, and Mac & O, billed as Ireland's best music and comedy duo, playing the button accordion and telling jokes. Irish dancers will show off their flying feet, and there's sure to be bagpipes. Andy Cooney's band will be with him, so if you're

looking for a chance to get your Irish up, this is it.

Tickets are \$20; \$18 if purchased by this Friday, Feb. 24. Museum members pay \$18; school or senior citizen groups of 10 or more pay \$10 each. For information, call the museum at 432-6598.

And a little theater, too

The Schenectady Light Opera Company is offering the area premiere of "Sullivan and Gilbert," taking us behind the scenes of what might have happened had Gilbert and Sullivan been fueding as they prepared to present a show to Queen Victoria in 1890.

With Gilbert and Sullivan music, the show takes SLOC back to its roots - the company has presented 16 Gilbert and Sullivan shows in its 79-year history.

"Sullivan and Gilbert" is scheduled for March 3, 4, 9, 10, and 11 at 8 p.m.; and Sundays, March 5 and 12 at 2 p.m. Adult tickets are \$18; children under 13 are \$9.

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Ricky Skaggs, center, and Kentucky Thunder will bring bluegrass to the Troy Music Hall this Sunday.

Arts & Entertainment

Theater

ALL IN THE TIMING

Series of six one-act comedies by David Ives, presented by Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, through Feb. 26, 8:15 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, \$19 to \$22. Information, 587-4427.

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA

Touring company of long-running Broadway musical takes up month-long residence at Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, through Feb. 26, \$17.75 to \$66.75. Information, 382-3884.

WAIT UNTIL DARK

Frederick Knott thriller, presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through March 4, \$20. Information, 877-7529.

Music

THE FIREFLIES

New York City pop rock band, with Capital District rock band the Sense Offenders, Feb. 23, 9 p.m., Valentine's, 17 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Information, 432-6572.

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An evening of boogie and blues music with pianists Ann Rabson and Bob Malone, Feb. 24, 8 p.m., WAMC Performing Arts Center, Central Avenue, Albany, \$15. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

SLOAN WAINWRIGHT

Singer-songwriter, Feb. 25, Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$10 to \$12. Information, 583-0022.

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Bluegrass legends, Feb. 26, 7 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, \$32 to \$35. Information, 273-0038.

ROSANNE CASH

Female singer-songwriter with well-known family heritage, March 3, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$24. Information, 473-1845.

RANI ARBO AND DAISY MAYHEM

A fusion of musical styles and great harmonies from string-based quartet, with Capital District native Rosanne Ranieri opening, March 3, 8 p.m., WAMC Performing Arts Center, Central Avenue, Albany, \$15. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

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

March 26, "Preserving Family History: the Heritage of an Albany County Family," through Dec. 31. 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 CENTER GALLERIES

"Still Lives," paintings by Carolou Kristofik and Terry Wise, through March 11, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany. Information, 462-4775.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

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Oakroom Artists 50th Anniversary exhibit, through May 21, plus Spirit of Schenectady, collection highlights and planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Saving Troy," a photographic exhibit coinciding with the book of the same name by William B. Patrick, plus 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.

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- 28 Allude
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- 31 Wide ave.
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- 33 Word with Bravo or Branco
- 35 Natl. output
- 36 Doña's title: abbr.
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- 38 Engulf
- 40 — cracker
- 42 Presidential nickname
- 43 One bereaved
- 45 Unite secretly
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- 51 Lisa and others
- 52 Blazing
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- 59 Hold
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- 61 UN member
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 - 10 Lodges
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 - 12 With 94 Down, Mother Hubbard's adage?
 - 13 Melancholy, to a poet
 - 14 Pintail duck
 - 15 Bit of broth
 - 16 On —; thinking alike,
 - to Fred Flintstone?

- 17 Shampoo name
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- 23 Whole range of fortune, to Hänsel and Gretel?
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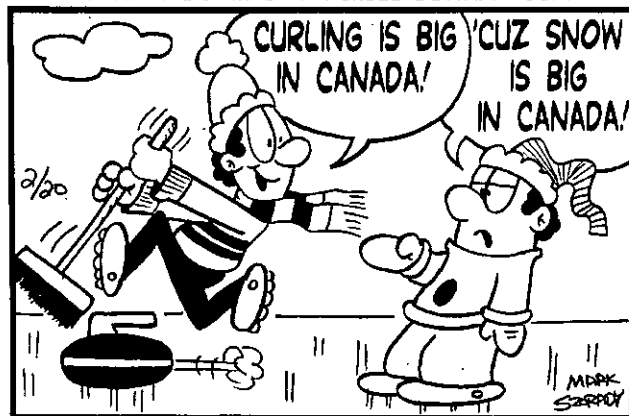
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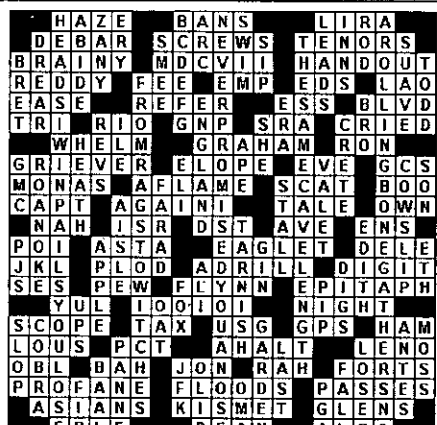
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Articles of Swift Builders, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State ("SSNY") on December 30, 2005 effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 15 Kenwood Avenue, Glenmont, NY 12077. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. LCD-12700 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF A.M.C. REALTY OF SARATOGA, LLC
Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law
FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is: A.M.C. REALTY OF SARATOGA, LLC.
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: A.M.C. Realty of Saratoga, LLC, c/o Metro Metals Recycling, LLC, 849 First Avenue, Watervliet, New York 12189.
FOURTH: The limited liability company is to be member managed.
Charles F. VanHall, Organizer
A.M.C. Realty of Saratoga, LLC
c/o Metro Metals Recycling, LLC
849 First Avenue
Watervliet, New York 12189
ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF A.M.C. REALTY OF SARATOGA, LLC
Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law
Filed by: Alexander Powhida, Esq.
Attorney-in-Fact
Harvey and Mumford LLP
20 Corporate Woods Boulevard
Albany, New York 12211
LCD-12716 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC)
The name of the LLC is Growth Opportunity, LLC. The Articles of Organization were filed with the NY Secretary of State on 12/14/2005. 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 of which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 595 New Loudon Road #210, Latham, NY 12110. LCD-12753 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A REGISTERED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (L.P.)
The name of the L.P. is BRUNSWICK ASSOCIATES OF ALBANY, L.P. The Certificate of Registration of the L.P. was filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 20, 2004. The purpose of the L.P. is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the L.P. is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the L.P. upon whom process against the

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L.P. may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the L.P. is c/o Tri City Rentals, 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205. LCD-12775

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SIMILLE ENTERPRISES LLC
Notice of Formation of Simille Enterprises LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 1/13/2006. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 344 Torquay Blvd., Albany, New York 12208. The purposes of the LLC are to acquire, own, hold, improve, manage and operate the real property known as approximately 10.5 acres located at 1139 Loudon Road, in the Town of Colonie, New York. LCD-12795 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Articles of High Meadow's Vineyards, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on January 19, 2006 effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 146 Biechman Road, Ravena, NY 12143. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC. LCD-12813 (February 22, 2006)

