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Bad weather, great crowds bring back Selkirk's Fireman's Fair this Friday
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Tractor Supply rolls over plaza

The Tractor Supply Company has begun its renovations to the former Kmart space in Glenmont's Squire Plaza at the intersection of Glenmont Road and Route 9W following approval from the Bethlehem Planning Board on Tuesday, July 6.

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On track with family fun

Clowns and circus shows are part of the family entertainment at the Saratoga Race Course open house Sunday, July 26, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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The Blaze burn path to berth

The Bethlehem Tomboys Blaze 12-and-under softball team fulfilled its primary goal when it qualified for the national American Softball Association Fastpitch Championships by placing second at last month's state tournament in Latham.

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"Sylvia, the Silver Lab," a mirror mosaic by artist Kathleen Buchanan, is installed in Altamont's Maple Avenue park. The mosaic is part of the "Dogs Stories in the Park" art exhibit, which opened on Thursday, July 16, and runs through Friday, Aug. 21.

Going to the dogs

The only dogs allowed in Maple Avenue park are part of sculpture exhibit

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There are no dogs allowed in the new park on Maple Avenue in Altamont, unless they are sculpted out of recycled materials.

Marijo Dougherty, who helped organize the "Dog Stories in the Park" art exhibit, which opened on Thursday, July 16, said the

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Bethlehem candidates file petitions

Supervisor hopefuls head for Independence Party primary

By JARRETT CARROLL
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The first official steps to getting onto the September and November ballots were taken as Bethlehem candidates submitted their signed petitions to the Albany County Board of Elections.

The big race in town is for supervisor, as incumbent Democrat Jack Cunningham is seeking his second full term of office against a challenge from Independence Party Councilman Sam Messina.

The challenge includes an apparent Independence Party primary after Cunningham got the nod over Messina for his own party line. Both men have expressed confidence that they will win and add an extra ballot line for the fall election.

Thursday, July 16, was the deadline for submitting designating petitions to the county, and the final determinations on the number and validity of signatures by the board was expected Monday, July 20.

Cunningham contends that his unanimous support from the Albany County Independence Party over the party's own member reflects a solid record of his tenure in office and is a big vote of confidence that he is an effective and efficient public servant.

Albany County Democratic commissioner and Bethlehem Democratic Chairman Matthew Clyne said Cunningham turned in just over 500 Independence signatures and over 900 Democratic signatures on his petitions. Cunningham's campaign reported that he easily eclipsed his 2007 Independence signatures that totaled around 350 and said it was a sign his support has grown.

His slate handed in double the amount of Democratic signatures required by state election law.

Touching upon a major theme of his campaign, Messina said Cunningham's Independence nomination is just another example of insider politics and Bethlehem needs to end party governance.

The councilman handed in 299 Independence Party signatures to the board of elections, little more than half of Cunningham's, but

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Porco prosecutor named chief ADA

Albany Law grad David Rossi worked on Porco, Westervelt trials

By JARRETT CARROLL
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Albany County District Attorney David Soares has a new chief assistant district attorney.

Soares' office announced on Thursday, July 16, that David

Rossi has been promoted as the county's newest chief assistant district attorney following the retirement of Mark B. Harris, who previously held the post.

Rossi has worked on several high profile cases including the trial of Christopher Porco for the murder of his father, Peter, and the attempted murder of his mother, Joan, in their Delmar home.

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Candidates file petitions in G'land

Dems will caucus in August

By DAN SABBATINO
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With the filing deadline for election petitions over, the Conservative and Independence parties will have Town Supervisor Ken Runion on their lines, and the Republican Party will have Peter Golden on its, according to the Albany County

Board of Elections.

Runion said the Democrats will host a caucus in August to determine who gets that party's line, but the Conservative and Independent lines required petition signatures.

"It went very well," he said. "We had pretty much what we needed by the end of June for the Conservative Party."

Runion discussed some of the difficulties of collecting signatures when the summer months

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Police Blotter

Man fails DWI tests, over double the limit

Police arrested a Selkirk man with a blood-alcohol content more than two times the legal limit after failing a field-sobriety test and saying he couldn't complete the alphabet because of a medical condition.

Bethlehem police said David Burghoffer, 47, of 27 Garden Circle, Selkirk, was arrested on Glenmont Road Thursday, July 2, on charges of aggravated DWI, with a BAC of 0.18 percent or greater; DWI, first offense;

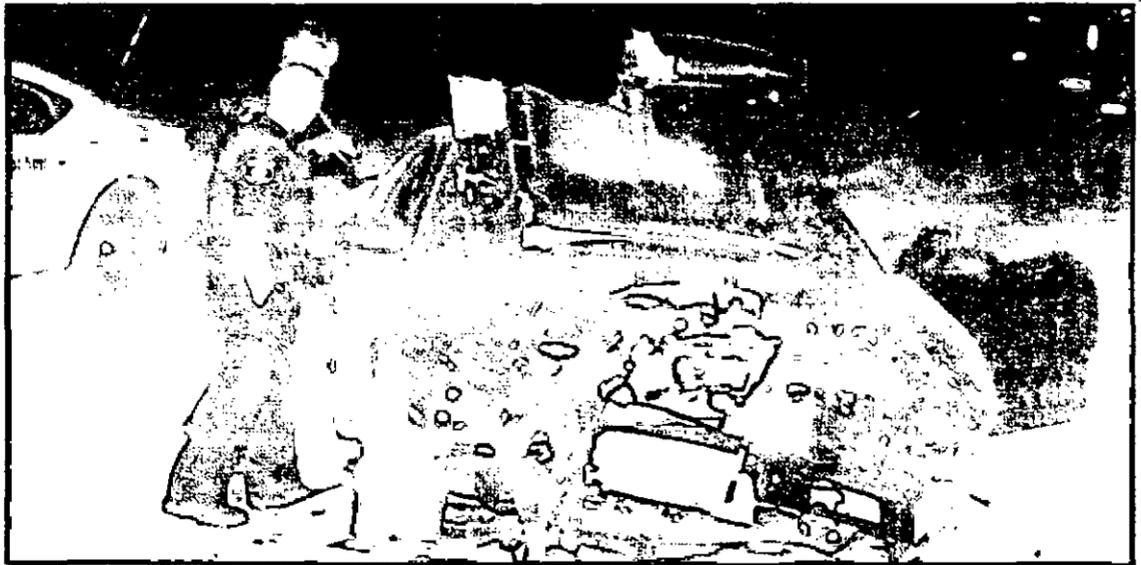
unsafe backing of a motor vehicle; and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Officers responded to a property-damage auto accident in the parking lot of the Squire Plaza in Glenmont and discovered that Burghoffer had allegedly struck another vehicle in the lot, according to the arrest report.

While interviewing him about the accident, officers said they

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Wild ride ends in Albany car crash



Bethlehem police gave chase to Thomas C. Pusatere who failed to pull over on Delaware Avenue in Delmar and continued driving at "a high rate of speed" into the City of Albany where he crashed his black Mustang into a utility pole and a residence off of Whitehall Road. Police said no one was injured in the incident.

Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

A high-speed car chase with police ended with a Delmar man crashing his Mustang into a utility pole and then a home on Whitehall Road in Albany on the evening of Wednesday, July 15, before he ran from the scene on foot.

Bethlehem police said Thomas C. Pusatere of 30 Crystal Lane, Delmar, was charged with third-degree unlawfully fleeing a police officer, a misdemeanor, and several vehicle and traffic law violations.

At 9:41 p.m. a Bethlehem police officer saw a black Mustang driving east on Delaware Avenue near Mason Road "at a high rate of speed," but when the officer attempted to stop the vehicle it continued, leading police on a chase into the City of Albany, according to the report.

Sgt. Christopher Shunk said Pusatere drove his car into a utility pole after turning onto Whitehall Road, "shearing it in two," and that the vehicle continued forward and struck the front porch of a residence before coming to rest on the sidewalk off Whitehall Road at Rose Court.

Pusatere then allegedly fled the scene on foot before being apprehended several hours later.

"There were no injuries involved with this incident," Shunk told *The Spotlight*, adding that Bethlehem police made the arrest in Albany, but the Albany Police Department and its K-9 unit assisted in investigating the matter.

Pusatere is scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, July 21, at 4 p.m.

Police said the case is still under investigation and that further charges may be pending.

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Man offers \$500 reward for arrest in golf cart theft

Olin Bleau says he is offering \$500 to anyone who can help find and arrest those involved in stealing his wife's golf cart and leaving it smashed in the woods near Elm Street in Selkirk.

Bleau reported the incident to the Bethlehem police and said he bought the cart for his wife,

who uses it to get around. It was allegedly taken on Tuesday, July 7, and found along with two five-gallon gas tanks, hedge-trimming shears and a new vinyl tarp.

"I bought this for my wife who has Alzheimer's," he said of the \$3,000 golf cart. "They ran into a pile of rocks, and whoever

was driving this had to be hurt because it looks like they went through the windshield."

Bleau said the golf cart was left out because it was out of gas but that some one evidently brought gas with them in order to re-start it. Along with the clippers, gas cans and tarp, he

said, there was also a five-gallon container of chlorine found at the scene.

Asking the community for help, Bleau said the alleged thief also took the keys to the smashed up golf cart when leaving the scene. He said the keys have a large red tag with a Menads, New

York, address on it from where he bought it.

"So if someone sees a key with a big round red tag 3 inches across, let somebody know," he said.

Anyone with information can contact the Bethlehem police at 439-9973.

—Jarrett Carroll

BCHS grad begins teaching fellowship

Program will help Ethan Levine reach his goal to become high school math educator

By JARRETT CARROLL
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Most students take their summers to unwind after completing the academic equivalent of a triathlon — but not Delmar's Ethan Levine.

Levine, 21, was named one of 35 future teachers from around the country to be awarded the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation Fellowships (KSTF). The prestigious fellowship, valued at up to \$150,000 over the course of five years, is designed to nurture, support and encourage the best and the brightest to pursue math and science teaching careers, according to its founders.

Becoming a math teacher wasn't originally in the plans for Levine. He was a linguistics major at the University of Pennsylvania as an undergraduate with a minor in math. "I was in a tutoring program at the University of Pennsylvania and we held group discussions in a 10th grade geometry class," Levine said. "After that, and the summers working with high school students, I decided to make a change."

Levine is now going for his master's degree in education with a certificate in high school math.

"This is a great opportunity for me," Levine said of the award. "It was something I had heard about through someone at the University of Pennsylvania."

There is a three-step selection process that includes online application materials, letters of recommendation and transcripts reviewed first by KSTF staff.



Local BCBS alumnus Ethan Levine was chosen as one of 35 future teachers to receive the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation Fellowship.

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—Ethan Levine, 21

The applicants who meet the selection criteria are then invited to participate in a telephone interview conducted by a senior KSTF staff member.

From there, the finalists are invited for face-to-face interviews in Philadelphia with members of the KSTF Advisory Committees, KSTF staff, members of the board of trustees, and the KSTF founders, C. Harry and Janet H. Knowles.

"I really like the City of Philadelphia," said Levine. "We had our orientation in June, and we have to meet in fellow groups three times a year."

Also at the end of July, all 111 KSTF Teaching Fellows meet in Philadelphia, for the three-day summer fellows' meeting, with a primary focus of lesson study.

Angelo Collins, KSTF's executive director, said the fellowship is an investment into the future.

"We see teachers as change agents. By investing in early-career teachers, KSTF is nurturing dedicated, lifelong educators," Collins said. "The quality of high

school mathematics and science education is essential to ensuring American competitiveness through innovation."

KSTF also offers fellowships in physical science and biology.

Of the 20 fastest-growing occupations projected this decade, 15 of them require substantial science or math preparation, according to Nicole Gillespie from the senior program office of KSTF.

Unfortunately, about half of all secondary teachers leave the industry within five years," she said. "Our challenge is going to be able to ensure we continue to have outstanding, well-qualified teachers to make this happen."

The whole concept of the program is designed to meet the financial and professional needs of new science and mathematics teachers, and hopefully, in the end, help to ensure that the country's best teachers stay where they are and go on to become leaders of the industry.

Full-time student fellows receive up to \$10,000 in annual tuition assistance and also get a monthly stipend while they are working toward teaching credentials. Those who are already full-time teachers are eligible for small materials grants and support for a mentor-teacher relationship.

In addition, all of the fellows receive funding for summer professional development and summer living stipends as well as membership in a professional organization and travel to professional meetings.

"The fellowship supports us even after we go out and find our first jobs," Levine said. "Which is a really great benefit."

Land owner revisits 9W building plan

Curb cuts could be an issue with plans to develop lot next to Mt. Moriah church

By JARRETT CARROLL
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A developer is trying to revive a commercial building proposal along busy Route 9W in Glenmont and is moving forward despite concerns from the town's planning division.

Paul Nelson, the developer and owner of the 9W parcel, is trying to construct two commercial buildings on the empty lot between the Petrol station and the Mt. Moriah church, as well as refurbish the Petrol station, which leases the property.

Assistant town engineer and land surveyor Terrence Ritz said the Bethlehem planning division met with the project's engineer on behalf of the applicant on Thursday, July 16. Ritz said the applicant still has to meet several conditions before construction can become a reality, but the applicant is moving ahead.

"It's actually made of two larger parcels," Ritz said of the empty lot and the Petrol lot. "According to the Route 9W Corridor Study this section of 9W is approaching capacity."

That could mean an additional travel lane with 5-foot shoulders would have to be constructed, as well as a raised center median.

Ritz said there were some "traffic concerns, however, he added, "They're going ahead."

The applicant is proposing two "full access" driveways with exits and entrances in addition to the Petrol entrance, which has a stop light and is across from the Towne Center Plaza. Ritz said the project calls for constructing two retail or commercial buildings on the empty lot and rebuilding a new gas pump island farther back from the road.

Town Planner Jeffery Lipnicky pointed to the 9W Corridor Study and said the town generally discourages unnecessary curb cuts, especially along major thoroughfares.

"The goal here is to try to get all accesses into a single, signalized point," he said.

Lipnicky said the project would be consistent with the corridor study if traffic from the buildings was directed to the signaled intersection in front of the Petrol

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—Jeffery Lipnicky, town planner

station.

The state's Department of Transportation is also reluctant to allow curb cuts on state highways, although there are many factors that go into a curb cut work permit.

George Hodges, Region 1 design services manager of NYSDOT, told *The Spotlight* multiple access points can have an impact on both traffic and pedestrians.

"We're trying to look at instead of three or four access points, having a single access point," he said. "It's not just a traffic issue either, when there are pedestrians or bicycle traffic, curb cuts affect all of those users, too."

Because 9W is a state highway, the DOT has to issue work permits for curb cuts, whether it is commercial, residential, retail or a development, said Hodges.

"We have a policy and standards for entrances and exits on state highways," Hodges said. "This is like a bible our staff uses when we work with developers or municipalities."

Ritz said the applicant has not specified what type of business is planned for the empty lot, but minutes from a 2006 meeting with town planners show that Cafua Management Company once proposed building a Dunkin Donuts there.

However, with the new Dunkin Donuts drive-through built at the Mobil on the corner of Feura Bush Road and Route 9W, it is unlikely those plans will continue. The minutes from the 2006 meeting also show the developer wanted to build a 3,500-square-foot building, with 2,500 square feet for the Dunkin Donuts and 1,000 square feet for lease.

The site is zone General Commercial "C" and is in the Bethlehem Central school district. The lots are also in Selkirk Fire district and have access to water and sewer districts. The project will require a special-use permit from the town's zoning board and a site plan review by the planning board.

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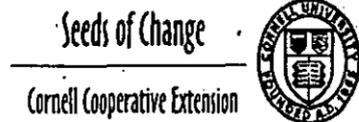
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In Albany County, summer time is fair time

Summer time is fair time – a county fair that is – and we are fortunate in Albany County to have a long tradition of such an event.

The first fair to be held in Albany County dates back to 1819; it was called the Agricultural Jubilee or Ploughboy's Holiday and it was sponsored by The Albany Agricultural Society. The event was a big success, and from 1819 until 1892, the location of the fair rotated around the county until 1892 when it was proposed to have a permanent site in Altamont. The first fair held at the Altamont location ran from Sept. 12 through Sept. 15, 1893; the admission was 25 cents and the total proceeds were \$884.13. The Board of Directors for the fair traveled to other county fairs to see how the buildings were constructed, and the fairgrounds at Cobleskill was used as a model. The Exhibition Hall was completed in 1896 and is now known as the Flower and Fine Arts building and it has recently been named to the State and National Register of Historic Sites. Back in the 1800s and for much of the 1900s, the Altamont Fair enjoyed huge crowds of people who enjoyed a day of viewing agriculture's best specimens of animals,



flowers and vegetables. Arts and crafts and cooking skills were displayed and young and old enjoyed the competition for a blue ribbon at the fair.

Over the decades, the Altamont Fair has undergone many changes reflective of the times. In 1922 Schenectady County joined the fair, and that year General Electric sponsored a special radio concert. It was now easier to get to the Altamont Fair as the D&H Railroad began running special trains from Albany and Schenectady to the fairgrounds. In 1924, the power company installed lights on the seven poles of the fairgrounds and the nighttime fair was born; fireworks also began that year. In 1942 and 1943, the fair was not held due to World War II. In 1945 Greene County became part of the Altamont Fair, making it the only tri-county fair in New York state and one of the few in the entire country.

The Altamont Fair, also known as the Sunflower Fair, is dedicated to the preservation of agricultural history and it is home to many unique



The Altamont Fair, also known as the Sunflower Fair, is dedicated to the preservation of agricultural history and it is home to many unique farm-related collections that are permanently housed in different museums.

farm-related collections that are permanently housed in different museums. One of the stars of the fair is its collection of antique farm machinery. Today's Fair Board continues to emphasize agriculture and places a high value on making the fair a family atmosphere for people of all ages. The board's goal is to make the fair the best educational and entertainment experience but always a showcase for the history and traditions of this upstate New York agricultural

area. To be a part of the great tradition of the County Fair, visit the Web site for the Altamont Fair: www.Altamontfair.com and learn how to submit your prized chicken, goat, or any of the many other animal categories, along with flowers, vegetables, artwork, crafts, and recipes. All the information about what you can submit for judging, how to label and

submit your items, and when and where to submit are all found at the Web site, and all forms for submission can be downloaded. The dates for this year's Altamont Fair are Aug. 11-16. It is easy to be a part of the great American tradition of the summer fair, and you can still win a blue ribbon.

The author, Sue Pezolla, is a horticulturist with the Albany County Cooperative Extension.



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Day	AVERAGE HIGH 83°	AVERAGE LOW 61°
Day	High/Year	Low/Year
Wednesday, July 22	102°/1926	47°/1970
Thursday, July 23	96°/1955	45°/1981
Friday, July 24	96°/1941	45°/1985
Saturday, July 25	97°/1963	46°/1953
Sunday, July 26	96°/1963	46°/1876
Monday, July 27	97°/1955	47°/1977
Tuesday, July 28	99°/1929	44°/1971

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION
20.79 inches as of July 16th
.15 inches above average

This week in weather

July 22, 1972 Hurricane Agnes deluged Pennsylvania and New York with torrential rains and the costliest flood in U.S. history at that time. At Wilkes-Barre, PA, the dike was breached destroying much of the town. Flooding resulted in 117 deaths and 3.1 billion dollars damage.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	5:37am	8:25pm
Thursday	5:38am	8:25pm
Friday	5:39am	8:24pm
Saturday	5:40am	8:23pm
Sunday	5:41am	8:22pm
Monday	5:42am	8:21pm
Tuesday	5:43am	8:20pm

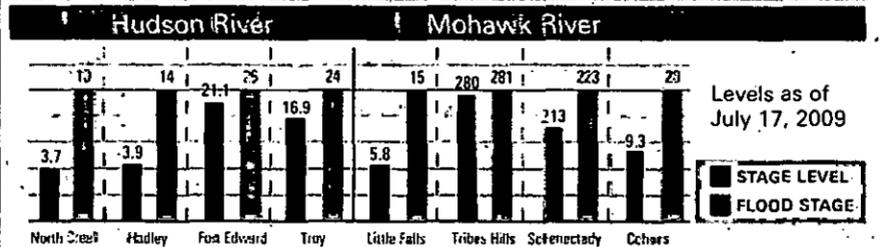
Moon Phases

July 21	July 28
New	First

Planets

Planets	When	Where
Jupiter	Evening	Rising, ESE
Mars	Dawn	Dim, East
Venus	Dawn	Bright, East
Saturn	Dusk	Low, West

River Levels



Water temp.

Lake George	73°
Bolton Landing	72°
Sacandaga Lake	73°
Saratoga Lake	74°
Jersey Shore	72°
Cape Cod	68°

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	5:35am, 6:07pm	12:33am, 1:15pm
Thursday	6:24am, 6:59pm	1:25am, 2:03pm
Friday	7:13am, 7:49pm	2:18am, 2:51pm
Saturday	8:02am, 8:40pm	3:12am, 3:40pm
Sunday	8:51am, 9:32pm	4:07am, 4:30pm
Monday	9:43am, 10:25pm	5:03am, 5:21pm
Tuesday	10:37am, 11:19pm	

G'land to study basement flooding

Cost for two locations comes in at \$110,000

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The town of Guilderland approved engineering studies for basement flooding issues at two locations, while questions about funding the construction projects came up at the Town Board's Tuesday, July 7, meeting.

Delaware Engineering was retained to engineer two stormwater drainage projects, one in McKownville for \$75,000 and one on Curry Road near the Blackberry Estates for \$35,000.

Town Supervisor Ken Runion spoke in favor of Delaware engineering because the company is experienced in drainage issues and has experience with the McKownville area, having worked on the McKownville Reservoir, Fuller Road Project and with the Department of Transportation and on stormwater drainage on Western Avenue.

"They have an awful lot of experience, and they have a lot of background," Runion said.

While the town board sparred over if the engineering projects should have gone out to bid, concerns about funding the construction costs also arose. The town is seeking stimulus money to help pay for the project and is planning to use workers in the highway department, rather than private contractors, to perform the work.

Don Csaposs, a grant writer in Guilderland, said the town has applied for stimulus money in McKownville and Blackberry Estates.

"It's incredibly competitive," he said. "Everybody under the sun is applying for everything imaginable."

Csaposs also voiced concerns that the application process is vague, but he said the town will continue to do its best to secure the funding.

"The guidelines have not been terribly, specifically addressed," he said. "These storm sewer projects are going to be very expensive."

Csaposs said the Obama administration has recently indicated that the stimulus program will likely last two years, and many projects may not be funded until more than a year from now.

He said the studies for the basement-flooding problem are a good step toward getting the projects to "shovel-ready" status, which is helpful in securing grant money.

The possibility of stimulus money and construction contracts will motivate contractors to work quickly to have projects "shovel-ready" within two-years, he said.

"We'll find a way to make it shovel-ready," Csaposs said.

Csaposs also said it is important that the town move on the studies in a reasonable amount of time, as engineering studies can quickly become outdated. He said there is little use in doing studies before a town is willing to execute the construction financially.

Town Board member Warren Redlich said he was concerned that the issue had not been addressed until now, and said the town is not in a position to fund a project of this magnitude without aid.

