

Area News



These women say 'no' to war

Silent vigils, peace demonstrations, and billboards that tout the message, "Say no to war," are just a few of the ways Women Against War are trying to get their message across in the Capital District. See story on Page 3.



The games are on in Altamont

You're standing in a field, the noon sun beating down on the rustling grass. Fifty pipe bands blare in harmony around you, shaking the ground.

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HS football preview

Changes abound in class AA football this year.

Section II has gone from a three-division format to a two-division format, which means that only the top four teams in each division make the playoffs.

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SHIP SHAPING UP

Netherlands Shipwright Gerald de Weerd is heading up construction of the Onrust
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Group of local volunteers build replica of 1614 Dutch boat

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The spirit of Adriaen Block, a noted Netherlands explorer, is alive and well at the Mabee Farm as some 50 volunteers bang together a nearly exact replica of a boat, the Onrust, that he and his crew built on the island of Manhattan in 1614.

Under the tutelage of Dutch shipwright Gerald de Weerd, the director of the Maritime Museum of Terschelling in the Netherlands, who researched shipwrecks of that time to figure out how the Dutch built boats, the volunteers are using the same technique as Block and his crew.

If you were to compare the procedure to building a house, the sheathing would go up first and then the

supporting framing is added. It is much faster than the traditional way of building a boat, and it may seem like they are cutting corners just to get the job done, but, de Weerd said, incorporated into the technique was years, if not centuries, of Dutch maritime experience.

"It is not scientific but organic and efficient," de Weerd said from the large barn at the Rotterdam Junction farm sheltering the 50-long vessel. "If it looks and feels right, you reinforce it. That is not to say they did not build good ships. They had experience with what works and what does not and they had a few tricks."

It is a simple approach to ship building, but the Dutch were re-

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Presidential memoirs have link to Capital District, page 21

Teen killed in Selkirk accident

A 19-year-old Glenmont teen died early Monday morning, Aug. 27, after the car he was driving struck a utility pole on Creble Road in Selkirk.

Alexander S. Kasparian of Glenmont, was pronounced dead due to massive trauma after his 1994 Honda left the roadway while traveling east around 1:44 a.m. and struck a utility pole.

Bethlehem police, along with state police and the Albany County Sheriff's Department, assisted at the scene, along with Bethlehem Ambulance Service and Albany County Paramedics.

Bethlehem police said they believe excessive speed is the cause of the crash after a preliminary investigation by the department's Traffic Safety Unit and Detective Division. The Honda that Kasparian was driving sustained severe damage.

The accident occurred about a quarter mile west of Elm Avenue. The investigation into the fatal crash continues.

McDonald's design gets go-ahead

Owner tweaks details to get the project going

By JIM CUOZZO
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The Bethlehem Planning Board gave the green light for site-plan renovations at the Delmar McDonald's Restaurant on Delaware Avenue Tuesday, Aug. 21.

After months of negotiations between the board and McDonald's owner/operators Jim and Shari Fox, a plan was developed to have the new McDonald's fall in line with the planning board's comprehensive plan for the Delaware Avenue corridor.

"In my opinion, I think this

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Town hammers out '08 budget

Golf course management and insurance co-pays figure in discussions

By JIM CUOZZO
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A series of early budget workshops held over the month of August reveal there will be little, if any, tax increase in the 2008 Bethlehem town budget.

"We are still going to hold the line on tax increases at this point," said Supervisor Jack Cunningham, at the final workshop held Tuesday, Aug. 21.

Cunningham is in charge of reviewing his first town budget as supervisor.

Cunningham and the town board have met with every department to go over revenues and expenditures and to review department head priorities.

"What we decided to do this year is to meet with department heads and walk through what their needs are," Cunningham said.

Cunningham said he does not foresee any surprises in the budget at this time. One of the major recommendations coming from the budget workshops

is the need for better facilities townwide.

"What I am hearing is a lot of demand for improving the overall infrastructure that we've got in parks, public works, public safety and other areas," said Cunningham.

One area reviewed at the Aug. 21 budget workshop was health insurance. Currently employees under a family coverage or single-plus-one-coverage plan, contribute 15 percent. Employees who receive individual health insurance coverage currently make no contribution.

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Police Blotter

Albany man charged with sexual misconduct

An Albany man is charged with disseminating indecent material to a minor, a felony, by Bethlehem police after a joint investigation with Colonie police.

Nicholas Pratt, 18, of 674 Myrtle Ave., Albany, was

additionally charged with misdemeanor sexual misconduct and endangering the welfare of a child.

Pratt was arrested where he works in Colonie at the Wendy's Restaurant on Central Avenue on Wednesday, Aug. 15, based

on an active warrant issued by Bethlehem Town Justice Ryan Donovan.

Bail for Pratt was set at \$20,000. He was arraigned and sent to the Albany County jail.

Town garbage truck involved in accident

A Feura Bush teen was involved in an accident with a town vehicle Thursday afternoon, Aug. 23, on Route 32 in Bethlehem.

Bethlehem police report that 17-year-old Erica Duell was traveling south on Route 32 when she crossed into the path of a Bethlehem town garbage truck driven by 28-year-old Jason Maurer.

The accident occurred just after 3 p.m. about a quarter mile south of Feura Bush Road.

Duell was the only occupant in her vehicle and was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash.

Members of the Delmar fire and ambulance service, along with responders from Selkirk, Slingerlands, Bethlehem and Albany County assisted in extricating

Duell from her vehicle.

Duell was transported to Albany Medical Center with extensive serious injuries that, according to police, are not believed to be life-threatening.

Maurer and his two passengers, 27-year-old Bryan Kelley and 40-year-old Darren Yates, all employees of the town of Bethlehem, were not injured in the collision.

Members of state police along with Bethlehem police were at the scene.

The Bethlehem Police Department Traffic, Safety Unit and Detective Services division are investigating.

Charges against Duell for traffic offenses are pending.

Woman charged with DWI after allegedly falling asleep

An Albany woman was arrested by Bethlehem police after she allegedly fell asleep at the wheel on the Slingerlands Bypass.

Paula Sochow, 25, of 40 Collins Place, Albany was charged with DWI, driving with more than .08 percent blood alcohol content, and three other motor vehicle violations.

Bethlehem police said they observed Sochow's Ford Explorer parked along the roadway near the Slingerlands Bypass with the lights on and engine running.

Police said Sochow was asleep in the drivers seat with the seat reclined. An officer knocked on

the window to awake Sochow who then told police she was driving home from Troy and she must have fell asleep. Police said Sochow was also unsure of her location.

Sochow was additionally charged with driving with her license suspended. She will be arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court on Sept. 18.

Other arrests

• An investigation is being conducted by the state Liquor Authority after an employee of Slingerlands Wine and Spirits was charged with selling alcohol

to a minor.

Geoffrey Miller, of 53 Woodlake Road, Albany, was charged with a misdemeanor count by Bethlehem police on Thursday, August 9.

A compliance check was conducted by the state Liquor Authority after Miller sold a bottle of Vodka to a confidential agent under the age of 21. Miller was issued an appearance ticket to appear in Bethlehem Town Court.

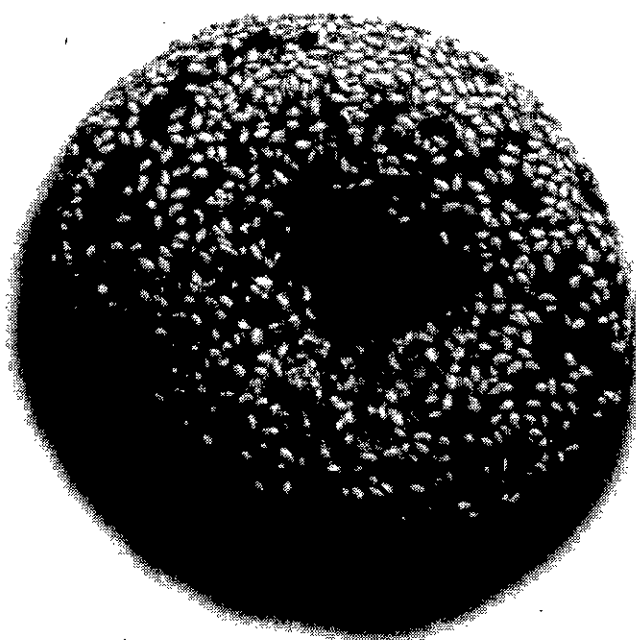
Correction

An article regarding September primaries in Bethlehem in last week's Spotlight did not mention that Rich Mendick is running for

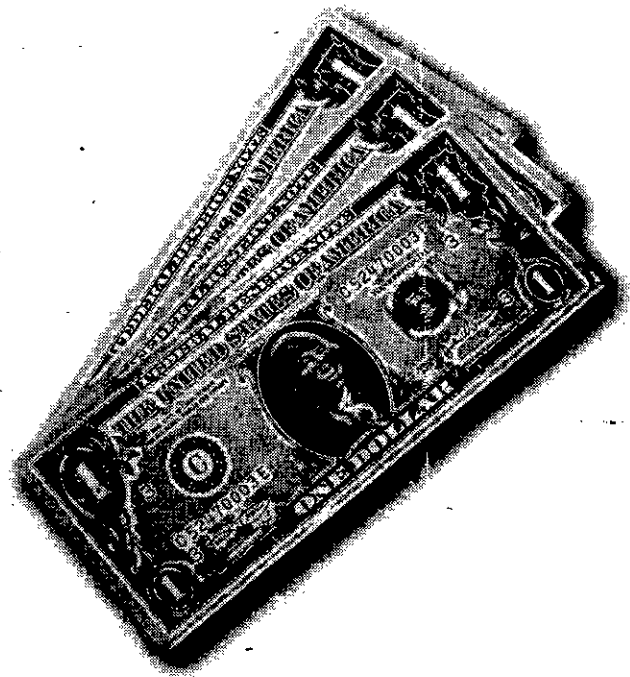
county legislator in Albany County's 36th District and will be vying for the Conservative Party primary line on Sept. 18.

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Credit union breaks ground in Glenmont

Move to area prompted by a desire to serve and expand membership

By JIM CUOZZO
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Glenmont will be the new home for the latest branch of Capital Communications Federal Credit Union.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new 384 Bender Lane location took place Tuesday, Aug. 21. The 54,000-member credit union currently has \$564 million in assets, and the Bethlehem branch is being built along the rapidly developing Route 9W corridor.

"We already have a substantial number of members from this area," said Paula Stopera, president and chief executive officer of Capital Communications.

"Our research showed we

needed to move into this area to reach our existing membership and to help grow the Delmar, Glenmont membership," Stopera said.

The membership in Bethlehem is already 7,000, and the credit union is counting on their steady customer service to push the numbers higher. A new Capital Communications location in Cohoes, along with the Bethlehem site, will make a total of 10 locations throughout the Capital District.

"We're hoping for a ribbon-cutting for Dec. 1," said Ed Gilligan, chairman of the Capital Communications board. Gilligan said the board began their search for a Bethlehem site a few years ago before settling on Bender Lane in Glenmont.

"It was the combination of traffic patterns, and access to our membership," said Gilligan.

There will be four employees at the new location



Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Capital Communications Federal Credit Union in Glenmont took place Tuesday, Aug. 21.

Jim Cuzzo/Spotlight

when it opens, and the new location will offer a retirement investment representative," said Gilligan.

The credit union recently received a boost of 12,000 new members due to the merger with Excelsior Credit Union in

early August. All 24 Excelsior employees have been retained by Capital Communications.

"It's a great opportunity," said Stopera. "We have very similar philosophies."

Members of the Bethlehem Town Board along with

the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce attended groundbreaking ceremonies.

"They are a good corporate neighbor," said Marty DeLaney, president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. "They are very supportive of the local chamber and that makes them big in our book."

Construction on the new branch is by Baron Construction of Albany with architects Connor, Gillies, Seleman overseeing design work.

The year 2007 has been a busy one for the Route 9W corridor in Bethlehem with several new stores opening up, including Panera Bread, Marshalls and PetSmart, with more on the way.

"I think it is a sign the community is growing and the 9W corridor is becoming a focal point for commercial development," said Bethlehem Supervisor Jack Cunningham.



Above: Members of Women Against War, which was founded in 2002.

Right: Women Against War paid \$1,200 to have a billboard put up on Fuller Road.

Jim Cuzzo/Spotlight



Women Against War serve as voices for peace

Groups spread message of nonviolence

By JIM CUOZZO
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Silent vigils, peace demonstrations, and billboards that tout the message, "Say no to war," are just a few of the ways Women Against War are trying to

get their message across in the Capital District.

The group's founding in 2002 preceded the deployment of U.S. troops to Iraq in March 2003. It was started by group of women who, at the time, felt the need to speak out against the possibility of war.

"We represent 300 women, and we make our concerns known about the way foreign policy should be conducted," said group president Maud Easter, a Delmar resident.

Ending violence as a way of dealing with conflict and empowering women to educate people about the impact of war are some of the core values of the group.

"Our deeper concern is to create a culture showing violence is not the way to solve our differences, either domestically

or internationally," said Judith Fetterley of Glenmont.

The membership has held several events in the area to highlight the impact of war with their latest message aimed at avoiding a second conflict, this time in Iran.

The organization has paid for a billboard on Fuller Road that shows an Iranian woman and child with the question and answer, "Iran Next? No War, No Way!"

Easter said the feedback from the \$1,200 billboard, which will be up through the month of August, is mostly positive.

"Overall, people have said it's a very clear message and thank you for raising this issue," said Easter.

Women Against War is not the only area organization opposed to the Iraq invasion. There is also the

Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace, whose members regularly show up on Monday evenings at the Delmar Four Corners with signs protesting the war. Another group called Grannies for Peace has also united with Women Against War.

"I would like to see war abolished for the sake of my grandchildren," said Jane Streiff-Spelich of Delmar, a member of Grannies for Peace, who has 12 grandchildren ranging in age from 14 to 26 years old.

Women between the ages of 59 and 91 are a part of the now 65-member organization that has been actively involved in lobbying state politicians for an end to the war in Iraq.

In January of this year, the group met with staff from Democratic senators Chuck Schumer and Hillary Clinton's office as part of a national campaign organized by the Granny Peace Brigade, which visited Washington, D.C., pleading for an end to the war.

Mickie Lynn another local member of Women Against War

was outspoken in her criticism of Sen. Clinton's view on the Iraq War.

"She is very much for war in every shape and form," said Lynn, who along with the other members are watching the presidential candidates quite closely to see what candidate will really stand for peace.

"As an organization, we haven't taken any position," said Easter, who also expressed disappointment over Clinton's position on the Iraq War.

"We were very disappointed she was not willing to rule out military force to deal with Iran," said Easter.

Upcoming events for the groups include the weekly peace vigil in Delmar Mondays in September along with the next regular meeting of Women Against War to be held Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. at Albany Friends Meeting Hall, 727 Madison Ave., Albany. You can also find the women on the Web at www.womenagainstar.org.

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Toting the essentials for a sweet beach trip

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The items I use for a vacation at the beach could all fit into a backpack and a small beach bag. Yet when my family embarks on a weeklong vacation, we pack enough to stay for the summer. Maybe it's wishful thinking on my part.

We've talked about possibly bringing one of my daughter's friends with us one year, but there is barely room for the three of us in the car. Rachel shares the back seat with two coolers, several bags of snacks, and her own backpack of entertainment (books, CDs, art supplies).

The luggage carrier attached to the roof of the car holds the boogie boards, the sand toys, the beach chairs, the beach blanket, the beach umbrella, and, of course, the cart with the big wheels to tote all the stuff.

The trunk space is piled with three suitcases, a pool bag, a beach bag, jackets (in case a cold front comes through in August) and plastic totes. This year we took four plastic totes. One plastic tote contained non-perishable foods; another held paper goods, disposable cameras and batteries; a third was filled with board games (for rainy days) and a fourth contained a replica of our living room in case we got homesick. Not really. The fourth tote contained books and DVDs.

The totes are an improvement. In our early years we took several cardboard boxes and countless plastic bags. Just loading the car took three hours. The plastic totes with their snap-on covers make for more efficient packing, only they are not pliable like plastic bags. They are firm and take up a set amount of space.

"This doesn't look right," I said to my spouse as he was piling the final items into the trunk area. "How are we going to see out the back window?"

"It'll be fine," he said.

"I won't drive if I can't see out

Commentary:

From
Robin's Nest

the back window," I told him, "Remember last year when I took a turn driving and you had to take the beach bag and some other stuff off the top of the pile and put it all in the back seat with Rachel?"

"It'll be fine," he repeated, moving two bags to the side of the trunk in order to better clear his line of vision out the back window.

I usually get to take over the wheel once we are on the Garden State Speedway, I mean, Parkway, in New Jersey. I'd rather drive the first leg of the trip down the less nerve-racking New York State Thruway. But Jeff likes to be the first driver because he's anxious to get going and believes he will make better time.

If you haven't guessed by now, I'm the kind of driver who observes the speed limit.

Needless to say, I didn't do any driving at all on this year's vacation. I think this may have been Jeff's plan all along.

I remember our first trip down to the Jersey shore. My daughter had just turned 4. To ward off boredom, we had discussed activities we could do in the car during the trip. These included looking at books, singing songs, listening to music, drawing and sleeping.

As soon as we got on the Thruway she said, "What are we going to do now?" We had been in the car only about six minutes, and she had already exhausted four of the five activity choices. As for the fifth, sleeping, she wasn't interested. In fact, she slept for only the last 20 minutes of what turned out to be about an eight-hour trip.

On that trip, though, I was the antsy passenger. I just wanted to be at the beach already, and it was frustrating to

The ice cream isn't generally for breakfast (well, not until the last morning, when it needs to be eaten or thrown away).

be stuck in bumper-to-bumper traffic, in the middle of a sunny afternoon, and still be almost 100 miles away from the final destination.

When we finally got to the hotel, I did what I do every year. I changed into my swimsuit, strategically located in the already-packed beach bag, and I went out to the ocean. That first year, it happened to be after 5 o'clock in the afternoon. And as soon as my feet hit the sand, that traffic jam and most other annoyances were swept away by the sight, sound and smell of the ocean.

This year we lucked out and hit very little traffic. We made our best time ever, which means I should've been out on the beach sooner. Only our room wasn't ready. And we had groceries to put away.

We had groceries because it's our tradition to stop at the Acme supermarket and pick up our perishables. We get an efficiency room at the hotel, which is especially convenient for preparing breakfast, and so we need foods like milk, eggs, juice and ice cream sandwiches.

The ice cream isn't generally for breakfast (well, not until the last morning, when it needs to be eaten or thrown away). Anyway, do I really have to explain why we need a guaranteed supply of ice cream while we're on vacation? Here's a hint: Store-bought ice cream novelties are a less expensive alternative to the ice cream truck, which is usually pulling away as we approach or pulling toward us when we are covered in sand and without our wallets.

Oh, and we need lunch foods too, so we buy cold cuts, and we also throw some fruit in the cart to balance out the junk food we've brought from home, and then I might decide a container

of hummus would be great for dipping the peppers we packed in the cooler.

This year we reached the Acme supermarket at 1:30 p.m., so we called the hotel to inquire about our ability to check-in. The hotel was fairly confident that our room would be ready by 2:30 p.m., but would not guarantee this. Official check-in time is 3 p.m.

We decided to chance it. After all, every other year our room has been ready and waiting. Not this year. This year we didn't get our room key until 3:10 p.m.

Because I was impatient, and not prepared to eat or otherwise dispose of a dozen ice cream sandwiches, I headed up to the room at 2:45 p.m. There I found the door open and the housekeeping staff working on our room at a leisurely pace.

"Sorry to interrupt," I told the two workers, "but I just need to put some items in the refrigerator and then I'll be out of your way." I scurried in with my packages and then slipped out and stood among

our arsenal of suitcases.

The housekeeping staff closed the door. That's when I realized that I hadn't put the ice cream away. We had moved it from the grocery bag into one of our coolers and this fact had slipped my mind. I thought about knocking on the door, but I heard the vacuum cleaner running.

Any sane person would have just opened the cooler and started wolfing down the yummy treats. There were three of us, it was hot, and we could've polished off that creamy vanilla ice cream in no time. Or we could've stuffed the softening sandwiches into cups and drank them like shakes.

But no, I opened the cooler just long enough to move the ice cream to the bottom and add some ice packs from our second cooler. And soon after, we had possession of the room, and the freezer was at our disposal.

We had made our best driving time ever, yet it was still 4 o'clock by the time I put my feet in the sand. But like magic, as soon as I felt the grains slip between my toes and saw the waves and collapsed into my beach chair, all my worries (but not my ice cream) melted away.

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Record high/low/year

AVERAGE HIGH 76°	AVERAGE LOW 55°
Day	High/Year Low/Year
Wednesday, August 29	95°/1953 34°/1982
Thursday, August 30	98°/1953 38°/1982
Friday, August 31	93°/1953 37°/1965
Saturday, September 1	96°/1953 41°/1967
Sunday, September 2	100°/1953 39°/1991
Monday, September 3	100°/1953 39°/1976
Tuesday, September 4	97°/1929 37°/1946

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION

28.45 inches as of August 23rd
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This week in weather

August 29-September 3, 1953 A heat wave baked the Northeast, accounting for six consecutive days of record highs in Albany. September 2nd and 3rd mark the only days on record in September to reach 100°, as well as the last time Albany has reached the 100° mark.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	6:16am	7:35pm
Thursday	6:17am	7:33pm
Friday	6:19am	7:32pm
Saturday	6:20am	7:30pm
Sunday	6:21am	7:28pm
Monday	6:22am	7:27pm
Tuesday	6:23am	7:25pm

Moon Phases

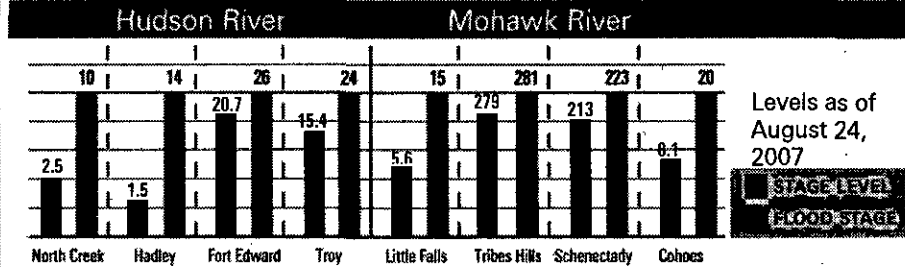
August 28	September 3
Full	Last

Planets When Where

Jupiter	Twilight	Low, SSW
Saturn	Dawn	V.Low, ENE
Mars	Dawn	High, East
Uranus	Evening	High, SSE

Rivers & Recreation

River Levels



Water temp.

Lake George	71°
Bolton Landing	70°
Sacandaga Lake	71°
Saratoga Lake	73°
Jersey Shore	71°
Cape Cod	70°

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	6:11am, 6:34pm	12:28am, 12:57pm
Thursday	6:54am, 7:18pm	1:16am, 1:39pm
Friday	7:38am, 8:05pm	2:05am, 2:23pm
Saturday	8:25am, 8:55pm	2:57am, 3:10pm
Sunday	9:17am, 9:49pm	3:52am, 4:01pm
Monday	10:14am, 10:48pm	4:50am, 4:57pm
Tuesday	11:18am, 11:51pm	5:50am, 5:56pm

Proposed beehives stir buzz at Bethlehem planning board

Town puts forth list of restrictions for suburban beekeeper

By JIM CUOZZO
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A proposed beehive on Ursula Bauer's Delmar property at 200 Winne Road will be subject to a swarm of restrictions imposed by the Bethlehem Planning Board.

On Tuesday, Aug. 21, the board approved Bauer's site plan to locate beehives on her property with three specific amendments attached. A 6-foot high wooden fence around Bauer's back yard will have to be installed along with a 40-foot setback in front of the hives and a fully replenished water supply for the bees to use before the hives can be located on the site.

Bauer's hives currently sit on property in Glenmont as she considers her options.

The newly passed restrictions are part of the town's comprehensive plan allowing for several measures to occur in a residential neighborhood for the production of honey from bees deemed an agricultural use.

Chairman of the planning board Parker Mathusa originally wanted Bauer to install a second fence closer to the hives within

the 6-foot enclosed yard fence, but members of the planning board objected to that measure.

"This is a very restrictive proposal," said new board member Kate Powers. "I see a huge disparity and no record reflecting problems in unregulated hives."

Several beekeepers from Bethlehem attended the planning board meeting to support beehives on Bauer's property, but those same landowners do not have to conform to the new set of standards.

"I want a double level of security outside the fence for securing kids from coming into the yard," said Mathusa.

Bauer told the board that if a second fence were mandated, she would no longer have the resources to transfer the hives from their current location to her yard.

"Addressing perceived safety issues can be difficult since they are not founded in reality," Bauer said.

Board member John Smolinsky said he favored the beehives on Bauer's property, but, like Powers, he objected to the second fence within a fence.

"I support the proposal but am not in support of the overly restrictive measures," Smolinsky said.

Bauer will be placing between 15,000 and 20,000 bees on her site if she goes along with the planning board's restrictions.

The members of the planning board took several individual votes on the many amendments to the beehive proposal before a final vote was decided.

Board member Howard Engel voted against the measure in its entirety.

"I don't feel it's a proper location so I don't support what's here," he said.

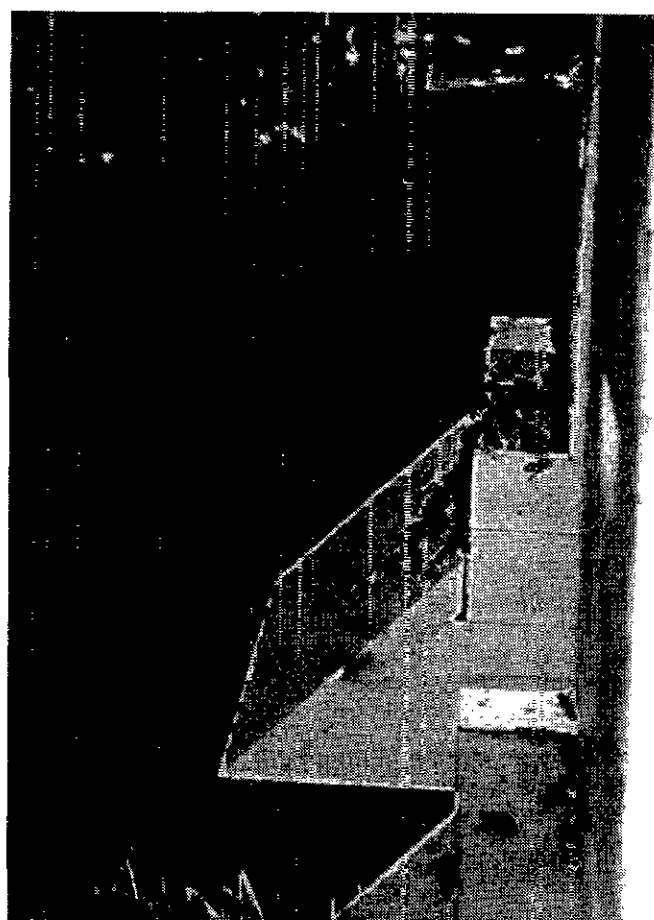
Planning board member Dan Odell said he believes the planning board conducted the proper research before it decided to move forward with the proposal with approved restrictions.