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HARLEM 121 ASSOCIATES LLC
Notice of Organization: Harlem 121 Associates LLC was filed with SSNY 01/25/06. Office: Albany County. 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 Relyea Services LLC 1524 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: To engage in any lawful activity. LCD-12815 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (L.P.)
The name of the L.P. is CLOVER PARK APARTMENT ASSOCIATES OF ALBANY, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership of the L.P. was filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 13, 2006. The purpose of the L.P. is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the L.P. is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the L.P. upon whom process against the L.P. may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the L.P. is c/o Tri City Rental LLC, 255 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12205. LCD-12828 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is EMPIRE AUTOMOTIVE, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 30, 2006. The pur-

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pose 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 15 Swayze Drive, Latham, New York 12110. LCD-12848 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is EAGLE STREET ASSOCIATES, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 2, 2006. 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 12205. LCD-12861 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is FIRST COLUMBIA ACQUISITIONS, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 6, 2006. 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 22 Century Hill Drive, Suite 301, Latham, New York 12110. LCD-12871 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

GLOVERSVILLE PARTNERS 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 January 27, 2006. 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-12877 (February 22, 2006)

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WATT STREET 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 February 1, 2006. 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-12878 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of a limited liability company (LLC). Name: LEG Properties,

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LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 1/6/2006. 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, 20 Lyons Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful activity. LCD-12882 (February 22, 2006)

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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 148 COLUMBIA STREET, LLC.
Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law
FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is "148 Columbia Street, LLC."
SECOND: The county within the State in which the office of the limited company is located is Albany County.
THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is January 1, 2065.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon which process against it may be served. The post office address within or without the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: 148 Columbia Street, LLC., 1698 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205.
FIFTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.
SIXTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed to this 16th day of February, 2006 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.
/s/ Gary W. Burton, Manager
LCD-12938 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of The Towers-Las Vegas, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 5/11/04. 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, registered agent upon whom process may be served. NV address of LLC: 1050 E. Flamingo Road, Ste. 147, Las Vegas, NV 89119. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, 206 North Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12695 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Toys "R" Us Europe, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/06. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/21/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12696 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Marquis Digital Imaging LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/06. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/29/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served.

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SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12697 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Kraft Plaza LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/06. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/29/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: c/o The Kraft Group, One Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA 02035. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12698 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Crafts, Etc! Property Co., L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/29/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Oklahoma (OK) on 3/20/1997. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Principal address of LLC: 7701 SW 44th, Oklahoma City, OK 73179. Arts. of Org. filed with OK Secy. of State, 101 State Capitol Bldg, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12706 (February 22, 2006)

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APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF HOB-LOB, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
(Pursuant to Section 121-902 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act)
FIRST: The name of the partnership, which is a foreign limited partnership as defined in Section 121-101 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act of the State of New York, and which is hereinafter referred to as the "partnership," is: HOB-LOB, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
SECOND: The jurisdiction of the partnership's organization is Oklahoma, and the date of said organization is December 16, 1993.
THIRD: The county within the State of New York where the office of the partnership is to be located is the County of Albany.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State of the State of New York is designated as the agent upon whom process against the partnership may be served. The post office address within the State of New York to which the Secretary of State of the State of New York shall mail a copy of any process against the partnership served upon him is: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 501, New York, NY 10001.
FIFTH: The registered agent of the partnership is to be the agent of the partnership upon whom or upon which process against the partnership may be served. The name and the address within the State of New York of said registered agent are as follows: National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 501, New York, NY 10001.
SIXTH: The address of the office that the partnership is required to maintain under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, or if not so required, of its principal office, is: 7701 SW 44th, Oklahoma City, OK 73179
SEVENTH: The name and the business or residence address of each general partner of the partnership are as follows:

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Notice of Formation of MIGHTY HOLDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/4/06. 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. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12711 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of WTN Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/29/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 3/4/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the CA address of LLC: 2545 Napa Valley, Corporate Dr., Ste. C, Napa, CA 94568. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th St., 3rd Fl., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-12712 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is 678 Properties, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State on January 4, 2006. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any

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NAME
H.L. MANAGEMENT, INC
ADDRESS
7707 SOUTHWEST 44TH ST OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73179
EIGHTH: The partnership is in existence in the jurisdiction of its organization at the time of the filing of this Application for Authority.
NINTH: The name and the address of the authorized officer in the jurisdiction of the partnership's organization where a copy of its certificate of limited partnership is filed are: Secretary of State of Oklahoma, 101 State Capitol Bldg, Oklahoma City, OK 73105
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF HOB-LOB, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
(Pursuant to Section 121-902 of the Revised Limited Partnership Act)
Filed:
Tena Lumpkins
145 Baker Street
Marion, OH 43302
LD-12707 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Bavette LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/2006. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process, against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The Company, 301 East 79th St, Ste 24-H, NY, NY 10021. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12708 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of HCH Enterprises, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/28/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Rhode Island (RI) on 6/05/2001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o HIQ Corporate Services, Inc., 516 North Charles St, 5th Fl, Baltimore, MD 21201. Principal address of LLC: 9 Old Snake Hill Road, Gloucester, RI 02814. Arts. of Org. filed with RI Secy. of State, 100 North Main St, Providence, RI 02903. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12709 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of MIGHTY HOLDING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/4/06. 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. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12711 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of WTN Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/29/05. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 3/4/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the CA address of LLC: 2545 Napa Valley, Corporate Dr., Ste. C, Napa, CA 94568. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th St., 3rd Fl., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-12712 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is 678 Properties, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State on January 4, 2006. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any

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lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 678 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, New York 12110. LD-12714 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is Alchester Development, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State on January 4, 2006. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 678 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, New York 12110. LD-12715 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of RHSH Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/5/06. 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-12717 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of COMCAST COMMERCIAL SERVICES, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/4/06. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/3/00. 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. DE address of LLC: c/o Comcast Capital Corporation, 1201 Market St., Ste. 1000, Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12718 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of KHRG Muse LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/6/06. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/3/06. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o Corporation Service Company, 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12719 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of NEW EASTERN PARKWAY ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/5/06. 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 Mallow, Konstam & Hager, 321 Broadway, 5th Fl., NY, NY 10007. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-12720 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Gemology Headquarters International, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/1/06. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/25/06. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12876 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of First Albany Private Fund 2004, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/1/06. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/27/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the principal office of LLC: c/o FATV GP LLC, 677 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-12877 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of formation of PIK REALTY USA, LLC a NYS limited liability company (L.L.C.). Formation filed with SSNY on 01/26/2006. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 2705 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11235. Purpose: All Lawful purposes. LD-12879 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of formation of MEGA VISION CENTER II, LLC a NYS limited liability company (L.L.C.). Formation filed with SSNY on 01/09/2006. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. of LLC, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 63-73 108th Street, Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: All Lawful purposes. LD-12880 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CAROLYN ZIVKOVICH REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/07/06. 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 Carolyn Zivkovich, 1336 Van Antwerp Road, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-12881 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: RMZ ENTERPRISES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/07/06. 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 Russell M. Zivkovich, 72 Waters Road, East Greenbush, New York 12061. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-12892 (February 22, 2006)

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The Bethlehem Soccer Club will hold the annual members meeting on Monday, March 6th at 7:00 PM in the Bethlehem Town Hall. The meeting will include the election of board members. If any member of the Bethlehem Soccer Club is interested in becoming a board member they should contact John Reese at (518) 439-8662. LD-12893 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of AVEGA HEALTH SYSTEMS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/4/06 as amended. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/30/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12895 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) The name of the LLC is W.B.I. ENTERPRISES, LLC. The Articles of Organization were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 25, 2006. 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 of which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 12 Gipp Road, Albany, New York 12203. LD-12896 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Penn-Daniels, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/8/2006. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/19/1982. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: 700 Pilgrim Way, Green Bay, WI 54304. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-12898 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE TO BIDDER PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to resolution of the Town Board, Town of New Scotland, Albany County, New York sealed bids for the purchase of the following items: New and Used Guiderail and Posts and their installation, Winter Sand or Screenings, Crushed Stone, #2 Fuel Oil, Gravel (Run of Bank and processed), Bituminous Pavement, Galvanized Corrugated Culvert Pipe will be received at the office of the Town Clerk at Town Hall, Town of New Scotland, County of Albany, 2029 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, N.Y. 12159, until 10:00 A.M. on the 6th day of March, 2006 at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Bids will be submitted in duplicate in sealed envelopes which shall bear on the face thereof the name and address of the bidder and title, "Bid for (Item you are bidding on)". Detailed specifications and bid forms are available at the office of