"He [Ken Runion] has been supervisor for nine and a half years, and four months before an election he decides it's time to do something," Redlich said. "When Ken Runion wants to do something, the wheels don't grind slowly."

Redlich said having a project already in place would have helped secure stimulus money.

Redlich questioned where money for the project would come from, and noted sales tax shortfalls for the fourth quarter of 2008 and first quarter of 2009, in the area of \$200,000. He said those shortfalls are expected through this year, and could total \$1 million by the end of 2009.

Addressing the drainage issues is expected to run the town close to \$5.75 million, according

to preliminary research by Delaware Engineering.

Redlich said he is concerned that the town's plans to use highway department employees to do the work to save money on contractors will detract from their normal duties.

Runion said the Highway Department is up to the task, especially since the work would be spread out over time. Runion said such a move could save up to \$3 million.

Town Board member Mark Grimm said he understands the concerns of the McKownville residents who are in favor of moving forward with mitigation projects, but he said there are questions about where money will come from to fund those efforts. He said he is worried about a tax increase if outside funds were not secured.

Grimm also said the town needs to take a more aggressive posture in seeking aid.

"We don't have a professional grant procurement process," Grimm said.

He criticized the town for not having projects "shovel ready" a key factor in receiving grant money.

"I don't understand the nature of his concerns," Csaposs said.

Csaposs also said larger municipalities with in-house engineering departments are at an advantage because they can do preliminary work done with municipal departments, rather than hire outside contractors, a luxury Guilderland does not have.



Patrons enjoy the 53rd annual Glenmont Fireman's Fair on Saturday, July 18. The fair will be held for an additional night Friday, July 24.

Submitted photos



Selkirk's Fireman's Fair schedules additional night

Due to inclement weather this past weekend, The 53rd annual Glenmont Fireman's Fair will be held for an additional night Friday, July 24, at Selkirk Fire Company No. 2, from 6 to 11 p.m.

The community is invited to a night of entertainment, games, food and fun with the fire company that was founded in 1953 and is still housed in its original location at 301 Glenmont Road, off of Route 9W.

There will be a cooking shed

with everything from fried dough to buckets of steamed clams and clam chowder, as well as games with prizes for the kids. There will also be face painting on site and ice cream and snow cones.

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Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Party politics leave us feeling zoned out

Last week, *The Spotlight* brought you news of some flap over the makeup of the Town of Guilderland's zoning review committee. (A story, by the way, in which the last line was dropped somehow during production. Our apologies. For those of you wishing to satisfy the cliffhanger ending, Garry Robinson is the owner of Robinson's Ace Hardware.)

Editorial

The issue is this: Councilmen Mark Grimm and Warren Redlich — the Republican minority of the Town Board — are upset because they were allowed to handpick only one of the two registered Republicans on the zoning committee. Democratic Supervisor Ken Runion, who has no obligation to compose the committee in any fashion, had the nerve to reach across the aisle and pick his own Republican. For shame.

Regina DuBois was picked to sit on the zoning committee by Runion, and although Grimm and Redlich said they do not object to her selection, Redlich said "one out of eight" members chosen by the Republican minority on the board is not enough. Their preferred Republican: Party Chairman Ted Danz. The two tried to add Danz, but a motion to add another member failed 3-to-2 along party lines.

Grimm and Redlich accuse Runion of having an agenda for the committee — an accusation that begs a few observations:

If Ken Runion is trying to successfully push an agenda by manipulating the makeup of the committee, he is the worst mathematician ever. As it stands, the eight-member committee has three Democrats, two Republicans, a Conservative, an Independent and one member with no party affiliation. No party represents a majority of the board.

And speaking of agendas, if Grimm and Redlich tell us they feel the two Republicans on the committee are competent, what is the effort to crowbar their party chairman onto the committee, if not a political scheme?

Now, we at *The Spotlight* aren't so naïve as to think that laws are apolitical. But we're hesitant to think that more party representation on this committee, designed to address zoning issues and bring the town's comprehensive plan and zoning laws into sync, is likely to make it easier for any Guilderland resident to dig a swimming pool.

What will make it easier — and this is where Grimm and Redlich have a valid point — would be to more clearly define what is expected of the committee. Runion told us he would rather keep the committee's direction broad — tightening its scope would "tie their hands," he said.

He's wrong. The committee serves at the town's pleasure, not their own. And having a clear plan never tied anyone's hands.

Working for a better future

By ALEXA BIEBER
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As my first year away at college came to a close, I realized the summer would bring a number of changes. I realized that my new friendships would have to become long-distance ones for the next couple of months, that I would be able to eat home-cooked food again and that I desperately needed money.

I was able to return to the job I've been working at for the past two years at a local café, but I wondered if that would be enough.

Along with that job, an opportunity for an unpaid internship popped up. Knowing the economy now, and the experience I would get, I jumped at the chance to work — for free. Crazy right? Although getting paid to gain experience in a career I hope to have a future in would be nice, I am aware that the internship will pay off later in life.

These days, money — or the lack of it — is a major topic of discussion between my friends and me. Mind you, we're only 18 years old.

This may sound sad; a bunch of teenagers complaining about money, but the reality is that as we grow up and become more independent, we are realizing how much that costs. Sometimes, however, I feel like I can't really complain. At the café I work, there are many college students working just like me. They use their earnings on things such as gas, clothes, vacations, and going out with friends. However, there are people who are working to pay for child care, rent, food and bills. After talking with these people, it makes me realize that I have things pretty good. I am only a college student, so I still live at home. I am only working to be

Point of View

able to buy some necessities and small luxuries. The same is true for most of my friends, yet we are still constantly lamenting that working is the only thing we seem to do.

Many of my girl friends are working part-time jobs a few days a week and are getting paid about minimum wage, while most of my guy friends work landscaping and are getting paid pretty nicely for it five days a week. It seems like we're all working a lot, but for what? So we can be able to go out Friday and Saturday nights, and take ourselves shopping? We are starting to realize that those weekly dinner dates with friends then ice cream for dessert, a movie every once in a while — plus popcorn — adds up, and we are saving every penny we possibly can for more important things. We know we'll thank ourselves later.

I'm the only one with an internship. It's as if I'm working two jobs, for the price of one. I can't complain though, in the long run, I'm the one getting ahead. And in journalism, getting ahead is exactly what I need to be doing.

Everyone knows the journalism world is turning away from newspapers and more people are getting their quick fix on the Internet. With all these changes, I am thankful that I got an early opportunity to get a feel for what it is like in this industry, although I know that by the time I graduate from college, the field will be much different. With an internship on my resume, future employers will be more comfortable hiring me, knowing I have experience. Since I am aware that the experience I will gain this summer will be very beneficial to me in the future, I am OK with it being unpaid. I know that because I had this internship, it will open many doors to me, possibly opportunities I would not have gotten otherwise. Of course, everyone wants money, as much as they can get, whenever and however they can get it, but I realize with this economy that is not always possible. So right now, I am content with my minimum-wage-paying job, and working for free toward a better future.

Although I am not paid very much, I always get a sense of pride every Tuesday when I open up my check,

knowing I earned that money. It makes me feel responsible and proud of myself. Also, the more I think about those people I work with who have more important things to pay for than new shoes or a night out on the town, I don't feel like I have it so bad. Although working isn't always the most fun thing, I realize it is necessary, and at this time in our economy, I am lucky to even have jobs.

The few jobless friends I have are not happy with their situation at all. First of all, they are lonely during the day because all of their friends are at work. Secondly, they get upset when their friends are too tired from working all day to go out during the week. Lastly, they are always complaining — even more than those of us with jobs — about having no money to do anything.

So as I am making coffee and wiping down tables, I am thinking of all things I will save my money for.

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Your Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Forty years ago...

Remembering the moon landing

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

In the summer of 1969, I was so excited about the historic mission of Apollo 11 that I took the microphone from my new cassette tape player and held it to the television set to record Walter Cronkite announcing the launch on July 16.

Cassette tape players were just becoming widely available then after only having the large reel-to-reel versions that were too costly for the average consumer.

I still have that old cassette somewhere.

I was between my sophomore and junior years of high school. In that decade of my childhood, which was filled with so many momentous events, I knew that this Apollo flight was history for the ages.

The space program had been a backdrop to all of my school years. In second grade in April 1961, my classmates and I had all watched television at Knickerbocker grade school in Watertown as Alan Shepard became the first American launched into a sub-orbital flight.

I remember the day in February 1962 when John Glenn made three orbits of the earth, the first American to do that. Then, after more

Mercury and later, the Gemini flights carrying two astronauts, at Christmas in 1968, I was awed by Apollo 8 breaking Earth's orbit and traveling around the moon.

Flashed back to earth was that indelible first photo of an "earthrise" as our planet came over the moon's horizon. It seemed hard to believe that the United States would try to land men on the moon the next summer.

In the summer of 1969, America was still at war in Vietnam. The country was emotionally numbed by the assassinations of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy the year before. As a nation, we were still grieving.

There was a terrible sense that the postwar innocence and confidence of America had been shattered in the late 1960s. John Kennedy's new frontier was long gone. So, landing on a man on the moon was a renewal of American pride that summer.

On July 20 when Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin landed on the moon, the whole world watched the grainy black and white image on television with the caption that said "Live from the moon." The networks showed people gathered around television

sets all over the world. There was that sense of happiness and excitement that happens only a few times in one's lifetime when the entire world seemed to be focused on the same event.

It was a remarkable feeling that I don't recall happening again until the arrival of the new century on Jan. 1, 2000.

There was a sense as the first men landed on the moon in 1969, that the world as we knew it would be different. There were predictions that the churches would be full by the turn of the century as people had an awesome sense of the universe as man traveled into the depths of outer space.

I most remember a commentary by the great CBS analyst Eric Sevareid who wondered if the romance and mystery of the moon would be lost now that it had been conquered.

No, the world didn't change like that. The biggest surprise to me is that I wouldn't have believed it if you had told me in 1969, that Americans would make several more landings on the moon in the following few years, but would not have returned now for thirty seven years.

Michael Burgess
Delmar

Area businesses make youth ministry possible

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

The St. Thomas Youth Ministry program seeks to provide students in grades 6 to 12 with activities that encourage students to design, lead, develop and grow as they learn about the needs of their world.

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D.A. Bennett to host open house

D.A. Bennett has moved to 333 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, just about two blocks up from their former location at 341 Delaware Ave.

D.A. Bennett's service experts would like to extend an Invitation for all to attend our Open House on Saturday July 25 from 10am-2pm at our new office at 333 Delaware Ave. Come tour the new office and enjoy some refreshments, activities and enter to win prizes.

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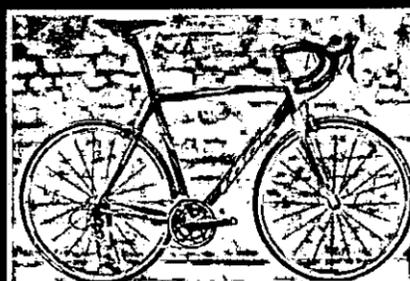
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Route 20 flooding contract awarded

Town and shopping plaza pick up remaining tab on construction project

By DAN SABBATINO
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High bids for a stormwater mitigation project on Route 20, near Stuyvesant Plaza, led to cuts in initial spending plans and forced town officials to discuss dipping into the reserve budget to cover the costs at a Tuesday, July 7, meeting.

The town was awarded \$600,000 in grant money from member items, Stuyvesant Plaza and other governmental agencies, but the project and engineering costs exceeded that number.

The project will also include a small park adjacent to the plaza.

Town Supervisor Ken Runion said the engineering costs for the project were \$47,000, and \$25,000 will be used for construction management and \$25,000 will be allotted for contingency needs. The bid for construction came in at \$589,633.

M. Sullivan Construction won the bid, however the contract

has not been signed yet. Runion said it will likely be signed within the next few weeks, and work could begin by the end of the summer.

Because the bids coming in higher than expected, a \$30,000 gazebo and \$11,000 in extra construction material were removed from the plans. After bidding, the project is an estimated \$645,233, still more than \$45,000 more than what Guilderland received in grants.

Runion said that the town and Stuyvesant Plaza will split that balance, and the town could replace some of the \$23,000 it will be using from the contingency allotment, if it is not used.

Janet Kaplan, vice president of real estate at Stuyvesant Plaza said flooding often causes serious problems for cars at the plaza, and prevents patrons from even attempting the trip when it rains, even if it does not flood. She said this hurts the storeowners and hurts business.

"When it rains hard, people think they can't get in," Kaplan said. "It's the perception."

She said really heavy rain creates "huge traffic problems"

and flooding blocks the entrance between Schoolhouse Road and Fuller Road.

The inconvenience has caused Stuyvesant Plaza to pledge close to \$123,000 to the project, she said.

"We're looking forward to seeing it done," Kaplan said.

Town Board member Warren Redlich said he has some concerns that the project is a "band-aid" for a larger issue, but he acknowledged they town received good value on the proposal.

Redlich said he is hopeful the retention basin will be expanded to hold more stormwater, but he said that studying the problem does not guarantee a solution, and the town should be cautious with its spending.

"We don't know if we can fix the problem," he said. "We may not be able to do it."

He also had concerns that documents related to the project were not available to him until shortly before the July 7 meeting.

"It's not my job to have to [Freedom of Information Law] request everything," Redlich said.

He said a study in January pertaining to the flood issue was not made available to him until June.

"[Runion's] either hiding information of not giving it," he said.

Moreau drops out of N.S. supervisor race

New Scotland race shifts as supervisor contender leaves race and possible new GOP candidate

By JARRETT CARROLL
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The race for New Scotland supervisor took a sudden turn last week when Republican candidate Karen Moreau dropped out of the race against incumbent Democrat Thomas Dolin.

Moreau, an attorney and president of PRIDE of New Scotland, announced on Wednesday, July 15, that she would no longer seek the supervisor's seat.

The issue of a big-box proposal at the former Bender Melon farm is likely to be the defining issue in the 2009 New Scotland elections. Moreau's group favors commercial development in town, while Dolin is running his campaign on a development size cap.

The day after Moreau dropped out of the race, Joseph DeFronzo resigned as the town's GOP chairman. DeFronzo told *The Spotlight* that he simply no longer had the time to continue as chairman.

"I resigned last week," he said. "I had too much going on."

He said that Moreau dropped out of the race because she was offered another job. The Republican Committee was meeting Monday, July 20, to possibly come up with her replacement against Dolin.

"It's the thing to do to appoint

someone in a situation like this," said DeFronzo. "Tom is very strong candidate, though, and it's going to be a hard race."

Former New Scotland Republican Committee Chairman Lane Luther has resumed control of the town's party, according to DeFronzo. He said his party will be looking for qualified candidates to recommend to the Albany County Republican Committee.

"We are going to meet and will be looking at a number of people and will be conducting a thorough search to recommend quality candidates," Luther said. The county's executive GOP committee has until Friday, July 24, to make a final determination on recommendations for candidates to appear on the ballot.

Moreau could not be reached for comment as of press time, but Dolin said he is marching on in his campaign for re-election.

"I've been busy trying to attain the Independence Party line and Conservative Party line and handed in petitions to the county Board of Elections," Dolin said. "I think the development proposal is the defining issue for all the candidates this year. I'm definitely against the big-box proposal and the majority of the town is, too."

As for another potential GOP rival, Dolin said, "I heard they've been attempting to recruit someone."

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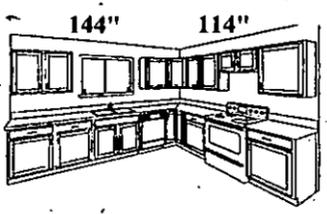
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Library to show Disney delights

Guilderland facility to host Friday night movie series

By DAN SABBATINO
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A Friday night movie series featuring classic Disney films kicked off at Guilderland Public Library July 17 with the showing of "Pinocchio."

Each show begins at 7 p.m., and library officials are hoping to show four of the films in the series outside in the Community Literary Garden and two in the Helderberg Room.

"It's just a lot of fun. Fun for the staff and fun for the community," Mark Curiale, public information specialist for the Guilderland

Public Library, said.

Viewers are being asked to bring blanket and lawn chairs, but popcorn will be provided by the library, and two nights, July 31, and Aug. 14, will feature pizza.

Curiale said the movie series was based on the success of the library's recent Indian film festival and 50th anniversary movie night in 2007.

"We had basically a drive-in movie in the parking lot," Curiale said.

"It was a nice warm night, and we wanted to have that experience again," Library Director Barbara Nichols Randall added.

The library uses a high-powered projector and audio-visual equipment funded through

a grant from state Sen. Neil Breslin, D-Delmar.

Curiale said it's important to get people into the library, and noted attendance has been up in recent months. He said many people have taken advantage of library services and are using Internet access to find jobs and even file for unemployment.

"That's the business end of the library, let's add a little bit to the pleasure end of the library," he said.

He said the movie series is important to the community at large, but also plays a role for library workers.

"Staff members bring their families too. It's teambuilding," Curiale said. "We are a community service. We have the resources to do this."

Curiale said the library has public performance site licenses that enable them to host entertainment events, and that has contributed to the motivation to sponsor the series.

Nichols Randall said showing Disney movies brings a sense of nostalgia to many viewers, who may not get to see them again on a big screen. She did mention, though, that next year the library is considering hosting animated Pixar movie viewings.

The showings are as follows: July 24, "Beauty and the Beast"; July 31, "The Lion King"; Aug. 7, "The Little Mermaid"; Aug. 14, "Sleeping Beauty"; and Aug. 21, "101 Dalmatians."

IN BRIEF

Center plans trips to NYC

The Ciccotti Center is sponsoring trips to New York City to see "The Little Mermaid" on Broadway Wednesday, Aug. 5 and "Jersey Boys" on Wednesday, Aug. 26.

The trips leave at 7:30 a.m. and returns at 11 p.m. The cost is \$110 per person. For the "Little Mermaid" trip, grades four to 12 are invited, along with parents and families. For "Jersey Boys," parental supervision is required.

For information, call 867-8920 or visit www.coloniyouthcenter.org for other programs being offered this fall.

Community Gardens kicks off campaign

Capital District Community Gardens is still seeking volunteers (for both weekly schedules and 'fill in' duties when regular volunteers are unavailable) to pick up, weigh and deliver donated produce.

The organization is also still inviting gardeners to add seeds or plants to their gardens for Squash Hunger, and will provide "I'm Planting a Row for the Hungry" row markers upon request. Anyone interested in volunteering or in committing to plant extra produce should contact Audrey Leduc at Capital District Community Gardens by calling 274-8685 or e-mailing info@cdc.org.

Those interested in donating produce to help their neighbors in need may do so at the Delmar

Farmer's Market (Bethlehem Central Middle School) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays and the Delmar Marketplace, 406 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Senior club plans Gloucester trip

The Lisha Kill Senior Club is sponsoring a trip to Gloucester, Mass., Sept. 14 to 16.

The trip is open to the public and will include the Paper House, where furnishings are made of paper; the Thomas E. Lannon schooner, a Gloucester inner harbor cruise, two nights at Atlantis hotel, two dinners, two breakfasts, shopping and Quincy Market in Boston.

The cost is \$399 per person. For information, call Phil Wielewinski at 869-7384 or e-mail groups4fun@aol.com.

CCHS Class of '89 sets up Web site

The Reunion Committee of Colonie Central High School's Class of 1989 has announced the creation of a Web site to assist with the location of missing classmates.

Details on the 20th reunion, to be held later this year, will be announced on the site. Classmates can go to www.classcreator.com, and select "locate school." The direct link is www.classcreator.com/Colonie-NY-Colonie-Central-1989.

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Colonie considers law to limit sex offenders

Town officials to introduce proposed licensing fee law for hotels, motels that house them

By ARIANA COHN
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Colonie town officials will introduce a law at the Thursday, July 16, Town Board meeting that would create restrictions, including imposing a licensing fee, on hotels and motels that house sex offenders.

The two-fold proposal would require housing establishments that take in sex offenders through referrals, placements and payments on behalf of the government to apply for an annual license at the town clerk's office.

The fee associated with the license depends on the number of units at the establishment: for an establishment with 50 units or fewer, the licensing fee would be \$1,500 per year, and for an establishment with 51 or more

units, the fee would be \$3,000 per year.

The fees for the license are only a fraction of what the hotel and motel owners who make a business out of taking sex offenders make in one month, according to Town Attorney Michael Magguilli, who said that Albany County pays \$45 per day to the establishments that house sex offenders, adding up to \$1,350 for a 30-day month.

Magguilli said that housing sex offenders in the town ends up costing taxpayers a lot of money in different ways.

"Two years ago, we only had one police officer working part time on sex offender registration issues," he said. "Now, we have one full-time and one part-time [officer] doing nothing but sex offender residency issues. So, they're using our resources to an unfair extent."

Magguilli said there is also a significant cost associated with having to mail residents letters every time a sex offender moves

to their neighborhoods.

Magguilli said the problem has grown over the past couple of years because surrounding counties and New York State Parole offices are sending their homeless sex offenders to Colonie, which has looser restrictions on how far the sex offenders can live from places that are populated with children.

Magguilli said he is hoping the new law would limit the number of sex offenders living in the town.

"What we're hoping it will do is prevent the overconcentration of sex offenders by restricting these hotels and motels to a reasonable number of sex offenders," he said.

The second part of the proposed law involves limiting the number of sex offenders that can live at each establishment based on a points system. The sex offenders are given a number of points based on the level of their offenses as assigned by their sentencing judges.

For instance, a Level 1 sex offender would carry with them

one point; a Level 2, two points; and a Level 3, three points.

An establishment that has 50 or fewer units would be allowed six points of sex offenders and are able to divide that however they choose, whether it be six Level 1 offenders, three Level 2 offenders, two Level 3 offenders, or some other combination.

An establishment with 51 units or more can have nine points.

Town Supervisor Paula Mahan said the town considered this point system as officials were "thinking outside the box" and trying to come up with a way to effectively solve the problem of the town's growing sex offender population. Last month, *The Spotlight* reported that the town's sex offender population has doubled in the past 18 months to more than 120 sex offenders.

"They're all coming to Colonie," Mahan said. "It's important for us to try to limit and discourage people from coming here in such great numbers."

Mahan said she hopes the proposed law will help manage

the situation in an effective and fair way.

"We want a law that's fair and helps us in the town with the issue," she said.

Melanie Trimble, chapter director for the New York State Civil Liberties Union Capital Region Chapter, said she wonders how effective such a law would be in the long run.

"We [the NYCLU] do have serious concerns about how this law is going to work and how it will affect the population," said Trimble. "Is it going to be effective in public safety? And how are the landlords going to react?"

The proposed law will be brought up at the Town Board meeting, at which time the board will decide on a date, most likely in August, Mahan said, on which the topic will come to a public hearing. The licensing fees will be voted on at that time in a separate resolution from the points system.



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St. Gregory's School picks Loomis to lead

Jeffrey P. Loomis to head up Saint Gregory's for the 2009-2010 year.

By ARIANA COHN
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Jeffrey P. Loomis has been named as the new Head of School for Saint Gregory's School for Boys in Loudonville for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Loomis has taught math and religion at the school since 2006 and has served as the academic dean for the past two years.

