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'City' a glimpse of the future

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Red Hen at Old Songs event

Music brought Jane Rothfield and Linda Schrade and their husbands together about 20 years ago. Recently, the couples got back together as the band Red Hen, which is playing at Old Songs in Voorheesville Saturday, Jan. 31, at 8 p.m.

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Eagles come up short at TU Center

Bethlehem had a 16-12 lead at the end of the first quarter, but Mohonasen made that disappear en route to a 71-61 victory over Bethlehem as part of Sunday's Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament at Albany's Times Union Center.

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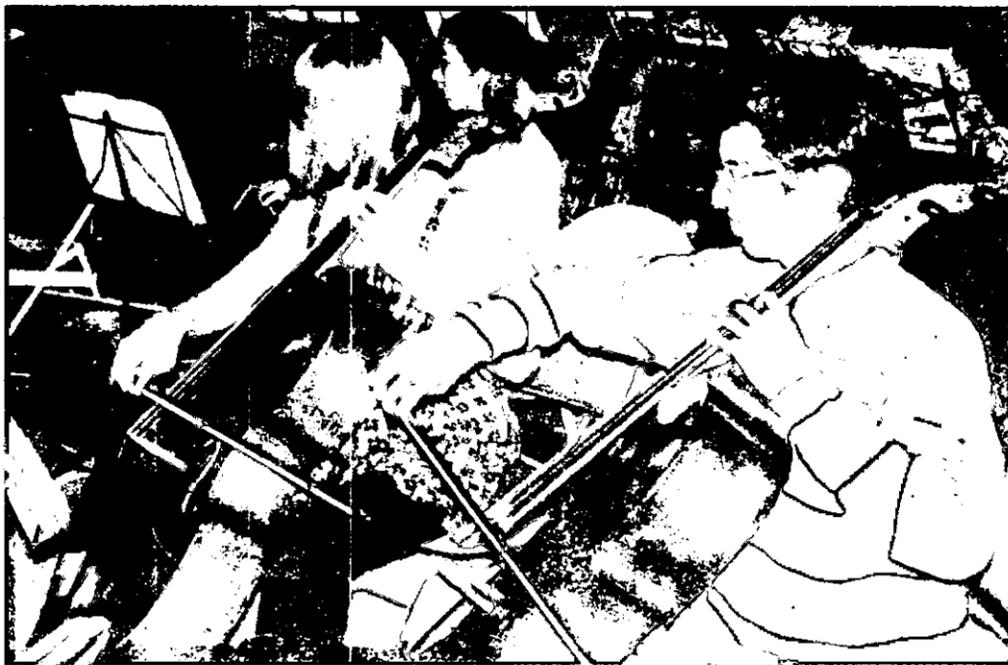
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"I've never felt so much energy in a group." - Mike Dorato



Kelsey Wood and Zeke Barnett play their cellos during a recent Empire-State-Youth-Orchestra rehearsal.

EYSO hits the right note

When Agnes Kline was a kid, her grandparents took her to see the Empire State Youth Orchestra, and she decided she wanted to be in the orchestra when she was a bit older.

Irene Van Ryn remembers seeing EYSO perform its "Melodies of Christmas" concert on television and feeling that same pull.

"I said, 'I'm going to do

that," she said.

These days, it's Kline and Van Ryn inspiring the next generation of Capital District musicians. Now students at Shaker High School, both are members of EYSO - Kline as a cellist and Van Ryn as a violinist.

EYSO is not actually an orchestra in and of itself, but an umbrella term for nine performing groups.

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David Beck conducts the Empire State Youth Orchestra's repertory orchestra during a recent rehearsal.

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Full-day-K delay

Guilderland BOE calling for citizens to join advisory committee

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Plans to implement full-day kindergarten will be put on hold due to changes in the economy since an advisory committee recommended it in November.

Guilderland Superintendent John McGuire said he asked the Early Childhood Advisory Committee on Full-Day Kindergarten to reconvene after it initially recommended moving forward to include full-day kindergarten in next year's budget.

"[The economy] led me to have real reservations, not about the recommendation, but the timing of the recommendation."

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Key Bank upgrades on hold

Financial group decides against Delmar overhaul during economic crisis

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A proposal to upgrade and overhaul the Delmar Key Bank has been withdrawn by the national bank chain.

Bethlehem Director of Economic Development and Plan-

ning Michael Morelli confirmed to *The Spotlight* that Key Bank is no longer seeking to renovate its branch in Bethlehem due mainly to economic factors and not criticisms of the town's planning board.

"They're doing renovations all across the nation ... but they decided to put it on hold here," Morelli said. "The decision was made at their headquarters in Cleveland, but I don't think we're

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Town takes care of caretakers

Employees reside rent-free on town property as watchmen

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The town of Bethlehem owns two separate properties — one at the Henry Hudson Park and one at the New Salem Water Plant — that two town employees call home in exchange for caretaker duties.

Charles Wickham, the director of field operations for the Department of Public Works, lives at 157 Lyons Road at the town park off the Hudson River. Richard Sayward, the chief water treatment plant operator, lives at 27 Patton Road in Voorheesville on the Vly Creek in Voorheesville.

Both earn a salary of \$82,886, but according to Bethlehem Supervisor Jack Cunningham, there are different caretaking duties required of each residence.

"The town pays the taxes, and the occupant has a lease agreement that he fulfills as a caretaker," Cunningham said. "There's a separate description for the caretaker duties."

Both positions have always carried the current caretaker responsibilities, according to Cunningham, although in the past, the town's Parks and Recreation Department used the Henry Hudson Park house.

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Police Blotter

Woman cited for DWI, not stopping for cops

A woman from Slingerlands faces a slew of charges after she did not pull her car over for police, was found to be intoxicated and then declined to take a Breathalyzer.

Cheryl L. Taratino, 52, was arrested outside of her home on Tuesday, Jan. 20, and charged with DWI, a misdemeanor, and a number of infractions, including unlicensed operator of a motor vehicle, refusal to take a breath test, failure to obey police officers, failure to keep right, and inadequate license plate lamps.

Bethlehem police said Taratino was seen driving

west on New Scotland Road near Bridge Street when officers noticed that she did not have a license plate lamp on her vehicle.

When police began to follow her, she was observed crossing the double yellow line of the roadway.

The patrol officer followed Taratino until the roadway was flat "in order to conduct a safe stop," but when the officer activated his emergency lights, she did not stop, according to the arrest report.

The officer then activated his emergency siren as he continued to pursue Taratino,

at which time an Albany County sheriff's deputy on patrol began assisting the Bethlehem police officer in stopping Taratino, the report states.

The sheriff's deputy also activated his emergency lights behind the Bethlehem officer, but Taratino continued driving, eventually turning left on Miller Road and into a driveway approximately 1.5 to 2 miles after officers began their pursuit, according to police.

Taratino came to a stop in front of her residence after "sliding toward a large snow bank," the report states, and began to open the driver-side door of her vehicle when officers approached her, but was order to exit her car and place her hand on the trunk of the vehicle.

Police said they could smell alcohol on Taratino's breath when interviewing her and she showed signs of intoxication including being "off balance" and slurring her words.

When asked why she didn't stop for police, Taratino allegedly replied, "I thought you were an ambulance" according to the report.

When asked why she didn't stop for the ambulance she

responded, "You scared the hell out of me."

Taratino failed a field-sobriety test before being transported to the Bethlehem Police Department, according to the report, where she declined to take a Breathalyzer three times.

She was processed and released into the custody of her husband.

Other arrests

• George L. Kirkley, 57, of Schenectady, was arrested on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at the Bethlehem Police Department for fourth-degree criminal possession of stolen property and fourth-degree grand larceny, both felonies.

Bethlehem police said Kirkley was a part of an ongoing investigation, including cases in Colonie, since August of 2007, and that based on a joint investigation with the district attorney's officer, Kirkley was "developed as a suspect."

He was arraigned by Bethlehem Town Justice Ryan Donovan and waived to Albany County Court, where he is scheduled to appear on Tuesday, March 17, according to the arrest report.

• Guilderland police arrested Derrick W. Dickson,

36, of 63 Grand St. in Albany on charges of DWI on Thursday, Jan. 22, according to police reports.

Dickson was arrested near 5209 Western Turnpike and was arraigned later that day.

• Rochelle A. Edwards, 38, of Albany, was arrested on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at the Bethlehem Police Department on charges of second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument, a felony; first-degree identity theft, a felony; fifth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, a misdemeanor; and petty larceny, a misdemeanor.

Bethlehem police said Edwards was arrested in the lobby of the town's police station after exiting town court on a signed felony complaint stemming from an incident at Hannaford in Delmar on Oct. 22.

Edwards was read his Miranda Rights, and he allegedly made a statement implicating him in the incident and Bethlehem Town Justice Ryan Donovan arraigned him, according to the arrest report.

Donovan sent him to the Albany County Correctional Facility without bail due to the fact that he had three prior felony convictions and a preliminary hearing was set for Thursday, Jan. 22, the report states.

• Guilderland police arrested Venessa M. Cunsolo, 27, of 3143 E. Old State Road in Schenectady, on charges of DWI on Sunday, Jan. 18, according to police reports.

Cunsolo was arrested at the corner of Route 158 and Western Avenue and will reappear in court on Thursday, Jan. 29.

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Farnsworth Middle School students and their teachers won the Capital District Regional National Engineers Week Future City Competition, which was held at Hudson Valley Community College on Saturday, Jan. 17. The win sends them to Washington, D.C., Feb. 17.

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Students' city glimpse of the future

Farnsworth middle schoolers win regional competition with engineering know-how

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A group of students from Guilderland's Middle School won a regional competition for the fourth year in a row, sending them to Washington, D.C., Feb. 17.

Students from Farnsworth Middle School won the Capital District Regional National Engineers Week Future City Competition, which was held at Hudson Valley Community College on Saturday, Jan. 17. They will compete with teams from around the country for the top prize, which includes a trip to space camp.

"It took a lot of research, engineering skills, math and science," said Zubin Mukerjee, a student representative of the winning team.

Their fictitious winning city is called Cibola and is located in Pando Bolivia on the Madre de Dios River.

"The direct, hands-on experience is a successful route to acquainting young people with engineering," said Kevin Powers, the regional Future City coordinator for the Capital District. "They see engineering as a direct influence on their lives and how math and science are relevant to the world, and these students are undaunted by tough challenges."

Cibola, which is set in the year 2237, has a population greater than 150,000, and uses efficient geothermal, solar, wind and hydropower to provide electricity, according to information provided by the district.

The competition required a good

deal of teamwork, said Guilderland teachers Deb Escobar, Tom McGreevy and student Matt Gu.

Gu said the students would try not to reject ideas outright, but improve upon them to make the project better.

"By using the latest technology in water purification, recycling and conservation, 90 percent of their water is recycled and reused. Cibola has many parks and green-space, providing its citizens with clean fresh air, with state-of-the-art education, municipal and medical facilities," according to the district.

It features residential, government, office and recreational buildings all designed and built by the students.

Student Edmund Doyle said it was not easy to find the best materials to make the display.

He said he found himself "looking around in the endless piles of recycled materials" until he found what he needed.

Other attractions include a marina, beach, museum, walking and biking trails and a soccer stadium.

Farnsworth also won three "special area" awards for Cibola.

Capital District Public Relations Coordinator Sharon Raber said teams have one teacher and one mentor in the engineering field advise the project.

She said the local committee is heavily involved in aiding the teams and could help find mentors for schools if the school cannot find one alone.

"The local committee does try to support the schools as best as possible," Raber said. "We try to be a network of communication for them."

Raber said students have been given lessons by top-notch professors at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute on water filtration and presentations from Plug Power to help supplement their understanding of the topic.

The project focuses on identifying potential problems for future cities and addressing those issues in a way that would make life "more efficient, happier and healthier" for residents in the city.

"If we keep using water at the same rate as now, it will be more expensive in the future," said Joe

Sipzner, a student representing the team.

First, the team must develop a sustainable city using "Sim City" software, provided by Electronic Arts, for at least 50 virtual years. They also must take a small sample of their virtual city and recreate it using recyclable materials for their display. The display must involve at least one moving part.

The Farnsworth team included a train that used magnets to go around a track.

This year's theme was residential water conservation and recycling, and was exemplified by Cibola.

Raber said many teams tried to incorporate the water theme into the moving parts and some wound up leaking.

Students are also expected to write an abstract and essay and answer questions from the judges showing they understand their model.

"They need to know what they are talking about," Raber said.

In Washington, D.C., there will be 80 schools competing over the course of five days. The list will be narrowed first to 15, then to one national winner.

Last year the Farnsworth team finished second in the nation, Raber said.

The students representing Farnsworth, in addition to Mukerjee, Gu, Doyle and Sipzner, are Abigail Schnoor, Laura Chevalier, Adam Janover, David Lasselle, Isaac Malsky, Jake Van Buren and Sid Varma. Teachers McGreevy and Escobar and volunteer engineer-mentor Robert Sipzner, of Barton & Loguidice, P.C. coached the team.

The judges for this year's Capital District regional competition included over 50 engineering and technical professionals, including presidents, vice presidents, chief engineers, and directors from leading area engineering businesses and public agencies, according to the district.

The prize is a trip to U.S. Space camp in Huntsville, Ala. First runner up wins \$5,000 for its school's technology program and second runner up wins \$2,000. The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers-USA, sponsors the prizes.

Elsmere won't hire librarian

District officials: Not replacing staff is just 'the first taste' of major budget cuts

By JARRETT CARROLL
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As a group of Elsmere Elementary parents say they are concerned about losing their full-time librarian, Bethlehem Central warns that more cutbacks are coming.

A group of residents protested a move by the school district to not replace the elementary school librarian when the current one has retired — a move that district officials said is necessary as the school tries to rein in spending in the face of state aid cuts.

Harriet Jaffe, along with other Elsmere parents, pleaded with board of education members at the Wednesday, Jan. 21, meeting to name a replacement for Nancy Smith, who is retiring as the Elsmere Elementary librarian.

"This is a mistake I believe," Jaffe said of not replacing Smith. "That individual attention is invaluable."

She argued that school librarians have been proven "in several studies nationwide" to improve the academic performance of students in grade school and beyond.

Superintendent Michael Tebbano said he sympathizes with the parents' concerns but said the financial crisis may be more serious than people realize. He asked district residents to be more understanding and to give the new approach a chance.

"We anticipated replacing her [Smith] position earlier, but in light of the current situation ... we decided we would revise our plan," Tebbano said. "This is going to be a big crisis we're trying to manage, and it's going to get worse. ... Realistically the \$30,000 or so we save will not solve the fiscal crisis, but I have a fiduciary responsibility to this district."

Tebbano said none of the kids would lose their librarian because the district has rescheduled the remaining five elementary librarians to cover Elsmere Elementary. He added the district has enacted other measures, such as a hiring freeze and the unpopular decision to suspend school field trips, as well as cutting back on school aides and bus routes.

IN BRIEF

Bus safety a focus at BC board meeting

The Wednesday, Jan. 21, Bethlehem Central Board of Education meeting included a performance from the district's award-winning bus safety group, the Bethlehem Employee Awareness Team (BEAT).

The BEAT presentation featured a student skit, multimedia elements and an appearance by "Buster," a computerized school bus robot who has become a beloved safety icon for a generation of Bethlehem school children.

Buster, who is only 2.5-by-3-feet tall, made his way through the crowd during the presentation to the delight of many in the audience.

The presentation by BEAT is annually delivered to all district elementary schools, area preschools and at various civic events, including

"This is just the tip of the iceberg if we don't get any funding from the federal government or the state," Tebbano said, referring to Sen. Charles Schumer's proposed school "bailout" package that would come from the federal government.

The superintendent said he has received a number of e-mails on the matter and has responded to all of them.

Another concerned parent, Dan Rain, said he would like to remind board members of last year's redistricting process.

"We were assured that this very situation would not happen," Rain said at the meeting and then said it seemed like the "smaller schools" were receiving fewer resources than the larger schools.

"This is not a small school issue," Tebbano responded. Earlier in the meeting he said, "If this is causing a furor, just wait ... I know this community will not settle for a high tax rate."

Tebbano elaborated on the matter the next day.

"I can understand the suspicions of some of the parents of the smaller schools," he said. "The big picture here is that Elsmere is still going to have a library program. Nothing is changed, we are not denying Elsmere any service."

Tebbano said the same thing would have happened if any other librarian retired from any other school.

Board of Education President James Lytle called the current economic crisis "the real deal," and echoed Tebbano's sentiments on the situation.

"I hope the parents and children of Elsmere give this a fair chance," he said of the librarian situation. "I'm afraid, like what Mike said, this could be the first taste of what's to come."

Board member Lisa Allendorph asked the parents at the meeting who helped at the library if they would be willing to take on a "more leadership role" as a result of not having a permanent librarian at the school.

Jaffe said parents are no substitutes for a full-time librarian and that parents are always doing everything they can.

"The parents here live in a working community," she told board members. "We don't have those options."

the annual Albany County Traffic Safety weekend at Crossgates Mall. Their performances are multi-media and often include student and staff participation.

The group is made up of 10 employees of the Bethlehem Central Transportation Department who volunteer hundreds of hours of time in a year to the cause of bus safety. This not only helps the district meet the state requirement of providing children bus safety instruction each year, but it helps build bridges between students, faculty and staff about critical safety issues.

This year, BEAT's efforts dovetail with "The Bethlehem Peaceable Bus Project," a pilot program at the elementary level designed to stem any incidences of bullying and other inappropriate behavior in favor of belonging, comradeship and trusting friendship with the bus driver.

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Bread mold and the science of communication

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"For millions of years, mankind lived just like the animals. Then something happened which unleashed the power of our imagination. We learned to talk and we learned to listen."

— Stephen Hawking, professor, author and all-around smart guy.

...
"What are you talking about?"

— William R. Devoe, not quite as smart Stephen Hawking.

...
Face-eating bread mold can tell you a lot about your marriage.

A couple of weeks ago, my wife was cleaning out our cupboards, getting rid of expired foodstuffs that the boys and I would still eat if left to our own devices. She took down a half loaf of bread from the basket on top of the refrigerator where we keep it. She glanced at the date and made to throw it in the trash.

"How old is it?" I ask.

"A couple of days. I'll get some more tomorrow," she says.

"Don't throw it away," I say. "If it's only a couple of days old, we can still eat it."

"Maybe you can eat it, but my children and I will not eat expired food, thank you."



She throws me the loaf in question.

By this time our 6-year-old has moseyed into the kitchen. He knows when there's going to be a good show. Our 1-year-old isn't far behind him, but I think he's more interested in the bread than anything else.

"There is nothing wrong with the bread," I say while I'm opening the bag. "It's mostly white. There are only a few blue spots on some of the slices."

"Exactly. That's why you shouldn't eat it."

"No way," I say. "When I was younger, we'd just pick out the spots and eat the good parts. There's no reason to waste a perfectly good half loaf of mostly un-moldy bread."

Then she plays her trump card, in front of the kids, no less:

"Bread mold will eat your face."

I can't help but laugh at this, but Kevin, our oldest, has this "You're gonna need a bigger

boat" look on his face, put there by the prospect of having a faceless dad coach his soccer games.

My wife continues: "I was watching TLC, or maybe it was the Discovery Channel, and there was a show on this guy who got bread mold in his sinuses, and they had to remove most of his face. Don't do it."

"You're insane." I'm about to pop a nice polka-dotted slice of split-top into my mouth when, from behind me, Kevin screams, "I don't want to see your bones! Don't eat the bread!"

I put the bread down and turn to my only ally in the house—the Internet.

I type what I believe is a straightforward question into the search engine: Will bread mold eat my face?

After slogging through the hundreds of pages of bread-mold related pornography and dating sites, I find a few that are of use. What do they say? The general consensus is that eating moldy bread will not result in your face being eaten.

"See this?" I say to my family. "No need to waste all that bread."

"Bill," my wife leans in close to me. "We're just trying to tell you that we care about you and that we don't want to risk you getting

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sick just so we can save a dollar on a loaf of bread."

"Don't do it, Dad," Kevin says. "You need a face."

I throw the bread away, wondering why I'd rather argue about the threat of face-eating bread mold than realize when my family is trying to tell me they love me.

Communication is key, they say, but sometimes I feel like I need a locksmith.

I made the mistake of buying a gallon of paint from a megamart near my house, around the same time the bread mold nearly ate my face, in fact. I needed a gallon of white paint for a quick cover-up, so I didn't feel a trip to the hardware store for the premium stuff was necessary. I was wrong.

I was fortunate in the sense that when I got up to the cash register with my paint I was greeted with an actual word, and not the smacking of bubblegum as is the standard at these places. The word: "Hey."

"Hey yourself," I said to the 20-something cashier.

"Are you familiar with our return policy on paint?"

"As a matter of fact, I'm not."

"You can only return the paint if it's defective and the can is unopened."

I had to do a double take. "If the can is unopened, how would I know if it's defective?"

She smacked her bubblegum. "I'm going to have to call a manager."

Back to the night of the moldy bread, and this is where I come clean, so to speak:

It's later that night, and I'm feeling a little hungry. Everyone is asleep and I slink like the Grinch into the kitchen to fix myself something. I take everything out of the fridge to make a Dagwood Bumstead-sized sandwich — cold cuts, lettuce, an entire onion, two kinds of cheese and spicy mustard. I'm drooling over the cutting board when I remember that we have absolutely no bread.

Then I spy a familiar looking plastic bag peeking out from underneath the lid of the trash can. I know what you're thinking: "No way he's going to tell us he ate moldy bread out of the trash."

I'm not going to. I would have, don't get me wrong. But before I could fish the bread out of the trash, I heard a drowsy voice behind me say, "Watcha doin', Daddy?" Kevin is at the doorway to his room, in his pajamas, rubbing his eyes. If he had a floppy teddy bear in his hand, he would have been the living embodiment of one of those Precious Moments figurines.

"I was going to fix myself a sandwich, Kev, but it appears that we have no bread."

"We have the death bread," he says, and I'm not really sure if he's encouraging me to eat it or not.

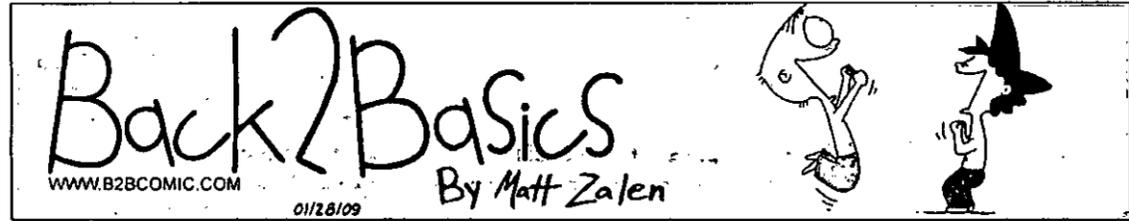
"It's not death bread," I say as I guide him back to his bed. We lay down together. "You or I could eat it and be just fine."

"But, Dad, why did Mommy say that bread mold was going to eat your face?" He turns away from me and pulls his blankets over his shoulders.

"Honestly, Kev, most of the time I just don't know what your mother is talking about."

He looks at me, sleep washing over his face.

"Me neither," he yawns.



