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Albany Academy students distributed handmade Valentines
to Beverwyck residents on Thursday.
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Event hasn't missed a beat

After 10 years they're still going strong.
The annual Hoops for Heart event at Glenmont Elementary was held last week, bringing its 10-year fundraising total over the \$200,000 mark.
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Getting kids in the mix

Proctors has been looking for a show that would appeal to a younger demographic, maybe bring some people to the theater for the first time.
Kathy Jarvis, Proctors marketing director, thinks "4ISH" is that show.
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Wrestling

The outcome of Saturday's Section II, Class A wrestling tournament was decided long before the finals.
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Careys call for expansion of Jonathan's Law

Family, supporters criticize Gov. Spitzer a year after Jonathan Carey's death

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ABOVE: Assemblyman Tim Gordon, D, I-Bethlehem, speaks at a press conference on the anniversary of Jonathan Carey's death as Michael Carey looks on. Carey's death led to the creation of Jonathan's Law, which was signed into law last May by Gov. Eliot Spitzer. **LEFT:** 'More needs to be done,' was the sentiment expressed by Assembly Minority Leader James Tedisco, R, C, I-Schenectady, last Friday in Albany. Assemblyman Tedisco spoke on behalf of the Carey family saying that Jonathan's Law is not enough to protect what he described as "the most vulnerable members of society" the disabled.

Jarrett Carroll/Spotlight

One year after the death of Jonathan Carey, an autistic 13-year-old who died while in the care of two O. D. Heck employees, his parents have come back to the capitol in Albany.

Jonathan's parents, Michael and Lisa Carey, held a press conference last Friday, Feb. 15, on the anniversary of their son's death and called on the governor and state legislature to toughen Jonathan's Law and make children's medical records more accessible.

Jonathan's Law is named after Carey and was signed into law by Gov. Eliot Spitzer in May of 2007. The law entitles parents and legal guardians to access records of child abuse investigations and medical records.

The bill opened up four years worth of records for parents of children with disabilities, but an amendment to the law effectively closed the window of opportunity to access past records at the end of the 2007 calendar year.

Michael Carey said he believes that all records should be accessible at all times and asked the governor to extend access for another year.

"Eliot Spitzer has failed his responsibility as governor," Michael Carey said of the governor not extending the records deadline. "It takes a leader to stand up ... and he has not done that. Shame on him for that."

Two O. D. Heck employees, Edwin Tirado, 35, and Nadeem Mall, 32, both of Schenectady, were convicted on separate charges in Jonathan's death. The two men were transporting Jonathan, along with another teenage resident, to Crossgates Mall in Guelderland when Tirado restrained Jonathan, who was reportedly being unruly at the time, according to court records.

Police said Jonathan stopped breathing as a result of being restrained, and the two men continued running errands in the O. D. Heck transportation van. The two men



reported the incident two hours after Jonathan stopped breathing.

Mall pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide in Carey's death and was sentenced to six months in prison and five years of probation in a plea agreement that required

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Michael Carey

him to testify against his former co-worker, Tirado.

Tirado was later convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to the maximum of 5-to-15 years in state prison.

"Today is a memorial to Jonathan," Michael Carey said at Friday's press conference, before telling a room full of reporters that

reform was needed to raise the rights of abused institutional residents "above the standards of animals."

"There's less protection for the disabled than animals, currently. We're talking reform that will make lives better and safer," Michael Carey said. "This is not only for our son, who is in heaven, but for all the children."

During the press conference, the Careys were flanked by parents of abused, institutionalized children, former caregiver employees and supervisors, Assembly Minority Leader James Tedisco, R, C, I-Schenectady, and Assemblyman Tim Gordon, D, I-Bethlehem.

Drawing upon the personal experience of having a brother with Down Syndrome who died of leukemia, Tedisco spoke on behalf of

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After more than 75 years on the same property, the future of Verstandig's flower shop is up in the air as a developer is planning to build high-end condominiums on the site.

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Florist talks future plans

Verstandig's to move pending approval of developer's plans

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After 75 years on Delaware Avenue, Robert Verstandig isn't calling it quits. He's going bigger and greener and hopes to have all 18 of his Selkirk greenhouses using renewable resources and making their own energy in the years ahead.

Verstandig said he hopes to eventually expand his Selkirk operation, which currently sells flowering plants wholesale.

Although he is moving his business from Delmar, pending the town of Bethlehem's approval of Keystone Builders plans to build high-end condominiums on the flower shop's property, he said he and his flowers will remain a part of the community that has embraced his family.

"We'll definitely be closing (pending the sale to Keystone) on Delaware Avenue, but we will remain in business, selling flowers and plants into the future," Verstandig said. "We want to continue because the community has been

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Police Blotter

Police raid Delmar home, find marijuana, firearms

A search warrant led to the arrest of 18-year-old Matthew J. Stipe at his 10 Lincoln Ave. home in Delmar. Officers from several agencies, including the Bethlehem Police, the Albany County Sheriff's Department and Drug Enforcement Agency, entered Stipe's home on Jan. 31.

The search warrant was the result of an ongoing investigation that ended with

Stipe's arrest on fourth-degree criminal sale of marijuana and possession of marijuana charges.

Officers entered the front and rear of the Lincoln Avenue home, forcing open and damaging the front door, and found Stipe in the kitchen before placing him into custody, according to Bethlehem Police.

"[Stipe] advised there was a

blunt, which he was smoking just before our arrival," his arrest report stated. The "blunt" – or marijuana cigarette – was found inside of a kitchen cabinet near Stipe.

Police say that, upon searching the premises, they found a small bag of marijuana in a dining room cupboard along with other drug paraphernalia. Police also found a small safe in Stipe's bedroom, which he opened for officers.

Police discovered 11.39 ounces of marijuana, assorted jewelry, \$4,635 in cash, and assorted U.S. and Canadian coins inside the safe, according to the arrest report. Police also removed a .22 caliber rifle, a 12-gauge shotgun, a cell phone, as well as another \$380 in cash found on Stipe.

Bethlehem Town Justice

Paul Dwyer sent Stipe to Albany County Correctional Facility in lieu of either \$10,000 cash bail or a \$20,000 bond.

In other arrests

• Fiose E. Njike, 46, of Albany, was arrested Monday, Feb. 4, by Bethlehem police on an immigration violation. Officers on routine patrol stopped Njike because of vehicle and traffic violations and discovered he was wanted on an outstanding U.S. Immigration and Customs warrant for failing to appear for removal.

The warrant was dated July 5, 2006, according to police.

Police contacted an Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent at the Buffalo Federal Detainment Facility in Batavia, and Njike was sent to Albany County

jail.

• Kenneth A. Foy Jr., 24, of Albany, was arrested by Bethlehem police on Feb. 7 for felony criminal possession of a forged instrument and petty larceny. Foy turned himself into police custody following an investigation, according to the arrest report.

The investigation stemmed from a report by the Price Chopper in Glenmont that stated a fraudulent check for \$933.56 was cashed on a Budget Rent-A-Car Inc. account, and that an unknown person forged the check.

An assistant district attorney recommended that Foy be released to the custody of probation, which was granted by Bethlehem Town Justice Paul Dwyer. Foy is scheduled to return to Bethlehem town court on March 4.

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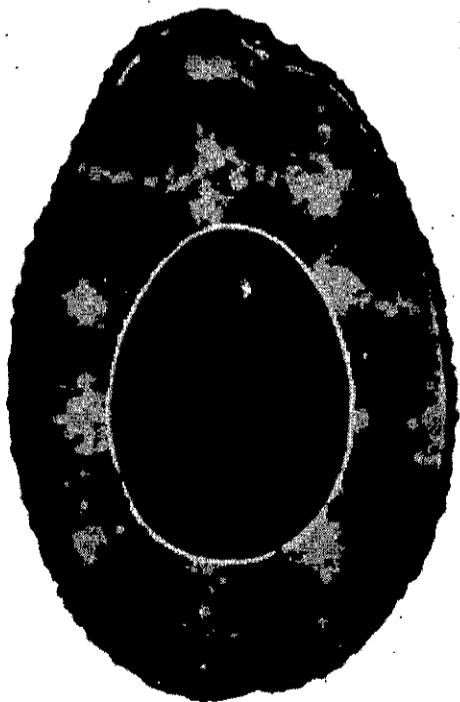
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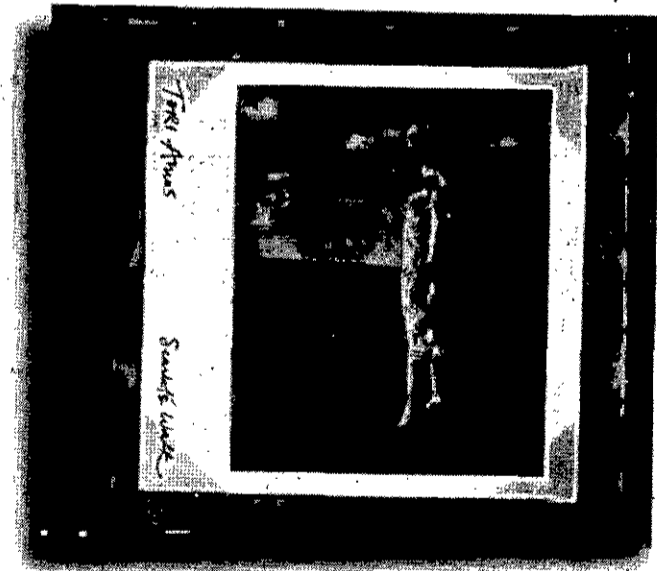


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People gather on the corner of Kenwood and Delaware avenues before a candlelight vigil Friday, Feb. 15, marking the fifth anniversary of Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace.

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Group marches for peace

Five years after banding together, Neighbors still holding anti-war protests

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Dozens of protesters braved frigid temperatures Friday night, Feb. 15, to give support to America's servicemen and women and call for their return.

Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace hosted a candlelight vigil at Delmar's Four Corners in remembrance of worldwide peace protests that took place on that very day five years ago.

Their message was simple: End the war now.

As protest songs played from an amplifier underneath the clock of the Four-Corner intersection, bundled up people of seemingly every age gathered together and lit candles and held up signs protesting American involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"Five years is too long," and "Bring them home now," were phrases shouted by many in the crowd as a constant flow of beeping car horns could be heard in the background.

The occasion also serves to mark the five-year anniversary of the BNP, which was one of the original peace organizations in the area. Other local peace



Bethlehem Neighbors For Peace and other peace protesters march up Delaware Ave. on Friday night as temperatures dipped into the 20s.

Jarrett Carroll/Spotlight

organizations include the Guilderland Neighbors for Peace; Saratoga Peace Alliance; Chatham Peace Initiative; Capital District for Justice and Peace; Hudson Valley Peace Brigade — The Iraq Peace Team; and Concerned People for Social Action.

The candlelit march traced the same path that it did five years ago when 350 people walked in the peace vigil.

"Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace started about five years ago. At the time the United States was basically saber-rattling at Iraq," said Joe Lombardo, who founded the organization. "It was pretty clear that our government was lying to us, so a number of us got together at a house in Delmar."

Lombardo said about 25 people showed up for the first meeting and the first event they set up

was the candlelight vigil on the corners of Kenwood Street and Delaware Avenue

Being an election year, Lombardo said it is especially important to continue the cause.

"It is essential that during this election period, the anti-war movement remains mobilized and visible," he said. "It holds the feet of the candidates to the fire on the issue of peace."

Protestors marched without incident from the Four Corners, along Delaware Avenue, to Bethlehem Town Hall and then across the street and back. Bethlehem Police were present during the vigil and helped the crowd to cross Delaware Avenue.

The next major BNP rally is the fifth Anniversary March Against the War event at the state Capitol in Albany on March 22.

Delmar Dash gets ready for race day

Runners can register in advance this year

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The Delmar Dash is preparing to cross the finish line on its 20th race this year with some changes to help ease the registration process.

For the first time, participants can preregister instead of signing up the morning of the race. Day-of-race registration is still available but will cost \$25 instead of \$18 for non-Hudson Mohawk Road Racers Club members. The preregistration fees for HMRRC members is \$15, and \$18 for non-HMRRC members.

The kids' race, for children 12 and younger, costs \$3 for registration.

"We tried to think of something that would help relieve the congestion in the gym on race morning," said Tom Adams, the co-race director.

His wife and fellow co-director, Marcia Adams, said the changes would make the race more fun and keep people coming to the annual meet.

The Adams took over as directors of the race two years ago when former director Paul Turner of Delmar stepped down.

"Part of the challenge of taking over an established race is to make it different and more fun and something you want to come back to every year," Marcia said. "Fortunately for us, the Delmar Dash is something people want to come to anyway ... including the casual runner."

The Delmar Dash will be held April 6, beginning at 9 a.m.

Another first this year is the introduction of the One-Step-At-A-Time marathon, which is being sponsored by *Spotlight Newspapers*. The marathon can be done in conjunction with the children's race, which has been renamed the Delmar Dash Spotlight on Youth, in honor of the sponsorship.

The One-Step-At-A-Time marathon can be coupled with the children's quarter-mile or half-mile races, but is not mandatory.

The way it works, according to Marcia, is that participating children are asked to run 25.2 miles prior to April 6 race. Children are encouraged to run at least one mile a day, but no more than two. Parents or physical education teachers then initial the child's accomplishments in a daily log.

Marcia said the program is designed to help children, "Get off their seat and on their feet."

She said the program has been very successful in its first year, with 81 children signing up. All of the children participating in the One-Step-

At-A-Time program will receive special T-shirts signifying their accomplishments.

The Adams said preregistration has also been a success.

In cooperation with the elementary and secondary schools in the Bethlehem School District, race applications were distributed to all of the students.

For the adult race, the first 400 registered runners will receive T-shirts.

The 5-mile race will start and finish on Kenwood Avenue, in front of the Bethlehem Middle School, and the course will be flat and wind through residential neighborhoods.

Marcia said she is hoping for the same community participation and support as last year's Delmar Dash. Last year, she said, people set up chairs on their lawns to watch the race, and there were even impromptu musicians and the occasional lemonade stand along the course.

"Seventy to 80 percent of the excitement of the race is the community in Delmar," Marcia said. "To us, it means the community is happy to have us here."

Day-of-race registration will be between 7:30 and 8:45 a.m. at the Bethlehem Middle School, and the kids' race will start at 10 a.m. and also start and finish in front of the middle school.

"We try to miss the church traffic and be as undistruptive as possible," Marcia said.

All of the money for the race goes right back to the children and the runners for prizes, trophies and T-shirts, Marcia said. The roughly 40 to 50 people who work on the event every year are all volunteers, she said, with the exception of the "timing crew," who set up the start and finish lines and have to use computers to help time runners.

They are the only paid workers, said Marcia.

In honor of all the volunteers, The Adams have started yet another first: a volunteer recognition party. All of the volunteers will be given tickets for a party at the American Legion Hall immediately after the race.

The Adams will continue accepting preregistration forms until March 30 and are still taking sponsors from local businesses in the area.

Marcia Adams can be contacted at 356-2551 or at madams01@nycap.rr.com, and registration forms and payments can be sent to: HMRRC, c/o Marcia Adams, 1009 Tollgate Lane, Schenectady 12303.

"I'm not a runner ... but my husband is an avid one," Marcia said, "so I live vicariously through my runners in this race."

Dave Dannis is the coordinator for the kids' race and the corporate sponsor for this year's Delmar Dash is Bryant Asset Protection, Inc.

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Acts of kindness will outlast the flowers

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Commentary:



The roses have wilted, the jewelry sales are over, and scores of people are still smarting over the engagement ring that wasn't proffered. Let's face it, not everyone had a romantic fairy-tale Valentine's Day.

On the bright side, the candy is now half price, and you can probably get some good deals on a cuddly red teddy bear.

Valentine's Day is a holiday that people either love or hate, depending on the status of their romantic lives. But it shouldn't have to be that way.

In elementary school, the kids give everyone in their class a paper Valentine. Kids also give Valentines to their moms and dads, their grandparents and their bus drivers. Those aren't romantic relationships. Those are just expressions of caring. And caring can and should happen throughout the year, not just on designated Hallmark holidays.

Nurses and nursing aides are a group of people who care for and about others on a daily basis, often in double shifts. Recently, my mother spent several weeks in a nursing and rehabilitation center after falling and breaking her ankle. I was greatly impressed by the kindness and patience of the staff toward the residents. The staff treated the elderly residents with respect and dignity.

On the days I visited, I would make a point of saying hello to everyone I passed in the hallway. Often, to give my mom a change of scenery, I would wheel her from her room down to a lounge area. There we would see other residents enjoying a new view or traveling to and from the dining area or the activities room.

One late December afternoon residents were gathering for a pizza party.

"I need eggnog like I need a hole in the head," one gentleman said to me, sitting in a wheelchair just outside the activities room.

"Nobody needs eggnog," I replied, "but it's a party."

Staff members were distributing cups of eggnog, or soda, depending on preference. I got a slice of pizza for my mom. The gentleman smiled and accepted a cup of eggnog. I asked him his name.

Over the weeks, I met other residents from the nursing home section of the facility. They were the folks most likely to be out in the common areas. On subsequent visits I would make a point of saying hello by name, if known to me.

One evening I saw my eggnog friend, "Joe," leaving the dining hall with another resident, "Mary." They were both in wheelchairs. Mary was unable to wheel her own chair, so Joe was pushing hers and then wheeling himself. I had seen them traveling before in this manner. It was a slow process, as Joe's pushes moved Mary only a few inches at a time.

"Is there any way I can help?" I asked cautiously, not wanting to offend. They graciously accepted my offer. I brought Mary to the elevator first, where she said she would wait for Joe: I went back and got Joe.

Mary said she was going to the third floor. I got Mary into the elevator and then I held the door open while Joe wheeled himself in.

"How do you do this by yourselves?" I asked. "You have to be careful about the elevator door," was all they said.

"Are you both going to the same floor?" I asked. I felt like I should ride with them and see them to their rooms, but my mother and daughter were waiting for me to return from what they thought was a quick trip to the bathroom. Would my family start to worry?

But Joe told me that he rides up

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with Mary for the conversation, and then he comes back down. I didn't know if he meant all the way down to the lounge area or down to his room on a lower floor, but I felt like they had done this before and would somehow manage. So I pressed the third floor button and jumped out of the elevator.

I walked quickly back to my mother and daughter, all the while thinking, "Wow, I am so incredibly lucky to be able to walk. I am so, so, lucky." And for a brief moment, I felt blessed.

Yet on most days, I forget to count my blessings. It's just too much effort.

It's easier to count my irritants: lack of sleep, too much clutter, lack of time, too many obligations, lack of patience, too much stomach flab, can't find my keys, cell phone is not charged, it's cold outside. The list is endless.

Woe is me. Poor, poor me with my hectic, stress-filled, over-programmed life.

Despite my long list of troubles, I sometimes get a jolt of perspective. Usually this happens when tragedy and disaster strike others. That's when my brain kicks in and I remember all the good around me.

But the bad news has to be really bad: I'll read a story in the newspaper about war or violence or poverty or a tornado that takes lives and destroys homes. I'll hear of a child with a life-threatening disease, or a friend who has lost a parent, or a colleague whose spouse is being deployed. I'll see wheelchair-bound residents in a nursing home.

And then I press the self-pity pause button and I say to myself or to my spouse or to my child: "Wow, we are incredibly lucky."

And then the moment will pass and it will be time to start gritting

my teeth about the clutter, the unfinished homework, the piles of laundry, and the weather.

Poor, poor me and my endless woe.

Lately, I've been wondering how much of my woe is real versus how much I may have created. If I gave myself the woe, maybe I can also take it away.

Can't I discipline myself to go to bed earlier? Can't I buy more file folders, throw out more papers or both? Does it matter if my house is messy? Are all of my obligations true obligations or can some be dropped and exchanged for more time at the gym? Can't I hang my keys on the peg rack? Can't I plug in my cell phone every few days?

If I made an effort to do even some of those things perhaps I would be less stressed and more patient.

I may feel overwhelmed, but the reality is that I have so many choices and so many blessings.

On the morning my mom was

leaving the facility, I looked for Joe. I wanted to say goodbye. I felt like I needed to explain why he wouldn't be seeing me around anymore.

I wasn't sure he remembered me, although we had spoken several times. It didn't really matter.

I leaned down so he could hear me, and he reached for my hand and clasped it in his own warm hands. I told him that my mother was being discharged and I was bringing her home. "Good for her," he said warmly.

Then he asked, "Where do you live?" I told him Delmar. He asked whereabouts and when I told him "near the town hall" he mentioned the name of the florist shop in the same neighborhood, saying he knows the owners. He told me he, too, was a florist.

"Thank you for stopping to say hello," he told me. I bid him a pleasant afternoon, and I walked to the front lobby where my mother was waiting.

Valentine's Day is over, but there remain plenty of opportunities for showing love and kindness to others. If you reach out to someone in need of affection, the roses in your heart will never wilt.