Loomis began his career as a math teacher at LaSalle Institute in 1990, where he later taught for 12 years. He received his bachelor's degree in mathematics from Siena College and his master's degree in educational administration from LaSalle University.

He has lived in the Capital District his whole life and currently resides in Niskayuna with his wife and son.



Saint Gregory's School for Boys in Loudonville has announced that Jeffrey P. Loomis will lead the school for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Submitted photo

"The board was impressed with [Loomis'] credentials and with his commitment to a

Catholic-based education for boys in grades one through eight, and for boys and girls in nursery, pre-kindergarten and kindergarten," said President of the Board of Trustees for Saint Gregory's School for Boys Thomas O'Connor. "He knows Saint Gregory's well and will lead us confidently into the next school year."

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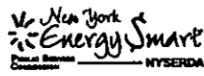
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IN BRIEF

ESYO to hold summer auditions

Empire State Youth Orchestra, Inc. will hold auditions later this summer for select instruments for its ensembles for the 2009-2010 season.

School-age musicians are needed for the following instruments/levels:

- Double bass: NYSSMA Level IV and above
- French horn: NYSSMA Level IV and above
- Tuba: NYSSMA Level IV and above
- Tenor Saxophone: NYSSMA Level IV and above
- Viola: NYSSMA Level V and VI
- Clarinet: NYSSMA Level VI

Interested musicians need to complete an application and send it with an application fee to ESYO's office located at 432 State St., Schenectady, NY 12305. Applications are available by calling the ESYO office at 382-7581 or downloading the form from ESYO's Web-site, www.esyo.org. Applications and fees are due by July 27.

Upon receipt of the application form and registration fee, applicants will be notified of the audition requirements and actual audition date/time.

Community Gardens kicks off campaign

Capital District Community Gardens is still seeking volunteers (for both weekly schedules and 'fill in' duties when regular volunteers are unavailable) to pick up, weigh and deliver

donated produce.

The organization is also still inviting gardeners to add seeds or plants to their gardens for Squash Hunger, and will provide "I'm Planting a Row for the Hungry" row markers upon request. Anyone interested in volunteering or in committing to plant extra produce should contact Audrey Leduc at Capital District Community Gardens by calling 274-8685 or e-mailing info@cdcg.org.

Those interested in donating produce to help their neighbors in need may do so at:

- Delmar Farmer's Market (Bethlehem Central Middle School), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays
- Delmar Marketplace, 406 Kenwood Ave., Delmar
- Greulich's Market, 3403 Carman Rd., Schenectady
- Honest Weight Food Co-op, 484 Central Ave., Albany
- Hannaford Supermarket, 5 Maple Road, Voorheesville
- Hannaford Supermarket, 3703 Route 43, West Sand Lake
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- Roma Importing, 9 Cobbee Road, Latham
- Troy Riverfront Farmers Market (Riverfront Park), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesdays
- Troy Little Italy Farmers Market, 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays

Information about Squash Hunger, Capital District Community Gardens and all of its programs as well as information on gardening, nutrition and recipes using fruits and vegetables can be found at <http://www.cdcg.org>.

Yes, the coffee is fresh

Schenectady restaurateur tells all in book about industry

By JACKIE SHER
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For anyone who has stepped through the doors of Ambition Coffee & Eatery on Jay Street in Schenectady for a cocktail or a meal, it's obvious that a lot of love has gone into the kitschy, upbeat dining establishment.

Owner Marc Renson said that while he enjoys what he does, he encounters odd customers daily – some of whom have frustrated him to the point of wanting to throw in the towel. However, instead of giving up, he's written a book about the trials and tribulations of running a restaurant. "Is the Coffee Fresh?" is the title of his book, which is part memoir and part tell-all expose – with some of the names changed.

And if you're wondering if the coffee is fresh at Ambition, the answer is yes.

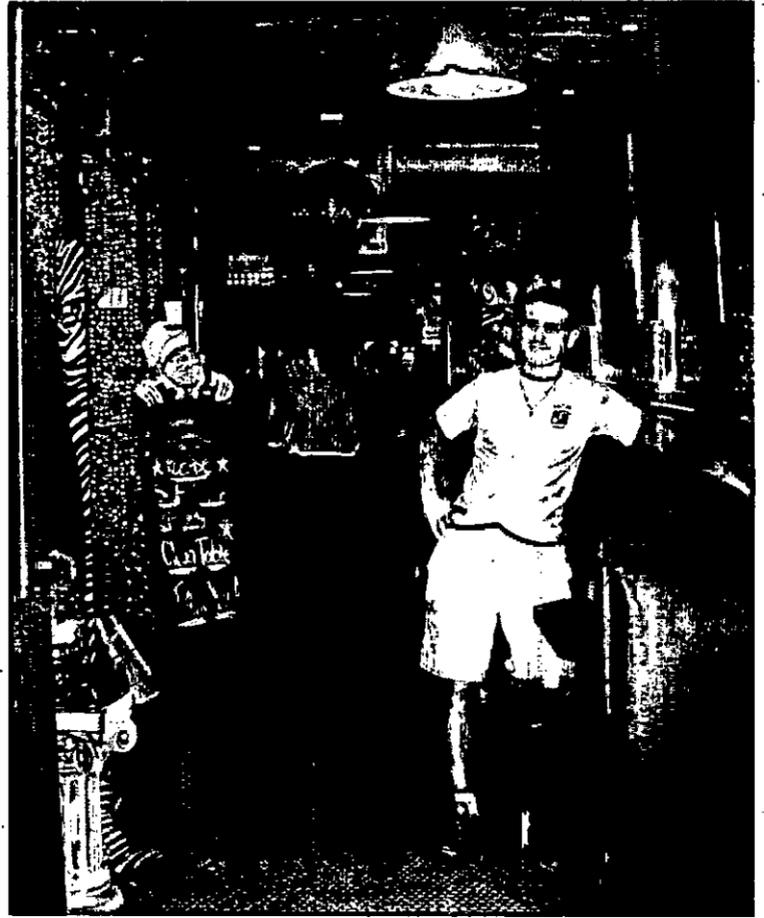
"Customers come in and would ask crazy questions, and one of them is, 'Is the coffee fresh?'" said Renson. "Of course the coffee is always fresh."

Renson said that it is perhaps the most annoying question he and his staff are asked on a daily basis, and therefore he decided to make it the title of his book.

Other irritating questions Renson has been asked include whether or not there milk in the cream of tomato soup and whether or not his beef veggie Moroccan soup is vegetarian.

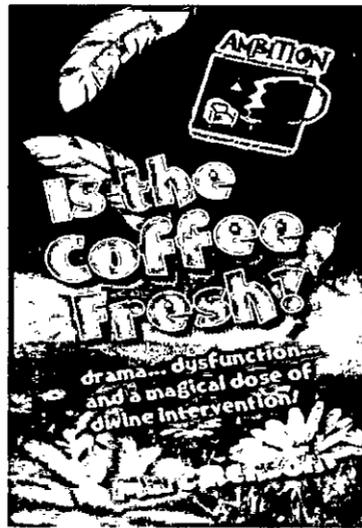
Renson's book takes its readers through the madness and mayhem of running a restaurant – not only do readers learn what not to ask at a restaurant, but they learn about the trials and tribulations of running one.

"It's my life of owning a restaurant and how I've become me," said Renson. "It's about my experience, my background, and then it pretty much runs back and forth from this restaurant to the past, but not to the future because I don't know what the future holds."



Marc Renson, owner of Ambition Coffee & Eatery on Jay Street in Schenectady, stands inside the coffeehouse. At left is his book, "Is the Coffee Fresh?," which is part memoir and part tell-all expose.

Jackie Sher/Spotlight



Renson said that when he was 16, he saw the movie "Tequila Sunrise" and knew then and there that someday he would own his own restaurant. He started out as a dishwasher in Columbia County and slowly worked his way up the chain until he was ready to open his own business.

"One reason why I wrote the

book is because I absolutely love what I do. If I didn't love it, I would have sold this place a long time ago, not that there haven't been some days where I've said, 'Just sell it,' but I absolutely love what I do," said Renson. "It brings me so much happiness to come here and live my dream and that makes up for all the heartache, all the theft."

Yes – that's right – theft. In Renson's book, he discusses all of the various people who steal from his restaurant and all of the things that are taken.

"My customers and my employees steal, vendors steal – people steal chunks of meat out of the walk-in cooler. Guests steal pictures out of the bathroom; they steal silverware and martini glasses," said Renson. "I'm the one who has to replace the sugar packets and the 30 saltines you just took, so it's the business owner's perspective."

Renson's employees appreciate their boss's work ethic.

"The guy works harder than anyone I've ever met. It makes it easy to work for a guy who's willing to work that hard all the time," said Ben Gidley, a bartender at Ambition.

Gidley said that the oddest customer complaint he has ever heard was that the soda was too cold.

"I don't know what you want me to do – should I pop that in the microwave?" said Gidley.

"Is the Coffee Fresh?" is available at Open Door Book Store in Schenectady, The Book House in Stuyvesant Plaza, Market Block Books in Troy, The Bookloft in Great Barrington, Mass., as well as at iUniverse.com, TroyBookMakers.com and Amazon.com.

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Tedisco touts recall bill

Citing the recent month-long stalemate in the state Senate, Assemblyman James Tedisco, R-Schenectady, announced on Saturday, July 11, that he plans to introduce a bill that would allow voters to petition for a recall of their elected officials.

In a statement, Tedisco singled out Democrat Senator Pedro Espada, who crossed the aisle with Hiram Monserrate in June to give Republicans the majority in the Senate. Monserrate rejoined Democrats days later while Espada remained, causing a stalemate that badly tangled state government before he returned to the Democratic Caucus on

July 9.

"What Senator Pedro Espada has done, aided and abetted by many of his colleagues, is nothing less than an outright mugging of our democratic process and those who should and still can be the most powerful voices in our government," said Tedisco.

According to Tedisco, the proposed law would require 50,000 signatures for the recall of any statewide office, and 10 percent of the electorate or 5,000 signatures, whichever is lesser, for the recall of a state legislator. A vote would ensue 90 days from when the Board of Elections certified the recall.

IN BRIEF

Five Rivers slates family bird program

Five Rivers Center will hold an introduction to birds and bird watching for families Saturday, July 25, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m.

Join Center naturalists for an outdoor nature walk with activities about bird nests of all shapes and sizes.

This program is free of charge. All adults and families are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Participants are urged to dress for outdoor activity. In the event of severe weather this program may be canceled.

For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Five Rivers is at 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

Program to focus on history of fireflies

Five Rivers Center will hold a program on the natural history of fireflies Tuesday, July 28, at 7 p.m.

Center naturalists will lead an outdoor search for fireflies to monitor and collect valuable data on firefly activity at Five Rivers Center. Learn what you can do to conserve these beetles.

This program is open to the public free of charge. Participants are urged to dress for outdoor activity. Bring your own binoculars. In the event of inclement weather this program may be canceled.

For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Five Rivers is at 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

Senior Services hosts Sundays in the Park

The City of Albany and Senior Services of Albany will host Senior Sundays at the Corning Preserve, special concert barbecues for older adults, on continues July 26 with Tony Toscano (register for lunch by July 23) and Aug. 9 with Guytonno (register for lunch by August 6).

The concerts are free, and lunch is \$2.50.

Transportation is available through Senior Services of Albany at 434-4219.

Huyck Preserve plans events

The Huyck Preserve has the following events planned:

- Aug. 1 Roadside Geology
- Aug. 3 Middle School Day Camp
- Aug. 7 Wilderness Medicine Recert
- Aug. 22 Volunteer Trail Building
- Aug. 29 Identifying Fall Warblers
- Aug. 29 Art Workshop-Susan Story
- Sept. 5 Wildflower Walk

The E.N. Huyck Preserve is at 5052 Delaware Turnpike, Rensselaerville.

Grand re-opening



Trustco Bank held a Grand Re-Opening of the Wolf Road location at 34 Wolf Road in Colonie on Friday, July 3. From left: Maureen Young, Branch Manager; Trusty, Your Home Town Pal; Dennis Degennaro, President Camelot Builders; Mayor Jerry Jennings; Shannon Lake, Branch Assistant Manager; Tom Nolte, President Colonie Chamber of Commerce. Trustco Bank opened its first branch office in Schenectady in 1902 and over 100 years later, it has grown to 129 offices in five states. Its headquarters is located in Glenville.

Submitted photo by Joseph Tardi



CAPITAL HEARING CENTER'S

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Answers Questions About Fitting Hearing Aids

How long have you been in the hearing aid business?

I started in this business in 1963 after serving in the US Navy as a Medic attached to a Marine Corps Airwing and attending college.

Is fitting hearing aids a complicated process?

Yes and no. Every ear is different, every hearing loss is different and choosing the correct hearing aid for a particular hearing loss is both a skill and an art. With the advent of digital instruments, computer technology has improved the process dramatically. It is still important, however, to have lengthy conversations with my patients so that I understand what kinds of situations they most often find themselves in, be that at home, out in restaurants, in the car or at social events. This is some of the information that helps me in choosing the appropriate fitting for that individual. The first step is to come in for the initial consultation. That's where it all begins.

How long does it take for that first consultation?

We allow one hour in the schedule. A hearing test takes about 15 minutes to complete. We have a sound proof room for testing. We sometimes recommend that you bring a family member with you because it is often other people who notice your hearing loss first.

Are hearing aids expensive?

Unfortunately, the answer to that question is yes. However, having been in this business for as long as I have, I am able to keep my costs low and my customers tell me that my prices are much lower than my competitors.

Do you know what your competitors charge for their hearing aids?

Not always, but in some cases, I do. For example, last week a woman came to see me because she wanted a second opinion. She definitely needed hearing aids. My competitor quoted her \$500 for two units. We charged her \$3000 for two instruments. In these difficult economic times, that is a substantial difference and in most cases, my clients are seniors on fixed incomes.

Do people sometimes come to you and find out they don't have a hearing loss?

Definitely. That doesn't happen often, but it does happen. I also have people who come to me who have been told that they need hearing aids and when I test them I find that they don't need hearing aids at all. One woman had been told she needed two hearing aids and they were going to cost over \$5000. She didn't need hearing aids at all.

Do you offer payment plans for your clients?

Absolutely. We accept all credit cards and we offer a 0% interest program for one year.

Can hearing aids be repaired?

In some cases yes. When considering replacement versus repair, it is important to evaluate the technological changes in manufacturing that have occurred since the original purchase. Sometimes it is better to replace rather than repair because the advances might help an individual hear better. That said, we

frequently repair hearing aids.

I am reminded of a story that happened many years ago. I once got paid for repairing a hearing aid with raw milk. True story! A woman in Schoharie County that I had been taking care of for many years needed a hearing aid repaired and she had very little money. But she did have a cow. I had a young family so we made an arrangement that she would pay me a little money and the balance in raw milk! I remember skimming the cream off the top of the milk and making whipped cream with it for my kids.

Do you still see clients in their homes?

Often. It is the nature of the business. My equipment for testing is portable and unfortunately some of my clients either have difficulty arranging transportation or they just aren't able to get out. And in some cases, like my clients in Ballston Spa, I always go to their home because there is always a piece of homemade pie waiting for me when I get there!

How can a new customer find you?

I have three offices. One in Schenectady, one in Amsterdam and my main office on Western Avenue, one mile west of Crossgates Mall. We are there Monday through Friday from 9 until 4 and we see clients in the evening and on weekends if their work schedules won't allow them to come in during our regular business hours. We are in the Yellow Pages under Capital Hearing Center and our number is 456-1030. Or email us at capitalhearing@yahoo.com.

Do you charge for the first consultation?

We do not.

What about guarantees?

We provide a 3 year warranty and a one year loss and theft policy. All of our products come with a 100% money back guarantee, no hidden costs or dispensing fees. Under NY State Law, I am allowed to keep a dispensing fee of 10%. I don't do that. My job is to make you hear better and feel good about that process. That's my policy and we stand by it.

WHAT ABOUT A TRIAL PERIOD?

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Is there anything else you want the public to know about you?

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Traffic navigates the roundabout at the intersection of Curry Road and Hamburg Street.

Jackie Sher/Spotlight

IN BRIEF

Creative writing group to meet

A new creative writing group will meet at the Schenectady County Public Library, 99 Clinton St.

No previous writing experience is necessary. The group is open to aspiring writers of all ages, from teenagers to adults; all genres of writing are welcome.

The aim is to provide instruction along with an inspirational environment for writers to collaborate, critique, and create with others.

Three sessions will be held on Wednesday, July 22 at 10 a.m. or 7 p.m.; Wednesday, Aug. 12 at 10 a.m. or 7 p.m.; and Wednesday, Aug. 26 at 10 a.m. or 7 p.m.

Susannah Risley will facilitate the morning sessions. Jack Rightmyer will lead the evening

sessions.

For more information, call Karen Bradley at 388-4533 or e-mail her at kbradley@sals.edu.

Park supervisor to speak at mansion

Ten Broeck Mansion will host David Gade, Garden Operations Supervisor, Washington Park in Schenectady, at the 2nd in the Garden Talks & Tea series, Wednesday, July 22 from 1 to 3 p.m., Ten Broeck Mansion, 9 Ten Broeck Place, Albany.

Gade will present a power point program on "The History of the Rose Garden."

The presentation will be followed by tea and refreshments. The cost is \$5. for information, call 436-9826.

Roundabout opens in Rotterdam

By JACKIE SHER
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Residents in Rotterdam might notice that they are making it through the intersection of Curry Road and Hamburg Street a little more quickly these days, thanks to a new roundabout that was installed and opened to traffic this past Sunday, July 22.

"I went through Monday morning to see how the traffic was doing, and it was doing very well," said Bob Reamer, who is the construction supervisor for this project from the New York State Department of Transportation.

Reamer said that he was pleased with the results after the roundabout opened on the

first day. He said that many people aren't used to them, but that on Sunday, everything was moving smoothly.

Before the roundabout was installed, the New York State Department of Transportation's routinely gave the intersection an F for the service. Many factors went into this grade, including the amount of time people had to wait to cross through.

Construction on the roundabout began in the summer of 2008.

"It was just simply too much traffic for a conventional

"I thought it went smoothly. Traffic seems to be flowing smoothly."

Lynn Fiorello of Rotterdam

intersection to handle," said Reamer, who said he hopes the roundabout will ease traffic since it will be moving through the intersection constantly and people won't be stopped at lights.

While the roundabout isn't finished yet - there is still some paving left, as well as painting and landscaping - the intersection should only be closed once more before the project is completed.

Weather depending, the intersection will be closed over the weekend of July 18-19. Otherwise, construction will continue between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. during the week until the project is finished to minimize disruption to traffic flow.

Lynn Fiorello of Rotterdam said she was pleased with the traffic circle.

"It was great. I thought it went smoothly. Traffic seems to be flowing smoothly," said Fiorello. "Prior to it, you were constantly in long lines waiting so I think it's really cut down on the time."

Fiorello said she drives through the intersection about twice a week during rush hour.

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DWI

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could smell alcohol on his breath and he was exhibiting signs of intoxication, according to the report.

Police said he was given a field-sobriety test, and, after failing a portion of the test, he refused to recite the alphabet on the grounds that he had a medical condition that prohibited him from doing so.

Burghoffer also refused to count backwards from 47 to 33, the report states.

He was then taken into custody and transported to the Bethlehem Police Department and given a breath test, which revealed a BAC over double the legal limit of 0.08 percent, according to police.

Other arrests

• Paul D. Durlacher, 19, of 414 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, was arrested Thursday, July 9, on Delaware Avenue on charges of DWI, refusal to take a breath test and driving an unregistered motor vehicle.

Bethlehem police said they saw Durlacher make a left from Booth Road onto Delaware Avenue without using his turn

signal and observed several vehicle violations, including inadequate headlights, an inadequate exhaust system and unsecured license plate.

Durlacher continued on Delaware Avenue and turned onto Hudson Avenue, at which point police activated their emergency lights and stopped him, according to the arrest report.

Police said Durlacher identified himself verbally, but when asked for registration and insurance he said "there wasn't any on the vehicle," and officers observed an expired temporary certificate of registration attached to the windshield but no other paperwork was found, the report states.

Officers stated the could smell alcohol coming from the vehicle, but when they asked, Durlacher's passenger "raised his hand, stating he had been drinking."

Officers said they also smelled alcohol on Durlacher's breath and saw him display signs of intoxication, according to the report.

Upon further investigation, police discovered that the license plate affixed to Durlacher's vehicle was "improper" and belonged to a different vehicle, and it was also revealed that his driver's license was suspended,

stemming from a DWAI arrest, the report states.

Police said Durlacher was placed into custody without incident and a search of his vehicle revealed four beers.

Durlacher's license plate was removed from his vehicle as evidence, and officers said he refused to submit to a chemical test.

He and his passenger were transported home by police after being processed.

• Guilderland police arrested Gina Anne Perrin, 34, of 1038 Webster St. in Schenectady, on felony charges of possession of stolen property and inside felony warrant.

Perrin was arrested on Friday, June 19, for a charge dating back to January 1999, the report states. She was arraigned on Thursday, June 25.

• Guilderland police arrested Tracy M. Zoller, 31, of 357 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar, on charges of aggravated DWI on Saturday, June 27, according to police reports.

Zoller was arrested near the corner of Chapman Drive and Western Avenue. A chemical test determined her BAC to be 0.18 percent, the police report states. She is scheduled to appear in court on Thursday, July 9.

• Guilderland police arrested Thyron J. Lewis, of 1400 Washington Ave. E101, in Albany, on charges of DWI, on Friday, June 26, according to police reports.

Lewis was arrested on the corner of Fuller Road and Western Avenue and was arraigned on Thursday, July 2, the report states.

• William R. Phelan, 19, of 12 Slingerlands Ave., Clarksville, was arrested on July 13 for DWAI by drugs; unlawful possession of fireworks; driving on the shoulder of the roadway; and having inadequate license plate lamps.

Bethlehem police said officers on patrol saw a vehicle driving on the shoulder of Murray Avenue in Delmar and observed that it did not have

a license plate light, and, after making a motor vehicle stop, officers said "a strong odor of marijuana was detected coming from the vehicle."

Phelan identified himself and said "they had smoked a blunt 20 minutes ago," according to the arrest report, and officers said that he "showed poor signs of balance and coordination" when given a field-sobriety test.

His passenger was arrested for unlawful possession of marijuana, a violation, and police discovered "several fireworks" inside of Phelan's vehicle when conducting a search, the report states.

Police said Phelan submitted to a chemical blood test and was transported to Albany Medical Center where a blood specimen was taken and sent to the State Police toxicology laboratory.

IN BRIEF

Altamont library plans concerts

The Altamont Free Library and Altamont Community Tradition will use a grant from Capital Region Arts Center for a series of concerts.

The series, which begins Tuesday, July 14, and extends into August, will bring performing artists of various traditions to the Village of Altamont. All concerts will begin at 7 p.m., are appropriate for families and are free of charge.

The July 28th program, by Eric Marczak and Dawn Standing Woman, presents music and storytelling in the Native American tradition.