WEEKLY WEATHER

Chief Meteorologist Mike Bono



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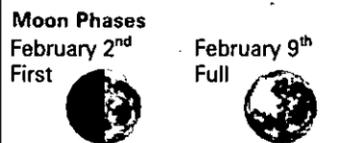
Area Ski Conditions

Day	AVERAGE HIGH 31°	AVERAGE LOW 13°
Wednesday, January 28	56°/1916	-16°/2005
Thursday, January 29	54°/2002	-10°/1925
Friday, January 30	54°/1974	-12°/1965
Saturday, January 31	58°/1913	-26°/1948
Sunday, February 1	65°/1989	-12°/1963
Monday, February 2	53°/1981	-26°/1948
Tuesday, February 3	56°/2006	-20°/1920

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	7:13am	5:04pm
Thursday	7:12am	5:05pm
Friday	7:11am	5:06pm
Saturday	7:10am	5:08pm
Sunday	7:09am	5:09pm
Monday	7:08am	5:10pm
Tuesday	7:07am	5:11pm

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Whiteface	30" - 36"	9	73	Sugarbush	14" - 60"	10	111
Bromley	26" - 41"	6	43	Hunter Mtn.	30" - 80"	7	46
Mt. Snow	30" - 52"	11	100	Jay Peak	18" - 36"	8	71
Okemo	38" - 44"	19	117	Jiminy Peak	30" - 60"	5	43
Belleayre	25" - 65"	6	45	Windham	28" - 52"	10	46
Stowe	32" - 58"	11	110	Smugglers'	24" - 54"	6	74
Killington	32" - 48"	18	137	Bousquet	18" - 36"	4	18

SEASONAL SNOWFALL TO DATE
39.6 inches as of Friday, January 23rd
8.0 inches above average



Planets	When	Where
Venus	Dusk	Bright SSW
Saturn	Dawn	High SSW
Uranus	Dusk	V Dim, near Venus

Factoid

Ground Hog Day is February 2nd. Not only is this the traditional day for the Ground Hog to make his forecast, it's almost exactly the midpoint of the winter season — just over 6 weeks left.

Tides at Albany

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Around the County

Coalition to help alleviate unfunded mandates

Talent show raises \$3,200

Educational classes in the works

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Members of an inter-municipal storm water coalition focused its plans to help alleviate state mandated costs and fund educational classes at a Thursday, Jan. 15, meeting.

Nancy Heinzen, a representative of the Storm Water Coalition of Albany County, said the board of directors had its first gathering since its initial Oct. 15, 2007 meeting.

"It's function is to help all of the participating entities to comply with the Federal Clearwater Act Storm Water Regulation," Heinzen said.

The coalition allows the municipalities to meet the requirements together, rather than individually, and is designed to save municipal taxpayers money by consolidating efforts.

Roger Stone, zoning enforcement officer and

liaison to the coalition attended the meeting on behalf of Guiderland Town Supervisor Ken Runion, who sits on its board of directors.

Stone said the meeting helped set the tone and pace of the year, and discussions about setting up a public education program we're a big part of the meeting.

"There's a lot of things we have to do," Stone said. "It's a work in progress."

Stone said classes are going to be set up to inform the public about storm water management and soil erosion, which are part of the state and federal requirements.

The meeting focused on the organizational framework of the coalition going forward, and included updates to the board regarding its progress.

The coalition has an operating budget of \$120,000 to be used toward educational materials for the public regarding storm water management and efforts to map key areas where storm water is released into federal waters.

Stone said part of the federal

and state mandate includes educating the public about the topic, and the coalition allows municipalities to contribute to a pool of funds to help fund the initiatives.

"We're trying to operate as a cohesive unit," Stone said of the coalition. "Without it, we would be in left field."

Stone said based on a formula that accounts for population and geographic size, Guiderland contributes close to \$15,000.

Bethlehem Supervisor Jack Cunningham said since the coalition is new, he is unsure if the \$15,000 Bethlehem contributes will be the best value for the taxpayers.

"We're not certain of that yet," Cunningham said. "We have to measure it."

He said he said suspects the coalition will provide a value in the long run, and said allowing the municipalities to meet the requirements as a county, rather than alone is desirable.

Heinzen said while the coalition is relatively new, forming in 2008, the municipalities have been

working together since the regulations were passed in 2005.

"We're used to working together. We're used to each other," Heinzen said. "There's not a lot of unknowns."

She said a formal coalition has helped with key areas in communication and consistency in dealing with enforcing local laws related to entities that violate the regulations, including contractors who discharge pollutants into bodies of water at construction sites.

Municipalities in violation of the regulations could see fines as much as \$37,500 per violation Heinzen said.

The coalition also provides access to grants available through the federal government that can help supplement the municipalities' efforts Stone added, although none have been awarded since the coalition officially formed.

The next meeting of the coalition board of directors is set for March 20.

The recent Rhythm of the Heart talent show raised \$3,200 to benefit programs and services at the Center for Disability Services.

The contest, held at Bethlehem Central High School on Friday, Jan. 9, yielded two winners: Christian Frese, a musician, and Shannen O'Brian, a dancer. Frese and O'Brian performed during the Center for Disability Services Telethon on Sunday, Jan. 25.

The Rhythm of the Heart program was conceived and organized by Sarah Hospodar and Samantha VanSchaick as part of a Girl Scout Silver Award Initiative. Both teens are freshmen at Bethlehem Central High School.

Competition judges were Steve Teeling, chief meteorologist at WXXA-TV/FOX23 News, and Lori Tynan, owner and artistic director of Tynan's Center for Dance & Well-Being. Diane Lee, co-anchor of FOX23's DayBreak, was mistress of ceremonies.

IN BRIEF

Five Rivers plans evening walk

Five Rivers Center will hold a night walk Friday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m.

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Selected officials

Even if you operate under the assumption that all politics is dirty and there are no truly spotless elections, you'd be hard pressed to remember a time in New York politics when so many of our legislators gained office by means that were opaque, unanticipated, opportune and downright serendipitous in some cases.

After then-state Comptroller Alan Hevesi resigned his office amidst charges of defrauding the government, Thomas DiNapoli found his election to that office being pushed through the Legislature by Gov. Eliot Spitzer — even though DiNapoli was not among the top three people recommended for the job by a state review panel.

Spitzer, as we all know, led us to another dubious assumption of New York state power by embroiling himself in a prostitution scandal, resigning his office and leaving it to a then-virtually unknown entity in Lt. Gov. David Paterson.

Paterson, having shaken the mantle of "accidental governor" after the majority of a year in office, just came off another selected official debacle by trotting out Caroline Kennedy as his front-runner to replace U.S. Senator Hillary Clinton, after Clinton — naturally — experienced her own assumption of power by being appointed secretary of state by our newly elected president. During the hard-sale of Kennedy to the people of New York, politicians and pundits state and nationwide called for a special election to select New York's junior senator.

It wasn't meant to be. We all know by now that Paterson backed off the Kennedy push and tapped 20th Congressional District Representative Kirsten Gillibrand to replace Clinton.

Now we will get our election. Now that the positions of power farther up the chain have been filled with hand-picked appointees, the stakes are at the level where they can be entrusted to the New York voter. Maybe. When Gillibrand resigns her Congressional position to take the Senate seat, Paterson can issue a proclamation for a special election, which will be held 30 to 40 days after the proclamation. He doesn't have to. If he so wishes, and we at *The Spotlight* can't reason as to why he would, he can wait until the 2010 general election to fill the seat. It wouldn't make sense, but what in New York politics does?

In continuing a long-standing tradition, we at *The Spotlight* will not be endorsing a candidate in the race for the 20th Congressional District. We do, however, wholeheartedly endorse the process. With whoever occupies an elected office, regardless of their party or affiliation, we feel that it puts more credence behind the phrase "Vote the bums out" when we've actually voted the bums in.

Editorial

Reflecting on being laid off

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The author is a Delmar resident and former columnist for The Spotlight. The following column appeared in the March 23, 1983, edition of The Spotlight and earned an honorable mention at the New York Press Association Better Newspaper Contest for that same year.

Late Friday afternoon a few weeks ago the director of my unit at the state agency for which I've worked for the past two years, called me into his office and closed the door.

I knew what it was about as did every other state worker in every other state agency whose supervisor called them in for a meeting and closed the door. He culminated weeks of speculation and unusual silence on the state grapevine, which usually teemed with fruitless rumors. In as caring a manner as he could muster, he informed me that my position had been abolished, and April 7 would be my last day on the state agency payroll.

I had been laid off. In fact, my entire unit had been abolished.

It wasn't until the following week that I realized what elite company I was in. Many with higher level positions and more years of state service had also been hit. Many who had considered themselves in the pink were given the slip of the same color. Others who thought they were on the way up the state ladder, found themselves back down a rung or two or three.

A new lingo entered the agency corridors. Workers began talking about "bumping" and "backup items" and "preferred lists." A shroud covered the building atmosphere. People approached each other as though eggshells had been spread all over the floor. Those of us who had been given notices were spoken to as though we had suffered a death in the family. Those who survived the budget ax conveyed obvious

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discomfort with their dilemma of feeling sympathy and relief simultaneously.

The knowledge of just how many people had lost their jobs and who they were was not clear until the following week. Moreover, the final count and identities of those "bumped" out of a slot won't be tallied until the pecking order exercise has spent itself.

In the meantime, affected employees have formed informal special-interest groups, meeting one-on-one to commiserate, clarify entitlements and share notes on next steps. The survivors have also formed into a group of willing helpers with direct lines to other agency contacts and reference letters in hand. In such difficult times, the concern and active support of comrades is often the major factor in coming out of the period intact.

Personally, I am not devastated by the loss of my job — at least not yet. Should months go by without a new work situation, then I will consider devastation. In the meantime, however, I am calling upon all the past experience I have had as a private-practice professional working on a fee-for-service basis, as an entrepreneur in business for myself, as a fully credentialed clinical social worker who was once forced to take a one-third cut in pay because of insurance industry restrictions on my clients, and ultimately as a breadwinner who was at one time unemployed for nearly six months in the middle of a ravaged Western New York economy.

From the perspective of my background, I can see firsthand that, for many of those long-termers in state service, the push out of the public nest is as scary as is crossing a busy street for a hobbling old person. Fear pervades every step. Reflexes have atrophied. Signals have been cautions or opportunity. State workforce reductions are rare, but when they hit, they leave a shockwave that touches everyone. They also leave a trail

of unseasoned job-seekers.

Considering the plight of being laid off, from my point of view, I have a few things I would like to say about this unusual period in our state's history. First, at the risk of sounding self-patronizing, you should all be aware that some pretty excellent workers are out there on the street looking to ply their wares. The layoffs did not result from poor performance ratings. Nor were the specific selections of personnel made on the basis of getting rid of unsuitable individuals. The bullet has been bitten by big shots, small shots, straight shots and hot shots alike. For you employers looking for good people who know how to work, get your ads in the papers, because a pool of talent has flooded the land.

Second, I would like to say, at the risk of sounding political, that as a manager with responsibility for doing something about this state's condition, this or any other governor should have done exactly what has been done to reduce this state's expenses. Perhaps the way in which it was done could have been altered somewhat, but then is there any way to lay off real people and do it well? In all the considered fairness of our laws and contracts, there are always inequities. In every mass action for the good of all, there are personal tragedies.

Finally, to all my fellow out-of-workers, it is a time to believe in yourselves and know how skilled you are. You are not dispensable, only your job is. Have faith that we humans really can spin flax into gold and recognize blessings in disguise. Your next opportunity awaits you, but you must be able to see it for what it is to make it yours. If you are blinded by despair or resentment or fear at having been cut off from your current source of nourishment, then remember your birth was also a time when you were forced to seek other means of nourishment, and not one of us that time as an end of something, but a time for beginning.

It is time for rebirth. It is time to count on your friends. It is time for real caring for one another. Good luck to you and may God be with us.

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'Oz' on stage

Bethlehem middle schoolers are off to see the wizard

The Bethlehem Central Middle School is presenting four performances of "The Wizard of Oz" at 7 p.m. on Feb. 3, 5, 6 and 7. Tickets are available at the middle school box office.

"Who can resist that time-cherished journey to the merry old land of Oz?" said Katie Daly, co-director of the production. "While the Wicked Witch chills your bones, the rest of the characters are sure to warm your heart on a cold winter night."

Among the best-loved stories of modern times, this familiar tale of self-discovery takes Dorothy on a journey through the strange land of Oz. Along the way, she meets an unlikely cast of characters - a good witch; a

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In the end, Glinda teaches Dorothy - and all of us - an unforgettable lesson. "Let the students of Bethlehem Middle School bring this inspiring story to life for you," said Lynda Conway, co-director of the production.

Tickets are on sale to the public on Jan. 29 and 30, from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m. at the middle school box office. Tickets for adults cost \$8, seniors and students cost \$5.

All seats are reserved and the box office opens at 5:30 p.m. on show nights.

Contact Deanna Beyer, BCMS Musical Publicity, at deannawbeyer@aol.com with questions.

IN BRIEF

V'ville to hold bullying forum

Voorheesville Central School District will host a community forum on cyber bullying and cyber safety Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school performing arts center.

The forum will feature a panel of local speakers who will discuss the ways parents can keep track of what their kids are doing, students' responsibilities and liabilities for information they post online and Internet predators. A question and answer period will follow the panel presentations.

The public is invited to attend.

Five Rivers slates skunk program

Five Rivers Center will hold a program on the natural history of skunks Saturday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m.

Center naturalists will discuss the lifestyle and ecological impact of Mephitis mephitis, or striped skunk, the common skunk of our area. After a short indoor discussion, center staff will lead participants outdoors to explore typical skunk habitat.

The program is open to the public free of charge.

The center is at 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. For information, call the center at 475-0291.

Guilderland Y plans triathlon

The Guilderland YMCA will hold its second indoor triathlon Sunday, March 29.

The course consists of a 15-minute swim in the pool, 15-minute ride on a stationary bike and a 15-minute run on a treadmill. Prizes will be awarded to top 3 male and female overall finishers, top overall male and female adult, top male and female high school division and top team. New this year is the high school division where special recognition will be awarded to participants in grades nine through 12.

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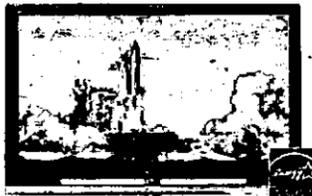
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Singer/songwriter to perform at library

Singer/songwriter Laura Boggs will perform at the Guilderland Public Library on Sunday, Feb. 8, at 2 p.m., as part of the library's Second Sunday Concert Series.

Boggs, who is also a school librarian, has spent the last several years composing songs and winning hearts with her honey-smooth croon.

Since her first release, "Live at Professor Java's," fans have found that they have no choice but to fall for her sweet and unreasonably catchy folk-pop tunes.

Boggs was named Best Female Singer/Songwriter in Metroland's Best of the Capital Region 2006. Her first studio album, "Whiskey & Springtime," was recorded by Jared Funari in his home studio, and was the first release by The Rev Records.

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To merge, or not to merge

V'ville and New Scotland look into sharing services in light of harsh economy

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With Gov. David Paterson's State of the State address came talks of economic stimulus, energy alternatives and solutions to the fiscal problems plaguing New York state.

One of Paterson's proposals was to consolidate local government services to cut costs. Some local officials said they are considering all the options but will ultimately put their constituents' needs first.

Voorheesville Mayor Robert Conway said the village and Town of New Scotland have discussed potential cost-cutting measures, but they have not implemented any plans to dissolve the village into the town.

"It is something that we talked about. It's not necessarily something that we're preparing for," Conway said.

Conway said the two entities have a good amount of municipal cooperation. He said they already share several services and pieces of highway equipment and have always tried to save the taxpayers' money wherever possible.

He said other consolidations, such as the City of Schenectady into the county, or the Village of Green Island into the town, might be a better fit.

Conway said the benefits of consolidating are not clear at this time, but he would not be opposed to the move if it proved beneficial.

"I'm not opposed to it if I see the benefit to it," Conway

said. He also said the most important deciding factor would be the support of the residents.

It all depends on the location, the quality of services and potential benefit, Conway said.

Conway added that pride or self-interest could prevent the village and town merging.

"The big knock on it is that everyone tries to protect their own little parochial interests," Conway said.

Conway also added if the two entities were to consolidate several new districts such as water, sewer, sidewalk and lighting would need to be created.

New Scotland Town Supervisor Tom Dolin said the town does not have an official policy on the matter, but said the town and the village share a lot of services, and it seems the village residents are not in favor of a merger.

"It's usually up to the village," Dolin said.

Dolin added the town and village do share an animal control officer, which saves money.

One area in which the town and village have discussed potential consolidation is the judicial system. Conway said there were talks about merging the two and have town justices handle the workload, but that is not likely to happen until Voorheesville Justice Kenneth Connolly retires.

Connolly is up for re-election in March 2010.

Attempts to contact Connolly to obtain his intentions for the upcoming election were unsuccessful.

"That's an area where there might be some savings," Conway said.

"I'm not opposed to it if I see the benefit to it."

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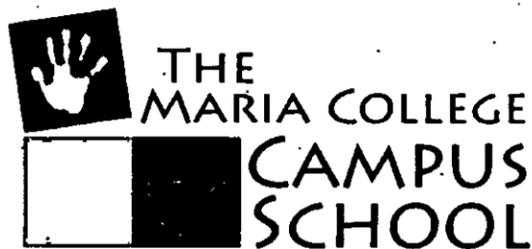
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Five Rivers Center will hold a snowshoe outing geared for beginners Sunday, Feb. 8, at 2 p.m.

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Trolleys have heart



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Five Rivers to look at winter camping

Five Rivers Center will hold a winter camping program Saturday, Feb. 7, at 10 a.m.

Center naturalists will introduce the skills needed to enjoy winter camping.

The equipment needed and

safety tips will be stressed.

The program is open to the public free of charge.

The center is at 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar. For information, call the center at 475-0291.

Chamber women to help Girl Scouts

A silent auction will raise money for the community service group

By DAN SABBATINO
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Capital District Girl Scouts have been selected as beneficiaries of a women's group in Guilderland and will be receiving charitable donations through May.

The Guilderland Chamber of Commerce Women in Business group selected the Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York based on the group's service to the community and to local girls, and will be providing it with proceeds from charity events culminating in a silent auction on May 7 at the Colonie County Club.

"We are absolutely thrilled to be recognized for all our hard work," said Sue Stoddard, the community relations specialist for Girl Scouts. "I think this will be a great opportunity for the public to realize Girl Scouting is a great way to build girls of courage, confidence and character to make the world a better place."

Stoddard said her children

have been a part of the Girl Scouts since the first grade, and have achieved the gold award.

Stoddard, a member of Girl Scouts herself for 24 years, said the biggest financial obligations the group faces are the programs they run for the members and the trips they take. The funds from the Chamber will help pay for those programs and trips, she said.

Stoddard said the most recent big trip the local scouts made was a 12-girl contingent that attended the inauguration of President Barack Obama.

Chamber Director Kathy Burbank said events leading up to May sponsored by the

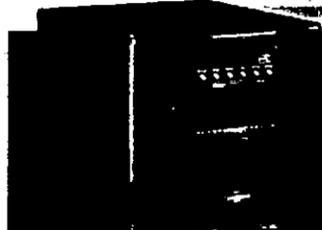
Women in Business will help raise money for the Girl Scouts. She said the Chamber frequently holds 50/50 raffles, and collects canned goods and office products.

"The fun-filled event is a great way for Chamber members to be involved in the community in a way that suits them," said Burbank. "You wouldn't believe the response we get to requests for donations when the businesses find out that the proceeds are staying and helping local children or families."

Last year's fund-raising recipient was Community Caregivers, and the Chamber raised more than \$1,800 for the group at its summer social.



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Sheriff to seek sixth term

James Campbell said he plans to consolidate services, build annex to jail

By DAN SABBATINO
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Albany County Sheriff James Campbell announced Thursday, Jan. 22, that he is planning to run for re-election in November.

Campbell, 68, is serving his fifth term as sheriff. He said he plans to continue to provide the county with innovative and progressive programs.

He said he is still excited to come to work every day and help keep the county safe.

"I love to work," Campbell said.

Campbell said the dedication, loyalty and "highly progressive and professional" work ethic of his office have yielded many positive results and will continue to do so if he is elected to another

term.

If elected, he said, he is planning several initiatives.

First, he and Albany County Executive Mike Breslin are going to try to consolidate the "public service answering points" that handle 911 calls.

Right now there are seven primary answering points and six secondary ones that handle calls in Albany County. He said over the next few years, a cost-saving consolidation could eliminate some of the points and still service the same area.

Campbell is also planning to push an initiative to build an annex to the Albany County Correctional Facility to house inmates with mental health issues. He said the county is planning 80 beds, and it would be the first of its kind in the area.

According to his office, Campbell's past accomplishments include the

Work Alternative Program that has saved \$4 million; the creation of a countywide Drug Unit, Advanced Life Support Program for the "hilltowns," a countywide forensics and hazardous materials unit and Project Access, an educational and enforcement program that targets motorists illegally parking in spaces reserved for those with disabilities.

Breslin said Campbell has been an asset to the county.

"Sheriff Jim Campbell has been a consummate professional, and I am pleased to support him in his re-election," said Breslin. "I commend him for his recent efforts to enhance and streamline the communication and coordination of emergency services across our region, and the instrumental role he has played in securing grant funding for Homeland Security efforts."

According to Campbell's office, it has received several million dollars in grants from Homeland Security and provided equipment and training for law enforcement and fire departments across the county.

Matthew Clyne, the Democratic Commissioner of the Albany County Board of Elections said Campbell, along with any potential challengers, will need to collect 2,000 signatures from June through July to run for the position.

Nimblefingers to display work

The VPL Nimblefingers ladies have some spectacular work to exhibit at their annual quilt and craft show, which will be on display in the hall, the community room and the display case from Feb. 3 to 24.

Whether you are crafty yourself or just have an appreciation for textile arts, we hope you will stop by to enjoy this. You are invited to join the women for an afternoon of fun and friendship at a reception Thursday, Feb. 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. They will welcome you with homemade goodies, quilt and craft talk, help, instructions, and patterns to share.

If you are interested in joining the group, just bring a project to work on any Tuesday afternoon. Men are welcome, although a male has never accepted the group's invitation. Perhaps this year will be a first? There is no signup and the teapot is always hot.

EmPower NY

It is not too late to sign up for the EmPower NY Program on handling your finances Sunday, Feb. 8, at 2 p.m. by the Albany County Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Drug information

You can also sign up for a hands-on small group Internet training session specializing in researching drug information. The program will be offered on Friday, Feb. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Babygarten

Our newly renamed

Voorheesville Public Library 

babygarten (lapsit) meets Thursday, Feb. 5, at 10:15 a.m. No signup!

Clubs to meet

Also on Feb. 5, Teen Writers meet at 2:30 p.m. at the high school and Philosophy 101 at the library at 6:30 p.m. New members are welcome at either group.

February book discussion

Adult fiction: "For Whom the Bell Tolls" by Ernest Hemingway, Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m.

Grades two and three: "Russell and Elisa" by Johanna Hurwitz, Friday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m.

Mother-Daughter: "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott, Thursday, Feb. 19, at 6:30 p.m.

Weather info

In case of weather or emergency closings, check the library answering machine for the most up-to-date information.

Barbara Vink

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Bethlehem Intraclub Soccer Registration for Spring 2009 Season

- To register for the spring Intraclub (recreation) season, please go to <http://www.sportssignup.com/bsconline.start>
- Detail registration instructions are available at the club website www.bethlehemsoccerny.com
- Cost is \$70 per player if registration is complete by March 1, 2009.
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- Email any questions to cleansheet_bsc@msn.com



Library to offer 'Picturing America' during February

We are privileged to host a very special exhibit in our lobby during February. We have received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to offer "Picturing America," a cultural initiative that brings representations of our nation's art to schools and libraries across the country. Well over 36,000 schools and libraries have been selected to participate in this project.