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WEEKLY WEATHER

Chief Meteorologist Mike Bono



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Record high/low/year

Day	AVERAGE HIGH 36°		AVERAGE LOW 18°	
	High/Year	Low/Year	High/Year	Low/Year
Wednesday, February 20	66°/1930	-16°/1966		
Thursday, February 21	65°/1981	-9°/1950		
Friday, February 22	68°/1997	-8°/1963		
Saturday, February 23	62°/1984	-16°/1972		
Sunday, February 24	65°/1985	-11°/1894		
Monday, February 25	67°/1976	-14°/1914		
Tuesday, February 26	63°/1976	-11°/1950		

SEASONAL SNOWFALL TO DATE
44.8 inches as of Friday, February 15th
1.2 inches above average

This week in weather

February 25, 1990 In central New York State, snow and high winds resulted in a number of chain-reaction multiple accidents, and a total of 108 persons were injured. Snow and high winds created white-out conditions along the Northway in Saratoga County NY.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	6:46am	5:33pm
Thursday	6:44am	5:34pm
Friday	6:43am	5:35pm
Saturday	6:41am	5:37pm
Sunday	6:40am	5:38pm
Monday	6:38am	5:39pm
Tuesday	6:37am	5:40pm

Moon Phases
February 20th Full
February 28th Last



Planets	When	Where
Mars	Evening	V High S
Saturn	Evening	High SE
Venus	Dawn	V Low SE
Jupiter	Dawn	Low SE

Area Ski Conditions

Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails	Resort	Base Depth	Lifts	Trails
Gore Mtn.	32" - 49"	11	74	Stratton Mt.	45" - 61"	8	90
Whiteface	37" - 59"	9	75	Sugarbush	23" - 64"	13	111
Bromley	22" - 48"	5	44	Hunter Mtn.	15" - 65"	7	38
Mt. Snow	15" - 52"	12	89	Jay Peak	24" - 48"	8	76
Okemo	44" - 52"	17	112	Jiminy Peak	24" - 60"	5	37
Belleayre	20" - 52"	6	37	Windham	17" - 62"	6	32
Stowe	35" - 75"	11	116	Catamount	18" - 48"	5	26
Killington	40" - 54"	20	140	Smugglers'	30" - 68"	8	78

Factoid

We're now gaining between 2 and 3 minutes on the length of day, each day. The days in Albany will be 12 hours long in less than a month, on March 17th.

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	4:13am, 4:28pm	10:31am, 11:09pm
Thursday	5:01am, 5:13pm	11:21am, 11:53pm
Friday	5:45am, 5:55pm	12:09pm, 12:09pm
Saturday	6:28am, 6:35pm	12:36am, 12:56pm
Sunday	7:09am, 7:15pm	1:18am, 1:42pm
Monday	7:50am, 7:55pm	2:00am, 2:30pm
Tuesday	8:33am, 8:37pm	2:44am, 3:19pm

Glenmont is tops in state for heart fundraiser

Elementary school raises more than \$200,000 in 10 years for Heart Association

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After 10 years they're still going strong.

The annual Hoops for Heart event at Glenmont Elementary was held last week, bringing its 10-year fundraising total over the \$200,000 mark. All of the money raised during the three-day event is donated to the American Heart Association.

What's their secret?

Schoolwide participation seems to be it, with 91.5 percent or 391 students at the school getting involved in the event. Stacked against other schools of its size around the country, Glenmont Elementary was the top fundraiser in New York and the fourth highest in the nation, raising \$28,562 this year.

"It's simply phenomenal," said Jeff Masline, youth market director for the American Heart Association. "Their participation over there is three times the national average."

Masline described the money being raised for the association as "extremely important," and "life-saving," and said it is used for a range of functions, such as research and preventing fetal birth defects, as well as educating the public about heart health.

And the best part, according to Masline, is that it's teaching the children that exercise is not only important but can also be fun.

The American Heart Association's Hoops for Heart program is geared toward elementary and middle school



Glenmont students retrieve the basketball from a basket made during their annual Hoops for Heart event Feb. 14. In its 10th year of holding the event, Glenmont has raised more than \$200,000 for the American Heart Association.

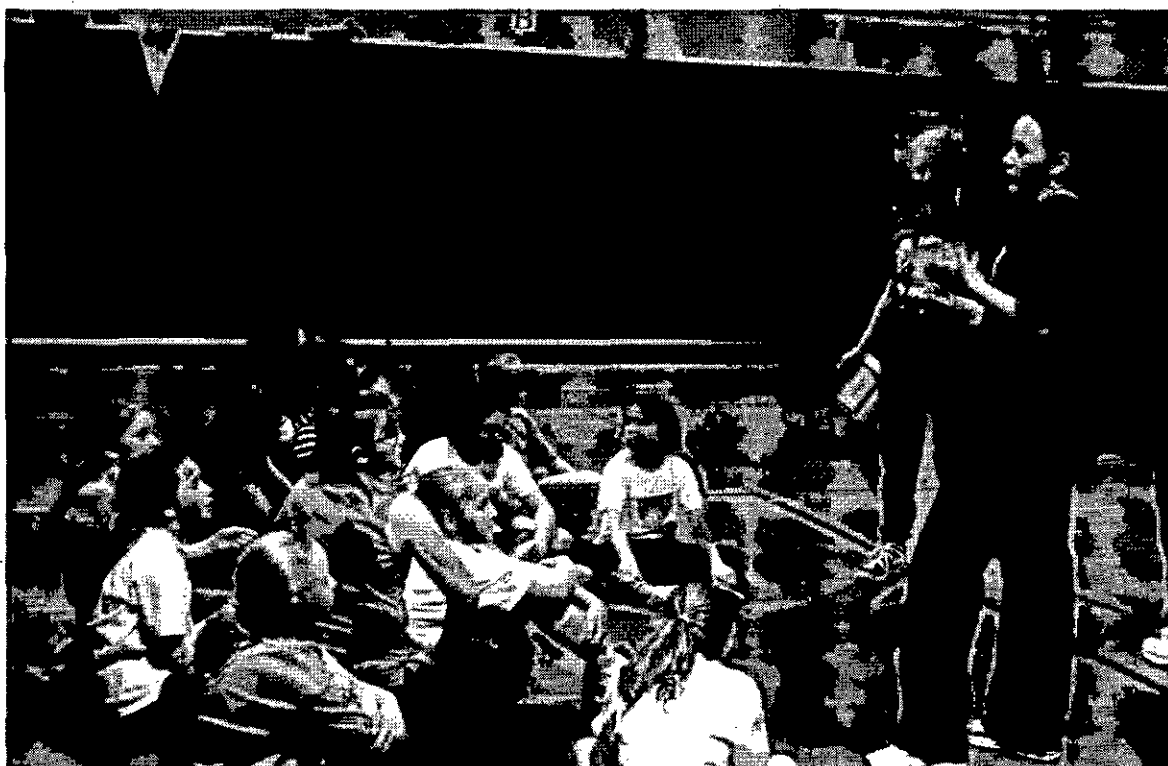
students. The participants engage in physical activity, raise money to fight heart disease and stroke, and learn about heart health and volunteer service by participating in basketball skill games and tournaments.

He credits the success of the program at Glenmont Elementary to Principal Laura Heffernan, physical education teachers Laurie Noland and Katie Sharvat, and secretary Kathi Davey.

They are the driving force behind motivating the students, Masline said.

"They're on the front line of the obesity epidemic," said Masline, specifically mentioning Noland and Sharvat.

Bethlehem Central District School Communication Director Matt Leon said this is just another year of excellence for Glenmont but noted that participation continues to



Once again Glenmont Elementary is being lauded for its fundraising ability for the American Heart Association. After another successful Hoops for Hearts campaign, Glenmont has been named by the association as the number one fundraiser for the school of its size in New York State, and number four nationwide.

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grow.

"They have been at the top for fundraising since 2002," Leon said. "With over 91 percent participating this year, it's the highest in 10 years. They have raised over \$220,000 for the Heart Association now."

The second day of Hoops for Heart events was canceled last Wednesday due to inclement weather resulting in the school closing for the day. That day's events, which were scheduled for third and fourth grades students, are rescheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 27.

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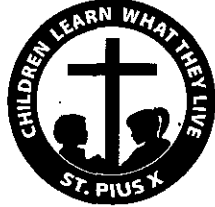
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Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

State bets on broken system

You can't expect a horse to place any better than it has just by changing its silks.

Last week, state legislators, seemingly forgetting about a years-long process to determine who could best run New York's racing franchise, once again placed their bets on the New York Racing Association — an entity that has already proven that the only thing it can provide the state is more debt.

The agreement, which would extend NYRA's franchise for 25 years in exchange for the state taking undisputed title to NYRA's three racetracks, was reached after days of intense discussions in Albany.

Under the deal, NYRA will receive \$75 million in order to help it fulfill its bankruptcy obligations. NYRA filed for bankruptcy late in 2006. The association will also receive another \$30 million from the state to fund its operations through 2008, if necessary.

Senate Majority Joseph Bruno, R-Brunswick, said the majority of the money used to bail NYRA out would come from video lottery terminal revenue. We're going to use gambling to pay for gambling, he said. Sounds good until you realize that the money was dedicated elsewhere before the agreement. The state, the tracks and the horsemen split about 8 percent of whatever money is poured into the VLTs (the other 92 percent goes to the lucky button-pushers who win). The state's portion is supposed to go to education and relief for those communities that host racinos. If a bigger cut goes to the tracks, and the horsemen aren't lining up to give some of their portion back, that means less money to the state and, therefore, to education and communities.

At the heart of this matter is a lack of standards and accountability. The state set a standard for the horse racing industry. NYRA did not meet this standard, and it was awarded with another 25-year hold on the franchise. It is as simple as that. The state had a handful of private entities with solid financial plans jump through numerous and superfluous hoops to replace NYRA, but in the end, went with the known organization because — as it was portrayed by the state — New York feared it would not receive ownership of the three racecourses by the time bankruptcy court was through with the racing association.

The state sent two messages with this decision: If you hold any type of leverage over the state, New York will ingratiate itself to you regardless of how much money you owe them; and it is better to be a failing part of the old boys network than to be a new organization with promise.

Editorial

Message of hope is timeless

By NORMAN G. COHEN
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Editor's note: The author is a psychotherapist, writer and former Spotlight columnist, whose column "Family Matters" appeared in The Spotlight from March 1982 to July 1986. The following column was first published on Dec. 1, 1984.

In these times, as in other times of layoffs, cutbacks and shutdowns, mankind has proceeded somehow someway with a hope of better things to come. History has always borne out that hope by complying with the cycles of life and eventually returning to periods of plenty. However, some people extinguish their hopes during the long, dark night of their turmoil and miss the dawning of new days.

Currently, we are hearing and reading conflicting prognostications about the future of our economy. We are all fearful about entering another decade of depression as was suffered by our parents. That experience taught them to strive hard to give us a better life than they had, but we have learned to buy that life for our children on credit. We are an indebted generation of borrowers operating on the hope that we can continue to earn ever-increasing monies during the remaining years of our work life. For example, this year people bought homes based on their projected ability to continue earning money into the year 2007. They and their moneylenders agreed that there is hope for better days.

Nevertheless, with so much other discouraging news and indicators circulated by our media, it is difficult to hold hope for those better times down the road. Wallowing is so much easier than continuing the fight. Belief that the end is near rather than the beginning must be faced is much more

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appealing to those whose strength has been sapped. Gravity is strong and ever present, pulling us down into a submissive posture unless we fight to stay erect.

In contrast, hope is an energizing force if used correctly. It imagines our salvation and trumpets its entrance. It gives us hooks on which to hang and reasons to keep up the struggle. It directs our vision toward the patch of blue in our cloudy skies and the crack of light at the end of our tunnels. It encourages us to withstand the final yard and the 11th hour. It promises rewards for efforts surpassing our prior limits and proposes reasons to defy reality by considering that which we had never anticipated.

Yet, if misunderstood or misused, hope can turn into false hope and, like fool's gold, can yield a promise as empty and worthless as its substance. Grasping for straws can devastate one beseeched by the need for solid ground and sure steps. It can dash any effort to stem the tides of misfortune against the rocks and hard places of life which are all too numerous.

Hope, which is the dream of aspiration or desperation, is a delicate quality of human life. It must be employed sparingly and wisely. It must be applied to substantial, not frivolous, matters. It must be supported by a commitment of energy to make its wishes come true, even if that energy seems depleted. It must be believed wholeheartedly by the hoper, or it will disintegrate among the ashes of other burned-out flashes of optimism.

I sincerely hope that you hope, and if your hopes are not quick to come, that you continue hoping and working toward your goals. Too many of our comrades in life have abandoned hope and have turned into robotic replicas of the human race. They do not create or innovate or strive for the new and the different. They only repeat and act out routines and think by rote. They are mannequins of life sitting where they are set and standing where they are stood.

They know nothing else than what is and hope for nothing more.

I cannot function without hope for more than what is. I must believe that tomorrow or the next day will be better than today or yesterday. Perhaps I learned to think this way from lessons in history. Comparing then with now, I conclude that we are so much better off than our ancestors were. Progress means advancement. Hopelessness means decay. I believe it.

We are all subject to the rhythms of life. With its ebbs and flows, we succeed and fail, and rise again to claim victory, that is, if we stay in the tides. Once we jump out of the water, we are vulnerable to becoming parched and dry and wilted. In order to ride the waves of fortune, we must stay in the drink and pay heed to our thirsts. Otherwise our palates will become insensitive to sweet and sour and our minds will stultify and close up their stores of new ideas and unaccustomed thinking. Whenever a society attempts en masse to hold the lines of advancement and simply mark time, that society loses the beat of the song of life.

I wish for each one of you reading these words that you hold on to your hopes and never let go. For those of you who feel your hopes have flown out the window, look again. The sky returns every day and the clouds eventually thin out and yield to the vast blue beyond the sun. There is always hope for that we do not yet know or that we have not yet even dreamed. There is so much more than we have imagined, and it is nothing short of human arrogance to believe that all is lost.

The very next turn of life might hold our pot of gold or, at least, our bag of groceries. It doesn't have to turn out to be another sack of woes. Times change and with them, so do people. As old dreams come true, new ones are dreamt. Be a dreamer, but keep your feet on the ground. Let hope give you the verve to go on and let your heart guide your direction. Tomorrow may be your day; but only if you are looking for it. So, "hopen" your eyes and expect the sun to rise. It will be there for you and for us all.

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The deadline for all announcements is noon Thursday prior to publication.

New Scotland sets winter recreation programs

The Town of New Scotland is holding programs for the winter break.

• Rhythm kids will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the New Scotland Town Hall.

Toe tapping, finger snapping, and hand clapping fun.

Participants will use various instruments to accompany music and song—maracas, drums, bells, etc.

There will be rhythm games and group percussion activities. There will also be group movement similar to "STOMP."

Participants are encouraged to wear loose-fitting clothing and socks.

The event is limited to 12 students. The class is for grades kindergarten to five and the cost is \$20.

The instructor is Tanya Hannibal-Williams.

• Treasure Trunk Theater will be held on Thursday, Feb. 21, at the New Salem Community Center from 9 a.m. to noon.

The theater trunks contain something new for you to discover during class time together.

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The instructor is Ann Biese.

• Fairytale Players will be held on Thursday, Feb. 21, at the New Salem Community Center from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

In Fairytale Players, students will work as an ensemble to bring great characters and stories to life, and will gain experience in learning lines, blocking, and working in front of an audience.

The class will give students the opportunity to create simple costumes, props and set pieces. The class is for grades one to four, and the cost is \$25. The instructor is Ann Biese.

• Magical Masterpieces I will be held Friday, Feb. 22, at the New Salem Community Center, from 9 a.m. to noon. Children will make Matisse wild pattern cats, Van Gogh sunflowers and winter snowmen with pastels and paint.

Magical Masterpieces II will be held Friday, Feb. 22, at the New Salem Community Center, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Children will make Monet flower gardens, Eric Carle collages and mono printing with pastels and paint. The instructors for these classes are Sandy Pelletier and Sue Feller. The classes are for grades kindergarten to three and the cost is \$30 for each class, which includes a \$5 materials fee.

• A Red Cross Babysitting Course will be offered on Friday Feb. 22, at the New Scotland Town Hall from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The eight-hour course is for students 11 years of age and older.

Topics covered include the responsibilities of babysitting, how to feed, care for and play with youngster, obstructed airway skill, accident prevention and how to handle emergencies and illness. On day of class bring snack, lunch, drink, paper and pen. Wear comfortable clothing.

The class is taught by a certified Red Cross instructor, and the fee is \$53.

NEWS NOTES

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Relay for Life meeting set

The kickoff for the Southwest Albany County Relay For Life (formerly the Voorheesville Relay) will be held on Tuesday, March 11, at 7 p.m. at the Voorheesville Elementary School.

If you know someone who has been touched by cancer or you are a cancer survivor, please consider being a part of this event. For those of you who have attended kickoffs in the past, many changes will be discussed this evening.

New Scotland Soccer Club has openings

The New Scotland Soccer Club still has a few spots open for soccer players on the U-8 co-ed spring travel soccer team.

Children born between Aug. 1, 1999, and July 21, 2001, are eligible to play on the team.

Call Sharon Cillis, NSSC registrar, at 765-4538 as soon as possible to register.

New Salem Fire Dept. holding 'Fish Fries'

The New Salem Fire Department will be holding its fabulous Friday "Fish Fries" at the main firehouse on Route 85A in New Salem each Friday from 4:30 to 7 p.m. now through March 14.

The cost is \$7.50 for adults, children younger than 12 are \$4.50.

Dinners include haddock fish fry or clam roll, real french fries, baked potato, coleslaw and a beverage.

The fireman's New England clam chowder is also available as are desserts by Emma Cleary's at \$2 each.

Take-outs can be ordered at the door or by calling ahead at 765-2244. The building is handicapped accessible.

Voorheesville Elementary to hold information night

A 2008 Voorheesville Elementary School kindergarten information parent-only meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 12, at 7 p.m. at the elementary school.

Topics to be discussed include the kindergarten registration and screening program.

Parents are asked to call Voorheesville Elementary School at 765-2382, ext. 514, or e-mail at Donohue@vc-sdk12.org, if they have a child entering

kindergarten in September. Children must be 5 years old on or before Dec. 1, 2008, to register. Parents are encouraged to schedule an appointment to have their child screened on March 31 or April 1.

Thacher plans winter programs

• Thursday, Feb. 21, at 10 a.m.: Snowshoe Walk at Thacher Park.

Walkers will meet at Hop Field. Snowshoes are available to rent at the park office and may be reserved in advance.

Please allow extra time to pick up your snowshoes and drive to Hop Field. Call 872-1237 to register or confirm conditions.

• Friday, Feb. 22, 1 to 3 p.m.: Snow Day at Thacher Nature Center.

Head to Thacher for its third annual day of outdoor winter fun. Take a snowshoe walk, go for a winter scavenger hunt and make a plaster track replica to take home. Then warm up by the campfire and make tasty s'mores. Program is appropriate for all ages. Materials fee of \$2 per person.

Call 872-0800 to register.

• Saturday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m.: Full-Moon Snowshoe Walk at Thacher Nature Center.

Enjoy a snowshoe walk under the light of the full moon. Snowshoes are available to rent and may be reserved in advance. Rental fee is \$5. Program fee of \$1 is waived if renting

snowshoes. Please call 872-0800 to register or confirm conditions.

• Sunday, Feb. 24, at 10 a.m.: Winter Birds at Thacher Nature Center.

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Applications are due at the Guilderland or Bethlehem YMCA on Friday, March 14.

Stop by either YMCA or contact Kyle Anderson, program director, at 456-3634, ext. 1151, for an application.

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The election of FOL board members will be held at the annual meeting on March 30. All incumbent board members are running for re-election. If anyone is interested in having his or her name included on the ballot

for a position, contact Nancy Halpert at 765-9150 or e-mail nhalpert@yahoo.com. There is a description of the board positions at the VPL reference desk. We thank Nancy for four years of hard work as the hospitality chairperson. Darcy Morrison will take over the position.

The winning name in the quilt raffle to benefit the Library Friends will be drawn at the annual meeting. The quilt is on display behind the VPL circulation desk and tickets are on sale for \$1 each or six for \$5.

Book discussions

The adult book discussions for March will be:

The Beautiful Things that Heaven Bears by Dinaw Mengestu (fiction) on Wednesday, March 5

Over the Edge of the World by Laurence Bergreen (nonfiction) on Monday, March 10.

The rescheduled book discussion for grades two and three is Friday, Feb. 22, at 10:30 a.m.

The book discussion for grades four and five meets on Wednesday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m.

Teen Book Discussion meets on Thursday, March 13, to discuss "Monster" by Walter Dean Myers.

Copies of all books are

available at signup.

Prose writers

Lifelines Prose Writers meet on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 6:30 p.m. Call Cathy Anderson at 765-0066.

Tax forms

Forms are available near the reference collection.

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.

IN BRIEF

Swim club to hold swimming lessons

Ravena Swim Club, Inc., will be sponsoring an American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim program open to all starting on Saturday, March 1. The Learn to Swim will take place at the RCS Aquatics Center for seven weeks from 4 to 6 pm. The fee is \$55.

The program offers six levels of instruction that helps swimmers of all ages and abilities develop and improve their skills. Each level is taught by a Red Cross certified Water Safety Instructor

(WSI) and trained aides.

For information or to register, contact Dave Burns at 694-3764 or BurnsSwim@mhcable.com or Program Coordinator Kathy Meyer at 756-9544 or RaveLearn2Swim@yahoo.com.

Academy to hold Spring Soiree

The Academy of the Holy Names will hold its annual Spring Soiree on Friday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the Franklin Plaza Ballroom, Troy.

The theme of this year's event is "An Evening in Tuscany." The evening will include Italian cuisine, entertainment, silent and live auction and the drawing for a \$10,000 raffle winner.

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The menu features country pulled-pork. A full-course dinner is \$9 at the door. Bethlehem Senior transportation will leave Town Hall at 3:30 p.m., but if you prefer not to drive, home pick-up is available on a pre-arranged basis. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176 for reservations.



Senior Action
Week of Feb. 24

Income Tax Counseling Program from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., appointment required; Seniors in Motion, a low-level aerobic exercise class, from 9 to 10 a.m., Town Hall Auditorium.

Program highlights
Tuesday, Feb. 26: AARP
Wednesday, Feb. 27: Daytime Caregivers Support

Group, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Bethlehem Town Hall; Seniors Grocery Shopping for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, N. Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor; "Meals...Music and More!" First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, 38 Church Road, Selkirk from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Enjoy a delicious macaroni and cheese with ham lunch followed by music by the terrific Jerry Romeo Trio. Suggested meal donation is \$2.50 for seniors and \$5.00 for those under 60. Reservations are required. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Thursday, Feb. 28: Free Senior Legal Services Program for residents 60 or older, appointment required; Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Glenmont, Selkirk and S. Bethlehem.