"I think the proposal here strikes a balance, and I think I can support it," Odell said.

One of the reasons for the many restrictions, according to Mathusa, was because the majority of residents in Bauer's neighborhood feared having the hives placed next to their homes.

"The site is surrounded by people who are opposed to it," Mathusa said.

Bauer has time now to respond to the planning board's proposed changes to her site plan, and the board will review the modifications.



Ursula Bauer's beehives are sitting on a property in Glenmont while she figures out what to do with them.

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Apple picking time has come around again. The orchards at Indian Ladder Farms will open to the public on Saturday, September 1st at 9 am. The variety ready to be picked is Jonamac, a cross between the Jonathon and the Macintosh apple. It is sweet and tart and good for eating and baking.

Fruit is at the height of its nutritional value when it is just picked and apples are no exception. Apples are the perfect snack. They are delicious, satisfying and low in calories. One medium-sized apple has only 80 calories and no fat. To sweeten the deal apples are packed with nutrients essential to human health. Apples contain vitamin C, an important antioxidant and vitamin A which is good for eyesight and helps build strong bones and teeth. Apples also have potassium which helps keep blood pressure down and prevents strokes. Boron, a mineral found in apples, helps the human body absorb calcium, which strengthens bones. Boron also helps women maintain their estrogen levels during menopause. Retaining estrogen reduces the hormone-induced symptoms of menopause and protects against osteoporosis and heart disease.

Not only are apples completely free of cholesterol, eating apples can actually help lower your cholesterol level. The combination of plant chemicals found in apples makes the fruit a powerful antioxidant that absorbs low density lipoproteins (LDL), the bad cholesterol that clogs arteries. In addition to lowering our LDL level, apples improve the ratio between your bad cholesterol and beneficial high-density lipoproteins (HDL), known as good cholesterol. Apples also contain D-glucaric acid. Early research has indicated that D-glucaric acid may be a natural regulator of cholesterol. A diet rich in D-glucaric acid can help reduce your LDL cholesterol by up to 35 percent. In addition apples are loaded with pectin, a soluble fiber found in most fruits and vegetables. Pectin helps reduce your cholesterol level. Pectin also aids digestion, promotes weight loss and helps manage diabetes.

Apples have been proven to help prevent cancer. Several years ago researchers at Cornell University discovered that a special combination of plant chemicals, called phytochemicals, including flavonoids and polyphenols, found in the flesh and skin of apples are responsible for the fruit's cancer fighting abilities. Molecules of certain substances, such as fats, that break up in the body, are

called free radicals. These free radicals attach themselves to other molecules such as blood vessels causing cancer. This is part of a process called oxidation. The molecules of phytochemicals found in apples have many sites for free radicals to attach to. This allows them to absorb the dangerous free radicals, allowing them to pass through the body. This cleansing ability makes the apple an extremely effective antioxidant. The National Cancer Institute has reported that food containing flavonoids such as those found in apples may reduce the risk of lung cancer by as much as 50 percent. Apples have the highest concentration of flavonoids of any fruit. The unique combination of chemicals found in apples also prevents other forms of cancer including colon, breast, liver, skin and prostate cancer.

New research at Cornell has revealed that apples control the occurrence and growth of tumors in rats. Researchers have identified about twelve compounds, called triterpenoids, in apple skin that inhibit the growth of cancer cells. So gather up the family and head out to the apple orchards this weekend. In addition to all the nutritional and disease prevention qualities of apples enjoy the added benefits of exercise, fresh air and sunshine.

Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Step lively at upcoming events

There's been a heartwarming trend in the Capital District in recent years. People have been stepping up – literally – to support the causes that matter to them.

As September approaches, there are a number of nonprofit organizations hosting walks or runs to raise money. It's a great time of year to do it; what's better than a walk in crisp autumn air under bright blue skies? A walk for charity could be just the jump-start you've been seeking to renew or begin a regular exercise routine.

The dispiriting news about Americans' health can be a real turn-off. We know we're pudgy; we know we eat too much fast food; we know we should exercise more. But how do we find the time in lives that already feel packed full of things we must do?

The upcoming fundraisers can offer a little bit of perspective. People who live with diabetes or heart disease face real obstacles, unlike those of us who pick up dinner from the drive-through so we can settle down in front of the television that much sooner.

It's easy to gripe about how much homework our children have, but it's humbling to think about the patience that parents of autistic children need. The person on the way to visit a loved one with Alzheimer's ought to be able to move to the head of the line at the drive-through window.

Change happens one step at a time. Consider taking a step this fall to improve your own health, and support a great cause at the same time.

Here are some dates of upcoming walks, and the Web sites of the sponsoring organizations. If you've got an event you'd like to share with us, drop us a line at news@spotlightnews.com, and we'll try to get it into our papers.

- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation: Sunday, Sept. 16, Corporate Woods, Albany www.jdrf.org
- Pancreatic Cancer Research: Sunday, Sept. 23, Elm Avenue Town Park, Bethlehem, www.pipertech.net
- Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk, Saturday, Sept. 29, Saratoga Gaming and Raceway, www.alz.org/northeasternny
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Editorial

Save money, energy in winter

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The author is NYSERDA president and chief executive officer.

The end of the summer is upon us, and although many households are still using air conditioners to stay cool, folks should start preparing their homes now for the cold weather that is just around the corner.

As we all can attest to, home heating can be very costly during the winter months, but there are ways we can save energy that could virtually cut heating bill costs in half.

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), a public benefit corporation created by the state Legislature, uses innovation and technology to solve some of New York's most difficult energy and environmental problems.

NYSERDA administers the New York Energy SmartSM program that includes energy efficiency, low-income services, research and development, and environmental protection programs. A portion of this program has a focus on home energy improvements to help New Yorkers better manage their energy costs, while enjoying the comfort of a more energy-efficient home. The New York Energy SmartSM program offers ways to reduce energy costs in any household.

It is important to know how energy can be wasted in your home during the winter season. Insulation in your house may be inadequate, allowing warm air to escape and cool air to enter through cracks, leaving cold spots and drafts, and causing your heating system to work much harder. Poor insulation can also cause ice damming, leading to roof and ceiling

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leaks. Your health can also be in danger because of poorly vented appliances that exert carbon monoxide fumes. Also, back drafting is a common problem that occurs with stoves, water heaters, and clothes dryers. A home performance contractor can help identify these and other problems through an assessment.

Under the umbrella of the New York Energy SmartSM program, the Home Performance with Energy Star program has helped thousands of homeowners save energy and reap the benefits of lower energy costs and a healthier, more comfortable environment in which to live. Energy Star is a partnership of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy working together to achieve sustainable living for consumers who wish to save energy effectively using Energy Star's advanced technologies.

NYSERDA is a strong partner promoting Energy Star products and services to all consumers, including homeowners, renters, apartment dwellers, and in many cases, small business owners.

New York's Home Performance with Energy Star program provides a network of participating Building Performance Institute accredited home performance contractors who can perform an assessment of your home, including health and safety testing, make recommendations for energy improvements, and provide a cost estimate to do the work. Low-interest financing is also available to help make the improvements more affordable.

The contractor uses a "whole-house" approach to measure how much energy you are losing, identify where those leaks are, and recommend what measures should be implemented to lower your energy usage as well as make your home more comfortable and healthy. Energy-efficient measures may include better insulation, duct sealing and air sealing to prevent warm air in your home from escaping and cold air outside from entering. A new heating system with a high-efficiency rating may be recommended. In fact, if your furnace is more than 10 years old, replacing it with an Energy Star qualified unit could save up to 30 percent in energy costs. Other improvements may include high-efficiency windows and Energy Star appliances and lighting.

For low-to moderate-income households, the Assisted Home Performance with Energy Star program offers an additional incentive to help offset the cost of the improvements. Income-eligible households can receive a subsidy of up to

50 percent, up to a maximum of \$5,000 per household or \$10,000 for a two-to-four family building. Visit www.GetEnergySmart.org or call 1-877-NY-SMART to find out if you are eligible for this program.

The Energy Star label is given to products and appliances that meet or exceed federal energy-efficiency and quality guidelines, without sacrificing performance. Select from many manufacturers with the features you want while cutting appliance electricity use by 20 to 50 percent to reduce your monthly bill. Simply look for the Energy Star label on products you need during any season: refrigerators, dishwashers, air conditioners, clothes washers, televisions, computers, and lighting to name a few.

With the cold weather just around the corner, the Energy Star label can guide you to a more energy-efficient home. Although Energy Star products may have a higher up-front cost, the energy-saving features mean you will save energy every month in your utility bill.

Since 60 percent of your home's energy is used with heating systems during the cold months, it is also important to recognize some important energy-saving tips:

- Make sure your vents are not blocked by anything including drapes, rugs, or furniture. Clean vents regularly to allow warm air to enter your home without being blocked.
- Use a programmable thermostat to automatically lower the temperature when you are away or sleeping.
- A window air conditioning unit can let cold air in during winter months. Remove the unit, or if you are unable to remove it, cover it to prevent cold drafts.
- Keep the flue damper closed when the fireplace is not in use.
- Have your heating system inspected and cleaned by a professional annually.
- Keep drapes and blinds open during the day to let sun in, and closed during the night to keep the cold out.
- Install rubber gaskets behind outlets on exterior walls to seal air leaks.

• Reverse the direction of your ceiling fan blades to push warm air down.

• Lower your water heater temperature to 120 degrees and ask your heating/plumbing contractor about wrapping the heater with insulation.

NYSERDA's programs help New Yorkers save energy for every season. With winter months approaching, many households should consider NYSERDA's New York Energy SmartSM programs. For more information on these programs, we encourage you to visit www.getenergysmart.org or call toll-free 1-877-NY-SMART.

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Your Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Congratulations to students

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Many of last June's graduates are now busily packing for college.

While the immediate concern for parents and students may be whether duffle bags and vehicles are loaded with the necessary sheets, towels and laptop computers, the broader question for our community should be what values and commitments are our youth taking with them?

In May, I had the honor to attend the Bethlehem Central High School Awards ceremony, where I represented Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace (BNP). BNP is a group founded on the eve of the war in Iraq with a belief in the possibility of nonviolent resolution of conflict, and in the right and obligations of citizens in a democracy to voice dissent. As I sat in the school auditorium, I couldn't help but be impressed by the incredible talent, knowledge, and energy of Bethlehem's youth.

Among the most elusive, but precious ends toward which such talent, knowledge, and energies could be devoted, are peace and social justice. Working for these goals requires perseverance and moral courage.

The BNP Youth Peace Award recognizes a high school senior who demonstrated extraordinary effort in the pursuit of peace and social justice at the local, national,

and/or global level, and who has a firm commitment to continue these pursuits in the future. It carries a small cash prize and the deepest gratitude of the community.

The winner of the 2007 BNP Youth Peace Award is Rebecca Lewis.

Ms. Lewis has an enormous range of accomplishments, including those in the fields of music, writing, theater, and community service. Most significant for the Peace Award committee however, was her leadership role as an activist.

In 10th grade, Ms. Lewis founded the Bethlehem High School chapter of Amnesty International. Under her leadership the group focused on the issues of genocide in Darfur, prisoners of conscience, and violence against women and children; the chapter took field trips to the state Legislature for hearings on the death penalty, did fundraising for the cause of human rights protection, and participated with members from other Amnesty International Chapters during a day of protests in New York City. Ms. Lewis will be attending Columbia University,

where she will continue her work on human rights issues. BNP also awarded an honorable mention to Katherine Kurtessis. Ms. Kurtessis has a superb record of community service, and traveled three times with her church group to Nicaragua, where she was deeply moved by the poverty she saw there. Ms. Kurtessis came to understand poverty not only as a human tragedy, but also as social injustice at the very root of violence. She also will be attending college this fall, and plans to use her education towards a career in which she can pursue the goal of alleviating global poverty.

We congratulate Rebecca Lewis, Katherine Kurtessis, and the many other students who have committed themselves to work for peace and justice. As they leave home, we wish all of them well in their individual endeavors and in their efforts to create a better future for us all.

Gail Landsman

Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace
Slingerlands

Help find a cure for diabetes

• Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Five local merchants are selling paper sneakers for only \$1 each to benefit diabetes research. This great sneaker sale is part of the effort of our townwide team, "Bethlehem Cares," that will participate in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's Walk to Cure Diabetes on Sept. 16 at Corporate Woods in Albany.

"Bethlehem Cares" would like to thank these businesses for supporting our quest to cure diabetes by selling paper sneakers for us: Nichol's Shop 'n Save in Voorheesville; Delmar Marketplace and Cynder Ella Subs; both in Delmar; and Roberta's Gift Shop and Van Allen Farms, both in Glenmont.

The next time that you visit

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

If you would like more information on participating in the Walk to Cure Diabetes, call "Bethlehem Cares" at 439-6894.

If you can't participate but would like to make a donation to support diabetes research, you can mail your check (payable to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) to Bethlehem Cares, 65 Boylston Drive, Delmar, 12054.

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Your Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Run directors congratulate winners one last time

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

For the past seven years, the Hudson-Mohawk Road Running Club, in conjunction with the Bethlehem Youth Track and Field Association, has hosted a series of three Monday evening cross-country races in August for adults and youths at the Elm Avenue Park. Over the course of the past three weeks, approximately 300 adults and 40 youths ran distances of one mile to 5K (3.1 miles) on the trails in the back of the park.

Kudos to Chuck Terry of Albany, Nathan Hoffman of Delmar, and Mackey Lloyd of Voorheesville for blazing the fastest times on the course this summer.

On the women's side, the season's fastest times belonged to Roxanne Wegman of Delmar and Dana Peterson and Penny Tisko of Voorheesville.

The entire community benefits from these recreational events as participants are encouraged to exercise in a low-stress environment, and children learn the value of lifelong fitness.

This year marked the final year for the Bethlehem event, as we are stepping down as

race directors to pursue other interests.

We want to publicly acknowledge the assistance provided by countless others, without whom these races could not have occurred. Paul Turner, Chris Murphy, Kathy Shrader and Bill Shrader are recognized and thanked for their efforts in organizing the kids' running events. Town of Bethlehem personnel and, in particular, Nan Lanahan, director of the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Office, and Rangers Chuck Asprion and Pete Berhaupt are thanked for their continuing support of the series.

Our appreciation is also extended to all of the course marshals who have given us their Monday nights week after week. Of particular note is our most devoted volunteer, Marshall Stanton of Glenmont, who has assumed his post on the course every race night for the past five years.

While the cross-country series is leaving Bethlehem, it will continue next summer at another local venue.

Maureen McLeod, Fred Kitzrow,
Chris Burns, Bruce Beesley
Bethlehem

Thanks to all the picnic volunteers

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

On Thursday, Aug. 16, the Bethlehem Lion's Club held its annual Cliff Van Dyke Memorial Picnic for the senior citizens of the Town of Bethlehem.

More than 145 senior citizens from all parts of the town enjoyed a delicious

luncheon of hamburgers, hot dogs, salad, and watermelon at the Elm Avenue Park Warming Area.

On behalf of the many older community residents who enjoyed the afternoon, many thanks to the Bethlehem Lion's Club picnic chairmen Rick Rudofsky and Dick Clark,

the Lion's Club members, the Blanchard Post, McCarrolls Village Butcher and the community volunteers who helped make the day such a success.

Karen Pellettier
Director of Senior
Services
Bethlehem

Spotlight track article draws in reader

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I have to commend you on the excellent article, "Giveaways aren't track's draw," (Point of View, Aug. 8) you wrote on the Saratoga

Racetrack.

It must have been a pleasure to be with your uncles on these occasions.

Imagine if one of your uncles could have taken you there in

the 1940s and 1950s and be able to see the world's greatest jockey, Eddie Arcaro.

All the best.

Nicholas D'Angelo
Delmar

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Town names new public works boss

Joseph Cansler unanimous choice of town board

By JIM CUOZZO
cuozzoj@spotlightnews.com

Bethlehem has a new public works commissioner.

Joseph Cansler, of Watervliet was the unanimous choice of the town board to replace Oliver Holmes, who retired early this summer.

Cansler was selected over 17 other candidates and will begin his new duties Sept. 9.

"I am really looking forward to getting back into a community where I feel I can make a difference," said Cansler who will be paid \$86,200 to oversee a staff of 55.

Cansler has a bachelor's of science in construction from Auburn University and his current position is with Foiltec North America in Cohoes as director of project management. In 2005, Cansler worked for BBL Construction. Prior to that he was senior Army ROTC instructor at RPI. Cansler also spent three years as director of public works for a combat maneuver training center in Hohenfels, Germany.

"When I got out of the Army a few years ago, I was looking for a job like this," said Cansler, who said he was immediately attracted to the community.

"I met several people during the interview process and was impressed with the overall friendliness of people here."

Prior to Cansler appointment at the Aug. 22 meeting of the town board, resident William

Kelleher commented that the town should be appointing a certified engineer in the public works position.

"Now you want to hire a man who does not have an engineering license in the state of New York," Kelleher said.

Interim public works commissioner George Leveille reminded residents the town currently has three engineers on staff and two engineering firms are used as consultants.

"We have a highly competent staff of engineers," said Leveille. "We need a competent manager to lead the department and I believe we have that with the person chosen."

Town resident Robert Jasinski asked if Cansler will relocate from Watervliet to Bethlehem. Town supervisor Jack Cunningham said there is no law on the books mandating an employee to live within the town boundaries.

"The town does not have a residency requirement," Cunningham said.

One of Cansler's first duties will be to sit down with department heads to learn about the community and the inner workings of his new department.

When Cansler worked as DPW director of a training base in Germany, he managed a \$70 million dollar operation and supervised a work force of 279.

"I want to learn as much as I can about the community and the problems related to DPW," said Cansler, who has already been on a two-hour tour of the departments' operation.



Fruits of his labor

Matt Bernstein of Delmar holds a plaque on the grounds of Delmar's Reilly House, where he completed his Eagle Scout project. The plaque honors a resident of the home who passed away. Bernstein also built a raised garden, a wheelchair-accessible pathway, a solar-powered fountain and a stone bench.

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Tom Knight Puppets

It's the grand finale to the 2007 Summer Reading Program with the Tom Knight Puppets on Wednesday, Aug. 29, at 7 p.m.

Lapsits for babies

There will be a lapsit on Thursday, Sept. 6, at 10:15 a.m. for babies newborn to 24 months. Parents and caregivers, bring your babies to a library program just for them. Everyone participates in sharing books, music, rhymes and



playtime together. Older siblings are welcome, too.

Space is limited, registration required.

Book discussion

Adult fiction book discussion meets on Wednesday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m. to discuss "Brookland" by Emily Barton.

The library is closed Saturday to Monday, Sept. 1 to 3, for the Labor Day holiday.

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.



Summer readers wanted to get their hands on the horse when Sgt. Cotter of the Albany Police K9 and Mounted Horse Division visited the Summer Reading Program at the Voorheesville Library this summer.

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Five Rivers to hold early morning bird walks

Early morning guided bird walks for fall are scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 6, 13, 20 and 27, at 7:30 a.m. at the Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

The program starts inside at 7 a.m. with refreshments and viewing birds at the feeders; the walk begins at 7:30 a.m. Center naturalists will offer tips and tricks for bird identification with the beginning birder in mind. Participants will seek out birds

just passing through, as well as species that live here throughout the year.

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Over fourteen weeks on the campaign trail and one theme continues to reverberate – the strong sense of neighborhood and what it means to part of a neighborhood community. We recently walked in a neighborhood of about 100 homes that illustrates this point well. As we were walking and meeting everyone, we quickly discovered how "neighborly" the people were. In fact, almost everyone living there had lived there a long time or had left and just moved back to raise their family there. One neighbor has been living in this particular area for about 60 years. However, she was now contemplating the sale of her home and the sudden change she would have to make adjusting to a new neighborhood. She shared with us that her neighborhood was her home. The decision to place her home on the market and move out of the area had left her feeling very sad.

We spoke to her for a while. After we left her, we asked her neighbors on the block if they were aware of her situation and if she had any family here who could check on her. By the second home, we quickly learned that each neighbor knew her well and understood her predicament. In fact, each neighbor played some role in performing her daily chores. They cut her grass, picked her weeds, checked to make sure she got her mail or stopped in to share a smile or word with her. Each neighbor was genuinely concerned about her well being and that of their other neighbors. As we were leaving that neighborhood, we both remarked how that this powerful sense of neighborhood is why many of us live in Bethlehem.



The Town of Bethlehem may be big, over 30,000 acres, but it is still one large neighborhood, filled with families, seniors, young adults, older adults, but all of them still neighbors. A few years ago, we were rated one of the top 25 places to live in America published by a national magazine due in part to that enduring sense of neighborhood. Recently, Bethlehem did not even make the list! As Town Board members, our job will be to make sure our Town – the Bethlehem neighborhood, is once again recognized as one of the top 25 places to live.

Over the next few weeks, we hope to cover a few more neighborhoods and meet some of the other great neighbors who are proud to call this community home. We both look forward to representing all of our neighborhoods as Town Board Members.

Melody Burns & Art Scheuermann

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Food pantry in need of school supplies

The New Scotland Community Food Pantry is in need of school supplies. Please drop off items at the St. Matthew's Parish Lobby in Voorheesville. Any items for children would be appreciated.

Library to hold finale

Tom Knight Puppets has been writing and performing for kids since 1988. The show is a vibrant collection of original songs and skits, each three to five minutes long, with enough variety to keep everyone waiting to see what will happen next. Plan to be at the library on Wednesday, Aug. 29, at 7 p.m. to catch a show. Refreshments will be available.

Town of New Scotland plans casino trip

The Town of New Scotland is planning a trip to Foxwoods Casino on Saturday, Sept. 8. The cost is \$30 per person and includes round-trip motor coach transportation, a \$10 voucher and a \$15 Keno. You will leave New Scotland Town Hall at 7:30 a.m. and then the casino at 6 p.m. Pre-registration with payment is required. Visit www.townofnewscotland.com for a registration form. For information, call town hall at 475-0385.

St. Matthew's holds feast day celebration

Join St. Matthew's church to celebrate the feast of St. Matthew on Sunday, Sept. 16, from noon to 4 p.m. on the church grounds.

Workshop to focus on healthy living

Are you living with a chronic health condition and age 60+ or caring for someone with an ongoing health condition? Interested in exploring new ways to increase your functioning and well being? Join a Living Healthy workshop and learn proven techniques that will maximize your independence.

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The next course will run Sept. 14, 21, 28 and Oct. 5, 12, and 19 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Delmar Place Assisted Living Residence, 467 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Call 434-4663, ext. 307. Space is limited to 15 participants.

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Town of New Scotland plans NYC trip

The Town of New Scotland is planning a trip to see the Broadway play "Grease" on Sunday, Oct. 7. The cost of the trip is \$109 per person. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. The trip is expected to fill up early, so plan to sign up as soon as possible. Payment must accompany your registration. For information, call 475-0385.

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Department is welcoming new members to the firehouse, including junior members. For information on becoming a junior member or a regular member, contact Chief Papa at 765-4048 or stop by the firehouse Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Five Rivers studies berry producing shrubs

An outdoor study of berry producing shrubs will be held on Saturday, Sept. 1, at 10 a.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Conservation Center. Late summer is a great time to go berry picking. Join center naturalists on

this outdoor search for common wild fruits of the season. For information, call 475-0291.

Oktoberfest set at rod and gun club

The Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club is sponsoring an Oktoberfest on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 1 to 6 p.m. There will be live German music and the great German food and beverages of Reinhold Scholz of Scholz Hofbrau at Warner Lake. Tickets are \$30 per person and are available at the bar of the Scholz' Hofbrau Restaurant. For information, call 765-9395.

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Design

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new deviation meets with what the board was asking us to consider," said attorney Victor A. Caponera Jr. on behalf of the Foxes.

Members of the planning board wanted new renovations to blend in with the character of the community to meet what is termed a "hamlet" concept of growth.

"One of the reasons this is

"I appreciate the changes. This looks a lot better and takes away that boxy look."

Howard Engel

important to us is because we are looking at McDonald's to help us establish the upgrades to Delaware Avenue," said planning board Chairman Parker Mathusa. "This shows the company is willing to work with us."

Mathusa said the new CVS drug store is another example of the look and character that new businesses should bring to Dela-

ware Avenue.

"CVS has worked with us, and we thank McDonald's for helping us out," Mathusa said.

The board quickly approved the site-plan concept, and residents will get a chance to express their opinions at the Tuesday, Sept. 18, meeting of the board.

"I appreciate the changes," said board member Howard Engel. "This looks a lot better and takes away that boxy look."

Engels said both the board and the developers have made concessions. Caponera called the new look a "substantial modification" in the design.

"It was not easy getting this design to look like this with an international brand that wants the look they want," Caponera said.

Owner Jim Fox said design concessions were made to make the project happen.

"I think both parties quickly working together. We're able to put together a plan that makes everybody happy," said Fox.

The 132 Delaware Ave. McDonald's Restaurant will be 4,300 square feet in total with a more contemporary look than the existing structure.



Top: The McDonald's on Delaware Avenue in Delmar. Above: An artist's rendition of the new McDonald's reveals a design the Bethlehem Town planning board feels is more in line with future plans for the Delaware Avenue businesses. A public hearing on the new restaurant design is scheduled for the Sept. 18 meeting of the planning board. Photo: Jim Cuzzo/Spotlight

Budget

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Town comptroller Judith Kehoe proposed that employees who are covered under a single plan begin to contribute 5 percent in 2008. Kehoe said the combined savings to the town with employees in single-plus-one coverage and family coverage contributing an extra 1 percent and employees in single plans contributing 5 percent

"What we decided to do this year is to meet with department heads and walk through what their needs are."

Jack Cunningham

would be \$60,000 to the town.

"It is a nominal increase," Kehoe said.

No decisions on the health insurance co-pays were made at the budget workshop. Cunningham did say Albany County is looking at the future of health care by applying for a grant that, if approved, will allow for a health consortium to be established.

"This health-care consortium will attempt to reduce health-care costs," Cunningham said.

The parks and recreation budget also went under its first review at the Aug. 21 workshop.

Attention focused on the town management takeover of Colonial Acres Golf Course. The Open Space Institute officially purchased the property on Monday, Aug. 20, and the town signed releases to operate the golf course.

"We are excited," Cunningham said.

With the new operation comes additional costs, according to town parks administrator Nan Lanahan, who said the town will hire a full-time golf course superintendent at a proposed salary of \$47,400 with an additional \$14,000 in fringe benefits. The town also needs to pay for a new pickup truck for the golf course at a \$20,000 cost along with new mowers and other equipment for upkeep and maintenance.

"Overall, the golf course is the biggest change in the budget," said Lanahan.

Cunningham and members of the town board agree the golf course needs to be financially self-sustaining and not the burden of town taxpayers.

"Our attempt is to have the golf course pay for itself, including salaries," said board member Sam Messina.

The estimated 2008 budget for Colonial Acres Golf Course totals \$139,000 and includes maintenance, staffing and repairs. The proposed revenues including next year's town budget for the golf course is \$147,000.

IN BRIEF

Bethlehem youth court schedules training

Bethlehem Youth Court will hold new member training for high school-aged students who live in the town of Bethlehem. Training begins on Wednesday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Court and will continue every Wednesday through Oct. 10. Two full day Saturday training classes are scheduled for Oct. 6 and 13. A graduation ceremony is scheduled for Oct. 17.