Marczak is a master musician and instrument maker. Many of the instruments he will play will be of his own making. Standing Woman will tell stories of her native people.

This program is planned for Orisini Park, in the middle of the village, on Main Street at Maple Avenue. In case of rain, it will be moved to the Community Room.

On Aug. 4, Dick Stock and Rainbow River will perform folk music, bluegrass and popular songs as well as self-written material.

The show will also be at 7 p.m. at the gazebo in Orisini Park, in the middle of the Village.

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A good mix



From left, Doug Bauer, of Doug Bauer and Company Inc; Kathy Burbank, executive director of the Guilderland Chamber of Commerce; and town Supervisor Ken Runion "mixed" at Athos restaurant on Western Avenue on Tuesday, July 14. The Guilderland Chamber of Commerce mixer featured prizes and networking and Greek cuisine for local businesses.

Sue O'Donnell /Spotlight

Fundraiser to benefit collie rescue group

New England Border Collie Rescue will hold its fourth annual fund-raising event, Dog Day of Summer, on Saturday, Aug. 1, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Sugar bush Farm in Stephentown.

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$2 for kids 5 to 15. Children younger than 5 will be admitted free.

The event will feature dog sport demos, vendors, a canine themed raffle, lunch and doggie games. There will be agility run-throughs for \$3 per run starting at 8 a.m. CGC and TDI testing will be offered, as well as microchipping. All proceeds benefit New England Border Collie Rescue.

For information, e-mail info@nebc.org or call 800-760-1569.

The farm is at 760 East Road.

Altamont hosts 'Dogs in the Park'

As part of the celebratory activities during the first season of the Maple Avenue Park and TOT Playground, there will be an outdoor sculpture exhibition, curated by Marijo Dougherty, entitled "Dogs in the Park" on view through August 21.

The artists in the exhibition are Kathleen Buchanan; Larry Kagan; Richard Martin; Jason Schultz and Lars Turin. There will be a closing reception to meet the artists on Friday, Aug. 21, from 6 to 8 p.m.

In conjunction with the exhibition and in collaboration with the Altamont Free Library there will be a weekly series of "dog stories" for young children in the Maple Avenue Park at 10 a.m. on some Mondays with invited "guest readers." For information, call the library at 861-7239.

Five Rivers plans ladybug program

Five Rivers Center will hold a ladybugs Saturday, Aug. 1, at 2 p.m.

Center Naturalists will lead a walk to find, catch, and then release them back into their habitat unharmed. Learn the myths and lore of ladybugs, their importance as pest predators, and how imported ladybug species have changed their ecological dynamics. Bring a blanket to

sit on while we play games and make a ladybug craft. Parents and their children will work together. Registration is required by Tuesday, July 28.

There is a materials fee of \$2 per family.

For information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Five Rivers is at 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

Council to hold pre-licensing class

NENY Safety and Health Council will be holding three 5 hour pre-licensing classes of Motor Vehicles for applicants who want to take a road test for a state driver's license.

Classes will be Saturday, August 8, Saturday, August 22, and Saturday, September 26, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The course is open to the public, and the fee is \$45. Registration is required. A walk-in fee is \$50.

NENY Safety and Health Council is at 45 Colvin Ave., Albany. For information and to register, call 438-2365 or visit www.safetycouncilny.com.

YWCA plans annual New York wine event

The YWCA of the Greater Capital Region will host its 3rd annual "Cheers to New York Wines" event Tuesday, August 4, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The event benefits the Women in Transition program. It will be held at Harmony House Marketplace, 184-190 Remsen St., Cohoes. The event will feature wines of New York State and tapas. A special commemorative wine glass will be given to each attendee. Tickets are \$25.

For tickets, call 274-7100 or e-mail sherryr@wca-troy.org.

Walk to support cancer society

On Sunday, Oct. 18, there will be a noncompetitive walk supporting the American Cancer Society's mission to fight cancer at Washington Park parade grounds in Albany.

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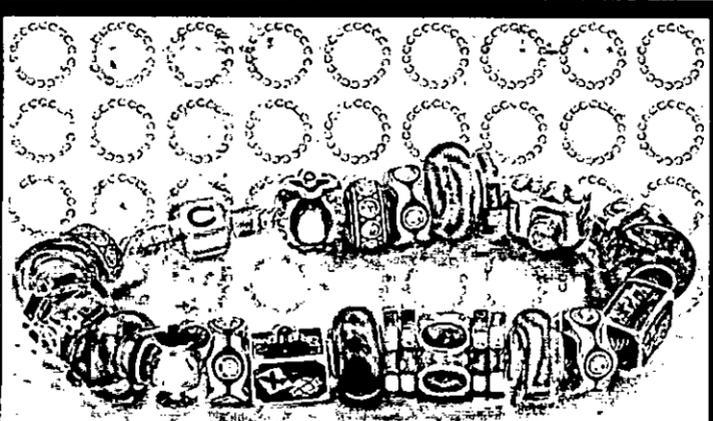
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Sand Creek Middle School Teacher James Brown, right, is pictured with his student, Devon Urbano, left, at the 2009 Albany Soap Box Derby Race in June. Brown is being honored by President Barack Obama, along with other math and science teachers in the country this fall.

Submitted photo

Obama honors local teacher

Presidential recognition nets Sand Creek instructor a trip to D.C. and \$10,000

By ARIANA COHN
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When most teachers are selected as one of 100 in the country to receive an award from the president, their colleagues are surprised. But when Sand Creek Middle School Science Teacher James Brown found out last week he was being honored, his co-workers weren't.

Brown was named by President Barack Obama as a recipient of a Presidential Award for Excellence.

Brown will receive his award, which includes \$10,000 from the National Science Foundation to be used at his discretion, on an unknown date in the fall at the White House. The teachers will also receive an expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for the awards ceremony, as well as several days of educational events with members of Congress and science agency leaders.

In order to qualify for the awards, the teachers needed to be nominated. Brown said his nomination was made by Sand Creek Principal David Perry. The winners are then chosen by a panel of scientists, mathematicians and educators on the federal level, after they have been selected by a similar panel on a state level.

Brown has stood out in the district before, as he has made strides to help the district complete several energy efficiency projects and traveled to the Galapagos Islands last year with other teachers from across the country to study ecosystems and bring back what he learned to his home district.

Speaking on behalf of Sand Creek, Associate Principal Jill Penn said the school is proud of Brown, but not surprised.

"Jim is one of those teachers who consistently goes above and beyond."

Associate Principal Jill Penn

"Jim is one of those teachers who consistently goes above and beyond," she said. "I'm not surprised because he's certainly more than deserving."

Penn said the school found out after Brown received word he had won the award from a spokesman for the president.

"There is no higher calling than furthering the educational advancement of our nation's young people and encouraging and inspiring our next generation of leaders," Obama said in a written statement. "These awards represent a heartfelt salute of appreciation to a remarkable group of individuals who have devoted their lives and careers to helping others and in doing so, have helped us all."

Brown said he was not aware that he had won the award until this week, though he did find out he was nominated when the National Science Foundation sent him information saying he was nominated and asking for lesson plans that he had taught from.

In addition, Brown was asked to present the panel with what he was doing that was unique and a resume of himself and a description of how he is motivating his students.

"I just found out three days ago that I was getting the award," Brown said Friday.

Brown did not know if he would get to personally meet the president, but that he knows that teachers who have won the award in the past have come back with photos of them with the president.

In any event, he said he is extremely excited.

AAA: Excellence in Traffic Safety Programs

By: Romana Ciolko-Apkarian, AAA Hudson Valley Manager, Marketing and PR

Motor vehicle crashes are the number-one killer of children over the age of two. More than 1,500 crashes killed children 14 and under in 2006 and injured 208,000 more. AAA has a long-term commitment to reducing these injuries and deaths through its Seated, Safe & Secure campaign begun in 2002. AAA has worked to close loopholes in child restraint laws across the nation and educate the public about proper use of child restraints. AAA also actively promotes bike safety, educating motorists about the importance of sharing the roadway and guiding children on the proper skills needed to safely operate their first vehicle.

Teen Driver Safety

AAA's commitment to new driver safety is nearly as old as AAA itself, having pioneered the concept of driver education in the 1930s. Yet traffic crashes remain the leading cause of death for teens, killing about 5,000 teens every year and sending another half-million to emergency rooms with injuries. Almost half of all deaths of 15-to-17-year olds are in car crashes. Teen drivers are the most dangerous drivers on the road, putting themselves and the others they share the road with at high risk of injury or death.

In 1997, AAA launched an aggressive campaign to reduce teen crash injuries and deaths, pledging to:

- Raise the public's awareness of the severity of the teen crash problem;
- Establish Graduated Driver Licensing laws in all 50 states and Washington, DC, to give teens more time to develop safe driving practices; and
- Improve the quality of driver education.

In 2005, AAA achieved its goal of establishing graduated driver licensing in all 50 states. In just eight years, AAA clubs led the effort on GDL across the nation and brought the number of states with GDL laws from 8 to 50. Data show these laws are working—reducing crashes and saving lives.

AAA's leading role in driver education lives on in two widely used texts: Responsible Driving and How to Drive. In 1997, AAA released a valuable resource for parents of new teen drivers called Teaching Your Teen to Drive: A Partnership for Survival. A decade later, AAA has developed parent-teen driving agreements and has launched new programs to help engage parents in the development of their young drivers. The "Dare to Prepare" program reaches parents and teens before they begin driving to prepare them for the process that lies ahead.

For more information, contact Romana Ciolko-Apkarian at 518-426-1000, ext. 2620 or rapkarian@aaahv.com

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Messina said he felt good about gathering more than four times the necessary signatures with only a fraction of the support system and organization of the incumbent.

The town's GOP candidate turned in about 590 signatures, according to Republican Chairwoman Melody Burns, who said she was happy with the result, considering the party did not start carrying petitions until June 23 because of a careful and lengthy selection process.

Messina also grabbed 16 of the 27 registered Working Families Party members in Bethlehem. Messina said that with five of the members having left the area, he actually received signatures from 16 of the 22 members left in town.

The supervisor candidates thanked their supporters and volunteers after the big campaign milestone.

"I am truly overwhelmed by the outpouring of support we've seen from members of the Independence Party," Cunningham said in a prepared statement. "By signing our team's petitions, voters are giving us a vote of confidence, and I will continue my efforts to advance the policies that

have helped make Bethlehem a great place to work and raise a family."

Messina was also gracious toward his supporters.

"I'm really proud of the people who have helped me through this process and to those who have both carried and signed my petitions," he told *The Spotlight*. "I have been receiving tremendous support for my campaign from residents in a number of parties including the Republican, Conservative, Working Families and the Independence Party."

As it stands now, Cunningham has filed for the Democratic and Independence Party lines and Messina for the Republican, Conservative, Independence and Working Families party lines. Winning the primary for Cunningham would either maintain his two ballot lines, or, if he loses, swing a four-ballot line to Messina's bid to his one for supervisor.

Cunningham's slate for town-wide offices includes incumbent Democratic Councilman Kyle Kotary for Town Board, cross endorsed by the Independence Party; Bethlehem Independence Party chairman Mark Jordan for Town Board, cross endorsed by the Democratic, Conservative and Working Families parties; and Democrat Nanci Moquin, town planning and zoning administrative assistant, for town clerk, cross endorsed by the Indepen-

dence and Conservative parties.

Incumbent Republican Gregg Sagendorph is running unopposed for highway superintendent. Sagendorph is being cross endorsed by the Conservative and Independence parties.

Messina's slate includes former Empire Zone Program director Republican Fred (Fernando) Di Maggio for Town Board, cross endorsed by the Conservative Party; Republican committeeman John Flanagan for Town Board; businesswoman Republican Melanie Calzone for town clerk; and Sagendorph for highway superintendent.

Clyne said the Democratic slate will "definitely be running competitive races this fall."

"We're comfortable where we are politically, and we feel we have a qualified group in the race," he said. "I don't want to make any predictions because it can boomerang against you sometimes, but I would say we're comfortable."

Burns said this will be the year the GOP returns to Bethlehem Town Hall.

"Party favoritism was not a part of our candidate selection. Our candidates represent a few of our neighborhoods, not just the center of town," she said. I am pleased and honored to be supporting our team. Over the next few months they will be knocking on doors and sharing their vision for Bethlehem."



Sylvia Alyward views "Big Red and Canine Friends Installation" by artist Jason Schultz.

Submitted photo

Dogs

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exhibit will feature the artwork of six local artists, who have sculpted dogs out of recycled materials and displayed them around the park, and it runs until Friday, Aug. 21.

"It's a play on the idea that dogs aren't allowed in the park," she said.

The Maple Avenue Park and Tot Playground was conceived last year, and is geared toward children under five years old.

It opened, along with the exhibit, on Thursday, July 16.

Dougherty said master gardener Keith Lee planted more than 17,000 plants and flowers, and \$18,000 of playground equipment was installed by volunteers.

"It's been a real community effort," she said.

Dougherty gives a lot of credit to the hard work of the artists who made the sculptures as well.

"They all agreed and they were all quite wonderful about it," Dougherty said.

The contributing artists are Kathleen Buchanan, Larry Kagan, Richard Martin, Jason Schultz and Lars Turin.

Turin, an Altamont resident, said it was an "interesting little endeavor" constructing his dog. His sculpture "Dapper" was created using wire inside a steel armature.

He said he is also happy to be participating in "something

that makes his hometown a little nicer.

"It's a treat to be visible as an artist in the community," he said. "[The exhibit] has a wonderful sense of charm. It's a clever collection of different artists interpretations. It's an uplifting event for the village."

Kagan said his sculpture, "Dog Beater," is in the tradition of old-style rug beaters.

"It's in the kind of vernacular of small-scale manufacturing of American production," he said.

Kagan's sculpture is made from re-used wire from a scrap yard and a handle from an old file.

Dougherty said the sculptures, in addition to being environmentally friendly, provide children with educational opportunities to learn about bolts, wires and pipes — materials used in many of the sculptures.

"America has a long tradition of artists making art from found objects; non-traditional materials; cast-off parts and recycled materials as well as more traditional methods of creativity. One has only to think of the work of Louise Nevelson, John Chamberlain, Alexander Calder, Robert Rauschenberg, Mark DiSuvero, Richard Stankiewicz and others, to name a few," according to the curator's statement. "The artists represented in this exhibition are also dedicated to exploring ideas which inspire them to create compelling objects through the utilization of non-traditional methods and materials."

Chief

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His work as a co-prosecutor on the Porco trial was featured on the television show "Forensic Files," a "true-crime docudrama," which aired on TruTV Friday, July 17. He also was the lead prosecutor in the trial of Erik Westervelt, who was convicted of murdering Timothy Gray in Delmar five weeks prior to the Porco murder.

Heather Orth, spokesperson for the DA's office, said Rossi has also successfully prosecuted

several other major homicide cases, including the trial of Jermaine Timmons for the murder of Kathina Thomas; the trial of Jo van Underdree for the triple homicide committed in January 2008; and the trial of former boxer Joel Scott for the murder of Dorothy Royal.

Orth said Rossi was the most logical choice.

"We looked at everything that Rossi has done and realized he is a real leader in the office and is very accomplished, so it just made sense," she said.

Soares said Rossi is a highly competent choice.

"I am very pleased that David Rossi has accepted the position of Chief Assistant District Attorney. David's dedication to the pursuit of justice, proven leadership within the office and superior trial experience give me complete confidence in his ability to take on the challenges ahead," he said in a written statement. "I look forward to working with David to continue to serve and empower victims of crime in Albany County."

Rossi is an Albany Law School graduate and has served as an assistant DA in Albany County for the past 10 years. He most recently served as the bureau chief of the Homicide and Special Victims Units.

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G'land

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roll around. He said his goal was

to collect as many signatures as possible by the end of June because many people go away on vacation once school lets out. He also said this year had particularly bad weather, making the

petition process difficult.

Peter Golden, the Republican challenger to Runion referred comments to party chair Ted Danz. Danz was unavailable for comment at press time.

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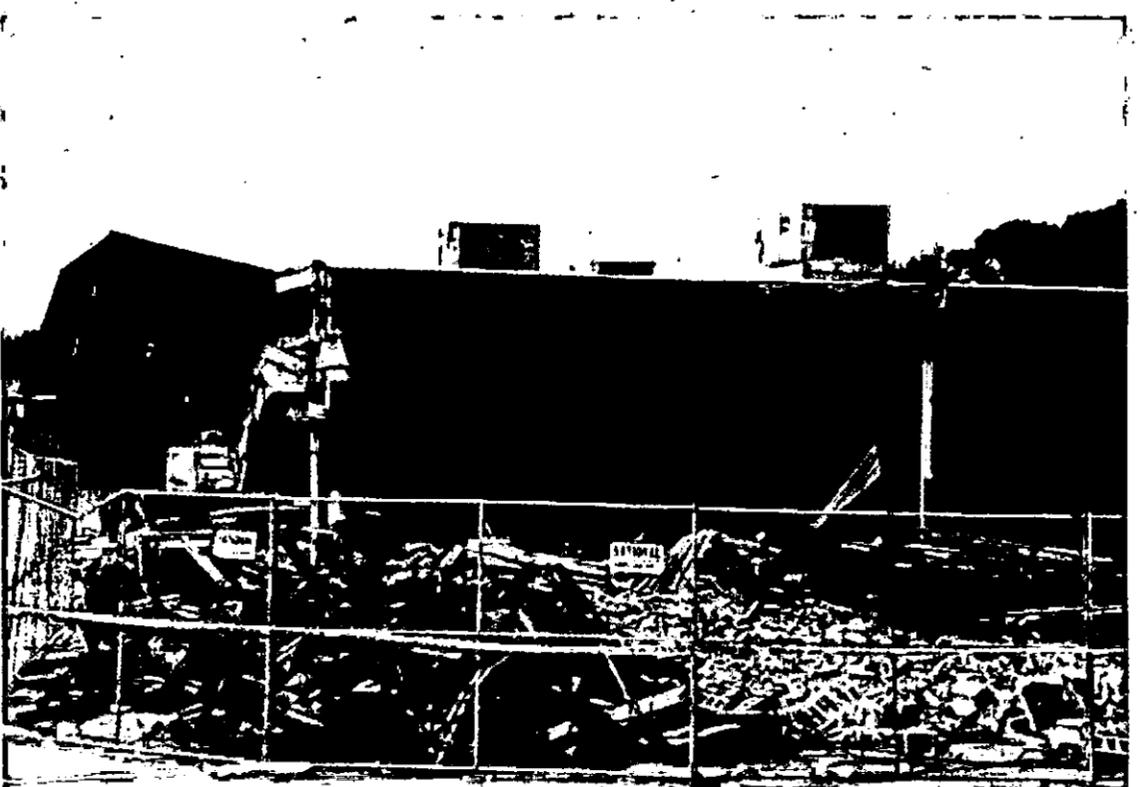
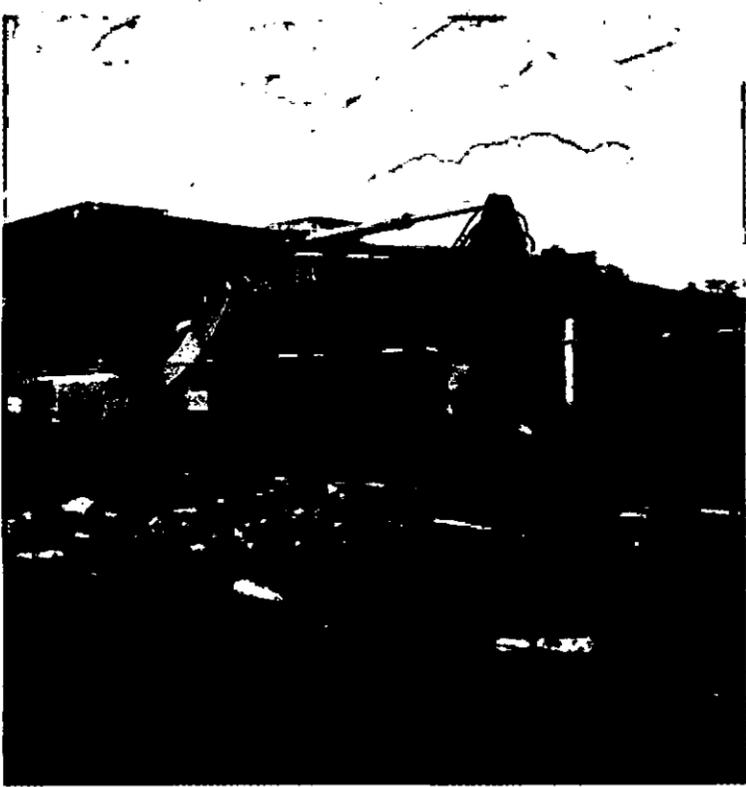
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Kmart crumbles

The Tractor Supply Company has begun its renovations to the former Kmart space in Glenmont's Squire Plaza at the intersection of Glenmont Road and Route 9W following approval from the Bethlehem Planning Board on Tuesday, July 6. The company cut off ABOUT 20,000 square feet of retail space and will convert it into an outdoor showroom for its products and will also install fences and sidewalks onto the lot and Glenmont Road.

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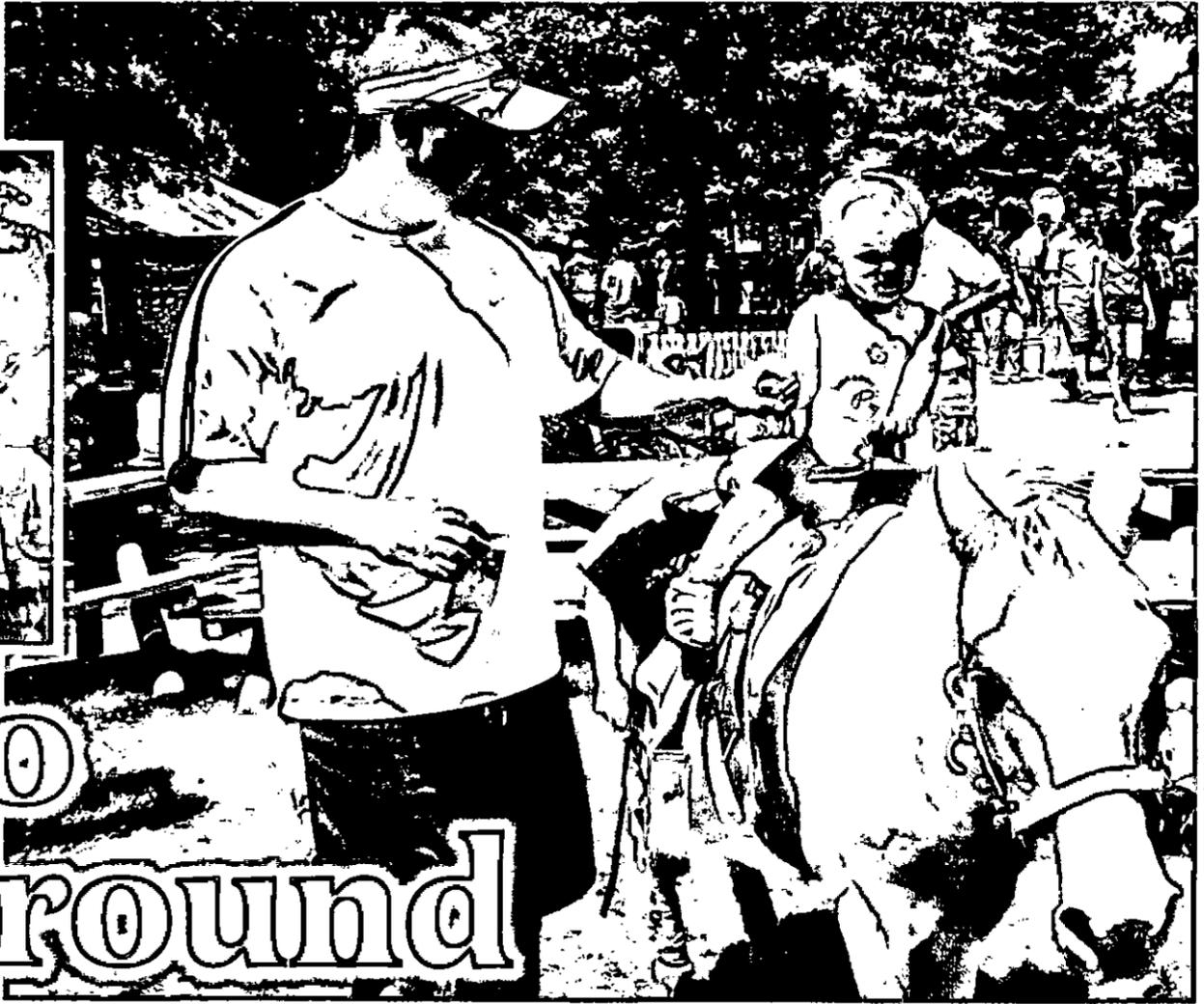
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Entertainment *in the* Spotlight

Below, clowns and circus shows are part of the entertainment at the Saratoga Race Course open house. Right, pony rides are a popular attraction at the Saratoga Race Course's open house.