Forty large, high-quality reproductions will be displayed at Bethlehem Public Library. The prints will subsequently be added to the library's permanent collection and available for loan. According to the NEH, they provide a "cohesive sampler" that serves as a starting point for learning about America's history and art.

Our nation's art — paintings, sculpture, architecture, fine crafts, and photography — offers insights into our national character, ideals and aspirations. "Picturing America" gives our community another path to our country's history and culture. The exhibit helps citizens experience the "humanity of history," and enhances the teaching and understanding of our past.

Primary funding for "Picturing America" comes



from NEH's "We the People" program in cooperation with the American Library Association. Additional support has been provided by other federal agencies and private partners.

To learn more, go to www.PicturingAmerica.neh.gov.

Kara Cornell in recital

The 2008-09 season of "A Little Sunday Music" continues with a performance by mezzo-soprano Kara Cornell with pianist Michael Clement Sunday, Feb. 1, at 2 p.m. On the program are works by Berlioz, Handel, Rossini, Heggie and others.

Cornell has performed with the Brooklyn Philharmonic ("Judas Maccabaeus") and the U.S. Naval Academy at Hood College ("Messiah"). She is a member of Venus, an international singing group performing in the U.S. and Beijing.

Cornell performs regionally with the Cold Spring Harbor

Oratorio Society, Aeode Consort, Williamstown Early Music, Sembrich Opera Museum, Hyde Collection Museum, the universities at Stony Brook and Albany and The College of Saint Rose. She is an adjunct professor of voice at Russell Sage College and maintains a private voice studio.

A Little Sunday Music is made possible by a generous contribution from Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

Junior jazz

We're also pleased to welcome talented student jazz musicians from Bethlehem Central Middle School in a performance for preschoolers through grade two with families on Saturday, Feb. 7, at 2:30 p.m. The group is directed by Patrick Beauregard.

Preschool movie

Friday, Feb. 13, 9:30 a.m. Movie versions of classic children's picture books. Ages 3 to 6 with adult.

Valentine's Day party

Saturday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m.

Play Valentine bingo. Grades K to five.

Teen time

Monday, Feb. 16, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

DDR, Guitar Hero, Wii and games for grades six and up. Just drop in.

Magic the Gathering

Tuesday, Feb. 17, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Bring your cards and conjure your best spells to win. Grades six and up.

Winter luau

Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2 p.m.

Make "grass" skirts and leis, learn to dance the hula. Grades one to five.

Board meeting

Tuesday, Feb. 17, 6:30 p.m.

Open to the public

Pajama-rama

Tuesday, Feb. 17, 7 p.m.

Bedtime stories for children

up to age 6 with family and friends.

Game day

Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2 to 4 p.m.

DDR, Guitar Hero, Wii and board games. Grades one to 12 and family.

Teen movie

Wednesday, Feb. 18, 6 p.m.

"Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull" (PG-13)

After dinner books

Wednesday Feb. 18, 7 p.m.

A discussion of "1776" by David McCullough. New members welcome.

Louise Grieco

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Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a senior luncheon and concert Tuesday, March 10, at The Italian-American Community Center, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany.

The dining choices are corned beef and cabbage or chicken parmesan. Bailey Quinn will perform Irish songs.

The luncheon begins at noon. The cost is \$16 per person. Make checks payable to Cluster II. The deadline is March 3.

Transportation service is available upon request.

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

Chicken or Cold Plate
12:30 p.m. Bingo/Games

Wednesday, Feb. 4
Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Line Dancing
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
10:30 a.m. Bridge
1 p.m. Needlecraft
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones+

Thursday, Feb. 5
Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Strong Bones +
1 p.m. Pinochle/Games

Friday, Feb. 6
Scheduled Shopping
10 a.m. Painting
1 p.m. Quilting
For information on the above schedule, call the Town of Guilderland Senior Services at 356-1980.

Monday, Feb. 2
Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Aerobics
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones+

Tuesday, Feb. 3
9 a.m. Strong Bones +
9:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Roast

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Town of Bethlehem

Program highlights Friday, Jan. 30

• Free health and wellness program, "Reiki," Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 101, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1 to 2 p.m. Presenter: Beth Netter, Center for Integrative Health and Healing. Learn about and experience how this healing art can help you relax and feel rejuvenated. No reservations needed. Lunch out option (cost on your own) at Windowbox Café, Slingerlands, prior to the program. For "lunch and program" reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Saturday, Jan. 31
• Breakfast at Tool's Restaurant, Delmar (cost on your own) for friendly conversation. Bethlehem Senior transportation leaves Town Hall at approximately 9 a.m. with home pick-up available on a pre-arranged basis (suggested van donation \$3). For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Sunday, Feb. 1
• "The Dining Room," by A. R. Gurney, at the Curtain Call Theatre, Old Loudon Road, Latham, 2 p.m. Cost

is \$20. Bethlehem Senior transportation leaves Town Hall at 12:30 p.m. with home pick-up available on a pre-arranged basis (suggested van donation \$5). For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• Sunday swim and lap swimming, all ages, Bethlehem Middle School pool, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 1 to 3:30 p.m. \$3 fee for ages 5 and older.

Monday, Feb. 2
• Shopping at Wal-Mart, Glenmont, with Bethlehem Senior transportation. For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Tuesday, Feb. 3
• The musical "The Wizard of Oz" in the Bethlehem Central Middle School auditorium, 7 p.m., following an early supper at Panera Bread in Glenmont (cost on your own). Bethlehem Senior transportation leaves Town Hall at 4:30 p.m. with home pick-up available on a pre-arranged basis (suggested van donation \$3). The play costs \$8. For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• A.A.R.P. Tax Counseling Program, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. To schedule an appointment and to inquire about documents needed, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• Seniors in Motion - a low-level aerobic exercise class to music, Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 to 10 a.m. No registration necessary. \$3 fee per class.

Wednesday, Feb. 4
• Senior discussion group, Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 107, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30

a.m. to noon. Led by Jane Sanders, Senior Services outreach staff member. Discussion targets life-cycle events, human interest stories and reminiscences of the past. Transportation can be arranged by calling 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, North Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor. For reservations, call 439-5770.

Thursday, Feb. 5
• Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets for an enjoyable social afternoon of games and entertainment, Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 11:30 a.m. All senior welcome. For information, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem. For reservations, call 439-5770.

Friday, Feb. 6
• Free health and wellness program, "Taking the Mystery Out of Massage," Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 101, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 1 to 2 p.m. Presenter: Denise Mason of Balance Massage. This program explains the benefits of massage and what to expect from a professional massage session. No reservations needed. Lunch out option (cost on your own) at Windowbox Café, Slingerlands, prior to the program. For "lunch and program" reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• Seniors in Motion (see Tuesday's activities for details)

• Seniors grocery shopping for residents of Good Samaritan Senior Housing and Van Allen Senior Apartments. For reservations, call 439-5770.

For information on the above or a list of additional activities, call the Bethlehem Senior Services Office at 439-4955, ext. 1176.

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EYSO

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Though it has a good relationship with area schools, it's not affiliated with any local districts. It's an independent activity for young musicians in the Capital District and beyond.

Talk to kids in the ensembles – there are roughly 300 of them – and you'll hear a lot of stories similar to Kline's and Van Ryn's. Many saw EYSO performing and just felt a natural attraction. David Luidens of Guelderland High School watched a friend perform with EYSO and, he said, "I knew that was what I wanted to do."

Robert Cosgrove of Albany High School was hooked after a percussion ensemble performance.

These clearly aren't kids who play instruments because they

who drives 50 miles each way for practices at the Albany Academies, said he joined EYSO because "I wanted to increase my musical horizons."

Aden Brooks of Schenectady said EYSO has been invaluable in helping him grow as a trombone player.

Phillip Ducreay, a senior at Schenectady High School who plays violin, liked that EYSO could challenge him.

"Nowhere else around here can you get that kind of intensity," he said.

It's a treat for EYSO's conductors to work with kids who are looking for that intensity.

"I love conducting students, especially kids who are really into their music and instruments," Gummer said. "You explain something, and when they do it, you see them turn to one another and say, 'Oh, that's how it's supposed to be.'"

"I love conducting students, especially kids who are really into their music and instruments."

Joseph Gummer

need class credit or because their parents make them. They do it because they love music. With EYSO, they feed off the excitement of others who share that passion.

"A lot of these kids are very dedicated to making music," string ensemble conductor Joseph Gummer said. "They find other people like them here. They find kindred spirits."

"I've never felt so much energy in a group," said Mike Dorato, a senior at Guelderland High School who plays trombone. "It almost gives you chills, it's that good. At school, it's never as deep."

Dorato hit on another key reason a lot of the EYSO musicians gave for being involved with the group: It simply has a lot more to offer than their school music programs. EYSO commissions its own music. There are regular shows at Troy Savings Bank Hall, Proctors and Carnegie Hall in New York City. Musicians travel to other states and, occasionally, even other countries.

But joining EYSO isn't as simple as demonstrating a love of music. There are annual auditions – landing a spot one year doesn't guarantee one the following year – as well as tuition fees.

Then there's the practice time. The nine performing ensembles (two full orchestras, a wind orchestra, a string orchestra, two jazz ensembles and three percussion ensembles) dedicate a night to practicing each week, with professional musicians serving as conductors and coaches.

Sit in on a rehearsal, though, and you'll see it's not really a sacrifice for the musicians. They enjoy an easy rapport with the conductors – Gummer had his kids in stitches demonstrating a pleading face they could use to convince their parents to take them to a local concert – and when they take a break for refreshments, there's plenty of chatter and laughter.

That lighter side of rehearsals is mixed with a serious commitment to grow and improve as musicians.

Jared Harrison, a flute player from Cobleskill-Richmondville

music teacher in the Bethlehem Central School District who conducts the repertory orchestra.

Before she joined EYSO about seven years ago, music director and youth orchestra conductor Helen Cha-Pyo had worked only with professional musicians. She was intrigued by the chance to work with youths.

"I thought this would be a very meaningful way to make music," she said.

Cha-Pyo sees herself filling multiple roles: "I am a coach, I am a teacher, I am a motivator," she said.

She is also high energy.

Standing in front of the youth orchestra during a recent rehearsal, she conducted with a flourish, making large sweeping motions with her arms. She regularly stopped and addressed different sections with suggestions.

"She wants the kids to improve," said Mike Reinemann, a clarinet player from Niskayuna. "She's very warm and inviting."

That warmth made an impression on Abbie Zimmermann-Niefield, who initially wasn't interested in EYSO. But when the group needed extra bass players, Zimmerman-Niefield decided to give it a try.

"I ended up really liking it," she said. "Helen keeps it fun."

Beyond that, Zimmermann-Niefield liked how "everyone is interested in music" and that she had a chance to play good music.

That music, after all, is at the heart of EYSO. All those hours of rehearsals translate into more 30 shows each year. Sarah Vero, a lawyer who serves as the president of EYSO's board of directors, played cello in the group when she was a student at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake. She remembers hearing recordings of EYSO's concerts, and she couldn't help but be impressed.

"You listen to your own CD, and you're like, I sound like a professional," she said.

"It's a really good orchestra," said Inga Bagelpi, a violin player from Niskayuna.

The conductors say that's a credit to the students.

"They're willing to dig deep," Cha-Pyo said. "They have discipline. These are special kids."

Behind the scenes

Adults play a key role in EYSO's success

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN
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The 1970s weren't the best time to be a young musician in Connecticut.

Music programs were falling victim to budget cuts, and David Beck was one of the casualties.

Beck, a Bethlehem music teacher, had taken up the cello in third grade. But his school's string program was eliminated, and Beck had to switch to the tuba, with marching band serving as his only musical outlet.

"There was nothing like this when I was growing up," Beck said of the Empire State Youth Orchestra, where today he conducts the repertory orchestra. "This was kind of like a dream."

It's a dream that Capital District musicians have been living since the late 1970s – or about the same time Beck had to give up the cello. It was 30 years ago that a group of parents and music educators came together to form EYSO, which started as a single orchestra and now includes nine performing ensembles. More than 300 young musicians from the Capital District and as far away as Vermont and Western Massachusetts belong to EYSO, a registered nonprofit organization with a home office inside Proctors in Schenectady.

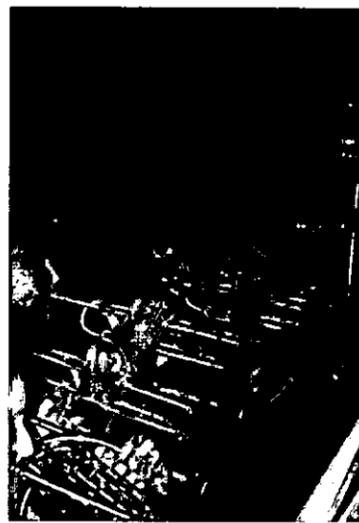
Parents still play an integral role in EYSO. They not only drive their kids to rehearsals and shows, they help with fundraisers and serve on EYSO's board of directors.

Past president Meris Ruzow was once one of those parents. Her daughter, Jenny, and son, Benny, were both musicians, and Ruzow wanted to find opportunities for them to play beyond what the Shenendehowa school district offered.

"Their whole music world evolved," Ruzow said, noting that Jenny's interest in music was nurtured so much that she later started her own brass quintet.

Ruzow said she was "thrilled" with EYSO – so much so that she decided to join the board. Members meet on a regular basis to do everything from plot out the season's musical selections to figure out the best ways to raise money.

Tuition fees help cover some of EYSO's costs. Kids pay between \$425 and \$525 to belong to an ensemble, but that defrays only a frac-



From left, Paul Travers, Anthony Bellino, Mike Dorato, Aden Brooks, Jeff Milos, and Dakota Wayne rehearse with the Empire State Youth Orchestra's youth orchestra at the Albany Academies.

Sara Torre/EYSO

tion of the estimated \$2,000 it costs EYSO for each student. And not every musician pays the full amount – scholarships are available.

For additional funding, EYSO holds an annual appeal during which it solicits donations from corporations and individuals. There are performances at Barnes and Noble and Crossgates Mall where people can give money. Parents sell Yankee Candles.

The cash helps to pay for such things as coaches, salaries for conductors and rehearsal spaces. Trips are another expense – EYSO musicians play each year at Tanglewood in Lennox, Mass., and Carnegie Hall in New York City. They've also undertaken four international trips, including a trip last April to Germany, the Czech Republic and Austria.

"You get to play in incredible venues," said Jared Harrison, a flute player from Cobleskill-Richmondville.

That was a selling point for Julia Wither, a horn player from Niskayuna who joined EYSO in part because of the opportunity to travel to Europe.

"That was amazing," she said. Sarah Vero had her own amazing experiences as a musician with EYSO when she was a Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake student. Now a lawyer, Vero recently took over as president of EYSO's board of directors.

Her motivation was simple: The organization gave so much to her, she wanted to give back. She wants other kids to have the opportunity she had – and Beck didn't.

For information on EYSO, visit www.esyo.org or call 382-7531.

Ensemble schedules shows

Every year, all 300-plus members of the Empire State Youth Orchestra get together at Crossgates Mall, staging a play-a-thon that serves not only as a major fundraiser but as a way to showcase the group to the Capital District.

"It's a great way for the community to see the breadth of our offerings," said Susan Brome, EYSO's executive director.

This year's play-a-thon is Saturday, Feb. 7, from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EYSO also has the following upcoming shows planned:

- Sunday, Feb. 8: Repertory orchestra will participate in Albany Pro Musica's annual High School Choral Festival, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 4 p.m.

- Monday, March 16: Festival of Contemporary Music with SUNY ensembles and EYSO's youth and repertory percussion ensembles, SUNY Performing Arts Center, 8 p.m.

- Sunday, March 22: Concert with repertory orchestra, wind orchestra and string ensemble, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 3 p.m.

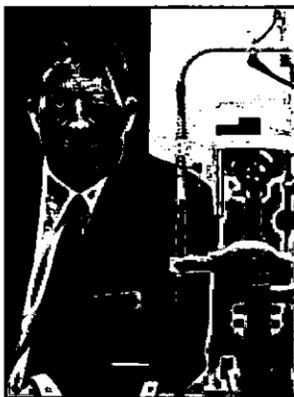
- Tuesday, April 14: Evening concert with EYSO's youth orchestra and youth chorale and the Riverside Choir, Riverside Church, New York City, time TBA.

- Friday, April 24: Concert with EYSO's youth jazz ensemble and the College of Saint Rose jazz ensemble, Piccotte Recital Hall, Massry Center for the Arts, College of Saint Rose, 7:30 p.m.

- Friday, May 8: EYSO wind orchestra at Albany's Tulip Festival, Washington Park, Albany, time TBA.

- Sunday, May 10: EYSO's 30th anniversary celebration, Proctors, Schenectady, EYSO ensembles play at 1 p.m., youth orchestra, youth chorale and repertory orchestra play a Mother's Day pops concert at 2 p.m.

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—Steven D. Clark, Physician Assistant

Hold

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the only ones."

Morelli said an expensive architectural design and material costs during a shaky economy may have been the impetus to hold off on some of the bank's proposed upgrades, which included a drive-through window at the bank.

Architect Pete Gillies, who was representing the project, told the Planning Board in December that there were other design possibilities, but financial constraints had come into play.

The last Key Bank proposal in front of the Planning Board was to renovate the actual building, along with several changes to the site that would include new planters, walkways and park benches. Problems arose when architects sought to place the bank's heating, ventilating and air conditioning equipment on the roof of

building and make the three separate units of the building appear as one. They eventually decided to keep the HVAC system on the ground.

Board member John Smolinsky asked why the roof was flat even though the HVAC apparatus was going to remain on the ground level. Engineer Scott Allen of Woodward, Connors, Gillies and Selleman responded by saying it was "reasonable to tie the building together."

Allen said his firm "tried to adhere to the hamlet guidelines" and create a two-story appearance even though the structure's roof varied greatly from each section of the building.

Many of the board members were wary of what they saw as "a big-box design."

"My main comment is that it's awfully boxy in a part of town where there's a lot of pitched roofs," Planning Board member Katherine McCarthy said in December. "I can tell you what I'm not looking for, a big box."

Fellow board member Kate Powers shared similar sentiments.

"I agree. I believe the comprehensive plan is a good sloped roof. ... This is a major departure from what is there," Powers said of the renderings shown at the meeting. "This is a crucial area of town; this is the Four Corners; and this is the area everyone focuses on when they come to town. I think you can do better."

McCarthy added, "I'm also worried about setting a precedent."

Board member Christine Motta also agreed with the "boxiness" of the proposal, but said she did like the proposed pillars on the outside of the building.

Morelli said he hasn't opened the renovation and said that Key Bank could come back to the planning board with the proposal or a new one.

"It was always a challenging site," Morelli said. "They just decided to put it on hold for now."



A satellite image of Richard Sayward's New Salem home, center, on the Vly Creek Reservoir, off Clipp Road, right, in the Town of New Scotland.

Google Earth

Care

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Cunningham said Wickham had requested to live in the home.

Sayward moved into the New Salem home after taking over his position from a longtime former employee who had lived at the residence, he said.

Sayward's caretaker duties include a type of "night watchman" function because he lives at the reservoir and helps to keep the 497.9-acre plot secured around the clock, said Cunningham.

The assessed value of his ranch style home and three-bay garage is difficult to determine because it is a part of the Bethlehem Water District No. 1. New Scotland Assessor Donna McGinnis said the entire property is assessed at around \$10.6 million, and Bethlehem pays the town an annual tax of \$58,266.45. Out of that, nearly \$32,000 goes to Albany County, \$13,000 to New Scotland, and the rest goes toward election costs and emergency service districts.

There is no deal between New Scotland and Bethlehem in terms of supplying water and property tax exemptions, according to Cunningham.

"We pay taxes to the town of New Scotland on the water plant and they purchase water from us," he said. "New Scotland sets up special water districts and charges their residents for access to the water supply."

Although municipalities can request exemptions on real property tax outside of their borders for water and wastewater treatment plants if the respective municipalities agree to them, both New Scotland Supervisor Tom Dolin and Cunningham said they were unaware of the tax exemption, and Cunningham said he didn't believe one had been filed.

According to Section 406(3) of the state's Office of Real Property Services exemption manual, this can include "either a total or a partial exemption from taxation, special ad valorem levies and special assessments."

The section states the eligibility requirements in this case include that the municipality own the facility; it be outside its borders; it's a county, city, town or village with a population of less than 100,000; and it be used a wa-

ter plant, pumping station, water-treatment plant, watershed or reservoir and include necessary connection and appurtenances.

"I'm sure someone has thought of this before, but I'll certainly look into it," Cunningham said of Section 406(3) eligibility. In a later conversation, Cunningham said the problem with the state exemption was that it had to be agreed on by the municipality that would lose out on the tax revenue.

According to the state exemption, Bethlehem could apply to New Scotland, Albany County and the Voorheesville School District for a tax break on the property.

"It's kind of a Pandora's Box because Albany County owns so many properties here in Bethlehem," Cunningham said. "If everyone started exempting each other, the whole thing would start to unravel."

Bethlehem does not pay taxes on Wickham's Selkirk home at the park because it is tax exempt from the school district, town and county. The home is described on the Bethlehem assessment Web site as an 840-square-foot single-family ranch worth \$116,400, which was built in 1940. The riverfront property it sits on is assessed at \$75,700.

Cunningham described Wickham's caretaker duties as sort of a "park ranger" to oversee the riverfront park. Wickham looks over the park, which has restrooms, a pavilion and a boat launch, after hours and on weekends.

Bethlehem tax collector Nancy Mendick said no taxes have been paid on the property since 2006, when \$65.47 was paid to the town.

The home has since been exempt from town taxes.

In Guilderland, the town has done away with allowing officials to reside in town-owned property in exchange for caretaker duties.

Guilderland Supervisor Ken Runion said that Guilderland had done so in the past, but that "we've kind of gotten away from that." He added that it was beneficial for historical properties in particular because of the maintenance needs involved.

"There were good purposes for it. You did get rent for the property," said Runion, who added that it's not uncommon. "The state does the same thing when they lease their recreational facility."

Delay

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McGuire said at the Tuesday, Jan. 20, Board of Education meeting. "Sometimes even good ideas aren't timely."

The committee's recommendation before Gov. David Paterson announced the \$2.7 million state aid cut to the Guilderland Central School District in December.

McGuire said the committee met for more than a year before making the Nov. 5 report.

According to information provided by the school district, the estimated cost of the program ranges from \$622,000 to \$811,000, including special area teachers, classroom teachers, assistants, staffing, supplies, equipment and transportation.

According to the report, the state offers \$883,000 of "full-day conversion aid," \$60,000 of which would be put toward classroom rentals, an amount that still leaves a minimum \$12,000 surplus for implementing the program. That \$883,000 amount, however, is a one-time-only allocation, and the district would be responsible for

funding the program after its first year.

McGuire said that conversion aid was not left out of the governor's proposal, but grant money allocated toward planning the conversion was.

The board of regents has called for full-day kindergarten but still requires legislation, according to the district. The report states that there is a growing body of research that indicates early childhood education is pivotal.

At its Jan. 20 meeting, the Guilderland Board of Education officially invited the public, via local cable broadcast, to help shape the upcoming school budget.

Richard Weisz, the president of the board, announced a series of meetings scheduled for the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee and asked concerned residents to join and help prioritize services and expenditures for 2009-2010.

"This year is going to be highly unusual," Weisz said.

The district is facing a decision on how to allocate emergency funds, which total upwards of \$4.3 million, said Assistant Superintendent of Business Neil Sanderson. In addition to the \$4.3 million, the district has money allocated for other expenses, such as \$93,340.40 for

unemployment, \$816,130.17 for employee benefits, \$1,024,511.40 for workers' compensation, \$55,015.65 for repair reserve, \$125,120.29 for tax certiorari, and \$319,094.52 for retirement contribution.