Training is on a first-come, first-

serve basis. No prior experience is necessary, but availability to attend all training sessions is required. More information about the youth court can be found at www.BethlehemYouthCourt.org or by calling 439-4955 ext. 1143.

New member training will provide volunteers with the skills necessary to properly prepare and present youth court cases. It is an intensive, hands-on training requiring a one-year commitment to the program. Following successful completion of the training program, members will be assigned

to a team and begin working on actual youth court cases. Additional training classes and community service projects will also be offered throughout the year.

Bethlehem Youth Court is an alternative sentencing program available for young people who have committed a first time low level crime or offense. While offering appropriate sanctions for young offenders in a peer led environment, the youth court provides a civic learning opportunity for those students that participate as members.

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Business *in the* Spotlight

Life lessons from an unexpected friend

If you are not an animal lover, I beg your indulgence this week, and implore you to read on; you may just learn something. If you are an animal lover, you will understand.

Approximately 11 years ago, a happy, magnificent black standard poodle entered our lives. Colby was 9 months old. He came from a very reputable breeder, and both my wife and I, well, at the very least my wife fell in love at first sight. He was stately, regal, and truly a perfect specimen of the breed. I can say this with all candor, as I had not

a thing to do with his breeding. For whatever reason, he and a litter mate sister had yet to find homes. We decided on Colby, or perhaps more to the point, he decided on my wife.

I should have known I was in for some issues when I picked him up and attempted to put him into the car. I realized that while playing on the lawn of "his home" he was friendly, fun and affectionate. Getting into the car, he suddenly had second thoughts. Splaying his legs as if to say, "no way," he put up a valiant fight ... but I won. That

would be the last battle I would win with him for many years.

He immediately settled into home life with our female standard poodle. He became very attached to both my wife, and mother, who worked in my home office with me. He enjoyed curling up at her desk each day; a post he maintained for about five years until we closed the business.

What emerged in the ensuing months of his arrival into our life, however, was a character flaw. It appears the breeder's grandson, a teen of large stature, had abused

Notes from the

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Bill Kellert



wife's side in order to get closer to me.

The past few years, he was my alarm clock. Throwing himself on the pillows in the morning, staring at me until I opened an eye when he proceeded to lick me until I responded. I had at last made a friend.

Just as we were actually getting along the unthinkable happened. He developed cancer. This past Wednesday, I held him one last time, kissed his face and told him I loved him as the vet humanely did for him what we are not able to do for one another. As I left the vet's office and stood in the parking lot, the church bells next door began to-peal as if to say, we've got him and he's happy again.

(It was eerie and you couldn't make up this type of Hollywood sap, but at the same time comforting.)

I guess that in business and in life in general, if you are persistent without being pushy, are there when needed even if rebuffed, eventually we all come around to appreciate what someone else has to offer. Patience does count and ultimately it is rewarded.

Thanks for the life lesson my friend...

And that just about clears my desk for the next few weeks. In the meantime, if you have anything you'd like to see in the column, feel free to e-mail me at kellertw@spotlightnews.com, or catch my blog on Spotlight's corner of the Internet, Spotlightnews.com. We can't guarantee everything will get in, but we'll give it our best shot.

him and he harbored a growing disdain for men. That fear of men grew to the point that he would attack me if I entered the same room he was in, notably our bedroom. I was determined to win him over despite the battles, bloodshed and scars all over my body that I endured. With us, Colby lived in a very protected environment. We made certain he was entertained, well cared for, loved and had the companionship of my other dog. He was not allowed to mix with men in order to save his neck and ours.

Over the first three years, whenever I was alone at home and went into the bedroom to read or watch TV, he would immediately leave the room. Gradually, he came to sit in the hall outside the door, then he moved into the bedroom. When that happened, I would close the door but otherwise ignore him. Slowly he joined me on the bed, first at the far corner then, over time, closer to me. We had at last developed a cease-fire. (Though at night, if I got up from the bed and my wife was asleep, it was another battle for me to get back into bed without risking life and limb!) When Colby was about 7, he began to actually wag his tail when he saw me and would occasionally even move from my

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IN BRIEF

'Light up the night' raises \$130,000

Albany Medical Center's second "Light up the Night" benefit on July 27 raised more

than \$130,000 for Albany Med's department of emergency medicine. Proceeds from the event will be used to fund educational opportunities, research initiatives and equipment purchases that will further strengthen the department of emergency medicine.

Held at Sargo's at the Saratoga National Golf Club, the event featured food by Sargo's award-winning chefs, a champagne station, live music by The Refrigerators and a fireworks display by Alonzo Fireworks.

Library to present documentary

On Thursday, Sept. 6, from 6:45 to 9 p.m., "A Crude Awakening: The Oil Crash" will be shown at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

This 90-minute documentary was produced and directed by award-winning European journalists and filmmakers Basil Gelpke and Ray McCormack. It tells the story of how our addiction to oil puts us on a collision course with geology. Join in on a discussion after the film.

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Around the County

Area leaders come together for Tech Valley classes

Participants come from a variety of professional backgrounds

By GRAHAM S. PARKER
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Area chambers of commerce have announced the 35 people that will take part in the second year of Leadership Tech Valley Class.

The nine-month class is a joint initiative of the Schenectady and Albany-Colonie Regional chambers of commerce. Last year, the two joined initiatives that brought together various professionals to discuss and ultimately guide the future development of Tech Valley.

Christina Rajotte, director of major gifts and annual fund at the Center for Disability Services, is one of this year's class members.

Like the 34 others, she will attend a Labor Day weekend kick-off event at Hunter Mountain, and then be more than happy to sit in this year's class, she said.

"We are personally getting involved because we have a vested interest. As for the Center for Disability Services, it's a great opportunity to meet other individuals and establish collaborative efforts to make sure we have the best services available," said Rajotte.

Many of the participants are more than area professionals or business leaders, they are community members and families that have made it a mission to further advancements in establishing Tech Valley in the Capital District.

This year's program provides the classmates from various backgrounds the opportunity to address regional challenges, enhance leadership networks, engage in problem-solving and help shape the future of the valley, according to the two chambers.

The 35 will participate in a leadership project to help them when they return to their respective communities and jobs to help better their stance in Tech Valley.

"We are trying to figure out a way to make a direct impact on the community," said Al Testa with M&T Bank and a class member.

Last year the class participated in several hands-on services such as laying sod at Gilda's Club Capital Region New York and cleaning up a city block behind the Schenectady City Mission.

Ideas and programs generated through the class can be as simple as cleaning up a local park or as complex as a regionwide development initiative, Testa said.

The group's background is diverse and draws from people in all walks of life. Their one



Members of last year's Leadership Tech Valley Class participate in the Helium Bar, an exercise designed to get each of the 35 members working together to accomplish one goal. Submitted photo

commonality is a passion about the region and a passion about Tech Valley, he said.

"It really gives everyone in the class a regional perspective in the

opportunities of business and quality of life (in the region)," said John Spadafora with the Albany-Colonie Chamber of Commerce.

The program is a broad

education of the issues impacting Tech Valley and aims to develop regional leaders and a network among them, according to the Albany-Colonie chamber.

IN BRIEF

Half Moon Button Club to meet

The Half Moon Button Club of the Capital District will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 11 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar. There will be a business meeting after a brown bag lunch hosted by Phyllis Dunn, followed by a program on "paperweight buttons" presented by Lea Mastrianni. The program is open to everyone.

Wild fruits program planned at Five Rivers

An outdoor study of berry-producing shrubs will be offered Saturday, Sept. 1, at 10 a.m., at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

Late summer is a great time

to go berrying. Small wild fruits provide an important food source for wildlife as well. Join center naturalists on this outdoor search for common wild fruits of the season.

This program is free. Participants should dress for the weather. For information, call Five Rivers Center at 475-0291.

Shaker craft fair to be held

The Shaker Heritage Society's annual Summer Craft Fair will take place at the Shaker Site Sept. 8 and 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$4 per person. Society members and those 18 and younger are admitted free.

More than 75 local artisans will offer hand-made items for sale in the Shaker Meeting House, barn and grounds. The event also includes craft demonstrations, activities and guided tours.

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Embroiderers' Guild teaches youngsters a stitch in time

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Fourteen young people ages 9 and up learned embroidery skills from experts in "Creative Stitches," a four-part workshop offered by our youth services department earlier this month. The Capital District Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America has been our partner in this program for the past 10 years.

Eight beginning students, each working one-on-one with a master embroiderer, learned five basic embroidery stitches and worked them into a band sampler. Four students in their

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second year of the program learned several new stitches, which were also worked into a sampler. Two third-year students worked on a linen bookmark sampler using long-arm cross, seed stitch, blackwork, and Nun stitch. They also fashioned cross-stitched bookmarks.

The youngsters displayed their week's work at a reception for families at the end of the program.

We're grateful to Helen O'Connor, Frieda Carnell, Bernice Allison and guild members for sharing their skill in this time-

honored art of handwork.

Information about the Embroiderers' Guild can be found in the latest edition of Community Contacts, our guide to service and interest groups in and around Bethlehem. Copies are available at the library information desk. You can also visit the Guild's Web site at www.timesunion.com/communities.

Daybooks

Monday, Sept. 17, 1:30 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library
"Fall On Your Knees" by Ann-Marie MacDonald. New adult members welcome. Call 439-9314 for information.

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Bethlehem Public Library

Ellen Mnich shares treasures and tales of her great-aunt Helen's world travels. Cosponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc., with funding from the County of Albany Department of Aging.

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Holiday closing

A reminder that the library will be closed this Saturday to Monday, Sept. 1 to 3, for the Labor Day holiday. Sunday hours (1 to 5 p.m.) resume on Sept. 9. Library staff and trustees wish all our patrons a safe and happy holiday weekend.

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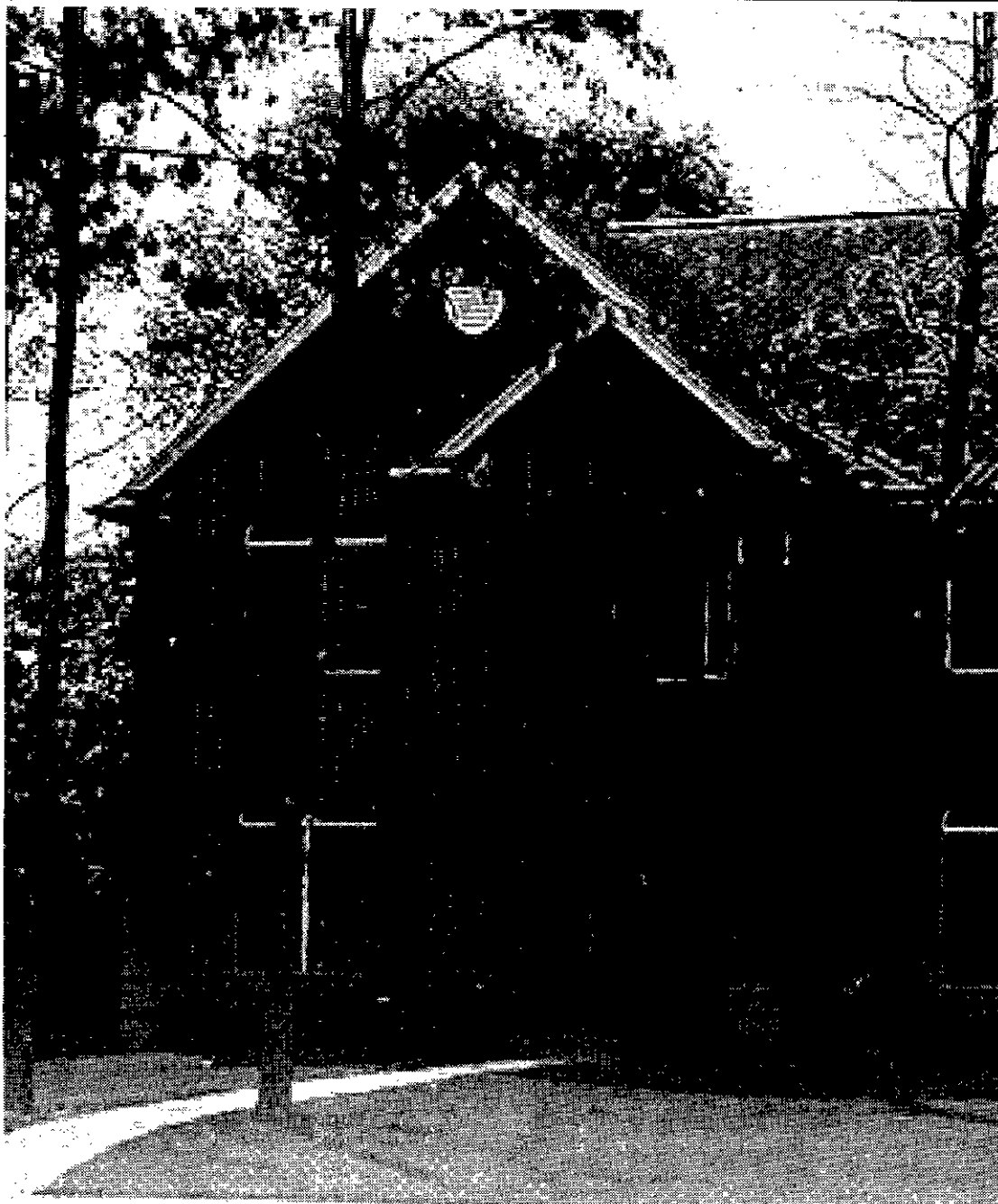
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Area apple farms expect bumper crop this year

Pick-your-own season to start in a couple of weeks

By ARCANGELA C. MELE
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Apple season is fast approaching, and though the lack of substantial rainfall and dry weather conditions have left

out by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

This is good news for apple growers in the area including Peter Ten Eyck, president of Indian Ladder Farms in Voorheesville.

Despite the statewide hail that occurred a few weeks into July that had growers concerned about the impact on fruit size, Ten Eyck said he has no worries because size doesn't matter.

"The issue with apple crops is not really an issue with size, it's an issue with quality. We think we've got a quality crop, and were pleased."

Peter Ten Eyck

some trees stressed throughout the country, apple production in the state is forecast at 1.29 billion pounds this year, three percent above last year's average, according to a news release put

"The issue with apple crops is not really an issue with size, it's an issue with quality," he said. "We think we've got a quality crop, and were pleased."

Ten Eyck said his orchards are



Indian Ladder Farms in Voorheesville is selling a wide variety of apples in it's market.

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small and crisp eating apples similar to the McIntosh.

The farm is also selling two new apple varieties that they have never sold before, Zestar and Pristine.

Cecelia Soloviev, who is an education coordinator for Indian Ladder Farms children's events, helps out with production pre-picking season. She said word of new apples is big news for the staff.

"When a different variety of apple comes out, all the people here get really excited," she said.

According to Edna Litten, a sales buyer for Indian Ladder, apple season is the best time to be working at the farm.

"The smell in the cooler when it's filled with apples is just heavenly," she said.

While on the topic of heavenly apples, Ten Eyck wanted everyone to know that Honey Crisp, a tremendously popular "eating" apple will be available for purchase at the market, but not for picking.

"Sometimes it's hard to tell what's ripe and what isn't, and people get out there and start picking them, and they wouldn't be satisfied with them," he said of that particular variety.

To know which apples are the ripest and ready to pick, during the season, Ten Eyck recommends people use Indian Ladder Farms pick-your-own hot line (866) 640-7425, where the staff can give you information on which apples are best to pick, on a daily basis. You can also find season information at Indian Ladder Farms Web site, www.indianladderfarms.com.

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Credit card theft can happen anywhere, anytime

Incident at Country Fest sparks renewed call for cardholder diligence

By ARCANGELA C. MELE
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Credit card thieves are becoming more adept at targeting people in places they would least suspect, such as at small-town events and neighborhood shops and grocery stores.

For example, at this year's Country Fest in Altamont on July 14, a 30-year-old Greene County woman's credit card was stolen from her purse after she set it down during an outside altercation that occurred nearby.

The man who is charged with stealing her card, Paul J. Derouville, 30, of Altamont, allegedly used the card immediately at a Sunoco Gas station in the area, where he pumped \$29.41 worth of fuel and drove away.

"They (credit card thieves) like to utilize smaller areas like

the city of Altamont because they think we aren't equipped to handle it, but we are," said Altamont police Chief Tony Salerno.

The suspect was caught on tape by security cameras at the pump and arrested a week later by Altamont police, who were contacted by the woman, who noticed her card was missing the day after Country Fest.

An investigation followed, leading to the Derouville's arrest on July 27. He was charged with grand larceny in the fourth degree.

Salerno said the police department is trying to get the word out to the public about preventing personal crimes such as credit-card theft.

"We're really trying to discourage this type of behavior," he said. "If you're going to use a stolen credit card, we're going to pursue it."

Salerno said that although most people know to cancel their credit cards immediately

after they have been lost or stolen, the key is to have the toll-free numbers and credit card numbers handy so that it can be reported without delay. To report a stolen credit card, or any other type of identity fraud, contact the Federal Trade Commission at (877) 438-4338.

A good way to have all this information available is to place

checks, have only your initials, instead of your first name printed with your last name on them. If someone takes your checkbook, they will not know if you sign your checks with just your initials, but the bank will.

When you are making a credit-card payment by check, don't put the complete account number on the "for" line.

Instead, just put the last four numbers, since the credit card company knows the rest of the number.

Have only limited information printed on your checks, and never have your social security or home phone number printed.

If someone calls to offer you a credit card, a prize or other valuable item, never give him or her any personal data and ask them to send you a written application form. If they won't do it, tell them you're not interested and hang up. If they do send you something via mail, make sure it's from a legitimate

company, and you can do this by contacting the Better Business Bureau in your area.

Better Business Bureau officials are also warning of thieves using technology to help them scam cardholding.

The Web site states: "When standing in a checkout line at a supermarket, store, gas station or anywhere you may be using your credit card, be watchful of persons using a cell phone. The new phones are capable of photographing your credit card number, your name, and the card's expiration date."

If you do become a victim of credit card fraud, call the three national credit-reporting organizations to place a fraud alert on your name and social security number right away. The alert will notify any company that checks your credit that your card has been stolen, and they will contact you. The three numbers are Equifax, (800) 525-6285; Experian (formerly TRW), (888) 397-3742; and Trans Union, (800) 680-7286.

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the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine, and copy both sides of your license and credit cards. This way, you will know all the account numbers to call if you should your wallet be lost or stolen.

Salerno also provided the following Better Business Bureau tips on preventing identity theft:

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IN BRIEF

Crafters wanted for holiday show

Crafters are wanted for the Nov. 3 "Shop 'Til You Drop" Craft Fair to benefit St. Thomas the Apostle School. Its committee is in search of crafters who want to showcase their talents during the upcoming holiday season. Call 756-3732 or 439-6417 to reserve your space or for information.

Slingerlands church to hold fundraiser

The Community United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, will hold a yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The sale will raise funds to benefit the Volunteers in Mission program. Volunteers from the church will be traveling to Mississippi later this year to aid in hurricane relief that is still very much needed.

The sale will be held in the church hall in the event of inclement weather. For information, call 439-4192.

Birding program at Five Rivers Center

A fall bird walk will be held on Saturday, Sept. 8, at 2 p.m. at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar.

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Habitat Restore recycles used home furnishings

Student castoffs to be one source of inventory

By JESSICA HARDING
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The local chapter of Habitat for Humanity has opened a new facility for used furniture and home supplies in downtown Schenectady.

The Habitat Restore, which county officials are touting as a "win, win" idea, opened Wednesday, Aug. 15.

"There are a lot of positives going on here," Chamber of Commerce Director Charles Steiner said. "First there is the idea that this stuff is recycled instead of thrown away and also the idea that one man's junk is another man's treasure and, well, it's another form of community."

According to Jeffery Clark, the executive director of Habitat for Humanity in Schenectady

County, the Habitat Restore on Foster Avenue is the first in Schenectady County, but there are more than 500 such stores across the country.

The idea for a Habitat Restore in Schenectady County came from the facilities manager at Union College who wanted to keep unwanted furniture and other items from students out of the landfill at the end of each school year.

Students who move off of campus or out of apartments often leave behind things they can't take with them during the moving process. Clark said, Union College students could take their unwanted couches, dressers and desks to the Habitat Restore and save the college between \$2,000 and \$3,000 per year in landfill fees.

The Restore is a smorgasbord of home items, from couches, chairs, rocking chairs and ottomans to building supplies like windows, doors and even



The local chapter of Habitat for Humanity last week opened Habitat Restore, a new facility for used furniture and home supplies, in downtown Schenectady.

Jessica Harding/Spotlight

a kitchen sink. The Restore also has kitchen supplies such as glasses, plates, silverware and cookware. Lowe's Home

Improvement even donated brand new cans of paint to the store because it was updating its inventory.

Schenectady Mayor Brian Stratton attended the Habitat Restore's opening ceremony. He said this facility is good for many reasons, but particularly because residents in Schenectady have no reason for not bringing their homes up to code. He said the Habitat Restore provides affordable windows and doors so residents have no excuse not to replace them.

Clark said the Habitat Restore is looking for drivers to pick up unwanted stuff, and Clark said he prefers to be called and to pick up stuff instead of becoming a dumping ground. The Habitat Restore is currently open Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Clark said the store could increase its hours if more people volunteer to work. Money from sales at the store will benefit the Habitat for Humanity home-building program.

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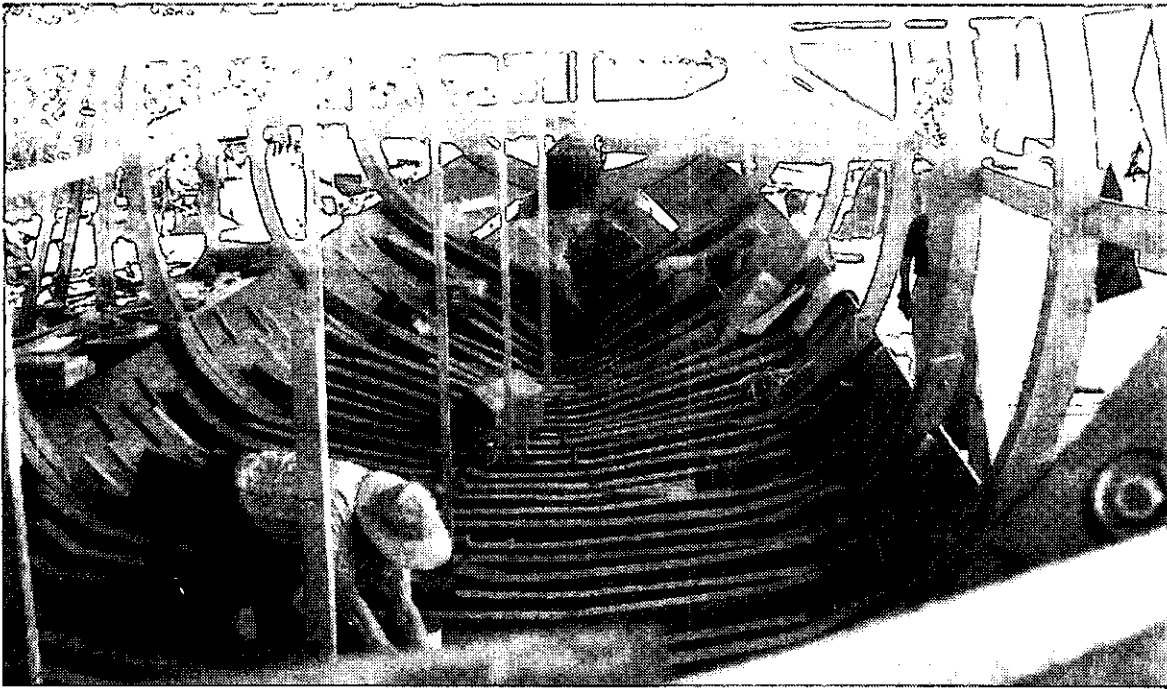
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owned for their vessels at the time. And he said it is easy to train the volunteers – a dedicated group of folks from all over the area with all sorts of backgrounds, from retired General Electric engineers, to computer programmers, telecommunications analysts, and social studies teachers.

"In a day, it is as if they are experienced shipwrights," he said.

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heat them up so they bend to make the shape of a boat, and they make 4,000 wooden pegs, called trunnels, which are akin to bolts, and just as many wooden wedges, called deutels, that give the otherwise unimpressive pieces of wood the power to hold everything together. They split the dowel-like trunnels and hammer a wedge into it, and once it gets wet it is as effective as a steel rivet.

It is thankless work and most of the volunteers do not bring to the table any hard-core skills relevant to the task at hand. They do, however, bring big hearts and a willingness to work.

"I'm a computer programmer, and I deal with ones and zeroes all day long, and this gives me the opportunity to see real concrete results of my work," said Tom Porter, who, with his wife, spends weekends at the Mabee Farm banging dowels through jigs and doing other jobs. "It will last longer than us and that is special."

"But this is more fun," said Latham native Joe Repicky in comparing cutting up white oak to his state job as a telecommunications analyst.

"I have a thing for history and this was an opportunity that probably will not come my way

again. It is a labor of love, so to speak."

"You could not pay a crew for the work these people do," said Don Rittner, a historian heading up the project. "We have the room and the need for anyone with any skill level."

He said they need three things to keep the project going – white oak, volunteers and money. There is a spot to adopt a piece of the boat at www.theonrust.com and GE will match any contribution by one of their employees or retirees.

State representatives in Albany have also secured member items for the Project, which is estimated to cost \$500,000 in real money, but will approach \$2 million when in-kind services like labor and donated materials are calculated.

When the boat is finished in 2009, the 400th anniversary of the first Dutch exploration of the Mohawk River, Rittner hopes it will be a floating museum – an ambassador of the Mohawk River like the Halfmoon is to the Hudson River – and a way to educate people of early Dutch influence on the state.

The history

Block and the crew on the ship he sailed over on, The Tiger, were trying to establish trade with natives in what is now the area around New York City and Long Island, and while there are conflicting accounts, Rittner said, the Tiger caught fire or was

set on fire and was destroyed.

Stuck, thousands of miles from home without a boat, Block, with the help of natives, built the Onrust, which, with its sleek frame and capacity for speed, is known as the first yacht built in what is now the United States. Translated, the Onrust means restless.

During his travels through the East River, which he coined Hell Gate, Long Island Sound, the Connecticut River, Rhode Island and Delaware, Block drew maps of great detail unparalleled for his time, and, as a reward, had an island, Block Island, named after him.

Block returned to the Netherlands on another ship, The Fortune, and was an instant celebrity for opening up trade with the natives on what he called New Netherlands.

Nobody is sure what happened to the Onrust, Rittner said, and while the version of the Onrust being built on Mabee Farm is about 10 percent larger than Block's original, de Weerd said he was able to figure out the exact dimensions of the Onrust by investigating records in his native Netherlands. The Onrust being built at the Mabee Farm will be 50 feet long, 14 feet wide, 17 feet high and have a 45-foot mast.

Anyone wishing to donate time or materials or to adopt a piece of the Onrust can call Rittner at 788-1255 or visit www.theonrust.com.

Grant's final days live on

Civil War hero finished his memoir at Wilton cottage

By JAMIE D. GILKEY
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With headlines splashing the latest details of his declining health on the front pages of newspapers throughout the country, Ulysses S. Grant's struggle to finish his memoirs before cancer took its final toll quickly became the dramatic story of its day in 1885.