A day to horse around

Free open house at Saratoga Race Course features family friendly fun

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN
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Saratoga Race Course is an institution, but Ed Lewi recognizes not everyone has been there.

So, Lewi dreamed up an idea to introduce people to the track, which opened in 1864.

"I thought, there should be some kind of event people could come to to get a feel for the track without paying," said Lewi, whose public relations firm, Ed Lewi Associates, handles marketing and promotions for the track.

The track held its first open house nearly 30 years ago and has done so every year since. The annual pre-season preview party is set for Sunday, July 26, this year. Everything is free except for the food, which is sold by local nonprofits.

Lewi wanted to make the event family friendly, an idea that has endured. Held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., the open house will feature carnival games, music, circus shows and a pet walk.

"We try to add new things every year," Lewi said, noting that face painting and pony rides have become popular.

Also popular are backstretch tours that give guests a glimpse

into the inner workings of the track. The tours will run every half hour beginning at 11 a.m. at the clubhouse entrance.

People can also get an idea of how to wager at the track with handicapping seminars that are offered throughout the day in the Paddock Pavilion. Handicappers Nick Kling and Tom Amello and Julie Hoxsie, a thoroughbred breeder, licensed thoroughbred trainer and the associate producer of Off Track Betting's Down the Stretch, will explain strategies for picking winners.

Some of the days other highlights include:

- The National Steeplechase Association will hold five races — four jump races and a turf race — along with a luncheon on the dining terrace and box area for race sponsors and patrons of the event. The races will be held at 1:30, 2:05, 2:40, 3:15 and 3:50 p.m.

- The Children's Museum of Science and Technology will

- bring its Leaping Lizards and Rocking Reptiles exhibit to the track for shows under the Carousel at 11:15 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:45 p.m. and 3 p.m.

- The Islip Horsemen's Association Long Island Drill Team will demonstrate its moves and skills as more than a dozen horses execute intricate pinwheels, circles and V formations. The team will perform on the main track at 11:15 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.

- The Best in Show Pet Walk will take place near the Union Avenue gate from noon to 2:30 p.m.

- Captain Squeeze & The Zydeco Moshers, a strolling swing jazz band, will walk the grounds playing jazz music, while Mark Rabin performs cover songs from acts such as Bob Dylan, Van Morrison, Elvis Presley and The Beatles underneath the bandstand.

- Local sports teams' mascots will take part in the sixth annual mascot race. Participants

include the veteran Rowdy the River Rat and newcomers Spike the Albany Firebird and Phlex the Adirondack Phantom.

While Lewi's idea was to draw newcomers to the track, he said the open house is popular with regulars as well. It's hard to get an exact number on how many people attend each year since there's no admission charge, but Lewi said organizers can "tell very quickly" when people are visiting the track for the first time.

"We have an information booth, and they'll come over and ask, 'What kind of racing are you having today?'" he said.

Newcomer or not, guests give the open house high marks, Lewi said.

"People love it. First of all, they walk through the gate and don't have to pay," he said. "And then there's such a variety of things for them to do."

The track is at 267 Union Ave. in Saratoga Springs.

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Captain Squeeze and The Zydeco Moshers, a strolling swing jazz band, will walk the grounds playing jazz music at the Saratoga Race Course open house.

Arts & Entertainment

Theater

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

Live version of Disney's animated musical, presented by Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 Route 203, Chatham, through July 26, Wednesdays through Sundays, adults \$26-\$28, children under 12 \$12. Information, 392-9292.

LEAVING IOWA

Comedy about a journalist's return to his hometown, presented by Adirondack Theatre Festival, Charles R. Wood Theater, 207 Glen St., Glens Falls, through July 25, \$29. Information, 798-7479.

RENT

Tour of famous modern Broadway musical, Proctors Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, July 28 through Aug. 2, \$20-\$65. Information, 346-6204.

SHEAR MADNESS

Wacky whodunit set in a hairstyling salon and where the audience helps solve the mystery, presented by Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through Aug. 2, \$36-\$46. Information, 445-7469.

Music

ALIVE AT FIVE

Tribute Night featuring Hotel California, an Eagles tribute band, July 23, 5 p.m., Riverfront Park, Albany, free. Information, 434-2032.

CRUMBS NITE OUT

Monthly showcase featuring rock band Sumac and a music industry panel discussion, July 23, 7 p.m., WAMC Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany, free. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

EMERALD DAWN

Celtic-folk duo, July 24, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

2 LATE

Acoustic folk duo, July 24, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's Uptown, Town Center Plaza, 1704 Western Ave., Guilderland, and July 25, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's Downtown, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

ROB JONAS

Acoustic singer-songwriter, July 24, 8 p.m., Bread and Jam Cafe, 130 Remsen St., Cohoes, free. Information, 326-2275.

ERNIE WILLIAMS

Capital District blues legend, July 25, 7 p.m., Freedom Park, Schoharée Avenue, Scotia, free. Information, 372-5656.

ROB SKANE

Acoustic garage rock, July 25, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, Town Center Plaza, 1704 Western Ave., Guilderland, free. Information, 250-4196.

DR. JOHN & THE LOWER 911

Jazz and blues from New Orleans, with special guest Al Kooper & the Funky Faculty, July 25, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$29.50. Information, 473-1845.

ROY HURD

One of the Adirondacks' best known singer-songwriters, with Frank Orsini and Meadow Merry, July 25, 8 p.m., Caffè Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$12 advance tickets, \$15 at door. Information, 583-0022.

SEAMUS KENNEDY

"Best Irish/Celtic Male Vocalist" in Washington, D.C. area since 1993, July 26, 7 p.m., Caffè Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$12 advance tickets, \$15 at door. Information, 583-0022.

OLD CROW MEDICINE SHOW

Acoustic band that plays American roots music with a rock attitude, with opening act Chuck Mead (BR549), July 26, 7:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, adults \$24, students \$20. Information, 473-1845.

Comedy

THE IMPROV CLUB

Performing "Improv Soup: Games & Skits to Cure the Economy Blues," a family-friendly comedy show, July 24, 8 p.m., Caffè Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, \$12 advance tickets, \$14 at door. Information, 583-0022.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Bernice Abbott's Changing New York: A Triumph of Public Art," through Oct. 4; "1609" through March 10; plus "Beneath the City: An Archeological Perspective of Albany," permanent collections on the 9/11 recovery effort, New York state history and geography, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

"Different at Every Turn: Contemporary Painters of the Hudson River," through Aug. 23; "Life Along the Hudson: Photographs by Joseph Squillante," through Oct. 4; "Hudson River Panorama: 400 Years of History, Art and Culture," through Jan. 3, 2010; plus "The Folk Spirit of Albany: Folk Art from the Collection of the Albany Institute of History and Art" and exhibits on

Hudson River School painting, American sculpture and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERY

Works by Ben Schwab and Blake Shirley, through Aug. 22, 39 Columbia St., Albany. Information, 462-4775.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

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

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Out of this World: Transcending the Terrestrial in Contemporary Art," through Nov. 29; "Repetitive Nature," in Concourse A gallery; "Air Craft," photos by Jeffrey Milstein; plus site-specific installations by Larry Kagan and Cara Nigro, as well as installations by Anthony Garner, Baris Karayazgan, Paul Katz, Nancy Klepsch and Victoria Palermo. Information, 242-2243.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

Ballet Russes exhibit, "On Broadway," chronicling the progression of dance on Broadway, and ongoing exhibits, 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-2225.

SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

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

BROOKSIDE MUSEUM

"Greg Klein Art Exhibit," featuring paintings of the Saratoga County countryside and familiar landmarks, through the end of June; plus "A Few Lines to Let You Know: Letters of the Civil War," through Sept. 4, 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa. Information, 885-4000.

TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

"Tim Rollins and K.O.S.: A History," through Aug. 30; "Lives of the Hudson," through March 14, 2010; Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-8080.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"Dove/O'Keefe: Circles of Influence," through Sept. 7; "Through the Seasons: Japanese Art in Nature," through Oct. 18; 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

THE HYDE COLLECTION

"Degas & Music," through Oct. 18, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

ARKELL MUSEUM

Regional art show featuring Denise Allen, Kate McCauley and Betty Pieper, through

July 31; "Then & Now: Contemporary Artists Revisit the Past," through Aug. 5; plus "Arkell's Inspiration: The Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People," ongoing; Canajoharie. Information, 673-2314.

Call for Artists

MABEE FARM HISTORIC SITE

Seeking vendors for annual arts and crafts festival Aug. 22. Information, 887-5073.

SARATOGA ARTS

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MOP AND BUCKET COMPANY

Holding auditions for a substitute accompanist to provide music for its improvised comedy shows. Information, contact Michael Burns at michaelburns@mopco.org or Kat Koppett at katekoppett@mopco.org.

CAPITLAND CHORUS

Openings for all voice parts for women who love to sing and perform, rehearsals are at 7 p.m. Thursdays at New Covenant Presbyterian Church, corner of Orlanso and Western avenues, Albany. Information, 785-3567.

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, Guilderland. Information, 861-8000.

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

Openings in women's singing group, focusing 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.

ARTISTS WANTED

Exhibit space available for original paintings at Local Color Art Gallery, 1138 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham. Information, 220-9027.

WORD PILE By Mark Szorady

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Weekly Crossword

FLIGHTY

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- 1 Pageantry
- 5 Where the Tagus flows
- 10 Go a round
- 14 On ___ with
- 15 Sculpted work
- 16 Japanese general
- 17 National Leaguer
- 20 Pays up
- 21 Access
- 22 Marsh plant
- 23 Schoolbook
- 25 Bug
- 28 Military base
- 29 Industrious creature
- 32 Adjective ending
- 33 Door part
- 34 Queens or Bronx: abbr.
- 35 American Leaguer
- 39 Montreal, e.g.
- 40 Rescued
- 41 Bismarck's state: abbr.
- 42 A Kennedy
- 43 Luge, e.g.
- 44 Thin metal plates

DOWN

- 46 Think over
- 47 Acerb
- 48 Cantor or Albert
- 51 Reproductive body
- 54 Flashy feathered friends
- 58 Experts
- 59 Thaw
- 60 Relative of etc.
- 61 Salamander
- 62 Discourage
- 63 Synagogue
- 1 ___ de deux
- 2 Selects
- 3 Masculine
- 4 Draw out
- 5 Rural crossovers
- 6 Set up
- 7 Trajectories
- 8 "A rose ___ rose"
- 9 Neither's tagalong
- 10 Bit of work
- 11 Seine crossing
- 12 Not quite shut
- 13 ___-poly
- 18 Western tribe

ACROSS

- 19 Right hand
- 23 Softened
- 24 Hence
- 25 Custom
- 26 "___ of Two Cities"
- 27 Vexed
- 28 Sacked
- 29 Residence
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Calendar of Events *in the* Spotlight

Wednesday, July 22

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

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

EVENTINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)

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

BINGO

American Legion Blanchard Post No. 1040, 16 Poplar Drive, Delmar. 7:30 p.m. Food available.

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

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, July 23

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.

AA MEETINGS

Slingerlands Community Church, 1499 New Scotland Road, noon.

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

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Friday, July 24

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.

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STORY TIMES

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

Saturday, July 25

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR SATURDAY FARMERS MARKET

The Delmar Saturday Farmers Market will be open June 6 until October 31 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. rain or shine. The market is located at the Bethlehem Middle School, 322 Kenwood Ave. For more info, go to www.delmarmarket.org.

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Information, call 439-4328.

GLENMONT

Story Hour at Tea and Tattered Pages Used Books, 329 Glenmont Road, Glenmont. Information, 447-9910.

PRAYER MEETING

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Sunday, July 26

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., 439-3135.
Bethlehem Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road, 439-0358.
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 439-4328.
Delmar Full Gospel Church, 292 Elsmere Ave., 439-4407.
Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., 439-9252.
Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 439-9929.
Family of God Nazarene Church, Krumkill Road at Blessing Road, North Bethlehem, 453-9953.
First Church of Christ, Scientist, 555 Delaware Ave., 439-2512.
First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W, Selkirk, 767-2243.
First United Methodist Church of Delmar, 428 Kenwood Ave., 439-9976.
Glenmont Community Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 436-7710.
Gospel Fellowship, 10 Rockefeller Road, Delmar, 482-2132.
King's Chapel, 434 Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-9955.
KTC Buddhist Center, Doane Stuart School, Route 9W, Albany, 10 a.m. meditation, 11 a.m. tea, 11:30 a.m. study course, 374-1792.
Mount Moriah Ministries, Route 9W, Glenmont, 426-4510.
Slingerlands Community UMC, 1499 New Scotland Road, 439-1766.
Solid Rock Church, 1 Kenwood Ave., Glenmont, 439-4314.
South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 767-9953.
St. Michael's Shrine, Beacon Road at Route 9W, Glenmont, 462-2016.
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Poplar

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

NEW SCOTLAND

WORSHIP INFORMATION

All Nation's Baptist Church, 2558 Western Ave., Guilderland, 475-9086, ESL and Bible classes, 9 a.m.; Worship Services, 10 a.m.
Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 768-2916.
FamilyWorshipCenter, 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.
Onesquehaw Reformed Church, Tarrytown Road, Feura Bush, 768-2133.
New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 439-6454.
St. Matthew's Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 765-2805.
Unionville Reformed Church, Delaware Turnpike, 439-5001.
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 765-4410. DAY --

Monday, July 27

SLINGERLANDS

Adamsville Ancients Fife and Drum Corps, rehearsal 7-9 p.m., October-May. Information, 439-8727.

BETHLEHEM

PEACE VIGIL

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

PLAYGROUP

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

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

DELMAR COMM. ORCHESTRA

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

AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., 8:30 to 10 p.m.

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, July 28

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.

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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.

NEW SCOTLAND

STORY TIMES

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

NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS (SEPTEMBER-JUNE ONLY)

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

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

New Scotland Town Hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356 Fourth 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, July 29

BETHLEHEM

DELMAR ROTARY

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

EVENTINGS ON THE GREEN (JULY)

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

BINGO

American Legion Blanchard Post No. 1040, 16 Poplar Drive, Delmar. 7:30 p.m. Food available.

PLAYGROUP MEETING

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

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.

HEALING TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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.

AA MEETING

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



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Milestones *in the* Spotlight

Audrey Helen Bentley

Voorheesville - Audrey Helen Bentley, long time resident of Voorheesville, New York, passed away at the Good Samaritan Home in Delmar, NY on July 9, 2009. Born in Jamestown, NY February 17, 1918, she was the daughter of the late Frank and Marion Swanson. In 1940 she was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Miami University in Oxford, OH. She then received a specialist degree from Grasslands Hospital in Westchester County, New York and became a member of the American Dietetic Association. Audrey married the late William G. Bentley in 1943 and they celebrated 57 years together. They had three sons, William Bentley (deceased), Bruce (and CherylAnn) Bentley and Timothy Bentley and five grandchildren; Christopher, Brian, Philipp, William and Annika.

During World War II, Audrey was the chief dietician at the Buffalo Children's Hospital and then became a dietician at Cornell University. Later she wrote for the Three Village Calendar on Long Island, NY, and was the executive secretary for the Setauket, New York, United Methodist Church. She also served for 13 years as the assistant librarian of the Voorheesville Elementary School. She was a member of the Voorheesville United Methodist Church serving as past treasurer and member of the board. Audrey Bentley was a volunteer for the American Red Cross and was a past president of the Good Samaritan Resident Council. On September 17th, 2008, Audrey was honored by the Capital Senior Issues Forum with a Senior Lifetime Achievement Award.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and a good friend and caring individual. She will be missed and fondly remembered by all those that knew her. Audrey's favorite bingo numbers were 75, 46, and 3.

A Memorial Service took place at the Voorheesville United Methodist Church, Maple Ave., Voorheesville on Saturday, July 11, 2009. In celebration of Audrey's life, contributions can be made to the American Diabetes Association or the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Carolyn Marie Halsdorf

DELMAR: Carolyn Marie Halsdorf, 64, died Friday, July 10, 2009 at St. Peter's Hospital. Born in Albany, she was the daughter of the late Stephen and Alice Mertz Ames. Carol loved to dance, listen to music and be with animals.

Carol was a loving mother and grandmother. She is survived by her husband, David Halsdorf, a son, Ronald (Kimberly) Ames, three granddaughters and a great grandson. Carol is also survived by a sister Beverly (Edward) Phillips, two nieces, two nephews, three great nieces, two great nephews and many cousins. A brother, Stephen Ames, died ten years ago.

Memorial Services will be held Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at 10 AM at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar.

Contributions in Carol's memory may be sent to the Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc., 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054

Roger C. Ryan

DELMAR: Roger C. Ryan, 78, died Friday at St. Peter's Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Albany. Born in Albany, he was the son of the late Jane Hennessy Ryan and the late Charles H. Ryan.

Mr. Ryan attended Bethlehem Schools and he graduated from Christian Brothers Academy and Siena College. He served with the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Mr. Ryan worked for Exxon in Glenmont where he was the plant cashier. He then worked for the NYS Department of Transportation and NYS Department of Health before becoming an Examiner for the Albany County Department of Social Services.

Mr. Ryan is survived by his loving wife, Mary Carpenter Ryan.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 10:00 am at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, Delmar. Friends may call on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 from 5 to 7 pm at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont.



Daniel Jeram and Jennifer Purcell

Purcell, Jeram engaged to marry

James and Sandra Purcell of Niskayuna, NY, are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Purcell, to Daniel Jeram, son of Thomas and Ann Jeram of Delmar, NY.

The future bride is a graduate of Niskayuna High School and received her Bachelor's degree in psychology from McGill University. From there, she attended the State University of

New York at Buffalo Law School, where she graduated magna cum laude with a Juris Doctor degree. She is currently serving as confidential law clerk to the Honorable Robert J. Muller, a Justice of the New York State Supreme Court.

The future groom is a graduate

of Bethlehem High School and attended Western New England College, where he received his Bachelor's degree in accounting. He is currently working as an accountant at Gordon and Maikels in Albany.

The couple is planning a June 2010 wedding.

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Milestones *in the* Spotlight



Ada Cornell and Tom Hackman

Cornell, Hackman to exchange vows

Don Cornell and Carol Schour of Delmar, NY, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Ada Cornell, to Tom Hackman, son of Peter Hackman and Ann Abaray of Delmar, NY.

Bride-to-be Ada is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Binghamton

University. She went on to receive a Masters of Science at Syracuse University and is Associate Fellow at National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, MD. Future Groom Tom graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and Syracuse University. He then received a Master of Public Administration

from Syracuse University. Tom is employed by the U.S. Department of Education in Washington DC as a Program Analyst.

The couple will wed on August 16, 2009 at the Appel Inn in Altamont, NY. Theresa Egan will officiate the ceremony. After the wedding the couple will reside in Washington DC.



John and Kristen Hotaling

Pomeroy, Hotaling wed

Kristen M. Pomeroy, daughter of William and Anne Pomeroy of Glenville, NY, and John J. Hotaling, son of George and Marge Hotaling of Rotterdam, NY, were married April 20, 2009.

The Wedding Ceremony took place in Kauai, Hawaii at Mahaulepu Beach. A Luau followed at Smith's Tropical Paradise in Kauai, Hawaii. A second reception was held on

May 30, 2009 at the Rotterdam Elk's Lodge for family and friends who were unable to attend in Hawaii.

The bride is a Medical Secretary at Schenectady Orthopedics in Schenectady, NY. The groom is a Officer of Schenectady Police.

Kristen and John honeymooned in Kauai, Maui, and Oahu, Hawaii. The couple live in Glenville, NY.

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Senior Projects slates first golf tournament

Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. will hold its inaugural golf tournament at the town's Colonial Acres golf course on Wednesday, Sept. 23. Tee-off time is 9:30 a.m., with light brunch and camaraderie. The event is a fund-raiser for Bethlehem Senior Projects, a non-profit organization that owns half of the vehicles that provide senior transportation in our town. In addition, it sponsors the Bethlehem Food Pantry as well as other vital programs for our town's older citizens. Reserve the date for a morning of fun. For details, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Program highlights Saturday, July 25

• Delmar Farmers, Market, Bethlehem Middle School, 322 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Interesting variety of vendors.

Monday, July 27

• Shopping center trip with Bethlehem senior transportation to Colonie Center and Northway Mall. For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• Seniors age 62-plus can play at Colonial Acres Golf Course for \$11 (greens fee for nine or 18 holes). Special Senior rates on Mondays only. For more information, call 439-2089.

Food pantry in need of donations

Guilderland's Food Pantry has seen an increase in demand and is in need of non-perishable food items and paper products. There is a convenient "Drop Box" located in the 2nd floor lobby of Town Hall for anyone wishing to make donations.

Bingo caller needed

A bingo caller is needed Tuesdays from 12:30 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. p.m. at the Guilderland Town Hall. If you can help, please call 356-1980 ext 1095.

Monday, July 27

Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Aerobics
10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
1:30 a.m. Strong Bones +

Tuesday, July 28

9 a.m. Strong Bones +
11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Meatball Sub or Cold Plate
12:30 p.m. Bingo/Games/ Billiards

Wednesday, July 29

Scheduled Shopping



Tuesday, July 28

• Tanglewood on Parade, Lenox, Mass., 8:30 p.m., with seats in "The Shed" for the concert. Charter bus leaves Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. Bethlehem senior transportation will provide limited number of home pickups on a pre-arranged basis. For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176. (Total cost for the evening - \$75)

• 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, July 29

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

Thursday, July 30

• "Carfit," a free program to help mature drivers find the

perfect fit with their cars, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall parking lot, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Thirty-minute appointment required. For reservations, call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

• 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 seniors 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, July 31

• 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.