The first meeting of the citizen advisory committee is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, at Guilderland High School in the Large Group Instruction room.

There will also be an orientation for new members at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. Additional meetings are planned for March 5, 12, 17, and 19, with the last date serving as a "spill over," or rain date, Weisz said.

Weisz said all residents are welcome to join, and no prior experience is needed. He added that sitting on the committee is a good way to gain the knowledge and experience necessary to become a member of the Board of Education.

McGuire said there were 26 members on last year's committee and the district will try to work with however many individuals apply.

Friday, Feb. 13, is the deadline to submit an e-mail or letter of intent to be on the committee.

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Gillibrand tapped to be next senator

Paterson's surprise choice shakes up Upstate politics

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Gov. David Paterson picked Congresswoman Kirsten Gillibrand, D-Hudson, to replace outgoing Sen. Hillary Clinton at a noon conference on Friday, Jan. 23. The announcement brought to an end weeks of speculation on who would replace the new secretary of state.

"I didn't ask for this responsibility, but it is my privilege and honor to execute our state statute this afternoon," said Paterson. "I believe I have found the best candidate to become the United States senator from New York."

Gillibrand acknowledged that she had not been in the forefront of discussion about Clinton's replacement.

"I realize that for many New Yorkers, this is the first time you've heard my name and you don't know much about me," said Gillibrand. "Over the next two years you will get to know me, and more importantly, I will get to know you."

Gillibrand will be sworn in on Tuesday, Jan. 27, by Vice President Joseph Biden. Between her being

named as Paterson's pick and her swearing in, Gillibrand has engaged in an impromptu "listening tour," said her spokeswoman Rachel McEneny. Stops have already been made in the New York City area, and the congresswoman plans to visit Western New York and Long Island in the coming weeks.

"While most senatorial offices have three months to do a Senate transition, we have two days," McEneny said. "It's been a mad rush meeting with folks from all communities."

At Friday's ceremony, Gillibrand briefly outlined her plans for her time in the U.S. Senate, of which she will have at least two years until a special election in 2010, when it will be decided who will fill out the final two years of Clinton's term. The federal government's stimulus package was on the top of her list.

"We are all painfully aware that New York has been hit by this recession," said Gillibrand. "I intend to listen to all my constituents, and all my colleagues in government, to be a part of this solution."

She said she also wants to make infrastructure improvements, most notably the construction of a high-speed rail across the state. Gillibrand also called for middle-class tax cuts, education tax credits, a greater

share of Medicaid payment from the federal government and investment in energy solutions.

Gillibrand won her second bid to represent New York's 20th Congressional District in November, taking a healthy percentage of the vote in the Republican-leaning district. The 42-year-old mother of two served in the Department of Housing and Urban Development during President Bill Clinton's years (under Andrew Cuomo, whose name often appeared on a short list of potential candidates for Paterson) and was assisted in her first election by top Clinton advisor Howard Wolfson.

She is a member of the exclusive group of Blue Dog Democrats, a consortium of fewer than 50 Democratic House members whose political stances are right leaning. Gillibrand secured votes in the 20th partly because of her conservative positions on gun control, stem cell research and driver's licenses for illegal immigrants. She was also a strong supporter of 2008's Farm Bill.

Gillibrand resides in Hudson with her husband and two sons. She gave birth to her youngest child, Henry, last year.

Her win against four-term incumbent John Sweeney in 2006 gave credence to her political savvy, as she rolled out what was a well-run, well-funded campaign for a first-time candidate. More than one political pundit was taken by surprise that November when she won by six points.

Though the former New York

City lawyer has not made Downstate issues part of her political life — and has drawn some fire from members of her party for it — on Friday she pledged to work for the whole state, not just her former district.

"I will look for ways to find common ground between Upstate and Downstate," she said, mentioning working to reduce gun violence while preserving hunters' rights.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-Brooklyn, who backed Gillibrand for the post, applauded the fact that Paterson chose an Upstate representative.

"The problems of Upstate are critical to our whole state," he said. "Having someone who is actually from Upstate is a huge plus."

Other Downstate Democrats have decried Gillibrand's selection, however, pointing to her NRA "A" rating and gun rights advocacy. Long Island Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy — an outspoken gun control advocate — is reportedly already putting together a run against Gillibrand in 2010.

McEneny said that with time, Gillibrand will prove herself to those who aren't familiar with her politics or accomplishments.

"We will be reaching out to many of those people," she said. "I think that what many people in the 20th Congressional liked about their representative was her accessibility and her ability to look at the whole district."

Early on, many speculated that Caroline Kennedy would be

sent to the Senate in the one-vote election. Though early polls showed that New Yorkers favored her, several unflattering interviews and an otherwise botched campaign rollout soured the public on her. She withdrew from consideration early on Thursday, citing an unnamed "personal reason."

Gillibrand's name was rarely uttered in talks of who would replace Clinton. Paterson made a policy of rebuffing any talk of the choice, often admonishing those who engaged in speculation.

Gillibrand could help Paterson in many ways, though. Now having both inherited their offices, they will be facing re-election in 2010. Though a young up-and-comer, Gillibrand has already won favor with many in Upstate New York and is a woman, perhaps winning Paterson favor in key demographics.

Paterson dismissed such assumptions.

"This decision was not based on gender, sexual orientation, race, religion or regional base. This decision was based on who was best for the job," he said at Friday's ceremony.

A special election will be held in the 20th to select Gillibrand's replacement. Many have said that Republicans will have a likely chance of recapturing the seat, given a lack of Democratic candidates who could capture Republican votes as easily as Gillibrand did. Democrats have a healthy lead on Republicans in the House, though.

Though a ballot is far from finalized, the field has already been inundated with hopefuls.

Assembly Minority Leader James Tedisco announced his candidacy early on Friday and is the apparent GOP frontrunner, with an endorsement already won from the Saratoga County Republican Committee. Saratoga is the most densely populated county in the district, with about 30 percent of the possible votes. Though his Assembly District is largely composed of the Schenectady area, it does reach as far north as Saratoga Springs, where he owns a home. In New York, one does not need to live in the district to run in it.

Other possible Republican contenders include Sandy Treadwell, who was defeated by Gillibrand in the recent election, and state Sen. Betty Little.

Democrats who are running or considering a bid include Saratoga County Democratic Committee Chairman Larry Bulman; failed candidate for the 112th Assembly District Mike Russo; Saratoga Springs Department of Public Works Commissioner Ron Kim; and Coxsackie Supervisor Alex Betke. A number of candidates in last year's crowded race for the 21st District have been mentioned, as well, including Tracey Brooks and Darius Shahinfar.

The timing of the election is entirely up to Paterson. According to Bob Brehm, a spokesman for the state Board of Elections, an election will be held within 30 to 40 days from the date the governor issues a proclamation, but Paterson can issue it at any time he chooses.

"There is no deadline scheduled for when he must issue his proclamation," said Brehm. "It's at the discretion of the governor."

If Paterson fails to issue a proclamation, the seat will be decided in the 2010 election.

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Lawrence D. Haley, 71, of Selkirk, died Friday, Jan. 9, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany. Born in Schuylerville, he was the son of the late C. Elizabeth Hall and A. Patrick Haley and stepson of Adeline Irish Haley.

Mr. Haley served his country in the Marine Corps. and was employed by General Electric in Schenectady for 28 years, retiring as an inspector in 1994. He also worked for 15 years at Enterprise Rent-A-Car. He was an active member of the Latham Circle Squares square dancing group and was known for his great sense of humor and love of family.

Survivors include his wife, Carol (Snyder) Haley; a son, Christopher Haley of Saratoga; a daughter, Connie Marie Griffen of Schuylerville; stepchildren, Dory Van Norden of Schenectady and Shelly Albright of Brooklyn; four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; two brothers; two sisters; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Burial will be in Onesquethaw Cemetery in the spring.

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

Melissa Apjohn

Melissa Marie Apjohn, 42, of Delmar, died Saturday, Jan. 10, at her home.

She was the daughter of Harry Ribley and the late Joan Ribley. Ms. Apjohn had attended the Center for Disability Services at So. Pearl St. for many years.

"Melissa loved and was loved by her two families, the Ribleys, and her Wildwood-Gay Street family of friends," her family wrote in tribute. "Her sweet personality and wonderful sense of humor will be forever missed."

Survivors include her father; two brothers, Mark and Steven Ribley of Ravena; and a sister, Julia Ribley of Schenectady.

Services were from the Trinity United Methodist Church in Coeymans Hollow and arrangements were by the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to Wildwood Foundation, 2995 Curry Road Ext., Schenectady 12303.

Jean J. Mueller

Jean Jaques Mueller, 79, of Delmar, died Monday, Jan. 12, in the Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Basal, Switzerland, he came to the U.S. in 1966 and worked as a chemist for several pharmaceutical companies.

Survivors include his wife, Sonja (Henzi) Mueller of Delmar; a son, Stephan (Gretchen) Mueller of Island Heights, N.J.; a daughter, Iris (David) Miller; four grandchildren; a brother; and

several other relatives.

Funeral services will be private at the convenience of the family. Arrangements were by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home of Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Albany County Nursing Home, 820 Albany Shaker Road, Albany 12211.

Ernest L. NeJame

Ernest L. NeJame, 87, of Delmar, died Sunday, Jan. 11, in his home.

Born in Torrington, Conn., he was the son of the late Karim and Farida NeJame. Mr. NeJame served in the Navy during World War II and was employed by the Postal Service in Syracuse for 42 years before retiring in 1997.

He enjoyed reading and was known for his story telling.

Survivors include his wife, Souad NeJame; two sons, Kareem NeJame of New York City and Sam (Kathleen) NeJame; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar and services were from the St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar.

Interment was in the Saratoga National Cemetery in Schuylerville.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 260 Osborne Road, Albany 12211, or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-1942.

Mildred S. Long

Mildred S. Long, 89, of New Scotland, died Sunday, Jan. 11, at her home.

Born in Brooklyn, she lived in New Scotland for 60 years. She, along with her late husband, Richard L. Long Sr., founded the Long Lumber and Supply Company.

For over 50 years, she managed the office and showroom and was dedicated to her family business and to her family. Mrs. Long was a 60-year communicant of the New Scotland Presbyterian Church and a long-time member of the Opportunity Club, Genetaska and PEO-Chapter AB.

Survivors include two sons, Richard L. (Kristin) Long Jr. of New Scotland and Robert (Leila) Long of East Berne; a daughter, Judy (John) Little of Ashland, Ore.; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nephews.

Services were from the New Scotland Presbyterian Church in Slingerlands and arrangements were by the Reilly & Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Burial will be in the spring in the New Scotland Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 2010 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands 12159.

Kevin C. Riegel

Kevin Corkery Riegel, 36, of Delmar, died on Wednesday, Jan. 14.

Born in Albany, he joined his

family's railroad construction business, W.J. Riegel and Sons, Inc. in Selkirk, where he worked for 10 years

"He grew up in Delmar. Kevin was a vigorous young man who loved life," his family wrote in tribute.

"Kevin will be dearly missed by his family and many friends who will always remember his wonderful, fun loving and outgoing personality."

Mr. Riegel graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 1991, and for the past eight years was employed with Harrison and Burrows Bridge Contractors of Glenmont as a carpenter.

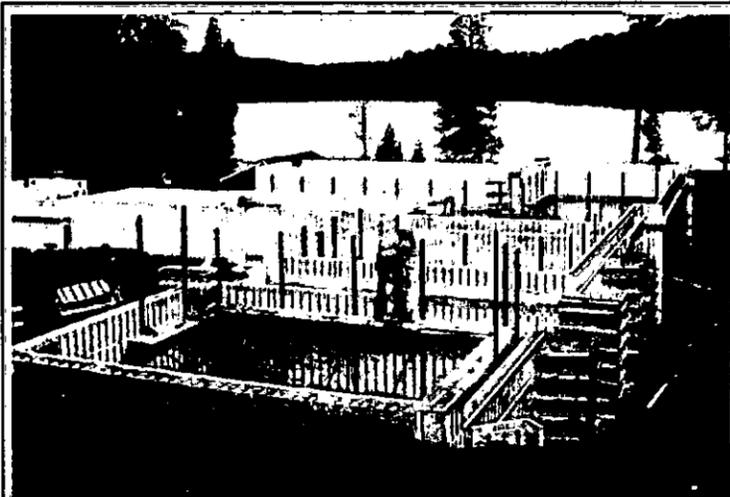
He worked long hours on the footbridge to the Corning Preserve in downtown Albany and excelled in many sports and outdoor activities — especially alpine skiing and football.

He was connected to Lake George and enjoyed spending time with his friends boating, swimming in Log Bay, socializing, and enjoying the beauty of the Adirondacks.

Survivors include his parents, Maureen C. Riegel of Delmar and Walter (Jerry) Riegel of Rensselaer; a brother, Jerry Riegel of Driggs, Idaho; a sister, Cindy (Fletcher) Riegel of Victor, Idaho; a niece and a nephew; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar and services were from the Delmar Reformed Church in Delmar.

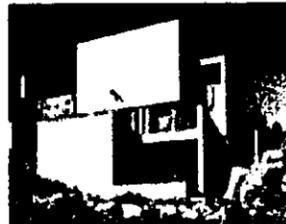
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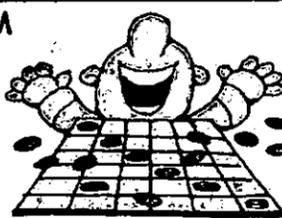
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Suzanne S. Secor

Suzanne Storey Secor, of Selkirk, died Thursday, Jan. 15, at St. Peters Hospital in Albany.

She grew up in Penfield and graduated from Penfield Central High School, where she was awarded a scholarship to attend SUNY Potsdam. While attending Potsdam, Mrs. Secor joined the Omega Delta Phi sorority.

Her sorority sisters set her up on a blind date where she met her future husband Bruce, to whom she was married for 35 years.

She received a master's degree from the University at Albany and was a fourth grade teacher at Mechanicville Elementary School for several years. She and her husband

moved to Colorado where she was employed at Metro State College in Denver.

Around the world in 1977, they returned to Delmar, where she participated in several volunteer organizations including the League of Women Voters, Bible Study, Women in the Middle study group and Sunday school teaching at the First United Methodist Church of Delmar. She was also a Girl Scout troop leader, a Cub Scout den mother and a member of the National Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Secor worked for various government entities throughout her career, including the New York senate, the Bethlehem Public Library and the state's Department of

Motor Vehicles.

Survivors include her husband, Bruce; a son, Paul of Selkirk; a daughter, Elizabeth (Justin) Harbinger; two grandsons; two sisters, Debbie (John) Dingess of Aurora, Colo. and Meg (Otis) Simpson of Lakewood, Colo.; three brothers, Gregory L. Storey of Fairport, David J. Storey of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Thomas K. Storey of Galena, Ohio; and her father, Colin D. Storey of Penfield.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar and services were from the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

Interment was in the Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar 12054.

Gary S. Risko

Gary S. Risko, 56, of Delmar, died at his home on Saturday, Jan. 17.

Born in Albany, he was the son of the late Henry Risko, Jr. and Marion A. Risko. His family had moved to Delmar, where he graduated from Bethlehem Central High School.

He retired due to illness from Owens Corning

Fiberglass.

"Gary was known for his beautiful infectious smile. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing, hunting, hiking and camping," his family wrote in tribute. "At a young age, Gary took great pride in recycling and taught us how to be environmentally friendly."

Survivors include a brother, Henry Risko, III of Delmar; a sister, Tracy A. Risko of Delmar; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar and services will be private at the convenience of the family.

Contributions may be made to the ALS Regional Center, 19 Warehouse Row, Albany 12205, or the Community Hospice of Albany, 445 New Karner Road, Albany 12205.

Michael F. Magee

Michael F. Magee, 58, of Slingerlands, died Thursday, Jan. 15, at the Albany Memorial Hospital.

Born in Schenectady and raised on Long Island, he was the son of the late George and Evelyn (Landers) Magee. Mr. Magee was a Navy veteran of the Vietnam War and worked as a meat cutter for Hannaford

Brothers supermarkets for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Diane (Dickert) Magee; two stepdaughters, Kristin Osborne of Seattle, Wash. and Laurie Deschenes of Toronto, Canada; a stepson, Adam Ritchie of Amsterdam; seven grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be private at the convenience of the family, and arrangements were by Norman E. Dascher Funeral Home in Albany.

Rhoda Hennahan

Rhoda M. Hennahan, 89, of Guilderland, died on Friday, Jan. 16. She was the daughter of the late Arthur and Eva (Stewart) Cleveland.

She graduated from Albany High School in 1937 and then Mildred Elley Business School. She was secretary to the manager of the Northeast Branch of General Motors auto insurance in Albany from 1957 until retirement in 1975.

"She lent the world an unyielding sense of fairness to all," her family wrote in tribute.

Survivors include her husband, Paul Hennahan; her daughter, Maria Phelan (Michael); her son, Martin Hennahan (Patricia Sacca); several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

There will be a private service and burial.

Interment will be in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Karel Polesny

Karel Polesny, M.D., 100, of Altamont, died Sunday, Jan. 18, at his home.

He was the widower of Alena Polesny, to whom he was married for 70 years. Born in Litomysl, Austria Hungary, he was the son of Marie and Karel Polesny.

Services will be from St. Anthony's Church in Schenectady on Tuesday Feb. 17, with the time to be announced at a later date.

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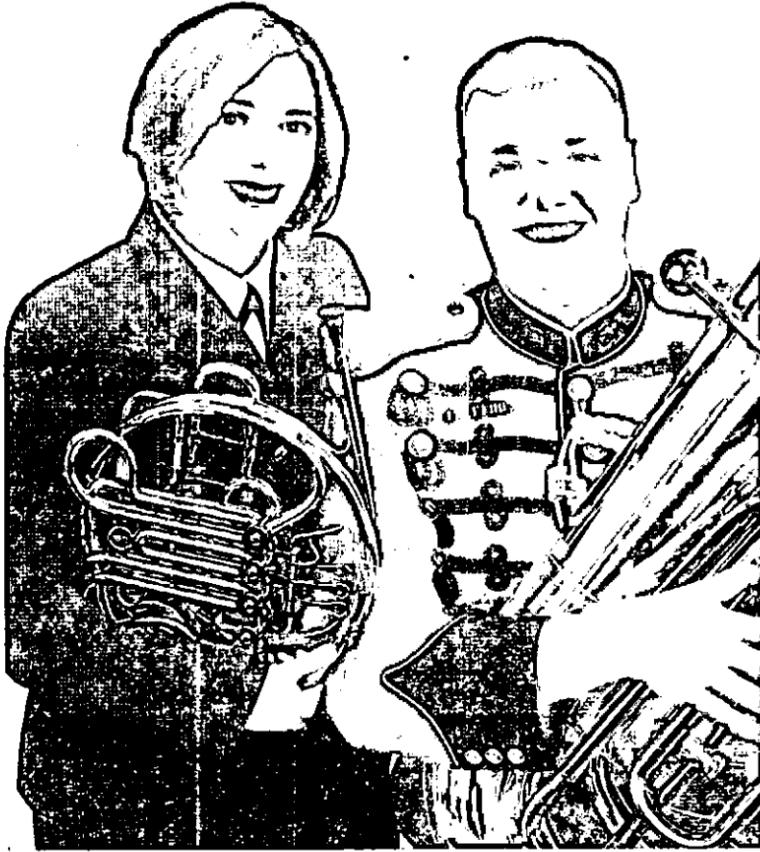
Rice, Tiedman to marry

Suzanne Nicole Rice, daughter of Frank and Ruth Rice of Delmar, and Christopher Gavin Tiedman, son of Daniel and Leynne Tiedman of Tacoma, Wash., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University of Cincinnati Conservatory. She is a member of the United States Navy Band in Washington, D.C.

The future groom is a graduate of Stadium High School in Tacoma and attended Eastman School of Music. He is a member of the United States Marine Band in Washington, D.C.

The couple plans a summer wedding.



Suzanne Nicole Rice and Christopher Gavin Tiedman



Jeffrey O'Hara and Susannah Kelly

Kelly, O'Hara to wed

Susannah Kelly, daughter of Jim and Barbara Kelly of Delmar, and Jeffrey O'Hara, son of Rich and Tina O'Hara of Reading, Pa., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem High School and Ithaca College. She is a physical education and health teacher in

the Syracuse City Central School District.

The future groom is a graduate of Wyomissing High School and Ithaca College. He is a sales representative with East Penn Manufacturing in Syracuse.

The couple plans an August wedding.



Alan and Ruanna Kuebler

Kolb, Kuebler marry

Alan Kolb of Albany and Ruanna Kuebler of Schenectady were married Dec. 31.

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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

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Red Hen is, from left, Allan Carr, Jane Rothfield, Linda Schrade and Dave Kiphuth.

Music brought Jane Rothfield and Linda Schrade and their husbands

together about 20 years ago. Rothfield plays the fiddle and the banjo, and her husband, Allan Carr, plays guitar and bass. Schrade also plays the guitar, and her husband, Dave Kiphuth, plays the banjo and dobjo, a combination steel guitar with a five-string banjo neck.

Two decades ago, Rothfield and Carr were living in Scotland. Schrade and Kiphuth made their home in New Hampshire.

But both couples traveled around the U.S. to play their instruments and enjoy traditional music. When their paths crossed, there was an instant connection.

"We just liked each other right off," Schrade said.

Both couples coincidentally moved to the Capital District years later. But as much as they may have wanted to revisit those days of playing together, they were busy working and raising their families.

"Circumstances didn't make it possible," Rothfield said.

Circumstances have a way of changing, though. Their kids have grown, and recently, music brought the couples back together.

They formed a band, Red Hen, which is going to play at Old Songs in Voorheesville Saturday, Jan. 31, at 8 p.m.

Carr and Rothfield have a thick catalog of original songs. They couldn't perform the tunes by themselves, though, Rothfield said. Schrade and Kiphuth have proved the perfect complement.