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the Highway Superintendent. The contract for the purchase of the above item will be awarded by the Town Board to the lowest responsible bidder. In case where two or more responsible bidders submit identical bids as to price, the Town Board may reject any or all bids at its discretion. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all bid. All bids must be accompanied by Non-Collusion Bidding Certificate required by Section 103-d of the General Law. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND LD-12899 (February 22, 2006)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Soufer Properties LLC Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on 2/9/06 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 Ave, NY, NY, 10021 Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12910 (February 22, 2006)

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TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND LAND NOTICE TO BIDDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW One - Three Ton Dump Truck w/Three - Four yard Dump Body PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to resolution of the Town Board, Town of New Scotland, Albany County, New York sealed bids for the purchase of a new one to three ton dump truck with a three to four yard dump body; automatic transmission will be received at the office of the Town Clerk at Town Hall, Town of New Scotland, County of Albany, 2029 New Scotland Road Slingerlands, N.Y. 12159, until 10:00 P.M. on the 6th day of March, 2006 at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Bids will be submitted in duplicate in sealed envelopes which shall bear on the face thereof the name and address of the bidder and title, "Bid for Dump Truck". Detailed specifications and bid forms are available to any interested bidder at the office of the Highway Superintendent located in Town Hall. The contract for the purchase of the above item will be awarded by the Town Board to the lowest responsible bidder. In case where two or more responsible bidders submit identical bids as to price, the Town Board may reject any or all bids at its discretion. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all bids. All bids must be accompanied by Non-Collusion Bidding Certificate required by Section 103-d of the General Law. Bid forms may be picked up at the Highway Garage. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND DATED: February 10, 2006 Diane Deschenes Town Clerk LD-12911 (February 22, 2006)

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TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND NOTICE TO BIDDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW HYDRAULIC EXCAVATOR PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to resolution of the Town Board, Town of New Scotland, Albany County, New York sealed bids for the purchase of a new hydraulic excavator will be received at the office of the Town Clerk at Town Hall, Town of New Scotland, County of Albany, 2029 New Scotland Road Slingerlands, N.Y. 12149 until 10:00 A.M. on the 6th day of March, 2006 at which time they will be opened and

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Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 114 445 Delaware Avenue Delmar, NY 12054 Dates: March 6, 2006 - April 21, 2006 Times: Days: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - Noon; 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Evenings: Monday - Thursday 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm LD-12918 (February 22, 2006)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on March 8, 2006 at 5:45 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider an extension of Water District No. 1. The proposed Carriage Hill extension will provide water service to the lots within the subdivision, and to adjoining lots along Jericho Road and Elm Avenue East. The maximum amount proposed to be expended for the improvement is not to exceed \$2,500.00 per year; cost of the proposed residence will be \$0.93 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation per year, and a \$1,000 hook-up fee will be required. Description of Proposed Carriage Hill Extension to Water District No. 1 All that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, being bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point, said point being the southwest corner of the Dowerskill Extension to Water District No. 1, being a point in the northerly line of Elm Avenue East, said point also being the southeasterly corner of the Elm Avenue East/Wildwood Lane and Dowerskill PRD #4, Section 3 Extension to Water District No. 1; thence, southeasterly 1,439.47 feet, more or less, along the southerly line of aforesaid Dowerskill Extension to Water District No. 1 to a point; thence, northerly along said extension 576.47 feet, more or less, to a point; thence, southeasterly still continuing along said Water District Extension 349 feet, more or less, to a point in the westerly line of the Selkirk Extension to aforesaid Water District No. 1; thence, southerly along the westerly line of said Selkirk Extension to the Water District 691 feet, more or less, to a point in the northerly line of Elm Avenue East; thence, southeasterly along said Selkirk Extension to the Water District 692 feet, more or less, to a point; thence, southwesterly continuing along said Selkirk Extension, parallel to and east of Jericho Road 1,404 feet, more or less, to a point in the westerly line of lands of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation; thence, southerly, continuing along the westerly line of aforesaid Selkirk Extension 234 feet, more or less, to its intersection with the easterly prolongation of the southerly line of Tax Map Parcel No. 109.00-2-29, being lands of one Adams; thence, westerly along said prolongation and said lands of Adams and the southerly line of aforesaid Carriage Hill Subdivision 1,752 feet, more or less, to a point; thence, northerly continuing along the southerly portion of aforesaid subdivision 157.08 feet, more or less, to a point; thence, westerly continuing along aforesaid Carriage Hill Subdivision 700.18 feet, more or less; to its southwesterly corner; thence, northerly along the westerly line of Carriage Hill Subdivision and the easterly line of lands, now or formerly, of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation 898.45 feet, more or less, to the northwesterly corner of aforesaid Carriage Hill Subdivision; thence, easterly along the northerly line of said subdivision 1,935.33 feet, more or less, to a point;

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TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND ITEMS FOR SALE BY SEALED BID 1988 International Dump Truck; single axle, and 1998 Chevy 4X4 one ton pick-up truck with plow as is with no warranty whatsoever and no guarantee that it will pass NYS inspection. Payment must be Cash or Certified Check ONLY, and must be removed from Town Property within 5 days of sale date. Bids will be received at the office of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Town of New Scotland, County of Albany, 2029 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159 until 10:00 a.m. on the 8th day of March, 2006 at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Bids shall be in duplicate, in sealed envelopes and shall bear on the face thereof the name and address of the bidder, and description of the vehicle in which the bid is being placed. Bid forms are available to any interested bidder at the office of the Highway Superintendent. Items are available for inspection M-F 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Highway Garage. The Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Dated February 10, 2006 BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND DIANE DESCHENES Town Clerk LD-12916 (February 22, 2006)

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Town of Bethlehem 2006 Reassessment Disclosure Notices To Be Mailed March 1, 2006 The Town of Bethlehem hereby gives notice to all owners of real property in the Town of Bethlehem of the release of the 2006 reassessment program "Assessment Disclosure Notice". The assessor has completed the preliminary determination of assessed values of all real property. An assessment disclosure notice containing the preliminary assessment, together with a cover letter discussing the contents of the notice, will be mailed on March 1, 2006 to each owner of property in the taxable, utility and exempt portions of the assessment roll. The new assessments, inventory and valuation information collected during the project will be available at the Assessor's Office, identified below, and Informal Hearings will be scheduled commencing March 6, 2006. To schedule an appointment for an informal hearing please call (518) 439-4955, ext. 102. Hearing Locations Location: Assessor's Office