Barely able to speak or grab a few winks of sleep because of the pain from a rapidly advancing throat cancer, Grant soldiered on and made meticulous notes on the proofs of a two-volume work that historians still consider the greatest memoir of any American president. In a truly human story befitting the rough and tumble Gilded

Age he lived in, the famous general dedicated his final days to the work that would assure his wife a prosperous lifestyle long after his passing.

And in a uniquely New York story, the world-famous general inspired the nation with his quiet but steely dedication to accurately recounting the events of the Civil War as units of veterans from that great military conflict paid their respects.

This inspiring story of love, devotion and overcoming the odds didn't take place in a distant region. Instead, Grant's race against time, took place right in the Capital District. Grant lived his final weeks in a small cottage located on the grounds of Mt. McGregor state prison, in a house that's owned by the state but staffed and operated by the nonprofit Friends

of Grant Cottage.

"After he was diagnosed with cancer, Grant certainly rose to the occasion and he did everything he possibly could to make sure that his wife, Julia, didn't go hungry after he was gone," explained Melissa Trombley, a longtime board member of the group. "That's why he wrote his memoirs, he was just a really decent man who adored his family and wanted to make sure that they weren't destitute when he died."

"And you can't help but be inspired by someone who is a genuine American hero, who came

and has lasted for nearly two decades. It has even been passed on to her daughter, Leah, a staff member at the cottage who first posed as Grant's youngest daughter, Nellie, during a reenactment at the home 18 years ago.

"Being around the cottage as much as I was growing up definitely piqued my interest in history," she said. "You learn about the people and their time, but Grant's cottage gives you an appreciation for the military and serving your country. It's one of the reasons I joined the service."

Last year, the cottage received about 2,500 visitors during a season running from Memorial Day to Columbus Day.

This year's season will end with an Autumn Festival on Sunday, Oct. 7, that will include the serving of cider and doughnuts as well as a cakewalk.

"One thing we need every year is volunteers, and we would encourage anyone who is interested to join us. It would really help us to tell this important story," said Leah Trombley.

During the summer, the cottage is open to the public five days a week, but between Labor Day and Columbus Day the site only maintains hours on weekends.

At 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, a "Saturday on the Porch" event will be held at the site, which will feature a discussion with Linda Nichols about ghost hunting in the Saratoga area. The event, which includes a tour of the cottage, is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and students, and \$2 for children 6 to 12.

For information on the site or to volunteer, call 584-4353. The Friends of Grant Cottage can also be reached by writing them at: P.O. Box 2294, Wilton, 12831.

"... you can't help but be inspired by someone who is a genuine American hero, who came from humble origins to lead the troops during our nation's worst military conflict, and helped bring the country back together and end slavery."

—Melissa Trombley

from humble origins to lead the troops during our nation's worst military conflict, and helped bring the country back together and end slavery. ... And Grant didn't just fight the war, he kept our country together. We could have gone through a period of guerilla warfare, but his conduct after the war helped bring things to a close.

Trombley said her favorite quote from him, which is inscribed on his tomb in Manhattan, is "Let us have peace."

"That is something he said in his first inaugural address, and I think it captures the whole spirit of this genuine American hero," said Trombley.

For Trombley, the connection to Grant's cottage started when state officials talked of possibly closing the home in the late 1980s

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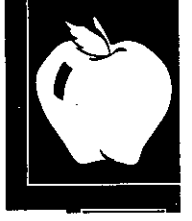
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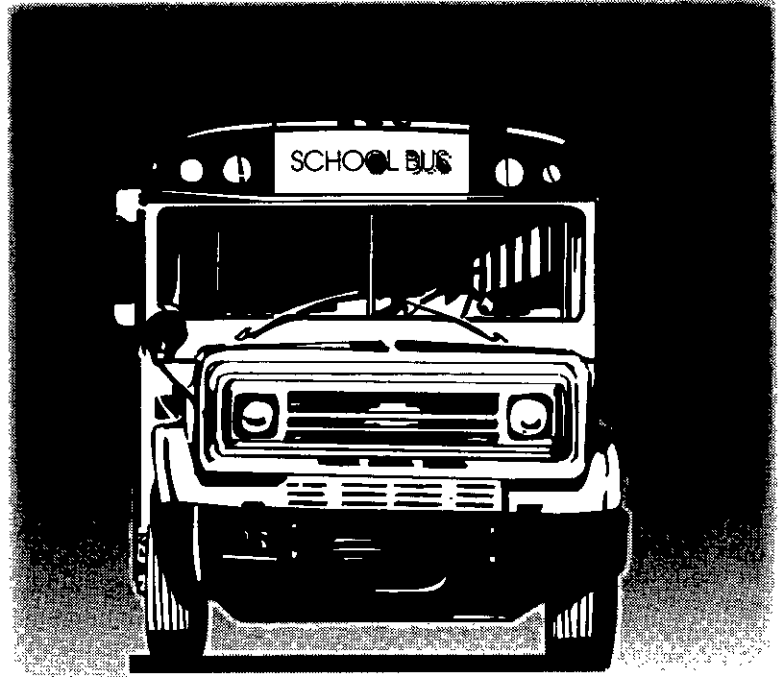
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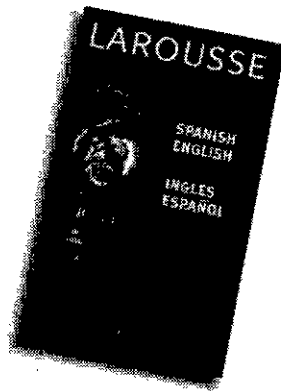
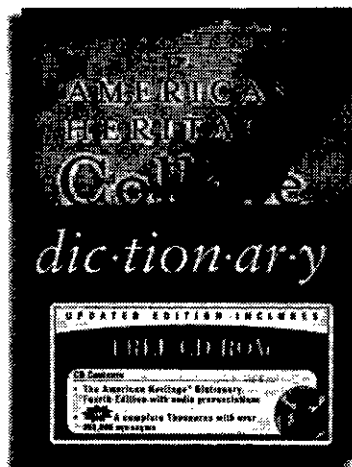
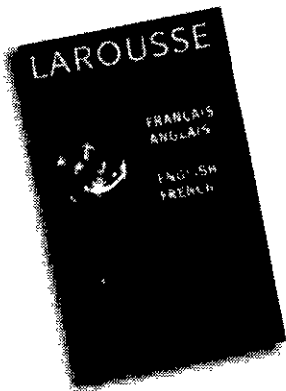
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Back-to-school survival for teens and parents

Your teen may act "too cool for school," but the truth is that school is a major source of stress for teens.

According to a survey by kidshealth.org of over 600 teens ages 14 to 17, schoolwork (32 percent), social issues (30 percent) and appearance (25 percent) topped the list of back-to-school worries most cited by teens. Though these issues are complex, there are steps you can take to reduce your child's (and your own) stress level and enjoy a new start.

The start of the school year marks a time of new subjects, new teachers, and often, different classmates. Transitioning into a new school can be especially difficult. Manage the transition by attacking stressors head on.

First day jitters

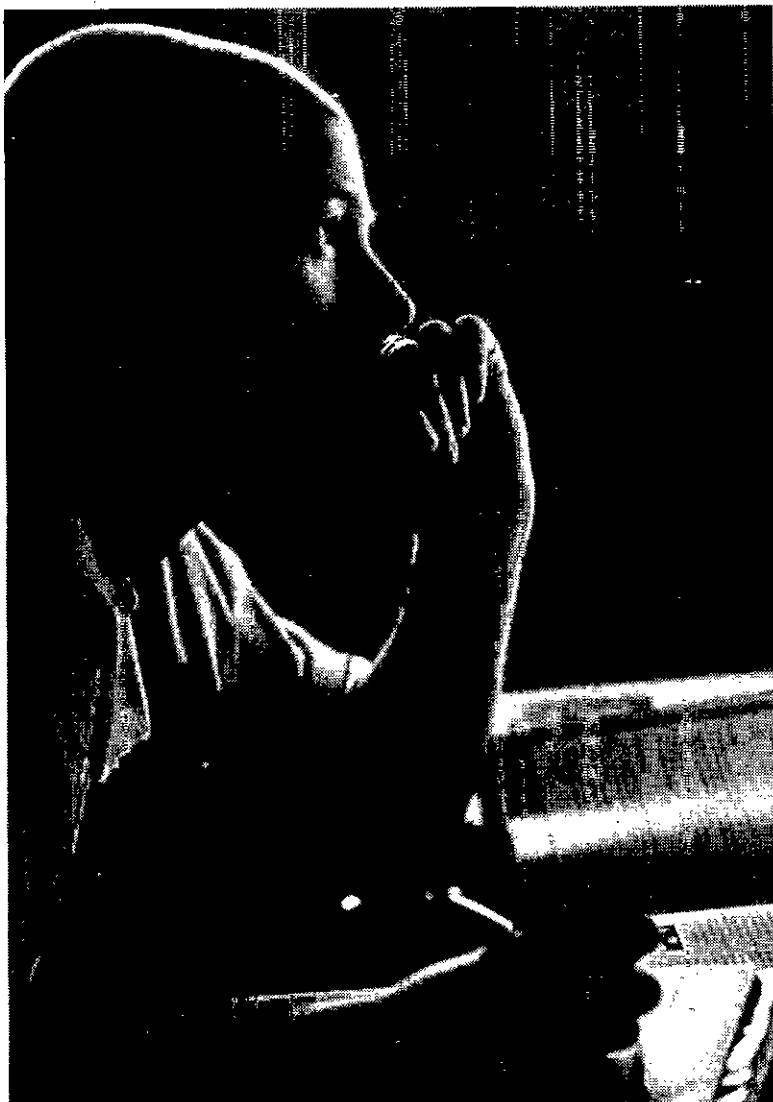
- Have a back-to-school barbecue so your teen can re-connect with classmates to take some of the first impression pressures off the dreaded "first day."

- Have your kids and their friends walk through their schedules on campus so getting lost isn't an issue.

Create a sensible pace

- Balance extracurricular activities and even "down time" with your teen's study schedule.

- Make sure your teen is sleeping enough. The American Sleep Disorder Association says the average teen needs 9.5 hours per day. Weekend sleep schedules



shouldn't deviate by more than one or two hours to maintain consistency.

- Eat breakfast. According to the American Dietetic Association, eating breakfast can upstart your

teen's metabolism, which helps with weight control, mood and school performance.

Academics

- Set goals relative to your child's strengths and weaknesses. Unrealistic expectations will increase anxiety and may lead to giving up.

- Have your teen take a learning

style test to find the most effective way for him or her to study: <http://homeworktips.about.com/od/homeworkhelp/a/1styleqz.htm>

- Host study groups at your home (with food) to foster friendships from casual class acquaintances and improve academics.

Feeling confident

Since appearance figures prominently in teens' stress list, addressing clothes, hair and skin – relatively "quick and easy" fixes – goes a long way.

Back to school fashion

- Choose a few key pieces from fashion magazines with your teen. Make those the priority pieces and build around them.

- Accomplish the "retro-cool" look on a budget at secondhand or consignment stores.

- If your teen is craving a trendy haircut, find a styling school to get a high-end cut for less. Use an online virtual makeover tool to select a style first, without the commitment (www.makeovers.village.com is one example).

- Reserve some budget for the unanticipated hot trends seen roaming the halls once school starts.

Skin: The Catch-22

- Stress causes acne and acne causes stress. "Acne can cause problems that go beyond skin-deep, especially when it affects your social life and even schoolwork," says Dr. Denise Metry of Baylor College of Medicine. Stress in turn can stimulate oil production and cause more breakouts. So, it's important to treat acne at its source and break the cycle with a product

like Nature's Cure 2-Part Acne Treatment (see www.naturescure.com). The treatment includes a benzoyl peroxide cream that clears blemishes on the outside and all-natural tablets that work from the inside to fight acne with no side effects.

- Proper skin care makes a difference. Look for daily care systems or kits that will give your teen a routine to stick with. Choose products that have proven acne-fighting ingredients like benzoyl peroxide or salicylic acid for efficacy and botanicals like aloe and chamomile for gentleness and soothing. Make sure anything your teens put on their skin – including moisturizers, make-up and sunscreen – is either anti-acne or non-comedogenic (won't clog pores).

- Visit a dermatologist if over-the-counter remedies have not alleviated symptoms after a few months.

Your support counts

While you can't eliminate back-to-school stress, you can minimize it. Recognize that your child's sources of stress are very real to him or her, even if they seem foreign, if not trivial, to you. Regardless, listen to and support his or her concerns and interests. Even if your "too cool" teen doesn't show it, knowing they have your support makes all the difference.

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On gas prices and competitive college admissions

BY LYNELL ENGELMYER

The author has more than 15 years of experience in college admissions and financial aid and is the founder of Colledge, college counseling services.

High gasoline prices may have you trying to conserve at the pump, but, for those of you with college-bound high schoolers, the current climate in college admissions will not help your effort to economize.

What's the relationship?

Several factors make this the most competitive era in college admissions, which will ultimately translate into increased gasoline consumption as you visit a growing number of prospective schools.

We currently boast more high school students than at any time in history, almost 1 million more than just 15 years ago. Students applying to college now and in the next several years are part of what some have dubbed, "the baby boomlet," the children born to baby boomers. Additionally, because of gains in college attendance rates and the ease of applying to multiple schools via the common application and the Internet, increased numbers of students are finding it easier to apply to more schools in an effort to ensure favorable and desirable options come spring of their senior year.

The increased volume of applications has led to some daunting numbers. Columbia and Stanford accepted about 10 percent of their applicants last year. Harvard turned down over 1,000 applicants with a perfect 800 math SAT score. Yale rejected several applicants with a perfect 2400 score on the entire SAT test, and Princeton turned away thousands of students with 4.0 grade point averages.

Within these staggering statistics, however, lies a great

opportunity. There are more than 3,000 colleges and universities in this country, some of which have less cache or name recognition than others, but within which lie some real, often overlooked, gems.

Students pursuing less



common interests, such as a peace and conflict resolution major or Division III water polo, will have a very self-selected set of colleges. Most students, however, will have dozens of options, many of which don't appear at the top of the magazine rankings but which boast rich assets like undergrads who publish research with faculty members, fabulous opportunities in the arts, spirited sports fans, or a close-knit, nurturing environment that allows students to explore

and grow outside of the traditional classroom walls.

Finding the right school is about "fit," and "fit" is much more about character and personality than it is about statistics.

There are all kinds of ways to uncover the personality of a school. Take a virtual or live tour, look at guidebooks and examine the Web site. This will tell you what the admissions office wants you to know. It is, however, just as important to look at "unofficial" information - that which has not been carefully crafted and highly polished by those responsible for marketing the school. Read campus newspapers and talk to current students via online chats offered by the school. Best of all, visit the school and engage the students you meet. Ask them what they like and dislike, about their best and worst experiences.

This is the best way to get to know a place before you spend four years worth of effort and tuition there. Invest time looking at a variety of schools. While it may mean more money at the pump to visit these places, it is a good way to ensure you make the best possible investment.

Help your child achieve school-life balance

Childhood today is more demanding than ever and parents are paying increased attention to how they can help balance their children's lives. With the start of a new school year approaching, Office Depot is offering parents a variety of tips and advice in a new online resource called "Balanced for Success: Tools for Surviving and Thriving in School Today." This new guide features organizational and time management solutions to help kids succeed in today's busy classroom and after-school environments.

A new survey conducted by TNS NFO reinforces that parents are seeking advice on how to reduce their children's stress. It shows that:

- Approximately half (49 percent) of all parents believe their children's lives would be better balanced if they were more organized

- More than 60 percent of parents feel their children would be less stressed if they had home schedules or time management coaching and tips

"With just a little organization, children's lives could be more in control," says parenting expert Stacy DeBroff, founder of MomCentral.com and author of "The Mom Book Goes to School: Insider Tips to Ensure Your Child Thrives in Elementary and Middle School."

"Many kids lag behind because basic self-management and organizational skills are lacking. You might see your child

struggle with planning ahead, prioritizing or managing time effectively, but the good news is all of these concepts can be taught," she says.

To help families balance their lives and feel in control for the new school year, DeBroff recommends the following:

- Create a family calendar: Prioritize school assignments and extracurricular activities with a dry-erase organizer like the Mead Family Matters color-coded calendar (\$15.49 to \$38.99). Create a weekly ritual out of updating the calendar with your child to track the major events of the week.

- Lighten your little one's load: Select a child-friendly backpack, like the TUG by Foray line of backpacks (\$9.99 to 39.99), that fits a child's frame and is more comfortable to carry because of its ergonomic design. Plus, these backpacks have tons of pockets that help do the organizational work for your child.

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Safety officials urge students to focus on fire safety

Three organizations are reminding college students and their parents to be aware of fire risks associated with student housing. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), and the United State Fire Administration (USFA), shared information from a report released recently by NFPA and urged students and their parents to brush up on fire prevention and safety.

Thousands of fires occur each year in on-campus and off-campus housing. As college students move into housing in the coming days and weeks, NFPA urges students and their parents to be mindful of fire prevention and safety.

While many parents have educated their children about home fire safety, it is equally important for parents to remind them how to keep themselves safe from fire while living at school. Whether students are living on-campus or in off-campus housing, it is important for these young adults to take an active role in fire prevention and safety.

The NFPA report also showed that most deaths that occurred in dormitories were from fires that started in the bedroom. Food or cooking materials were likely to be the items to be first ignited in fires. And fires were found to be more common between 5 p.m. and 11 p.m. and on weekends.

Cooking was the leading cause of fires and involved in 72 percent of fires in dormitories, fraternities and sororities. But smoking-related fires were responsible for the most deaths and injuries in these occupancies with 40 percent of fire deaths attributed to smoking materials. Fires involving candles were found to be the second leading cause of fire deaths, responsible for 20 percent of the fire deaths in these occupancies.

For more information and safety tips, visit NFPA's Web site at www.nfpa.org/CampusSafety.

NFPA offers the following safety tips for campus fire safety:

Be prepared for a fire

- Your building should have an evacuation plan. Learn it and participate in all fire drills.
- If you hear an alarm, leave immediately. Close doors behind you as you go. Take room keys; if you can't escape, you may have to return to your room.
- If you have a disability, make sure you are included in the escape planning for your classroom area and housing.
- Learn the location of all building exits. You may have to find your way out in the dark.
- Make sure your building has smoke alarms. Do not disable them or remove batteries.
- The best protection is a building with a fire sprinkler system.
- Don't hang anything from fire sprinkler pipes or nozzles.
- Keep a flashlight handy.

Escape tips

- If you have to escape through smoke, get low and go under the smoke to your exit.
- Before opening a door, feel the door. If it's hot, use your second way out.
- Use the stairs; never use an elevator during a fire.
- If you're trapped, call the fire department and tell them where you are. Seal your door with rags and signal from your window. Open windows slightly at the top and bottom, but close them if smoke rushes in from any direction.
- If you have a disability, alert others of the type of assistance you need to leave the building.

Smoking

- If you must smoke, only smoke outside the building and only where it's permitted.



- Use deep, wide, sturdy ashtrays. Ashtrays should be set on something that is sturdy and hard to ignite.
- It's risky to smoke when you've been drinking or when you're drowsy.
- Don't smoke in bed.
- Soak cigarettes before you empty ashtrays.
- After a party, check furniture and cushions for smoldering butts.

Cooking

- Cook only where it's permitted.
- If you use a kitchen, keep it clean and uncluttered.
- If you use electric appliances, don't overload circuits.
- Never leave cooking unattended.
- If a fire starts in a microwave oven, keep the door closed and unplug the unit.
- Check with your school or, for off-campus housing, your local fire department, before using a grill.
- Gas and charcoal barbecue grills must only be used outdoors.
- Position the grill well away from siding, deck railings

and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.

- Place the grill a safe distance from lawn games, play areas and foot traffic.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area; declare a three-foot "kid-free zone" around the grill.
- Put out several long-handled grilling tools to give the chef plenty of clearance from heat and flames when flipping burgers.
- Periodically remove grease or fat buildup in trays below grill so it cannot be ignited by a hot grill.

Electrical

- Check your school's rules before using electrical appliances in your room.
- Don't burn candles.
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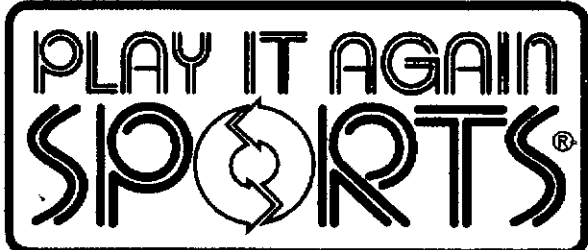
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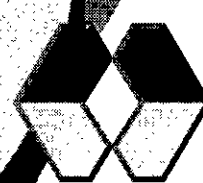
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Tips to maximize your budget

For students across the country, the beginning of a new school year is just around the corner. And, if you haven't started your back-to-school shopping yet, you may soon find yourself dealing with large crowds and pricey cash register totals.

Back-to-school spending is expected to jump 6.9 percent this year, and families with school-aged children are expected to spend a total of \$18.4 billion, an average of \$563.49 per child. According to the National Retail Federation's 2007 back-to-school survey, here's how the register totals break down:

* Clothing and accessories: \$231.80

* Shoes: \$108.42

* School supplies (notebooks, backpacks and lunchboxes): \$94.02

* Electronics or computer-related equipment: \$129.24

To reduce the financial strain of back-to-school expenses, use these five tips to develop a strategy before you venture to the malls.

Tip No. 1 - Generate a list of necessities and stick to it.

Younger children typically receive a list of required supplies directly from their school. Most teenagers will want to generate their own lists -- make sure to spend time reviewing it together before you head to the stores. Often a teenager's definition of "necessity" may be slightly different than their

parent's.

Sending kids off to college? Remember -- they'll need a lot more than the basics. Make sure to include items such as linens, laundry supplies, computers and more.

Tip No. 2 - Watch for sales.

It seems like back-to-school sales start earlier every year. Start as early as possible and stockpile supplies little by little as they go on sale. By spreading out back-to-school expenses into several smaller purchases as you find the sales, you'll feel less of an impact on your budget, and you'll save money overall.

In addition to the basic school supplies and clothing, bigger ticket items such as electronics, laptops, calculators, cell phones, MP3 players and digital cameras tend to go on sale as new items are often released to hit stores in time for holiday shopping.

Tip No. 3 - Take advantage of price matching.

Many retailers now offer to match their competitor's prices. If an item on your list is on sale at a store that's too far out of your way, look for a more convenient, competitor store that will match the offer. You'll not only spend less on the item itself, but you'll save yourself time and gasoline.

Tip No. 4 - Supplement your budget with your change.

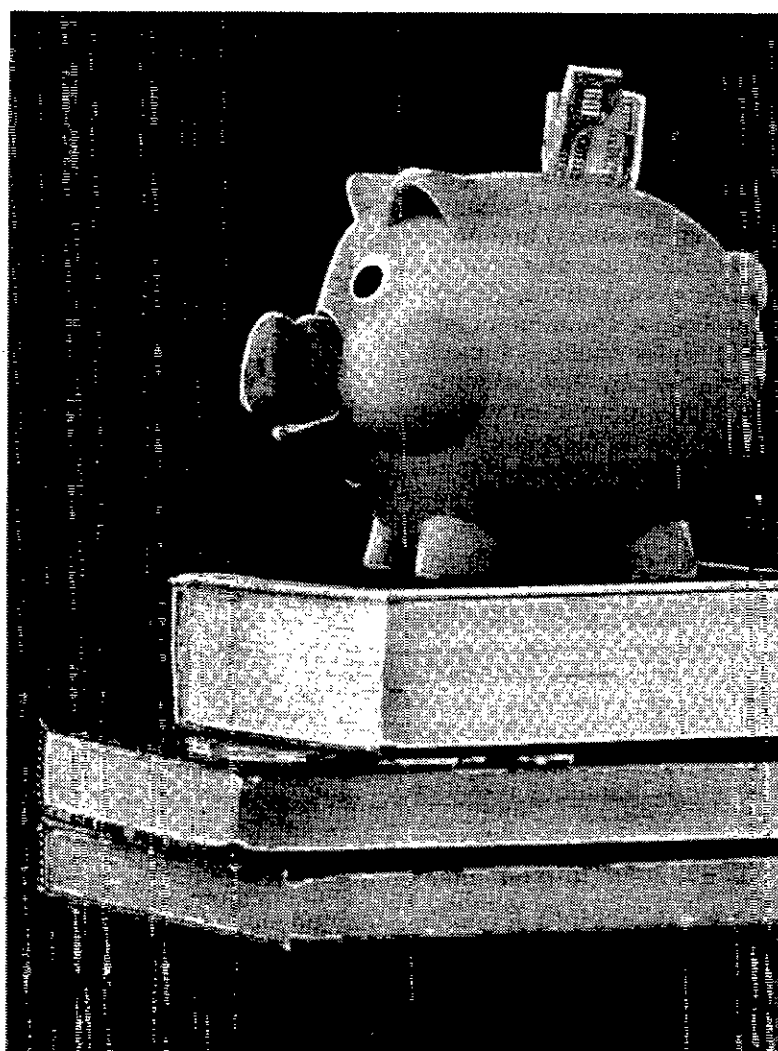
Concerned about how you're going to pay for all the things

your list? Coinstar, Inc. estimates that there is approximately \$90 worth of change in the average American home waiting to be put to good use.

Take your change to the nearest Coinstar Center and have it counted for free when you place the value of your change onto a gift card or certificate from retailers like Amazon.com, Circuit City, iTunes, Timberland and more. Or, turn your change in for cash (there's a nominal service fee) and spend it anywhere you like. (Visit www.coinstar.com for details and to find the nearest location.)

Tip No. 5 - Ask for student discounts.

Don't forget about student discount programs. While most are geared toward college students making their own purchases, many are extending to middle and high school students. Depending on the amount of the purchase, the savings could be substantial.



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Time-saving tips for the savvy mom

When the end of summer finally rolls around it can be difficult to see past all the beach-bumming, lemonade-sipping and sun-soaking you've enjoyed for the past few months. But before you know it, the kids are going back to school and, once again, good old mom is busy arranging car-pooling schedules, packing lunches and helping with math homework.

Even though after-school activities and weekend baseball games can weigh heavily on a time-starved mom, hope is not lost. With a few adjustments to the daily routine, moms everywhere can finally enjoy some time for themselves during the back-to-school season, while still maintaining a happy household.

Cook smart, eat smart

Save time during the week by preparing meals ahead of time. Buy universal ingredients like chicken, vegetables, sauce and cheese to create a variety of dishes without having to over think it.

Scatter the ingredients on store-bought dough to make kid-friendly pizza or mix everything together and serve over pasta for a more rustic meal. You can even grill the veggies for fajitas to add a little sizzle to the week.

Just prepare all the meals for the week ahead and store the items in separate containers to keep the food fresh. When you're ready to eat, simply reheat and serve for a quick and easy food fix.

Treat school lunches the same



way. Pack your child's lunches in advance or teach them to make healthy choices so they can pack their own - saving you hours of time during the work week.

Let someone else do the dirty work

House cleaning services are gaining in popularity and it's easy to see why. With the majority of

mom's time consumed by work and parenting, it's hard to find time to tackle cleaning duties around the house.