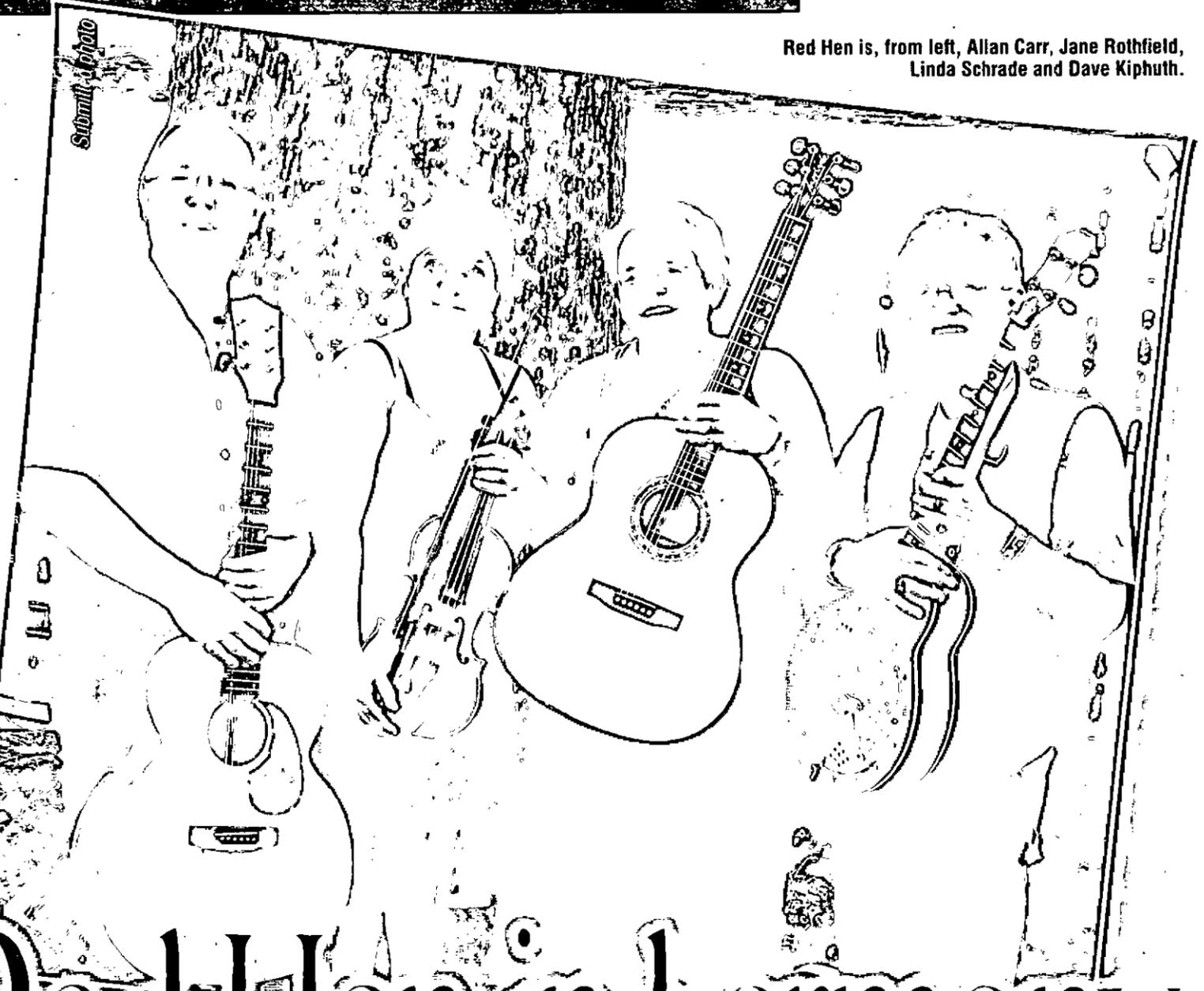
"Our voices blended really, really well," Rothfield said, noting all four band members sing. "It just really blended beautifully."

Schrade said another key is that "we have the right instrument mix."

Beyond that, "We just like each other. We get along well," she said.

Schrade, who owns Saratoga Beads, grew up in Delmar and took up the guitar when she was 14. She loved to sing and needed an instrument to back herself.

As she got older, Schrade started to attend musical festivals. At one, she met Kiphuth, who had been "totally



Red Hen in harmony

Group of friends to perform at Old Songs in Voorheesville

smitten" with the banjo since the first time he'd heard someone play the instrument.

Soon, the two were smitten with each other. Schrade called music "a really good connecting force."

She and Kiphuth played together in New Hampshire in a band called First Ticket. Later, after they had their daughter, they moved to Saratoga to be closer to family.

Schrade said Red Hen, whose repertoire includes old time, country and bluegrass music, has "kept that festival feeling."

That means high-energy shows that are fun for all ages.

"We'll make you smile," she said.

Rothfield promised "fabulous harmonies and fabulous instrumentals." Red Hen's previous shows have gotten an "incredible response" from audiences, and she's particularly excited about performing at Old Songs, where she does a lot of work.

"They just put on the best traditional music," she said.

Rothfield, who co-owns Rothfield-Daniels Media Services, teaches banjo workshops at Old Songs, as well as across the country. She also teaches fiddle classes and performs with Jane's Gang, a contra dance band, and Donna Hebert in Groovemama. In addition, she plays southern style dance music with fellow banjo player Hilarie Burhans and pianist Bernie Nau.

Fellow band members have similar resumes that are heavy on playing and teaching. Kiphuth was part of the 1970s bluegrass band Apple Country, which was hugely popular in New England, and both he and his wife have both taught at banjo camps. Carr is a prolific song writer and performs often with Rothfield.

Jimmy McCown, another banjo and fiddler player who has a long history with the Red Hen members, will join the band at Old Songs.

"You'll hear old friends playing together," Schrade said. "It will be a really fun night."

Old Songs Community Arts Center will host "Music from Kentucky and Beyond," a concert featuring Red Hen and

Jimmy McCown, Saturday, Jan. 31, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 or younger. They can be purchased by calling 765-2815. Old Songs is at 37 S. Main St. in Voorheesville.



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Music

RANDY HOUSER

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DAVE HART

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

SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

"The Sichel Collection," featuring automobiles from the brass era from more than 100 years ago, through March; "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.

BROOKSIDE MUSEUM

"A Few Lines to Let You Know: Letters of the Civil War," through Sept. 4; plus a wildlife art exhibit featuring local artist Suzanne Shepard, through March 15, 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa. Information, 885-4000.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"The Art of the Pastel," through Feb. 16, 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

"Oliver Herring: Me Us Them," Jan. 31 through June 14; Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-8080.

ARKELL MUSEUM

"Sleigh Bells, Green Fields and Falling Leaves," through Feb. 7; plus "Arkell's Inspiration: the Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People," ongoing; Canajoharie. Information, 673-2314.

Call for Artists

MIMOSA GALLERY

Seeking entries for its "Floored!" exhibit

of floor coverings, submissions must include the artist's name, address, telephone number and e-mail address and should include title, medium, date completed, size and retail price. Information, 583-1163.

ALBANY CIVIC THEATER

Seeking original works for its July Playwrights Showcase, no film scripts, monologues, musicals or children's plays. Mail a copy of the text to Albany Civic Theater, P.O. Box 6172, Albany 12206.

NEW YORK STATE THEATRE INSTITUTE

Holding auditions for all-student production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," looking for high school and college students, Feb. 3, 3 p.m., Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy. Information, 274-3779.

SARATOGA SHOWCASE OF ART

Seeking artists and crafts vendors for holiday show Feb. 7, Art Centre Theatre, 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, all work must be original to the vendor, and no resale is allowed. Information, 461-4893 or www.frenchyloeb.com/HolidayShowcase.doc.

TANGO FUSION DANCE COMPANY

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

ADIRONDACK PASTEL SOCIETY

Seeking new artists that work in pastels, meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at the Dave Francis Gallery, the Shirt Factory, Glens Falls. Programs, artist demonstrations and exhibitions are planned throughout the year. Information, 793-9309 or 793-9350.

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, Guelderland. Information, 861-8000.

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

Openings in women's singing group, fo-

cusings on old favorites and show tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Avenue, Delmar. Information, 439-2360.

A CAPPELLA

New, informal, coed a cappella group in Delmar, for adults and teens 16 and older. Information, 439-0130.

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR

Rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. for orchestra, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for choir, Siena College, Route 9, Loudonville. Information, 783-2325.

THE ORCHESTRA ON THE COMMON

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

ELECTRIC CITY CHORUS

Male singing group, training provided, rehearsals at Faith United Methodist Church,

Brandywine Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 399-1846.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS

Sweet Adelines group based in Niskayuna is looking for women to join group. Information, 346-5349.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

Rehearsals at Columbia High School, Luther Road, East Greenbush, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

ARTISTS WANTED

Exhibit space available for original paintings at Local Color Art Gallery, 961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 786-6557.

SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills.

The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers.

Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Cremona violin-makers
- 6 House: Sp.
- 10 Religious observance
- 14 Electrical unit
- 15 Heraldic bearing
- 16 Pelvic bones
- 17 Air
- 18 Preceding
- 20 Began again
- 22 Pries
- 23 Danish weight
- 24 Superlative suffix
- 25 Nasser's bailiwick
- 26 Irish exclamation
- 28 Snares
- 32 West, of Hollywood
- 35 To some extent
- 38 Sleep: prefix
- 39 Self-told tales
- 42 White: prefix
- 43 Black Sea port
- 44 New: prefix
- 45 Shells
- 47 Explosive letters
- 49 Ovid's art

DOWN

- 50 Contend
- 52 Biblical verb
- 56 Theater
- 59 Smoothing agent
- 61 Noels
- 63 Winged
- 64 Ladd
- 65 Rake
- 66 Of course: L.
- 67 Revolters, for short
- 68 Incite
- 69 Fall flower
- 1 Ahead
- 2 Puzzles
- 3 Got up
- 4 Hindu books
- 5 Thought
- 6 Egyptian Christians
- 7 Arrest: Fr.
- 8 Vehicle
- 9 U.S. Army in Europe
- 10 Candy stick: var.
- 11 Region in south Greece
- 12 Ennead
- 13 Labels

SELF-INTEREST

- 19 Of the body: abbr.
- 21 Get-togethers
- 25 Not savored
- 27 Adam's ____
- 28 Goes wrong
- 29 Money unit
- 30 Sword
- 31 Fair-to-middling
- 32 Ale
- 33 Musician Leopold
- 34 Small case
- 36 Whale groups
- 37 Era
- 40 Eight-sided figures
- 41 Spider, e.g.
- 46 Russian city
- 48 Greek philosopher
- 50 Uncertain
- 51 Put in
- 53 Separated
- 54 Seven: lt.
- 55 Cornerer
- 56 Mark
- 57 Story
- 58 Bedouin
- 59 Ellitist
- 60 South American rodent
- 62 Gershwin

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Calendar of Events *in the* Spotlight

Wednesday, Jan. 28

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m., Information, 767-2015

EVENINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)

Bethlehem Public Library's Free Summer Concert Series, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9341.

PLAYGROUP MEETING

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Daytime Caregivers Support Group. Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Every fourth Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 439-4955.

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. Second and fourth Wednesday during the school year. www.mops.org

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

Evening prayer service 7:00 p.m.; Bible study 7:30 p.m.; 1 Kenwood Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS

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

HEALING TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

TOWN COUNCIL

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4889. Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

PIONEER CLUBS

For children grades 1 through junior high; Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 3:45 to 5 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

TOWN BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 5:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955. Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

AA MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. 765-2895.

Thursday, Jan. 29

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

Meets Thursdays at 1 p.m. in Town Hall Auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave. Activities include cards, games, bingo and conversation. A bi-monthly newsletter is available in the senior services office. Information, 439-4573.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 12:30-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN (SEPTEMBER THRU MAY)

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

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church,

Friday, Jan. 30

AA MEETING

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, 7:30 p.m.

AA MEETINGS

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

CHABAD CENTER

Friday services, discussion and Kiddush at sunset, 109 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-8280.

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NEW SCOTLAND

STORY TIMES

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

Saturday, Jan. 31

BETHLEHEM

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.

GLENMONT

Story Hour at Tea and Tattered Pages Used Books, 329 Glenmont Road, Glenmont, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 1

BETHLEHEM

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 439-3135. Bethlehem Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road, 439-0358. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 439-4328. Delmar Full Gospel Church, 292 Elsmere Ave., 439-4407. Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 439-9252. Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 439-9929.

Family of God Nazarene Church, Krumkill Road at Blessing Road, North Bethlehem, 453-9953. First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 439-2512. First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Selkirk, 767-2243. First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., 439-9976. Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 436-7710. Gospel Fellowship, 10 Rocketteller Road, Delmar, 482-2132. King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955. KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 10 a.m. meditation, 11 a.m. tea, 11:30 a.m. study course, 374-1792.

Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510. Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766. Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314. South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953. St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue, Delmar, 439-3265; St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar, 439-4951. Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship, 436 Krumkill Road, North Bethlehem, 438-7740.

NEW SCOTLAND

WORSHIP INFORMATION

All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., 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 --

51 School Road, 10:15 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

Monday, Feb. 2

SLINGERLANDS

Adamsville Ancients Fife and Drum Corps; rehearsal 7-9 p.m., October-May. 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.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

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

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

Rehearsal, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-7396. Every Monday.

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. Information, 439-4328.

DELMAR KIWANIS

Normanside Country Club, 150 Salisbury Rd., Delmar, 6:15 p.m. Information, call Chris at 466-0454 First and third Monday of each month.

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

Tuesday, Jan. 3

BETHLEHEM

FARMERS MARKET (SUMMER ONLY)

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

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CHURCH LUNCH (JUNE, JULY, AUGUST)

Sponsored by the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Willowbrook Cafe, weekly on Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 767-9953.

PLANNING BOARD

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955. First and third Tuesdays of the month.

SLINGERLANDS FIRE COMMISSION

First Tuesday of every month, firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

NEW SCOTLAND

STORY TIMES

Weekly at Voorheesville Public Library,

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS (SEPTEMBER-JUNE ONLY)

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

PLANNING BOARD

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356. First Tuesday of each month.

PRAYER MEETING

Small groups meeting throughout the week for evening prayer and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155. Call for times and information, 765-3390.

Wednesday, Feb. 4

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

Normanside Country Club, 7:30 a.m., Information, 767-2015

EVENINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)

Bethlehem Public Library's Free Summer Concert Series, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9341.

PLAYGROUP MEETING

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BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN

Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m.; dinner 7:00 p.m., program and meeting to follow dinner. Information, 439-9628. First Wednesday of each month.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

Evening prayer service 7:00 p.m.; Bible study 7:30 p.m.; 1 Kenwood Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB (NOT IN JULY OR AUGUST)

Normanside Country Club, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4857. First and third Wednesday of each month.

HEALING TESTIMONY MEETING

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

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 439-4955. First and third Wednesdays of each month.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

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AA MEETING

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. 765-2895.



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Notice of Formation of Somos Arte, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/29/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20220 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Daser Kingston, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/15/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20221 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Daser Middletown, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/28/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20222 (January 28, 2009)

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Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20222 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of One Body Pilates LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20223 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF VNHINO, LLC Pursuant to Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law: FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is VNHINO, LLC SECOND: The county within this state in which the principal office of the limited liability company is to be located in is Albany. THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office mailing address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served him or her is 34 Oak Tree Lane, Niskayuna, New York 12309. FOURTH: The effective date of these Articles of Organization is the filing date, December 11, 2008, a date which does not exceed the sixty days from the date of filing. FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members. IN WITNESS WHEREOF; this certificate has been subscribed to this 16th day of December, 2008 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under penalties of perjury. /s/ Robert E. Molloy, Attorney in Fact Filed by: Robert E. Molloy, Esq. Century Hill Plaza 22 Century Hill Drive Suite 303 Latham, NY 12110 LD-20224 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Slidell, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/11/08. (LLC Formed in Michigan (MI) on 01/17/07. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. MI address of LLC: 512 W. Court St., Flint, MI 48503. Arts. Of Org. filed with MI Dept. Of Labor & Economic Growth, PO Box 30054, Lansing, MI 48909. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20225 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 3111 QUENTIN RD REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/20/08. 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 Mine

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Brook Road, Colts Neck, New Jersey 07722. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20226 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BANDW ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/11/08. 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, 836 Hempstead Avenue, West Hempstead, New York 11552. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20227 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ECO EQUITIES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/15/08. 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, 20 West 37th Street, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20228 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Dawn Capital LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on December 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, c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. The street address of the principal business location is c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. LD-20229 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1255 WEST BROADWAY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/15/08. 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 Barry Rozenberg, 881 Ivy Hill Road, Woodsburgh, New York 11596. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20230 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 215 MERKUR REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/04/08. 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, 215 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11215. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20231 (January 28, 2009)

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OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JDW REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/26/08. 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 William Lee, 58-11A 43rd Avenue, 1st Floor, Woodside, New York 11377. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20232 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ASHITTA LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/02/08. 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 Rocky Horsford, 480 East 186 Street, Bronx, New York 10458. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20233 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: KIDVILLE JWT, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/17/08. 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, 163 East 84th Street, New York, New York 10028. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20234 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: KRAKEN ENTERTAINMENT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/08/08. 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, 836 Hempstead Avenue, West Hempstead, New York 11552. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20235 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 75-64 187th STREET LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/17/08. 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, 184-12 Tudor Road, Jamaica Estates, New York 11432. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20236 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of SECURITY CREDIT SERVICES, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Mississippi (MS) on 08/18/03. Principal office of LLC: 2512 Jackson Ave., PO Box 1211, Oxford, MS 38655. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. MS address of LLC: Security Credit Services, LLC, 2623 W. Oxford Loop, Oxford, MS

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38655. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State, MS, Office of the Secy. of State, PO Box 136, Jackson, MS 39205-0136. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20237 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of PREMIAMORTGAGE, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/18/08. Principal office of LLC: One Home Campus, MAC #X2401-049, Des Moines, IA 50328-0001. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of DE, Federal and Duke of York St., Wilmington, DE 19808. Purpose: Residential mortgage lending. LD-20239 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 104 CRESCENT PLACE, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/18/08. 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, 121-13 14th Road, College Point, New York 11356. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20240 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of DATABSHOP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/10/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20241 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of PROJECT & DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/10/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20242 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of FMR & PARTNERS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/10/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Street, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20243 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Locomotion Pictures, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/08. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon

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whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 601 West 26th St., Ste. 1762, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-20244 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CRUZ-PAVELEC J.V. LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/11/08. The name was amended to JRCRUZ-PAVELEC J.V. LLC on 12/15/08. 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 Treacy, Schaffel, Moore & Mueller, Esqs., 111 Broadway, Fourth Floor, New York, New York 10006. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20246 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FIRST KING INTERNATIONAL GROUP, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/21/08. 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 Rostislau Yezersuy, 1685 Ocean Avenue, #2E, Brooklyn, New York 11230. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20247 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: LY FASHION (USA) LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/10/08. 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, 368 West 46th Street, Apartment 1F, New York, New York 10036. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20248 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: WARREN2750, 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 Gold Scollar Moshan, PLLC, 134 Spring Street, Suite 202, New York, New York 10012. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20249 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 7606 FIFTH AVENUE REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/11/08. 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, 1000 Main Street, Port Jefferson, New York 11777. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20250 (January 28, 2009)

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Name of LLC: 1915 Route 9

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Properties LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 11/17/08. Office location: Albany County. Sec. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Boswell Engineering, 799 Madison Ave., Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20251 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of AFCO AvPorts Management LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 12/16/08. Office location: Albany County. Principal business address: 7600 Colshire Dr., Ste. 240, McLean, VA 22102. LLC formed in DE on 1/8/08. NY Sec. 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 Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20252 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Power Group Risk Services, LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 11/12/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in KS on 11/30/07. NY Sec. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. KS and principal business address: 12721 Metcalf Ave., Ste. 103, Overland Park, KS 66213. Arts. of Org. filed with KS Sec. of State, 120 SW 10th Ave., Topeka, KS 66612. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20253 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of KOMADO LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20255 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of TRILOPI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20256 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of JANDUL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20257 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of BOMALA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20259 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of LAGIERS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20260 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ABNG, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/19/08. 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, 4215 Peters Place, Bronx, New York 10470. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20261 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP. The Certificate of Registration of Rivera Driscoll & Carey, LLP ("RDC LLP") was filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 11, 2008. Office location: 79 Columbia St. Albany, NY 12210. County of Albany. SSNY is designated as agent of RDC LLP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to Rivera Driscoll & Carey, LLP, 79 Columbia St. Albany, NY 12210. RDC LLP does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: The practice of law and all other legal purposes. LD-20263 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Double Trouble II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Avenue, Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-20266 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Dawn Homes Capital LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on December 11, 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, c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. The street address of the principal business location is c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Its business is to

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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-20267 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of BOSCOV'S DEPARTMENT STORE, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/21/08. Principal office of LLC: 4500 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, PA 19606. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Albert Boscov at the principal office of the LLC. DE address of LLC: Corporation Service Co., 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20268 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of BOSCOV'S TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Pennsylvania (PA) on 11/21/08. Principal office and PA address of LLC: 4500 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, PA 19606. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Albert Boscov at the principal office of the LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with PA Dept. of State, 206 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg, PA 17120. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20269 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of TOPIAR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20270 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of LIGAKI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/15/08. 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 The LLC, 46 State Street 2nd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 19 W. 34th St., # 1018, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20271 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Kforce Clinical Research Flex, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/16/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 9/30/08. 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. FL address of LLC: 1001 East Palm Avenue, Tampa, FL 33605. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, 2661 Executive Center Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-20272 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Kforce Healthcare Flex, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/16/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 10/2/08. 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. FL address of LLC: 1001 East Palm Avenue, Tampa, FL 33605. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, 2661 Executive Center Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Purpose: all lawful purposes. LD-20273 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: WALLACH MEDIA LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/03/08, with an existence date of 01/01/2009. 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 Louis Wallach, 430 East 57th Street, Apartment 7C, New York, New York 10022. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20275 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CAPITALAND HOME BUYERS, LLC Under section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Capitaland Home Buyers, LLC. SECOND: The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany. THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: c/o Scott H. Davis, 14 Deer Path Drive, Albany, New York 12205. LD-20278 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of HAUPPAUGE 2008 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/24/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20279 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 155 PLANT AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/24/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20280 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of 75 OSER AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/24/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20280 (January 28, 2009)

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cess to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20281. (January 28, 2009)

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Name of LLC: Footsy Magoo's, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 12/22/08. Office location: Albany County. Sec. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 54 Wedgewood Dr., Loudonville, NY 12211. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20282. (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GLOBE SERVICE LLC. Arts of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/24/2008. 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, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20283. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Pareve People LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20284. (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 2746 Mathews Avenue Realty LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20285. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Reliable Property Management & Construction LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/18/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20286. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Silverwood Of NY, L.L.C.. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/12/08. LLC Formed in Kansas (KS) on 09/27/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail

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process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. CT address of LLC: 318 W. Central, PO Box 6, El Dorado, KS 67042. Arts. Of Org. filed with KS. Secy. Of State, 120 S.W. 10th Ave., Topeka, KS 66612. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20287. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Fan and Lee Associates, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/15/08. LLC Formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 06/28/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. NJ address of LLC: 155 Prospect Ave., W. Orange, NJ 07052. Arts. Of Org. filed with NJ Dept. Of Treasury, State Treasurer, 225 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20288. (January 28, 2009)

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(00037610.WPD:1) NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of "LLC" B2B Solutions, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on October 31, 2008, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC, c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 501, New York, New York 10001. National Registered Agents, Inc. has been designated as the registered agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served with an address at 875 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 501, New York, New York 10001. The principal business location of the LLC shall be 350 Ontario Street, Albany, New York 12208. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law. LD-20290. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of NetVersant Acquisition II LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/26/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/02/08. Principal office of LLC: 777 Post Oak Blvd., Ste. 400, Houston, TX 77056. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., NY, NY 12207-2543. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of the State of DE, Div. of Corporations, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20291. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Patriot Land, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/16/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Alaska (AK) on

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7/16/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 15 Valley Dr., Greenwich, CT 06381, also the address of the principal office. Arts. of Org. filed with AK Secy. Of Org. filed with AK Secy. Of Org. 333 W. Willoughby Ave., Juneau, AK 99801. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-20293. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Pinpoint Technologies 3, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/08/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20294. (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE of formation of limited liability company (LLC) for any legal purpose. The name of the LLC is SNOW PRO, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State (SSNY) on October 30, 2008. Office Location is Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC at 2115 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12304. LD-20295. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of BRIAD CB, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/26/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 06/06/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Address of the principal office of LLC: 78 Okner Pkwy., Livingston, NJ 07039. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State. Rios Miller, 206 N. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701-4299. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20297. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CAPITAL WINDOW FILMS, LLC The name of the limited liability company is Capital Window Films, LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with Sec. of State 10/30/08. The LLC's office is to be located in the NYS county of Albany. Sec. of State of NY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. Sec. of State shall mail copy of a process to P.O. Box 11003, Albany, NY 12211-0003. The LLC's purpose shall be: Any lawful purpose. LD-20298. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Kings Manor, L.L.C.. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 12/11/08. LLC Formed in Louisiana (LA) on 01/16/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs. Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. LA address of LLC: 1800