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thence, northwesterly along the southwesterly line of lands of the Town of Bethlehem (Tax Map Parcel No. 109.00-2-14) 1,568 feet, more or less, to a point in the southerly line of aforesaid Elm Avenue East/Wildwood Lane and Dowerskill PRD #4, Section 3 Extension to the Bethlehem Water District; thence, easterly along said Extension to the Water District 100 feet, more or less, to the point and place of beginning. Containing 122 acres, more or less. The above described parcel is more fully shown on a map entitled: "Proposed Carriage Hill Water District Extension, Map of Water District Boundaries", dated January 31, 2006, prepared by J. Kenneth Fraser and Associates, PE, LS, LA, P.C. All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing. The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's office at 439-4955, ext. 183. Advanced notice is requested. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: February 8, 2006 LD-12919 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Prime Property Solutions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/10/2005. Office location: Rennselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 792 Farm to Market Rd, Troy, NY 12180 Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12923 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Metrowest Solutions LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/1/2006. 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-12924 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Digital Videostream, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/6/06. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in California (CA) on 9/8/2000. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The Company, 2600 W. Olive Ave, Ste 100, Burbank, CA 91505. Principal address of LLC: 2600 W. Olive Ave, Ste 100, Burbank, CA 91505. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th St, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12927 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem on the 8th day of March, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to consider a proposed Local Law Amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem as follows: AMEND VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE VI, Section 119-36, Parking Prohibited at All Times as follows: Southwest side of Adams Street between Delaware Avenue and Adams Place, Delmar. All interested persons and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing. The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's office at 439-4955, ext. 183. Advanced notice is requested. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: February 8, 2006 LD-12920 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Prime Property Solutions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/10/2005. Office location: Rennselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 792 Farm to Market Rd, Troy, NY 12180 Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12923 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Metrowest Solutions LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/1/2006. 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-12924 (February 22, 2006)

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Lakeview Capital Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/7/06. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/11/2006. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Principal address of LLC: 6261 NW 6th Way, Ste #203, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12925 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Hunter & Monroe LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/1/2006. 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-12926 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Digital Videostream, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/6/06. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in California (CA) on 9/8/2000. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The Company, 2600 W. Olive Ave, Ste 100, Burbank, CA 91505. Principal address of LLC: 2600 W. Olive Ave, Ste 100, Burbank, CA 91505. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th St, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12927 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of Atlantic Pacific Group LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/3/06. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/14/2005. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The Company, 1415 S. Maple Ave, Ste 220, Los Angeles, CA 90015. Principal address of LLC: 3500 S. Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-12928 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of Gold Standard Builders, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/2/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 197 Lenox Ave., Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12930 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Qualification of First States Investors 4422, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/16/05. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/12/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Principal office of LLC: 1725 The Fairway, Jenkintown, PA 19046. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12931 (February 22, 2006)

Sports *in the* Spotlight

Niskayuna wins swimming title

□ **Frenzy**

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The Niskayuna boys swimming team ended Shenendehowa's three-year reign as Section II champions by claiming the class A title at last Saturday's state qualifier in Amsterdam.

The Silver Warriors swam away from the rest of the field with 421 points.

Shen was second with 333.5 points, while Bethlehem placed third with 325 points.

Shaker was fourth with 255 points.

Mike DeRocco and Spencer Booth led Niskayuna with a pair of individual victories. DeRocco — a newcomer to the Silver Warriors — won the 50-yard freestyle sprint with a time of 21.61 seconds and took first place in the 100 freestyle with a time of 46.89 seconds.

Booth swept the two longest freestyle events. He won the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:44.52 and claimed first place in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:43.08.

Booth and DeRocco also teamed up with their fellow Silver Warriors to win the 200 and 400 freestyle relays. The team of Booth, DeRocco, Phil Manor and Greg Donohue took first place in the 200 freestyle relay with a time of 1:30.23, while the quartet of Booth, DeRocco, Donohue and Mike Rowe won the 400 freestyle relay in a time of 3:18.25.

Other state meet qualifiers for Niskayuna included Parkes in the 200 individual medley and the 500 freestyle and Rowe in the 100 backstroke.

Bethlehem is also sending several swimmers to the state meet. Sean Kennedy won the 100 butterfly title with a time of 55.31 seconds and placed fifth in the 200 I.M., one place behind teammate Paul Cafiero. Larry Gloeckler had second-place finishes in both the 200 freestyle and the 500 freestyle, and Drew Acquaviva added a second-place performance in

the 100 backstroke.

Shaker's Nathan LaRowe set a Section II record by winning the diving competition with a score of 548 points, while teammate Nick Messore earned a state berth by placing third with 418.25 points. Fellow Blue Bison Kevin Kearney won the 100 backstroke with a time of 55.45 seconds and helped Shaker's 200 medley relay win with a time of 1:41.76. Brian Maloy, Nick Maxwell — who qualified for states in the 200 I.M. — and Nick Brennan swam the other three legs of the medley relay.

Shen, Saratoga, Ballston Spa and Guilderville are also sending representatives to the state meet.

Ballston Spa's Gerry Dumary won the 100 breaststroke and finished second in the 200 I.M., while Shen's Taylor Sosnowski was second to DeRocco in both the 50 and 100 freestyles. Guilderville's Vadim Yafayev

defeated Dumary for the 200 I.M. title and placed fourth in the 500 freestyle.

Saratoga's Tyler Olsen (100 freestyle) and Justin Hensleigh (diving) also qualified for states, as did Ballston Spa's Ian Hogan (diving).

In the combined class B-C-D division, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake ended Albany Academy's four-year reign as Sectional champions by winning the team title with 148 points. Academy was second with 92 points.

Jordan and Jamie Matthews each qualified for states in an individual event for BH-BL. Jordan won the class B title in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:01.20, while Jamie took first place in the 100 butterfly with a time of 54.30 seconds.

Scotia-Glenville's Ryan Brooks added a victory in the 100 backstroke with a qualifying time of 56.29 seconds.

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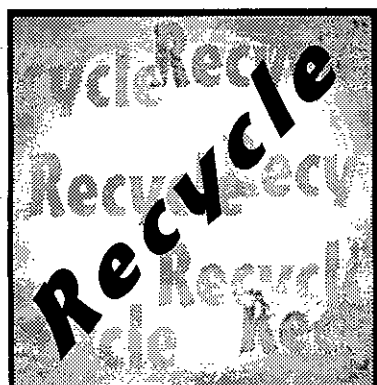
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NJ Secy. of State, 225 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12932 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of 215 ROSES GROVE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/10/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Ser-

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vice Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12933 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of The Sap Bucket L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 02/15/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail

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process to: 191 Maple Ave., Selkirk, NY 12158. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-12935 (February 22, 2006)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 1, 2006, at 8:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on appli-

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cation of Stewarts Shops Corporation for Variance under Article XIII, Use & Area Schedules, Section 128-100A, Minimum Rear Yards of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for the placement of a storage freezer and construction of an addition, which will encroach into the rear yard setback at premises 33 Frontage Road, Glenmont, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals

LD-12937
(February 22, 2006)

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Wednesday, March 1, 2006 Public hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Stewarts Shops Corporation at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York Wednesday March 1, 2006, at 8:00 p.m. LD-12940 (February 22, 2006)

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Notice of Formation of EDLER HOLDINGS LLC.

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Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/13/05. 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-12941 (February 22, 2006)

winning this bracket in style. The closest thing to a challenger here is Watervliet, which had a solid Colonial Council season.

• **Girls class C:** Who's up for a rubber match? Schenectady Christian and Schoharie should be, as they're my odds-on-choice to play in the finals. The Falcons split their two Western Athletic Conference meetings with Schoharie, but I think they have too many weapons for the Indians to handle. Unfortunately, I think Schenectady Christian's playoff run will end in the crossover game against Hoosic Valley, but it shouldn't diminish what the Falcons have done this year.

• **Girls class D:** It's been either Argyle or Hartford the last several years, and it looks like it will be that way again. I've got Hartford penciled in as my pick in the title game.

So those are my picks, but I want to wish all of this year's playoff teams the best of luck.

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Sports *in the* Spotlight

Strong Section II track class heading to states

By ROB JONAS

Section II is sending its big guns to the state indoor track and field championships next weekend.

On the boys' side, Shenendehowa's Dan McManamon and Saratoga's Steve Murdock and Greg Kiley lead a list of top area distance runners heading to Cornell University, while Lindsey Ferguson and Hannah Davidson are among the top girls who qualified at last Saturday's Section II Championships at the University at Albany.