To ease the workload, residential cleaning services offer numerous household maintenance services, including dusting, vacuuming, scrubbing and virtually any other household chore you can imagine. Some home service professionals will even provide the cleaning products and equipment so you don't have to. And if you aren't a busy mom yourself, but know one who is, many cleaning services offer gift certificates, allowing moms everywhere an opportunity to enjoy some "me" time.

By designing a cleaning regiment specially formatted to fit the lifestyles of each homeowner, a service can ensure convenience and satisfaction with all home cleaning needs. No more picking the kids up from school and returning to a messy home. It's time to prop your feet up, relax and let someone else do the dirty work.

Find time

Let's face it, most people get a later start to the day than they'd like to. We can't figure out whether the snooze button is a blessing or a curse. But either way, we end up making it out the door frazzled and unorganized with each minute passing too quickly.

To slow down the hands of time, organization is key. You can save the extra time you'd normally spend searching for missing car keys, locating misplaced homework assignments and picking out your newest fashion creation. Pick one day to overhaul your

organizational skills and the rest is history.

To make sure you always have your keys on-hand, purchase a key rack for the front door. Or for a more fashionable approach, place a decorative, antique bowl to stash them on a foyer desk. Stackable, color-coded trays can be a handy place to store your son or daughter's completed homework assignments. As they're heading out the door, they can simply grab it and go.



And as for your closet, try arranging your items of clothing by formality and color. Keep casual items separate from work-related ones and brightly colored items separate from neutrals. And when you've got some free time in the evening, try picking out your clothes for the next business morning.

By cutting corners and following time-saving tips like these, moms everywhere can enjoy a little more time for themselves without sacrificing their routine or their health. Back-to-school time can be a chaotic transition for summer-loving kids and parents, but simple changes can mean the difference between a happy home and a hectic one.

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Distance learning changing the face of home schooling

Every morning, like millions of school-aged children around the world, Katelyn Callahan, an eighth grader from Thurmont, Md., wakes up to get ready for school. Eager to begin the day, Katelyn dresses, eats breakfast and makes her way to class, which promptly begins at 9 a.m. However, while most students are walking to the bus stop or waiting for the carpool to arrive, Katelyn walks 10 feet from the kitchen to the family computer and logs on to her virtual classroom.

Katelyn, along with 95 other sixth through eighth grade home school students, participates in an online distance learning program through the Calvert School, headquartered 68 miles away in Hunt Valley, Md. The program features live interactive classes taught by Calvert Online instructors, and covers all major subject areas including language arts, math, science, geography, history and art.

As in a traditional classroom, students ask and answer questions, participate in discussions, and work together on group projects. They also take tests and submit class assignments. But unlike a public or private school, virtual students have the advantage of completing their courses from home, allowing them the flexibility to work at their own pace and providing them an environment that is free from the interruptions and distraction of a typical classroom.

"Enrolling Katelyn in a distance learning program was the best decision we could have made for her," says Karen Callahan, Katelyn's mother and home teacher. "The teacher support has been great. The classroom discussions have reinforced what Katelyn has learned, and Katelyn's high marks in all of her classes prove how effective the program has been. Most importantly, Katelyn has gained confidence over the past year by speaking up in the classroom and reaching out to get to know other students. Through the virtual class, Katelyn has academically and socially blossomed!"

Katelyn and her Calvert classmates are among 700,000 students (Grades kindergarten through 12th) in the United States using distance learning options to complete their education, and that number continues to grow as parents become more aware of these innovative, online offerings. Home school curriculum providers such as Calvert School are working hard to keep up with the demand for distance learning options by taking advantage of new forms of technology, such as laptops and iPods, to afford students instant access to their courses from anywhere around the world.

For parents who are concerned that budget restrictions may limit their options of quality distance learning programs, Calvert School, a not-for-profit organization, believes all children should have the opportunity to reach their full academic potential. "Part of the joy of working at Calvert is to deliver a quality education to all children and unlock a brighter future," says Jean Halle, president of Calvert



Education Services. "Our distance learning programs have drawn students for a variety of reasons and we are especially happy to welcome families who may be new to home schooling or those who struggle to support an older student. Calvert backs up this vision by providing financial aid to all eligible families and payment plans for families who need to space out the investment."

Calvert School offers a variety of distance learning options for students including virtual classes, online testing, and online lesson plans that can be downloaded to a computer or iPod, a world away from the pencil and paper the first Calvert home school students used in 1906. Though Calvert continues to improve and refine their innovative distance learning programs, Calvert still

firmly believes that computers and iPods are not replacements for books.

"Every Calvert student still receives a complete course curriculum of textbooks, workbooks, and supplies," says Halle. "Computers and iPods are wonderful tools that make it easier and more convenient for students to access and submit work, but they cannot provide the rich learning experience one receives when conducting a science experiment or reading a classical book such as 'Robinson Crusoe.'"

To learn about distance learning programs and Calvert School, call (888) 487-4652 or visit www.calvertschool.org.

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gathering the accent fabric while sewing to give the skirt a little flare. Make a matching blouse using the IDT found only on a Pfaff. The IDT ensures perfect straight seams by feeding the top and bottom layers of fabric at the same rate of speed, even slippery fabrics, so that you have flat, precise seams every time with out having to use a lot of pins. Creating a blouse will be a snap! If you sew for your kids, use their favorite patterns and colors and they can mix and match several outfits.

Hoodie jacket

Jeans aren't the only thing you can dress up. Create a cute, comfy jacket out of a hooded sweatshirt. You can line the hood with a plaid

or floral fabric (flannel for extra warmth) and add matching cuffs. Cut up the front to put in a zipper, and use embroidery designs or 9 mm decorative stitches to stylize the seams. Another great idea is to cut off the hood to create a funky, matching purse.

Some designer jeans cost as much as \$200 and more. For the price of a couple of pairs of jeans, you can buy a sewing machine and make lots of your own personalized, high-fashion jeans with out the high price tag!

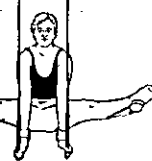
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Back-to-school fashions at a fraction of the cost

Fall means back-to-school shopping. When kids start paying attention to what's in style, a parent's budget can really take a hit. Instead of shopping at

the mall, try finding basic items at a thrift or discount store to transform into designer look-alike clothes.

The experts at Pfaff

Sewing Machines suggest embellishments and embroidery to create the hip styles kids want. Here are few ideas for transforming plain jeans into hip denim fashions:

Fashion jeans

Quickly create a designer look by embellishing the pant leg or pocket of a pair of jeans. Embroider flowers, cats, swirls and curls and add crystals, rivets, beads or sequins for the perfect finishing touch. Hot-fix applicators heat up an adhesive backing to permanently adhere a variety of crystals, nail heads, pearls and more to every designer garment!

Denim capris

The capri pant goes from fall

to spring and back. Measure a pair of jeans to the desired shortened length and cut off the bottom. Sew a floral print fabric or decorative trim to the bottom the pant leg for a decorative look. Or, try using an accent fabric and create a wide cuff. The Pfaff Creative 2170 has superior piercing power and can easily sew through nine layers of denim - you will easily be able to create the unique designer look you are looking for. Pick a favorite embroidery design to add to one cuff and a back pocket.

Jean skirt

Turn an old pair of jeans into a skirt! Open the seams on each leg, cut off to the desired length and sew in a decorative fabric or another piece of denim to create the front of the skirt. Then,

use one of the gorgeous 9mm decorative stitches built in to the Pfaff Creative 2170 to create sturdy, fashionable seams. Add embroidered butterflies, hearts or flowers in your favorite colors and finish with crystal or bead embellishments with your hot-fix tool. It's a great look that works in the warmer temperatures of fall or to wear with a pair of matching tights for winter.

Denim skirt and blouse set

Using a pair of jeans, split the seams of each pant leg and cuff off at mid thigh. Choose a favorite small-patterned, floral fabric to sew to the bottom of the denim,

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Help your community - Host a foreign exchange student

Laurie Scott always enjoyed volunteering while living in Michigan, whether helping out at her local zoo or her son's school. But it wasn't until she moved to Nevada five years ago that her volunteer work took her onto the international stage.

New to the state, Laurie and her husband, Martin, found a volunteer opportunity right in their apartment building. The building superintendent was hosting a foreign exchange student with EF Foundation for Foreign Study and put them in contact with the program's local coordinator. Things happened quickly after that.

"Two weeks later we were being interviewed," says Scott. "A few weeks after that, our first exchange student arrived."

The couple initially got involved in the program to help exchange

students. Scott lights up when she discusses the young people her family has met through hosting. "They are all such wonderful kids," she says. "Smart, athletic, fun to be around."

Scott remembers that when each student arrived, it was "pretty obvious" that they were from a foreign country because they didn't understand American customs. Once they became involved in school activities and made friends, however, they immersed themselves in the American lifestyle and gained new points of view.

"Each of our kids came to the U.S. with their own unique perspective on our society and culture, and they weren't always positive views," Scott says. "By the time they left us at the end of the school year, their views had totally changed. Now for the rest of their lives, they will be walking ambassadors for America."

While the Scotts have given so much to students from abroad, Scott says that they have gotten so much back from them as well. "Now our family extends around the world and we have so many new places to visit," she adds.

Emily Santillo, president of EF Foundation for Foreign Study, stresses the true exchange that takes place when families host.

"The best way to experience another culture is by opening your heart and home to a young person from another country," Santillo says. "Your family and community gain the opportunity to learn about another culture while you have a chance to share your American values and traditions."

Laurie Scott agrees, noting that hosting exchange students can build mutual understanding for everyone involved. "We really need programs like this to understand each other. It has been a fantastic experience for us," she says.

EF Foundation students are between 15 and 18 years old, and arrive with health insurance and their own spending money. Host families are asked to provide a room, meals and a stable family environment.

EF Foundation for Foreign Study is a non-profit organization that welcomes high school students from all over the world to live and study for a year in the United States. Since 1979, the program has helped 90,000 students from nearly 40 countries take part in international exchange.

To learn about the EF Foundation and the steps you'll need to take to become a host family, log on to <http://www.fffoundation.org> or call (800) 44-SHARE.

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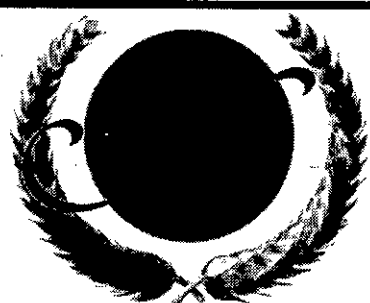
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How to fund your college education

In today's job market, very few dispute the importance and benefits of higher education. The record numbers of students enrolling in colleges and universities across the country certainly backs this belief. However, while incoming students get ready to embrace the academic and social rigors of college life, many will have their most difficult test before they even arrive on campus – paying for tuition.

The cost of tuition continues to skyrocket. In fact, on average, the cost of college tuition at both

starting point is to consider three primary sources: federal assistance, scholarships and private loans.

• Federal assistance

Begin your financial aid quest by looking into grants and loans offered by the federal government. For example, federal grants such as Pell Grants can range from \$100 to \$4,000 per year based on level of need and do not require repayment. Federal student loans, such as the well-known Stafford or Perkins loans, are available for undergraduate students, graduate students, and for parents of dependent undergraduate students, and do not require repayment.

• Scholarships

Like grants, these are funds used to pay for higher education that do not need to be repaid. Scholarships are offered by a wide range of institutions – from awards offered by your potential college or university, to those bestowed by local organizations, corporations, and a variety of other sources. Scholarships are awarded based on a variety of criteria (not all are based on academic performance or financial need), so be sure to check for further information on eligibility. Leave no stone unturned in your search as many scholarships go unused each year.

• Private student loans

Another option is the private student loan. Flexible by nature, this type of loan can cover all, or a significant amount of your tuition

and other expenses. Private loans can be used to cover any cost associated with attending school, such as tuition, books, computers, travel and living expenses. Typically deferred until after graduation, they also can be used in coordination with other sources of funding. For example, a financial aid package may only cover tuition and board, so a private student loan may be helpful in paying for other education-related expenses.

"Students should realize that they are not limited to one type of financial aid," adds Scott. "More and more students are funding their education through a variety of sources including a financial aid mix of private loans in

combination with savings, federal loans, grants, or scholarships and part-time jobs."

Arranging financing for college is the first real life lesson in managing money that many

young people will experience. With some thorough research, you could be well on your way to getting an "A" in Financial Aid 101. For information visit <http://www.edloans.gmacbank.com>.



public and private universities has doubled over the last 20 years. The news is not all bad though, as the selection of financing options and financial aid packages available to students continues to grow. Before you begin exploring the many different choices, consider these tips from GMAC Bank, which offers private education loans for undergraduate, graduate and continuing education students.

Know your costs

The first step in financing a college education is to get a clear picture of how much it will cost, and to begin building an annual budget for each year of college, per student.

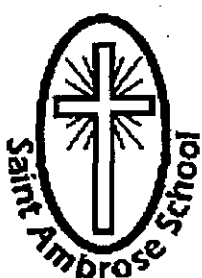
"You need to look beyond just the tuition of a college or university," says Debra Scott, director of the education loan program for GMAC Bank. "College expenses also include dorm fees or rent for off campus apartments, meal plans, the cost of books and other miscellaneous fees, even the cost of traveling home during school breaks."

Know your options

Today's students and parents need to be savvy about uncovering programs that can offer financial assistance. While the variety and choice of options might seem confusing, the best



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New school year, new challenges

At the start of a new school year, students fret about things like who their lab partner will be, will they make honor roll and if they will have a date for the homecoming dance. While parents can't control every variable of their children's lives, they can help them excel at responsible decision-making and dealing with peer pressure.

This is especially important when it comes to the subject of underage drinking. According to the 2007 GfK Roper Youth Report, 71 percent of 8- to 17-year-olds say their parents are the No.1 influence on their decision whether or not to drink alcohol. Some parents may find it difficult to talk with their children about drinking, but there are many ways to effectively address this issue that make a lasting impact.

"Creating an atmosphere of open communication where no subject is off limits and where parents actively listen to their

child will make it easier to talk about more sensitive issues like alcohol," advises Lonnie Carton, Ph.D., director of teen and family resources for the Web-based "Warm2Kids" program and an advisory panel member of the "Family Talk About Drinking" program. "I encourage parents to start talking with children about underage drinking early, ideally between ages 9 and 11, and then continue the dialog throughout the teen years."

Carton offers parents these tips to help them be a positive influence on their children and teens:

- Be a good role model - The example parents set as a responsible adult is one of the most important ways they can communicate with their children about drinking. Parents who drink should demonstrate that

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Job Market 101

Three career trends college students should know about

It's back to school season, and college students everywhere are packing their bags. But regardless of whether you are choosing a major or about to graduate, it's important to know what to expect once you are out.

College graduates remain in great demand. In fact, a recent Job Outlook study by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) finds that employers plan to hire 17.4 percent more 2007 college graduates than they did in 2006. But today's job market is not your parents' job market. Huge demographic and employment trends are changing the way America works.

Here are some tips to help you stay on top of the career market:

First, expect to change jobs. In today's career world, job stability does not always equal job security. The U.S. Department of Labor Statistics reports that over the past 25 years, baby boomers have held an average of 10.5 jobs, and the average American now holds nine jobs between the ages of 18 and 34.

"Instead of working their way up the company ladder, today's employees are changing jobs more than ever before, and they are taking their skills and experiences with them to their next job," says John Andrews, campus president at Everest College-City of Industry. "We find our students come to us with a range of skills they've developed in the real world and those experiences help them out when they are looking for new positions."



Second, know what the hot job sectors are. "Our nation is experiencing huge demographic changes, which are creating major shifts in the types of jobs available today," says Dr. Janette Ducut, director of education at Everest College-City of Industry. "Students should prepare themselves for a changing job market."

With a wave of baby-boomers scheduled to retire in the next decade, and a large youth population, there is a growing need for work in a variety of service-related fields, from teaching to tourism, and job training to elder care. According to the U.S. Department of Labor Statistics, half of salary and employment growth will come from just two industry categories: education and health services and professional and business services.

"We know that the fastest growing employment sectors throughout the next decade will be service sector, technology and health care," notes Andrews. "In fact, we specifically target our programs to help our graduates prepare for careers in those sectors."

Third, be flexible. Today's job market requires that employees keep their skills up-to-date, and as a result, more adults are going back to school. "Students come to us to keep their skills up-to-date or get the credentials they need to advance in their careers," says Dr. Ducut. "They find that it is increasingly necessary in today's changing job market."

The NACE Job Outlook 2007 also finds that employers often prefer to hire students with professional education because they know they often have more work experience than four-year graduates, which has helped them develop a strong work ethic.

"There used to be more of a stigma attached to changing jobs. And completely changing career fields was rare," Andrews notes. "Now we find that it is perfectly acceptable; employers understand that a one- or two-year program can give new employees exactly the credentials they need. For example, our students can prepare for an entry-level healthcare career in less than a year. It's really quite liberating for many of our students."

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they do so responsibly and in moderation. In families that can't drink, parents should still talk with their children about alcohol and why the adults in the family don't drink.

- Be factual - Parents should give children the facts about drinking in an unemotional, straightforward manner.

- Have clearly stated rules - Parents should share opinions and beliefs about drinking, and then make clearly understood rules and consequences if those rules are broken.

- Practice good parenting - Build self-esteem, communicate openly about all things, be an active family together and teach responsible decision-making skills.

- Know their children's friends and their parents - Parents should be aware of the power of friends to influence their children. Also,

learning about other families' values and rules will help parents monitor their own children.

- Get help if they need it - If a parent thinks a sudden change in their children's behavior may be related to drinking, they should seek professional advice immediately.

Carton continues, "There are many right moments for parents to broach the topic of drinking with their children, for example, during a family dinner, while watching a Sunday football game or before a teen heads off to a party with friends. Explain to them that the majority of their peers don't drink, that underage drinking is illegal, and that if they ever find themselves in a situation where alcohol is present to never be afraid to call home for help. Remind them they will only hear praise if they make that call."

For tips on positive parenting and preventing underage drinking, visit www.myspace.com/positiveparenting.

Does your child's lunch make the grade?

Does meat contain fiber? How many people pay attention to food labels, and are they looking at fiber? Do Americans know how much fiber they need in a day? A recent consumer survey, conducted by the National Fiber Council (NFC), uncovered answers to these questions and more to determine what Americans really know about fiber and why they're not getting enough. The results may make you think twice about what you pack for lunch each day.

"Americans know fiber is important to maintain good health, but they aren't sure where to find it," says Jim Anderson, M.D., chair of the National Fiber Council. "The results of this survey prove that, despite gains made in recent years, we still have a lot of ground to cover if we want to make fiber a priority for Americans."

To help educate Americans about the benefits of dietary fiber, the NFC recently unveiled a full suite of new educational resources on its Web site, www.nationalfiberCouncil.org, including a free consumer brochure titled, "A Fresh Look at Fiber."

Commissioned by the NFC, the nation's leading group of fiber experts, the survey was conducted by the Opinion Research Corporation. The survey includes a random sampling of 1,000 respondents who were polled via phone using Random Digital Dial (RDD). A cross section of the survey results are listed below:

- Do people really know how much fiber they need?

While 65 percent of those surveyed try to eat foods that are high in fiber, more than two-thirds of respondents (88 percent) did not know the number of grams of fiber recommended per day for a healthy body. The NFC recommends 32 grams of fiber per day for a healthy body.

- Is there fiber in meat?

Sixty-two percent of respondents believe that meat is a source of fiber. There is no fiber in meat. Fiber can only be derived from plant products.

- When are Americans getting

their fiber?

Forty-two percent of respondents cited breakfast as the meal in which they consume the most fiber followed closely by dinner (32 percent). Lunch was a distant third, receiving 18 percent of the vote.

- Do Americans read food labels?

Seventy-two percent of those surveyed read food labels, but less than half (48 percent) look at the amount of fiber per serving. Not surprisingly, the majority of Americans (61 percent) are most interested in the amount of saturated fat per serving.

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Is your district attracting the top substitute teachers?

Another school year is about to get under way, and a lot of work is going on behind the scenes. While teachers are getting their classrooms and lesson plans ready, the administrative staff is taking care of all the other details that need to be settled before students arrive. One of the most important details is making sure they have an appropriate sized pool of qualified and prepared substitute teachers in place once classes get under way.

Substitute teachers impact the lives of millions of children every day. They are the individuals who fill in when a full-time teacher is out sick, on vacation or taking part in professional development training. According to a study done by Utah State University, they are in the classroom more often than you may think. The study suggests that one full year of a student's K-12 education will have been taught by substitute teachers by the time they graduate from high school.

"Substitute teachers are part of a mission critical workforce. Without them, there is a significant

disruption to the continuity of the learning process – something our achievement-driven educational system cannot afford. Given the importance of their role, it is essential that we understand the key aspects of recruiting and retaining quality substitute teachers," says Scott Smith, vice president, Kelly Educational Staffing, employer of more than 18,000 substitute teachers across the country. His company recently polled more than 2,500 substitute teachers and found there are a few simple things school districts can do to attract and retain quality substitute teachers to their classrooms.

When asked, "What is the most important thing a full-time teacher can do to prepare for a substitute teacher to take over their classroom?" here's how the substitute teachers responded:

- 56 percent – Provide complete lesson plans
- 24 percent – Provide enough planned work to keep students engaged
- 11 percent – Establish rules for students when the regular teacher

is out

- 5 percent – Have established classroom rules and discipline procedures posted or available



- 3 percent – Provide a seating chart of the students

- 1 percent – Provide the names of responsible students in the classroom who can assist a substitute

When asked, "What would help you most to improve your substitute teaching skills?" they responded as follows:

- 42 percent – Feedback regarding my performance (strengths and weaknesses) in the classroom
- 14 percent – More time in the

classroom

- 12 percent – Online training courses
- 11 percent – In-person training courses
- 9 percent – Mentoring opportunities
- 7 percent – Additional education (i.e. bachelor's or master's degree)
- 6 percent – Additional reading materials on substitute teaching

"Our substitute teachers have told us how important feedback is to them, but our experience shows there is value in taking it a step further," says Smith. "Recognition programs for substitute teachers that acknowledge the outstanding contributions they make to the classroom year after year create tremendous goodwill and employee satisfaction."

How do such programs work? Take a cue from Kelly Educational Staffing, which has both internal and external employee recognition programs in place. During National Substitute Teacher Appreciation Week, the company places banners recognizing their subs in prominent

places at partner schools. Twice each school year, Kelly sponsors a Substitute Teacher of the Semester Award Program to recognize substitute teachers across the U.S. for outstanding performance. Additionally, throughout the school year, teachers earn points for such things as receiving positive feedback from school administrators, principals and teachers, for taking last minute assignments, continuing skills enhancement and more. As points are earned, teachers can exchange them for a variety of merchandise or gift certificates.

Smith points out employee recognition is a win-win for both employees and employers alike. "From the employee perspective, being recognized in a meaningful way clearly communicates their contributions are valued and it gives them a sense of self worth. For the employer, providing well-deserved recognition demonstrates appreciation for outstanding performance, which enables them to consistently attract and retain quality employees."

To learn about Kelly Educational Staffing and how your school district can strengthen its current substitute teacher program, visit www.kellyeducationalstaffing.com.

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- How do Americans stay healthy if they don't exercise?

Eighty-five percent of respondents believe they are in good health. Only slightly more than half, however, reported that they regularly exercise (58 percent). Respondents attributed their good health to reading food labels, avoiding foods high in fat, eating foods high in fiber and taking vitamins and/or supplements, to name a few.

In addition to promoting general wellness and intestinal health, the survey revealed that a majority of Americans are increasingly aware of the additional health benefits of fiber:

- 78 percent recognize that fiber keeps you full
- 76 percent associate fiber with helping to lower cholesterol
- 72 percent believe that fiber helps with weight management
- 67 percent are aware that fiber can help with diabetes prevention

"Experts have been trying to educate consumers for years about the health benefits of fiber," adds Anderson. "Despite this, we've seen a rise in health conditions that put your life in danger – high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity and certain cancers – the risk of which can be greatly reduced by getting the NFC's recommended 32 grams of fiber per day."

To learn more about fiber and how to get the recommended 32 grams of fiber per day, visit the NFC's Web site www.nationalfiberCouncil.org or call the toll-free hotline (866) 749-5296 to request the NFC's new "A Fresh Look at Fiber" brochure, which includes general information about fiber, fiber myths and facts, a sample high-fiber menu plan, the NFC's recommended "Top Five Items to Keep in Your Pantry" and a fiber supplement comparison chart.

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Around the County

Jewelry store owner pays back victims in scam

As part of his March guilty plea in Albany County Court, Peter Spinelli, who defrauded scores of clients at his Colonie jewelry store, has paid \$391,117.56 in restitution to his victims.

Spinelli, 50 of Krumkill Road, Gunderland was ordered to sell his home to pay back as many as 70 victims of his jewelry scam.

Members of the Financial Crimes Bureau will be contacting victims to coordinate the allotment of funds, according to Albany County District Attorney David Soares' office.

Spinelli, was sentenced March 28 before Albany County Judge Thomas A. Breslin after

pleading guilty to two counts of grand larceny.

Spinelli was owner of Spinelli Jewelers at 1315 Central Ave., which became the focus of an extensive investigation last year after reports surfaced that real diamonds were being replaced with Moissanite, a naturally occurring mineral that has many of the same characteristics as diamonds.

By the close of the investigation, police had identified as many as 70 victims, who had more than \$391,000 in wedding, engagement rings and family heirloom diamonds taken.

According to prosecutors, in one case, Spinelli put a fake stone in a 73-year-old

family diamond given to him for resetting.

At his sentencing, he agreed to sell his home to help pay full restitution to the victims. He had already paid \$40,000 toward that amount.

Spinelli was arrested May 30, 2006, as a result of the investigation. In March, he was sentenced to two counts of grand larceny and is currently serving three to nine years in prison. In addition to the jewelry scam, Spinelli also failed to file his personal income tax returns with the state between Jan. 1, 1999 and Dec. 31, 2001.

"Mr. Spinelli was unjustly enriched by knowingly hurting many people," said Soares in a written statement. "There are

victims who will never again see their wedding diamonds or family heirlooms and no amount of restitution can make up for that. Hopefully, the victims in this case will be able to take

some measure of comfort in knowing this man is in prison for many years and once out, he will not be returning to the life and comfortable home to which he has become accustomed."

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Man sentenced in rape of disabled woman

An Albany man pleaded guilty in Albany County Court Friday, Aug. 17, to the rape of a disabled woman under the care of Center for Disabled Services.

Dalo T. Richard, 30, of 595 Third St., Albany, was linked to the crime by DNA evidence in May.

Richard, a former employee at the center, pleaded guilty to one count of rape in the first degree. Under the agreement he will serve 18 years in state prison and five years post-release.

According to prosecutors, during the months of July and August last year Richard raped the victim who is mentally retarded, legally blind, a spasmodic quadriplegic with limited speech capabilities

and as such incapable of consent.

"The actions of this defendant are horrifying to say the least, and I thank the Colonie Police Department for their diligence in exposing this unspeakable crime," said Albany County District Attorney David Soares in a written statement. "I hope this sends a message to society that more must be done by all of us to help families and caregivers protect those who are unable to protect themselves."