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Hudson Ln., Ste. 300, Monroe, LA 71201. Arts. Of Org. filed with LA. Secy. Of State, 8585 Archives Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70809. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20299. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of 117-14 85th Avenue Realty LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/04/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20300. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of A. Burzi & Company LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/03/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20301. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FRANK'S ICE CREAM, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/19/08, with an existence date of 01/01/2009. 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, 515 Lookout Court, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20305. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JOSHUA 5, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/06/08. 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, 30 West 61st Street, Suite 8C, New York, New York 10023. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20306. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: THE LAW OFFICE OF CHARLES FINELLI & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/01/08. 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, Post Office Box 714, Locust Valley, New York 11560. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law. LD-20307. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 664-666 ENTERPRISES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/22/08. 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, 666 West 125th Street, New York, New York 10027. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20308. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: AFM-ADVANCE FLEET MAINTENANCE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/23/08. 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, 88 Richardson Street, Brooklyn, New York 11211. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20309. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GRATIA PLENA MANAGEMENT, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/29/08. 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, 114 West 47th Street, Suite 1725, New York, New York 10036. Suite 1725, New York, New York 10036. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20310. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MIKES AUTO ELECTRIC SERVICES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/29/08. 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, 604 West 30th Street, New York, New York 10007. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20311. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FARHI REALTY I LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/30/08, with an existence date of 01/01/2009. 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, 2259 East 7th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11223. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20312. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MARY BALL LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process

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against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 845 United Nations Plaza, Suite 75A, New York, New York 10017. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20313. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: RUBIN FAY ENTERPRISES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/08. 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, 11 West 47th Street, 11th Floor, New York, New York 10036. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20314. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BG ACQUISITIONS I, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/24/08. 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 Zelig Bergman, c/o The Goldin Group, 25 8th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11217. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20315. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ACK DOUGLASS LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/02/09. 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, 2 Elm Lane, Great Neck, New York 11020. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20316. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: INTERIMSTUDIO LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/05/09. 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 Florian Brey, 325 Bleecker Street, Apartment 19, New York, New York 10014. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20317. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: NOI VOGLIAMO BENE A NOSTRA MADRE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/08. 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, 6 Wild Run, Smithtown, New York 11787. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20322. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of HealthPro Management Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/08. Office

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location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/26/07. Principal office of LLC: 10600 York Rd., Ste. 105, Cockeysville, MD 21030. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE address of LLC: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State, Div. of Corporation, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20324. (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is J. FISK PROPERTY MANAGEMENT & MARKETING, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State on November 20, 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 agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 13 Church Street, Coeymans, New York 12045. LD-20325. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of INTERNATIONAL SURVEY ASSOCIATES, L.L.C., Appl. of Auth. filed with the SSNY on 10/16/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in GA on 04/15/1999. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: C/O the LLC, D/B/A Pride Surveys, 870 Inman Village Pkwy Ste 102, Atlanta, GA 30307. Address required to be maintained in GA: International Survey Associates, L.L.C., D/B/A Pride Surveys, 870 Inman Village Pkwy Ste 102, Atlanta, GA 30307. Arts of Org. filed with GA Sec of State, Corps Div. 315 West Tower, #2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, GA 30334. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. LD-20328. (January 28, 2009)

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TAX NOTICE Notice is hereby given that I, Nancy Mendick, Receiver of Taxes and Assessments, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, have received the Tax Rolls and Warrants for the collection of property taxes and will receive payments thereon from Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. and Saturday, January 31, 9:00 am to noon at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. No collection fee through February 2, 2009 1% collection fee from February 3 thru March 2nd 2% collection fee from March 3rd thru March 31. Unpaid property taxes will be turned over to Albany County Director of Finance on April 1, 2009. Nancy Mendick Receiver of Taxes & Assessments 445 Delaware Ave. Delmar, NY 12054 Dated: January 1, 2009 LD-20330. (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of UMS Services of the Capital District, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/21/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/8/08. 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 Avenue of the Americas, Ste.

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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-20331 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Dimodugno & Son Photography, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/08. 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, 1534 4th Ave., Watervliet, NY 12189. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-20332 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of SEBS-The Olson Financial Group, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/7/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 10/16/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 180 River Rd., Summit, NJ 07902, also the address to be maintained in NJ. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Secy. Of State, Bureau of Commercial Recordings, 225 West State St., 3rd Fl., Trenton, NJ 08608. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-20333 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of 2M CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/8/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 12/19/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 3401 Armstrong Ave., Dallas, TX 75205. The registered agent of the company upon whom and at which process against the company can be served is Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 3401 Armstrong Ave., Dallas, TX 75205. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of the State of TX, P.O. Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711-3697. Purpose: Any lawful activity LD-20334 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of RE:THINK RECYCLING GROUP, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/22/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/01/08. Principal office of LLC: 80 Brentwood Dr., Glencoe, IL 60022. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Services Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., John G. Townsend Bldg., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20335 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of BRAZIL HOLDING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/08/09. Office location: Albany County. Principal office of LLC: c/o Adelpia Communications Corp., 4582 S. Ulster St., Ste. 600, Denver, CO 80237. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY

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12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20335 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PORTABLE ATELIER LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/08. 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, 102 East 7th Street, New York, New York 10009. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20336 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 60 ST. MARKS PLACE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/13/08. 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, 46 St. Marks Place, New York, New York 10003. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20337 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BSBA FOOD, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/06/09. 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 Barry Adams, 121 Kenilworth Place, Brooklyn, New York 11210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20338 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Restaurant CH LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/06/09. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20339 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of SD Flooring LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/06/09. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20340 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Elmpro LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/06/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served.

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SSNY shall mail process to Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20341 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Ankong, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/02/09. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20342 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Park76 Hearing LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/18/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20343 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Livingston Management Services, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (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 Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corporate Svcs Corp., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20344 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Citywide Appraisals LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/31/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20345 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Lumi's Beauty Supply, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/05/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity.

LD-20346 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Shampoo Lounge, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/16/08. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20347 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Clothesliner Of The Rockaways I LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20348 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Brumis LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/02/09. 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., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 1 Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20349 (January 28, 2009)

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SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF OBJECT OF ACTION STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF ALBANY ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX NO.: 5804/08 AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC Plaintiff, vs. IKE NWOSU, Defendant(s). MORTGAGED PREMISES: 3 CLARE AVENUE, ALBANY, NY 12202 SBL #: 76.71-1-41 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of ALBANY. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. Dated this 13th day of January, 2009, Steven J. Baum, P.C., Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s), 220 Northpointe Parkway, Suite G, Amherst, NY 14228 TO: IKE NWOSU, Defendant(s) In this Action. The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. GERARD W. CONNOLLY of the Supreme Court of the State

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of New York, dated the 8TH day of JANUARY, 2009, and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the ALBANY County Clerk, in the City of Albany. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed by IKE NWOSU dated the 27th day of February, 2007, to secure the sum of \$117,000.00, and recorded at Liber 5435 of Mortgages at Page 722 in the Office of the Clerk of the County of ALBANY, on the 19th day of March, 2007; which mortgage was duly assigned by assignment dated the 2nd day of July, 2008, and sent for recording in the Office of the Clerk of ALBANY County. The property in question is described as follows: 3 CLARE AVENUE, ALBANY, NY 12202 SEE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, together with the buildings and improvements thereon situate, lying and being in the City of Albany, County of Albany and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: COMMENCING at a point on the east side of Clare Avenue, sixty-six (66) feet from the south line of Second Avenue and; RUNNING THENCE southerly on the east side of Clare Avenue, seventy-five (75) feet; THENCE easterly sixty-six (66) feet; THENCE northerly seventy-feet (75) feet; THENCE easterly sixty-six (66) feet to the place of beginning on Clare Avenue. The above described premises are known as No. 3 Clare Avenue, Albany, NY. HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE IS A COMPLEX PROCESS. SOME PEOPLE MAY APPROACH YOU ABOUT "SAVING" YOUR HOME. YOU SHOULD BE EXTREMELY CAREFUL ABOUT ANY SUCH PROMISES. THE STATE ENCOURAGES YOU TO BECOME INFORMED ABOUT YOUR OPTIONS IN FORECLOSURE. THERE ARE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, LEGAL AID ENTITIES AND OTHER NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT YOU MAY CONTACT FOR INFORMATION ABOUT FORECLOSURE WHILE YOU ARE WORKING WITH YOUR LENDER DURING THIS PROCESS. TO LOCATE AN ENTITY NEAR YOU, YOU MAY CALL THE TOLL-FREE HELPLINE MAINTAINED BY THE NEW YORK STATE BANKING DEPARTMENT AT 1-877-BANK-NYS OR 1-877-226-5697 OR VISIT THE DEPARTMENT'S WEB SITE AT WWW.BANKING.STATE.NY.US. THE STATE DOES NOT GUARANTEE THE ADVICE OF THESE AGENCIES. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME if you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: January 13, 2009 Steven J. Baum, P.C., Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s), 220 Northpointe Parkway, Suite G, Amherst, NY 14228 LD-20353 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of SHIP. NAME: GRATIA PLENA SELECT PARTNERS, LP. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/08/09. The LP was originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 01/05/09. The date of duration is perpetual. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LP, 114 West 47th Street, Suite 1725, New York, New York 10036. LD-20355 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of INVICTUS RESOURCE GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/25/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1315 74th St., 2nd Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-20358 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of PARAMETRICA EMPLOYEES, LLC amended to PARAMETRICA ACCESS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/31/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/30/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc. (CSI), 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: CSI, 615 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-20359 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of American Servicing and Recovery Group, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/12/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 11/6/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Incorp Services Inc., One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805A, Albany, NY 12210-2822. Address of the principal office: 4144 N. Central Expressway, Ste. 900, Dallas, TX 75204. Address to be maintained in TX: c/o Capital Corporate Services, Inc., 800 Brazos, Ste. 400, Austin, TX 78701. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. Of State, PO Box 12887, Austin, TX 78711-2887. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-20361 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Roadlink Staffworks, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/08. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/28/07. SSNY designated as agent

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of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Incorporating Services, Ltd., 3500 South DuPont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Address to be maintained in DE: 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 activities. LD-20362 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ZELAL LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/08/09. 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, 39 Warren Avenue, Lake Ronkonkoma, New York 11779. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20356 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CM2 OLDIES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/08/08. 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, c/o Wesley Wood, 575 Madison Avenue, Suite 1006, New York, New York 10022. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20366 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FISYDE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/06/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Donald S. Purgeess, 431 East 20th Street, Apartment 7G, New York, New York 10010. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20367 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 313 BUTLER REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/04/08. 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, 386 Third Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11215. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20368 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 22 2ND AVE. REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/04/08. 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, 386 Third Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11215. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20369 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JUSTIN STEELE MD PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/09/09. 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, Post Office Box 177, 707A Greenwich Avenue, New York, New York 10011. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Medicine. LD-20365 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BSBA FOOD, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/06/09. 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 Barry Adams, 121 Kenilworth Place, Brooklyn, New York 11210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20338 (January 28, 2009)

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Sports

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isn't bad when compared to the prospect of cutting sports. So what if varsity teams can't play non-league games or if modified teams get fewer games? At least, there are teams for kids to play on. They're not being denied an opportunity to play, and for that parents and administrators should be grateful.

I realize that any decrease in the number of options athletes have is undesirable, but we all have to realize that the opportunity to play is not an entitlement - it is a privilege. The state doesn't have to offer an annual Olympic-style event for its amateur athletes. School districts don't have to offer their middle and high school students interscholastic sports. They do so because they want to.

So when the money isn't there to offer the same amount of sports as we have grown accustomed to, perhaps we should be grateful that sports are being offered at all.

With that said, here is this week's girls basketball power rankings.

Class AA

1. Schenectady (15-1) - I don't necessarily expect the Patriots to win the Sectional title, but they've been the most consistent team in the poll
2. Shenendehowa (12-3) - What the Plainsmen lack in experience (five new starters), they make up for in defensive execution
3. Bethlehem (9-5) - There's no shame in a two-point loss at Mohonasen, arguably the best team in the Suburban Council
4. Niskayuna (9-4) - The Silver

Warriors' 56-54 victory over Bethlehem last Wednesday was negated by a 34-31 loss at Saratoga two days later

5. Albany (7-7) - Keep an eye on the Falcons, who sit in second place in the Big 10

Class A

1. Holy Names (14-0) - If it were up to me, I'd rank Holy Names ahead of every Class AA team because I believe it could beat anybody
2. Mohonasen (12-2) - The Mighty Warriors have beaten many of the top Class AA teams
3. Averill Park (12-3) - So have the Warriors
4. Lansingburgh (9-5) - The Knights are building some momentum entering the home stretch of the regular season
5. South Glens Falls (8-6) - The Bulldogs pulled off a nice win against Foothills Council leader Johnstown Saturday

Class B

1. Fonda (12-1) - The Braves have yet to lose a Western Athletic Conference game
2. Hoosic Valley (14-1) - The Panthers are looking very strong in the Wasaren League
3. Johnstown (13-2) - A win against Glens Falls Friday would go a long way to securing the Foothills Council title
4. Catskill (12-4) - The Cats have struggled a bit of late, but they are still a team to watch come Sectionals
5. Cohoes (8-6) - Being in the same league as Holy Names, Lansingburgh and Voorheesville will toughen up the Tigers for Sectionals

Class C

1. Maple Hill (14-1) - Only Catskill and Greenville have realistic chances of denying the Wildcats a perfect Patroon Conference record
2. Lake George (11-3) - Rachael Ray's alma mater has owned its Adirondack League competition
3. Whitehall (12-2) - The Railroaders looked like they were going to steamroll their way through the Adirondacks until Lake George beat them 51-43 last Monday
4. Stillwater (11-3) - The Warriors are on a five-game winning streak
5. Voorheesville (11-4) - The Blackbirds are hanging on to second place in the Colonial Council, but they'll need to run the table in their last four games to keep at least a share of it

Class D

1. Germantown (15-0) - The Clippers keep sailing along in the Central Hudson Valley League
 2. Argyle (9-3) - The Scots are one of those teams that always seem to reach the Sectional finals
 3. Berlin (8-1) - The Mountaineers have won their last three games by an average margin of 19 points
 4. Northville (8-5) - Owning a winning record in the WAC as a Class D team is quite an accomplishment
 5. Hartford (7-5) - Like Argyle, the Tanagers tend to peak during Sectionals
- Look for the updated boys basketball power rankings in next week's edition.

Big

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24-21 lead.

However, Shen (10-1 league, 12-3 overall) had a hard time putting Guilderland (3-8, 7-8) away. The Lady Dutch closed the gap to one point on three occasions in the fourth quarter, but they couldn't get the basket they needed to re-take the lead.

Shen struggled with its foul

shots in the fourth quarter, making two of its first 12 attempts before hitting two out of four free throws in the final minute to seal the victory.

Setter finished with 11 points, and Ray added seven points for the Plainsmen, who were coming off a double overtime victory over Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake the previous night.

Melissa Winne netted 10 points before fouling out, and Erin Kelly chipped in eight points for Guilderland.

Alsante saves Dutchmen

Goaltender Mike Alsante came up big for the Guilderland hockey team in a 3-1 Capital District High School Hockey League victory over Bethlehem last Saturday at Union College.

Alsante stopped 32 of the 33 shots he faced including a penalty shot to help the Dutchmen (6-4-0 league, 7-8-0 overall) earn a key victory in their pursuit of a playoff spot.

Greg Warnken scored two goals, and Collin Burg added a goal and an assist for Guilderland.

Eric Halek scored off a feed from Kenny Jack, and goalie Alex Cooper made 20 saves for Bethlehem (3-3-1, 7-6-1).

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Notice of Formation of AN-GLOTH GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/7/09. 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 St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at 46 State Street, 3 F, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-20396 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is Waters View Condominiums Two LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 21, 2006. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is Waters View Condominiums Two LLC, 621 Columbia Street, Cohoes, New York 12047. LD-20398 (January 28, 2009)

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on 1/16/09. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 1/28/04. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 125 W. Missouri, Midland, TX 79701. Arts. of Org. filed with Office of the TX Secy. of State, P.O. Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711-3697. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20401 (January 28, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of KUHANA-SPECTRUM JOINT VENTURE 8A, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/20/09. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Hawaii (HI) on 09/17/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. HI address of LLC: 27 Palimalu Pl., Honolulu, HI 96817. Arts. of Org. filed with Dept. of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Business Registrar Div., 335 Merchant St., Ho-

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nolulu, HI 96810. Purpose: Any lawful activity. LD-20402 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF ANDREA LANGFORD DESIGNS, LLC 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: ANDREA LANGFORD DESIGNS, LLC. 2. The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on January 16, 2009. 3. The County within New York State which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the Company may be served and the post office address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon it is: 16 Oakmont Terrace Albany, New York 12205 5. The registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against the liability company can be served is: Andrea Langford Designs, LLC, 16 Oakmont Terrace, Albany, NY 12205.

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The character of the business is to conduct any lawful business activity for profit that is not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of New York. LD-20403 (January 28, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DELTA-CON LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/16/09. 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 Steve Mavronasios, 31-69 23rd Street, Astoria, New York 11106. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20404 (January 28, 2009)

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York (SSNY) on 01/20/09. The LLC was originally filed with the Secretary of State of California on 01/25/06. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o AFM, 75 Fifth Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10011. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20405 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: A & E LLC 28th. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/20/09. 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, 31-12 45th Street, Astoria, New York 11103. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-20406 (January 28, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Project & Design Consultants LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/11/08. 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, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: SAATI DELI & CATERING LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 21, 2009. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 2 Meadow Lane, Albany, NY 12208.

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Notice of Qualification of ALLIANCE DRILLING FLUIDS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: ATTA-BOY FILMS, LLC. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New

Sports *in the* Spotlight

Varsity schedule

Wednesday, Jan. 28

BOYS BOWLING
Waterford at R-C-S, 4 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 29

WRESTLING
Cobleskill at Voorheesville, 4:30 p.m.
Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 6 p.m.
Lansingburgh at R-C-S, 6 p.m.
Shenendehowa at Guiderland, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 30

BOYS BASKETBALL
Ballston Spa at Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.
Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake at Guiderland, 7:30 p.m.
Voorheesville at Albany Academy, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Albany Academy at Voorheesville, 6 p.m.

Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 7:30 p.m.
Guiderland at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 7:30 p.m.
Holy Names at R-C-S, 7:30 p.m.

HOCKEY
Bethlehem at Shaker/Colonie, 6:45 p.m.

NORDIC SKIING
Guiderland at Lapland Lake, 3:30 p.m.

BOYS SWIMMING
Canajoharie/Fort Plain at R-C-S, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 31

GYMNASTICS
Guiderland at Shaker, 10 a.m.

HOCKEY
Glens Falls at Guiderland, 8:45 p.m.

INDOOR TRACK
R-C-S at Colonial Council Championships, 8:30 a.m.

BOYS SWIMMING
Bethlehem at Ballston Spa diving meet, 9 a.m.

WRESTLING
Guiderland, R-C-S at Big 10 Tournament, 8 a.m.
Voorheesville at Knights Duals, 8 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 1

INDOOR TRACK
Bethlehem, Guiderland at Suburban Council Championships, 8:30 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 2

BOWLING
R-C-S, Voorheesville at Colonial Council Championships, 3 p.m.

GYMNASTICS
Guiderland at Bethlehem, 6 p.m.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL
Berlin at Voorheesville, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 3

BOYS BASKETBALL
Bethlehem at Columbia, 7:30 p.m.
Guiderland at Mohonasen, 7:30 p.m.
Mechanicville at Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m.
R-C-S at Lansingburgh, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Columbia at Bethlehem, 7:30 p.m.
Lansingburgh at R-C-S, 7:30 p.m.
Mohonasen at Guiderland, 7:30 p.m.
Voorheesville at Mechanicville, 7:30 p.m.



Guiderland's Alicia Bowman, right, is guarded by Shenendehowa's Marissa Ray after pulling down a rebound in Saturday's Suburban Council game in Clifton Park. *Rob Jonas/Spotlight*

Big D, little O at Shen

Plainsmen win low-scoring game against Guiderland

Defense was on display in Saturday's Shenendehowa-Guiderland girls basketball game in Clifton Park.

Both teams played tight, physical defense, but Shen got just enough production from Allie Setter and Marissa Ray to pull out a 34-29 victory over Guiderland.

Setter scored seven points, and Ray added five points during a 12-2 Shen spurt in the third quarter that turned a 19-12 deficit into a

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Warriors show their might

Mohonasen keeps pace with Guiderland by beating BC

The Mohonasen boys basketball team stayed within a half game of first place in the Suburban Council South Division with a 71-61 victory over Bethlehem as part of Sunday's Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament at Albany's Times Union Center.

Bethlehem (4-6 league, 4-10 overall) had a 16-12 lead at the end of the first quarter, but Mohonasen (7-2, 9-4) made that disappear by outscoring the Eagles 14-5 in the second quarter.

Bethlehem stayed close to Mohonasen in the second half behind the hot shooting of Ryan Prinzo, who finished with a team-high 15 points. The Mighty Warriors were able to pull away at the end, though, with a 27-point fourth quarter.

Jordan Macejka netted 22 points, while Nick Battaglia and Anthony Robustiano each added 15 points for Mohonasen.

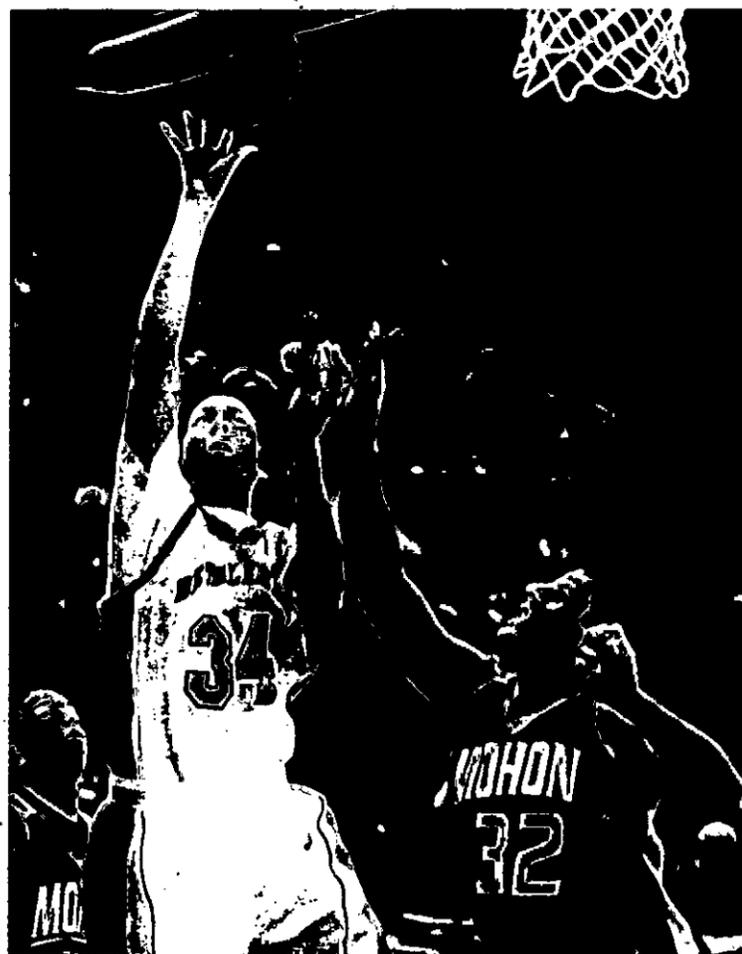
Guiderland (8-2, 10-4) kept its hold on first place in the South Division with last Friday's 61-49 victory over Colonie.