McManamon stepped away from the 1,600-meter race, where he had been one of the nation's top runners, to compete in the 1,000. The move paid off, as McManamon won the event with a time of 2:32.19, less than one second ahead of Shaker's John Maloy.

Murdock and Kiley also won individual events at Sectionals. Murdock fended off Saratoga teammate Greg Kelsey for the 3,200 title in a time of 9:11.54, while Kiley edged Bethlehem's Matt Shaffer by a half-second for the 1,600 title.

"I was really happy with the fast finish, but the time could have been better if it had been an even pace," said Shaffer, who also qualified for states with a time of 4:23.91.

Ballston Spa's Robert Carr and Colonie's Jim Kehrer also won individual track events at Sectionals. Carr defeated Niskayuna's John Reilly for the 300 dash title with a winning time of 36.75 seconds, while Kehrer edged Colonie teammate Louis Williams for the 55 high hurdles crown with a time of 7.68 seconds.

Williams finished in a time of 8 seconds to also earn a state meet berth.

"Me and Louis train together," said Kehrer. "He wants to beat me, and I want to beat him."

"We go through this all the time," added Williams. "Our coach (Mike Palmer) tells us it makes us faster."

Colonie and Shaker are each sending relay teams to Cornell. Colonie's 800 relay team of Cjiantai Williams, Tyler Johnson, Kyle Nadler and Chris Wright had no trouble winning its event, as the Raiders pulled away from Albany to finish with a time of 1:39.21. The 1,600 relay team

of Kehrer, Colin Guilderland's Brian Rhodes-Frederickson, Brien Lenge Devey (3,200). The and Brendan Rowland also intersectional relay team — had no problems in winning its event with a time of 3:38.81.

Shaker is sending its national-leading 3,200 relay team to states. The quartet of Brian Benson, Mike Kippins, Steve Marthy and John Maloy took care of business at Sectionals by posting a conservative winning time of 8:23.79.

In the field events, Kippins and Shaker teammate Fred Casimo swept the triple and long jump titles respectively. Kippins claimed the triple jump with a distance of 45 feet, while Casimo won the long jump with a leap of 21-11.25.

Shen's Joe Valenti won the pole vault by clearing 12-6.

Other individual qualifiers on the boys' side include Reilly (300 dash), Maloy (1,000), Nadler (long and triple jump), Tyler Johnson (55 dash), Scotia-Glenville's Pete Rowell (600) and

Ballston Lake's Cody Buell, Niskayuna's Kyle O'Connor and Colonie's Kevin Treadway. Davidson and Ferguson swept the two longest girls races at Sectionals.

Davidson pulled away from Burnt Hills' Meaghan Gregory to win the 1,500 in a time of 4:43.43, while Ferguson eased to a victory in the 3,000 with a time of 10:04.41, more than 13 seconds ahead of Scotia-Glenville's Jillian King.

Other individual champions in girls track events include Shaker's Seri Gordon (600), Scotia-Glenville's Caroline King (1,000), Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's Bri Drexler (55 hurdles) and

Niskayuna's Patty Horan (1,500 race walk).

Colonie and Saratoga each have a relay team headed to states. The Colonie 1,600 relay team of Marisa Poletto, Nanditha Badami, Alicia Williams and Laura Bolognino took first place at Sectionals with a time of 4:07.27, while Saratoga's 3,200 relay team of Davidson, Ferguson, Brianne Bellon and Kipling Hill won its event with a time of 9:29.40.

Niskayuna's Ashlee Atwell (pole vault), Burnt Hills' Brittany Dexter (high jump) and Saratoga's Melissa James (shot put) won individual field events at Sectionals.

Other individual qualifiers include Gregory (1,500); Jillian King (3,000); Colonie's Najla Singleton-McKinnon (55 dash); Mohonassen's Lauren Lester (600); Niskayuna's Sarah McTague (1,500 race walk) and Jillian Gold (pole vault);

Shen's Jennifer Rybak (55 hurdles), Angela Villanova (pole vault) and Jennifer Villanova (long jump); Bethlehem's Sara Turner (high jump); Guilderland's Amber Bowman (triple jump); and Ballston Spa's Kaitlyn Staulters (shot put).

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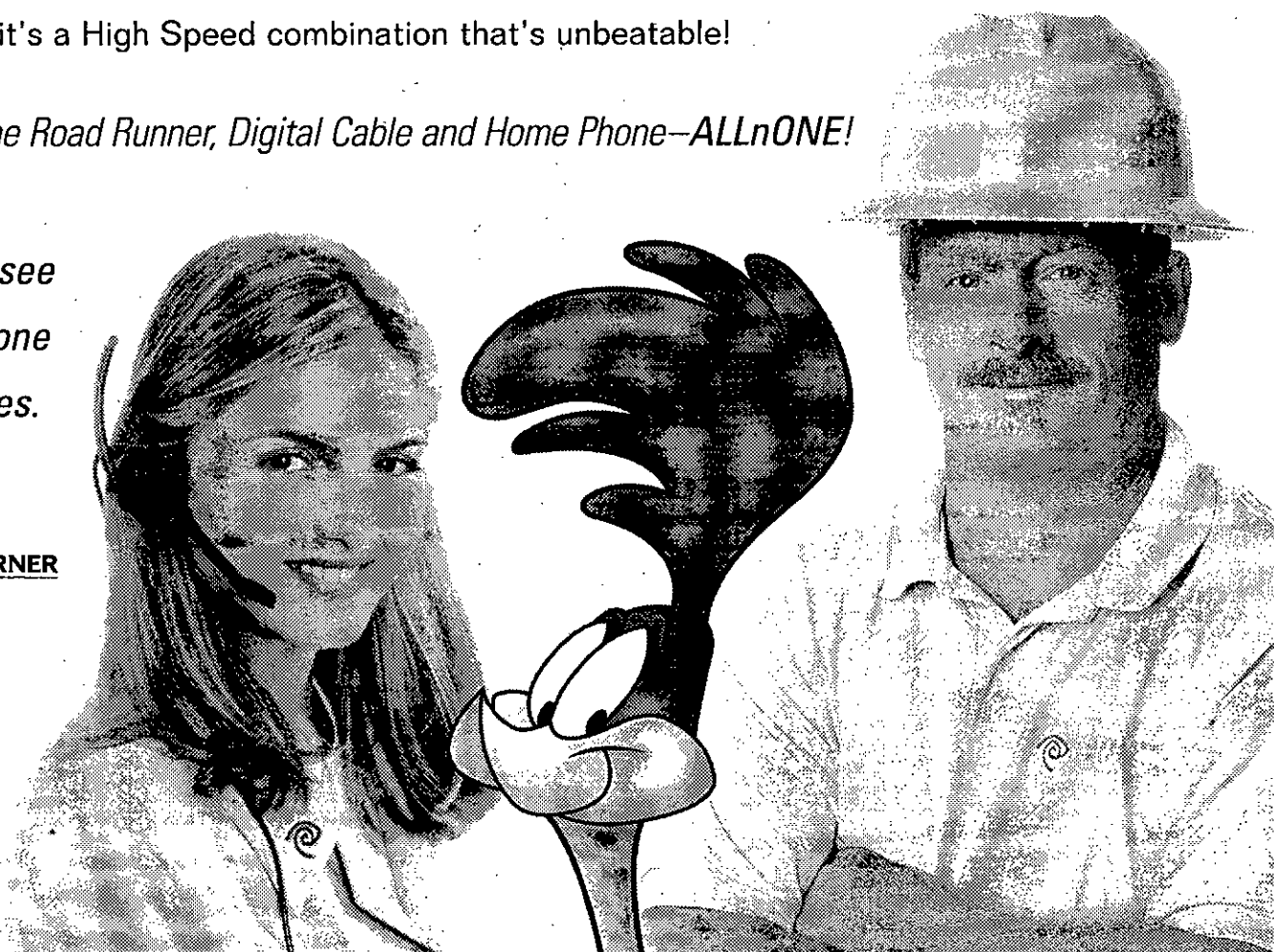
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weekend. Shen's Austin Meys, who won a state title at 103 pounds last year, will go after the 125-pound championship after defeating Columbia's Zachary Crain 11-0 in their Sectional final, while Schalmont's Jeremy Cuomo is going to his third state tournament after pinning Guilderland's Mike Cubillos 57 seconds into their 103-pound title match.