The disabled resident, whose condition made her unable to inform police or center staff of the rape, gave

birth to a healthy baby in May.

Upon the birth of the baby, a warrant out of Colonie Town Court ordered that the baby's DNA be matched against 15 male suspects. Richard was a match. At the time he was no longer an employee at the center.

Richard had previously been arrested on a minor drug possession charge.

He is scheduled for sentencing Friday, Oct. 12.



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Around the County

Shaker students to track presidential election

Junior high class will use political network

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Shaker Junior High School is using next year's presidential election and the ongoing campaigns for president to educate an underage electorate.

Although they will not be voting, junior high school students will be participating in a new program to help bolster

an understanding of the electoral process and candidates.

The new program will be headed by seventh-grade U.S. history teacher Seth Harris. Harris recently participated in C-SPAN Classroom's Campaign 2008 Educators' Conference in Washington, D.C.

The July program, sponsored by C-SPAN Classroom, brought together 25 middle and high school teachers from throughout the country. The focus of the conference was to help the political TV network better understand how its programming has been



Seth Harris, center, with C-SPAN Chairman and CEO Brian Lamb, left, and C-SPAN Vice President Joanne Wheeler. Submitted photo

used in the classroom. Its other mission was to brainstorm ideas on how to use the network to get students involved in next year's presidential election.

"If I can get students to follow the 2008 elections and share that info with their friends, then they will have a lifelong interest in politics," said Harris.

Harris has proposed a fantasy presidential election for his students. Students will be put into groups and randomly given a candidate to follow.

The groups will be responsible for following candidates' political track records, their issues and platforms and present that information regularly to fellow classmates.

Each candidate will get points based for what they do, represent and sponsor, he said.

Harris said he has always relied on C-SPAN Classroom to generate an interest and curriculum to cover elections and politics. However, this year, that relationship will have grown

from just watching presidential debates and re-enacting the high points to following the election well beyond the debates and through the inauguration.

"What he's brought back is a lot of materials about using the 2008 election in the classroom. He also has a chance to develop materials that he will share with other teachers," said Russell Moore, Shaker Junior High School principal and history department director.

Harris' new program will be a real resource to the school, Moore said. It will serve to make a much better informed electorate in the future. Students will go on as voting citizens and approach elections with a well-rounded understanding of what the process is and isn't, Moore said.

Mainly, he said, they will hear what candidates are saying rather than the media and their political counterparts.

"Students hear so much from home (about candidates), what mom and dad are saying. We are just trying to get them thinking for themselves," said Moore.



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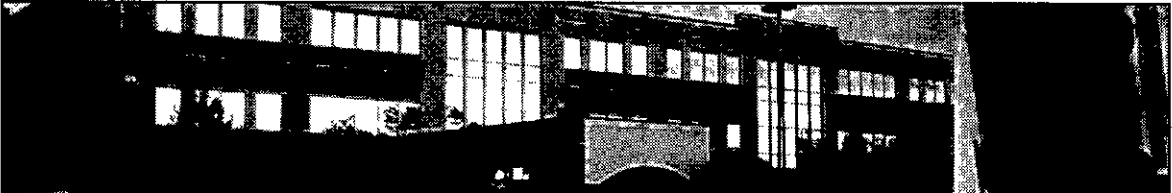
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Wildland fire crew heads west to help

Local man part of 20-person crew sent to battle blaze in Montana

By CARI SCRIBNER
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As wildland fires continue to roar a destructive path across parts of Montana, local forest rangers and trained incident management volunteers have shipped out to help battle the blazes.

A 20-person state wildland firefighting crew departed from Saratoga Springs on Friday, Aug. 10, bound for the Jocko Lakes area.

Among them is Kyle M. Trojan, 18, of Scotia. The Montana trip is his first assignment as a Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) emergency volunteer.

"He's trained for this kind of situation for years, and this is what he wants to do," said Kyle's mom, Carolyn Trojan. "He's excited to go, and we were happy for him."

Trojan just graduated from a home-schooling program within the Scotia Glenville district. He has finished firefighters 1 and 2 trainings, is a certified wildland firefighter and recently became an emergency medical technician.

"He was put on a stand-by list for an emergency response last fall," said Carolyn Trojan. "I think since he became an EMT, it moved him way up the list."

Go west, young man

Trojan and his squad were dispatched to the Jocko Lakes area of Montana, where fires were started on Aug. 3 by severe thunderstorms and lightning.

With thousands of acres of dry woodlands as timber, the flames raged as winds picked up to fan the fires at 35 miles per hour. High heat and low humidity have been plaguing containment efforts, and squads are hoping for the hot weather to break.

Fire personnel on site are building containment lines to halt the speed of the burn, keeping a watchful eye on power lines, and communicating with residents and schools that have been evacuated. Fire whirls have been reported, which allow the flames to cross creeks and other small waterways in the area. Helicopter drop buckets are being used to douse the flames overhead.

The fires are listed as being just 25 percent contained, with more than 1,000 fire personnel on site. The estimated containment date, according to DEC reports, is Sept. 15.

"The severity of this fire is high," said DEC spokesperson Lori O'Connell. "It's not highly unusual to have New York state volunteers called out, but this is a serious incident."

A family tradition

One of the reasons Carolyn Trojan isn't overly apprehensive about her son's departure is that she's seen firsthand

how well fire management volunteers are trained. Her father, George Fields, was a Burnt Hills volunteer fireman and captain of the fire police for more than 45 years. Her husband Jeff, Kyle's dad, was a volunteer in the Charlton fire department for several years before moving to Scotia, where he is now the West Glenville Fire Department assistant chief. Her oldest son Dale, 20, works as an industrial painter but is also a volunteer firefighter.

"All three of my men are firefighters, and my daughter Rachel, who's 13, can't wait to be 16 to volunteer," said Carolyn, who is also active in the fire department as the secretary and district treasurer.

Kyle grew up riding along with his father and hanging out at the firehouse.

"This was always his plan as he grew up," said Carolyn.

Suiting up

Kyle's team left on Friday, Aug. 10. They are expected to return after two weeks of



Kyle Trojan

battling the blazes.

"I'm very confident he'll be safe; I know all the people in his squad," said Carolyn. "I should have felt nervous, but they all keep a good eye on each other. It must be an awesome experience for all of them."

At 6-foot-2-inches and about 200 pounds, Kyle has earned the nickname "Gentle Giant,"

and his physical strength and endurance is a source of comfort for his family.

"He can do this," said Carolyn. "They suited him up in Saratoga, and the level of gear they give them is held to a very high standard."

Kyle is fighting the flames on the ground, doing hotspot protection rather than fire jumping from the air. Working more than 10 hours a day, the volunteers are sleeping safely in hotels but have little time to keep in touch with family.

"We did get one call from him at 1 in the morning the first full day he was in Montana," said Carolyn. "He was exhausted but very committed to being there."

When he's not continuing his emergency training, Kyle works in construction and at Bowman Orchards in Rexford. But his mom expects this won't be the last time her middle son heads out to help keep people he doesn't even know out of harm's way.

"He's applied at the Lockheed Martin site in West Milton to become an incident prevention specialist," said Carolyn. "Or he'd like to be a paid firefighter as a career. I didn't realize how many options there are for him out there as far as being a paramedic or emergency responder. Whatever he chooses, he'll give it his best."

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A separate pace

Weekday at the Altamont Fair is a chance to enjoy the quieter, quainter traditions

By ARCANGELA C. MELE
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It was a quiet afternoon at the Altamont Fair Thursday, Aug. 16, making it a perfect day for folks to indulge in the simple fair traditions they love without the huge lines and chaos of the weekend.

One of those folks, Karen Duvobeck of Rotterdam, came to the fair to enjoy a peaceful day with her husband and watch the horses compete outside the horse barn "I used to come here with my father, so it's reminiscent of when I was little," she said. Duvobeck also admitted to a less sentimental reason to come to the fair: to munch on fried dough from Jeannette's, a family-owned business that has been serving the greasy goodies there for 20 years.

Jeannette's has taken fried



Left, Tayla Baldaus and Mak make faces at each other at the Altamont Fair on Saturday. Above, Michaela Carl, of Clarksville, and a cow named Lovie.

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dough to the next level, offering more than nine different toppings such as apple, maple cream and chocolate, for those bored with ordinary powdered sugar. Jeannette's is not the only big seller at the fair. Tom's Painted Mirror's, owned by Tom Dunham, has been a fair success for more than 30 years. Jeanne Dunham, Tom's daughter, quit her job of five years to help her dad paint and sell the works, which include pictures of dragons, lighthouses, horses and other wildlife on small mirrors.

Dunham, whose family is from Indiana, travels to several fairs throughout the Northeast. She said her father raised a family of six selling the paintings.

"It's a beautiful setting, the horses and farmland are really pretty."

Jeanne Dunham

She enjoys coming to Altamont every year for the scenery.

"It's a beautiful setting, the

horses and farmland are really pretty," she said.

In fact, the animals and scenery at the fair appeal to almost everyone.

John Gracey, a Scotia resident who is originally from Ireland, was raised near farmland, and he said spending time at the fair brings him closer to home.

"My brother had a horse barn, and I come back every year to see the horses," he said.

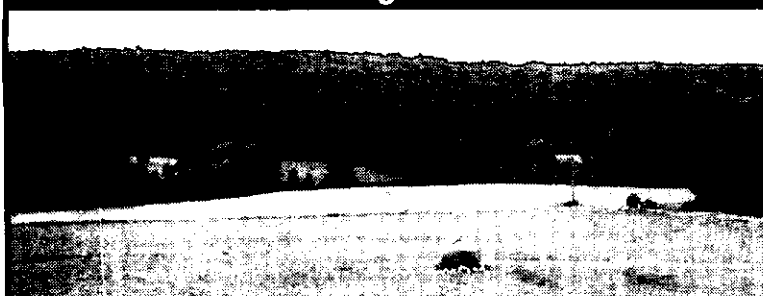
If horses aren't the main animal attraction, it's pigs, or people who resemble them. After spending some time on the midway rides with his grandchildren, Dick Umholtz of Westerlo brought Ricky, 9, and Katie, 8, to see Randall's Racing Pigs, a live pig race that also features the "Chunking Dale Dancer's," a group of brave potbellied men who were chosen from the audience to dance onstage for a prize.

"I really liked the way it was presented for the crowd and for the kids; it had good variety," Umholtz said of the show. Marilyn Amadaer of West Winfield is a big fan of the oxen pull, a traditional fair competition where spectators watch to see which ox can pull the most weight. Amadaer said she forgot her straw hat, and was trying to stay cool by eating some ice cream.

"I've walked all around today just to see the museums; that's the best part," she said. Miss Altamont Fair, Rachel Barrett, 17, from Rotterdam, was also making her way around the fair, greeting folks and handing out show prizes. Barrett, who was crowned on Tuesday, said she has been enjoying her new celebrity status.

"It's been really amazing seeing the little girls eyes light up when they see me. It feels pretty good," she said.

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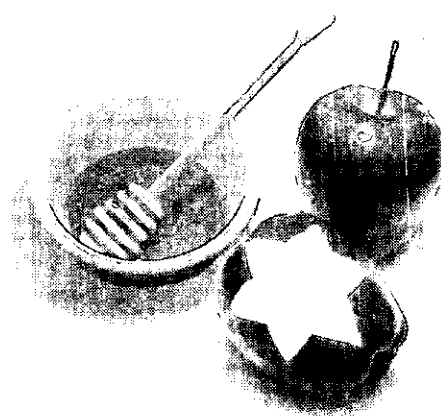
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Inspections begin at Central Avenue motels

Town checking safety after charges of poor conditions for social services clients

By GRAHAM S. PARKER
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Colonie building inspectors completed a series of room-to-room walk-throughs last week at a string of Central Avenue motels, a process that began before county legislators passed a law urging them to do so Monday, Aug. 13.

Colonie building and fire inspectors, police and county health department officials toured the Skylane and Best Value Inn motels on Central Avenue. The two were among a list of four Central Avenue corridor motels County Legislator Christine Benedict, R-Colonie, called on to be cleaned up for deplorable living conditions.

County social services have used the motels to house families on welfare and post-release sex offenders.

Inspectors said many of the conditions cited in town documents in May acquired by Benedict no longer exist. They had been addressed over the summer.

Still, the inspections are far from over, said Colonie officials.

"We are going to generate a list of violations we picked up that, in my opinion, were fairly minor. We will probably give them two weeks (to address them)," said Michael Rosch, building department director. "They were fairly minor, still they're not the Marriott."

Most of the citations were along the lines of missing batteries in smoke detectors and windows painted shut. They were not like many Benedict had earlier pointed out, such as raw sewage, exposed wiring and rotting ceilings and roofs. Still, several rooms remained to be seen at the Skylane, and inspectors were returning to the Best Value Inn to see the other half of the 40 rooms they were unable to access.

The living conditions at the motels became the focus of a county legislative front to revamp the county's stance on housing welfare recipients and convicted sex offenders placed at the motels. After an attempt to relocate families and people living in the motels failed last Monday in the legislature, lawmakers opted to inform Colonie to crack down on motel owners and clean the sites up.

Although the legislation Benedict proposed last week lost much of its muscle, it's still playing a part in cleaning up the facilities, especially as word got out that inspectors will be visiting, unannounced, other motels not

on her list.

"Since all of this has been exposed, a lot of the motels you are seeing the workers outside doing work. If Colonie is on a mission to bring these motels up to code, then I'm sure that they will," Benedict said.

She said it needs to be done because there is a larger issue at the heart of her recent legislative action: What to do with the county's sex offenders.

Benedict sat in on a Schenectady County legislative hearing Wednesday, Aug. 22, where lawmakers discussed a 2,000-foot residency restriction on sex offenders. Benedict, like many leaders in Albany and Schenectady county were wary of the legislation because they feared it could push sex offenders into hill towns, underground or onto the Central Avenue corridor in Benedict's district.

Now not only will some of those Central Avenue motels serve Albany County's sex offenders placed by Albany County Social Services, but Schenectady's as well. Benedict described it a pinning one county against

"It's kind of like the sign law. You can't go out and do every illegal sign in the town. You get a complaint, and we go out and investigate it."

Mary Brizzell

another.

Schenectady county legislators passed new legislation that prohibits level 2 and 3 sex offenders from living with 2,000 feet from anywhere children frequent. Level one, sex offenders are exempt from the residency restriction.

Albany County requires that the sex offenders live outside of 1,000 feet from such areas.

Town Supervisor Mary Brizzell said she shares Benedict's concerns, but is quick to point the finger at the county for placing the responsibility for the condition of the hotels solely on Colonie.

"It's kind of like the sign law.

You can't go out and do every illegal sign in the town. You get a complaint, and we go out and investigate it," said Brizzell.

And that is exactly what the town is doing now by investigating the motels, she said.

While the town compiles its checklists of the two motels, and more to come, Brizzell suggested that county social services might want to jump in.

She said Colonie and the county need to be careful with future sex offender legislation and include social services in better gauging the condition of these motels and the future practice of placing both welfare families and sex offenders

at them, she said.

She said she doesn't like the county suggestion that Colonie isn't doing what it should do.

For years, motels such as the Skylane have contracted with Albany County to house post-release sex offenders.

During the recent inspections, Rosch said he noted a prominently displayed sign on the wall reading: "No Children Allowed."

Early on in her fight to clean up the hotels, Benedict discovered that at one point in time, sex offenders and welfare families were placed under the same roof. Social services officials have stated that that has not happened in years.

Regardless, Benedict fears a surge of sex offenders could inundate these motels as Schenectady chases convicted individuals out of town and down Central Avenue. Also, these motels, which make a decent dollar off the county contracts, will be quick to collect on the windfall, she said.


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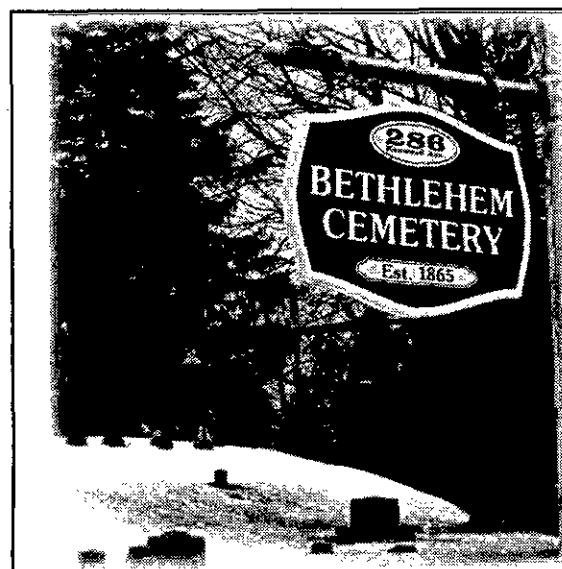
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Obituaries *in the* Spotlight

Leo Pagini

Leo Pagini, 94, of Delmar, died suddenly on Tuesday, Aug. 21, at the Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center.

Born in the town of Barchi in Italy he immigrated to Albany in 1920. He graduated from St. Anthony's School in Albany and worked for Niagara Mohawk Power Company for 48 years, retiring in 1977. He enjoyed woodworking and growing a variety of vegetables in his garden and sharing them with family and friends. He was an avid Indian motorcycle rider and enjoyed riding them as street bikes, on hill climbs and with his beloved friends the late Tom Paradise and Spitzie. He was a past manager of Whitehall Little League Baseball and was a member of the Sheehy Palmer Post. He enlisted in the Army and served in World War II. He achieved the rank of technician-sergeant fourth grade

and served with the headquarters and service Co. 2833rd Engineer Battalion. His military specialty was as a motorcyclist. His main job was to carry dispatches between the front lines and rear command. He served in the military battles of Algeria-French Morocco, Central Europe, Naples-Foggia, Rhineland (Germany), Rome-Arno, Sicily and Southern France.

He was awarded the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal with Bronze Service Arrowhead, Good Conduct Medal and a Purple Heart. He was predeceased by his wife, Florence A. (Heinmiller) Pagini.

Survivors include a son, Robert J. Pagini, and a grandchild.

Services were from the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, 490 Delaware Ave. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. James Church. Interment was in Our Lady Help of

Christians Cemetery, Glenmont. Contributions may be made to either the American Heart Association or the Mohawk-Hudson River Humane Society.

Frances Schwebel

Frances Schwebel, 93, of Delmar, died Thursday, Aug. 23, at the Daughters of Sarah Nursing Center.

Born in Brainard, she was employed as a bookkeeper until her marriage. She was a member of Temple Israel in Albany and Hadassah. She was the widow of Harold Schwebel.

Survivors include a daughter, Nancy Schwebel Forrest of Delmar and two grandchildren. She will be remembered for her love and devotion to her family and grandchildren. Services were from the Levine Memorial Chapel, Albany. Interment was in the Temple Israel Cemetery

Guilanderland. Contributions may be made to Temple Israel, 600 New Scotland Ave., Albany 12208 or the Daughters of Sarah Nursing Center, 180 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany 12203.

Agnes E. Eck

Agnes E. Eck, 76, of Selkirk died Monday, Aug. 20, at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born in Boston, she lived in Selkirk for many years. She owned and operated The Chimney Top in the 1970s. She worked for the RCS School District for many years. Along with her husband, she owned and worked at Eck Farms in Selkirk for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Clarence J. Eck; four sons, Michael Biel, Paul Biel, Shawn Biel and Mark Biel; two brothers, Joseph Lemieux and George Jr. Lemieux; 10 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Services were held at St. Patrick's Church, Ravena. Burial was in Chestnut Lawn Cemetery, New Baltimore. Arrangements were by the Babcock Funeral Home, Ravena. Contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Janice L. Drozd

Janice L. Drozd, 63, of Delmar, died Thursday, Aug. 23.

Mrs. Drozd was an executive secretary for the New York Thruway Authority for seven years, leaving to devote her full time and love to raising her family. She also worked part-time in the Bethlehem Town Hall and was an aide in the Glenmont Elementary School. She was an avid baseball fan, especially the New York Mets. She also loved country music, especially Toby Keith. She was a member of the National Corvette Owners

Association.

Survivors include her husband, William S. Drozd Jr.; two daughters, Sandy J. Van Vranken of Rotterdam, and Karen Marie Ward of Delmar; two sisters, Helene Van Nosdall of Delmar and Marcia Burt of Florida; and three grandchildren.

Services were from the Durant Funeral Home, Delmar. Interment was in Bethlehem Cemetery. Contributions may be made to either AnimalKind, P.O. Box 902, Hudson 12534 or the American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Road, Des Plaines, IL 60018 for needed research of Glioblastomas.

Elizabeth Plauth

Elizabeth Plauth, 97, of Altamont, died Wednesday, Aug. 15.

Born in Brooklyn, she graduated from the Jamaica Training School for Teachers in 1929, and started her teaching career in Queens. She was an officer in the family business, Blue Spruce Farms, Inc. She volunteered in a variety of organizations including her children's activities such as Girl Scouts and 4-H, the Women's Auxiliary of Albany Medical Center, the George Landis Arboretum, and the New York State Morgan Horse Society.

She was the widow of Ralph E. Plauth. Survivors include four daughters, Joan Kappel of Altamont, Virginia Pieck of Altamont, Lorraine W. Plauth of Voorheesville, and Jeanne B. Plauth of Sprakers; and 13 grandchildren. Contributions may be made to Freedom Guide Dogs, 1210 Hardscrabble Road, Cassville 13318 www.freedomguidedogs.com.

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Milestones *in the* Spotlight

Quick, Schlicker to marry



Kristin Marie and Daniel Joseph Sym

Tracy Quick, daughter of Richard and Debbie Quick of Scotia, and Darrell Schlicker, son of Eugene Schlicker of Bay City, Mich., and Barbara Schlicker of Saginaw, Mich., are engaged to be married.

The bride is a graduate of Scotia-Glenville High School and Northeastern University. She is a kindergarten/first grade teacher.

The groom is a graduate of Lutheran Valley High School, Michigan Technological University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a manager of the instrumentation and probe electronics group with Jentek Sensors.

The couple plans an Oct. 19 wedding, after which they will reside in Freeland, Mich.



Tracy Quick and Darrell Schlicker

Lesandro, Sym wed

Kristin Marie Lesandro, daughter of Ronald and Faith Lesandro of Hamburg, and Daniel Joseph Sym, son of Joseph and Kathleen Sym of Niskayuna, were married June 23 at Hamburg United Methodist Church by the Rev. Chuck Excell.

The bride is a graduate of Hamburg High School, the State University of New York at Geneseo and Buffalo State College. She is a third-grade teacher at Mount Pleasant Elementary School in Ferguson, N.C.

The groom is a graduate of Niskayuna High School and the State University of New York at Geneseo. He is studying for his master's degree at Appalachian State University.

Katelyn Lesandro was the maid of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Kristina Sym, Cara Hayden, Angela Halwick and Sarah Jay.

Groomsmen were Ryan Lesandro, Vikram Pattanayak, Christopher Silva, Justin Manley and Michael Arno.

After a honeymoon trip to Hawaii, the couple lives in Boone, N.C.

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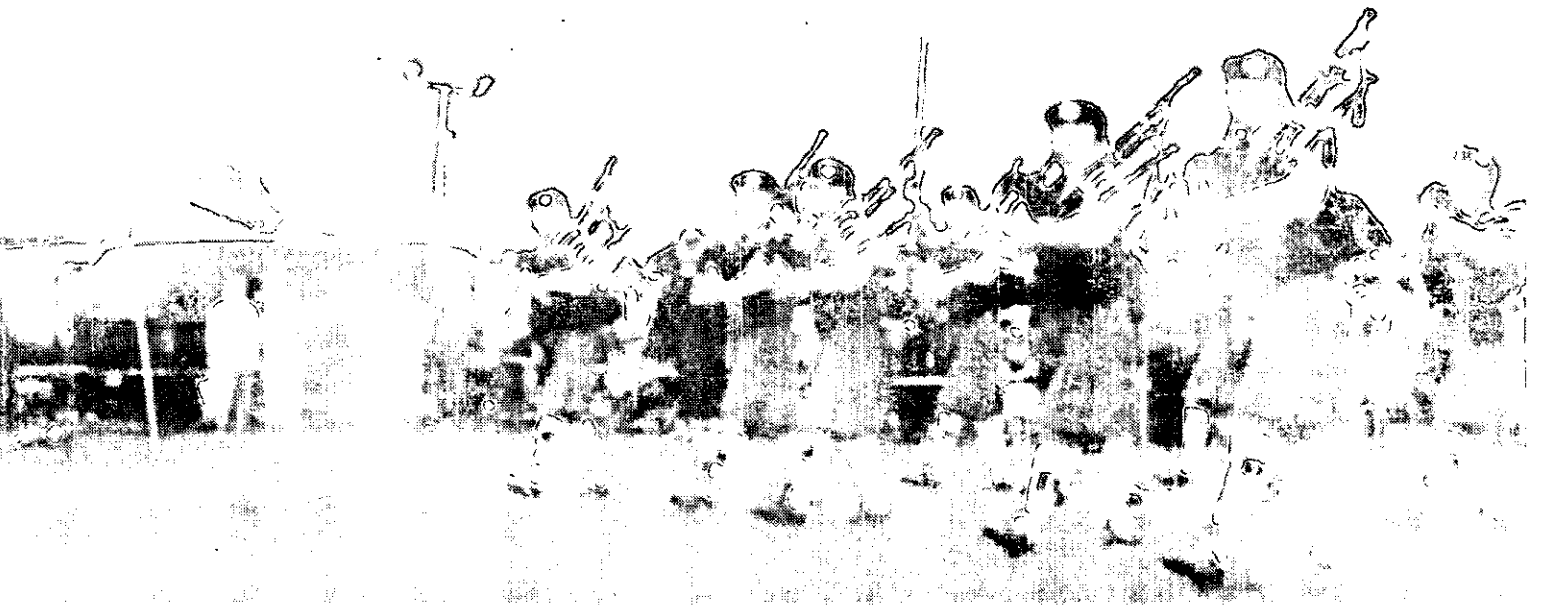
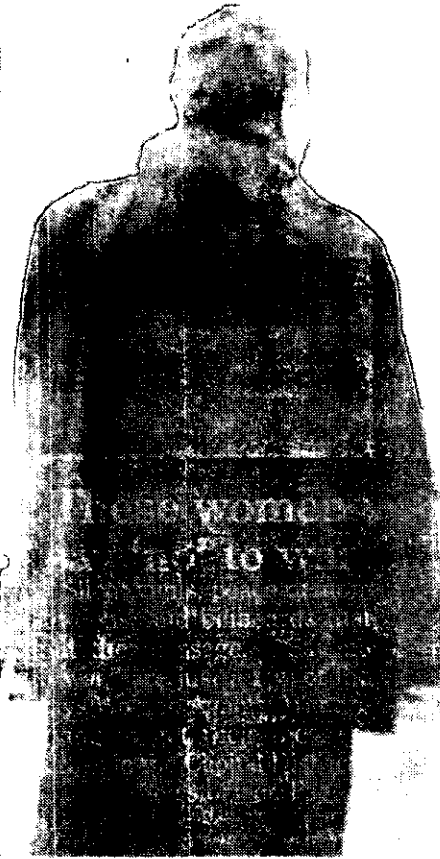
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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

Close to 50 pipe bands will compete in this year's music competition at the Scottish Games Sept. 1 and 2 at the Altamont Fair



By J. JUDE HAZARD
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Highlights of the Highlands

Capital District Scottish Games returns to Altamont

You're standing in a field, the noon sun beating down on the rustling grass. Fifty pipe bands blare in harmony around you, shaking the ground.