The Dutchmen used a 20-11 second quarter to give themselves an 11-point halftime lead over the Garnet Raiders (5-3, 7-5).

Jon Terry scored 23 points, and Kevin Kost contributed 12 points for Guiderland, which has won three games in a row since a 65-44 loss to Columbia Jan. 15.

Sean Peer had 16 points, Herb Tedford chipped in 15 points and Kyle Mafricci added 10 points for Colonie.

Guiderland and Bethlehem are off until Friday, when they both play cross-divisional games. Guiderland hosts Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake from the North Division, while Bethlehem travels to Ballston Spa.



Bethlehem's John Kellogg, left, soars in for a layup during Sunday's game against Mohonasen at the Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament at Albany's Times Union Center. *Robert Goo/Spotlight*

Sports not immune from money woes

We have a new reality in our sports scene.

Athletes may have fewer opportunities to play as budgets are being tightened in the face of shortfalls at the state level.

The Empire State Games is asking its athletes to pay a fee to cover room, board and transportation as it cuts back on the number of sports it offers.

Meanwhile, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association is asking its 11 sections to cut back on the number of games its teams play during the regular season to save some money.

From the
Sports Desk
Rob Jonas

All of this comes in anticipation that there will be large cuts in state aid to many state agencies and school districts - a result of the ongoing collapse on Wall Street, which supplies New York with a healthy percentage of its tax revenue.

There is already a huge outcry from the sports community about

the proposals. Organizers for this year's Empire State Games in Poughkeepsie decided they don't want to host the annual statewide event because of the cuts in state aid, which has also led to the elimination of three scholastic division sports and all open division and masters events. Back in Albany, Section II football chairman Gary VanDerzee is encouraging people to contact NYSPHSAA to protest its proposal to cut back the number of games.

The protests won't likely change the minds of the Empire State Games of NYSPHSAA, though. When there's less money

to work with, something has to give.

It's not as though the proposals are way out of line. The \$285 fee the Empire States Games wants to charge its scholastic-level athletes for the summer games is less than what parents would have to spend over four days for hotel rooms, meals and gas. Granted, it seems unfair because athletes have not had to pay to participate in the Empire State Games in years past, but the state's revenue stream has not been this bad in decades.

At the high school level, cutting the number of games teams play

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Maria College offers a world of possibilities

By MARTHA FASHOUER

The author is director of marketing and development at Maria College.

If you've had any experience at all in New York's Capital District, chances are, you know Maria. Maybe you've been a patient in an area hospital or had to place a parent in a nursing home. Perhaps you've enrolled your child in nursery school, needed occupational therapy or visited a lawyer's office. If so, you've probably met Maria - a Maria graduate, that is.

Over the years, the community has come to depend upon the skills and services of Maria College's graduates, in these professions and more. And with a student/faculty ratio of 14 to 1 and a 96 percent placement rate after graduation, for Maria students, the possibilities are endless.

Ask students why they chose Maria, and you'll get many answers. While "traditional" students (attending college directly out of high school) are part of the Maria community, "nontraditional" students are represented as well - those who are changing or looking to advance careers, or those older students attending college for the first time. This population, rich with diversity, is one we're proud of, and is proof of our belief that learning must be a lifelong pursuit.

"Maria College provides a top-quality education that has given me the confidence and knowledge to pursue a new career path," said Shawn Griffin, a 2008 graduate. "The faculty really cares about my education and future. Maria College has inspired me to pass this on to others. It's the start of my journey toward helping people."

Educating students for more than 50 years, Maria College is committed to the same values today as it was at its founding:

academic excellence and service to the community - two things that never go out of style.

Maria is an independent two-year college offering both associate degree and certificate programs to over 1,000 students from throughout the Capital District. Part of the Conference for Mercy Higher Education and affiliated with many outstanding four-year colleges and universities, Maria strives to deliver its programs to students of any age through high academic standards, convenient scheduling formats, and within a warm encouraging environment.

Pursue a well-rounded education while exploring courses that will help you develop your interests and talents. Get to know Maria's Career Placement and Campus Ministry offices; take advantage of the full-time campus Counseling Center. Innovative and flexible scheduling formats make it possible to complete your degree on your schedule, with day, evening, weekend and online classes available. Most credits easily transfer to four-year schools. With a Maria degree, you really can start here, and go anywhere.

"Maria College provided me an excellent opportunity as a young faculty member to develop and master my profession in a caring, low-stress environment," said Peter Byrne, a professor of psychology/liberal arts. "The opportunity to work alongside some exemplary faculty, who model dedication, sincerity and, above all, excellence, has gone a long way to help me meet my professional goals."

Two-year degree programs include: accounting, computer information systems, early childhood education studies, liberal arts, management, nursing, occupational therapy assistant, paralegal and research technologist. Certificate programs include: bereavement

studies, gerontology, licensed practical nurse, paralegal and teaching assistant.

The online option

Maria's already flexible scheduling options have been enhanced even further to include online courses. Choose from a variety of courses that make learning easy and comfortable with great interaction with its faculty, even online. Through online courses, students attend class, participate in discussions and submit assignments, all via their personal computer and the Internet. Most online courses are completed within the timeline of a regular semester.

Ties to the community

At Maria, serving the community is not just a value that we strive to pass on to our students, it's something we're actively involved in every day. Our commitment to service is shown in the partnership between Maria College and The Maria Campus School, a pre-K through kindergarten teaching laboratory, right here on campus, for students enrolled in the early childhood education degree program. Our commitment to service is also evidenced every time an occupational therapy assistant student interns at a local rehabilitation center, or a nursing student graduates and works at a nearby hospital. The Maria values of caring and compassionate service don't just stay on our campus. We're not just teaching it. We're living it.

Scholarship. Respect. Integrity. Compassion. Service. Community. These six core values support Maria's teaching mission: education for service. Grounded in the humanities, its curriculum seeks to instill respect for the dignity of each person, and is dedicated to transforming learned skills into caring service, which is the mission of the Sisters of Mercy

who founded and sponsor the college. Since the college was founded in 1958, that mission has been upheld, and today, Maria enjoys a strong relationship with the community at large, continuing its mission of service in today's technologically driven environments, and enabling future needs to be anticipated and met.

Consider applying for financial aid

As part of your educational planning process, you should consider applying for financial aid. Maria is a cost-effective path to earning your two-year degree and either seeking employment, or transferring the credits you earn to a four-year college. Financial aid is available to student in all scheduling formats.

Making connections

While the focus of everything we do at Maria is the best interest of our current students, the students that have passed through the college and on to other endeavors are just as important in carrying the Maria name and experience out into the community. From nurses to teachers to businessmen and women, from New England to Alaska to our own hometowns in the Capital District, Maria graduates are making a difference in the world.

Maria College is chartered by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York and its programs are registered with the New York State Education Department. Maria College is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. The Commission on Higher Education is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Commission on Recognition of Post-secondary Accreditation.



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About this issue

It's the beginning of a new year. We're weathering economic storms and there's no better time than now to make new plans and choices on how we'll sail through 2009. Spotlight Newspapers' Update I includes an informative mix of educational programs for your children or career change opportunities for you. It also features advice on investing wisely for your banking and financial future, with tips and legal advice as well as finding new ways to maintain and conserve the value of your home, business and your community.

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Credit unions a safe haven in a difficult economy

Consumers looking for a safe harbor during today's financial turmoil need look no further than their local credit union. Credit unions as a whole are healthy, well-capitalized financial institutions with strong balance sheets.

Credit unions are a unique financial institution set apart by a philosophy of "people helping people" in a cooperative spirit. Credit unions are owned by their members, and they are responsible to their members. They are not focused on providing high returns to outside stockholders who may not even have any deposits or loans with the institution. Credit unions are not-for-profit organizations, and any earnings are given back to the members in the form of lower fees, higher dividends on savings, lower interest rates on loans, or enhanced services.

Credit unions have always been and continue to be very conservative and responsible in their investments. Funds are invested primarily in loans to members in their local communities. Credit unions have steered clear of any subprime mortgage lending, which is one of the reasons for the problems being experienced by some financial institutions. Other credit union investments that are not in loans to members are also very conservative and non-speculative.

Savings at credit unions are federally insured by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. The National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF) is an insurance fund similar to the FDIC and insures savings up to \$250,000. You can obtain insurance coverage over \$250,000 by having a combination of different ownership titles on accounts such as individual, joint, trust and payable-on-death. In addition, there is separate insurance coverage of up to \$250,000 for individual retirement accounts (IRAs). The NCUSIF is administered by the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), the federal agency that supervises, regulates and charters all federal



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credit unions.

Credit unions have weathered every financial upheaval since the depression of the 1930s without ever costing taxpayers a penny or compromising their members' deposits. The recent failures within the financial industry have proven just how important it is for Americans to have a cooperative, not-for-profit financial option.

If you live or work in any of the five counties of Albany, Schenectady, Saratoga, Schoharie or Rensselaer, you are eligible to become a member of First New York Federal Credit Union. First New York has been serving our community for more than 70 years and currently has more than 28,000 members. The credit union has seven convenient locations and offers a complete array of financial products and services. First New York is committed to serving our local community and our lending is directed only to our local community. If you have any questions, we invite you to call 393-1326, visit our Web site at www.firstnewyork.org or stop by any of our branch offices and meet with our dedicated staff. Remember, we're here to serve our members and to keep their accounts safe and secure. That is, and always has been, our way of doing business.

Pioneer offers local solution for a national problem

By JOHN M. SCARCHILLI

The author is president and CEO of Pioneer Bank.

The nation's economy is struggling, facing perhaps its worst crisis since The Great Depression. In response, we have seen many plans that offer solutions at a national level - government bailout plans, capital injections for the auto industry, government support of Wall Street. But our national problem is our local problem, too. Foreclosures, layoffs and declining home values impact every community across our country. Community banks, however, have weathered this financial storm better than most of their national counterparts. It is in this success that we can find a local solution for our national problem.

Throughout our 120-year history, Pioneer Bank has remained true to helping local people and businesses with their banking needs. We are connected to the community at

every level - our employees are local people, we support local organizations and charities, and we are exclusively focused on local consumers and businesses. This connectivity allows us to work within the community to build strong and secure financial futures for our neighbors, including individuals, businesses and municipalities. This close relationship and commitment to strengthening the local community and local economy is a platform shared by hometown banks across the country. We are proud to be a local bank with roots in the community spanning generations.

We provide the lending that allows our communities' businesses to grow and prosper. By remaining true to our customers and keeping our focus on providing them with suitable, responsible loans, hometown banks strengthen communities across New York and beyond.

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Sunmark offers strategies to ride out economic woes

You hear it over and over: Recession. Buyouts. Layoffs. Combustible markets. The message gets a lot of attention, but, has it finally gotten through?

For the first time in many years, the Capital District is beginning to feel firsthand the economic woes that have hit with regularity in other parts of the country.

People continue to look for guidance in these rough financial times. We're looking for answers and solutions for today's economic climate. Can anyone help us?

"Everyone is looking for sound advice to assist themselves and their families financial needs," said Sunmark Federal Credit Union President and CEO Bruce Beaudette. "This is currently a very difficult time for our economy, and we're analyzing our member's needs to provide them with accessible and innovative products to allow them to make those sound financial decisions."

For 2009, Sunmark will continue to implement program roll-outs aimed at educating and assisting its members and area residents with their financial needs.

The credit union continues to offer Balance, a financial fitness program, to its membership. The credit union offers this program to assist its members with managing finances, improving their credit ratings, assessing their debt-control and a host of other financial related information to assist with those fiscal blues.

In addition to Balance, Sunmark continues to expand its financial



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education program. The program, titled Your Path to Financial Freedom, works with low- and moderate-income households in expanding opportunities to establish deposit accounts, accumulate assets, and instilling individuals with confidence.

The credit union is also offering a New York Defensive Driving Course for its members. By completing the course, members can earn a 10 percent reduction on no-fault and collision insurance premiums, plus receive up to a four-point reduction on their driving record. Every bit helps and being educated on such programs can add savings and bring down monthly budget costs.

"Now more than ever, we need to step up to assist members with solutions for their economic environment," said Beaudette. "We are going to continue to offer programs that bring the right resources to our members and help them ease their financial burdens."

The programs listed above are just a start to what's needed for area residents. We can all benefit from resources that Sunmark and additional institutions are throwing our way. The best way to solve a problem is to educate yourself. Knowledge is power.

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FRANK J. PRIVITERA

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"Mankind was my business. The common welfare was my business; charity, mercy, forbearance, and benevolence were, all, my business. The dealings of my trade were but a drop of water in the comprehensive ocean of my business!"
 ...

Jacob Marley's ghost speaks these words to Scrooge in Charles Dickens' famous novel, *A Christmas Carol*.

A good friend of Fenimore Asset Management, Mike Saccocio, the executive director of the extraordinary City Mission of Schenectady, recently spoke to a group of Fenimore employees. He eloquently reiterated the importance of helping lighten the burden of those in need and wove poignant scenes from *A Christmas Carol* into his talk. Mike highlighted the quote, "Mankind was my business." He explained that when we come alongside the downtrodden and support them in a manner that dignifies and strengthens them, not only are we improving their lives and impacting society positively, but our own burdens become lighter.

At Fenimore, we try our best to lend a hand to those in trouble and treat others the way we would like to be treated. Tom Putnam founded the firm in 1974 as a means to manage family money after the sale of Fenimore Fabrics, a textile company named after famous local author James Fenimore Cooper. Just as important as Tom's vision to establish a patient, consistent, long-term value approach to investing, was his passion for investing in the



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community.

For more than three decades, Fenimore and its associates have donated significant human and financial resources to a variety of charities and worthy causes throughout the Capital District. From serving on not-for-profit boards and participating in companywide acts of service, to maintaining our Contribution Committee and specified level of annual monetary support, we have not wavered from Tom's original commitment. And our vision is that Fenimore's care for the needy will continue for many generations.

The culmination of Fenimore's tradition of giving is our annual charity FAM 5K "Fund" Run/Walk. Since 1994, we have held the FAM 5K each September, and the event has grown to more than 750 participants and 200 volunteers. It is a fun-filled, memorable day in the spirit of family, good health, charity and service.

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five different local charities on a rotating basis: Catholic Charities of Schoharie County, Catskill Area Hospice & Palliative Care, Habitat for Humanity, Schoharie County ARC, and Schoharie County Community Action Program. The goal is to help raise awareness about each organization while providing financial resources.

Jacob Marley is condemned to walk the earth as a spirit and watch others be joyful because he did nothing but count his money while alive. Although he was an excellent businessman, he learned in death that he had missed the point of life. While we have breath, may we all remember to make mankind our business.

Fenimore Asset Management, Inc. (Fenimore) is the investment advisor to FAM Funds, the FAM Value Fund and the FAM Equity-Income Fund. Fenimore is an independent investment advisory firm located in Cobleskill and has been hand-selecting investments for more than three decades.

H.I.L.L. unveils spring course schedule

The spring semester of the Bethlehem Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning (H.I.L.L.) is scheduled to begin on Monday, Feb. 23, with an exciting array of relevant and intellectually challenging classes.

Course offerings run the gamut from film to politics, with courses on music, art, history and literature also included. There is something for everyone.

H.I.L.L.'s growing registration, now at about 900 for its two, five-class semesters taught by local college and university faculty, is proof positive that "The University of Our Town" concept is thriving in Bethlehem.

The school district, with a reputation for educational excellence has made Bethlehem a desirable place to live, and has for more than 15 years, through the sponsorship of H.I.L.L., made available first-rate adult learning in the community.

Here, every effort is made to provide registrants with ever-new ways of learning at a modest cost.

H.I.L.L. is a community-based, all-volunteer organization.

Class registration fees are used to support the program.

The Institute and all its programs are dedicated to Fred and Helen Adler, who founded H.I.L.L. in 1993, and to all former H.I.L.L. committee members who contributed time and expertise to



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make H.I.L.L. the great community resource it is today.

The 2009 spring courses include: Hollywood Film Genres (Robert Edelman and Audrey Kupperberg); Musical Legacy of Kurt Weill and Erich Korngold (Ann-Marie Barker Schwartz); Italian Renaissance Painting: 1300-1500 (Louisa Matthew); New York State's Political and Economic Future (Helen Desfosses).

The semester will also feature a six-unit lecture series covering a variety of topics presented by specialists in the various areas.

See the full course schedule at the district Web site <http://bcsl.k12.ny.us>.

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Thoughts on students, laptops and Internet safety

By GEORGE REPICKY

The author is a science and computer teacher at Saint Gregory's School.

Listening to talk shows whose guests include financial experts, one is repeatedly reminded that the decisions regarding investments involve balancing security and growth — very safe investments typically yield minimal growth, yet investors opting for strong growth do so at a loss of security.

It strikes me that parents — and by extension, teachers — frequently face the same dichotomy in decisions regarding their children and students. Decisions such as when to let go of the back of the two-wheeler and let a nascent Lance Armstrong on his own for the first time, or permitting a budding adolescent to attend that first girl-boy party, or handing the keys to the car to a newly licensed teen for his first solo trip test our ability to strike the proper balance between security and growth. We all want security for our charges, yet we know that the growth into independent, self-sufficient adults, which we all desire for our children, can only come if we trust them to experience the world around them.

My own personal philosophy has been to trust my children — and students — to make sound decisions unless they prove my trust to be ill-placed; but, they also know that should they betray my trust, it will take considerable time and effort to regain it.

Note that I am not speaking of blind, unthinking trust. The late Ronald Reagan probably said it best when speaking of arm control negotiations; his motto was "Trust but verify."

We watch the young cyclist carefully before we let go, and we make sure that first time is on a benign surface

such as a grassy field; before permission is granted for the party, we call to make sure that parents will be present; and we require that that young driver has demonstrated skill and judgment in our presence, and perhaps make those first trips brief and into non-hostile traffic conditions. And, generally, we are rewarded for our trust — the cyclist completes his Tour de Ballfield

"Mommy Rule" — If you wouldn't be comfortable having your mother watching over your shoulder, you shouldn't be there.

Second, listen to your child. He will frequently bring up — perhaps obliquely, and perhaps only after an extended conversation about other things — concerns he has regarding internet use. If he seems to have more to say, he probably has — and it might be important. In this regard, a child may sometimes want to discuss the actions of a friend or neighbor; he may be concerned enough about the danger of another child's actions that he is willing to break the childhood code of silence to help him.

Third, consider limiting the duration and/or location of internet use. This used to be easier in the prewireless days. The computer(s) were in one room, usually a general-use room such as a family room or den, because that's where the internet connection was. However, there's nothing wrong with requiring computer use to be limited to one or a few rooms. Likewise, limiting the amount of time spent on line is probably beneficial not just for a child's safety but for his general development as well.

The Internet is a wonderful tool — at once exciting and informative, yet not without its sinister side. With effort and attention we can enable our children to benefit from its wonder, and avoid its hazards.

To learn more about Saint Gregory's School and its approach to teaching the ethical and appropriate use of technology, join us for an Open House geared toward this topic on Wednesday, Feb. 4. Please call 785-6621 or visit www.saintgregoryschool.org to register.

successfully, the party-goer proves to be a thoughtful guest, and the young driver returns unscathed.

What prompted these musings was a question of what steps we parents and teachers can take to support effective yet appropriate use of that amazing yet somewhat problematic resource, the Internet. After some thought, several suggestions come to mind.

First, talk to your children. Make sure they clearly know your expectations regarding internet use — in particular, the avoidance of adult-oriented chat rooms and Web sites. (This is relevant even if a child is using a system with content-screening software. No content screening software is perfect — objectionable sites slip through, and some valuable ones are blocked. And, of course, a child learning his way around the program, or learning its override password, is not unheard of.) But children do tend to listen to parents, and will behave — most of the time, anyway — according to their parents' wishes, especially if those wishes are clearly expressed. At school, I emphasize the



Roth IRA owners have some options

By ROBERT L. WOLFF

The two major benefits of the Roth IRAs that appeal to taxpayers are that qualified distributions from a Roth IRA are tax free and Roth IRAs are not subject to traditional IRA minimum distribution rules. As a result of these benefits, taxpayers will often convert all or part of their traditional IRA into a Roth IRA.

The major drawback to converting to a Roth IRA, is that the amount converted to the Roth IRA from the traditional IRA is subject to income taxation in the year of conversion. Typically, the Taxpayer has taken the tax liability into consideration and has assumed the combination of

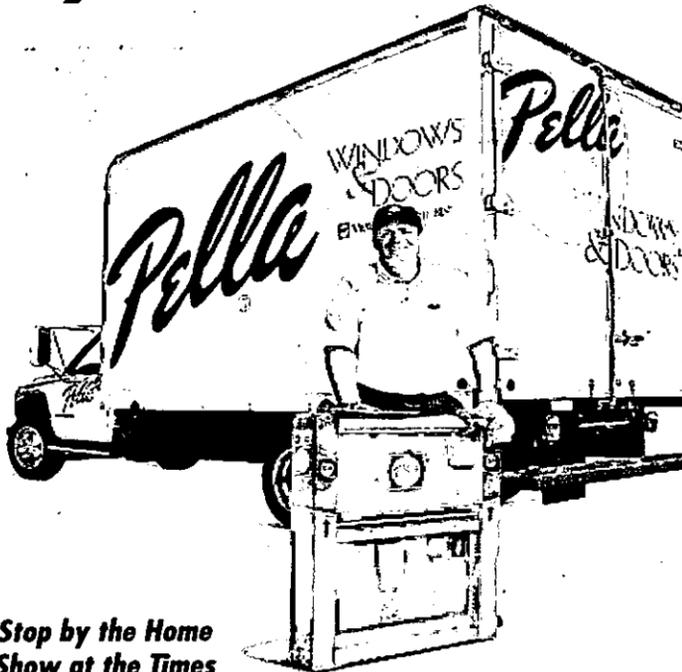
a rising stock market and tax free income from the Roth IRA will offset the tax liability incurred upon conversion. As long as the stock market cooperates, the conversion works, but what happens if the stock market were to decline substantially after the conversion from a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA. The combination of falling value of Roth IRA's portfolio and income taxes on gain that is no longer there can be very negative.

This past has not been a good year for investors in the stock market. One particular group adversely affected by the market downturn are individuals that

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Golisano gives \$10M to Niagara University

Rochester philanthropist commits money to new science building

B. Thomas Golisano, a Rochester businessman and philanthropist, is convinced his latest investment is well worth it. On Oct. 8, the Paychex founder and chairman, and Buffalo Sabres owner, joined the Rev. Joseph L. Levesque, C.M., president of Niagara University, to announce a commitment of \$10 million to support construction of a new science building that will radically alter the teaching and research environment at the university.

The gift is the largest in Niagara's 152-year history.

Levesque said the gift, which will be applied to the university's \$80 million capital campaign, "The Promise of Niagara," pushed the amount raised to date past the \$50 million mark. Partial funding for the new interdisciplinary sciences center, estimated to cost \$25 million, is included in the campaign.

"I am delighted to announce that this unprecedented act of generosity will forever be acknowledged in the name of the building, which will be called the B. Thomas Golisano Center for Integrated Sciences," Levesque said. "Clearly, the support you are providing for the science building is an expression of great confidence

in the direction our program is taking. But your gift also represents a major investment in the future of Western New York, a future that Niagara University will help to shape, with your assistance, through the contributions of our students and through the research that will take place here."



Levesque said the new state-of-the-art facility will allow the university to prepare students for work in the region's emerging biotech industry and for advanced studies at research universities. He spoke before an enthusiastic crowd that attended a press conference, which was held adjacent to the site of the new science building.

Golisano said the university's comprehensive plans for advancing science education convinced him to designate the science building for his first major gift in the Buffalo/Niagara area.