"I was a little more calm this time, and I wrestled as hard as I could," said Cuomo, who lost in last year's Division 2 finals.

"He was all business," said Schalmont coach Rich Kranick. "We had six minutes to work, and he got it done in a lot less. He's on a mission."

Shen's Kareem Naguib can add New York to his list of state tournament he's attended. Naguib, who has been to Michigan's high school tournament twice, defeated Ballston Spa's Eric Simmons 17-6 for the 140-pound division title.

Other area wrestlers are making their first trip to states. The list includes Scotia-Glenville's Dan Riggi (96 pounds) and Mark Burchhardt (130), Ballston Spa's Mike Goossens (135) and James Cooper (171), Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake's Matt Kaylor (145), Guilderland's John D'Ambrosio (189) and Colonie's Ed Smith (215).

Riggi built a 6-2 lead on Shen's Luke Popolizio before hanging on for a 6-4 victory, while Burchhardt pinned Colonie's Brandon Doran 1:40 into their championship bout.

"Those guys are both top seeds, but in this tournament, you never know," said

Scotia-Glenville coach Ron Ashcraft. "At this point, a win's a win."

Goossens faced off against

Shen's Jon Corsetti for the third consecutive week, and the familiarity helped Goossens. He scored the lone takedown of the match in the second period and held on for a 4-2 victory to win the season series against Corsetti 2-1.

"I figured I had a shot (at states). It's still hard to believe that I actually did it," said Goossens.

"He's worked hard for four years for us, and he's come a long way," said Ballston Spa coach Harvey Stalters.

Kaylor became Burnt Hills' first state tournament wrestler in six years when he defeated Columbia's John-Michael Donahue 9-2 in the finals. His teammate, Casey Leahy, also reached the finals, but Cooper shut out Leahy 12-0 to take the title.

D'Ambrosio gave up a 3-1 lead to Queensbury's Tim Elbert late in the third period, but he escaped to pull out a 4-3 victory.

"I knew he was going to get out," said Guilderland coach Regan Johnson.

"(D'Ambrosio) got a little greedy by going for a headlock and Elbert took him down, but I knew he'd get up."

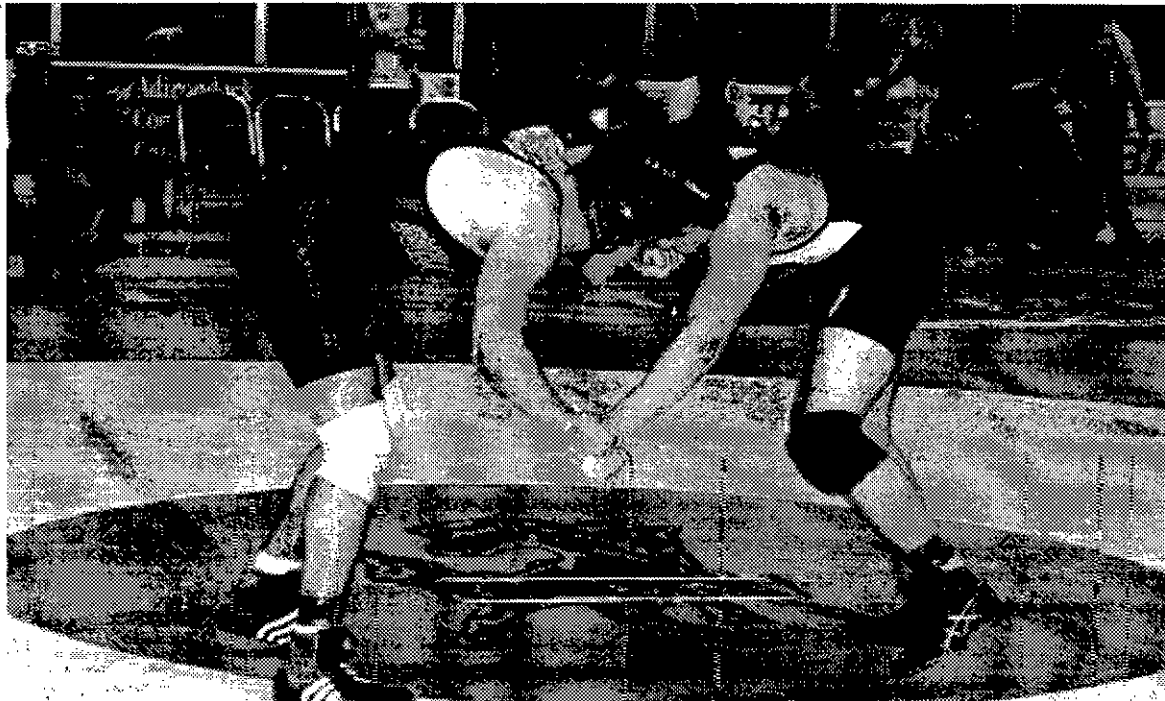
"That was one of my goals since the start of the season," D'Ambrosio said of going to states. "This is one of my goals since I started wrestling."

Smith had no trouble in his championship match against Shen's Ed Rosiak. He scored takedowns early and often in defeating Rosiak 18-8.

"I wanted to wrestle good," said Smith. "He's a good wrestler, and he did a good job."

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk will have a representative in the Division 2 tournament at states. Nate Graham earned a 4-1 victory over Salem's Brad Mattison for the 160-pound division title.

"It feels pretty good," said Graham. "This isn't my ultimate goal, but it's a good start" toward a state title.



Guilderland's John D'Ambrosio, left, knocks heads with Queensbury's Tom Elbert during their 189-pound title bout at last Saturday's Section II wrestling championships in Glens Falls.

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Glens Falls rocks

Section II wrestling tourney
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By ROB JONAS

History and intrigue were on the docket at last Saturday's Section II Wrestling Championships in Glens Falls.

The history happened early in the evening when Duanesburg's Amy Whitbeck defeated Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's Andy Lyman in the Division 2 (small school) 96-pound championship match to become the first female to qualify for the state tournament.

"It feels nice," said Whitbeck, a sophomore. "I didn't think I could do it (at the start of the season), but I do now."

The intrigue came when two reigning Sectional champions, Shenendehowa's Hunter Meys and Christian Brothers Academy's Michael Chaires, met in the Division 1 (large school) 152-pound title bout. Chaires, the defending champion in that weight class, scored the match's only takedown nine seconds into overtime to pull out a 3-1 victory.

"Last year was great, but this year was better," said Chaires. "To go into Sectionals, go into overtime and win 3-1 again against a

great competitor is great."

"I thought I could make it, but he's a top-notch wrestler," said Meys.

Meys got the first point of the match when he escaped three seconds into the third period and looked ready to end Chaires' reign until the referee penalized him one point for a second stalling call with less than 30 seconds left.

"What are you going to do? It's part of the sport —

sometimes the call goes your way, and sometimes it goes against you," said Shen coach Rob Weeks.

"Last year was great, but this year was better. To go into Sectionals, go into overtime and win 3-1 again against a great competitor is great."