Friday, Feb. 29: Lunch Out

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CapitalCare Medical Group hires dietitian

Candi Possinger, MS, RD, CDN, CDE, has joined the staff of CapitalCare Medical Group as a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator.

Possinger earned her bachelor's degree in dietetics from Russell Sage College in Troy. She

completed her master's in nutrition with an emphasis in counseling at the University at Buffalo.

Possinger previously served as clinical coordinator for dietetic internships and nutrition adjunct clinical instructor at the University of Buffalo.

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IN BRIEF

Wine tasting event raises \$44,000

Nearly 200 people attended the Upstate New York/Vermont Chapter of The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's fourth annual Taste of Compassion wine tasting event on Thursday, Feb. 7, at the Normanside Country Club, helping to raise more than \$44,000 for LLS's mission of curing leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma and improving the quality of life for patients and their families.

The event welcomed back Marcie Fraser, health reporter from Capital News 9, as the emcee for the evening. Guest speakers included Darlene Nielsen, a leukemia survivor, and Dr. Peter Burkart, the chief of hematology and medical oncology at Albany Medical Center and a full-time hematologist at New York Oncology Hematology. He shared his personal history with LLS dating back to the 1980s and spoke about the many advancements in treatment that have resulted from research funded by The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Historical group to give \$500 award

The Town of New Scotland Historical Association plans to offer a \$500 award to encourage the study and enjoyment of history in any of its aspects (political science, anthropology, American History, historical literature, historical preservation, museum careers, etc.).

This award is intended for a Town of New Scotland resident who will complete high school studies in June and is planning to further his or her education on a college level with specialization or concentration in some area of history. Each applicant will be required to submit a completed application form, along with a copy of the student's resume and high school transcript, and a 250-word essay on a given topic.

All graduating seniors are invited to compete for the award, whether they are public high school, private school, parochial school or home-schooled students in the Town of New Scotland.

Applications are available at Town Hall, in local high schools attended by New Scotland residents, at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem, and at the Voorheesville and Bethlehem libraries. In addition, an application can be obtained by calling 768-2933. All completed applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, April 11.

Association to offer five scholarships

The Bethlehem Central Teachers' Association will offer five scholarships of \$1,000 each to college-bound seniors. One is offered in particular to a student interested in pursuing a career in education and another for a student interested in political/social activism or international relations. These scholarships will be awarded based on need, scholarship, and community service.

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RCS Community library to host winter fun in the sand

February vacation ... too warm for snowmen, too cold for swimming. Just right for sand castles. On Friday, Feb. 22, children of all ages will love to plan, build and decorate their very own sand castles to take home. Stop by the library between 10 a.m. and noon, and remember to wear your "sloppy clothes," because kids will be working with real sand. No registration is necessary.

'Big Read' novel announced

The N.E.A. has announced that the 2008 Upper Hudson Library System's "Big Read" choice is "The Age of Innocence" by Edith Wharton.

Throughout the month of April, RCS Community Library will host several workshops and activities based on the themes of this Victorian-era novel, including a book discussion group slated for Wednesday, April 16, at 7:30 pm.

Anyone interested in participating in this group can stop by the library for a free copy of the novel and a discussion guide. Other versions of "The Age of Innocence" are available for you to borrow, including the 1993 film starring Winona Ryder, Daniel Day-Lewis and Michelle Pfeiffer (rated PG), and an outstanding reading of the unabridged audiobook on CD.

More details about RCS Community Library's other "Big Read" April activities will appear in upcoming columns.

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The next scheduled "Wagging Tales" reading times are Sunday, March 2, at 1 p.m. at the library, and Thursday, March 6, at 7 p.m., also at the library.

Call 756-2053 or stop by to register.

Swap shelf — find a treasure

Can't refuse a bargain? Come check out the "swap shelf" in the rear corner of the library.

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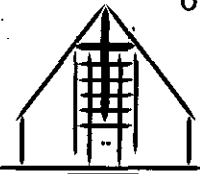
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IN BRIEF

Gem, mineral, fossil show on tap at museum

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Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the museum's fourth floor Terrace Gallery, the show is part of the museum's annual fundraising weekend, the only time admission is charged at the museum. Proceeds will help fund new acquisitions for the museum's gem and mineral collections.

Among recent acquisitions are several new collections purchased with funds from last year's show, including the state portion of the Philadelphia Academy of Sciences collection, one of the oldest mineral collections in America.

The show will feature more than 20 vendors, who will display and sell gems, jewelry, minerals, fossils, books, videos, lapidary equipment and supplies, stone carvings, bookends and silver and goldsmithing tools. There also will be lectures, children's activities and guided exhibition tours.

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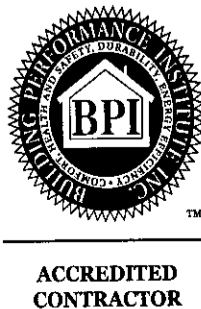
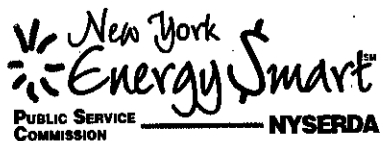


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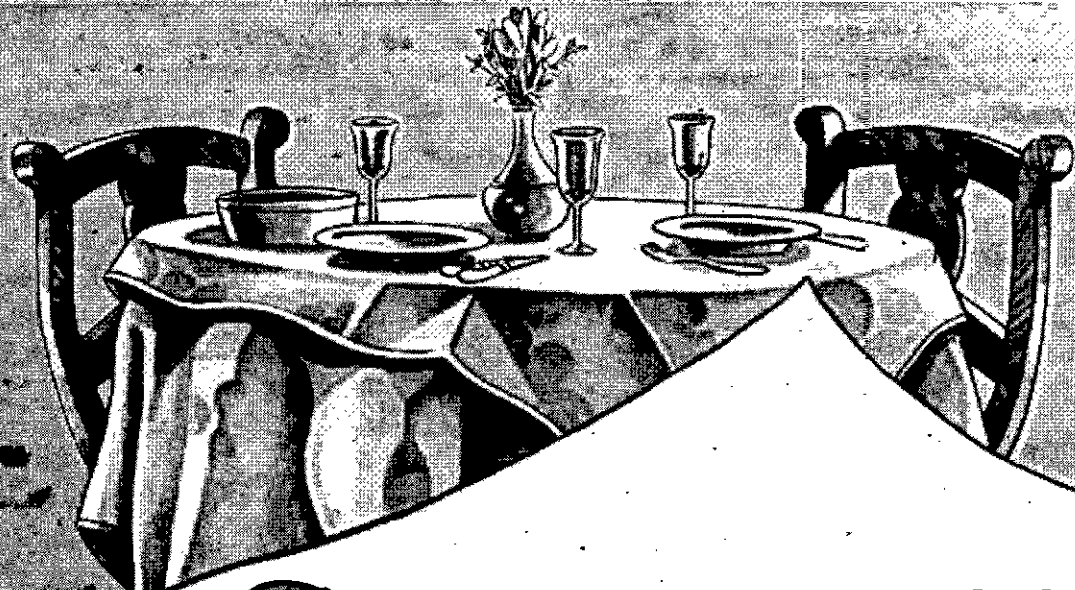
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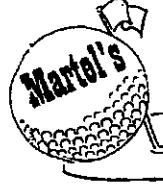
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Joan A. Schuff

Joan A. Schuff, 77, of Delmar, died Friday, Feb. 8.

She lived in Albany until moving to Delmar in 2001. A graduate of St. Ann's Academy and Vincentian Institute, she was employed for 21 years on the staff of *The Evangelist*, the Albany Catholic newspaper.

Schuff subsequently worked for 24 years for the state, in the Department of Transportation, the Office of Planning and Coordination, the Department of Labor and finally a long career at the Department of Motor Vehicles serving in the offices of public information, vehicle safety, vehicle safety and motor vehicle regulation. She then worked under the deputy commissioner for management services, the deputy commissioner for operations and as director of the executive correspondence unit.

She was an associate of the Sisters of Mercy, active in the Catholic Young Adult League, and served at St. John's-St. Ann's and St. Catherine of Siena parishes as a Eucharistic minister and lector.

Survivors include two brothers, Robert C. Schuff of Summerfield, Fla., and Donald Schuff of Brockport; three sisters, Carla Van Maldeghem of Delmar, Diana Craddock of Rochester, and Karen Orsini of Johnson City, Tenn.; and 10 nieces and 10 nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Feb. 13 at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 40 Hopewell St., Albany. Arrangements were by Keenan Funeral Home, 490 Delaware Ave.

Burial was in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery, Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to The Sisters of Mercy, 634 New Scotland Ave., Albany 12208.

Rodney L. Carpentier

Rodney L. Carpentier, 78, of Glenmont, died Monday, Feb. 11, at the Westchester Medical Center.

Mr. Carpentier retired in 1989 after 43 years of service as a carman and supervisor for New York Central Railroad, Penn Central and Conrail. He was a veteran of the Marine Corps as a rifle instructor. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and dart shooter. He was also a bingo caller for many years for numerous organizations.

He was a past ruler of the Bethlehem Elks Lodge No. 2233 and a lifetime member for more than 50 years. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 3424 of Ravena, member and on the board of directors of Senior Projects of Ravena.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Doris Asprion Carpentier of Glenmont; three daughters, Donna M. (Patrick) Sharer of Colonie, Denese K. (Daniel Sr.) Bernaiche of Bristol, Conn. and Darlene M. (Roland) Mack of Lampasas, Texas; son, Rodney L. (Catherine) Carpentier Jr. of Ravena; siblings, Richard A. (Jean) Carpentier of Averill Park, Raymond E. (Patricia) Carpentier of Colonie and the Rev. Sr. Jacqueline Marie Frances of Earlton; 12 grandchildren; three

great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were from St. Patrick's Church, Ravena.

Arrangements were by Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to Senior Projects of Ravena, P.O. Box 142, Ravena 12143.

John P. Bryce

John P. Bryce, 89, of Delmar, died Tuesday, Feb. 12.

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, he was the son of the late John and Eleanor (Harold) Bryce. John came to the United States in 1959 with his family and settled in Albany.

As proprietors of Ryan's Starry Plough Pub in Rensselaer, he and his wife, Jean, formed the social center for the area's Irish expatriates.

Mr. Bryce also worked as a machinist for Norton Company (Watervliet) and Sterling Winthrop (East Greenbush). He was a communicant of St. James Church for almost 50 years.

Survivors include his wife, Jean (Ryan) Bryce; children Patricia Bryce of Delmar, Paulinus J. (Karen) Bryce of Mamaroneck, and John C. (Kimberly) Bryce of Guilderland; five grandchildren; and siblings Winifred Tate of Nevada, James Bryce, Harry Bryce and Eleanor Forbes; a

brother-in-law and sister-in-law; and many nieces and nephews in the United States, Ireland and England.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, Feb. 16, at St. James Church, 391 Delaware Ave.

Arrangements were by Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, 490 Delaware Ave., Albany. Interment was at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of NENY, 85 Watervliet Ave., Albany 12206.

Dorothy Smith

Dorothy (Schenmeyer) Smith, 97, of Glenmont, died Thursday, Feb. 14, at the Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital.

She was born in Albany, the daughter of the late Frederick and Laurena (Coughlin) Schenmeyer. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Albany. Her husband, Henry D. Smith, preceded her in death.

Survivors include four children, Douglas (Audrey) Smith of Voorheesville, CarolAnn Smith of Glenmont, Lynda (Fred) Kingston of Schodack and Wayne (Lynda) Smith of Delmar; two sisters, Ida Betz of Latham and Vera Briggs of Colonie; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by

Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Burial will be in Memory's Garden, Colonie.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service, 1121 Route 9W, Selkirk 12158.

Floyd O. Coons

Floyd O. Coons, 81, of New Baltimore, formerly of Medway, died at his home on Feb. 14.

He was born in Medway on June 10, 1926. He served during World War II in the Navy.

He operated Coons & Schoonmaker Block Mfg. until 1956 and then was a self-employed truck driver, driving for Callanan Industries, South Bethlehem until his retirement.

Mr. Coons was the widower of Jean (Best) Coons.

Survivors include his wife, Edith (Eisenhardt) Coons of New Baltimore, and one son, Thomas Coons (Donna) of Medway; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren, Camryn Elwyn, Audrey Elwyn and Ylexzis Traeger.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Feb. 18, at the Cunningham Funeral Home in Greenville.

Interment was at the Medway Church Cemetery.



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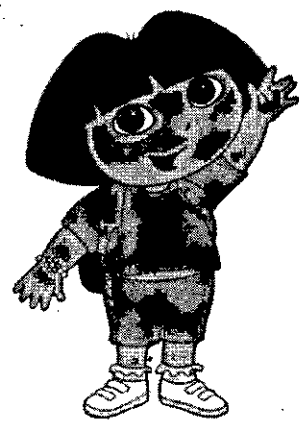
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so supportive and generous over the years. ... We've enjoyed our relationships on Delaware Avenue and have made many friends.

"We're not giving up," Verstandig concluded. "We're not going out of business."

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce President Marty DeLaney said the closing of Verstandig's shop on Delaware Avenue would not go unnoticed.

"Bob Verstandig and the Verstandig family are the epitome of a longtime Bethlehem family with a strong work ethic and belief in service to their customers," said DeLaney. "Closing this landmark business is a big loss for the community."

Verstandig still holds onto the deed, but said he is planning to sell the property to Steve Bolduc's Keystone Builders once Bolduc gets approval from the town. During the Tuesday, Feb. 5, planning board meeting Bolduc proposed to turn the five-acre lot into nine buildings containing 40 condominiums.

"We were fortunate enough to have our local builder, Steve Bolduc, interested in the property. We think he's developed a really fine proposal, and it will be an asset to the town," Verstandig said. "We haven't had a closing yet. We're allowing him to get approval from the town. We might have as much as six months to make all of the moving arrangements."

The Verstandig's Floral Shop has been a fixture in Delmar since 1932 when Robert's parents Bertha and Alfonse Verstandig started a landscaping business on half of the current property.

"We've been located here ever since," said Verstandig.

Ten years later, in 1942, his mother Bertha Verstandig started the flower business there.

"She literally used an ice box with ice delivered by Bob Westervelt, the old Delmar ice man," Verstandig said about his mother's original floral shop.

Alfonse Verstandig came to Delmar in the late 1920s, which was mostly owned by the Bennett family, according to Ver-

standig, to visit with a "school buddy" who also happened to be a horticulturist.

"He met Mrs. Verstandig here, and the rest is history," Verstandig said. Bertha Verstandig came to America with her family as German refugees from World War One.

The rest of the current property, which includes five greenhouses, a large two-story farmhouse, and the flower and gift shop, was built in 1958. The original house on the property was built in the early 1900s, according to Verstandig.

Starting "from the time I could work a wheelbarrow," Verstandig said, he officially became a part of the family business in 1960; the same year he married his wife, Ilse. Verstandig joined the business that year after serving in the United States Navy.

He retired as a captain in the U.S. Naval Reserve after 34 years of service and the Verstandig business was incorporated in 1970.

Fast-forward to today, and Robert and Ilse have continued the family tradition by bringing their own children into the business.

"My two sons joined with me, and they presently run the Selkirk business," Verstandig said.

In 1997, Verstandig bought "the old Riley Farm" on Creeble Road in Selkirk.

Robert Jr. and Mark Verstandig run the 18 greenhouses at the family's Selkirk location. Verstandig's daughter, Lisa Godlewski, is also in the agricultural business, serving as the executive director of the Co-operative Extension in Albany County.

"We produce flowering plants, both annuals and perennials, for wholesale distribution," Verstandig said about the Selkirk business. "It's a year-round operation."

Verstandig said he tried to keep his family's property on Delaware Avenue a part of the town.

"We made an honest effort to keep it in the community because we felt like the community deserved it," Verstandig said. "We offered the property to the town a number of times for various reasons ... all of which didn't get much response."

The Verstandigs offered the property to the town for an expanded Town Hall, a new library, for the school district, and even the fire department - proposals that, for one reason or another, fell through, Verstandig said.

"It was hard to expand to make the Delaware Avenue operation more profitable," Verstandig said. "The town government, both before and presently, have been very supportive throughout the years ... but most of my proposals were defeated by public opposition."

It wasn't until the parcel was re-zoned that he could finally sell the piece of land he had so many problems expanding and improving upon, said Verstandig.

"The property was zoned residential since the inception of zoning in the town," said Verstandig. "When the reassessment and zoning took place with the new administration, we got the zoning changed to multiple residential ... which then gave us the opportunity to sell it for a reasonable price."

Because of more space in Selkirk, Verstandig said he is looking forward to expanding and going greener than ever.

"Right now we're in the pursuit of renewable energy. ... We're getting the glitches out, and when we do expand, it will hopefully be independent in terms of energy consumption," he said.

Aided by USDA grants, the Verstandigs have installed radiant heat in the Selkirk greenhouses and a water recovery sys-



ABOVE: A variety of gifts can be found inside of Verstandig's, a business that began as small landscaping operation in the 1930s. No timetable has been given, but Robert Verstandig has announced he plans on selling his property to Keystone Builders once they get approval from the town. LEFT: Owners Robert and Ilse Verstandig.

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"We've had a number of local residents who have been loyal and hardworking, and we will continue to employ them," Verstandig said. "We appreciate all of our customers over the years here, and we think the Selkirk plan is going to be a very positive project."

tem for all of their greenhouses. The next step, Verstandig said, is investing into solar and wind equipment for electrical production.

As for his employees in Delmar, Verstandig said many would still have jobs when he closes his doors on Delaware Ave.

Careys

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the Careys saying that Jonathan's Law needs to be strengthened to better protect the disabled.

"There has to be a full and complete care system for this ... Jonathan's Law is not enough," Tedisco said. "Jonathan is in heaven, but there are other children here on earth."

Although they are from opposite sides of the aisle, Assemblyman Gordon echoed Tedisco's sentiment.

"The standard of abuse for a person in residential care should be the same for a person not in residential care. There shouldn't be two standards of abuse," Gordon said. The first term assemblyman added that the use of food as a reward and a punishment should be considered a form of torture.

"It's a horrible thought," Gordon said. "It harkens to something you'd see in Guantanamo Bay."

Several others spoke about residential abuse on behalf of the Careys, and letters from others and anonymous supporters were

also read. Some of the letters were from parents who discovered abuses of their children and want more accessible records; others were from people employed as caregivers who witnessed abuses themselves.

"I was the supervisor of two residential group homes in upstate New York ... I encountered direct care staff that neglected the consumers, used alcohol or drugs while on the job, stole from

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the residences, many that did not properly care for the consumers, and many who were not emotionally fit for caring for the disabled," Marie Haley wrote.

Another parent wrote to the Careys about the frustration of finding help for abuses she discovered.

"I have found no local agency to be helpful, or I was told 'We're looking into the matter,' and once I told the school I would go to the state police, they said my own behavior was becoming erratic,"

wrote Debbie Long.

Long has a son who went to a private facility in downstate New York between 1998 and 2000. She said her son began coming home with large black and blue marks on his body and that the facility conducted its own internal investigation.

She wrote that her requests for injury reports were ignored.

Michael Carey said he hopes the tragedy of his son's death will spur more changes in what he described as a broken system.

He also added that he and his wife are not against caregivers at large, but they believe that low pay, poor management and pre-screening, and hasty employment practices lead to many of the problems facing residential facilities in the state.

"Lisa and I know there are a lot of wonderful caregivers, and we're not speaking about them," Michael Carey said. "You have to have a lot of control if a child comes up and bites you. Let's face it, even the best of parents in tough times will do things they regret. They [the caregivers] deserve better pay. Especially in the private sector."

Endowment Fund 2008 scholarship applications available

The Bethlehem Central Endowment Fund Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that several scholarships will be available to Class of 2008 seniors from Bethlehem Central High School.

Applications for the following scholarships are available in the BCHS Counseling Center or online at the web page for the Community Foundation for the Capital Region at www.cfc.org: The Eagle Award, the Jeanette Pace Memorial Scholar-

ship, the Russell Ellers Memorial Scholarship, the Will Raub Memorial Scholarship, the Cpt. Timothy J. Moshier Memorial Scholarship and the Jonathan Albert Memorial Scholarship.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution to these memorial awards may do so throughout the year. Checks should be made payable to the BC Endowment Fund and mailed to 90 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

The goal of the BC Endowment Fund is to "enrich the

overall educational process of the Bethlehem Central schools by funding programs and capital projects that traditionally are not financed through local tax dollars" and to support scholarships for graduating seniors.

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Valentine surprise



Students in grades one through four arrived at the Beverwyck retirement community in the back of Western Turnpike Rescue Squad ambulance on Valentine's Day. The students handed out handmade Valentine cards to the residents of Beverwyck. **BOTTOM LEFT:** Donna Sobel, standing left, of the Western Turnpike Rescue Squad, and Bridget McGivern, standing right, a second-grade girl's teacher at Albany Academy and rescue squad member, with students from Albany Academy at Beverwyck retirement community in Slingerlands. Participating students included: second-grader Tattiahna Welsh; third-grader Madeleine Cavallino; second-grader Madeline Rimkunas; second-grader Drew Epstein; fourth-grader Matt Milliken; first-grader Gabe Hefta; and third-grader Liam Hefta.

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A 2008 Kindergarten Information Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 12 at 7 p.m. (parents only). Kindergarten registration and screening program will be explained. Schedule an appointment to have your child screened on March 31 or April 1.

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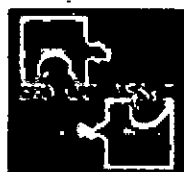


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Remembering Jonathan

TOP RIGHT: Friends and family light candles for Jonathan Carey at a memorial service on Delaware Avenue in Delmar, Friday, Feb. 15. The event marked the one-year anniversary of the autistic 13-year-old's death.