Doris Davis,
Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.
board member

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

9 a.m. Line Dancing
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
10:30 a.m. Bridge
11:45 a.m. Sr Fitness
1 p.m. Needlecraft
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones+
6 p.m. Trip to Tanglewood

Thursday, July 30

Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Strong Bones +
10:30 a.m. Movie: "Australia"
1 p.m. Pinochle/Games

Friday, July 31

Scheduled Shopping
10 a.m. Painting
1 p.m. Quilting

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IN BRIEF

Fresh Air Fund still needs hosts

The Fresh Air Fund is seeking more families to give inner-city children a two-week experience this summer.

Thanks to the many families in the Albany Area area and throughout 13 Northeastern states and Canada, more than 1.7 million New York City children from low-income neighborhoods have experienced free summer vacations in suburban and small town communities through The Fresh Air Fund. Families who volunteer as a host family for The Fund's Friendly Town program help give a child a break from the heat and noise of the crowded city streets. There are no financial requirements for hosting a Fresh Air child.

First-time visitors are six to 12 years old, and reinvited youngsters may participate in the Friendly Town program through age 18.

To learn more about hosting a Fresh Air child this summer, contact Kristen O'Brien at 800-367-0003 ext. 8889, or call The Fresh Air Fund at 800-367-0003. You can also visit The Fund's Web site at www.freshair.org.

Planetarium plans Saturday programs

Henry Hudson Planetarium will host a Saturday Star Show on Aug. 15 at 11 a.m. at the Albany Heritage Area Visitors Center, corner of Broadway and Clinton Avenue, Albany. Public parking is available via Spencer Street.

The cost is \$3 for all seats

The event will feature an interactive program exploring the stars, planets, comets and constellations in the night sky. In celebration of the quadricentennial of Henry Hudson's voyage, children will meet Henry Hudson (puppet) and discover how he used the stars to sail his boat here in 1609.

The program is geared to children ages 3 to 7 and their families.

The planetarium will also host a program called "Albany Star Sighting" at 1 p.m. This program identifies stars, planets, comets and constellations in the night sky and the tools and techniques for becoming an amateur astronomer. Learn how Henry Hudson used celestial navigation. This program is geared for sky watchers 8 and older.

Women's club to host luncheon

Capital District Women's Club will host a "Dutch Heritage Day" luncheon at The Evans Public House (formerly The Chariot) Wednesday, August 12, from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m.

There will be music from Janet Murphy and a talk by Kathy Baarman. There will also be a representative from the Albany County Convention and Visitors Bureau to discuss local events associated with the quadricentennial celebration of Henry Hudson's history voyage. Chicken cordon blue will be served. Reservations are necessary and the cost is \$13.50. To make a reservation, call 869-0642 before Aug. 7.

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Library to offer creative pursuits for teens, tweens

Teens and tweens, are you bored this summer? Colleen Wolfe, our newest library assistant, invites you to join her for adventures in fun this summer. This program is for creative kids ages 10 and up, who are looking for summer activities. Non-readers are welcome - reading is not the focus of this program. Upcoming projects include aluminum can sculptures, manga illustrations, "green" collages and wire figure sculpting.

The group will take over our annex twice a week for projects that will excite and challenge them. Meet with Colleen Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. No need to sign up - just bring your imagination.

Young writers session begins soon

The second session of Young Writers Workshop begins Tuesday, July 28, at 2 p.m. It will meet Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons for three weeks. There is one space left. Call the library at

RCS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

756-2053 if your 9- to 12-year-old is interested.

What's new

•Adult fiction

"Black Hills" by Nora Roberts

"The Fixer Upper" by Mary Kay Andrews

"House Secrets" by Mike Lawson

"The Penny Pinchers Club" by Sarah Strohmeyer

•Adult nonfiction

"The Gerbil Farmer's" Daughter by Holly Robinson

"The Hudson Valley: A Cultural Guide" by the Alliance for the Arts

"\$3 Meals" by Ellen Brown

•All library programming is free (unless otherwise noted) and open to the public. RCS Community Library is located at 15 Mountain Road, Ravena. For information, call 756-2053 or visit www.uhls.org/RCSCL/.

Project PARC construction kicks off

Construction begins this week on the library's parking lot expansion and improvement project. Project PARC's acronym summarizes its goals and guidelines: Parking, Access, Renewal and Community.

Construction will be completed in three phases. Phase I will add a new parking lot entrance driveway on Borthwick Avenue. In Phase II, the current parking lot entrance will be reconfigured as an exit driveway.

Phase III will include resurfacing, lane marking, and widening the turn at the far end of the lot.

The project should be substantially done by late September. Construction crews will begin at 7 a.m. and end their day at 6 p.m. The construction staging area will be fenced and clearly marked. Please be careful entering and exiting the lot and the library building. Hold small children by the hand, and pay attention to any posted signage.

We will regularly notify you of developments through Web site bulletins (www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org) and on-site signage. Details about the project are also available on our Web site, and a site drawing is on display in the library lobby and online.

We appreciate your patience during this project. The result will be safer access for motorists and pedestrians, more parking spaces, safer and more convenient



drop-off points and retention of green areas.

A word a week

Next time you visit our Web site, check out "Cathy's Creative Vocabulary." Each week, a new vocabulary word will be posted online and in Children's Place. Weekly prizes will be awarded for the most creative sentence that correctly uses the word. Kids and teens can participate.

Contest rules are posted at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org; there's a link on the homepage.

Evening on the Green tonight

Hour of Need plays classic rock tonight at 7 on the Green. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. The music will move indoors if it rains.

Teen tech camp

Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 5 and 6, 10 a.m. to noon

An introduction to Internet slideshows, digital photography, Web site animation and Flickr. Attendance at both sessions required. Call 439-9314 to sign up. Grades six and up.

An introduction to Traviata

Wednesday, Aug. 5, 7 p.m.

Hannelore Wilfert will introduce the music, libretto and history of the opera and its composer.

National Fresh Breath Day

Thursday, Aug. 6, 2:30 p.m.

Dental hygienist Karen Gutterman will talk to kids ages 3 to 7 about keeping teeth healthy and demonstrate some dentists' tools for cleaning teeth.

Call 439-9314 to sign up. A Fit for Life program made possible by the MetLife Foundation.

Summer cinema

Friday, Aug. 7, 2:30 p.m.

Bolt (PG, 2008)

Feed the birds

Monday, Aug. 10, 11 a.m.

Learn about birds, practice some bird calls, learn what they eat and make a backyard feeder out of a soda bottle. Grade 1-5. Call 439-9314 to sign up.

Board meeting

Monday, Aug. 10, 6:30 p.m.

Open to the public.

Pajama-rama

Monday, Aug. 10, 7 p.m.

End your day with a story at the library. Kids up to age 6 and families.

Oobleck storytime

Tuesday, Aug. 11, 11 a.m.

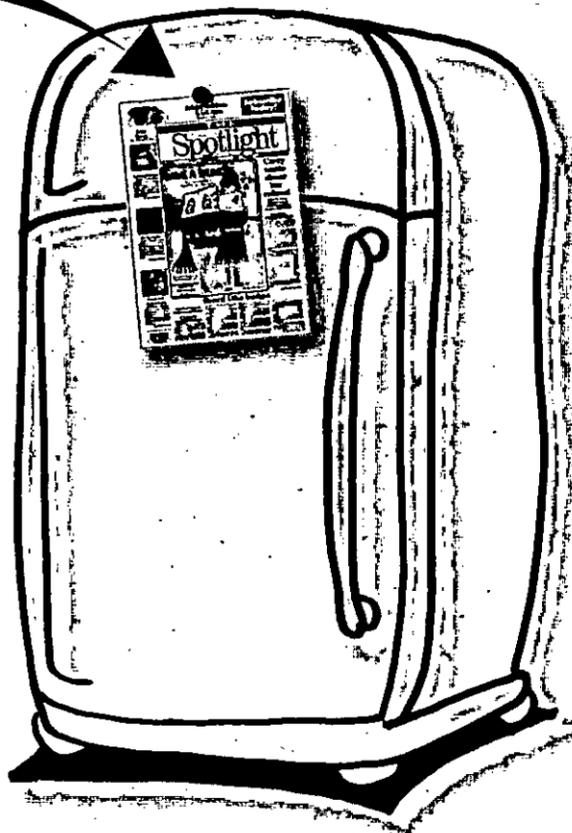
Kids 4 and up will listen to Dr. Seuss's "Bartholomew and the Oobleck" outside on the Green, then concoct their own Oobleck recipe.

Louise Grieco

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Spotlight Newspapers welcomes announcements of programs or events occurring in our coverage area.

All events must be open to the public and announcements should contain the date, time, location and cost (if any) of the event, along with contact information. Announcements are published space and time permitting.

Submissions can be e-mailed to news@spotlightnews.com, faxed to 439-0609, or mailed to Spotlight, P.O. Box 100, Delmar 12054.

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

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- www.capitalnews9.com
- www.wamc.org
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Remember also to check the VPL online community calendar linked to our homepage at www.voorheesvillelibrary.org and don't forget to send us your events to post.

Library passes

Save chunks of money by picking up valuable library passes to well-known cultural hot spots like the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge. New locations this year include MassMoCa, Chesterwood (sculpture gardens) and the Edith Wharton estate. Especially great for kids are the Iroquois Indian Museum and the Schenectady Museum and Planetarium.

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Summer Reading Program

With our help, you can escape the housework and the yard work; you can even escape the kids for a while by signing them up for three more weeks of the 2009 Summer Reading Program. Programs for next week:

- Monday, July 27, at 2 p.m. - Monday Stars: "Bubble Trouble" - the science of bubbles
- Tuesday, July 28, at 6:30 p.m. - Teen Crafts: Bring an old T-shirt and give it a new life
- Wednesday, July 29, at 10:30 a.m. - Club 1-2-3: "Join the Wild Rumpus" - creating a jungle
- Thursday, July 30, at 2 p.m. - Summer Survivors: Lego Mindstorms Robotics (sorry, waiting list only)

Game day

There is a Game Day on Friday, July 24, from 1 to 4 p.m. Kids (and adults!) can come in and use the Wii, play board games and have snacks.

Royal ball

Queen Joyce of Bookland



Smolder the dinosaur appears from Sylvia's Magic Trunk to entertain a group of children at the kickoff to the Voorheesville Library's Summer Reading Program.

Submitted photo



Book discussion

The new High School/College Book Discussion group is now reading "Tamar: A Novel of Espionage, Passion and Betrayal" by Mal Peet. Stop at the reference desk for a free paperback copy and sign-up for the lively discussion on Wednesday, Aug. 12, at 7 p.m.

Adult Fiction Discussion meets on Wednesday, July 29, at 7 p.m. to talk about "The Secret Scripture."

Barbara Vink

Adventure storytime

Children's music specialist Lisa Russo will be the guest at a special adventure storytime on Tuesday, July 28, at 10:15 a.m. No sign-up is necessary. Drop-in summer storytimes are every Tuesday through Aug. 11.

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



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Summer Sizzlers is the Library's Adult Summer Reading Club. Posted reviews will be listed on the "Sizzlers" page, so check the list often and you might find your next "best summer read." Post reviews all summer long. Drawings are scheduled for Sept. 9.

Disney movie

"Napping Lovely" is Friday's Disney Movie Well, of course it's not "Napping Lovely," but you get the idea. This Disney classic movie tells the story of a Beauty who eventually finds out that the Beast who has imprisoned her father (it all works out) is really an enchanted prince. This will be shown in the Helderberg Room at 7 p.m. on Friday, July 24.

Bring a blanket to spread out down front; we'll provide the free popcorn. It's fun, it's Disney and it's a great night out for the family.

Storytelling workshop for teens

Here's an exciting interactive workshop that explores different aspects of storytelling. Held at the Guilderland Public Library on Wednesday, July 22, from 3 to 5 p.m., this session uses games, music and art to help teens interpret stories and get ideas and inspiration. Then, through writing and spoken word, they will develop and share their own stories with the group. Rebecca Maxwell, from Out of the Box Creative Learning, presents this program.

Teen boardgaming night

On Wednesday, July 29, from 6 to 8:30 p.m., give the video games and online/pc games a rest, and break out the boards: Bring a favorite board game (or play ones the library has) and a friend or two. Form a physical gaming network right here at your library.

Mark Curiale

All library events are free unless otherwise noted. The Guilderland Public Library is at 2228 Western Ave.; Guilderland. Call 456-2400, ext. 12 for more information, or visit the library's Web site at www.guilpl.org. E-mail comments about the library or its programs to pio@guilpl.org. Please note that the library is closed on Sundays during July and August.

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Notice of Formation of America 2.0, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/4/09. 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, 194 South Port Rd., Albany, NY 12202. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21251 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of EOS Lending Services, LLC. Fictitious name: EOS Mortgage Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/4/09. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 4/30/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Incomp Services, Inc., One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805-A, Albany, NY 12210-2822. Address to be maintained in FL: 2913 West Grandy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33634. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. Of State, P.O. Box 6327, Tallahassee, FL 32314. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21252 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Cuzco Capital Investment Management, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/1/09. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/19/08. 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. 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-21253 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of SAINT CONCEPTION HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/28/09. 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 the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21254 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of GREEN CHEF HOLISTIC WELLNESS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/1/09. 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 the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21255 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of CARIBBEAN CAPITALS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/1/09. 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 the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21256 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of PROTEUS MANAGEMENT, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/29/09. 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 the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21257 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Nova America Soho, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/29/09. Office location: Albany County. 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. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-21259 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of SUKHA YOGA COLLECTIVE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/3/09. Office location: Albany County. 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. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-21260 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of Shopper Events, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/5/09. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/7/08. 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. DE address of LLC: 615 South DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-21261 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: Gossip Cop Media, LLC. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 24, 2009. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against LLC served upon it to: 111 East 85th Street, Apt. 10A; New York, NY 10028. Purpose: LLC has been formed to engage in any lawful purpose or activity. LD-21262 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: Cop Shop Media, LLC. Ar-

LEGAL NOTICE

Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 24, 2009. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against LLC served upon it to: 111 East 85th Street, Apt. 10A; New York, NY 10028. Purpose: LLC has been formed to engage in any lawful purpose or activity. LD-21263 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of GTE REALTY, LLC, a domestic LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/27/09. Office location: Albany County, amended to read: Nassau County on 04/06/09. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 454 Broadway, Cedarhurst, NY 11516. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. LD-21264 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FUTTERMAN REALTY, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/02/09. 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, c/o Robert Futterman, 521 Fifth Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, New York 10175. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21267 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: HERMIS REALTY ASSOCIATES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/25/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 196-40 45th Drive, Flushing, New York 11358. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21268 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CD HARLEM LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/05/09. 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 Chris DeAngellis, 1330 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 1600, New York, New York 10019. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21269 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: JACKSON FRIDAY CPA, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/05/09. 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, 149-65 256th Street, Rosedale, New York 11422. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Certified Public

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Accountancy. LD-21270 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 34 W. STATE STREET LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/12/09. 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, 993 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, New York 10462. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21271 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: BOULEVARD - BOOKS & CAFE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/04/09. 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 Tattiana Y. Nicolli, 1251 76th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11228. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21272 (July 22, 2009)

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THE CORNER GATEWAY, LLC (the "LLC") filed Articles of Organization with the NY Secretary of State ("SOS") on 04/13/2009. LLC office is in Albany County, NY. SOS was designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SOS shall mail copy of process served to The Corner Gateway, LLC, 2763 New Scotland Road, Voorheesville, NY 12186. The purpose is any lawful act or activity. LD-21273 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Prince Street Mansion, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/03/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21278 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Aandm Realty LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/03/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21279 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of 5416 5th Avenue LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/06/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Regis-

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tered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21280 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Lavanderia Express VI, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/20/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21281 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of AA Acquisitions II LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/28/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21282 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of E Luke Song, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/21/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21283 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of I.B.I. Developers LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/07/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21284 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Jam Branders LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/15/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21285 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Musinart LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/27/09. LLC formed in DE on 05/21/09.

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Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs. Corp., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260 DE address of LLC: 341 Raven Circle, Wyoming, DE 19934. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St, Dover DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21286 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 286 E. 204TH STREET LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/05/09. 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, 264 Morningstar Road, Staten Island, New York 10303-2814. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21290 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MAREH HOLDINGS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/23/09. 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 Mel Lev, 114 East 72nd Street, New York, New York 10021. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21291 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PRES-TIGE PET CONCIERGE, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/28/09. 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, 16 Waverly Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21292 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: GRASS ROOTS I, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/21/09. 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, 16 Waverly Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21293 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: HILLEL REALTY GROUP, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/28/09. 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, 55-43

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Myrtle Avenue, Ridgewood, New York 11385. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21294 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 264 MORNINGSTAR ROAD, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/03/09. 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, 264 Morningstar Road, Staten Island, New York 10303-2814. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21295 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of ALBANY CHIROPRACTIC AND PHYSICAL THERAPY, PLLC, a professional service limited liability company (PLLC). Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/4/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Peter Birzon & Associates, 400 Jericho Tpke., Ste. 100, Jericho, NY 11753, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: practice the profession of chiropractic and physical therapy. LD-21296 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Qualification of RIS Insulation Supply (Boston), LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/12/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/19/08. 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. DE address of LLC: 615 South DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. LD-21297 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). NAME: BBL CONGRESS ST. II LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, March 27, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. LD-21302 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of NYC FORENSICS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/15/09. 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 the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21305 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GAMI INTERNATIONAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/10/09. 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.

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The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21306 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Sudan Reunion LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/15/09. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC c/o Bennett-Robbins Productions LL, 35 West 36th St., 4th Fl., NY, NY 10018. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21307 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1st RIGHT TURN LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/20/09. 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, c/o Cory Ayres, 2323 Newkirk Avenue, #4D, Brooklyn, New York 11226. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21319 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PIPING RIDGE ADVISORS, LLC. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/28/09. The LLC was originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 04/23/09. 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, 7 Combes Drive, Manhasset, New York 11030. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21320 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. NAME: PIPING RIDGE CAPITAL, LP. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/28/09. The LP was originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 04/23/09. 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, 7 Combes Drive, Manhasset, New York 11030. LD-21321 (July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: PIPING RIDGE MANAGEMENT, LLC. Application for Authority was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/28/09. The LLC was originally filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware on 04/23/09. 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, 7 Combes Drive, Manhasset, New York 11030. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21322 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of Tomaly LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY)

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on 06/04/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21323 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Classic New York Realty 2009 LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/04/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21324 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of John Champion Design LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/09/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21325 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Dre's Holding LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/03/08. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21326 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HKM Management, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/10/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21327 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Stereo MC, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/26/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21328 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of 366 Kings HWY LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/22/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21329 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of The Law Office Of Jaclyn S. Coleman, PLLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/04/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: profession of law. LD-21330 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of KBL Wealth Advisors, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/11/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21331 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Reisdorf-Parker Landscape Design LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/29/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21332 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Agent Orange Media, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/26/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21333 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DJ Miss-Saigon, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/26/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent

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upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21334 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Guidance Group Digital, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/12/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21335 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of American Home Debt Modification, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/02/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Attn: Marc Zirogiannis, 1065 Old Country Rd., Ste. 204, Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21336 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of London Investors LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/11/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21337 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Connaught Street Property LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/10/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21338 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MPH Funding LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/16/09. 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., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21339 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of I.J.R. Realty Holding LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/09/08. 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.,

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41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: Allstate Corp. Svcs., 41 State St., Ste. 415, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21340 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Safety Planning Group, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/16/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 3/11/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Avenue of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Address to be maintained in NV: 1000 East Williams St., Carson City, NV 89701. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. Of State, 208 North Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701-4298. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21342 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Berkshire Insight, LLC. Article of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on June 05, 2009. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Post Office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him is C/O United States Corporation Agents, Inc, 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, New York 11228. Purpose of LLC: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Street address of Principal Business location is: 12165 State Route 9W, Suite 280, West Coxsackie, New York 12192 LD-21346 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: COLUMBIA QC EAST MAIN LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 19, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. LD-21348 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Lotus & Phoenix Productions LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/19/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, c/o Raphael Brown, 118 Fort Greene Place, #9, Brooklyn, NY 11217. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21349 (July 22, 2009)

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Notice of Formation of FREEDOM4D L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/12/09. 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 United Corporate Services, Inc., 10 Bank St., Ste. 560, White Plains, NY 10606. Purpose: any lawful activity. LD-21350 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MAISON STREET CREATIVE LLC. Arts. Of Org. was filed

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with SSNY on 6/22/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21351 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JOSEPHINE&LAURENTINA LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/22/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. LD-21352 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Trajan Group, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on 6/19/09. Office location: Albany County. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 595 New Loudon Road, Suite 207, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. LD-21371 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Boomershire Consulting Group, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/17/09. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Maryland (MD) on 3/27/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 3975 Sharp Rd., Glenwood, MD 21738, also the address to be maintained in MD. Arts. of Org. filed with MD Secy. Of State, 301 West Preston St., Baltimore, MD 21201. Purpose: any lawful activities. LD-21372 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MERCHANT CREDIT CARD NETWORK LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/05/09. 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 Aufrechtig & Aufrechtig, P.C., 300 East 42nd Street, Fifth Floor, New York, New York 10017. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21373 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 731 NEW HOPE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/08/09. 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, 406 Avenue F, Brooklyn, New York 11218. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21374 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 59-25 70TH STREET, LLC. Articles

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of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/28/09. 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, 59-25 70th Street, Maspeth, New York 11378. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21375 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 302 KINGSLAND, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/05/09. 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, 35 West 20th Street, New York, New York 10011. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. LD-21376 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

1. The name of the Professional Service Limited Liability Company is Jeffrey Ryan Family Medicine, P.L.L.C. 2. The Articles of Organization were filed April 23, 2008. 3. The office of the Professional Service Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as the agency of the Professional Service Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. 5. The purpose of the Professional Service Limited Liability Company is to engage in any lawful activity for which a Professional Service Limited Liability Company may be formed. LD-21378 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to New York Limited Liability Company Law §206; 390 COLUMBIA LLC publishes the following legal notice: 1. The name of the limited liability company is: 390 COLUMBIA LLC. 2. The articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State on December 3, 2004. 3. The principal offices of 390 COLUMBIA LLC (the "Company") will be located in Albany County, New York. 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her to the Company at 20 Turnberry Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159. 5. No registered agents have been designated for service upon the Company. 6. The Company has not specified a date of dissolution, or any events that will automatically cause the dissolution of the Company. The Company shall be engaged in the operation of a limited liability company, as well as any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York. LD-21379 (July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Jwinjarski LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/28/09. 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

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Records set at Martin meet **Knights announce college signings**

Several records were set at last month's Michele Martin Memorial Track and Field Meet in Delmar. They are:

Boys high jump — Matt Stento (8-year-old division) 3 feet, 8 inches; Ben Tietjen (11) 4 feet, 2 inches

Girls high jump — Grace Smith (12) 4 feet, 2 inches

Girls long jump — Megan Fallon (6) 7 feet, 9 inches

Boys triple jump — Killian Ryan (9) 20 feet, 4 inches; Micah Silverman (10) 20 feet, 2 inches; Ben Tietjen (11) 26 feet, 3 inches

Girls triple jump — Amy Burdick (7) 14 feet, 1 inch; Sarah Rappazzo (9) 19 feet, 4 inches; Natalie Cook (1'0) 18 feet, 7 inches; Austen Crawford (12) 16 feet, 1 inch

Boys shot put — Christian

DeFranco (8) 19 feet, 6 inches

Boys discus — Mike Kennedy (11) 65 feet, 10 inches

Girls discus — Megan Fallon (6) 23 feet, 3 inches; Maggie Remmel (7) 27 feet; Jana Bergere (9) 36 feet, 2 inches

Boys 400-meter dash — Jason Rappazzo (8) 1:28.2

Girls 400-meter dash — Kelly Maney (7) 1:35.5

Boys 800-meter run — Ben Tietjen (11) 3:00.4

Girls 800-meter run — Kelly Maney (7) 3:39.8; Carolyn Seely (9) 3:15.2; Shea Foley (12) 2:50.1

Boys 50-meter hurdles (4 flights) — Ben Tietjen (11) 10.6

The Bethlehem Soccer Club's Knights 1991 team recently announced where its players will compete when they hit the college ranks this fall.