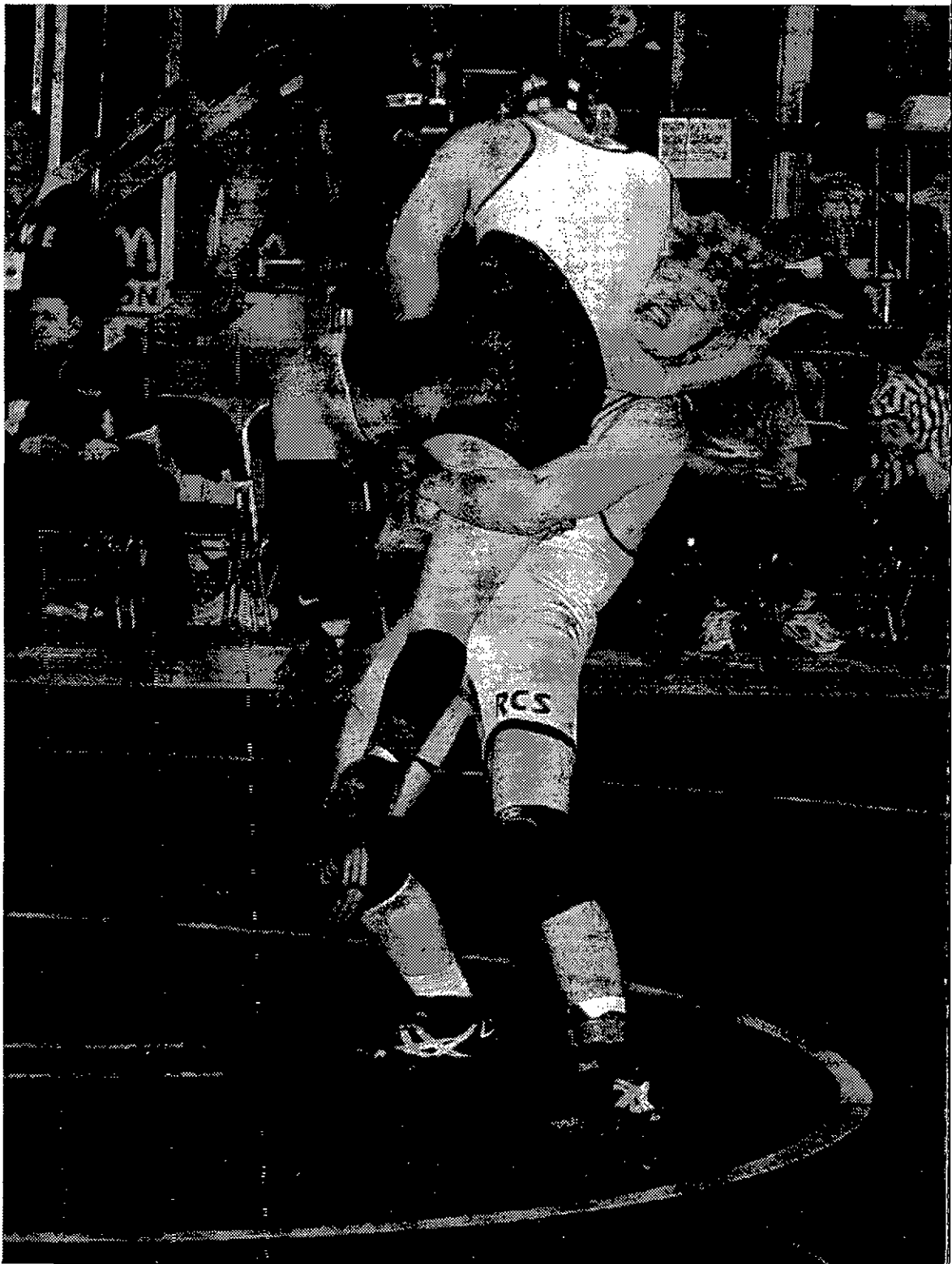
Michael Chaires

Chaires, who had missed on several earlier attempts, ended the match by ankle-picking Meys at the edge of the mat and scoring the takedown before Meys could pull himself and Chaires out of bounds.

"I really just sucked it up and thought the same thing as last year — one takedown and I'll go to states," Chaires said.

Two more area Division 1 wrestlers with state tournament experience will be headed to Long Island this

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Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's Cody Legg lifts Aaron Barber of Hudson Falls during their 140-pound division title bout at last Saturday's Section II wrestling championships in Glens Falls.

Rob Jonas

Let the Section II basketball frenzy begin

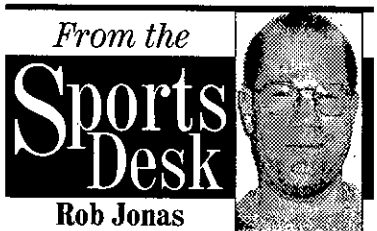
By ROB JONAS

College basketball has March Madness. Section II high school basketball has February Frenzy.

This week, more than 100 boys and girls basketball games will be played to determine the semifinalists for each of the six classes. Quadruple-headers will be the norm this weekend at the University at Albany and Hudson Valley Community College as the playoff fields are whittled down.

I took some time last weekend to look over the brackets for the boys and girls basketball playoffs, and what follows is an admittedly unscientific breakdown of the favorites in each class.

• **Boys class AA:** It shouldn't come as a surprise



that Schenectady and Christian Brothers Academy are the favorites to reach the March 7 finals in Pepsi Arena. They have been the two strongest teams in the Big 10 all year, even though CBA routed Schenectady 72-43 in last Friday's league championship game.

One team to watch is Albany, which had several close losses in league play this year. The Falcons may knock off Suburban Council Blue Division champion Shaker in the quarterfinals if they can

force the Blue Bison guards into turning the ball over.

• **Boys class A:** Suburban Council teams usually fare well in this bracket, and Averill Park could easily continue that trend, but I believe this is the Foothills Council's year. Glens Falls and Gloversville are too talented to be denied berths in the finals.

• **Boys class B:** Voorheesville is the top seed and the team to beat, but keep an eye out for Spa Catholic. The Saints are coming off a crossover victory over Western Athletic Conference South Division champion Fonda-Fultonville, and they have four players who can hit for 10 or more points in any game. Still, I like how Voorheesville survived a tough stretch of Colonial Council games to hold on for the league title. I think the Blackbirds will be headed back to states.

• **Boys class CC:** This is normally Watervliet's division to win, and even in a down year, I think the Cannoneers have a chance to reach the finals. However, Stillwater is the top-ranked class C team in the state, and until someone knocks the Warriors off, I have to go with them.

• **Boys class C:** This division has the best chance to see a top seed get knocked off before the finals. Duanesburg is very good, but I think there's a chance we could see a title game between No. 5 Salem and No. 3 Schoharie. Whoever wins this class probably won't survive the crossover game with the class CC champion, though — especially if it is Stillwater.

• **Boys class D:** I keep waiting for Loudonville

Christian's breakthrough, but I don't think it will happen this year. Fort Edward is really strong, and I think the Adirondack League has better competition top-to-bottom than the Central Hudson Valley League, where LCS is from.

• **Girls class AA:** This class could go any number of ways, but I like the way Colonie has been playing down the stretch. If the Lady Raiders' second-half performance against Averill Park last Thursday is any indication of how well they can play in clutch situations, I think they will thrive. I give the nod to Colonie over Shenendehowa in the finals.

• **Girls class A:** Again, this is a class where Suburban Council teams usually thrive, and

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was never to make money. Instead, founders only wanted a place to show movies not commonly found at malls, McKenna said. The forum is filling a niche. The Oscars night benefit, the group's major fundraiser, assures that the forum has a place in Saratoga and the Capital District, he said.