TOP LEFT: Lisa Carey, the mother of Jonathan Carey, shares a photograph of her son and his love for horses during the memorial service.

LEFT: Michael Carey, the father of Jonathan Carey, talks to area residents at the memorial service for his son.

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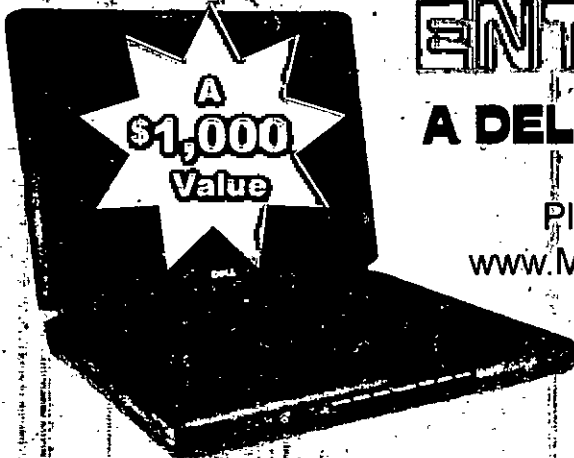
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Finance *in the* Spotlight

Baby boomers dilemma: Too broke to retire? Many New Yorkers unprepared, starting late

By James C. Nickens, Senior Vice President and Sales Manager, Key Investment Services

A recent KeyBank/Zogby International poll has found that approximately 63 percent of New York's baby boomers expect to go broke during their lifetime. This actually beats the national average — 67 percent — so New Yorkers may be marginally savvier than other Americans.

However, rather than saving and planning for retirement, many feel that they have done too little toward providing for their financial security. Baby boomers are lasting longer, but their money isn't. Many boomers are expected to live well into their

80s or 90s, through 20 to 25 years of retirement. In 1900 the average time spent in retirement was only 1.2 years, and by 1980 the average time Americans spent in retirement was 13.6 years.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Census Bureau reports only 41 percent of workers from 25 to 64 years old have retirement savings, and more than half with savings have saved less than \$33,000.

In its poll of boomers aged 43 to 61 and with \$100,000 to \$500,000 in investable assets, KeyBank/Zogby International researchers found

that 51 percent claim they are doing financial planning, yet 63 percent believe they will or could run out of money during their lifetimes. Moreover, 35 percent of those surveyed said they are reconsidering or changing their planned retirement age and, of those, 77 percent now expect to retire later than they had planned. The reasons for this change of plans are the need for more savings (46 percent) and concerns for rising health care costs (41 percent), while excess debt and lack of job security also worry boomers. By more than two to



James Nickens

one — 69 percent to 31 percent — the KeyBank/Zogby International poll found that boomers feel less confident that Social Security will be there for them than they formerly had. In 2006, Social Security was the largest source of income for Americans age 65 and older, comprising 39.8 percent of their income on average.

Doubts about Social Security are just part of a more general social insecurity about retirement.

Old-fashioned, fixed-benefit pensions with dependable payouts are diminishing across America. Watson Wyatt Worldwide reported the number of Fortune 100 companies offering fixed-benefit pensions had dropped from 68 percent in 1998 to 50 percent by 2002. Many companies are replacing these plans with 401(k)s, but only 15 percent of working Americans had IRAs in 2002 and only 22 percent contributed to 401(k)s, according to the Employee Benefit Research Institute. By 2004, the most recent data available, 36 percent of Americans participated in 401(k)s, but recent fluctuations in the stock market have put 401(k)s on a roller coaster ride, making millions jittery.

Baby boomers comprise an estimated 77 million Americans, so this uncertainty is a major concern across the economy. Boomers have had more opportunities, more earning potential — \$3 trillion annually according to the AARP — and more overall wealth than any generation in history. If boomers stop spending, the predicted consumer-led recession could be a deep dive indeed.

Let's leave the big picture behind, though, and bring this issue back home.

Nearly everyone — 82 percent of those surveyed in the KeyBank/Zogby International poll — agrees that retirement planning should begin by age 30, although relatively few American workers actually manage to do this. In fact, many of those surveyed said they would be more likely to get a physical exam from a doctor (42 percent) or a vehicle tune-up from a mechanic (25 percent) than review their finances with an outside expert (5 percent).

This procrastination brings big penalties. A worker investing \$2,000 annually starting at age 21 will have \$347,508 more at 65 than a worker with the same salary who waited until age 30 to start investing.

However, it's never too late. Regular allocations to retirement accounts such as 401(k) plans and IRAs can produce significant savings, even when workers begin systematic saving relatively late in their careers.

How to start?

First, realistically assess ongoing needs by totaling what you owe on your mortgage, credit cards and children's college funds.

Next, visualize your future in three basic steps:

- Calculate how long you expect to live in retirement based on health-factor longevity predictors. Many such calculators are available on the Internet.

RETIRE, OR...?

Many baby boomers view retirement very differently than past generations. It may represent a new beginning, sometimes spurred by lack of savings but often is welcomed as a life-enriching opportunity.

Personal service businesses may be the most productive opportunities for generating income after leaving a salaried position. Some of the fastest-growing service businesses are engineered to fulfill the needs of fellow boomer-aged retirees or semiretirees. Here are just a few examples.

Downsizing consultant. Many boomers downsize their homes when their grown children leave for college and careers. Consultants help them streamline and organize possessions and locate smaller living spaces.

Health coach. Boomers may be the most health-minded generation in history. Health and wellness coaches who are age-peers of boomers entering retirement can help improve longevity and quality of life.

Specialty travel agent. Travel may be the most cherished dream of retirees, and a travel agent of the same age can understand the special needs, interests and limitations of their peers.

Professional organizer. Retired boomers often seek to reorganize their living spaces, even if they don't intend to downsize, and especially if they launch a home-based business. Professional organizers can help reconfigure or repurpose living spaces.

Drivers. As health issues challenge boomers' mobility, many need assistance for shopping, medical appointments and other errands. Boomer age chauffeurs or van drivers understand these issues, providing a level of comfort for their clients.

Many retirees expand their volunteer activities. Endless numbers of national and community-based programs need the energies, expertise and people skills of retirees. From the Peace Corps, with its opportunities to serve overseas, to local groups providing a myriad of community benefits, many retirees are building second or third careers in service to others.

- Determine the lifestyle you want in retirement. Most experts estimate that retirees need approximately 70 percent of the annual income they had while working.

- Consult a financial planning specialist to help calculate your real costs of retirement versus your current obligations and income, then develop a plan to close the gap.

Financial professionals can help not only with this crucial step of planning and setting up an investment program to fulfill the plan but also to fine-tune your plan as your needs evolve:

It's never too early, and it's never too late; and it's absolutely not a foregone conclusion that you'll outlive your money.

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Girl, Kaitlyn Rose Robbins, daughter of Melissa and Gary Robbins of Delmar, born Nov. 4, 2007.

Twins, Benjamin George and Eliza Grace Cable, children of Jaime and Christopher Cable of Delmar, born Nov. 21, 2007.

Girl, Dawn Angel Cleveland, daughter of Caron Felter and

Fred Cleveland of Feura Bush, born Nov. 11, 2007.

Boy, Reece Jordan Graham, son of Dorothy and Rick Graham of Delmar, born Nov. 20, 2007.

Girl, Daniella Cassaro Oberting, daughter of Vera Cassaro and John Oberting of Slingerlands, born March 19, 2007.

Girl, Katherine Ramey Sutliff, daughter of Jennifer and Paul Sutliff of Delmar, born Sept. 22, 2007.

Boy, Ryan James Whitbeck, son of Kelly and Stephen Whitbeck of Feura Bush, born Sept. 21, 2007.

Boy, Thomas Walter Zemsky,

son of Christine and Jeff Zemsky of Glenmont, born Sept. 24, 2007.

Boy, Jack Earl Franz, son of Laura and Rob Franz of Feura Bush, born on June 29, 2007.

Boy, Oliver Nash Raymond, son of Julia and Chad Raymond of Glenmont, born Oct. 8, 2007.

Girl, Katherine Elise Reynolds, daughter of Cristine and Robert Reynolds of Glenmont, born July 15, 2007.

Boy, Joshua Thomas Edwards, son of Justine and Paul Edwards of Glenmont, born Oct. 12, 2007.

Boy, Matthew Read Jones, son of Laurel and Michael Jones of Delmar, born Oct. 18, 2007.

Girl, Rosemary Arcudi Sprague, daughter of Emily and Tracey Sprague of Delmar, born Oct. 11, 2007.

Dean's List

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Cynthia Gilchrist of Selkirk

Hilbert College

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Hartwick College

Elizabeth Breaznell and Colleen Lyons, both of Delmar
Matthew Koonz of Selkirk

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Caitlin Deitz of Delmar

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Vidhya Aroumougame, Matthew Drislane, Elizabeth

Gallacchi, Nathan Harrison, Ahmad Nazem, Brian Parrella, Jason Sanchez, Diane Sheppard, Owen Stump and Matthew Unright, all of Delmar

Julie Deitz, Olesia Kruglov and Aric Mine, all of Glenmont

Erik Fast, Timothy Kieper, Cassie Ostrander and Atif Zaidi, all of Selkirk

Robert Bocala, John Cucinelli, Mark Genovesi, Stephen Huse, Alison Kennicutt, Reynald Lescarbeau and Ashley Rio, all of Slingerlands


Gregory DeLaney, Brittney Logan, Taylor Osterhout and Julia Van Cleve, all of Voorheesville

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Michael Paul Keneston and April Melian Pini

Keneston, Pini to marry

April Melian Pini, daughter of Joseph and Marsha Pini of Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Michael Paul Keneston, son of Michael and Christine Keneston of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Coastal Carolina University. She is a biologist with the Reedy Creek Improvement District in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the Central Florida Fire Academy. He is an EMT with American Ambulance in Orlando

and the Walt Disney Co.

The couple plans a June wedding.



Holly Jordan and Brian Battle

Jordan, Battle to wed

Holly Jordan, daughter of Marion Jordan and Gail Jordan, both of Maryland, and Brian Battle, son of Gerri and Dennis Battle of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Springbrook High School, the University of Florida and Florida State University, where she received a master's degree in higher education administration. She is an event manager in the office of university relations at Florida State.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Alfred University and Florida State University, where he received a master's degree

in sports management. He is the associate athletic director for compliance at Florida State.

The couple plans a July wedding.

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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN
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Proctors has been looking for a show that would appeal to a younger demographic, maybe bring some people to the theater for the first time.

Kathy Jarvis, Proctors marketing director, thinks "4ISH" is that show.

"4ISH" is a mix of break dancing, hip-hop, extreme sports, inline skating and video clips put on by a multi-cultural ensemble from Holland called ISH. It will take the Mainstage at Proctors on Friday, Feb. 22, at 8 p.m.

"It's different, and that's exactly the reason that we brought it," Jarvis said. "We're trying to cultivate the next generation. We rarely have the opportunity to bring a show like this to the marketplace here."

Of course, describing such a show to that next generation is no easy task. It's not a traditional play, musical or concert. Jarvis compared it to when the show "Stomp" was first gaining popularity.

"People are making rhythm with cigarette lighters, making rhythm with trash cans?" she said. "It's tough to explain. That's the challenge that we have. Certainly in our ads we are saying, 'What is 4ISH?' It's not quite theater, it's not quite sports. It's dancing and hip-hop and skating. It's beat box."

Marco Gerris, who founded ISH in 1999 when he was 23 years old, offered his own take on the show in an e-mail that he squeezed in between stops on the group's U.S. tour, which kicked off Jan. 28 in Cleveland.

"It's a very energetic show, with a lot of everything," Gerris wrote. "It's a group of friends who show the audience our lifestyle with a lot of humor, but also a lot of talent. We show that the street skills can be art, too."

Gerris was one of the



'4ISH' A MIXED DISH

Youth-oriented performance at Proctors combines theater, hip-hop, extreme sports and more

youngest theatrical producers in the Netherlands when he put ISH together. The name was derived from the suffix "ish," which has no specific definition,

not unlike the mash of disciplines ISH's performances showcase. Gerris came up with the idea for the show when he realized street skills had never really been seen in the theater.

Gerris' background includes acting and competing on the freestyle dance/skate circuit, and he filled the roster of "4ISH" with

similarly skilled performers.

Ken Srisangkhan of Thailand, for example, dances and skates and counts martial arts and magic among his other interests.

Micka Karlsson is a former performer with the Norholms Youth Circus, where her specialty was air (trapeze and rope) and group acrobatics (human pyramids). Melissa Elberger of

Switzerland is known for her break dancing and acrobatics.

People who attend the show at Proctors can show off their own street skills. The theater will host a dance contest beforehand, and it will give out prizes and gift certificates.

"We want to make it a festive atmosphere for the kids and get kids who have never been here," Jarvis said.

That's not to say the older generation is being excluded. Jarvis encouraged parents and grandparents to come out for the show, too.

Gerris noted "4ISH" has been a hit among all ages at paid performances and at free shows the ensemble has put on at schools.

"The audience reaction is fantastic," he said. "The crowd

goes wild and gives a lot of respect. People compare it with the rush of a video clip from MTV."

Jarvis hopes the crowd that comes to Proctors will enjoy the show enough to check out other offerings at the theater in the weeks and months to come.

"We hope we get the younger generation and get them to live performances," she said.

Jarvis is looking forward to seeing "4ISH" in person for the first time herself.

"I am intrigued by it," she said. "It's a great show."

Tickets are \$35, \$30, \$25 and \$20 and are available online at www.proctors.org or through the Proctors-box office.

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Arts & Entertainment

Theater

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Famous comedy presented by Shakespeare & Company, Maureen Stapleton Theatre, Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, Feb. 21, noon, free. Information, 629-4849.

HAY FEVER

Presented by Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., Albany, through March 9, 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, \$15. Information, 462-1297.

THE REAL INSPECTOR HOUND

Performed along with "The Fifteen Minute Hamlet" by Home Made Theater, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, through Feb. 24, \$19-\$22. Information, 587-4427.

ner of Second and State streets, Troy, \$25-\$29. Information, 273-0038.

DAVE MASON AND AL KOOPER

Two classic rock artists, March 1, 7:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$26. Information, 473-1845.

Comedy

JIM NORTON

Performing comedy that makes people laugh and cringe at the same time, Feb. 22, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$29.50. Information, 473-1845.

GREG GIRALDO

Comedy Central comedian takes his act on the road, March 14, 7:30 and 10 p.m., GE Theatre at Proctors, State Street, Schenectady, \$30. Information, 346-6204.

Music

BLACK 47

Irish-American rock band performing songs off new CD "Iraq," Feb. 22, 8:30 p.m., Albany Irish American Center, Albany, \$20. Information, 438-8230.

TAJ MAHAL

Veteran blues performer, Feb. 23, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$29.50. Information, 473-1845.

IVAN NEVILLE'S DUMPSTAPHUNK

New Orleans funk, Feb. 23, 9 p.m., Revolution Hall, River Street, Troy, \$18 advance, \$20 door. Information, 274-0553.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB

The trio of Ann Brandon, Cynthia Berberian Hale and Mary Moran performs piano works by Rachmaninoff, Schubert and Bach, Feb. 24, 3 p.m., First Unitarian Universalist Society of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., Albany, free.

MONTEREY JAZZ FESTIVAL BAND

Quintet featuring Terrence Blanchard, James Moody, Benny Green, Derrick Hodge and Kendrick Scott celebrate the festival's 50th anniversary with national tour, Feb. 23, 8 p.m., Proctors Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, \$20-\$38. Information, 346-6204.

CELTIC FIDDLE FESTIVAL

Featuring Kevin Burke, Christian Lemaire and André Brunet, Feb. 26, 8 p.m., Old Songs Inc., 37 South Main St., Voorheesville, \$25 adults, \$5 children 12 and under. Information, 765-2815.

THE ROCHEs

Singing sisters, Feb. 23, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$26. Information, 473-1845.

QUARTET SAN FRANCISCO

Chamber music with a twist, Feb. 29, 8 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, cor-

Latham, Information, 786-6557.

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

"The Syracuse Mile," featuring two of the

central New York's famous stock cars, plus ongoing exhibits including "East of Detroit" and New York racing, 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Springs, Information, 587-1935, ext. 20.

THE HYDE COLLECTION

"Elihu Vedder and Italy," through March 16, 161 North Warren St., Glens Falls, Information, 792-1761.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"Claude Lorraine — New Acquisitions," a collection of drawings from famous French landscape artist, through April 6, 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

"Molecules that Matter," through April 13,

Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs, Information, 580-8080.

Call for Artists

SCHENECTADY CIVIC PLAYERS

Holding open auditions for May production of "The Last Five Years," a two-character musical by Jason Robert Brown, Feb. 26 and 28, 7 p.m., Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church Street, Schenectady, Information, 469-2269.

TANGO FUSION DANCE COMPANY

Auditioning professional dancers by appointment at Arthur Murray Dance Studio, 75 Woodlawn Ave., Saratoga Springs, Information, 306-4173.

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.

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

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.

SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

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

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Cast Images: American Brone Sculpture from the Metropolitan Museum of Art," through Feb. 24; "Look-Alikes: The Amazing World of Joan Steiner," through March 2; "Expressions in Blue: A Feeling, A Place, A Color, A Sound," through March 16; 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

"Cast with Style: 19th Century Cast-Iron Stoves," Jan. 26 through May 25; "Venetian Scenes by Walter Launt Palmer," a collection of 15 paintings, sketches, diaries and photographs, through June 1; plus "The Folk Spirit of Albany: Folk Art from the Collection of the Albany Institute of History and Art" and exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

"Cities @ Night," featuring urban images from General Electric's Photographic Collection, through April 4, plus Spirit of Schenectady, collection highlights and planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights, Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Farsighted," featuring photos, projections, sculptures and other items from around the world, through March 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.

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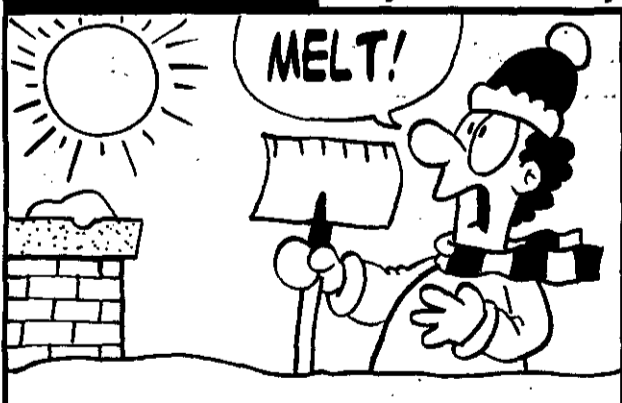
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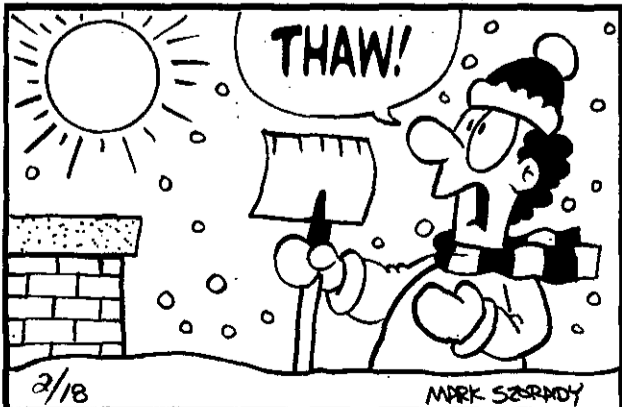
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Calendar of Events *in the* Spotlight

Wednesday, Feb. 20

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-care takers 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.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB (NOT IN JULY OR AUGUST)
Normanside Country Club, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

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

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

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

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

EVENINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)
Bethlehem Public Library's Free Summer Concert Series, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9341.

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.

BC SCHOOL BOARD
district office, 90 Adams Place, 7 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233
1016 River Road (Route 144), Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

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.
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Thursday, Feb. 21

DELMAR

WEIGHT WATCHERS
The local chapter of Weight Watchers meets tonight at 6 p.m. at St. Stephen's Church, Delmar.

BETHLEHEM

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

FREE HEALTH LECTURES
Dr. Ron Stram and staff offer free health lectures every third Thursday of each month. All events at the Center for Integrative Health and Healing, 7:30 p.m. Registration recommended. Information and topics, call 689-2244 or visit www.cihh.net

BETHLEHEM ART ASSOCIATION
Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m., information, 439-3948.

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

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.

SLINGERLANDS

SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Slingerlands Community United Method-

ist 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.

NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB
New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 22

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

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.

Saturday, Feb. 23

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.

Sunday, Feb. 24

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, 436-7740.
Gospel Fellowship, 10 Rocketteller Road,

Delmar, 482-2132.
King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.

KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 10 a.m. meditation, 11 a.m. tea, 11:30 a.m. study course, 374-1792.

Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510.
Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766.
Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314.

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953.
St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue, Delmar, 439-3265;
St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar, 439-4951.

Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship, 436 Krumkill Road, North Bethlehem, 438-7740.

NEW SCOTLAND

WORSHIP INFORMATION
All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., Guilderland, 475-9086, ESL and Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Services, 10 a.m.
Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.

Family Worship Center, 92 Lower Copeland Hill Road, Feura Bush, 768-2021.
Faith Temple, New Salem, 765-2870.

First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, 765-2895.
Jerusalem Reformed Church, Route 32, Feura Bush, 439-0548.

Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, Voorheesville, 765-3390.
Onesquethaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush, 768-2133.

New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 439-6454.
St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 765-2805.

Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 765-4410. DAY —

Monday, Feb. 25

SLINGERLANDS
Adamsville Ancients Fife and Drum Corps offer lessons for beginner fife, snare drum and bass drum at 7 p.m.; rehearsal at 7:30. Call 439-8727 for information.