No, this isn't Scotland 500 years ago. It's the Scottish Games at the Altamont Fair, held annually on Labor Day weekend, a tradition dating back to 1939.

The two-day event is a Celtic festival of arts, dancing, athletics, music and food. Founded in Scotia, competitive bands have grown from just 12 in the 1950s to almost 50 today.

Colonie resident Peter Plourde has been the Chairman of the Scottish Games for the past six years. His father-in-law immigrated to the United States from Scotland and got Plourde involved as a ticket collector over 20 years ago.

"The dancing is so unique and so interesting," Plourde said. "Hearing 50 pipe bands playing on the field, you can feel the bases striking your chest and it takes your breath away."

This year's entertainment includes such bands as "Hair of the Dog" and "Rob Roy McGregor."



Kids of all ages are part of the weekend music.

The Schenectady Pipe Band, which is celebrating its 90th anniversary, has hosted the event since 1978.

A Caber toss is one of the event's popular athletic competitions. The event involves a large wooden pole, sometimes as long as a telephone pole, which competitors balance on their palms. The object is to throw the pole, not for distance, but to make it land facing exactly away from the thrower. A perfect throw is when the top end of the pole is nearest the thrower.

Other events include hammer and stone throws, as well as weight and sheaf tosses.

"The Scottish history in America is much greater than many people know about," Plourde said. "Seeing what the

Scottish heritage has brought to this country, going back to the old country like I did and participating in the games of this site, it's exciting. It brings a whole different light to a group of people in our country."

Highland dancing is also prominent at the event. The

Today, dancers ranging in age from children to seniors are judged by standards set by the Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing, formed in 1949.

The weekend also features a variety of music competitions, including pipe band, solo

drumming and solo piping. The musical competitions are sanctioned by the Eastern United States Pipe Band Association.

"The important thing is the ability of the families and everyone to get together and have a good time," Plourde said. "I haven't seen people not having a good time at this event."

Tickets are available at the gate for \$18 on Saturday and \$12 on Sunday. For information, visit the website at www.scotgames.com.



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Presented by Shakespeare & Company, Founders' Theatre, 70 Kemble St., Lenox, Mass, through Sept. 1, \$20-\$57. Information, (413) 637-3353.

THE MUSIC MAN

Strike up the 76 trombones for this famous Broadway musical classic, presented by The Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham, through Sept. 2. Information, 392-9292.

Music

HAPPY BALKY AND THE GOOD LIVIN'

Local bluegrass/mountain pop band, Aug. 31, 8 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$10. Information, 583-0022.

IVAN NEVILLE'S DUMPSTAFUNK

Part of famous Neville family, Sept. 5, 8:30 p.m., Revolution Hall, River Street, Troy, \$15 advance, \$18 at door. Information, 274-5601.

ALBANY RIVERFRONT JAZZ FESTIVAL

Featuring saxophonist Joshua Redman, Sept. 8, 12:30 p.m., Riverfront Park amphitheater, Albany, free. Information, 434-2032.

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Norwegian fiddle duo, Sept. 13, 8 p.m., Old Songs Inc., 37 South Main St., Voorheesville, \$17. Information, 765-2815.

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Alternative folk band, Sept. 15, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$22. Information, 473-1845.

LAKE GEORGE JAZZ WEEKEND

Featuring Oliver Lake, Dave Samuels and more, Sept. 15-16, Sheppard Park, Lake George, free. Information, 668-2616.

PAULA COLE AND MANDY MOORE

Two female singer-songwriters, Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$32.50. Information, 473-1845.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Unseen America NYS: Pictures of Working Lives Taken by Working Hands," through

Oct. 21; "Look Alikes: The Amazing World of Joan Steiner," 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.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

"Full Steam Ahead: Robert Fulton and the Age of Steamboats," through Dec. 31; plus exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

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

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Mohawk Hudson Regional Juried Exhibition," through Sept. 30, plus site-specific installations by Larry Kagan and Cara Nigro, as well as installations by Anthony Garner, Baris Karayazgan, Paul Katz, Nancy Klepsch and Victoria Palermo. Information, 242-2243.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

"Weaving Meaning," featuring works by Arlene Baker and Ralph Caparulo, through Oct. 6, reception Sept. 7, 5 p.m., 39 Columbia St., Albany. Information, 462-4775.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

"Dawn of Modern Dance: Music, Myth and Movement," exhibit chronicling the careers of Ruth St. Denis and Isadora Duncan, plus ongoing exhibits, 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-2225.

NEW YORK STATE MILITARY MUSEUM

"Worth a Thousand Muskets: Civil War Field Artillery," "Battleground for Freedom: New York during the Revolutionary War," and "World War II: United for Victory," ongoing, 61 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs. Information, 581-5100. Saratoga Automobile Museum. Ongoing exhibits including "East of Detroit" and New York racing, 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs. Information, 587-1935, ext. 20.

TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

"West African Masquerade," photographs by Phyllis Galemba, through Dec. 29, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-8080.

THE HYDE COLLECTION

"Luminist Horizons: The Art and Collection of James A. Suydam," through Sept. 16; "Drawn from Life and Legend: European Works on Paper from the Permanent Collection," through Sept. 23, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"Dutch Dialogues," through Sept. 3; "The Unknown Monet: Pastels and Drawings," through Sept. 16, 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

UNION COLLEGE

"ReView: Five Union Alumni," featuring works by Alfred Nadel, Stephen Pentak, Linda Fisher, Chester Urban and Nori Lupfer, through Oct. 14, The Mandeville Gallery, Nott Memorial, Schenectady. Information, 388-6729.

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY CHORALE

Inviting community singers to join for season. Rehearsals take place Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. in UAlbany Performing Arts Center basement. No auditions necessary. Rehearsals begin Aug. 28. Information, e-mail janower@albany.edu.

THURSDAY MUSICAL CLUB

Women's choral group beginning fall season rehearsals Sept. 5 at First United Methodist Church in downtown Schenectady. Rehearsals are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

COLONIE TOWN BAND

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

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

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

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Openings in women's singing group, focusing on old favorites and show tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at Community United Methodist Church 1499 New

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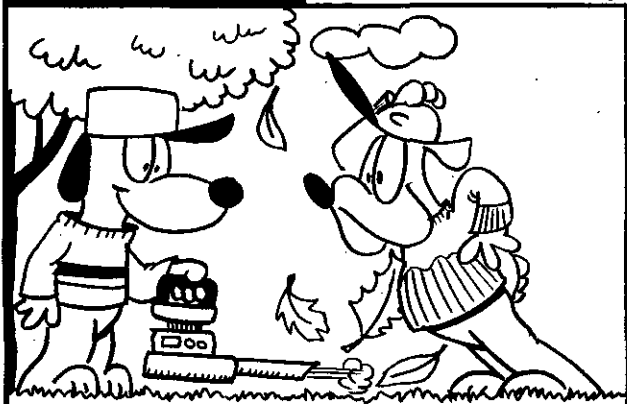
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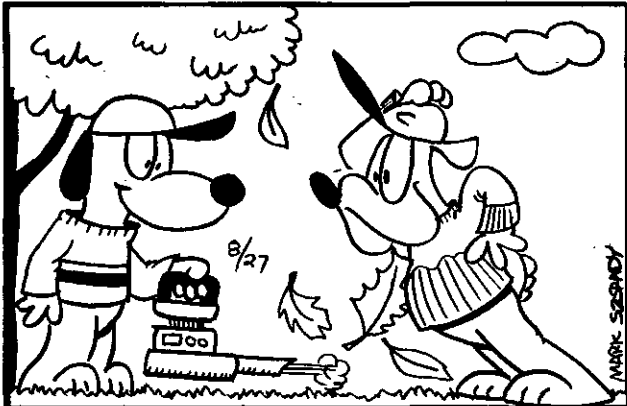
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Calendar of Events *in the* Spotlight

Wednesday, Aug. 29

BETHLEHEM

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

PLAYGROUP MEETING
First United Methodist Church playgroups will meet from 10:30 to noon in the nursery. Playgroup provides opportunity for child caretakers and pre-nursery school age children to socialize in a relaxed atmosphere. Information, call 439-9976, ext. 228.

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

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

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

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

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58 (WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)
Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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

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

AA MEETING
First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m.

VOORHEESVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Tom Knight Puppets, 2007 SRP Grand Finale for all ages at 7 p.m. at the Voorheesville Public Library.

Thursday, Aug. 30

BETHLEHEM

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

ADULT BIBLE STUDY FIFTH THURSDAY

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN (SEPTEMBER THRU MAY)
children's choir, 6:15 p.m., senior choir, 7 p.m., 85 Elm Ave. Information, 439-4328.

AA MEETINGS
Slingerlands Community Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, noon, and Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 8:30 p.m.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

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Friday, Aug. 31

AA MEETING
First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m.

CHABAD CENTER
Friday services, discussion and kiddush at sunset, 109 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

NEW SCOTLAND

PIONEER CLUBS
For children grades 1 through junior high;

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 3:45 - 5 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

SLINGERLANDS

SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands offers a contemporary worship service, "A Gathering" every Thursday from 6:30 until 7 p.m. Children are most welcome at the Gathering, and child care will be provided.

BETHLEHEM

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

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM

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Saturday, Sept. 1

BETHLEHEM

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.

GLENMONT

Story Hour at Tea and Tattered Pages Used Books, 329 Glenmont Road, Glenmont, 10:30 a.m.

THACHER NATURE CENTER

See and learn about local wildlife up close with Wildlife Rehabilitator Kelly Martin at Thacher Nature Center at 2 p.m. Call 872-

0800 for information.

Sunday, Sept. 2

BETHLEHEM

WORSHIP INFORMATION

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

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

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

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

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

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

Family of God Nazarene Church, Krumkill Road at Blessing Road, North Bethlehem, 453-9953.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 439-2512.

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Selkirk, 767-2243.

First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., 439-9976.

Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 436-7710.

Gospel Fellowship, 10 Rockefeller Road, Delmar, 482-2132.

King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.

KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 10 a.m. meditation, 11 a.m. tea, 11:30 a.m. study course, 374-1792.

Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510.

Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766.

Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314.

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953.

St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue, Delmar, 439-3265.

St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar, 439-4951.

Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship, 436 Krumkill Road, North Bethlehem, 438-7740.

NEW SCOTLAND

WORSHIP INFORMATION

All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., Guilford, 475-9086, ESL and Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Services, 10 a.m.

Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.

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

Faith Temple, New Salem, 765-2870.

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

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

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

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

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

St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road,

Voorheesville, 765-2805.

Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.

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

Monday, Sept. 3

SLINGERLANDS

Labor Day picnic and barbecue at 12 p.m. at Albany Baptists Church, 361 Krumkill Road, Slingerlands. Event is free and open to the community.

BETHLEHEM

PEACE VIGIL

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

DELMAR KIWANIS

Tool's Family Restaurant, Delaware Avenue, 6:15 p.m. Information, call Chris at 439-3026 or Gary at 439-9629

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CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT

Board of fire commissioners meeting, North Bethlehem firehouse, 589 Russell Road, 7:30 p.m.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

BLANCHARD LEGION POST

Meeting, 16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

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

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Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 p.m.

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ELSMERE FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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

PRAYER MEETING

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

PLANNING BOARD

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

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

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Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC.)
FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is LOFTPOPPLE VENTURES, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").
SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 10, 2007 and are effective as of this date.
THIRD: The County within New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Schenectady.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company is to be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: 268 Birchwood Drive, Duaneburg, New York 12056.
FIFTH: The Company is to be managed by 1 or more members.
SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which the LLC may be organized under the Limited Liability Law for the State of New York.
Filed By: PARISI, COAN & SACCOCIO, PLLC
376 Broadway
Schenectady, NY 12305
(518) 377-9096
LD-16808
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that I have received the tax list and warrant for the collection of school taxes in the Voorheesville Central School District. I will receive all taxes for a period of 61 days beginning September 1, 2007 at the place listed below. During the 31 day period from September 1, 2007 through October 1, 2007 (because September 30, 2007 falls on a Sunday) inclusive, there will be no penalty charge for the collection of the tax. From October 2, 2007 through October 31, 2007, in accordance with Section 2130 of the Education Law and Section 1328 of the Real Property Tax Law, penalty will be charged at a rate of 2% for the time period of October 2-October 31, 2007. No collections will be accepted after October 31, 2007. Postmarks of October 31, 2007 will be accepted.
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Voorheesville Central School District
Voorheesville, NY 12186
LD-17044
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DV River Front Properties, LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/21/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: real estate.
LD-16585
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 2000 West 7th, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 05/18/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs.

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Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-16645
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 47-35 48 STREET WOODSIDE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/19/07. 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, 22-09 41st Street, Astoria, New York 11106. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16780
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: NORIM-OOR, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/21/07. 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, 38-01 23rd Avenue, Astoria, New York 11105. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16781
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: HIGH-BRIDGE CLINTON, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/12/06. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 376 Broadway, Schenectady, New York 12305. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16782
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ERNO BODEK LLC OWNER. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/03/07. 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 Erno Bodek, 541 West 21st Street, New York, New York. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16783
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LEAP INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/13/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company (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: all lawful activities.
LD-16794
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SCOTIA VILLAGE PLAZA LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/06/03. The latest date of dissolution is 01/01/2073. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to

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the LLC, c/o Sunil Modasra, P.O. Box 272, Newtonville, New York 12128-0272. The name and address of the registered agent is Sunil Modasra, 3 Neal Street, Scotia, New York 12302. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16784
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TECH VERT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/13/07. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Sharleen Caro, 2224 Homes Avenue, PH, Bronx, New York 10473. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16785
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: POINT 2 POINT MARKETING LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/17/07. 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, 4181 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11229. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16786
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Parkwest Commercial Center, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/5/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: SDS Development Group, LLC, 406 9th Ave., Ste. 309, San Diego, CA 92101. Registered agent upon whom process may be served: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: to buy, develop, lease, finance, operate, manage, sell or refinance the project locally known as Ladera Business Park or Parkwest Commercial Center, and related activities.
LD-16787
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AD40 LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/3/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 430 Park Avenue, Ste. 505, NY, NY 10022. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/19/02. 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-16790
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Sentry Security Systems, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/2/07. Fictitious name in NY State: Sentry Security Systems, LLC of South Carolina. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 7608 Fairfield Road, Columbia, SC 29203. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/29/07. 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

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State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: manufacture install, and service electric security fences.
LD-16791
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Name of For. LLC: FOOT CARE OF CLIFTON PARK, LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY: 6/18/07. Jurisd. and date of org.: DE 4/24/07. NY State office loc.: Schenectady Cty. Sec. of State of NY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Sec. of State shall mail copy of process to the LLC: P.O. Box 9075, Schenectady, NY 12309, the princ. bus. address of LLC. Addr. of LLC in DE is 615 South DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Authorized office in DE where Cert. of Form. is filed: DE Sec. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-16792
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CANTERBURY HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/05/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.
LD-16793
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
Parker-Russo Development, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on June 29, 2007. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, 677 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. The street address of the principal business location is 677 Broadway, Albany, NY 12207. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act.
LD-16796
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Avesta Consulting Group, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/16/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-16800
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Bright Sparks Group, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/06/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-16801
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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 91 Bailey Road, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State

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of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/06/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-16802
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 111 Bailey Road, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/06/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity.
LD-16803
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: EDY HOME IMPROVEMENTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/07. 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 Alex Plishtiev, 105-47 65th Road, Forest Hills, New York 11375. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16809
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: REN 15 LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/07. 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, 586 Sunderland Road, Teaneck, New Jersey 07666. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16810
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1520 WEST 10TH STREET LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/07. 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, 2347 West 13th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11223. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
LD-16811
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: J.GASTON PROPERTIES, LLC. ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION WERE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF NEW YORK (SSNY) ON 05/07/07. THE LATEST DATE OF DISSOLUTION IS 12/31/2050. 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, 22 WILSON LN., COHOES, NEW YORK 12047. PURPOSE: FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE.
LD-16815
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: B & L FAMILY RESTORATIONS, LLC

LEGAL NOTICE

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on July 6, 2007. Office Location: Albany County. The Secretary of State of New York has been designated as agent of the LLC upon which process against it may be served. The names of the member actively engaged in the business are Daniele Bracaglia, Julia Bracaglia, Angela Leshak and Stephen Leshak. The Secretary of State of New York shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 745 Elm Avenue, Selkirk, NY 12158. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.
LD-16815
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of a professional limited liability company (PLLC). Name of PLLC: Stephen J. Flood, CPA, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 2, 2007. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the PLLC served upon it to Stephen J. Flood 13 Kings Court, Clifton Park, NY 12065. Purpose: to engage in any activity for which PLLCs may be organized under the LLC Law.
LD-16816
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of a limited liability company (LLC). Name of LLC: North Creek Forty, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on June 19, 2007. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to David Jakob, 617 Vanderlyn Lane, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: to engage in any activity for which LLCs may be organized under the LLC Law.
LD-16817
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: B & L FAMILY RESTORATIONS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on July 6, 2007. Office Location: Albany County. The Secretary of State of New York has been designated as agent of the LLC upon which process against it may be served. The names of the member actively engaged in the business are Daniele Bracaglia, Julia Bracaglia, Angela Leshak and Stephen Leshak. The Secretary of State of New York shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 745 Elm Avenue, Selkirk, NY 12158. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.
LD-16818
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DAZZLING SMILE DENTAL GROUP PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/12/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, 55 Green Drive, Roslyn, New York 11576. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Dentistry.
LD-16819
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Publication MARI-DA SAPICHINO LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY

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on 6/25/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: all lawful activities.
LD-16821
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: The Inn at Fuller, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 10, 2007. Office location is in Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail a copy of Process to the LLC, at 436 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.
LD-16822
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Raintree Land LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on July 18, 2007. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. The street address of the principal business location is 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act.
LD-16823
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: Loudon Square Developers, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 17, 2007. Office location is in Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail a copy of Process to the LLC, at 930 Albany Shaker Road, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.
LD-16825
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Alexius LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/4/03. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave of the Americas, Ste 501, NY, NY 10001, also registered agent. Purpose: any lawful activities.
LD-16830
(August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Richmond Medical Pain Management PLLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/29/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 1368 Clove Rd., Staten Island, NY 10301. Purpose: profession of medicine.
LD-16831
(August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of BG MIS Partners, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/14/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it

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may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16832 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SAPS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/07/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 26 Oak Tree Lane, Niskayuna, New York. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16834 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BLACK OAK TRADE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/24/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16836 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Arcadia Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/18/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Minnesota (MN) on 4/13/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave of the Americas, Ste 501, NY, NY 10001. Address to be maintained in MN: 60 S. Sixth St, Ste 3900, Minneapolis, MN 55402. Arts. of Org. filed with MN Secy. Of State, 60 Empire Dr., Ste 100, St. Paul, MN 55103. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-16838 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Conway, Mackenzie & Dunleavy - New York, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/19/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Michigan (MI) on 7/17/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave of the Americas, Ste 501, NY, NY 10001. Address to be maintained in MI: 401 S. Woodward, Ste 340, Birmingham, MI 48009-0661. Arts. of Org. filed with MI Secy. Of State, Michigan Dept. of Labor & Growth, PO Box 30004, Lansing, MI 48909. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-16839 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BREAMORE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/27/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16840 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ERN-SHAW LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/12/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process

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cess against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16841 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of FIRCROFT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/04/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16842 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HAINTHORPE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/10/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16843 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LAGUNA ENTERPRISES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/12/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16844 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DIRTY HARRY'S LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/07. 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, 387 State Street, Albany, New York 12210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16845 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: KILL THE KASHA, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/20/07. 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 Sharyn Felder, 26 Beaver Street, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10004. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16846 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Destination Club Management, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/5/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Utah (UT) on 4/23/03. 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. UT address/principal business location of LLC: 1887 Gold

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Dust Lane, #101, Park City, UT 84068. Arts. of Org. filed with UT Dept. of Commerce and Commercial Code, 160 E. 300 S., Salt Lake City, UT 84111. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16847 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of BCU RISK ADVISORS LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/10/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 200 West Monroe, Ste. 1675, Chicago, IL 60606. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/3/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville 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-16849 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Merit Capital Advance, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/11/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/14/06. 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: 110 S. Poplar St., Ste. 101, 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-16850 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of JARAD TRANSMITTER OF HAMPTON BAYS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/26/07. Principal business location: 1103 Stewart Ave., Garden City, NY 11530. 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-16851 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of Coyote Alton Mall, L.P. Certificate filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/26/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Coyote Alton Investors, L.P., 16475 Dallas Parkway, Ste. 250, Addison, TX 75001. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Term: until 12/31/2052. Purpose: to purchase land and buildings in real estate projects, construct improvements according to tenants of the projects, lease portions of the projects and arrange financing for the construction of improvements and other uses, undertake and carry on all activities necessary for the acquisition, development and operation of the projects. LD-16852 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Silver Lake Medical PLLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/25/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: profession of medicine.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Correa & Sanchez, Dentistry, PLLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/12/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: profession of dentistry. LD-16854 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MAUI PRIVATE CHEF SERVICES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/08/07. 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 Aufrechtig Stein & Aufrechtig, P.C., 300 East 42nd Street, Fifth Floor, New York, New York 10017. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16859 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ABOTSEN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/12/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16860 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ALTEA LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/10/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16861 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of CHAMONIX LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/25/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16862 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of MARECHAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/27/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16863 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ROSEDENE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/27/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC

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whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16864 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of BETHLEHEM HOME MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR, LLC pursuant to NY Limited Liability Law 203, Art. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/17/2007. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: c/o the LLC, 199B Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity. LD-16865 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Notice of formation of VBL PARTNERS, a domestic Limited Liability Company, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York on July 12, 2007. New York office location is Latham. Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon Vicki B. Lynn, 10 Greyledge Drive, Loudonville, New York 12211. Purpose of this LLC is for any legal purpose. LD-16868 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CONKER SOFTWARE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/07/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16870 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of CORIN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/09/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16871 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of FALDALE ASSOCIATED LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/12/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16872 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of GARDMAN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/04/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all

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lawful activities. LD-16873 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of HIGH GRADE MINERALS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/14/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16874 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of NINUKE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/22/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16875 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of GOLDEGE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/29/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16876 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of E.B.I. PARTICIPATIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/27/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16878 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of TLC TRADE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/21/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16879 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of TEMPLEWARE INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/21/99. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16880 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of IMPERIAL LIFE AND ANNUITY SERVICES, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/17/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 12/5/06. SSNY design-

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nated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. FL address of LLC: 701 Park of Commerce Blvd., Ste. 301, Boca Raton, FL 33487. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, PO Box 6327, Tallahassee, FL 32314. Purpose: conduct business as a licensed non-resident business entity in the business of insurance. LD-16882 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of formation of John W. Repsherg, PT, PLLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/19/2005. Office location is Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 14 Computer Drive East, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: profession of physical therapy. LD-16883 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of Green Lodging, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/26/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16886 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: M E HOLDINGS NY 7, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/19/07. 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 Madison Exchange, LLC, 1123 Ocean Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey 08701. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16888 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GUCCIARDO REAL ESTATE GROUP, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/01/07. 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, 198 Forts Ferry Road, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16888 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Aetos Development, LLC, filed under the original name Aetos Construction LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/20/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 17 West 64th St., #7B, NY, NY 10023. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-16889 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of T2 Unison Site Management LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/5/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/17/07. 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 Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16892 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Madison Tyler Energy and Commodities, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/17/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 9242 Beverly Blvd., Ste. 310, Beverly Hills, CA 90210. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/18/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16893 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Executive Trustee Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/17/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 15455 San Fernando Mission Blvd., Mission Hills, CA 91345. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/27/06. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16894 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of Quail Street LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/30/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16895 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of 32 Frost St. LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/31/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16896 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: YA DEENIE PRODUCTIONS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/19/07. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2050. 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, 7259 Shore Road, #4-H, Brooklyn, New York 11209. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16898 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: WILLIAM J. SCHEUERMAN, D.M.D., PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/12/07. The latest date of dissolution is 06/01/2107. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, c/o Brian J. Daly, Esq., 11 Broadway, New York, New York 10004. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Dentistry. LD-16899 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: J & D HOMES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/26/07. 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, 1421 East 2nd Street, Brooklyn, New York 11230. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16900 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: EASTMAN SPORTO GROUP, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/20/07. 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 Eastman Footwear Group, Inc., 34 West 33rd Street, 7th Floor, New York, New York 10001. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16901 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 513 NYC LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/26/07. 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, 612 West 178th Street, Suite 1, New York, New York 10033. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16902 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 116 SEAMAN LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/31/07, with an existence date of 07/01/2007. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2105. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 116 Seaman Avenue, 5E, New York, New York 10034. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16903 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1411 35th STREET ASSOCIATES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/31/07. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2106. Office location:

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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, 3483 Fort Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, New York 11218. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16907 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: EPEN LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/31/07. 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, 211-03 53rd Avenue, Bayside, New York 11364. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16908 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: REALTY PAYROLL SERVICES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/30/07. 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, 381 Park Avenue South, Suite 1515, New York, New York 10016. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16909 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of a limited liability company (LLC): Name: AIR & EARTH LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/05/07. 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: C/O AIR & EARTH LLC, 341 Settles Hill Rd, Altamont, NY 12009. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve. No specific date. LD-16910 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of FADAL INTERNATIONAL SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/15/00. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16912 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DIVERSIFIED FLOOR COVERING SOLUTIONS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/16/07. 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, Post Office Box 425, Marlboro, New Jersey 07746. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16914 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: KORUS REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New

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York (SSNY) on 07/25/07. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2106. 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, 120 West 31st Street, Fifth Floor, New York, New York 10001. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16915 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of Krueger Contracting & Remodeling, LLC. Articles of Org. were filed with SSNY on 7-19-07. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to PO Box 774, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-16916 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: NIOKA ESTATES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/01/07. 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 Chantrell Chambers, P.O. Box 340844, Brooklyn, New York 11234. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16920 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of CREEK LAWN FARM, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/25/07. Off. Loc. 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, 1698 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose to engage in any lawful activity. LD-16921 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: APERITIVO BISTRO, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/12/07. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 12 Century Hill Drive, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16922 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of 12 East Park Ave, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/31/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16924 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of COPPERBURN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/02/02. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.