"I commend your thoughtful and careful plans to 'radically alter science instruction at NU' and better prepare our future young

scientists through this innovative and integrated science curriculum," he said.

With members of the board of trustees, students and staff expressing their delight, Golisano presented Levesque with the first of five annual installments of \$2 million.

NU's plans call for construction of a 44,000-square-foot science center to replace DePaul Hall, a facility that has housed the university's science programs since 1961. The new two-story science center will provide more space and flexibility for today's integrated learning environment and interdisciplinary approach to the sciences. Biology, chemistry, physics, bioinformatics and computational chemistry students and faculty will all have access to advanced instrumentation either as individuals or as members of a study team. At the same time, the center will permit greater collaboration with NU's partners in other educational, clinical and industrial settings.

Over the last five years, NU faculty and students, supported by the university's Academic Center for Integrated Sciences, have partnered with researchers in the Buffalo Medical Complex, the State University at Buffalo, Roswell Park Cancer Institute and the Heart Center of Niagara in collaborative research projects focused on finding health and

community problems.

Levesque said the university intends to begin the project as soon as additional funding is in place, with the expectation that it will be completed by the fall of 2011. The current capital campaign is seeking to raise \$16.5 million toward the total cost of the \$25 million science center.

Levesque said Golisano's gift has provided "tremendous impetus" toward achieving the campaign goal, adding, "Our hope and prayer is that your incredible generosity will inspire others to support us in our quest to fulfill 'The Promise of Niagara.'"

A native of Irondequoit, a suburb of Rochester, Golisano founded Paychex Inc. in 1971 and currently serves as chairman of the board. He was president and chief executive officer of the company until October 2004.

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Golisano has consistently been recognized for his entrepreneurial, civic and philanthropic achievements and endeavors. Since the late 1990s, his personal philanthropy has totaled more than \$100 million. Most has been directed at educational institutions, hospitals and organizations in the Rochester area. He also founded the B. Thomas Golisano Foundation, which awards grants to organizations dedicated to providing opportunities and support for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.



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At the Health and Wellness school, students can become state-certified massage therapists or medical assistants. At the Digital Arts School, students can earn a degree in digital graphics and multimedia design and begin working in as little as two years.

The biggest change to the school came last year, according to Dean of Academic Affairs Malisa Lurie, when the school moved to its own campus on Central Avenue.

"We had moved from our previous locations at the mall in Latham and now have a campus for the schools," Lurie said. "The student culture here has changed, and we have a brand new technology lab. Everything is top of the line for them now."

Lurie said that enrollment has

"increased significantly" since the move, which she attributed a change of bus schedule that now drops students off right in front of the building 24/7, and being downtown next to the actual businesses students train for has led to more job opportunities.

"We help place the students with employment even before they graduate," Lurie said. "Now businesses actually call us looking for recruits."

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What can you do to prevent this situation? Consider a generator? What type? Will it be safe? Do I have to be home to make sure it's running?

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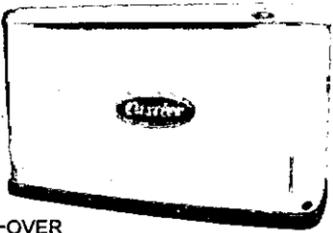
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State partnership helps aging residents protect assets

By BOB VANDY

The writer is with New York Long Term Care Brokers, Ltd.

The recent market volatility has made us think twice about a number of things in our financial lives, including how we invest, how and when we borrow money and, certainly, whether we have the appropriate risk management plans in place to see us through retirement.

One area garnering more attention lately is long term care planning—both having the right plan in place and having those plans adequately funded and protected. For many New York residents, long term care insurance can be an effective and efficient way to transfer all or part of that risk, which can be substantial, of a long term care event to a third party, thus protecting the plans we've made to ensure that what we want to happen will happen if we need care later. With the challenges the financial markets have experienced recently, some residents who previously were planning to rely on their own funds to pay for long term care, if needed, ("self-insuring") are finding that those earmarked funds now amount to far less than they once did. Thus, funds earmarked for other uses may then need to be liquidated to pay for needed care.

Many New Yorkers have chosen to protect their retirement incomes and/or nest eggs by purchasing long term care insurance under the New York State Partnership for Long Term Care. With some recent changes at the federal and state level (largely brought about by the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005), the ability of New York residents (as well as residents of other states) to give away their assets and hope to qualify for Medicaid-financed long term care has been significantly restricted. The effect of that restriction has been, in part, to shine a more favorable light than ever on the adequacy of long

term care insurance as a payment mechanism for long term care costs.

While one of the positive changes brought about by the Deficit Reduction Act was to expand the availability of long term care "partnership" programs throughout the country, New York has, in fact, had a partnership plan in place since the early 1990s. New York was one of four states that were, in essence, "grandfathered" because of various legislative actions.

Partnership plans are so named because they are a "partnership" between the resident of the state, the state Medicaid system and the respective participating long term care insurance carriers. The New York state partnership allows eligible residents to protect all or a portion of their assets, while allowing Medicaid to pay for needed long term care costs.

In short, they work as follows:

A resident purchases a partnership approved long term care insurance policy. Upon needing care, and qualifying for nursing care, the policy holder uses policy benefits as a "first pay" option and [usually] exhausts the policy benefits available. The partnership policyholder may then apply for "Medicaid Extended Coverage" and is afforded asset protection not afforded similar residents who do not have such a partnership plan. Ongoing costs of care from that point forward are picked up by Medicaid under the aforementioned Medicaid Extended Coverage.

There are a number of things to consider when deciding whether a partnership policy makes sense. They include whether a person will continue to live in New York upon needing care and subsequently applying for Medicaid benefits. Although long term care insurance policy benefits are portable, the asset protection afforded under the partnership is not. The New York resident must reside in the state

to access those benefits. Also to be considered is preference for location of care. Once policy benefits have been exhausted, care is delivered in the manner Medicaid would otherwise typically allow. For example, if the resident would like to receive care at home, those benefits will likely be much less available under Medicaid financed care. The more prevalent location for care while on Medicaid is typically in a nursing care facility.

Income is not protected under the state partnership. Generally, the same rules regarding how income is treated by Medicaid apply to the partnership-qualified applicant as to a Medicaid applicant without a partnership policy.

The partnership program is a great option for certain residents to consider when making plans for long term care and, as is often the case, the best time to start planning is "sooner rather than later." The younger a resident is, the lower his or her long term care insurance premium will be (if insurance is an appropriate option), and the more likely she will be to qualify for the coverage (one does need to qualify medically to get the coverage). The decision about which long term care insurance policy is the best fit for a particular resident is best approached with the help of a financial professional (agent or broker, financial planner, CPA, attorney) who is conversant in long term care planning, as well as with long term care insurance.

As we reflect on the current financial challenges America faces, the need to ensure our plans are well protected becomes obvious. So, too, does the need to recognize that our ability to "self-insure" for such risks may be seriously impacted by market downturns. Many of our affiliated advisors' clients take the attitude that they would be better off "using pennies now to protect dollars later" and sleep better at night knowing they have transferred a majority of the long term care risk to an insurer, rather than retaining that risk themselves, thus preserving their retirement goals and dreams.

For a free Consumer Guide to the NY State Partnership for Long Term Care, contact Robert M. Vandy, CLU, ChFC, LUTCF, CLTC, vice president of marketing for New York Long Term Care Brokers, Ltd. in Clifton Park. He can be reached at 688-8105 or bvandy@nyltcb.com.

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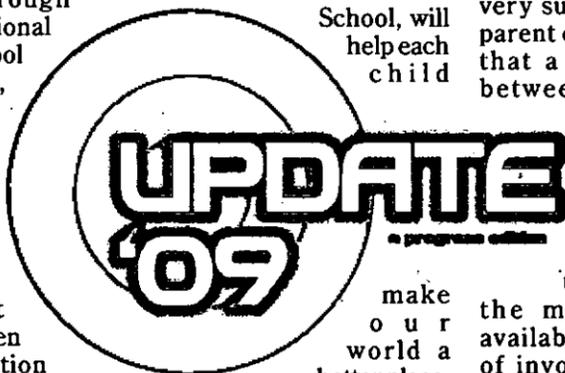
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Fundraising can help make Catholic education a reality

The Catholic Schools are committed to ensuring that a quality education is accessible to any person, regardless of their economic status. Now, more than ever, in the current economic crisis, families from all income levels are struggling to pay tuition at Catholic elementary and secondary schools — and for some, it's simply out of reach.

The Beacon of Hope Fund, managed by the Catholic School Office and the Beacon of Hope Advisory Council, a volunteer committee of 20 community members, provides students from financially struggling families with tuition assistance in the amount of \$1,500 per year for three years at any one of the Diocesan Catholic Schools. Currently, 60 students receive the Beacon of Hope award throughout the 14-county Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany.

Over the first two years, more than 400 students applied for the award. Awards are given out based primarily on a family's average income after core expenses are taken into account — such as shelter, clothing and food. For most of the families that apply nothing is left after the necessities are accounted for. That is why the Catholic School Office is committed to expanding its efforts and outreach to grow the Beacon of Hope Fund so that more of those 400 families may be assisted.

"We must push even harder to get the word out and raise the necessary funds. If we were to award every family that qualified, we would need over \$1 million per year. It may sound crazy, especially in the current economic climate, but at least I

know what I am working with," said Nicki Pezzulo, director of development for the Catholic Schools. "It's important that nonprofit organizations that provide basic services and aid do not sit back and ride out the downturn. We must continue to raise money to provide help to the most marginalized — otherwise it will only get worse."

Administrators of the Catholic Schools believe that to only accept students whose families can pay the full tuition would be an injustice to those that desire a Catholic education but simply do not have the means.

"No child should be left behind, not as a result of federal legislation but because all children, regardless of where they live or their background, deserve the very best. And they can find that within Catholic schools," said Sister Jane Herb, IHM, superintendent of the Catholic Schools.

Funds are raised through two primary events: The Beacon of Hope Breakfast in September and the Beacon of Hope Ball, which will take place on March 7 at the Kiernan Plaza in downtown Albany. Every dollar raised is given directly to the students in the form of tuition assistance. The Beacon of Hope Advisory Council plans to expand fundraising efforts through a more rigorous marketing campaign, the addition of another event in early summer and an aggressive outreach movement in the community.

To learn more about how to support the Beacon of Hope Fund, contact Nicki Pezzulo, director of development for the Catholic Schools, at 453-6676.

Caught in the legal maze

By Matthew C. Cocca, Esq.

All legal answers to questions that appear in this column are only examples covering general situations and are not to be relied on for specific legal needs. If you have any specific legal problems or concerns, you are advised to consult with an attorney. You may also contact Matthew C. Cocca, Esq. at 347-907-1496 or CoccaLaw@aol.com (consultations are always free).

Q: I have heard the bankruptcy law has changed, making it much more difficult, if not impossible, to file. Is that true?

A: Yes and no. Yes, the bankruptcy law changed (a couple of years ago), but no, it is not necessarily more difficult to file. In fact, bankruptcy filings are up almost everywhere lately given the recession and loss of jobs. The only question is whether you qualify to file for Chapter 7 (liquidation) or Chapter 13 (payment plan). An attorney must sit down with you and review your current situation, reviewing your debts and assets, and your current income, if any.

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According to the Internal Revenue Service, more than 75 percent of American taxpayers received a federal tax refund, with the average around \$2,500. It's what you do with your refund now that may create a better financial future for you and your family later on.

Instead of spending your refund this year, consider funding an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), setting up a college savings fund for a child, or paying down credit card debt. These options will help to improve your financial situation.

First on your list of priorities should be paying down any high-interest credit card debts you have incurred. By paying only the minimum each month, you may be paying just the interest (or less) on the debt and little or nothing toward the principal. Paying down the debt can free up additional money for other important financial needs.

If debt is not a problem, your tax refund could provide you an excellent opportunity to fund an existing IRA or establish a new one. For the 2007 tax year, you can contribute up to \$4,000 to an IRA. If you were 50 years or older by Dec. 31, 2007, you can add an additional \$1,000 to the account. Making a tax-deductible contribution

to traditional IRA is an option if you are not participating in an employer-sponsored retirement plan or, if you are participating, your adjusted gross income falls within eligibility guidelines.

A Roth IRA may be a more appropriate choice, depending on your eligibility. Contributions to a Roth IRA are not tax-deductible. However, qualified distributions are received free from federal income tax. Your refund could also be used to fund a Coverdell Education Savings Account (ESA) or 529 Plan for your child. Contributions are not deductible, but withdrawals to pay qualified educational expenses are free from federal income tax.

One thing to remember after you've decided the fate of this year's refund: The check you received is not a windfall but the return of an interest-free loan you provided the government.

Regardless of the pleasure you may get from receiving a large check each tax year, adjusting the amount withheld by Uncle Sam to reduce the amount of future refunds may be an appropriate course. You may not get a refund in April, but there may be more in each paycheck to contribute to a Coverdell ESA, 529 plan, IRA or to pay down debt throughout the year.

Take some time to consider your options before making the down payment on that cabin cruiser. The earlier you start saving for you future, the more you may have during your retirement.

If you have questions about these options and others, you owe it to yourself to contact a financial services professional that you know and trust. Your financial future may depend on it.

Crisafulli Bros. expanding to meet needs

Local leader in heating, plumbing celebrates 70th year in business

Crisafulli Bros. Plumbing and Heating Contractors, Inc., is celebrating its 70th year of serving the Capital District as one of the largest mechanical service firms in the area. The company provides plumbing, heating and air condition design, installation, service and scheduled maintenance to both residential and commercial customers.

While the past year has left many businesses in a lurch, Crisafulli Bros.' commitment to providing its clientele with the highest quality service has only led to growth as the company adds new employees and trains current ones in cutting edge industry standards.

Andrea Russo, the third-generation president of this family-owned company, said though they have 70 employees, things are run with a small company emphasis on customer service.

"We operate very much like a family business," she said. "We have the resources of a large company, but the resources are here every day and have relationships with our employees and our customers."

Many of the company's heating and cooling technicians are North

American Technician Excellence (NATE) certified, according to Russo, and the rest are well on their way. That means that Crisafulli's HVAC technicians are educated in the industry's latest energy efficient technologies and techniques. Their technicians, working from their familiar fleet of red trucks, will not only increase

the addition of online coupons, energy saving ideas and safe and easy tips that homeowners can do themselves.

"During difficult economic times, we recognize the importance of customer retention, and that's our emphasis this year," said Russo. That emphasis starts with employee relations, and the company hired a new service manager in 2008 to better facilitate that element.

"We very much believe in our relationship with our employees, because the way we treat our employees will reflect in the way our employees treat our customers," said

Russo.

The company also believes in upholding community relations, often working with the Ronald McDonald House, sponsoring baseball teams and getting involved in community events year-round.

With a wide selection of quality brands, including newly added Lennox furnaces, knowledgeable and courteous technicians and the ability to cover any project from start to finish, Crisafulli Bros. is surely the premier choice for those in Capital District looking to upgrade their property's heating and cooling systems. If one thing's for certain, a tough economy won't stop this company from succeeding.

"In times like this, you just have to step it up a notch," said Russo.



energy efficiency, but also decrease the need for maintenance, saving customers money all around.

"We've seen an increase in voluntary HVAC replacements," said Russo. "I think more people are in tune with environmental needs."

Similarly, Crisafulli Bros. plumbers are undergoing Moen and Kohler certification.

"That's something we're very proud of," said Russo.

All of the changes under way at Crisafulli are aimed at increasing customer satisfaction and service. Their Web site, www.crisbro.com, is even getting a facelift with

IRA

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that converted all or part of their traditional IRA to a Roth IRA in early 2008. They may, unfortunately, face the possibility of paying income taxes on account values that will not be there when they file their 2008 income tax return. Where account values are substantially less than the account values at the time of conversion, they will be paying income taxes on phantom income that was there but now the value is gone — ouch.

Fortunately, the taxpayer can treat the conversion as if it had never been made

by recharacterizing it. This involves transferring the converted amount (plus earnings, or minus losses) from the Roth IRA back to a traditional IRA via a trustee-to-trustee transfer.

You have until Oct. 15 to recharacterize a 2008 Roth conversion. Where the income tax liability is on April 15 and the recharacterization is done at a later date, income taxes paid on the recharacterized amount will be refunded. This is one of the truly pro taxpayer provisions in the Internal Revenue Code.

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Brown School names new head of school

Brown School's Board of Trustees and Acting Head of School, Dr. Marc A. Meyer, are honored to announce that Ms. Elizabeth "Penney" Riegelman will be joining Brown School as new head of school on July 1.

Brown School, Schenectady's only co-ed nursery through eighth grade independent school, has a rich history in Schenectady, celebrating more than 100 years of equipping young people to be caring, knowledgeable, and active citizens of our increasingly complex world.

Penney's uncommon and extensive background in private education is extraordinary. Brown School feels fortunate to have Penney join its school community and can look forward to years of expert, creative leadership.

Penney has been working in the world of independent schools for over 30 years as a teacher and administrator. Having obtained her A.B. degree from Radcliffe College, Harvard University, Penney began her career teaching middle school Language Arts. She went on to obtain a M.Ed. degree from Harvard's celebrated School of Education while continuing to teach. She also received a M.A. from Teachers College, Columbia University. After serving in various administrative positions at The Chapin School, Riverdale Country Day, and The Peddie School, Penney became Head of Newark Academy. After 10 successful years, she joined the New York State Association of Independent Schools as its executive director — a position she will vacate at the end of June. Her familiarity with and admiration for Brown School through NYSAIS was the beginning of her respect and affection for the school, which she considers one of the best-kept secrets in New



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York private education.

Next year, Meyer will continue as Associate Head of School. He is looking forward to working with Ms. Riegelman. Meyer commented, "Penney is a welcome addition to the Brown School community, we are lucky to have her join us. She will enhance our facilities, and help us provide every child who enters our doors with a first-class education. Driven by Penney's boundless energy, experience, integrity, professionalism, and love of children, we can make Brown School one of the best independent schools in New York. I see a very bright future for our school under an expanded administration."

Ms. Riegelman will be meeting Brown School families during a Feb. 12 Parent Forum event at Brown School.

For more information about Brown School's unique and challenging educational opportunities for children, nursery through eighth grade, please visit the school's new Web site at www.brownschool.org. Brown School is located at 150 Corlaer Ave., Schenectady, NY 12304. For information, call 370-0366.

Loudonville Christian School expands after-school programs

In an effort to expand upon its longtime traditions, Loudonville Christian School has expanded its after-school curriculum this year by adding two exciting programs and new opportunities in athletics.

According to Katie Hills, principal of Loudonville Christian, the school has added the clubs Love 146 and Meet the World.

In Love 146, a club based on a national organization, students will be able to explore issues of sexually exploited youth and the abolition of child sex slavery. The club's mission is to fight against these issues and restore the confidence and self-image of those victimized by exploitation.

The second new club, Meet the World, allows students to meet missionaries from around the globe, learning of their work and studying ways they can do similar acts of good in their own community.

In the athletic area, a new joint wrestling team with students of the Watervliet School District will allow

Loudonville Christian students to compete in local competitions.

According to Hills, "We are a small school and they were gracious enough to open up to us."

In addition, the school has continued their efforts with other assorted clubs and organizations, including Habitat for Humanity.

These clubs and athletics are open to all 330 students who attend the school, according to Director of Pupil Services Tim Phelps. Loudonville Christian, located at 374 Loudon Road, in Loudonville, focuses on the education of students through a combined effort of teaching the evangelical view of God and the world with a high scholastic standard in a secular curriculum. All of the teachers at Loudonville Christian are New York state board certified and either have or are working toward their master's degrees.

According to Phelps, the school has 100 percent graduation rate

with 100 percent of its students receiving Regents diplomas and 90 percent receiving an advanced diploma. In addition, Phelps said, "One hundred percent of our students will go to college and 85 percent will go to a four-year college."

Phelps attributed the high success rates of Loudonville Christian's students to its strong curriculum, which includes many advanced placement courses and college-level courses.

Tuition rates at Loudonville Christian are as follows: pre-K, \$3,270; kindergarten, \$5,230; grades 1 through 4, \$5,500; grades 5 and 6, \$5,775; grades 7 and 8, \$6,775; and grades 9 through 12, \$7,850. Hills said she is pleased the school is able to offer such decent prices compared to other private schools in the area.

For a list of the courses offered at Loudonville and after-school activities, visit its Web site at www.lcs.org

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Robert F. Kennedy's legacy and the state budget

By RICHARD C. IANNUZZI



Robert F. Kennedy's triumphant life as U.S. attorney general; senator from New York and champion of social justice has received a burst of attention – all of it well-deserved.

In a moving ceremony attended by numerous dignitaries, including members of the Kennedy family and former President Clinton, New York City's Triborough Bridge was late last year re-named the RFK Bridge. And, New York State United Teachers has unveiled a

series of lesson plans designed to re-introduce RFK – and what he stood for during another very difficult time in our history – to a new generation of young people.

The lessons – developed with the Kennedy family, the RFK Center for Justice and Human Rights, the State Education Department and others – teach about Bobby Kennedy's lifelong commitment to social justice and are now in the hands of some 20,000 fourth, eighth,

and 11th grade teachers across the state.

The hope is that teachers in New York state will use the examples set by Robert F. Kennedy – fighting for the underprivileged, working toward social justice, standing up for the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution – in their classrooms to inspire in today's students a social conscience and a willingness to confront inequality and injustice whenever and wherever they see it.

In all of his work, Robert Kennedy saw a critical role for government.

RFK stressed, "The essential humanity of men can be protected and preserved only where government must answer – not just to the wealthy, not just to those of a particular religion or a particular race – but to all its people."

Kennedy's vision is at the heart of how teachers and other social advocates see the current budget crisis.

While we stand ready to work collaboratively and constructively with Gov. David Paterson as he addresses the crisis head-on, we believe government has an obligation to all its people, especially protect the most vulnerable and fragile populations.

That means our state leaders must ensure that all children receive a quality public education, especially those children in poverty, most often children of color, who, for too long, have been short-changed by the way New York has funded its schools.

We believe state government has an obligation to make sure that all students – not just the privileged – have an affordable path to college. In times of economic turmoil, more students will be turning to SUNY, CUNY, and community colleges, for an affordable, high-quality college education. Students – and local economies in places like Morrisville and Binghamton – depend on a well-funded public higher education system.

And, of course, New York has an obligation to ensure that children and their families have access to adequate health care. Without health insurance, necessary medical treatment is often ignored, and many families find themselves facing physical and financial disaster.

To meet its obligations to everyone, government has an obligation to make sure that everyone pays their fair share. Our state's tax policies have too often favored the wealthy, leaving low-income and middle-class New Yorkers to pay a disproportionate share of the tax bill. Restructuring the state income tax would actually reduce the tax burden for lower-income and middle-income families. Change is long overdue.

Robert Kennedy spoke to the best in all of us. He believed in change, in possibility, and in our capacity to overcome even the most enduring and difficult problems we face as a society. He said, "To adhere to standards, to idealism, to vision in the face of immediate dangers, takes great courage and self confidence."

Let us hope that Robert F. Kennedy's words help guide us through our current budget crisis.

Richard C. Iannuzzi is president of the 600,000-member New York State United Teachers.

When schools get cut, who pays the price?

The Executive Budget proposal for education would devastate New York's public schools and reverse the progress we've made in education, from pre-kindergarten through post-grad. New Yorkers overwhelmingly support raising the income tax on the wealthy to protect vital public services and oppose cuts to education and health care.

Do the right thing: Ask our wealthiest citizens to pay their fair share. Don't balance the budget on the backs of our neediest children.

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