BETHLEHEM

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

DELMAR KIWANIS
Tool's Family Restaurant, Delaware Avenue, 6:15 p.m. Information, call Chris at 439-3026 or Gary at 439-9629

PLAYGROUP
First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave. Meets 10:30 a.m. to noon in the nursery. The playgroup provides opportunities for child care takers and pre-nursery school age children to socialize in a relaxed atmosphere. Information, call 439-9976 ext. 228

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.

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.

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

AA MEETING
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 p.m.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

ALTAMONT
Altamont Free Library guest speaker
Author Dr. Stephen "Bird" Birchak, author of "How to Build a Child's Character — by tapping into your own," and co-author of "Champions of Dignity," will speak at the Altamont Free Library at 7 p.m. For more information call 861-7239.

Tuesday, Feb. 26

DELMAR

WEIGHT WATCHER DELMAR MEETINGS
The local chapter of Weight Watchers meets today at 12:15 p.m. at St. Stephen's Church, Delmar.

SLINGERLANDS
Back to Basics Child & Adult Workshop Bethlehem Children's School, 12 Fisher Blvd., Slingerlands, 7-9 p.m. Learn how to turn recycled plastic bags into creative, useful items, \$10 donation.

BETHLEHEM

FARMERS MARKET (SPRING, SUMMER, FALL)
Market and Chicken Barbeque, 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. rain or shine; First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave.

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP
First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Gently used brand name clothing and accessories at very low prices.

CHURCH LUNCH (JUNE, JULY, AUGUST)
Sponsored by the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Willowbrook Avenue, weekly on Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 767-9953.

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

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

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356.

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

Wednesday, Feb. 27

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

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First United Methodist Church playgroups will meet from 10:30 to noon in the nursery. Playgroup provides opportunity for child care takers and pre-nursery school age children to socialize in a relaxed atmosphere. Information, call 439-9976, ext. 228.

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

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

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

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

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58
Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

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

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

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: KATZ EXCAVATING LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/03/02. The name was amended to KATZ EXCAVATING AND CONSTRUCTION, LLC on 06/06/06. Office location: Saratoga 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, 20 South Church Street, Schenectady, New York 12305. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17783 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of NSHE Nipomo, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/20/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Arizona (AZ) on 7/14/06. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. AZ address of LLC: 2390 East Camelback Road, Ste. 325, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Arts. of Org. filed with AZ Corp. Commission, 1300 West Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-17902 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BOXWOOD WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/12/07. The LLC was originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 05/25/07. 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 Martin Bergstein, 450 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York 10123. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17903 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 321 CHAUNCEY STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/12/07. 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, 47 Brook Road, Valley Stream, New York 11581. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17904 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of BARNSTON LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/29/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY

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Notice of Formation of CURZON 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 lawful activities. LD-17906 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of PROJECT ADVISORS GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/24/04 with the name AR PURCHASING LLC. 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-17907 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Pacific Platinum, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/28/07. 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-17909 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of BISOUX LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17911 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of ABATRI INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17912 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of DRIFTWOOD VALLEY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17913 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of GRATTAN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17914 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of JANDO HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17915 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of LEE-LANE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17916 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of MEAINS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17917 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of SNOWDON LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17918 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of STONE FORT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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-17919 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of SUGAN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/26/07. 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.

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The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services, Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-17920 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Group P&B International LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/5/07. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Incorporating Services, Ltd., 3500 S. Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17924 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of East-Coast-Contact LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/13/07. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Incorporating Services Ltd., 3500 S. Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17925 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Registration of Sloss Eckhouse Brennan LLP. Ctl of Reg. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/20/2007. Office location: Albany County. Principal office: 555 West 25th St., 4th Fl, NY, NY 10001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: the LLP, 555 West 25th St., 4th Fl, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17926 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Wells Fargo Home Mortgage of Hawaii, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/28/2007. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: One Home Campus Mac #X2401-049, Des Moines, IA 50328. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/4/1998. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: 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: provide residential mortgage lending. LD-17928 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Treadway Enterprises USA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/23/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17929 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Ahava of California, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 06/06/07. LLC Formed in California (CA) on 03/08/00. 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 Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. CA address of LLC: 908 Rose Ave., Venice, CA 90291.

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Notice of Qualification of Arts. Of Org. filed with CA Secy. Of State, 1500 11th St., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17930 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of JMC SELKIRK, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/8/07. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/2/87. 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., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17931 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of JMC SELKIRK HOLDINGS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/8/07. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/22/90. 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., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17932 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CROSS-TOWN WEST 28 LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/02/08. 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 Leonard Zigelbaum, 10 Cove Lane, Kings Point, New York 11024. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17939 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: EAST 170th NO. 2, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/02/08. 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, 501 Avenue F, Brooklyn, New York 11218. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17940 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Green Bass, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/08. 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-17934 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of NSHE NY Brooklyn, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/3/08. 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 CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-17935 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: ENVIRONMENTAL LUNCH BOX TECHNOLOGY LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Sec-

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retary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/23/07. 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 ENVIRONMENTAL LUNCH BOX TECHNOLOGY LLC, 341 Settles Hill Rd, Altamont, NY 12009. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date. LD-17936 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Greentree Fiber Arts, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 12/7/07. 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 245 Starr Rd., Ravenna, NY 12143. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17937 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of PML Wireless, LLC, App. for Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 12/6/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC org. in GA 7/6/06. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Nat. Reg. Agents, 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. GA office address: 5 Concourse Pkwy., Ste. 400, Atlanta, GA 30328. Art. of Org. on file: SSGA, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Atlanta, GA 30334. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17938 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TRIAD 11 WEST, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/28/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17962 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TRIAD 13 EAST, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/28/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17964 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Capitol Premium Plan, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/17/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Missouri (MO) on 6/5/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 Eighth Ave., NY, NY 10011, also registered agent. Address to be maintained in MO: 427 West 12th St., Ste. 100, Kansas City, MO 64105. Arts. of Org. filed with MO Secy. Of State, 800 W.Main St., Rm 322, Jefferson City, MO 65101. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JENNIFER STOCK LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/18/07. 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 Ross Wisdom CPA, PLLC, 29 Broadway, Suite 1412, New York, New York 10006-3249. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17961 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TRIAD CANAL, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/28/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17962 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TRIAD 15 EAST, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/28/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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Notice of Qualification of Barrington Lakes TP LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/28/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/29/07. 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 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-17966 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Barrington Manor TP LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/28/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/29/07. 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 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-17967 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of 1011 Clark TP LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/28/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/29/07. 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 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-17968 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Ahmed 3, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/31/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Missouri (MO) 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 MO: 11 Long Meadows Ln., St. Louis, MO 63131. Arts. of Org. filed with MO Secy. Of State, 600 W. Main, Jefferson, MO 65101. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17970 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Elizabeth A. Riley NP In Psychiatry, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/13/07. 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, 1471 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17972 (February 20, 2008)

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chiatry, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/13/07. 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, 1471 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-17973 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of IM & SC LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/28/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17974 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Good Family LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/08/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-17975 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Lusia LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/04/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-17976 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of CON-VERT GROUP ENG. LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/21/07. 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 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-17977 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Meredith Jayne Interior Spaces L.L.C., Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on August 16, 2007. 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 Towne, Bartkowski & DeFio Kean, P.C., P.O. Box 15072, 450 New Karner Road, Albany, New York 12212. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17980 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

DRAKE ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed on the 31st day of October, 2007. The office is located in the County of Albany with a principal place of business of 11 Mayfair Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent for service of process and shall mail such process to 11 Mayfair Drive,

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Slingerlands, New York 12159. this LLC is formed for every legal purpose. LD-17982 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of TILLMAN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/26/04. 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-17983 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of SPORT & MORE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/10/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon 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-17984 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 645 LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/03/07. 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, Post Office Box 151, Bronx, New York 10461. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17985 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: AMERICAN MAINTENANCE SYSTEMS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/14/07. 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 Barrows & Associates PLLC, 330 Madison Avenue, 6th Floor, New York, New York 10017. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17986 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: UTOPIAN CONSTRUCTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/21/07, with an existence date of 01/02/08. 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 Robert Schmidt, 45 East 7th Street, #3A, New York, New York 10003. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-17987 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of RTC Operating Company, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/4/2008. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 1155 Perimeter Center West, Ste. 1200, Atlanta, GA 30338.

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LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/12/1997. 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., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17988 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of West Hempstead Development LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/3/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/15/06. 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: 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: any lawful activity. LD-17989 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of UMS Services of Albany, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/7/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/2/08. 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 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-17990 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of GREATER ATLANTA FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/28/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: One Home Campus, MAC# X2401-049, Des Moines, IA 50328. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/31/06. 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: 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: provide residential mortgage lending. LD-17994 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of MedFi International, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/11/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 8/16/00. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: FL address of LLC: 15500 New Barn Road, Ste. 205, Miami Lakes, FL 33014. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, 500 South Bronough St., Tallahassee, FL 32399. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-17995 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Mera, LLC Article of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New

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York (ssny) on December 17 2007. Office location Albany County. SSNY has been designated Agent for Service of Process. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it is C/O Elisabeth Ruthman 14 Aspen Heights, Slingerlands N.Y. 12159. Purpose of LLC: to engage in any lawful activity. Address of principal business location: 1 Juniper Drive Delmar N.Y. 12054. LD-17997 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Mare of Albany, LLC. Article of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (ssny) on December 17 2007. Office location Albany County. SSNY has been designated Agent for Service of Process. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it is C/O Elisabeth Ruthman 14 Aspen Heights, Slingerlands N.Y. 12159. Purpose of LLC: to engage in any lawful activity. Address of principal business location: 1 Juniper Drive Delmar N.Y. 12054. LD-17998 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ("LLC") Name is Champagne Demolition, LLC; Articles of Organization were filed with Secretary of State on June 11, 2007; Office location is in Albany County; Secretary of State has been designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served; the street address of principal business location and Post Office address to which Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process against the LLC is Champagne Demolition, LLC, 300 Smith Boulevard, Port of Albany, Albany, NY 12202; Purpose of the business of the LLC is to engage in any lawful business. LD-18002 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PEARL STREET FLOWERS. LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/23/07. The latest date of dissolution is 09/30/2106. 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, 908 Hewlett Drive, North Woodmere, New York 11581. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18003 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SHORT SALE CONSULTANTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/20/07. The name was amended to SHORT SALE CONSULTANTS, LLC on 12/24/07. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/3333. 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 Joseph G. Canepa, PLLC 37-38 75th Street, Main Floor, Jackson Heights, New York 11372. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18004 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of The Grand Gourmet Deli & Ca-

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tering Company, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/15/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18006 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Altamuro Enterprises, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/11/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18007 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Rebel Rat, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/11/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18008 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Park Hudson Temporary Staffing LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/11/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18009 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Free At Last Properties, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/10/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18010 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Green Team Disposal LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/09/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18011 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of The Grand Gourmet Deli & Catering Company, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/15/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18012 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of ELS Star International LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of

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State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/19/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18013 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of M Alan LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/14/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18014 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Telworx Communications LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/14/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18015 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 163 W 80 LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/28/07. 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, 993 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, New York 10462. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18017 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 17 MAPLE ROAD, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/20/07. 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, 17 Maple Road, Voorheesville, New York 12186. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18018 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Devon Scott LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/15/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18019 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC The Georges Group, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on January 10, 2008. 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, 11 Prospect

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Terrace, Albany, NY 12208. The street address of the principal business location is 11 Prospect Terrace, Albany, NY 12208. 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-18023 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 81-10 COMMONWEALTH BLVD LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/08/08. 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, 100-02 101st Avenue, Ozone Park, New York 11416. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18026 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 81-12 COMMONWEALTH BLVD LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/08/08. 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, 100-12 101st Avenue, Ozone Park, New York 11416. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18027 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ABDE-RIS LLC. Arts. of Org. were filed with SSNY on 1/07/08. 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-18028 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
NMR Ventures, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on January 14, 2008. 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, 18 Walker Way, Albany, NY 12205. The street address of the principal business location is 18 Walker Way, Albany, NY 12205. 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-18029 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Riverbend Kennels LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/07. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Stacy Snyder, 1406 River Rd., Selkirk, NY 12158, also registered agent. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18030 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 81 Media LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/14/08.

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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, c/o Trigger Street Independent, 799 Washington St., NY, NY 10014. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18031 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of 167 SKILLMAN REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. were filed with SSNY on 1/22/08. 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, 131 HOOPER STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11211. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-18032 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Technically Green LLC Articles of organization filed with the NY Sec of State on 12/28/2007. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 188 Woodledge Ct Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: Any Lawful Activity. LD-18035 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of DS-Variel Holding, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/16/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 1/7/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o DS Ventures, Attn: James D. Hearn, Esq., 8383 Wilshire Blvd., Ste 1000, Beverly Hills, CA 90211, also address to be maintained in CA. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. Of State, 1500 11th St., 3rd Fl, Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18037 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Members Only USA, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/17/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18038 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Xemplar Holdings, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/11/08. Office location: Albany County. Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 450 New Karner Rd., Suite 200, Albany, NY 12205, principal business address of the LLC. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18047 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Panorama Ross, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/14/07. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 11705 Airport Way, Broomfield, CO 80021. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/25/07. 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.

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of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, PO Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18050 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Hudson Valley Crossing, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/14/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 2099 Gaither Road, Ste. 100, Rockville, MD 20850. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/2/08. 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., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18051 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Name: Global Consulting Jobs, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on January 24, 2008. Office location: Albany County. Address of principal business location is 226 Bell Ct., Schenectady, NY. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to P.O. Box 676, Guelderland, NY 12084. Purpose: For any lawful act or activity. LD-18052 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JAMES RESTAURANT GROUP LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/15/08. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2075. 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, 605 Carlton Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11238. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18053 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DAVID M. SHLOSH, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/07/08. 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, 1771 East 34th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11234-4427. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18054 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CAFFE IMPORTS OF ITALY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/04/08. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2075. 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, 542 Decatur Street, Apartment 1, Brooklyn, New York 11233.

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Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18055 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JENK-FAM HOLDINGS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/04/08. 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 Ludmila Jenkelowitz, 1374 East 18th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11230. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18056 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 147 JAVA REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/08/08. The name was amended to 151 JAVA REALTY LLC on 01/15/08. 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 Arthur Jochowitz, 77-04 168th Street, Flushing, New York 11366. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18057 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SETH HOCHMAN INSURANCE AGENCY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/21/07. 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, c/o Seth Hoffman, 111 Meadowview Avenue, Hewlett, New York 11557. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18058 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: LEGACY FITNESS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/15/08. 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 Christian Mendoza, 848 Custer Street, Valley Stream, New York 11580. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18059 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of FOLIFORM TRADERS LLC. Arts. of Org. were filed with SSNY on 11/06/02. 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-18060 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of National DCP, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/11/08. Of-

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lice location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/1/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: CSC, 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: any lawful activity. LD-18063 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of WELLET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/15/08. 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 CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity LD-18064 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 415 HUGUENOT 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, c/o MVMC, 403 E. Third Street, Mt. Vernon, New York 10553. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18065 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: VIRTUOSO VW LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/18/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Vivian Fok, 139-16 28th Road, Apartment 3E, Flushing, New York 11354. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18066 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DENTALUNIVERSE, PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/17/08. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2088. 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, 78-15 147th Street, Kew Garden Hill, New York 11367. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Dentistry. LD-18067 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SHYAMA PATEL LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/27/07. 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

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the LLC, Shyama Patel, One Lexington Avenue, Apartment 7A, New York, New York 10010. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18068 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: YOUNG LANDSCAPES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/04/08. 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, 524 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18069 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of BVT Garage, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/22/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18071 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BVT Management, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/22/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18072 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Jplopp LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/24/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18073 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Ringalevio Media LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/11/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18074 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of ARG Resources, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/23/08. Fictitious name in NY State: ARG Resources of Georgia, LLC. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Georgia (GA) on 12/30/07. 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. GA address/principal business location of LLC: 1155 Perimeter Center West, Ste. 1200, Atlanta, GA 30338. Arts. of Org. filed with GA Secy. of State, 312 West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Atlanta, GA 30334. Purpose: employee payroll entity. LD-18075 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Sempra Energy Petrochemicals LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/7/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/30/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 101 Ash St. HQ 13, San Diego, CA 92101. 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-18076 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN OF THE FORMATION OF ReEnergy Advisors LLC under the Limited Liability Company Law. FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is ReEnergy Advisors LLC. SECOND: The Articles of Organization were filed with the New York State Secretary of State on December 28, 2007. THIRD: The county within the state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County. FOURTH: The secretary of state is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the limited liability company may be served. The post office address to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is ReEnergy Advisors LLC; Attn: William H. Ralston, 176 Phila Street, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866. 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-18078 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Prime NY Real Estate, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 1/22/08. 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 c/o Coldwell Banker Commercial Prime Properties, 621 Columbia St., Cohoes, NY 12047. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18079 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Alpha Certified Property Inspections, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 10/18/07. 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 56 Osborne Rd., Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18080 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE FORMATION OF OHD-WATERVLIET, LLC under the Limited Liability Company Law. FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is OHD-WATERVLIET LLC. SECOND: The Articles of Organization were filed with the New York State Secretary of State on January 18, 2008. 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

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limited liability company served upon him or her is 40 Beaver Street, Albany, New York 12207, Attn: Duncan Barrett. 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-18083 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
Articles of Organization for MACROASSOCIATES, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on December 27, 2007. Office located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon which process may be served and a copy of process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State to the LLC at 77 Columbia Street, Albany, New York 12210. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law. LD-18084 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the LLC is Lake Avenue Plaza, 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 January 30, 2008. 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 621 Columbia Street, Cohoes, New York 12047. LD-18088 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BAYSIDE RAM REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/23/07. 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, 42-02 215th Street, Bayside, New York 11361. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18090 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: RS AND T TOWNHOUSES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/16/08. 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 Tova Rosen, 4711.12th Avenue, C3, Brooklyn, New York 11219. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18091 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ZIA'S PIZZERIA, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/04/08. 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

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LLC, 98 Wolf Road, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18092 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of CARQUEST TECHNOLOGIES, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/22/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business address: 4729 Hargrove Rd., Raleigh, NC 27616. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/21/07. NY Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 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-18095 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Kokua Hospitality, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/17/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business address: c/o Oxford Lodging Advisory and Investment Group, LLC, 50 California St., Ste. 3300, San Francisco, CA 94111. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/12/05. NY Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co. (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, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18096 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Midland Funding LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/22/08. NYS fictitious name: Midland Funding of Delaware LLC. Office location: Albany County. Principal business address: 8875 Aero Dr., Ste. 200, San Diego, CA 92123. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/1/05. NY Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 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-18097 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Orchard Childcare I LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 1/22/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/11/07. NY Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 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-18098 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ARIANE MEDIA, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/23/08. Office location: Albany County.

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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 Seth Redniss, 185 Franklin Street, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10013. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18100 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CTMB, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/27/07. 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 Chris Totoro, 474 Greenwich Street, Apartment 1S, New York, New York 10013. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18109 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ENTERPRISE 35 WEST LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/17/08. 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, 200 East 69th Street, New York, New York 10021. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18110 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 105 SULLIVAN, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/23/07. 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, 199 Bleecker Street, New York, New York 10012. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18111 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 199 BLEECKER, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/23/07. 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, 199 Bleecker Street, New York, New York 10012. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18112 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: WELL CHOSEN LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/09/08. 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, 52 Windsor Place, Brooklyn, New York 11215. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18113

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Notice of Formation of INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/30/08. 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-18114 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Supreme Body Fitness LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/25/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18115 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 301 POWELL STREET, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/31/08. 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, 5 Sunrise Plaza, Suite 203, Valley Stream, New York 11580. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18116 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Lion Star LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/29/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18117 (February 20, 2008)

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348 CENTRAL LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/30/08. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 28 Clarendon Rd., Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business location: 348 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206. LD-18119 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
Articles of Organization for CROWN ISLAND CAPITAL, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on February 1, 2008. The office of the company is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon which process may be served and a copy of process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State to the LLC at Lombardi, Walsh, Wakeman, Harrison, Amodeo & Davenport, P.C., 111 Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law. LD-18121 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY

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COMPANY. NAME: SUSAN L. FACKELMAN, RN, CRNA, PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/01/08. 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 Susan L. Fackelman, 177 Edward Court, West Hempstead, New York 11552. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Registered Nursing. LD-18122 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TRIPLE NINE PROPERTIES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/30/07. 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, 255 74th Street, #7B, New York, New York 10021. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18123 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of formation of a limited liability company (LLC). Name: PETITE SUPPORT SERVICES, LLC
Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/26/07. 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: Petite Support Services, LLC, 28 Woodside Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date. LD-18125 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of MARTIN WALTER CO., LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 7/19/01 under the name WALTER MARTIN CO. LLC. 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-18127 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of FOUNDATION JIRANI LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/29/05 under the name ASPRILA LLC. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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-18128 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of BULL & BEAR ADVISORY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 9/12/07 under the name BULL & BEAR ADVISOR LLC. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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-18136

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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-18129 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Allison Kettlewell, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/04/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18131 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: Atlantic Utilities, LLC
Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 1/28/08. 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 Atlantic Utilities LLC, c/o Kevin Colwell, Colwell, Ferrentino & Petroccione, LLP, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, New York 12211. Purpose: any lawful purpose. LD-18133 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of HBK PRIVATE EQUITY GROUP LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/28/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 300 Crescent Court, Ste. 700, Dallas, TX 75201. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 8/23/07. 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 Street, 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, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18134 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of The Harbour Group of Ohio, L.L.C. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/8/07. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Ohio (OH) on 5/20/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the OH address/principal business location of LLC: The LLC, 25 East Central Ave., Ste. 4, PO Box 998, Springboro, OH 45066. Arts. of Org. filed with OH Secy. of State, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18135 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Meridian Knowledge Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/24/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Virginia (VA) on 10/19/06. 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. VA address of LLC: 4465 Brookfield Corporate Drive, Ste. 201, Chantilly, VA 20151. Arts. of Org. filed with VA Secy. of State, 1300 E. Main St., Richmond, VA 23219. Purpose: information technology and management consulting. LD-18147 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MISTER P REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/23/08. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2099. 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, 93 Montrose Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11206. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18137 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SIFA BUILDERS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/22/08. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2099. 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, 3111 Ocean Parkway, #3H, Brooklyn, New York 11235. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18138 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ELIBAUMAN LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/20/07. 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 Eli Bauman, 505 West 23rd Street, #2, New York, New York 10011. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18139 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GREEN OCEAN, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/20/07. 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 Steven Sadoff, 330 East 33rd Street, Suite 19L, New York, New York 10016. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18140 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Meridian Knowledge Solutions, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/24/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Virginia (VA) on 10/19/06. 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. VA address of LLC: 4465 Brookfield Corporate Drive, Ste. 201, Chantilly, VA 20151. Arts. of Org. filed with VA Secy. of State, 1300 E. Main St., Richmond, VA 23219. Purpose: information technology and management consulting. LD-18147 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: O.J.R.