Drew Altieri (Voorheesville): Mount St. Mary's

Jovan Carpino (CBA): St. Lawrence University

Lee Fenner (Voorheesville): Hartwick College

Zach Fane (Lansingburgh): Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Adam Gray (Schalmont): Oswego State

Ryan Kelley (Ballston Spa): Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Jeremy Kselsey (Saratoga Springs): Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Cody Kessler (Bethlehem): United States Merchant Marine Academy

Tommy Klim (Bethlehem): Binghamton

Harrison Lane (Bethlehem): SUNY New Paltz

Joey Miner (Shenendehowa): Siena College

Brett Moore (Ballston Spa): Cazenovia

Kevin Wendth (Bethlehem): Stonehill College

Dutch

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assistant coach Hank Coogan, who filled in as manager for Ryan Horning, who was at a wedding. "I think tonight is just an example about the kind of player he is."

That was one of the last mistakes Thompson made against Albany. The University of Virginia hurler limited the Dutchmen to one more run and four hits over the next four innings to pick up the win.

"Tonight was his first start. He was getting his feet wet," said Zackrison. "He had some early problems, but he battled and did a great job."

Saratoga's offense gave Thompson plenty of run support. After second baseman Sean Allaire's RBI single tied the game at 4 in the second inning, the Phillies battered Albany pitching for five runs on five hits in the top of the third. Allaire and right fielder Adam Dimino had the big hits for Saratoga with back-to-back two-run doubles.

"The offense has been playing well for the last week," said Zackrison. "We've been more patient at the plate, getting better pitch counts and taking better swings."

Gibbs gave Albany fans a reason to cheer in the bottom of the third inning when he belted a solo home run nearly in the same place where his grand slam landed, but that was the last highlight for the Dutchmen. Thompson and three Saratoga relievers shut down Albany's offense the rest of the way.

"They scored all of their runs on two swings, all by the same guy," said Zackrison.

Albany's bullpen also did a good job, as four relievers combined to limit Saratoga to one run on four hits over the final six innings.

"I think our bullpen did a great job of coming in and giving us a chance to come back," said Coogan.

Both Saratoga and Albany face a busy schedule over the final two weeks of the regular season, thanks to several rainouts in June. Albany started a stretch of 12 games in 10 days Tuesday against Saratoga, while the Phillies have to play virtually every day to regain some of the contests they lost.

"With the rainouts, it's been hard to get in a rhythm as a team," said Coogan. "If the weather can cooperate down the stretch, it will give the guys a chance to experience the daily grind of a baseball season again."

Catch The Dutchmen Before It's Too Late

It's a Show Worth Watching.



TUESDAY 7/21 GUYS NIGHT OUT

vs. SARATOGA • 7:00 pm
Guys get in for 1/2 Price Admission and get \$2 Domestic Beer.

THURSDAY 7/23 HOT DOG NIGHT

vs. AMSTERDAM • 7:00 pm
\$1 Hot Dogs at the Concession Stand. Kids Stand on the Field During the National Anthem.

SATURDAY 7/25 Host Family Appreciation Night

vs. WATERTOWN • 7:30 pm
Plus food specials on the grill.

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Thursday 7/23 • \$35. Per Person • 10:00am - 12:00pm

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To reserve a spot, please call Denise @ 518.369.5093 or e-mail Paul at pspush7@aol.com

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until 2:00 p.m., prevailing time, on Monday, August 3, 2009, at the office of the Director of Technology at Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the same office.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Any bids submitted will be binding for 90 days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

Board of Education
JUDITH E. KEHOE
District Clerk

DATE: 7/29/2009

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(July 22, 2009)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION

LEGAL NOTICE

OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: OSBORN CUSTOM WOODWORKS, LLC

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 7/2/09. 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 at its principal business location: 18 Elmwood Street, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: For any lawful purpose

LD-21458

(July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of DecisionQuest Holdings, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/10/09. Office location:

LEGAL NOTICE

Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/8/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: DecisionQuest, Inc., Attn: President, 21545 Hawthorne Blvd., Ste. 310, Torrance, CA 90503, also the address of the principal office. Address to be maintained in DE: 615 South Dupont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste 4., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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(July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bounce Energy NY, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/10/09. Office location:

LEGAL NOTICE

Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/29/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2802 Albany St., Houston, TX 77006. Address of the principal office: 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-21460

(July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 5, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action

LEGAL NOTICE

on the application of Richard Bohl, The Pines @ Normanside, for a Use Variance to allow access to a commercial use in a mixed use zone through a residential zone for the portion of property fronting Delaware Avenue, Delmar (86.05-3-10.1).

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals

NOTE: The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate in the public hearing, should contact the Town Clerks Office at (518) 439-4955 ext. 1183.

LD-21471
(July 22, 2009)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of N302TC LLC, Art. of Org.

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Sports *in the* Spotlight

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Every year, *Spotlight Newspapers* surveys our readers about topics in the Capital District sports scene. This year, we're looking for the greatest moments and teams. There are two ways to submit answers: you can clip the completed form and mail it to *Spotlight Newspapers*, P.O. Box 100, Delmar 12054 or go to www.spotlightnews.com/sports and fill it out on-line. Deadline for entries is Friday, Aug. 21, and poll results will appear Aug. 26 and 27.

1. What is the greatest individual achievement by a Capital District native?
 - A. Jeff Blatnick wins 1984 Olympic gold medal
 - B. Pat Reilly wins five NBA titles as coach
 - C. Dottie Pepper wins two LPGA majors
 - D. Funny Cide wins 2003 Kentucky Derby
 - E. Other _____
 2. What is the greatest moment in Siena men's basketball history?
 - A. Beating Stanford (1989 NCAA Tournament)
 - B. Beating Vanderbilt (2008 NAAs)
 - C. Beating Ohio State in OT (2009 NAAs)
 - D. Other _____
 3. Who is the greatest Siena men's basketball coach?
 - A. Dan Cunha (1941-65, 246-225 record)
 - B. William Krisch (1972-82, 142-111 record)
 - C. Mike Deane (1986-94, 166-77 record)
 - D. Fran McCaffery (2005-present, 58-36 record)
 - E. Other _____
 4. Who is the greatest Siena men's basketball player?
 - A. Billy Harrell (1949-52)
 - B. Marc Brown (1987-91)
 - C. Doremus Bennerman (1990-94)
 - D. Kenny Hasbrouck (2005-09)
 - E. Other _____
 5. Who is the greatest RPI hockey coach?
 - A. Ned Harkness (1949-63, 176-96-7 record)
 - B. Mike Addesa (1979-89, 186-124-9 record)
 - C. Dan Fridgen (1994-2006, 211-193-38 record)
 - D. Other _____
 6. Who is the greatest player in RPI hockey history?
 - A. Frank Chiarelli (1951-55)
 - B. Adam Oates (1982-85)
 - C. John Carter (1982-86)
 - D. Joe Juneau (1987-91)
 - E. Other _____
 7. Which minor league team has a more storied history?
 - A. Adirondack Red Wings
 - B. Albany Firebirds (1990-2000)
 - C. Albany Patroons
 - D. Albany River Rats
 - E. Albany-Colonie Yankees
 - F. Other _____
 8. Who was the greatest athlete to play for a Capital District minor league team?
 - A. Derrick Rowland (Albany Patroons)
 - B. Eddie Brown (Albany Firebirds)
 - C. Geordie Kinnear (Albany River Rats)
 - D. Ralph Kiner (Albany Senators)
 - E. Mariano Rivera (A-C Yankees)
 - F. Other _____
 9. Greatest high school coach _____
 10. Greatest high school athlete _____
- Bonus question: What is the best sports facility to watch a game in (past or present) and why _____**

Dutch stumble at start

Phillies strike early to beat Albany in playoff push

By ROB JONAS jonasr@spotlightnews.com

Another slow start proved to be costly for the Albany Dutchmen.

Saratoga scored three runs in the first inning and five more in the decisive third inning to defeat Albany 10-5 in last Saturday's New York Collegiate Baseball League game at Bleecker Stadium.

The win kept the Phillies (12-18) alive for a berth in the NYCBL playoffs, while the Dutchmen (7-20) fell further off the pace.

"I tell the guys that we're still in this," said Saratoga coach Greg Zackrison. "All of our remaining games are against teams that are battling for third and fourth place [in the East Division]."

Center fielder Jesse Bruinsma started Saratoga's three-run first inning with a one-out RBI double. Bruinsma scored on first baseman Mike Augustine's single, and left fielder Pat Epps scored on an error.

Blake Gibbs got all those runs back and more in the bottom of the first inning. The left fielder came up with the bases loaded and launched a grand slam over the left-center field fence to put Albany ahead 4-3.

"Early in the game, I was just looking for the right pitch," said Gibbs. "Luckily, I got ahead in the count, and [Saratoga pitcher Justin Thompson] threw it where I wanted it."

"He's been very steady in the middle of the lineup," said Albany

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The Bethlehem Tomboys Blaze 12-and-under team is, from left, (front) Carlina Maniccia, Samantha Filkins and Rachel Piccolino; (middle) coach Dave Homsey, Erin O'Donnell and Ashley Houk; and (back) coach Jim Downing, Amanda Halek, LaToyja Edmonds, Sarah Homsey, Nina Van Riper, Emma Downing, Meagan Sullivan, Nikki Ryan and coach Steve Piccolino. Submitted photo

Blaze earn national berth

The Bethlehem Tomboys Blaze 12-and-under softball team fulfilled its primary goal when it qualified for the national American Softball Association Fastpitch Championships by placing second at last month's state tournament in Latham.

The Blaze won their first five games by a combined score of 48-6 to reach the semifinals, where they met the Syracuse Renegades, who won last year's state title in the 11-and-under division. Bethlehem's bats were going at full steam, though, and the Blaze beat the Renegades 11-9 to get to the finals.

In the championship game, the Blaze ran into a red-hot team from Horseheads and lost to earn runner-up status. But because

they reached the finals, they received an automatic berth to this year's national tournament.

"When we formed this team [last October], we felt we had an opportunity to be one of the best teams in the area, but we told the girls they would have to work very hard over the winter and through the spring in order to become the team we thought they could be," said Blaze coach Steve Piccolino.

"We practiced all winter, played in two indoor tournaments against very tough teams and achieved our goal. What better life lesson can be learned?" said Piccolino. "This is something they'll never forget."

The national tournament starts July 29 in Sterling, Va.

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a personal touch with the backing and expertise of a nationwide company.

Barkman and Peterson also both bring something to table themselves that few others can claim.

"Both myself and my colleague, Michelle Peterson, have a Master's of Science Degree for certified financial planning," said Barkman. "You don't really find that too often."

Barkman has been in the financial business for the past 23 years and opened his current Glenmont business in 1993. Barkman held a grand opening for his current location this past May after an immaculate restoration of an 1880 farmhouse planned by his

wife, Debbie. Graduating from the University at Albany before moving on to his master's, Barkman said he didn't think twice about staying in the area to start his business.

"I've been in and out of Glenmont a few times but I love Upstate New York," he said. Barkman said his firm was always guided by its mission of successful planning as evidenced by the companies' mission statement.

"LPL Financial was founded with a pioneering vision — to help entrepreneurial financial advisors establish successful businesses through which they could offer truly independent financial guidance and advice," it states. "Today, LPL Financial is one of the nation's leading diversified financial services companies and the largest independent broker/dealer supporting more than 12,000 financial advisors nationwide."

The financial firm also partners with a broad range of banks and credit unions, as well as broker/dealers at leading financial services companies.

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Barkman can also be reached at either, 767-0470 or gary.barkman@lpl.com.

Three great boutiques under one roof

As the home of Bumble Beads for the past two years, the shop at 620 Loudon Road in Latham has been the go-to spot for fashionistas looking to stretch their style dollars and still score unique treasures. Now, with the addition of Sweetleaf Boutique and Miso Cute, that single address provides one-stop shopping for affordable gifts, accessories and apparel for women and children.

"With the addition of Miso Cute and Sweetleaf Boutique, our location will be able to offer customers so much more," said Bumble Beads owner Karen Macielak. "We have now become a destination spot."

The three businesses held an open house celebration — complete with a bounce house and face painting for kids — Saturday, July 18, to introduce customers to the new business concept.

Randi Vogel, the proprietor of Sweetleaf Boutique, said she strives to carry stylish women's clothing with a modern flair, as well as the most current "obsessions," such as colorful scarves, menswear vests and tailored jackets, as well as dramatic extras, such as funky belts and handbags.

"We always study the fashions and bring in items before they become the trend," said Vogel.

Sweetleaf, online at www.sweetleafboutique.com, is a family-owned business, with the flagship boutique owned and operated on Long Island for the past three years by Vogel's mother and sister. Vogel said the family decided to open a second location in Latham because they felt the area was in need of an affordable, yet trendy place for women to shop.

"At Sweetleaf, each item has a special story behind it," said Vogel. "As we shamelessly admit, we are shoppers first and foremost, and the clothes we stock the shelves with are like our babies."

Kim Wafer, owner of Miso Cute, also considers the items she sells her babies — in fact some of them are real dolls!

Miso Cute is the retail location for Divine Creations Babywear, which has been in business for more than 10 years providing the Capital District and boutiques across the country with infant gifts and apparel, as well as gifts

for mom.

With the move to the Latham location, Miso Cute has added a doll adoption nursery, where children can fill out adoption papers and take home a new friend.

"The excitement on children's faces as they peek through the baby nursery and pick out their favorites to adopt and take home is priceless," said Wafer.

Wafer said Miso Cute also works with other area businesses to stock new goods and customized gift baskets.

"If it's cute we want it here," said Wafer. "That is what Miso Cute is all about."

Both business join Bumble Beads, an upscale bead boutique, under the same roof.

"Our businesses are different, yet we all complement each other very well," said Bumble Beads' Macielak.

Bumble beads, online at www.bumblebeadsstudio.com, carries thousands of beads from all over the world, as well as an extensive array of beading supplies. It is also a boutique that sells beaded accessories for women and children; beaded housewares and some clothing.

"Our philosophy is that customer service and very competitive prices are the most important thing," said Macielak. "Many people come through our doors never having beaded before, and our job is to make them feel as comfortable as possible and leave with a smile on their faces."

Macielak said that in today's economy, Bumble Beads offers a great alternative to an expensive boutique or jewelry store.

"We're not your typical bead store," said Macielak. "You don't have to come just for beads. We have so much more to offer for yourself or when buying gifts."

Bumble Beads offers beading classes, birthday parties, ladies' nights and more. Sweetleaf Boutique is planning to offer ladies' nights in the future, and Miso Cute also hosts birthday parties.

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TUCCI releases 'Hey Sarasota'

After graduating Bethlehem Central High School in 1967, Steven Tucci began his studies pursuing a career in medicine and research. He put his guitar and vocal skills to good use earning his way through B.S., M.S., Ph.D. and M.D. degrees. It was often difficult to ascertain which was hobby and which profession.

In April, 1981, while traveling home from a band gig in Saratoga, the band vehicle was demolished by a drunk driver killing the bassist, attorney Patrick McNamara and seriously injuring Paul Zeh a Bethlehem Central High School graduate and keyboardist/vocalist. Tucci was critically injured resulting in him completing his internship at George Washington University Medical Center utilizing a wheelchair and walker. Multiple surgeries and rehab were required over a several year period. Music was abandoned as the desire to perform and enjoy such was quenched.

Tucci and his family moved to Sarasota Florida during a more favorable climate during his healing process. He established a chain of successful sports and rehab medicine clinics in

Southwest Florida. However, the lack of music left a considerable gap in his life. That void was filled when a group of fellow physicians recruited Tucci to join a band of doctors who provided gratis music for many charitable organizations. Once launched into the music arena, Tucci's passion for such took control. In the early 1990's he bought Telstar Recording Studios recording such clients as the Allman Brothers Band, Gregg Allman Band, Dickey Betts and Great Southern, Government Mule, Marshall Tucker Band, The Outlaws, Nelson and Ferrante and Teicher. In 2002, Tucci was nominated for a Grammy as co-engineer in the best recorded live instrumental category. This was an Allman Brothers Band song "High Falls" on the Peakin at the Beacon cd.

In the mid 1990's Tucci wrote a five-song rock opera relating to the actual events surrounding the motor vehicle accident of 1981. Four of the five songs achieved Billboard Awards.

TUCCI the band also includes Alex Tucci o3

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Pella line available at Crawford Door and Window

By JIM CARRK

The writer is retail sales manager of Crawford Door and Window Co.'s Albany location.

Crawford Door and Window Co., owned by Matthew Malossi, has been part of the Pella Direct Sales Network since 1952. It is a third-generation, family-owned company. They currently employ 60 people including sales, service, delivery, warehouse and management.

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They are a member of the following organizations: Eastern Contractors Association, Capital Region Builders and Remodelers

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Austin's full service salon and spa clinic offers all of the procedures of an upscale beauty salon—shampoos, cuts, styling, color services, texturing, skin treatments, nail services and even massage—but at a fraction of the cost.

"We typically try to set our prices at 50 percent of the industry standard," said Spa Manager Amber Caruso. "You're getting top notch, high end products at half the price you normally would."

The already low prices are supplemented by regular 25 percent discounts for seniors and students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

"The students are performing the service, but they're monitored by instructors at all times," added Caruso.

The school's new location at 855 Central Ave. in Albany means there's not only more room for customers, but more space to train the 272 students currently enrolled at Austin's.

Students can take advantage of a range of curricula to suit their professional goals. A 1,035-hour cosmetology course will prepare students for the state Appearance

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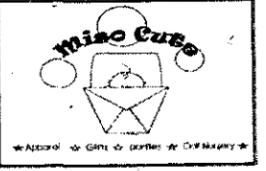
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experience for all involved. At Ingersoll Place Assisted Living, they want everyone involved to know that they're not alone.

"We are a memory care residence and community - we do a whole social history when our residents come in," said Rosalyn Larrabee, marketing

director for Ingersoll Place.

"We talk to their families, their friends - we talk with the resident and that gives us some indication of what the resident may or may not," said Larrabee.

In the Memory Care unit, each resident is offered three meals daily in a setting to meet the distinctive needs of residents with dementia; instead of sitting in a large dining room like many facilities offer, at Ingersoll Place, residents sit in a small area that feels more like a private home with a kitchen in plain site. Each resident has their own "apartment," with features their own bedroom, bathroom and sitting area. Residents may chose to bring their own furniture or Ingersoll Place will provide them with a bedroom set. There is also a secured courtyard with raised planting beds and courtyards where residents can enjoy walking paths, fresh air, the sun and nature.

"A resident can age in place. They can still have a lot of their

dignity, independence and comfort and we basically do it all by cuing and reminding and sharing moments with them," said Larrabee.

For those who are living with Alzheimer's, they may forget to go to the bathroom or whether or not they've eaten. The staff at Ingersoll Place will gently remind patients, or cue them, that it's time to eat, go to the bathroom, get a snack or attend one of the many activities that are planned throughout the day.

"Some may join the choir, some may join the book club. At home they're alone; they can't get out to play pinochle or play cards," said Larrabee.

"Here they meet people. One of the most fascinating things I hear is the conversation - that socialization takes that person who has maybe been sitting at home starting out a window hoping someone is going to call, and here they are talking and enjoying their snacks and whatever we offer them," said

Larrabee.

Other services include sunrooms, sitting areas, 24-hour care, on-site and off-site activities, case management and coordination of outside services, transportation to appointments, social events and outings, as well as linen and laundry services.

"If someone is diagnosed with Alzheimer's it is frightening for that person and their family. But if it happens, they are not alone, there are people out there who can help ease the fear. Education is the key. Learn what you can," said Larrabee.

"When it is time for a safe environment there are places like Ingersoll Place with an extended hand to get your family member, you your family through it all. We are here to keep our residents," said Larrabee.

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First New York is about relationships, not selling

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN
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"I'm not bound by any of that," Dorr said.

Instead, Dorr and others at First New York Federal Credit Union take an unbiased look at what services and products would best suit their clients' needs. Then they walk the customers through their options, never worrying about steering them to one product or another because of what's in it for them.



Don Dorr

It's been that way for decades. First New York Federal Credit Union, which is part of CUNA Brokerage Services, Inc., first opened its doors in the Capital

District in 1934. Today, First New York has seven branch offices, serving over 28,000 members. Dorr works at the Schenectady branch, 1776 Union St.

Financial advising is one of the chief services members enjoy. Dorr and other advisors sit down with customers and help them plan their retirement and investments, looking at such things as 401Ks, annuities and mutual funds.

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Wayne Stritsman, owner of Best Fire Hearth and Patio, said outdoor fire pits, patio sets and pergolas are selling up to 70 percent more than last summer, as people are looking to make renovations to their homes, rather than long trips.

"It's been a booming operation when not much else is booming," he said. "It's like taking a little vacation in your backyard."

He likened it to a "staycation." On a smaller scale, Stritsman used the Major League Baseball All-Star game as an example. At a family member's home, Stritsman had installed a television into a pergola, or open-faced gazebo, with seating and tables for food and drinks. Rather than watching the game out at a restaurant, a relaxing, comfortable and entertainment friendly set-up in a backyard sounded even better.

Servicing a 60-mile radius, and doing on-sight consultation and providing design services, Stritsman said Best Fire Hearth and Patio is the premier location for individualized, customized and personalized products with the right touch and feel for each person's home or backyard.

He offers gas fireplaces, gas fire pits, cooking apparatus, entertainment centers, grills and lighting.

Stritsman said while chain stores offer, "any color you

want as long as its beige or brown," Best Fire offers over 100 different fabrics and colors. The items are customized and made to order.

"Now you don't look like everyone else on the block," Stritsman said.