"The benefit enables us to keep our ticket prices down," said Susan Stratton, the Oscar night benefit chairwoman. "(The benefit) has been an evolving process for 15 years."

Forum members pay \$20 a year to join the group. Movie screenings are at the Saratoga Arts Council Building, 320 Broadway, on Thursdays, Fri-

days and Sundays. Members pay \$4 per showing; non-members pay \$6.

Ticket sales go toward purchasing movies to show, but the March 5 benefit allows the forum to screen larger budget independent films. It also allows the forum to bring in the directors, writers and producers of such films to speak with members about the industry.

Showcasing independent films has begun to bring in moviegoers from points as far away as Massachusetts and Ithaca.

Despite the success, some screenings can cost well into the thousands, once the rights to show the films are purchased, the films are shipped, projectors are maintained, and staff is paid.

The ability to bring in members from hundreds of miles has

forum members and directors looking beyond showings, and into hosting film festivals.

The forum has already hosted several successful festivals that featured local and national talent. The success of the festivals has led to the establishment of administrative positions at the forum, the sole purpose of which is to produce larger festivals.

"Saratoga Springs is a prime location for a festival and international festival," McKenna said. "However, an international festival is a huge and extremely expensive undertaking. And, festivals aren't a fundraising function."

Many independent film festivals have turned toward another forum for people to market their movies and perhaps land producers or distributors, or for some, to simply make a showing. Sundance Film Festival founder Robert Redford claimed his brainchild was getting out of hand when Paris Hilton made an appearance at this year's 25th annual festival in Park City, Utah. She was not in a featured film, or involved in the making of one. She only came for the parties.

A Saratoga festival would be geared toward the art of film, McKenna said, and would be a festival unlike others, and unlike the Oscars, devoid of celebrity and media hype.

"Saratoga is the kind of place where that is possible," he said.

Still, a large-scale festival is a way down the road.

For now, Stratton and McKenna are focusing on landing the revenue at this year's Oscar benefit to continue bringing

smaller, independent movies to the area.

The Oscar Night Benefit is Sunday, March 5, from 6:30 p.m. to midnight at Sargo's at the Saratoga National Golf Club on Union Avenue. The night will begin with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres followed by a late supper buffet.

Seating is available for 230

people and the event often sells out.

Reservations are \$50 per person and need to be made as soon as possible. To make a reservation, place a bid in the silent auction, or to learn more about the film forum visit www.saratogafilmforum.org, or call 584-FILM.

Movies

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foster a sense of community among Albany moviegoers," he said.

That particular niche is hard to define, as the films shown are an interesting mix of genres and decades, with Korean slasher films and 1970's sci-fi shown in the same league with 1990's independent films.

The theater gave the series a test run, showing a film once a month for three months, and the venture was so successful that in January it became a weekly event.

The series has gained in popularity, and in the six weeks that the series has run, four of the films have sold out: "Dazed and Confused," "Eraser-head," "Reservoir Dogs," and "The Big Lebowski." The others have been widely attended by audiences of a primarily under-25 age.

Keegan said he has been "shocked and pleased" by the turnouts for the films, which he half-expected to be mostly comprised of theater workers and their friends.

"It has been really successful thus far," he said.

Keith Pickard, one of the owners of the Spectrum, said that this is the first midnight movie series the theater has continuously run, and he is pleased with the success.

"People have really embraced

it," he said. "The large theater has sold out 15 or 20 minutes before the shows."

Keegan said there are a number of things that make the series appealing to the public, including the price.

"It's as cheap as renting a movie," he said. "At Hollywood video, a DVD is around \$4.75."

He also said a midnight film is a good alternative to the bar scene, and it attracts many teenagers. The snack bar, which has always been famous at the theater for its baked confections, is also another drawing point that has made the theater attractive to viewers.

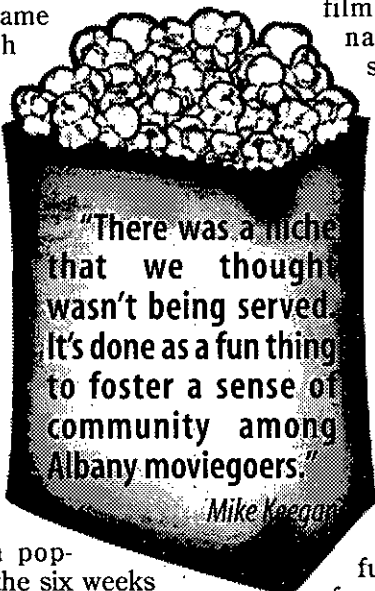
Keegan has a list that he draws inspiration for future showings from, made up of customer suggestions and his own personal wish list.

Upcoming movies in the series include "Donnie Darko" on March 3; "Blade Runner" on March 10; and "Gummo" on March 17.

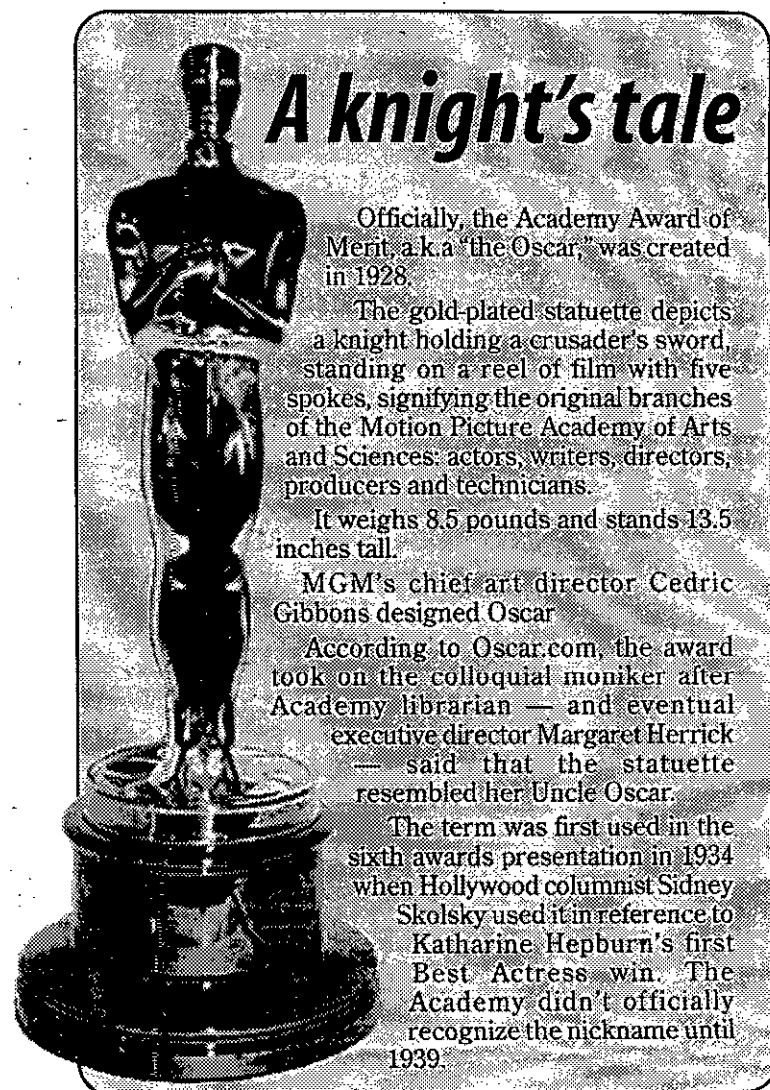
In addition, attendees in the month of March will be able to vote for a viewer's choice movie to be shown on April 28.

That list includes "Suspiria," an 1970's Italian horror movie; "Brazil," a 1980's science-fiction/fantasy comedy; and "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas," the 1990's interpretation of Hunter S. Thompson.

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Mike Keegan



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