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REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/04/08. 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, 62 West 47th Street, Suite 603, New York, New York 10036. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18148 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PWKP LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/04/08. 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, 185 West Houston Street, #2F, New York, New York 10014. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18149 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Cornerstone Management Services, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 5/17/07. Office location: Albany County. Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 778 Waldens Pond Rd., Albany, NY 12203, principal business address of the LLC. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18150 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Charlton Rose Fine Art, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/05/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18154 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of My Happy Hour Hero, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 01/03/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18155 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Allison Cheston & Associates, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/05/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18156 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Harris Hill Farm, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/08/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18157 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Benemite LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/08/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18158 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of 860 Union Street LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/08/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18159 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of 1454 St. Nicholas LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/08/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18160 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name of LLC is EVAN INVESTORS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, February 7, 2008. Purpose is to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office of LLC located in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC. Secretary of State shall mail copy of process to LLC at 41 Hamilton Lane, Glenmont, NY 12077. LD-18161 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (L.P.) Name of L.P. is BEL PARTNERS OF ALBANY, L.P. Certificate of Limited Partnership filed with NY Secretary of State on February 6, 2008. Purpose of L.P. to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office of L.P. - located in Albany County. Secretary of State designated as agent for service of process against L.P. Secretary of State shall mail copy of process against L.P. to 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. LD-18162 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CLF FACTOR COMPANY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/06/08. 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-18163 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of A.O. CONCEPT GENERAL TRADING & CONTRACTING USA LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/14/08. 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-18164 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Glenmont, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on January 31, 2008. 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, 105 Mosher Road, Glenmont, NY 12077. The street address of the principal business location is 565 Route 9W, Glenmont, NY 12077. 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-18165 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: M & R HOME REMODELING, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/24/08. 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 M. Philip, 459 East 49th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18168 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 11-15 45TH AVENUE REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/27/07. 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 Page Realty, 35-20 30th Avenue, Astoria, New York 11105. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18169 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 118-53 METROPOLITAN AVE. LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/27/07. 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 Page Realty, 35-20 30th Avenue, Astoria, New York 11105. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18170 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 43-14 & 31-18 34th ST. REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/27/07. 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

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copy of process to the LLC, c/o Page Realty, 35-20 30th Avenue, Astoria, New York 11105. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18171 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: AMITA REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/07/08. The latest date of dissolution is 12/31/2060. 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, 2940 Brighton 5th Street, Unit C, Brooklyn, New York 11235. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18172 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ENNA ULUL LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/08/08. 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, 25 Washington Street, Suite 604, Brooklyn, New York 11201. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18173 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MANHATTAN FALAFEL LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/08/08. The latest date of dissolution is 03/01/2090. 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 Moshe Mizrahi, 442 W. 45th Street, New York, New York 10036. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18174 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Sweden Shopping Center LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/28/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/10/07. 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 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-18180 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Cinetic Management LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/29/08. 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, 555 West 25th St., 5th Fl., NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18181 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Cinetic Capital LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY

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(SSNY) on 1/29/08. 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, 555 West 25th St., 5th Fl., NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18182 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of National Home Auction Company LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/29/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 11/21/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Registered Agent Solutions Inc., 1773 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Address to be maintained in CA: 18012 Cowan St. Ste 100, Irvine, CA 92614. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. Of State, 1500 11th St., Sacramento, CA 95814. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-18183 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Clicktoblu, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/07/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18185 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Formation of Fourswanslake LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 02/12/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC 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: any lawful activity. LD-18186 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CATES LLC. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New York on 01/10/08. The LLC was originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 01/08/08. 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, 122 East 27th Street, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10001. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18187 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CENTRAL AREA EQUITIES ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18188 (February 20, 2008)

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NAME: JARIMA ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18189 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MID CENTER EQUITIES ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/02/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18190 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: TRANSWORLD EQUITIES ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18191 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 100 EQUITIES ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18192 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 145 82nd STREET ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/07, with an existence date of 01/01/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18193 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 322 EQUITIES

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ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/02/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18194 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 872 BROADWAY EQUITIES ASSOCIATES, LLC. Certificate of Conversion was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/02/08. 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 Transworld Equities, 500 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2424, New York, New York 10110. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18195 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: XTR Business Advisors, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on February 5, 2008. Office location: Albany County. Address of principal business location is 108 Spy Glass Court, Albany, NY. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 108 Spy Glass Court, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. LD-18196 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of PC Telecom Group & Associates LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 2/1/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Kentucky (KY) on 4/30/01. 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. KY address of LLC: 1522 Dixie Hwy., Park Hills, KY 41011. Arts. of Org. filed with KY Secy. of State, 700 Capitol Avenue, Ste. 152, Frankfort, KY. Purpose: the sale and marketing of telecommunications, management information and computer equipment. LD-18197 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of KHM Hudson, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 2/6/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: c/o The Kor Group, 1212 South Flower St., Ste. 500, Los Angeles, CA 90015. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/15/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Corporation Service Company (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Road, Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18198 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Conversion of PENWINDY ASSOCIATES, L.P., a partnership, to PENWINDY ASSOCIATES LLC. Certifi-

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cate filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/08. 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-18199 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS Town of Bethlehem Clapper Road Generator Replacement NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the Clapper Road Water Treatment Plant.

Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 27th day of March, 2008 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. John H. Cunningham, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject, date and time of the bid. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY shall be submitted.

The work site is located at the Clapper Road Water Treatment Plant. The work includes providing all labor, materials, machinery, tools, equipment and other means of construction necessary and incidental to the completion of the work shown on the plans and described in these specifications including, but not necessarily limited to the following: Removal of existing 600kw diesel generator and ancillary equipment. Install and test (2) prefabricated 500kw diesel engine generator sets.

Certified summary of prototype unit test reports. Removal of existing generator, remote radiator and associated equipment. All related electrical, mechanical and structural work associated with these generators.

Drawings and Specifications may be examined at the office of Clough Harbour & Associates LLP, 111 Winners Circle, Albany, NY and at the Town Clerk's Office, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054.

Complete sets of the drawings, specifications and bid forms may be obtained from Clough Harbour & Associates LLP, 111 Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205, in accordance with the Instructions To Bidders. Contract Document will be provided electronically on Compact Disc (CD) in pdf format and may be obtained by faxing a request to (518) 453-4773. There will be no cost for the CD or shipping via USPS media mail. Also, the CD does not need to be returned.

All bids must be made on the official Bid Form or an exact copy by reproduction thereof and enclosed in a sealed envelope. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY OF THE BID MUST BE SUBMITTED with the subject, date and

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time of the bid opening on the front thereof. This is a unit price bid as described in the Instructions To Bidders. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within forty five calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security in the amount of five percent of the base bid in accordance with the Instructions To Bidders. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish construction performance and payment bonds in the full amount of the contract price. The successful bidder will be required to comply with all provisions of the Federal Government Equal Employment Opportunity clauses issued by the Secretary of Labor on May 21, 1968 and published in the Federal Register (41CFR Part 60-1, 33 F.2 7804).

Owner reserves the right to reject any and all Bids, to waive any and all informalities and the right to disregard all nonconforming, non-responsive or Conditional Bids. OWNER'S CONTACT OWNER Paul Penman, P.E. Town of Bethlehem 445 Delaware Avenue Town Hall Delmar, NY 12054 445 Delaware Avenue (518) 439-4955 Delmar, NY 12054 Phone: (518) 439-4955

ENGINEER: CLOUGH HARBOUR & ASSOCIATES LLP 111 Winners Circle Albany, NY 12205 Phone: (518) 453-4500

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC Town Clerk Dated: February 13, 2008 LD-18201 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Meters for the Bethlehem Department of Public Works and other Town departments, for the year 2008.

Bids will be received up to 2:30 p.m. on the 27th day of February 2008 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. John H. Cunningham, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BIDDER AND SUBJECT OF THE BID. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted.

Bid documents may be obtained at the Bethlehem Town Clerk's Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Bid documents may also be available for download from the Capital Region Purchasing Group through the Town of Bethlehem Website at www.townofbethlehem.org Purchasing Division. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in and/or to reject any or all bids.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is in the public interest to replace a Generator at the Clapper Road Water Treatment Plant; and WHEREAS, it is authorized to use up to \$300,000 from the Water Fund Capital Reserve; and, WHEREAS, in recognition of these funds for such purpose are in the Water Fund Capital Reserve; and, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete this replacement; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the Water Fund Capital Reserve the funds necessary up to \$300,000 in said reserve fund; and, IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 13th day of Febru-

ary, 2008 Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem Dated: February 13, 2008 LD-18202 (February 20, 2008)

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: February 13, 2008 LD-18202 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for Rental of Portable Toilets.

Bids will be received up to 3:30 p.m. on March 4, 2008 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. John H. Cunningham, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BIDDER AND SUBJECT OF THE BID. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted.

Bid documents may be obtained at the Bethlehem Town Clerk's Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Bid documents may also be available for download from the Capital Region Purchasing Group through the Town of Bethlehem Website at www.townofbethlehem.org Purchasing Division. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: February 13, 2008 LD-18203 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 13th of February, 2008 adopted a resolution subject to a permissive referendum as permitted by and to expire on March 20, 2008. Permissive referendum as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is in the public interest to replace a Generator at the Clapper Road Water Treatment Plant; and WHEREAS, it is authorized to use up to \$300,000 from the Water Fund Capital Reserve; and, WHEREAS, in recognition of these funds for such purpose are in the Water Fund Capital Reserve; and, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete this replacement; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the Water Fund Capital Reserve the funds necessary up to \$300,000 in said reserve fund; and, IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 13th day of Febru-

ary, 2008 Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: February 13, 2008 LD-18205 (February 20, 2008)

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ary, 2008 Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem Albany County, New York LD-18204 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Chemicals for the Bethlehem Department of Public Works and other Town departments, for the year 2008.

Bids will be received up to 2:30 p.m. on the 4th day of March, 2008 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. John H. Cunningham, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BIDDER AND SUBJECT OF THE BID. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted.

Bid documents may be obtained at the Bethlehem Town Clerk's Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Bid documents may also be available for download from the Capital Region Purchasing Group through the Town of Bethlehem Website at www.townofbethlehem.org Purchasing Division. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in and/or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Kathleen A. Newkirk, MMC, RMC TOWN CLERK Dated: February 13, 2008 LD-18205 (February 20, 2008)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Hinckel Brewery LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 2/5/08. 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 Lemery Greisler LLC, 60 Railroad Place, Ste. 502, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18206 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of KINGSPORT ADVISORS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 1/18/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business location: 22 Lawrence Avenue, Ste. 303, Smithtown, NY 11787. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/4/08. 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

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State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18207 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Conversion of AUSTIN LEASEHOLD INVESTORS LP, a partnership, to AUSTIN LEASEHOLD INVESTORS LLC. Certificate filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/08. 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-18208 (February 20, 2008)

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State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18207 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Conversion of AUSTIN LEASEHOLD INVESTORS LP, a partnership, to AUSTIN LEASEHOLD INVESTORS LLC. Certificate filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/08. 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-18208 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BRANDS MSG LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/30/08. 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, 1745 East 2nd Street, Brooklyn, New York 11223. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18210 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: HAVILAND DEVELOPMENT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/09/08. 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 Elizabeth locovello, 259 Reynolds Avenue, Bronx, New York 10465. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18211 (February 20, 2008)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GRANTSKY OF NY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/25/08. 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, 6 Pine Road, Syosset, New York 11791. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-18212 (February 20, 2008)

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Notice of Qualification of Ivize of Rochester, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 2/4/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business address: 200 S. Tryon St., Ste. 10, Charlotte, NC 28202. LLC

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formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/22/08. NY Secy. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-18216 (February 20, 2008)

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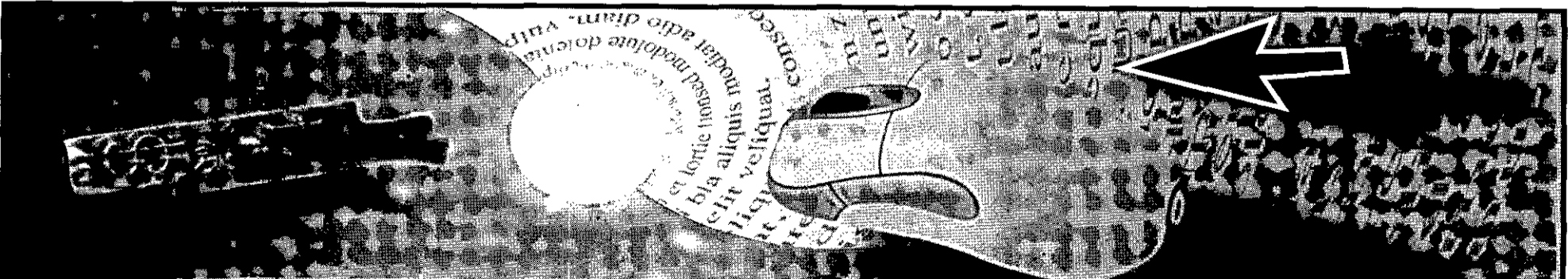
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Sports *in the* Spotlight

Acquaviva's win highlights BC's day in pool

Eagles place second to Shenendehowa at Sectionals

The Section II large school division boys swimming and diving championships turned into a Shenendehowa showcase.

The Plainsmen won five individual events and two relays to cruise to the team title Saturday at Niskayuna High School. The Plainsmen finished with 479 points, 153 points ahead of runner-up Bethlehem.

Ryan Brauer and Jacob John-

son led Shen with a pair of individual wins. Brauer took first place in the 200-yard individual medley with a pool-record time of 1:56.30 and won the 500 freestyle in a time of 4:43.71, three seconds ahead of teammate Troy Nichols. Johnson claimed first place in the 50 and 100 freestyles with respective times of 21.50 and 47.17 seconds. Johnson's 50 freestyle time was fast enough for All-American consideration.

Mike Christine also earned an individual title for the Plainsmen when he won the 100 butterfly in a time of 52.23 seconds. Christine also qualified for the state meet

in the 50 freestyle by finishing second to Johnson with a time of 21.64 seconds.

Shaker had a pair of individual champions. Frankie Dyer claimed the 200 freestyle title with an All-American consideration time of 1:43.16, and Brian Maloy tied Queensbury's Andrew Guinther for the 100 breaststroke title with a pool record time of 59.82 seconds.

Ballston Spa's Ian Hogan and Bethlehem's Drew Acquaviva claimed the other individual titles up for grabs. Hogan won the 1-meter diving competition with an All-American consideration total

of 536.40 points, while Acquaviva edged Dyer by .02 seconds to win the 100 backstroke in an All-American consideration time of 52.99 seconds.

In the relays, Shen's team of Christine, Johnson, Brauer and Sean Parnett won the 200 freestyle relay in a time of 1:28.16. Christine, Nichols, Johnson and Brauer teamed up to win the 400 freestyle relay in a time of 3:13.92, while Shaker's quartet of Dyer, Maloy, Steve Maxwell and David Rowley finished first in the 200 medley relay in a time of 1:38.35.

At the small school Sectionals in Amsterdam, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake had little trouble with its competition. The Spartans claimed the team title with 472.5 points, well ahead of runner-up Gloversville.

Jamie Matthews and Bryan Shaver led BH-BL with a pair of individual titles. Matthews won the 200 individual medley in a

time of 2:02.04 and the 100 butterfly in a time of 53.39 seconds, while Shaver finished first in the 50 freestyle in a time of 22.29 seconds and the 100 freestyle in a time of 49.90 seconds.

Matthews and Shaver also led the Spartans to a sweep of the relays. They teamed up with Jacob Smith and John MacDonald to win the 200 medley relay in a time of 1:43.49, and they joined Tyler Slocum and Dan Godshalk to win the 400 freestyle relay in a time of 3:22.16. Godshalk and Smith teamed up with Mike Young and Ray Amato to win the 200 freestyle relay in a time of 1:33.76.

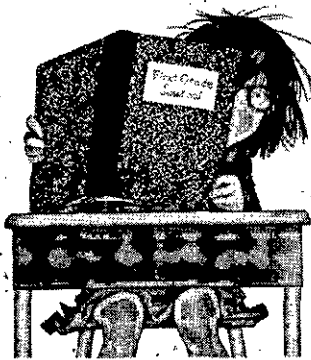
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's Kevin Burns won two individual events. The junior finished first in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:57.62 and claimed the 100 backstroke title in a time of 56.27 seconds. Burns' teammate Jacob VanEtten placed second in the 100 backstroke with a time of 57.50 seconds.



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Columbia's Lou Angelo for the 125-pound title, and Romeo scored a second period fall against Columbia's Brian Latham to claim the 130-pound championship.

"I wanted it bad this year," said Romeo, who claimed his first Sectional title. "It's my senior year - my last shot."

After Columbia's Zach Crain pinned Shen's Nick Altimari for the 135-pound title, David Staulters defeated Colonie's J.J. Anderson 6-3 for the 140-pound championship. Elisha Golding returned the favor for the Garnet Raiders by beating Cameron Staulters in the 145-pound finals, but Eric Simmons (152) and Alex Steciuk (160) won their title bouts to help the Scotties secure second place in the team standings.

The focus soon shifted back to Shen, though. First, Austin Meys earned a majority decision over Saratoga's Adam Winnie for the 171-pound title. Then, Hunter Meys bounced back from an early takedown by Niskayuna's Jake Newcomb to score a two-point reversal and then a pin for the 189-pound championship.

But what pleased Weeks the most was when Dan Peyron upended Colonie's A.J. Monin 3-2 for the 215-pound title. Peyron surrendered a 1-point lead in the third period with a stalling call and letting Monin up before taking Monin down to regain the

advantage.

"I just tried really hard," said Peyron, who was seeded fourth but wound up beating top-seeded Van Huyben of Ballston Spa and Monin, the No. 2 seed. "I knew I really wanted to win this."

"Dan Peyron is a guy who's been consistently in my program since the beginning," said Weeks. "He's sacrificed for the team, and now for him to reap the benefits like that, it makes me feel good as a coach."

Guilderland's Devan Van Auken ended the night with a victory over Schenectady's Andrew Jones for the 285-pound title, which ended a perfect 3-for-3 performance by the Dutchmen - the second year in a row they accomplished that feat.

"The guys in the finals wrestled the epitome of what we look for - superior positioning, clean technique, intensity and out-conditioning guys," said Rogotzke.

Bethlehem had seven wrestlers place in the top six of their weight classes - Tyler Kessler (103), Dan Barth (160), Matt Green (96), Connor Hautau (119), Jason Maher (140), Jerry Clark (145) and Pat Fontaine (152).

The top six finishers in each of the 15 weight classes advance to this weekend's state qualifier at the Glens Falls Civic Center. The winners there earn automatic berths to the state tournament March 7 and 8 in Rochester.

Sports Editor Rob Jonas contributed to this story.

Shaker

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before this season, so I'm hoping this year's freshmen will come back next year," said Pacelli.

Gibson has done what he can to rebuild the wrestling program. He recruited anyone he could to try the sport.

"I coach the freshman football team (as an assistant), so I recruited a lot of them from there," said Gibson, who came to Shaker from Cohoes. "The hard part is keeping them in there."

The way to make certain the new wrestlers maintain their interest is to give them winnable bouts - something few of them would have found on a regular basis had they been subjected to a Suburban Council schedule. As some of the wrestlers started building winning records and saw the team's record improve, they stuck with it.

"The young kids are trying to do the extra work. They'll get there," said Gibson. "The three seniors on the team this year did a great job of helping the younger guys out."

It didn't necessarily translate into success at the Sectional tournament, but it did translate into a marked improvement.

"(Gibson) definitely built up

this program," said Pacelli, who finished fifth in the 119-pound weight class. "When I was a freshman, I think one kid made it to (the state qualifier). In my sophomore year, I think two kids made it, and last year no one made it."

Gibson said he plans to include matches against larger schools in next year's independent schedule to get his wrestlers ready for Shaker's return to the Suburban Council in 2009.

"We're going to the Niskayuna Duals next year, so we'll see four good schools there," he said.

"We'll try to up the ante."

If Gibson's tactics work, the Shaker team that returns to the Suburban Council will be much tougher than the one that routinely got beat up because his current crop of young wrestlers will have two years of varsity experience under their belts.

"It's all based on experience," said Gibson. "If you've got experience, it doesn't matter who you wrestle. Look at Duanesburg. They're one of the better (class) D teams in the state, and it's because of the experience they possess."

BC hosts playoff double bill

The Section II, Class AA boys and girls basketball playoffs begin Wednesday, Feb. 20, with a doubleheader at Bethlehem Central High School.