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Notice of Formation of ENT-WISE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/09/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16927 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of LUNATE TRADING LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/05/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16928 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of NUBUCK LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/10/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16929 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of PORTIA LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/10/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16930 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of PRIVAY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/12/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16931 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of IWLXN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/26/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16932 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is A.J. AMATO WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State, under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Law, on June 25, 2007. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in

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any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Rensselaer 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 12 Hartfield Court, East Greenbush, New York. LD-16933 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE FORMATION OF Tech Valley Title Agency LLC under the Limited Liability Company Law. FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Tech Valley Title Agency LLC. SECOND: The Articles of Organization were filed with the New York State Secretary of State on May 7, 2007. THIRD: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany. FOURTH: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is c/o Omni Development Company, Inc., 40 Beaver Street, Albany, New York 12207, Attn: I. David Swawite. FIFTH: The purpose of the business of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be organized. LD-16934 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is PERVEZ AND SONS LLC. The articles of organization was filed with the NY Secretary of State under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Law on September 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 the State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is C/O Pervez Butt, 10 Edge of the Woods, Loudonville, NY 12110. LD-16935 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: COUNTRY RUN HOMES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/08/07. 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, 119 Rockland Center, Suite 46, Nanuet, New York 10954. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16938 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: RED CONTRACTING LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/08/07. 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, 119 Rockland Center, Suite 46, Nanuet, New York 10954. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16939 (August 29, 2007)

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Name of Foreign LLC: FEIDEN PROPERTIES, LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed NY Dept. of State: 7/17/07. Jurisd. and date of org.: DE 4/17/07. County off. loc.: Albany County. Princ. bus. loc.: 785 New Loudon Road, Latham, NY 12110. Sec. of State designated as agent of foreign LLC upon whom process may be served. The Sec. of State shall mail copy of process to: 785 New Loudon Road, Latham, NY 12110. Addr. of foreign LLC in DE is: 615 South DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Auth. office in DE where Cert. of Form. filed: DE Sec. of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16942 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of FDN, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/4/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/16/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville 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-16943 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of 7 Stars 7 LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/02/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16944 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is MICHAEL BARONE REALTY, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State, under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Law, on July 9, 2007. 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 798 Lancaster Street, Albany, New York 12203. LD-16945 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is P & P Home Inspection Service, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). 2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 11, 2007. 3. The County within New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany County. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The Post Office Address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is 502 Bridge Street, P.O. Box 151, South Bethlehem, NY 12161. 5. The purpose of the business of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be

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organized under the Limited Liability Company Laws of the State of New York. LD-16946 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation Wood Hill LLC art. of org. filed Secy. of State NY (SSNY) 6/22/07. Off. loc. in Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Edward R Feinberg Esq., 1 Juniper Dr, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful purpose, latest date: 12/31/2057, managed by members, full indemnification. LD-16947 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of SafeGuard Services LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/6/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 5400 Legacy Drive, Plano, TX 75024. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/23/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity LD-16948 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of 270 Butler Road, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/24/07. Office location: Washington County. Principal business location: 270 Butler Rd., Middle Granville, NY 12849. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Mr. Norman Wenglin, 6 Dodge Lane, Sutton, MA 01590. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16949 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Pacific Equity Partners Fund IV, L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/21/07. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/28/07. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LP: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16950 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Pacific Equity Partners Supplementary Fund IV, L.P. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/20/07. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/28/07. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LP: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16951 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Den-Mat Holdings, LLC.

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Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/19/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 2727 Skyway Dr., Santa Maria, CA 93455. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/18/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 1729, Santa Maria, CA 93456. DE address of LLC: Corporation Service Company, 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: sale of dental materials to dentists. LD-16952 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name of LLC is COLUMBIA HARRIMAN 455 LLC. Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with NY Secretary of State, under Section 203 of Limited Liability Law of State of New York, August 8, 2007. Purpose of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office of LLC is located in Albany County. Secretary of State designated as agent upon whom process against LLC may be served. Address to which Secretary of State shall mail copy of process is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. LD-16953 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name of LLC is COLUMBIA HARRIMAN 555 LLC. Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with NY Secretary of State, under Section 203 of Limited Liability Law of State of New York, August 8, 2007. Purpose of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office of LLC is located in Albany County. Secretary of State designated as agent upon whom process against LLC may be served. Address to which Secretary of State shall mail copy of process is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. LD-16954 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: STN ENTERPRISES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/02/07. 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 Michael Kempen, 46-04 245th Street, Douglaston, New York 11362. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16955 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 496 GRAND STREET LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/19/07. 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, 225 Union Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11231. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16956 (August 29, 2007)

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CHESTNUT MALTA, LLC articles of organization filed with the SSNY on 1/25/07. The office is located in the

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County of Albany at 22 Century Hill Dr. Suite 201, Latham, NY. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom service may be made and SSNY shall mail a copy of said process to said office location. The character of the LLC is any lawful activity. LD-16959 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FILL-MORE MANAGEMENT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/20/07. 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, 2990 Avenue U, Brooklyn, New York 11229. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16960 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 503 AVENUE U LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/20/07. 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, 2990 Avenue U, Brooklyn, New York 11229. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16961 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CUSHION & BARRIER LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/02/07. 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 Michael Kempen, 46-04 245th Street, Douglaston, New York 11362. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16962 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GOLDEN BRIDGE CAB LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/31/07. 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 CHE, 376 Broadway, Apartment 5F, New York, New York 10013. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16963 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 212-214 THIRD STREET ASSOCIATES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/03/07. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2106. 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, 900 South Oyster Bay Road, Hicksville, New York 11801. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16964 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of BAY-TREE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/17/05. Office location: Albany

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County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16965 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of COSMETIC-ALLY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/12/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16966 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of I GEL-FASHION LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/21/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16967 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of PER-TALE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/18/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16968 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of PROBERT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/12/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16969 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of RE-SHAM LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/24/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16970 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of BRINCO LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/30/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16971 (August 29, 2007)

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COMBE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/13/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16972 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of RIN-TRADE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/02/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16973 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of WISTON LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/05/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16974 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of LOND-IX ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/14/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16975 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of STONEBRIDGE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/26/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16976 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of SERV-ETTE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/03/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16977 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of ATON TELECOM LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/04/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16978 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of BEN CONSULTING GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/08/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16979 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of VI-TRA INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/17/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16980 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of BASTER LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/12/02. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16981 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of OKITA LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/23/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-16982 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of National Care Network, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/3/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 12/27/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 222 West Las Colinas Blvd., Ste 1500, Irving, TX 75039, also address to be maintained in TX. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. Of State, Corporations Section, PO Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711-3697. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-16987 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Qualification of Six Billion Dollar Man SPV, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/7/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/2/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 375 Greenwich St., NY, NY 10013. Address to be maintained in DE: 160 Greentree Dr. Ste 101, Dover, DE 19904. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-16988 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of Ladybug Holdingz, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of

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State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/03/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16990 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Sea NYC Design LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/05/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16991 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Calla Vicky, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/10/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16992 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of All Merchant Funding LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/10/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16993 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Downtown Sports, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/18/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-16994 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of SNGC, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/28/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Alaska (AK) on 11/2/01. 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. AK address of LLC: 3101 Pennland Parkway, Ste. M2, Anchorage, AK 99508. Arts. of Org. filed with AK Secy. of State, 550 W. 7th Ave., #1200A, Anchorage, AK 99501. Purpose: acquisition of promissory notes and real estate. LD-16995 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of GOLDEN GATE ANCIL-LARY LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/9/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 1000 Fianna Way, Fort Smith, AR 72919. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/12/06. 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.

LEGAL NOTICE

DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: holding company for entities which operate skilled nursing facilities. LD-16996 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Geophardt Group, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/31/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/6/05. Principal business location: 2496 Jeff Ferry Rd., Ste. 102, Atlanta, GA 30338. 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, 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-16997 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 595 EAST 170th LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/01/07. 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, P.O. Box 491, Brooklyn, New York 11230. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-16999 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of KLEIN CUTLERY, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/30/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 7971 Refinery Road, Bolivar, NY 14715. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/24/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17000 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of WMM Newco, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/19/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/7/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful business. LD-17001 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MONTHORPE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/06/04. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17002 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of GREENWOOD PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/17/02. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17003 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MEDITERRANEAN SUNSET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/17/07. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17004 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of DABTRY, LLC pursuant to NY Limited Liability Law 203, Art. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/17/07. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: c/o the LLC, 17 Williams Park Road, Loudonville, NY 12211-1213. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity. LD-17006 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JOGEN REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/10/07. 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, 13 42nd Street, Brooklyn, New York 11232. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17008 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DAYSHA HOLDING, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/13/07. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Devika Madho, 2216 Virgil Place, Bronx, New York 10473. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17009 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DYLAN FUNDING, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/13/07. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Devika Madho, 2216 Virgil Place, Bronx, New York 10473. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17010 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of EASTVIEW LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/12/05.

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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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17013 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of COTAM LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/02/04. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17014 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of COMBEDALE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/11/03. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17015 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name of LLC is IKON REALTY GROUP, LLC. Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with NY Secretary of State, under Section 203 of Limited Liability Law of State of New York, August 16, 2007. Purpose of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office of LLC is located in Albany County. Secretary of State designated as agent upon whom process against LLC may be served. Address to which Secretary of State shall mail copy of process is 80 Surrey Mall, Slingerlands, New York 12159. LD-17016 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of WHITE WOLF COMPUTER, LLC pursuant to NY Limited Liability law 203, Art. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/13/2007. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: c/o the LLC, 1524 6th Avenue, Watervliet, NY. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity. LD-17021 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Old Time Traders, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with NY Secretary of State on 8/10/07. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at 116 W. Mc Kown Rd., Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: All lawful activities. LD-17022 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ONE + ONE CONCEPTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/12/07. 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, 75 West

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119th Street, #1, New York, New York 10026. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17023 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: WEISS ACUPUNCTURE, PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/06/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, 705 The Parkway, Mamaroneck, New York 10543. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Acupuncture. LD-17024 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: UP-LOADBOOK LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/17/07. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2107. 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, 22-68 43rd Street, #1F, Astoria, New York 11105. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17025 (August 29, 2007)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MCPS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/09/07. 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, 644 Castleton Avenue, Staten Island, New York 10301. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17026 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Bone Truth Productions LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/17/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17028 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tipo Entertainment LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/10/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17029 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Emily Chai, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/16/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17030 (August 29, 2007)

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Park Dental Associates, PLLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 07/13/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: profession of dentistry. LD-17031 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of William Pitt Mortgage, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/25/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: One Home Campus, MAC X2401-049, Des Moines, IA 50328. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/12/07. 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, Federal & Duke of York Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: to provide residential mortgage lending. LD-17032 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Velocita Wireless LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 7/30/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 10 Woodbridge Center Drive, Woodbridge, NJ 07095. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/11/07. 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: provide network communication services for two way data communications and personal information management. LD-17033 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Constella Group, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/3/07. Fictitious name in NY: Constella Group of NC, LLC. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in North Carolina (NC) on 12/29/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. NC address/principal business location of LLC: 2605 Meridian Parkway, Durham, NC 27713. Arts. of Org. filed with NC Secy. of State, 2 South Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC 27601. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17034 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of MSC Mortgage, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/3/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: One Home Campus, MAX X2401-049, Des Moines, IA 50328. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/16/99. 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, Federal & Duke of York Sts., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17035 (August 29, 2007)

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Notice of Formation of SPV HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/20/07. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17041 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DREAM GROUP, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/08/02. 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 Street-3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17042 (August 29, 2007)

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VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS FROM THE VOORHEESVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION. For those taxpayers who are having their school taxes paid through an escrow account, the district recommends contacting your bank to ensure proper payment. However, if you receive the tax bill and you have an escrow account, it is your obligation to contact your bank. School Tax Collector. Voorheesville Central School. LD-17043 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION - LLCL
1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is Bee Green Interior Plant Care, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").
2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the New York State Secretary of State on August 15, 2007.
3/3a. The office of the Company is to be located in Albany County, New York and a street address of the principal business location has yet to be determined.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent for service of process against the Company. The Secretary of State shall mail process to: PO BOX 1934, Latham, New York 12110.
5. The Company's purpose is to perform interior plant care and maintenance, along with other lawful business activities.
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Notice of Qualification of BVP Terrance Place, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/10/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/9/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1 North Franklin, Ste 450, Chicago, IL 60606. Address to be maintained in DE: 160 Greentree Dr., Ste 101, Dover, DE 19904. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17048 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Please take notice that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland on September 12, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at New

LEGAL NOTICE

Scotland Town Hall, 2029 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York regarding the adoption of proposed Local Law D for the year 2007, which would extend for a period of six months Local Law #7 of the year 2006, which temporarily suspended, for a period of six months, certain large scale development in the MDR and R-2 zones. The temporary suspension does not apply to applications that were pending prior to the enactment of Local Law #7 for the year 2006 or for proposed residential subdivisions involving the creation of not more than ten lots. Copies of the proposed Local Law are available for review at New Scotland Town Hall. By order of the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland on August 8, 2007.

Diane R. Deschenes
New Scotland Town Clerk
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LD-17050 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF NEW SCOTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please take notice that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland on September 12, 2007 at 6:05 p.m. at New Scotland Town Hall, 2029 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York regarding the adoption of proposed Local Law C for the year 2007, which would allow for the subdivision of lands containing nonconforming structures or buildings so long as the nonconformity is not increased thereby and adding barns or storage buildings for residential or agricultural use as special uses in all zoning districts. Copies of the proposed Local Law are available for review at New Scotland Town Hall. By order of the Town Board of the Town of New Scotland on August 8, 2007.

Diane R. Deschenes
New Scotland Town Clerk
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LD-17051 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF AUCTION
The Town of Bethlehem Police Department will be conducting a BICYCLE AUCTION at the Town Park, Elm Avenue, Delmar, New York on Saturday, September 8, 2007 from 9 a.m. through 1 p.m. in the front parking lot.

By Order of the Town Board
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC,
RMC
Town Clerk
Dated: August 23, 2007
LD-17052 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

HERITAGE USA LLC Notice of Formation of HERITAGE USA LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/16/2007. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2 Walnut Street, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: any lawful activity. 51974. LD-17056 (August 29, 2007)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name of LLC is USHU, LLC. Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with NY Secretary of State, under Section 203 of Limited Liability Law of State of New York, August 23, 2007. Purpose of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office of LLC is located in Albany County. Secretary of State designated as agent upon whom process against LLC may be served. Address to which Secretary of State shall mail copy of process is 611 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, New York 12110. LD-17058 (August 29, 2007)

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Outlook: First-year varsity coach Gormley will be relying on a group of newcomers to help the Brothers in their quest for a second straight class AA title. "We had a real good team last year, but at the same time we had some real good juniors (on junior varsity) that played against some other good juniors," said Gormley.

Gormley will also have to get used to a schedule that features only one other Big 10 team, Albany. "It's a little different for me because it's not the Big 10. It almost looks like a Suburban (Council) schedule," he said.

Guilderland Dutchmen

Head coach: Dan Penna

Key veterans: Andrew Smith (quarterback/defensive back), Paul Booker (running back/defensive end), Pete Stanish (linebacker), Paul Malamood (tight end/linebacker), Nick Ranalli (split end/defensive back), Parker Wolff (wide receiver/defensive back), Devan Van Auken (offensive line/defensive line), Jason Lawrence (running back/defensive line)

Key newcomers: Cody Betton (offensive line/defensive line), Tony Denn (running back/linebacker), Mike Kennedy (offensive line/defensive line)

Outlook: The Dutchmen graduated several key players that helped them to their first winning record

in 11 years last season, but Penna is optimistic that the veterans he has back will keep Guilderland among the class AA elite this season. "The confidence level is derived from the work they've put in during the off-season," said Penna. "They dedicated themselves to the off-season weight training program, and they've gone to camps because they want to prove that last season wasn't a fluke."

Queensbury Spartans

Head coach: John Irion

Key veterans: Jeff Hummel (running back/defensive back), Andy Kaier (quarterback), Dominic Marino (fullback/linebacker), Jared Myhrberg (running back/linebacker), Zack St. Andrews (tight end/defensive end), Ryan Woodard (running back/defensive back), Jim Drexel (offensive line/defensive line), Caleb Granger (offensive line/defensive line)

Outlook: The Spartans are coming off a 3-6 debut season at the AA level, but one of those wins came against eventual Sectional champion CBA. "I had a pretty good team last year, and it's disappointing that we

wound up 3-6, especially when we were up 7-6 at halftime in a lot of games," said Irion.

Saratoga Blue Streaks

Head coach: Terry Jones

Key veterans: Jim Minogue (quarterback/kicker), Brad Elliott (wide receiver/linebacker), Leejay Pollacchi (running back/defensive back), Adhem Elaw (offensive tackle/defensive tackle), Colin Murphy (center/defensive end), Devin Klender (linebacker), Sean Smith (offensive tackle/defensive line), Mike McCarthy (wide receiver/defensive back), Chad O'Rourke-Brown (offensive line/defensive line)

Key newcomers: Will Dreyer (tight end/linebacker), Ford Plowman (fullback/linebacker), Eric Hayden (offensive guard/linebacker), Tony Deloatch (fullback/linebacker), Matt Crimmins (wide receiver/defensive back), Ben Cook (running back/defensive back)

Outlook: Jones takes over a program that is in transition following the graduation of most of last year's starters. "We just don't have a large group of kids coming back who

have had that (varsity experience)," said Jones.

Minogue will be taking on a larger role in the offense after primarily acting as the team's place kicker the past two years. "We brought him up as a sophomore, and he got some experience at quarterback that year. He also saw some action last year," said Jones. "We're excited to see him take charge this year."

Shenendehowa Plainsmen

Head coach: Brent Steuerwald

Key veterans: Seth Watson (split end/defensive back), Charles Miller (quarterback/defensive back), Rodney Campbell (tight end/linebacker), Jason Bedard (running back/defensive back), Jim Schwendtner (running back/linebacker), Nick Mitchell (running back/linebacker), Alex Juers (running back/linebacker), Tim Jones (running back/defensive back), David Horner (offensive line/defensive line), Chris Gregory (offensive line/defensive end), Justin Anderson (offensive line/defensive tackle), Tom Kukuk (split end/defensive back)

Key newcomers: Suhayb Banks (running back/defensive back), Mike Daly (split end/defensive back), Anthony Curto (fullback/linebacker), Adam Geleta (offensive line/defensive line), Peter White (offensive line/defensive line), Steve Brown (offensive line/defensive line)

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Outlook: The Plainsmen have never had two losing seasons in a row in Steuerwald's 40-year tenure, which bodes well for a veteran group that is coming off a 3-6 season. "Having played almost a full year and now coming back as seniors, they're hoping to reverse their record, if not better," said Steuerwald.

Liberty Division

Colonie Garnet Raiders

Head coach: Mike Ambrosio

Key veterans: Matt June (wide receiver/defensive back), Tom Duff (quarterback/defensive back), Brian Sleasman (wide receiver/defensive back), Jim Kehrer (wide receiver/defensive back), Joe Poletto (running back/linebacker), Anthony Discipio (running back/linebacker), Ryan Kelly (offensive line/defensive line), Billy Bulger (offensive line/defensive line), Dan Madelone (offensive line/defensive end)

Outlook: After falling one win shy of a Sectional title in 2006, the Garnet Raiders are primed to make another run at the class AA championship with a veteran crew. "We're expecting to give it their best effort and make the playoffs, and see what happens from there," said Ambrosio.

The running game will be led by Poletto, who shared the duties with Heath Furbeck last season,

while the air attack features three fast receivers in June, Kehrer and Sleasman. "Having seven returning players on offense is a major plus," said Ambrosio.

Columbia Blue Devils

Head coach: Anthony Servidone

Key players: Patrick Puentes (running back/defensive back), Bobby Peluso (running back/linebacker), Tim Simoni (running back/defensive back), Casey Balzer (fullback/linebacker), Bobby Smith (quarterback/linebacker), Jon Kebea (center/linebacker), Ales Tesoriero (placekicker/linebacker), Joe Adeigbo (running back/linebacker), Joe Viola (wide receiver/defensive back), Sean Kelton (offensive line/linebacker)

Outlook: The Blue Devils were gutted by graduation after last year's run to the playoffs, but Servidone is optimistic that the next group will continue Columbia's winning tradition. "It's a very exciting group. It's a small group, but it's one that will progress every week," he said.

Besides the large group of juniors and sophomores being brought up from the JV team, Columbia has two transfers — fullback/linebacker T.J. Kennedy from Milford Academy and tailback/defensive back Jose George from Albany.

LaSalle Cadets

Head coach: Al Rapp

Key veterans: Josh Brown (senior), David Pham (junior), Marquis Terrell (junior), Brian Beaury

(senior), Guy Robichaud (senior), Antonio Bazzoffi (senior)

Key newcomers: Lou DiNovo (sophomore), Cainaan Lacy (sophomore)

Outlook: The Cadets have some senior leadership at key positions on both sides of the ball, but their fate rests in the hands of a group of juniors and sophomores. "We're pleased with where we are right now," said Rapp. "We'll find out how we respond under fire when things go wrong."

Niskayuna Silver Warriors

Head coach: John Furey

Key veterans: Gary Chrys (center/defensive tackle), Jake Newcomb (defensive end), Dean-Michael Robbins (defensive end), Kyle Florell (offensive line), Dan Peters (quarterback), Gregg Rahn (quarterback), Chris Okonski (wide receiver/defensive back)

Key newcomers: Pete McGuirk (offensive line), Mark Gerardo (offensive line), Josh Martin (running back), Nick Anapolis (linebacker), Tom Lamanna (linebacker), Mike Kopecki (offensive line), Max Schuler (offensive line), Peter Furey (wide receiver), Ryan Alden (outside linebacker), Mike Duffy (tight end), Kadeem Miller (wide receiver)

Outlook: The Silver Warriors have depth at every position. What concerns Furey is a lack of varsity experience. "We've got the biggest team we've had in a long time — just inexperienced, but that (experience)

will come," he said.

Schenectady Patriots

Head coach: Carm Depoalo

Key veterans: Jonathan Best, Marcus Brandon, Justin Chaires, Anthony Cooper, Garrett Gross, Andrew Jones, Sam Lansing, Joshua Mason, Marc Thompson

Key newcomers: Nick Barone, Kendall Delgado, Dan Desbiens, Dan Flora, Kwame Hilts, Michael Kirksey, Kevin Pike, Billy Rios, Cherry Amour

Outlook: The Patriots will once again try to establish a winning tradition with a new coach. "We believe we have a realistic shot of being competitive," said Depoalo. "This is a program that has been beaten down the last 10 to 12 years, and we feel we can turn things around."

Shaker Blue Bison

Head coach: Dennis Bender

Key veterans: Brian Ashline (offensive line/defensive end), David Bogdan (running back/linebacker), Sean Fruscio (running back/defensive back), Ryan Gifford (quarterback/defensive back), Nick Smith (offensive line/defensive end), Will Purcell (running back/linebacker)

Key newcomers: Mark Ambrosio (quarterback/linebacker), Andrew Boldish (offensive line/defensive line)

Outlook: With 20 lettermen returning from last year's team, Bender is optimistic that his team will find its

way into the playoffs. "We've got great senior leadership, and I feel that the off-season weight training program has gone very well," said Bender.

Ryan and Mike Gifford (wide receiver/defensive back) will be joined by their brother Nick (offensive line/linebacker), giving the Blue Bison the only set of triplets in class AA.

Troy Flying Horses

Head coach: Jack Burger

Key veterans: Bob Vogel (running back/linebacker), Anthony Testo (fullback/linebacker), Matt Marsh (tight end/defensive end), Zach Dolan (quarterback/defensive back)

Key newcomers: Paul Ashburn (wide receiver/defensive back), Mike Melville (running back/defensive back), Rashawn Moore (running back/defensive back), Mike Lewandowski (offensive tackle), Anobal Maldonado (running back/defensive back), Isaiah Hunt (defensive tackle), Fred Fitch (running back/linebacker)

Outlook: After taking several years off from coaching the Flying Horses, Burger returns to try to guide Troy back to the top of class AA. "It's a great bunch of guys. They've worked extremely hard," he said.

Even though Burger has been away from coaching, he has kept up with the competition. "As a (section) coaching staff, we're all familiar with each other," he said.

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Colonie's Joe Poleto, right, is one of several running backs to watch in 2007.

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Two-division format has AA teams thinking playoffs

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Changes abound in class AA football this year.

Section II has gone from a three-division format to a two-division format, which means that only the top four teams in each division make the playoffs.

"I just think the coaches are happy that more regular season games count (toward making the playoffs)," said Troy head coach Jack Burger.

The two divisions are unbalanced, though, which leads to different scheduling concerns. The eight-team Empire Division — which features defending Sectional champion Christian Brothers Academy — plays only divisional opponents during the seven-week regular season, while the seven teams in the Liberty Division must supplement their six-game league schedule with one out-of-section game.

There are also four new coaches this year, though one of them (Burger) is returning following several years away from the sideline. Terry Jones replaces Blase Iuliano at Saratoga, Matt Gormley takes over for Jim Smith at CBA and Carm Depoalo is in at Schenectady following Vince Pagano's departure.

"I'm excited about (moving up)," said Jones, who was one of Iuliano's assistants. "I think things are going fairly well so far."

Here is a look at the 15 class AA teams.

Empire Division Albany Falcons

Head coach: Joe Burke

Key veterans: David Dollard (offensive line/nose guard), Raith Ellis (tight end/linebacker), Shane Febus (quarterback/linebacker), Joshua Gordon (running back/linebacker), John Grogan (offensive line/defensive line), Chad McCray (running back/linebacker), Malcolm Nunnally (wide receiver/defensive back)

Key newcomer: Jose George (running back/defensive back)

Outlook: The Falcons are hoping to make a run at a playoff berth, even though they are in a tough division. "A lot of guys are returning — a lot of young, contributing guys," said assistant coach Chris Pouloupoulos. "I think we've just got to play sound, fundamental football."

Ballston Spa Scotties

Head coach: John Bowen

Key veterans: Steve Duncan (running back/defensive back), Eric Marciano (running back/defensive end), Jason Ohnsman (offensive line/linebacker), Mitch Lauritsen (offensive line/linebacker), Chris Callanan (offensive line/defensive line), Dan Decker (running back/linebacker), Jim Tino (wide receiver/defensive back)

Key newcomers: Mark Seager (quarterback/defensive back), Shane LaChance (running back/defensive back/kicker), Nick Gallo (offensive line/defensive line), Matt Clark (tight end/linebacker), Cam Staulters (running back/defensive back)

Outlook: The Scotties will have to overcome the graduation of several key offensive players including Dom Monaco and Anthony Scarpetti if they have any hopes of making the playoffs again. "Obviously, the loss of Monaco and Scarpetti hurts us offensively, but we've got a lot coming back," said Bowen. Bowen anticipates that the Empire Division will not have a dominant team. "I think you'll see a tremendous amount of parity. The team that wins this division will have at least one or two losses," he said.

Bethlehem Eagles

Head coach: Ron Smith

Key veterans: Mike Winn (tight end/defensive end), Dylan Eder (running back/linebacker), Mike Agneta (wide receiver/defensive back), Peter Berquist (running back/linebacker), Randy Flavin (offensive line/defensive line)

Key newcomers: Randy Bowers (quarterback/defensive back), Sean Murphy (running back/linebacker)

Outlook: The Eagles received a gift with the addition of Bowers, who transferred from Bishop Maginn. "He's a bit taller and a stronger thrower," Smith said of the junior. "You'll see our offense expand a little bit. We'll throw the ball a bit more (than last year)."

Smith said he believes his team will be in the mix for a playoff spot. "Week in and week out, it's going to be tough, but I think our kids are up to it," he said.

CBA Brothers

Head coach: Matt Gormley

Key veterans: Jordan Sherman (wide receiver/defensive back), Anthony Camuglia (running back/linebacker), Chris Mackey (offensive tackle/defensive tackle), Justin Marini (tight end/defensive end)

Key newcomers: Nick Signore (running back/linebacker), Mike O'Brien (offensive guard/defensive tackle)

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