At 6 p.m., the Bethlehem girls team hosts Queensbury from the Foothills Council in an opening round game. The Lady Eagles are the No. 2 seed out of the Suburban Council, while Queensbury picked up the No. 7 seed from the Big 10, which only has six class AA schools.

Following the girls' game, the Bethlehem boys will take on Amsterdam in an opening round contest. Bethlehem is the No. 4 seed from the Suburban Council, while Amsterdam is the No. 5 seed from the Big 10.

The winners from Wednesday's games advance to this weekend's quarterfinal games. The class AA girls quarterfinals take place Saturday, Feb. 23, at a site to be determined, while the class AA boys quarterfinals take place Sunday, Feb. 24, with a four-game session at Albany's Times Union Center, starting at 1 p.m.

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Lacrosse club slates final registration

Bethlehem Lacrosse Club is holding its final registration session for the 2008 season Feb. 28 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

The club is offering boys and girls lacrosse for children in grades three through six residing in the Bethlehem, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, Albany and Voorheesville school districts. The girls division is new to the club this year.

The registration fee is \$125 per player and includes membership in US Lacrosse. The fee goes up to \$150 after Feb. 28.

For information, contact Jay Gustafson at 439-7820 or e-mail jugustafson@us.loreale.com.

Hannigan earns school honor

Bethlehem Central High School graduate Tim Hannigan and Cazenovia native Heather Stec were named Siena College's Leo Dufort Student-Athletes of the Month for January.

Hannigan, a senior on the men's lacrosse team, earned a fall semester grade point average of 3.94. He has a cumulative GPA of 3.75 and is also the senior class president, as well as a member of the college's Supporting Saints tutor program.

Stec, a junior on the women's basketball team, earned a fall GPA of 3.93.

"Heather and Tim have proven that athletic and academic success can go hand-in-hand," said Siena athletic director John D'Argenio. "I congratulate them on this prestigious award, and for carrying out the mission of Siena College and our athletic department to its fullest."

Swim club hosts spaghetti dinner

The Ravena Swim Club is holding its annual fundraising spaghetti dinner Feb. 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Congregational Christian Church on Main Street in Ravena.

Dinners are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under, and they are available for eat-in or take out.

For information and advance ticket sales, visit the club's Web site at www.ravenaswimclub.org.



Bethlehem's Jason Maher tries to turn Niskayuna's Kevin Selin during their 140-pound consolation round bout at Saturday's Section II, Class A tournament at Albany High School. *Robert Goo/Spotlight*

Shen dominates class A

BC among teams sending wrestlers to state qualifier

By JESSE
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The outcome of Saturday's Section II, Class A wrestling tournament was decided long before the finals.

Seven out of the eight Shenendehowa wrestlers that reached the finals won their bouts to help the Plainsmen cruise to

the team title with 294.5 points, 117 points ahead of runner-up Ballston Spa.

It was the fourth consecutive Sectional title for Shen and its sixth in the last decade.

"One of the things I talked about to the team the other day is at what point do you become a dynasty," said Shen coach Rob Weeks. "I talked about the time (several years ago) when Niskayuna was leading by 100 points going into the finals, and coach (Joe) Bena had his grandson on his knee during the finals. I don't think we're at that

point yet, but we're close."

The other class A coaches had already conceded the team title to Shen before the finals. Instead, they focused on sending as many of their kids to this weekend's state qualifier in Glens Falls.

"I'm getting all you could ask for," said Guilderland coach Corey Rogotzke, whose team had three individual champions. "We brought two seniors with us today. We are competing largely on the strength of underclassmen. If we have a good off-season like we did last year, we will be in a much better position to contend

next year."

The finals started with a bang for Shen, as Nick Kelley (96 pounds) and Luke Popolizio (103) pinned their opponents in the first period. Juliano Pabon followed his teammates by scoring a majority decision over Ballston Spa's Toby Barnes for the 112-pound title, and T.J. Popolizio defeated Colonie's Jason Chudzinski for the 119-pound championship.

Matt Cubillos and Robert Romeo then gave the Guilderland fans something to cheer about. Cubillos quickly pinned

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Shaker rebuilds as an independent team

The Shaker wrestling team came in last place again at Saturday's Section II, Class A championships.

But take a closer look at what the Blue Bison accomplished. They had three place finishers – the most the program has had in several years. Two of the wrestlers that placed at Sectionals, lightweight Sam Pacelli and heavyweight Dan Hojnicky, were seeded in the top four of their weight classes. The other, heavyweight Ami Berger, wasn't seeded in the top four.

This season follows a season in which Shaker won its first dual meet in a decade and finished with a 16-5 record



– its best in ... well, a really long time.

"We started off with 50 kids in the (practice) room and finished with 23," said second-year Shaker coach Dan Gibson. "Seventeen of them are freshmen."

How did the Blue Bison reach such lofty heights? Well, having an independent schedule helped. Shaker dropped out

of the Suburban Council after last season, which led to meets against smaller schools such as Greenville, Voorheesville and Berne-Knox-Westerlo.

"It helped build some confidence in some of the wrestlers," said Gibson.

Dropping completely out of the Suburban Council wasn't Gibson's original intention, though. "We put a proposal into the Suburban Council (before the season) to wrestle our half of the league, and they said it's all or nothing. So, they let us leave for two years," he said.

For a senior like Pacelli, knowing that he would wrestle kids from outside the Suburban

Council was a tough pill to swallow at first.

"It was my senior year, and I wanted the tougher competition, but I think it was good for the team," said Pacelli.

It certainly beat getting beaten up by the rest of the Suburban Council – a league that includes such statewide powers as Shenendehowa, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, Guilderland, Niskayuna and Ballston Spa. That schedule made it difficult to win matches, let alone hold on to wrestlers.

"A lot of freshmen who made (the varsity team) last year quit

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Doctors vs. patients

Are malpractice suits driving up health care costs?

BY SARAH HALL

In case you hadn't noticed, we're facing a crisis: health care costs are rising exponentially, and there seems to be no end in sight.

According to a November 2007 Gallup poll, 81 percent of Americans are dissatisfied with the cost of health care in this country. Fifty-six percent believe

the system has "major problems," while 17 percent went so far as to say it's "in crisis."

So what's causing these skyrocketing health insurance premiums? Why are more and more people unable to afford the cost of health care in the world's wealthiest nation?

There is no simple answer. Numerous factors have led to the rising expenses, in-
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Here we are! Another year that we are making all sorts of promises about how we are going to improve our life. Well, if you are like me, record keeping is one of the big ones and by no means is it a small task, especially when it applies to your investments and estate planning matters. But I think it is a subject that needs to be revised annually.

Record keeping can really be broken down into two parts. The first is easy. Put together a file where your financial matter, including names and phone numbers of your advisors, is safely stored and let family members or possibly a friend know where it is.

The more difficult aspect of record keeping is making sure your information is accurate and timely. One problem I see on a recurring basis is people often don't have a complete history



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of the cost basis of their investments. Remember that stock you purchased years ago? The company probably had stock splits, merged with another company and then changed its name. With a lot of research you can determine what a security costs, but it also can be a laborious task. You don't want to burden someone else.

Your estate planning documents should also be up to date. As I mentioned earlier, share with a family

member or friend where everything is kept, but I also recommend that you sit down with anyone who has been designated in your will, health care proxy, living will or power of attorney; someone who may eventually have to make financial or health decisions for you. I know that may sound so obvious, but every estate planning document I have seen in my many years of business has one or more successors who are responsible in the event something happens to the originally named individual. So, while your spouse may be the first in command should something happen to you, he/she may become unable to perform his/her duties and someone else will have to. And, if the person you originally named is unable or unwilling to take over, the next successor is in line and you may have forgotten who

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Plenty of benefits to running a family business

While running a small, family-owned business can be extremely hard work, often demanding more than the standard 40-hour work week, there are also many benefits. Not only does being your own boss mean you have the flexibility to decide when and how hard to work, but it also puts you in charge of all hiring decisions. One such decision that many small business owners should take advantage of is hiring their own kids.

Putting your own child to work in the family business has all sorts of benefits. Of course, by working together you can control your child's first foray into the real world, and teach him your values, work ethic, business morals, social skills and more. Importantly, there are also great tax benefits to be had by hiring within your own family. For example, while you are always able to deduct payroll expenses paid to an employee, when that employee is also your child the money you pay out comes



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right back into your own household. Further, you are able to take advantage of "income splitting" tax planning techniques, which allow you to shift income from an employee in a higher tax bracket - the parent - to one in a lower bracket - the child. Significant tax savings can often be achieved.

Your minor child can earn over \$4,000 without any income tax liability. Additionally, you will not have to pay FICA (Social Services and Medicare taxes) or FUTA (Federal and State Unemployment taxes) on your child's wages. You can also have your child

invest in an IRA which, as a worker who earns wages, he can do. This savvy move allows an additional \$3,000 per year to be put away for your child tax-deferred. This way, your child can earn a little over \$7,000 without incurring any income tax liability.

There are, of course, a few simple rules to follow before hiring your minor child. For instance, the work that your child does should be appropriate for his age and level of maturity. The IRS may not believe your eight year old is performing high level secretarial work or legitimately acting as your receptionist. But washing the company car or cleaning out old files are perfectly acceptable duties so long as you would have to pay someone else to do it.

Finally, you should make sure that the rate of pay is reasonable for the tasks assigned. Paying your daughter \$30/hour for simple filing work will

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Good PR advice: Shoot, aim, shoot

The CEO of a company I once worked for would often say, "Shoot, aim, shoot." He did not abide people who were not willing to go for it when necessary to outshine the competition. He would be shaking his head in disbelief if he witnessed the reactions that PR consultants frequently receive when trying to get clients to act or react in a timely manner to an unexpected opportunity that knocks.

Current events and the hot trend du jour provide unique and rare opportunities for visibility and increased sales when they relate to your product, service or industry. I believe that while most companies do have the insight to see the possibilities that these



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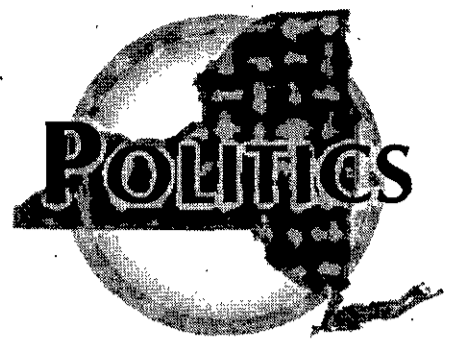
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pose, they typically do not understand the need to react immediately in order to beat the competition to the punch and capitalize on the public's short attention span.

A couple of examples of companies who saw a golden moment and grabbed it are Nike and Subway.

At the 2005 Masters, Tiger Woods chipped an incredible, nearly impossible shot that hovered above the hole, and as the cameras zoomed in, just by chance, right before the ball dramatically fell in the hole, you saw the Nike swoosh, clear as can be. It was a corporate sponsor's dream come true. Did Nike executives wait till Monday to schedule a meeting to discuss what to do? Did they check their budget to be certain that they would not be spending money earmarked for the following quarter? Absolutely not. They saw an opportunity. They seized it. They just did it. They lived their slogan. They understood that timing

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"Voters don't think the dysfunction in Albany has changed," Greenberg said.

But Errol Cockfield, Spitzer's press secretary, disputes that notion. Spitzer's first year in office produced a long list of achievements, he said, and a recent Siena New York poll showed that not only is Spitzer's favorable rate climbing, but voters stand behind the idea of a property tax cap and other proposals Spitzer made in his 2008 State of the State address.

Spitzer, Cockfield said, has never shied away from making unpopular decision and, as a result, does not "put a lot of stock" in poll numbers.

"The governor really leads based upon what he thinks is right for the state," Cockfield said. "He's really someone who leads from principle rather than any polls."

Year One: Did everything change in Albany?

Spitzer rides out highs, lows of first year as governor

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN

On Jan. 1, 2007, thousands of people packed the Times Union Center in downtown Albany for new Gov. Eliot Spitzer's "inauguration concert."

The crowd sang and danced as acts like James Taylor and Natalie Merchant performed. "Saturday Night Live" alum Jimmy Fallon drew laughs as the master of ceremonies.

The biggest ovation of the night, though, was reserved for Spitzer, who stepped out from behind a curtain and on to the stage to thunderous applause.

That Spitzer was greeted like a rock star in his own right was no surprise. He swept into office with 69 percent of the vote, beating Republican John Faso with the largest margin of victory in a gubernatorial race in New York history. Spitzer had been the hard-charging attorney general, winning dozens of high-

profile cases, and New Yorkers embraced the idea that he could shake up state government at the highest level.

"Voters were looking for significant change," said Steve Greenberg, a spokesman with the Siena New York Poll, which showed Spitzer had a 75 percent favorable rating upon taking office.

The flip side of ascending to governor with such high numbers, though, was that they were almost destined to decline.

"The numbers fall a lot easier than they go up," Greenberg said.

"Those were off-the-charts numbers," added Lee Miringoff, director of the Marist Institute for Public Opinion. "The expectation is that you'll never hold those."

In June, Spitzer's favorable rating had fallen to 63 percent, Greenberg said. In the months to follow, it would drop even further, reaching a low point in De-

cember, when the Siena New York poll found he had a favorable rating of just 36 percent, paired with an unfavorable rating of 51 percent. Meanwhile, in July, a WNBC/Marist Poll found 47 percent of voters thought Spitzer was doing an "excellent or good" job; a WNBC/Marist Poll released in late January showed only 35 percent of voters rated his work as "excellent or good."

Greenberg and Miringoff point to some big news stories as key factors in the tumbling ratings. First, there was "Troopergate," when Spitzer's office came under scrutiny for ordering state police to keep special records of Senate majority leader Joseph L. Bruno's whereabouts when he traveled with police escorts in New York City. Soon after, Spitzer drew heavy criticism for a plan to provide driver's licenses to illegal immigrants.

To voters, Greenberg and Miringoff said, it looked like state politics as usual.

Accomplishments in '07

When Spitzer arrived in the executive mansion, he brought "incredibly high" expectations with him, Greenberg said, noting that Spitzer had frequently said during his campaign that "Everything changes on Day One."

Cockfield said Spitzer's accomplishments in his first year in office reflect that mindset. One of the administration's biggest accomplishments, for example, was reforming worker's compensation, lowering employer premiums while increasing worker benefits, he said. The issue might not sound "sexy," Cockfield said, but it produced more than \$1 billion in savings for New York businesses. "It's critical to businesses in terms of cost," he said.

Spitzer also worked hard to resolve the Campaign for Fiscal Equity lawsuit, which dealt with the state's funding formula for education. Tackling the lawsuit, which had dragged on for more than a decade, enabled the state to "get some record aid for education," Cockfield said.

There had long been talk of reforming the state's budget process, and Spitzer made progress there, too, Cockfield said. Members' items must now be itemized

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Recession on the horizon, experts fear

Will state and federal stimulus packages forestall the downturn?

BY RUSS TARBY

From Wall Street to Washington, economic experts are predicting the worst recession America has experienced since the Great Depression.

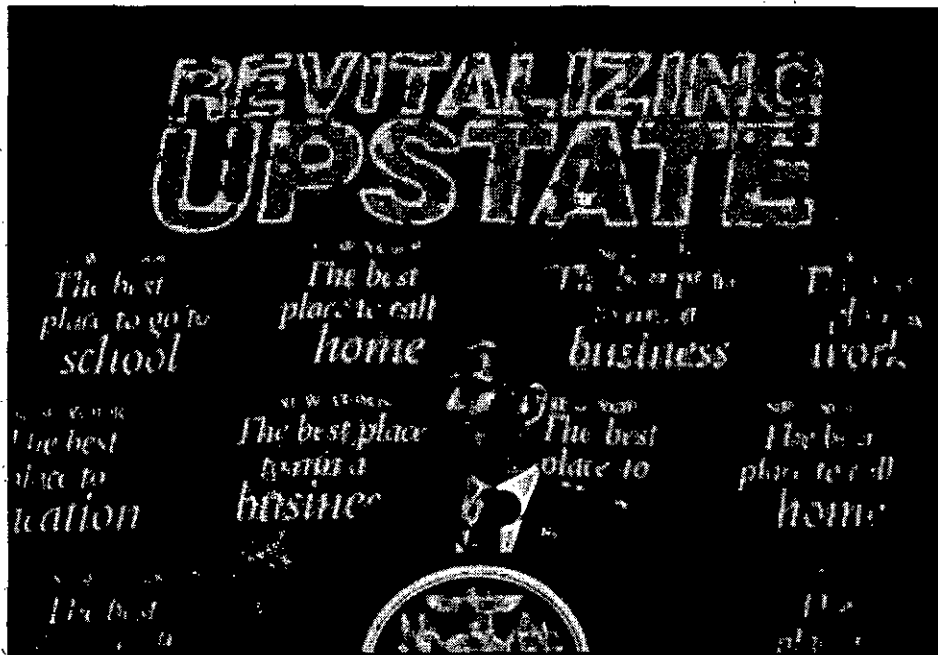
"I expect we'll see clear signs of it (by May 2008) with a dramatic slowdown in the gross domestic product," says Jim Melcher, a prominent Wall Street financier who runs Balestra Capital Partners, a \$350 million hedge fund. "I'm worried about a recession," he said, "not a normal one, but a very bad one. The worst since the 1930s."

Housing market collapse

The collapsing housing market is one of the most bothersome indicators of hard times to come, says Mary Lovely, an associate professor of economics at Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Public Affairs.

"Housing starts are pretty bad right now, and while corporate profits are relatively healthy, there's a lot of uncertainty among consumers which is what's driving things more than anything else," Lovely says. "Overall unemployment is not that high but there's a lot of uncertainty."

And unemployment is rising. In the month of January, jobs nationwide were



As threat of a recession looms, Gov. Eliot Spitzer hopes to spur economic growth with a stimulus package totaling about \$1.1 billion.

down by 17,000, raising the unemployment rate to 4.9 percent both nationally and in New York.

"Job growth was much less than economists had expected," Lovely says.

To counter the jobless rate here, Albany is pushing its Upstate Now program, though Gov. Eliot Spitzer and Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno are arguing about how much money is needed to implement the revitalization. Spitzer has earmarked \$1.1 billion for the effort

while Bruno says at least \$100 million more is needed.

Upstate Now

Upstate Now aims to boost economic development across the Empire State by reducing taxes for small businesses, eliminating income taxes and corporate franchise taxes on manufacturers and reducing health-care costs and energy costs for employers. It would also create

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Recession reactions

Here's what several observers are saying about the present economic downturn:

"The economy is slowing down, there's no doubt about it."

-U.S. Secretary of the Treasury
Henry Paulson Jr.

"What's alarming is that this slump in purchasing power doesn't appear to be merely cyclical. Wages have been flat-lining for a long time now, the housing bubble isn't going to be reinflated anytime soon, and the upward pressure on oil prices is only going to mount."

-Washington Post columnist
Harold Myerson

"Our region has been in a recession for the past 25 years."

-Dan Maffei,
Democratic candidate for Congress
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and are subject to line-item vetoes. A consensus revenue estimate is required by March 1; failing that, the comptroller is authorized to issue a binding revenue estimate.

All in all, Cockfield said, "I do think the administration was able to tackle some of Albany's most stubborn issues."

Looking ahead

In 2008, Spitzer plans to continue to take steps to "make the state a better place to live and work," Cockfield said.

He mentioned the governor's interest in overhauling Wicks Law, which mandates municipalities must use four contractors on any public building project over \$50,000.

Spitzer outlined some additional ideas in his recent State of the State address. He wants to control property taxes, and he sees a cap as one way to do so. Spitzer also wants to create an endowment for public higher education, perhaps by privatizing a portion of the state lottery, and he favors expanding the state's Children's Health Insurance Program.

The federal government has balked at covering the insurance expansion, Cockfield said, so Spitzer is calling on the state to shoulder that cost.

"I know many in this chamber care

passionately about this issue, and will join me," Spitzer said during his speech. "There will be affordable coverage for every single child in this state."

On the rise

Those issues struck a chord with voters, Greenberg said. The January Siena New York poll showed that voters supported the property tax cap by a 72-19 percent margin. The lottery plan was backed by 54 percent of voters, with 35 percent opposed, and 79 percent of voters support the idea of expanding the insurance program.

Greenberg says those issues deserve some of the credit for the increase in Spitzer's favorable rating that the poll showed. For the first time since October, the poll had Spitzer with a greater favorable rating (44 percent) than an unfavorable rating (41 percent).

The numbers still leave Spitzer well short of the kind of popularity he enjoyed when he first moved into the executive mansion, but Greenberg credited the governor for stemming the tide of negative publicity and for taking his message to voters on recent trips through the state.

"The governor still has a long way to go, but the numbers are starting to edge up," Greenberg said.

"I do think the administration was able to tackle some of Albany's most stubborn issues."

-Errol Cockfield

Ski and sleep:

State's 'Cozy Inn' campaign promises downhill rush plus down-home relaxation

BY RUSS TARBY

There's nothing like the energy rush of skiing downhill as you surge forward toward the bottom of the mountain. And there's nothing like the warm comfort of a wool-blanketed bed in which to rest your weary bones after a day of vigorous outdoor exercise.

New York state's ski and tourism industries deliver both the hills and the pillows.

'Cozy Inn' campaign

On Jan. 13, First Lady Silda Wall Spitzer was joined by the Empire State Development Corporation (ESD) and leaders of New York's ski and tourist industries to launch the 'I Love NY' 2008 "Cozy Inn" campaign, a \$1 million effort aimed at increasing winter tourism. The promotion offers travelers a free Sunday night when they stay Friday and Saturday at 161 participating inns and bed & breakfasts across the state.

The Ski Association of New York (SANY) will coordinate a Ski & Stay sweepstakes in which participants can win prizes such as season passes, ski and lodging packages, lift tickets and "ski any mountain, at any time" gold passes.

This state boasts 44 different ski areas, from Mount Peter, a small ski area only 50 miles from Manhattan, to Holiday Valley just south of Buffalo.

Organizers of the winter tourism campaign hope it convinces skiers to stay in the Empire State rather than in New England.

N.Y. vs. New England

"People mention skiing in Vermont and everyone thinks of white church steeples, village greens and a romantic country atmosphere," said Sandy Caligiore, communications director for the state-run Olympic Regional Development Authority which manages Whiteface Mountain in Lake Placid and Gore Mountain, near Lake George. "When someone says New York, they think of Manhattan and skyscrapers. Someone

says New York skiing and somebody else thinks: How good can that be? But it's a big state. It's mostly country villages and big mountains."

Over the years, lodging has been a problem for a few New York areas, but at Hunter and Windham mountains, for instance, new residential developments have addressed the lack of rooms: Developers are working to upgrade accommodations at Belleayre and Gore mountains, and resort operators say lodging has improved dramatically at New York areas over the past decade.

That's good because dozens of the state's ski areas do a booming business in night-time skiing. Many of those nocturnal downhillers need places to stay after their late-night outing.

Besides snowy trails, many winter tourists desire a warm and friendly hometown ambience. Tranquil and serene New York villages such as Lake Placid and Ellicottville, just to name two, offer as much atmosphere as any Green Mountain ski town.

'Treasure trove'

"New York State has a treasure trove of natural assets, recreational opportunities, and incomparable beauty that have yet to be explored by so many New Yorkers," said Mrs. Spitzer. The 'Cozy Inn' campaign, she said, gives New Yorkers "a fun and affordable opportunity to see all of the spectacular things Upstate has to offer in the winter."

New York state's tourism industry, which generates an estimated 740,000 jobs - increased by 7.2 percent in 2006. Under Gov. Spitzer's administration, the annual tourism budget has increased by 50 percent to more than \$22 million.

New York state tourism operators in 10 different vacation regions are participating in the Cozy Inn promotion. The Adirondacks leads with 35 participating inns, followed by the Finger Lakes with 34 and the Capital-Saratoga area with 22. Close behind are Central-Leatherstocking with 17 participating inns, the Hudson Valley with 15, and Buffalo-Ni-



agara with 10.

"Our \$1 million winter campaign is getting the news out that New York has more ski mountains than Vermont," downstate ESD Chairman Pat Foye said, "and we invite our neighbors in Toronto to take advantage of the exchange rate for terrific deals and packages."

Longer weekend getaways

Upstate ESD Chairman Dan Gundersen is impressed by the level of cooperation among resort operators and the hospitality industry. "Our collaboration with the New York State Travel & Hospitality Association and Ski Areas of New York shows the industry coming together to promote tourism in new, consumer-driven ways," Gundersen said.

The Cozy Inn campaign can save winter tourists some serious money.

"This unprecedented campaign creates a great way to extend a weekend getaway 'compliments of the house,'" said Daniel Murphy, president of the New York State Hospitality and Tourism Association. Nearly 24,000 free room nights are being offered starting as low as \$145 for more budget-friendly rooms but also stretching to luxury suites at \$470 per night.

While the free-room deal will attract budget-conscious tourists on all types of winter getaways, downhill skiers remain the primary focus.

Thrills aplenty

Snowboarders and skiers from beginners to champions can find thrills aplenty on New York's ski trails, said Scott Brandi, president of the Ski Areas of New York.

"New York State offers some of the most diverse ski experiences in the Northeast," Brandi said. "We have twice hosted the Winter Olympics and we offer white-knuckle vertical drops to snowmobiling, family-friendly runs, great learn-to-ski facilities and excellent cross-country treks. We don't even mind if people come to hibernate."

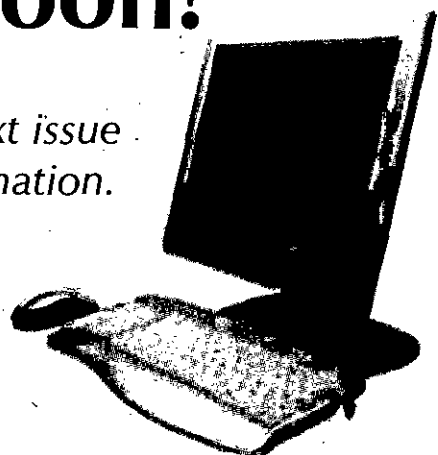
The quality of New York's ski areas was recently affirmed by CondeNast Traveller magazine which named Lake Placid's Whiteface resort as the fourth-best in North America. Only Whistler in Canada, Aspen in Colorado and Deer Valley in Utah ranked ahead of Whiteface among the best places to ski on the continent. Ski Magazine lists Holiday Valley in Ellicottville (about an hour south of Buffalo) among the top five ski resorts in the Northeast.

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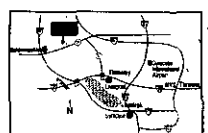


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Cap it off

New Era Cap proves business can thrive in Upstate New York

BY SARAH HALL

If you own an official team baseball cap, the odds are good that it was made by New Era Cap.

The Western New York-based company has been in business for 88 years, and it has no plans to go anywhere, having just opened a new U.S. headquarters in Buffalo in 2006.

"We started here in 1920 and just grew from there," said Dana Marciniak, head of marketing and publicity for the Buffalo office. "As we expanded, we kept building and adding employees and moved to Derby [less than 20 miles south of Buffalo]."

Ultimately, the company outgrew the building in Derby, where it housed 400 people and its manufacturing and administrative operations. In 2005, New Era Cap decided to keep its manufacturing plant in Derby but relocate its administrative offices.

In looking for a new headquarters, Marciniak said the company considered several facilities, including three in Alabama, where it has manufacturing plants. But the company wanted to stay true to its history and remain in Western New York, where it had some 600 employees.

"We'd been here so long, and we ultimately decided to stay in New York," Marciniak said. "When we asked ourselves where can we get the best people, what's the most advantageous for us in terms of finances, Buffalo seemed to rise

to the top."

The decision came at a time when more and more businesses were making headlines for leaving the Empire State, not staying in it.

"Our brand sells itself," she said. "We knew we could survive staying here. And our employees loved the brand enough to either stay here or move here to work for us. You can make a successful business here."

Marciniak said the state of New York and the city of Buffalo were "very helpful" in keeping New Era in the area.

"Yes, both the city and the state really helped once we made the decision to stay," she said.

Marciniak said the company next had to find a building. They settled on the historic former Federal Reserve Building, a 10,000-square-foot facility that perfectly suited their needs.

"We kept the vaults and use them as conference rooms," she said. "Then we added 1,200 square feet of extra space. It's a great location right in central Buffalo."

Now that it's settled into its new digs, New Era Cap has its eye on the future. In addition to a newly launched line of apparel, the hat maker is hosting its first baseball tournament and clinic this summer. The New Era Cap Classic will take place in July and August



at Buffalo's Dunn Tire Park. Professional and college scouts have been invited to watch 125 teams ages 10 and up from all over the U.S. and southern Canada.

"It's just something we want to do for the community - try to attract some people here to visit and stay while they work on their baseball skills," Marciniak said. "In addition to the tournament, we'll be hosting clinics so the players can brush up on their skills."

Whatever its plans for the future, Marciniak said New Era Cap will stay put.

"Buffalo and Rochester have been very good to us," she said. "We're not going anywhere."

Marciniak also offered words of encouragement for other businesses.

"You absolutely can do business here," she said. "You can find a spot, whether you build a new structure or renovate an old building like we did. You can entice other businesses to come or stay - be a catalyst. We're a global company - if we can succeed here, so can you."



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"A good malpractice system should encourage accessible, quality care; promote patient safety; treat victims of malpractice fairly; set reasonable insurance costs for health providers; and insure that victims will be paid and health providers protected. The current system fails on every one of those goals."

-Eric R. Dinallo

cluding the ever-increasing number of uninsured people in America. Some 44 million people are without insurance in this country, and 30 million more are without coverage at any given time during the course of the year. Those people tend not to seek treatment, and when they do, it's in an emergency room, which is more expensive than a general care provider. Since they can't foot the bill, the rest of us have to - hence the heftier premiums.

But that's not the only reason, according to many medical professionals. They're blaming frivolous lawsuits and their own soaring malpractice insurance premiums.

The cost of lawsuits

According to a report by the National Center for Public Policy, "unfounded lawsuits and excessive malpractice and liability awards not only boost health care costs, but also raise the price of health insurance for health care providers and patients." The growing size of non-economic damages awarded by juries in malpractice claims, these experts say, is driving the health care crisis.

Proponents of this argument assert lawsuits are causing the increase in health care costs in numerous ways. First, more and more doctors are practicing what is known as "defensive medicine" - they're ordering tests and procedures they know are unnecessary in order to avoid litigation that could be brought if they miss something. According to a 2002 survey by the Harris Institute, 79 percent of doctors admitted they had ordered more tests than needed because they were afraid of a lawsuit - unnecessary tests that cost upwards of \$50 billion.

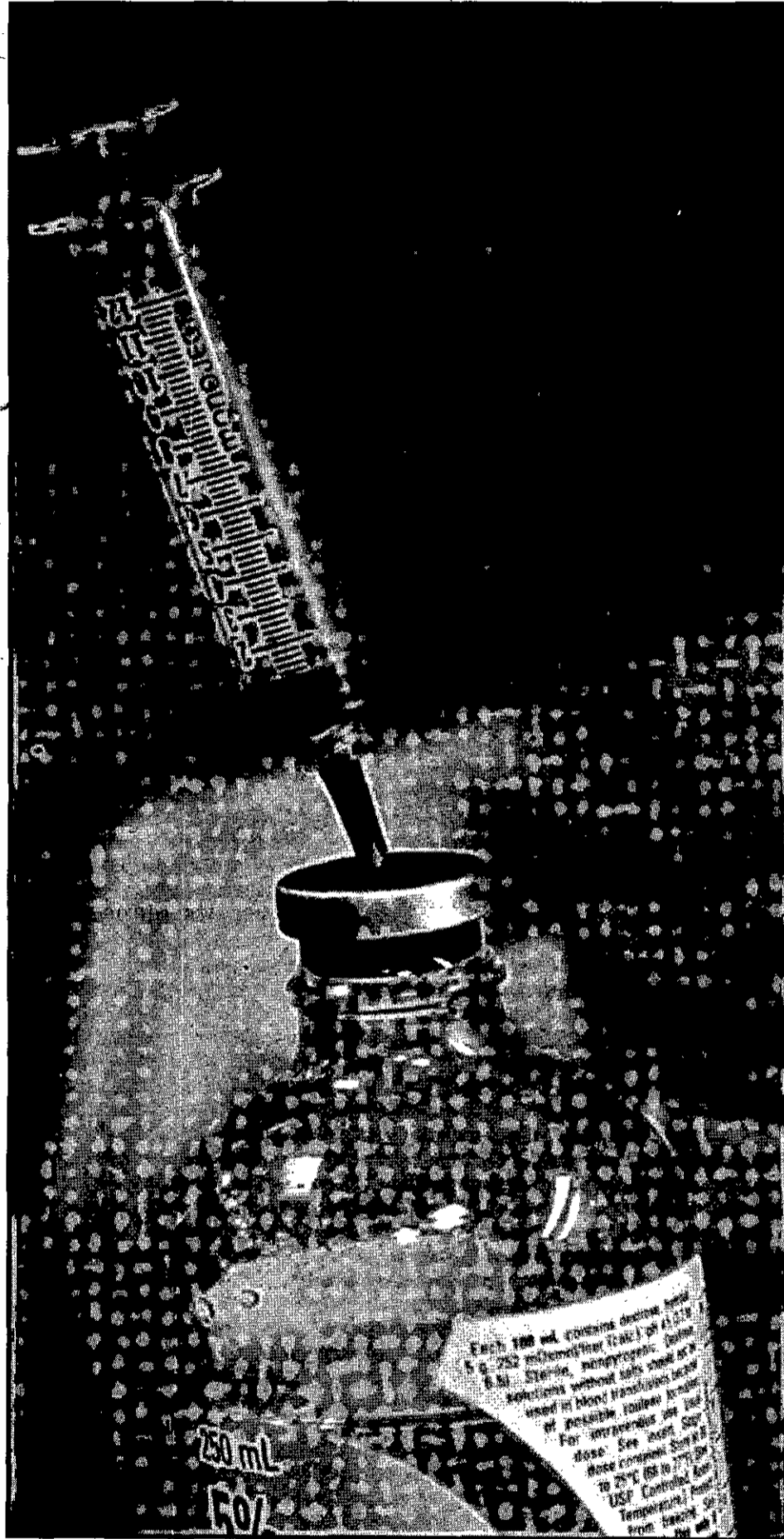
Even lawyers admit that doctors' fear of litigation, whether or not that litigation is justified, might be warranted.

"America has changed," said Cathy Wettlaufer, an attorney with Hiscock and Barclay in Buffalo. "We live in an increasingly litigious society. 'I'm going to call my lawyer' has become way too popular a phrase. There's a sense of entitlement there that I'm not sure is justified."

As a result, more and more people are filing medical malpractice lawsuits seeking astronomical awards, which are driving up malpractice insurance premiums. The Greater New York Hospital Association said that medical liability insurance costs rose 147 percent between 2002 and 2007.

States in crisis

Because of skyrocketing malpractice insurance premiums, the federal government has declared 12 states to be facing a medical liability crisis: Georgia,



Mississippi, Ohio, Oregon, Texas, Washington, West Virginia, Florida, Nevada, Pennsylvania and New York. Those states have the highest premiums and, according to some, are losing doctors because of it.

Several doctors made headlines in 2003 in West Virginia by walking out of their offices in protest of high malpractice premiums, arguing that they had little choice but to shut down their practices.

But this claim, according to the Gen-

eral Accounting Office, is not true: "... many of the reported provider actions taken in response to malpractice pressures were not substantiated or did not widely affect access to health care... some reports of physicians relocating to other states, retiring or closing practices were not accurate or involved in relatively few physicians."

The New York State Trial Lawyers Association echoed those claims. In an Oct. 6, 2007 letter to *The New York Times*, "there is no evidence of any cause and ef-



fect between malpractice premiums and the availability of physicians."

What to do?

Whether or not high malpractice premiums are driving physicians out of New York, there are undeniable costs. In addition to driving up personal insurance costs, high medical liability insurance costs are forcing volunteer clinics to shut down. The fear of lawsuits is also causing doctors to try to hide mistakes, making medicine less safe instead of more.

So what can be done to eliminate or at least trim these costs?

The first and most obvious option is to put a stop to baseless lawsuits. Limits have been put in place to stop such suits, but some still slip through the cracks and into the courts; not to mention the legitimate suits filed by real victims of medical malpractice. As such, medical professionals have advocated putting a cap on noneconomic damages awarded by juries. According to a 2003 study by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, limiting unreasonable jury awards could cut health care costs by 5 to 9 percent, saving some \$70 to \$126 billion a year.

While a federal bill proposing such a cap was defeated in the U.S. Senate in 2003, New York is taking it into consideration. Gov. Eliot Spitzer called for the formation of the New York State Medical Malpractice Liability Task Force last summer. The task force will help to define the major causes of medical malpractice and the high costs of insurance.

Eric R. Dinallo, superintendent of the New York State Department of Insurance and co-chair of the task force, said the team's report will determine the best course of action.

"We will provide an effective action plan to fix the medical malpractice system, not some report to collect dust," Dinallo said. "A good malpractice system should encourage accessible, quality care; promote patient safety; treat victims of malpractice fairly; set reasonable insurance costs for health providers; and insure that victims will be paid and health providers protected. The current system fails on every one of those goals."

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a venture capital fund and money to improve infrastructure and state parks.

In January, the state Senate passed its version of Upstate Now, calling for \$3.7 billion in economic development programs over the next three years.

Bruno hopes to create jobs by investing in projects such as high-speed trains, new roads, community renovation, tourism and by attracting high-tech and scientific research businesses to manufacture products here.

"If people don't have jobs, then what do they do?" Sen. Bruno asked. "They do what they've done for the last 20 or 30 years - they go to other states."

Bruno criticized Assembly Majority Leader Sheldon Silver for not making Upstate Now a priority in the Assembly. Bruno is a Republican while Silver and Spitzer are Democrats.

Tax-relief needed

The Business Council of New York supports the Senate's initiative. The council's CEO, Kenneth Adams, says the tax-relief elements of Upstate Now are especially important.

Andrew Rudnick of Buffalo-Niagara Partnership thinks state government is moving in the right direction to forestall the recession by strengthening the business environment Upstate but not quickly enough.

"The cost of doing business in New York is second only to Hawaii, factoring in wages, energy, real estate, and taxes," Rudnick says. "So it's not surprising that businesses have fled, followed by more than 300,000 people."

Rudnick represents a coalition of more than 31,000 employers across the state which calls itself Unshackle Upstate. "We want our economy moving, not our people," is the coalition's rallying cry, he says.

Federal stimulus package

On the federal level, a deal was hammered out Jan. 24 between congressional leaders and the White House on a \$150 billion economic stimulus package that would give most taxpayers refunds of \$600 to \$1,200. The first rebate checks are supposed to be cut in May with most people due to receive theirs in June, if Congress can agree on certain details.

"Right now the House and Senate have different versions that need to be reconciled and which can add further delay," SU's Lovely says. On Feb. 6, the Senate version failed to gain enough support to reach a vote, paving the way for the White House / Congress plan to move forward.

While the goal is to pump money into the lagging economy, experts believe it won't have much effect.

"The tax rebates will not help spending," Lovely says. "Instead people will use them to pay down debt." Rising personal credit card debt, along with auto-loan delinquencies and mortgage defaults are among the problems presently plaguing the U.S. economy.

Like the state's Upstate Now initiative, the federal effort would provide business tax write-offs in the form of bonus depreciation and more generous expensing rules.

'Huge deficits'

New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg blasted Washington's plan. "It's not going to make much of a difference," he

says, "because we've already been running huge deficits."

The federal plan addresses the housing crisis by offering more subprime mortgage holders the opportunity to refinance into federally insured loans. The Federal Reserve lowered interest rates at the end of January and plans to provide \$60 billion in fresh cash to commercial banks in two auctions in February.

New York State Association for Affordable Housing Executive Director Bernard Carr says that housing prices are "skyrocketing" Downstate.

"Upstate there is a lot of available housing but the conditions are very bad," he says.

Carr praised Spitzer's creation of a \$400 million Housing Opportunity Fund.

Rising energy costs also contribute to the recessionary worries. High gas and oil prices negatively affect big business and individual consumers alike.

Gas prices rising

Global oil markets will likely remain tight through 2008, then ease moderately in 2009, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration. The EIA projects that world oil demand will continue to grow faster than oil supply outside of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in 2008, leaving OPEC and inventories to offset the upward pressure on prices. In other words, gas prices will continue to rise.

To adequately address the energy crisis, according to some experts such as Washington Post columnist Harold Myerson, we need "a massive, federally financed program to retrofit America, creating several million 'green jobs' in the process."

While our governments scramble to stem the recession in this country, it's important to remember that the U.S. economy does not exist in a vacuum.

Depreciating dollar

"The wild card is what happens in the international sector," Lovely says. "If the dollar continues to depreciate, U.S. exports will rise but imports will become more expensive. That could lead to U.S. consumers buying American goods, which they usually think of as a good thing, but buying American is not always a good thing because people will be paying higher prices for American-made products."

If the global economy slumps in tandem with the U.S. economy, that would be bad for U.S. exports, which have grown by 12.3 percent to \$1.48 trillion over a 12-month period ending in November 2007, according to the U.S. Commerce Department.

A strong global economy helps Americans because exports have so far kept the country out of recession by offsetting the effects of the worst U.S. housing market since the Great Depression.

Wall Street bear Melcher says a devalued dollar will continue to negatively affect stock prices. He worries that central banks around the globe, America's included, are debasing their currencies, which sets the stage for higher inflation. Melcher figures the next six to 12 months will be difficult for investors as the market goes down "pretty substantially."

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was of the essence and that the oomph and emotional appeal would be lost even a week later. Ads were running the next day! A full-fledged PR and ad campaign quickly followed. I am not a big golf fan but I will never forget those ads and the overall buzz. And, if I were to shop for golf balls today, they would be by Nike.

Subway was just another chain of sub shops before the health food craze hit. So when issues like obesity and trans fats began to build steam, Subway grabbed the golden moment and reinvented itself as the healthy alternative to fast food, becoming one of the first businesses of its kind to jump aboard the fitness bandwagon. They introduced Fresh Fit meals along with a catchy ad and pr campaign. (Who doesn't chuckle over their fast food drive-through parody: "I'll have the love handles, double chin and blubber.") The sales quickly followed. Subway reacted faster than the competition to the healthier eating

trend and it paid off in spades. What if they had sat around hemming and hawing about the upside and downside and second guessing themselves? They likely would not be in the positive market position they are in today.

Your big breaks in life don't often present themselves more than once. You have to know when to react. And, as importantly, you have to be able to react quickly and decisively.

So, when a real opportunity comes along, do not sit around half-cocked. You likely won't get the same shot again. So, Shoot, aim, shoot.

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be seen as a subterfuge akin to paying your child an allowance while grabbing a tax deduction for your business. Pay within the range that you would pay a stranger for the same job. Also try to pay according to some schedule. Paying one or two lump sums for the year's work will often raise a red flag.

Being a small business owner is a

tough job. You may as well take advantage of all the benefits the tax code has to offer. Hire and pay your own minor child and watch the money go out the door of your business and come right back into the front door of your home.

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you named. The worst case scenario is that you changed your mind about successors and didn't change your will. That's why it's important to review all of your documents at least every five years or whenever there is a significant change in your life. One final thought, make sure your beneficiaries are current for your life insurance, retire

plans, etc.

Paying attention to good record keeping will not only make your life easier, but also others will appreciate your diligence if they ever have to act in your behalf.

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