Many products come from the Telescope Factory, located in Grandville, just east of Glens Falls, a reputable factory in business for more than 100 years, also family owned and operated.

Stritsman said Best Fire is a "one-stop-shop" for all your "goals, needs and objectives. Purchases made at one point can be matched with purchases made later to give backyards a theme and character, and he said he likes to help people plan out entire schemes for their property make it live up to its potential.

"We want to do excellent work that we can be proud of, so you can be proud of your purchase," he said.

He said one customer's immediate need was a table and chair, but he helped plan for a future deck, hot tub, umbrella, fire pit and bar if they ever decided to make those purchases.

Stritsman said that Best Fire Hearth and Patio is a supporter of the community, and sponsors Little League teams, Pop Warner football teams, and local Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

He also to watch out for the end of the season floor sale in August, where deep discounts will be offered with immediate delivery. Best Fire Hearth and Patio can be reached at 869-9600 and is located at 1760 Central Ave. in Colonie.

Brandle Meadows brings resort atmosphere to Altamont

It's not every day you can enjoy inspiring mountain views and compelling nature trails in your own backyard.

Residents of Brandle Meadows can enjoy this, and more, if they decide to live in the active adult community located conveniently only 12 minutes from Crossgates Mall in the Village of Altamont.

This 72-unit luxury condominium complex is comfortably located within a viewing distance of the Helderberg Escarpment. Six-foot wide nature trails that come from the complex lead to small gardens where residents can plant whatever they choose. In the center is a beautiful Victorian-style gazebo and a one-acre pond. On the property is also a putting green and fitness

center.

At least one resident in the apartment must be 55 or older.

The units themselves come in two sizes: a smaller size which has two bedrooms, two bathrooms, a living room and dining room area. The larger unit has all of the above in addition to a den. These units range in size from 1,300 to 1,800 square feet.

All of the units have their own laundry rooms, as well as a garage.

Prices for the units begin at \$209,000 and these are to-own properties, according to Bob Sandberg, manager of Coldwell Banker Prime Properties. There is also a \$147 monthly fee which covers all maintenance, including

lawn care and landscaping.

Residents of the community come together for activities including aerobics courses, women's only evenings, wine and cheese events and more. The total package experience at Brandle Meadows creates a relaxing living situation for all of its residents.

"People are telling me they feel like they're living in a resort," said Jeff Thomas, owner and developer of Brandle Meadows. "It's an empty nester's dream."

Brandle Meadows is located at 236 Brandle Road in Altamont. It is currently at 50 percent capacity.

If you are interested in a unit at Brandle Meadows, contact K. Giles Associates at 861-3300 or visit www.brandlemeadows.com.

Help available for those that can't qualify for a mortgage

Ms. Sonya Prince, marketing director for www.leasewithoption.biz, works with those that cannot now qualify for a mortgage but want their own dream home.

Ms. Prince utilizes the age-old strategy called the "Lease With Option" to help

those that are tired of renting move into homes that they wish to purchase. Sellers benefit from this program as it allows them to move their home off the market, create cash flow and reverse the vacant status of their property. Ms. Prince advises all property owners to check with their insurance company to make certain that their vacant house is covered by their insurance company.

Ms. Prince stresses to would be homeowners that by using the Lease With Option program, they will not need those huge down payments nor do they need those ever increasing dosing costs. Instead, she can work with

almost anyone that has about 4 percent of a home's selling price. This is the least expensive method to home ownership.

She invites all those interested to call for a free evaluation at 433-0922.

The entire program is discussed at length on the Web site, www.leasewithoption.biz.

Potential program participants can even qualify themselves using the Web site.

Ms. Prince has many years in the real estate and marketing businesses, and now, with the financial expertise of fellow employees, she is able to put together a program for almost anyone. I lie secret to this great strategy is that the lease is for 24 months, during which Ms. Prince critiques the tenant's credit situation and gives very thorough evaluation of what needs to be done to qualify for a mortgage. She works with the tenant to attain those goals. All those that

wish to participate must have a reasonably good chance of being approved for a mortgage.

All home sellers should also go to the Web page and click on the "Home Sellers" page. Here they will learn of the many situations where it may be better financially to lease than to sell.

All Realtors should also go to the Web site and learn what can be done to get many houses off the market through the Lease With Option program. Less houses on the market translates to higher retail selling prices and thus higher commissions.

This is the proverbial "win-win" scenario.

Ms. Prince invites all those interested in getting into a home of their own to call her directly on her cell at 533-8666. If busy, call the office of Realty Funding Corp, at 433-0922 and leave a message and Ms. Prince will call back.

Tucci

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and Michael Tucci on percussion, both sons of Doc Tucci. Lauren Mitchell on vocals, Mike Hensley on B3 and piano and James Durrant on bass complete the sextet. The band is currently negotiating a deal with Magnolia Records. TUCCI's music is a bluesy-rock-jam band style featuring solo guitar, harmony guitar and keyboard riffs and leads. The newly released cd is entitled "Hey Sarasota" celebrating the band's hometown. Maybe "Bethlehem Blues" will be the next cd!

CDs may be purchased at cdbaby.com/cd/tuccigroup or hittinthenote.com/tucci. Singles can be downloaded at itunes.com/tuccigroup. To hear sample songs and learn more about TUCCI go to myspace.com/tuccigroup. The band plans shows in the Albany area within the year.

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Simply click on the "Tenants To Homeowners" RED BUTTON above, go to that page and read how the program works. If you like what you read and think the Program may be for you, take the next step of qualifying yourself for the Program. Click on the "Qualifying for the Lease With Option Program" RED BUTTON also above. If you think you will qualify, print off the TWO FORMS at the bottom of the "Tenants To Homeowners" page. Fill them out and fax (518-433-0643) or email (john@leasewithoption.biz) both forms to us. We will contact you immediately to confirm and then begin searching for your dream house.

If you want to Lease With Option a FLORIDA or LAS VEGAS property

Click on the "Florida/Vacation Properties" RED BUTTON above. Read all the information and if interested in leasing with an option a vacation or second home, call us at 518-433-0922. We will contact you immediately.

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If you can dream, you can draw!

By SUSAN MCCARTHY

The author is the executive director and owner of KidzArt in the Capital Region.

Getting children to look forward to school is much like getting them to love broccoli — impossible!

I always remember looking forward to art class and gym. Unfortunately, today most of our children only receive 45 minutes of art education a week, if their lucky. Did you know that young people who participate in the arts for at least three hours on three days each week through one full year are four times more likely to be recognized for academic achievement? Give your child the competitive edge with art enrichment classes.

KidzArt in the Capital Region provides children with art enrichment programs that allow them to explore their inner artistic potential. As parents continually look for ways to help their children succeed in school, KidzArt

offers academic enhancing, art education programs to area kids. "Afterschool Classes, Summer Camps, Workshops and even Birthday Parties are uplifting, inspiring, and help students stand out from the crowd.

"Human creativity is the ultimate economic resource," according to Richard Florida, author of "The Rise of the Creative Class." Our commitment at KidzArt is to provide fun and inspirational confidence-building programs dedicated to guiding children in the journey of self-discovery and the creative process.

KidzArt programs promote creative thinking skills that are essential in today's work environments. They tap the creative potential in everyone by keeping kids positive about themselves, and engaged and confident in their capacity to learn new skills. The non-competitive art instruction classes foster kids' imaginations, reasoning, and communication skills. Additional benefits for

students include improved focus and spatial relation skills, self-confidence, problem solving skills, overall academic improvement and a love of art that goes well beyond the classroom.

KidzArt instructors are certified instructors that teach all classes. These instructors are teaching artists, current or future teachers. All instructors go through comprehensive training on the KidzArt method.

KidzArt also does themed birthday parties where kids can draw, color, sketch and mold. All parties include invitations; selected project and supplies, party specialist and KidzArt t-shirt.

KidzArt classes make students look forward to learning. Enroll your child today. Remember: "If you can dream, you can draw!" KidzArt Summer Camps and Afterschool classes are offered throughout the Capital Region. For information, visit www.kidzartcrny.com or e-mail me at smccarthy@kidzartcrny.com, or call 456-4101.

Lexington Vacuum addresses common customer comments

"My mother had her old vacuum for years."

"This is my third vacuum in 10 years."

"They don't make them like they used to."

Lexington Vacuum has been in the vacuum business for over 60 years and they have been hearing these comments more often in the past 10-12 years. They are industry leaders and stay on top of trends and are knowledgeable to all products on the market.

"Most of the above comments are made by consumers out of frustration with their vacuum's poor quality, poor performance, or poor durability." Mark Garzia, president of Lexington Vacuum says.

"Most of these comments are true. The majority of vacuums that are available at the mass merchants are made much different today than years ago and are much less expensive with much lower life expectancy. Most popularly sold vacuums today need repair or get replaced in 2-3 years."

Well, Lexington Vacuum has the answer to this cycle. They can repair your vacuum old or fairly new offering free estimates and turn around time of 2-3 business

days. If it is time to replace your vacuum, they offer forty different models from six major manufacturers. Garzia says he or his experienced staff will assess your needs and make a couple of recommendations. They will discuss with you upright versus canister and bagged versus bagless and other confusing features.

"When you choose the right vacuum for your needs and price range we don't stop there. Our service staff will take your new vacuum out of the box and assemble it properly and give you a few tips so you get the best use from your new cleaner and you can avoid most minor problems."

Mr. Garzia and his trained staff say they are proud to sell cleaners with: motor guarantees of 10 years, lifetime belt guarantees, easy to push, quiet and all the features you would expect.

Simplicity vacuums, featured this month, are an example of an American made vacuum.

"Our goal is for our customers to be happy with their purchase from us," says Garzia, "and to make comments like 'I should have come here years ago' and 'you guys are the best.'"

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- Clifton Park • Jonesville Firehouse • Sept 1-3 (9:00-3:00)
- Duanesburg • Duanesburg Elementary • Aug 3-7 (8:30-12:00)
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For more information about KidzArt and our camp schedule please visit our website at www.kidzartcrny.com or call Susan at 456-4101!

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If you can dream, you can draw!

First

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a financial strategy to fit those goals.

"I have education and training to help them get to their goal rather than guessing," he said. "Our office does due diligence to find the best products out there."

Dorr's job isn't done once he's

helped a client come up with an investment or retirement plan. In fact, it's just begun.

"After the initial meeting, it's important that we also ask for regular review," he said.

That usually means getting together with customers on at least a regular basis to monitor and review the financial plan that was set up. For instance, in recent months, Dorr has worked with clients whose portfolios were largely made up of high-risk stocks who wanted to scale back the risk factor given the uncertain economy.

Another way First New York reaches out to customers is by holding informational seminars. July seminars include "A clear direction on the road to your retirement" and "Home Buyers Seminar." The home buyers seminar includes a coupon for \$100 off closing costs.

Members are also enjoy great rates on loans and savings accounts and lower fees and service charges.

First New York has earned accolades for the way it caters to customers. CUNA Mutual Group Retirement Plan Services was rated No. 1 in the broad categories of "Recordkeeping/Administration" and "Investment Services" in the 2008 401kExchange survey of 401(k) plan sponsors. It also had the Highest Overall 401(k) Plan Relationship Satisfaction in Boston Research Group's 2008 DCP Plan Sponsor Survey.

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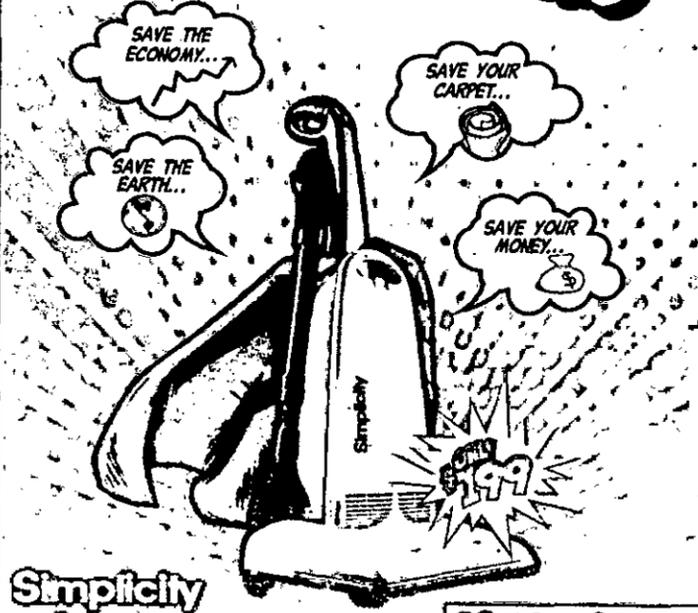
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Evergreen helps everyday life

The cozy aroma of bread baking greets you long before you open the door. On the other side of it, tucked into space in the heart of The Wesley Community, you find Wesley Evergreen Adult Day Services. It is a home away from home for seniors who are partly dependent on others for assistance with tasks of daily living. While these men and women spend weekdays here in the company of the experienced Evergreen staff, their usual caregivers can rest, go to work or fulfill other obligations.

The earliest arrivals drift in shortly after 7:15 a.m., gathering at tables to have a cup of coffee, read the newspaper and ease into the rest of their day. Others arrive throughout the morning, and the program participants break into groups that focus on their various interests.

There are plenty of things to do at Evergreen. Jigsaw puzzles, cards, and games are on hand, as well as supplies for arts and crafts projects. A couple of times a week staff treats the ladies to manicures. Planned group activities, like Bingo, are available for those who are so inclined. Large print books and classic movies are delivered to the program by the local library.

Mabel G., a lady with dancing eyes and an engaging smile, has attended Evergreen for nine years.

"I come Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. It's a lot better than staring at four walls at home," says Mabel. Her favorite part of the day is playing cards with her friends. She also enjoys the visits from the woman who plays the piano and can be found occupying a front row center seat every other Wednesday.

In Evergreen's kitchen, baby

pictures taped to the refrigerator door bring smiles and inspire memories of long-ago children or thoughts of great-grandchildren far away and seldom seen. The lively three- and four-year-olds who attend the nursery school in another of Wesley's spaces come for a visit once a month, and help to satisfy that sometimes infrequently filled space in the elders' lives.

Chair exercises to keep aging joints and muscles strong and flexible take place while the staff sets up for the hot lunch the program provides daily. Entertainment and other planned activities take place in the afternoon.

During the day, clients may make use of the on-site physical, occupational, and speech therapies, blood-draw station, or other Wesley services that are available. This saves time and extra miles in the car for clients and their caregivers.

Preparations are under way for this year's vegetable garden in the program's private outdoor space. The clients and staff look forward to the new kitchen that is planned, one with more cabinets and better appliances for the cooking and baking that are such popular pastimes.

By late afternoon, the program winds down for the day. The last of them leaves Evergreen about 6 p.m.

"It's not the age. It's the attitude." That's what a framed needlework project proclaims from its spot on the wall by the windows. The opportunity to spend time with friends and engage in the active and fulfilling pursuits that Wesley Evergreen offers, gives purpose and meaning to these seniors' everyday lives.

Weight loss pros arrive on the scene

Diet center proud to announce the grand opening of the Latham Diet Center, located at 216 Troy Schenectady Road. The Latham Center is part of Diet Center Worldwide, a nationally recognized leader in weight loss with more than 150 centers nationwide. Diet Center offers clients a complete approach to weight loss which includes 3 weight loss programs that combine the principles of sound nutrition with the motivation of private counseling and support.

Both owners are native to the area. Stephanie Pippo is a Graduate of the Academy of the Holy Names and has a four-year degree from Wheelock College in Boston. Sonya Minassian graduated from Shaker High School and has a four-year degree from UAlbany. In addition to owning the Center, Stephanie Pippo and Sonya Minassian are certified Diet Center Counselors.

For more than 35 years, throughout the United States and Canada, Diet Center has offered a complete approach to weight management. Each of their weight loss programs combines the principles of sound nutrition, the motivation of private counseling and the effects of long term behavior management. Their Exclusively You program emphasizes fresh fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low fat dairy products and lean meats. It's personalized for each individual client and based on healthy eating, behavior management and exercise.

Their Instant Shape Up program is designed as a nutritiously satisfying convenience with no calorie counting or measuring of portion sizes. Clients enjoy great tasting, lower carbohydrate meal replacement drinks and bars that are portion, calorie and nutrition controlled. No matter

which program is selected, Diet Center counselors support their clients every phase of the way through Conditioning, Reducing, Stabilization, Maintenance and Behavioral Management.

Based on clients' schedules, Diet Center Counselors



meet one-on-one with them and show them how to take off extra pounds and inches, keep them off and become more self-assured. They help to determine and set goals, overcome hurdles and keep clients motivated throughout their weight loss program. Clients are encouraged as their dieting becomes easier and more effective.

A key difference at Diet Center is that clients are able to lose weight while still enjoying regular, grocery-store foods. This is because of the tremendous flexibility within all 3 programs. Clients can combine traditional foods with the choice of more than 50 optional products, so they can travel, dine out with friends and still lose weight. They're able to choose from a wide variety of delicious entrees, snacks, salad dressings and more.

With more than 65% of Americans classified as overweight and the recent Surgeon General's call to action to prevent obesity, the need for effective weight loss programs is greater than ever. Diet Center teaches clients how to lose that excess weight and keep it off for good. To find out more about Diet Centers total approach to weight loss and weight management, please stop by at 216 Troy Schenectady Road in Latham, or call 220-9050 for information.

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Your Choice offers basketball lessons

by SARA MALONE

I'm entering my senior year of college where I hold an academic and athletic scholarship; playing Division II basketball. As a business major, I have taken classes on small business development. Combining those classroom lessons with the love of a sport I have played almost my entire life seemed a natural fit as I looked to my summer plans. The idea struck me that I could help young basketball players improve their game through individual lessons

I first approached my father with the idea of hosting lessons, as he has more than 15 years of coaching and sports management experience. I asked my dad and one of his coaching friends, Chuck Hunt, for their assistance.

I have developed a progressive building block program designed for players ages 9 - 15 with skill

sets from beginner through high school. I also studied and contacted some of the best shooting coaches in the country for ideas on teaching individual lesson plans based on individual player interests and needs.

Having taken some private lessons during 8th and 9th grades, I learned that while some trainers knew the game, not all were well organized with lesson plans. Due to my own experience, I decided our training system had to focus entirely on the player. Each player receives a free evaluation. We conduct an interview with the player and parents and ask them to complete a skills survey. After this, workouts are customized and we chart shots and progress during each lesson. Only one to two players are included per lesson in order to give each player maximum attention.

This program gives players an opportunity to train one-on-one on

fundamentals and particular skills that they want to work on — to help make a team, get more playing time, increase their basketball skills or increase their overall confidence on the court.

We train at Our Savior's Lutheran School, with its new and climate controlled gym, perfect with its hoops that can be lowered for younger players. The school is centrally located near Colonie Center. Parents are always invited to stay to watch the workouts. We also developed a one week evening shooting camp as a fundraiser for Our Savior's Lutheran School. The Camp will give boys and girls an opportunity to receive shooting instruction August 17 - 20. It will stress fundamentals, progressive instruction, competitive drills and fun.

Check us out at www.BasketballLessons.net or 462-9433.

At the Warehouse a bevy of goods and services

There's a lot going on At the Warehouse these days.

The 10,000-square foot facility on the corner of Learned and North Ferry streets (behind the Miss Albany Diner) features everything from antiques, jewelry, architectural salvage and arts and crafts to yoga lessons and Tarot readings.

"It's a wide, wide variety of things," said Camille Gibeau, who runs Silver Fox Enterprises and At the Warehouse with her partner, Fred Shapiro.

The eclectic collection of goods and services provided by At the Warehouse helps bring in a wide variety of shoppers, which provides a unique atmosphere that one can't find at the local mall.

"People come here and walk their dogs, or they come because they haven't seen in years," said Gibeau.

And anyone can become a vendor, especially during At the Warehouse's new weekly flea market on Sundays. With prices starting at \$10 per day for a 6-foot wide table inside the warehouse and \$20 per day for a 10-foot-by-10-foot outdoor space, if someone has a product to sell, they can do so economically.

"Fred wanted to establish an incubator space for people to grow their businesses," said Gibeau. "It's a way to start small and learn the ropes

of growing a business."

"There are people who have been here for a couple of years. We do have some turnover, though," said Shapiro. "I've found that the average has been six months."

The flea market has become especially popular since it started in June. Besides regular vendors, people are renting space for the day to sell their own property as they deal with a sagging economy.

"I get calls almost every week from people looking to sell their things," said Gibeau. "I think that due to the economy, people are looking for a place to sell things at a reasonable rate, and I think we provide a place for it."

"We're flexible [in what we allow to be sold], but we don't want to be a junk flea market with goods that are of poor quality," added Shapiro.

And as more people discover At the Warehouse, it's popularity continues to grow through word-of-mouth advertising.

"Every time people come here, they tell five more people about it," said Gibeau.

At the Warehouse is open 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays. For information, call 431-0606.

Cutting Corners: Saving \$ behind the wheel

Ahh, it's finally summer. School has let out, the weather is rounding into form and planning for the ultimate summer vacation continues. Summertime is always associated with the road trip. Whether it's for those long haul vacation trips with the family or a short trip to the Adirondacks, summer is always about the freedom of the road.

As many of you have been practicing over the past year, saving money has been a priority and can happen around every corner. Why not save some money while being on the road? This is where defensive driving comes into play for you and your family.

According to Wikipedia, The standard Safe Practices for Motor Vehicle Operations defines defensive driving as "driving to save lives, time, and money, in spite of the conditions around you

and the actions of others." Simple definition, but an even simpler way to put extra cash into your finances.

Sunmark Federal Credit Union currently is offering an online defensive driving course available for members and non-members. The six-hour course, taken over a period of 30 days, will enable you to take part in a defensive driving program on your terms and can save the participant a 10% insurance discount for three years and removal of up to four points from your license.

"Our program allows members to cut additional costs in their finances while giving them the time to complete the program," said Sunmark Federal Credit Union President and CEO Bruce M. Beaudette. "We understand the importance of saving funds and we also understand that individuals schedules vary. This program offers

both financial savings and schedule flexibility. This is a great win-win situation for the participant."

Completion of this DMV - approved Point and Insurance Reduction Program Defensive Driving Course will also allow Sunmark Federal Credit Union to issue your completion certificate and process automatically the electronic reporting of your successful completion of the course to the DMV.

So, when you're continuing to make plans for the summer or thinking of saving costs that are easy, efficient and earn back cash, think defensive driving. A one-day course can put money in the wallet and give you a sense of safety for you and your family. For additional information on Sunmark's service offerings, visit their web site at www.sunmarkfcu.org or call 866-786-6275.

Austin

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happy to know that the school offers lifetime job placement service. Graduates can come back to the school for help finding employment years after they've graduate, said Caruso.

"We really care about every one of our students," she said. "We care about their growth and development as a person."

The school regularly provides

gift certificates and free events for domestic shelters and YMCAs, participates in the Kidney Walk and provides massage clinics. Austin's is also a participant in the Locks of Love program, and has sent in over 20 pounds of hair.

Those wishing to donate to Locks of Love receive a free cut and styling.

For more information on Austin's Beauty School or Mildred Elley's other programs, visit www.austin.edu or www.mildred-elley.edu. To make an appointment with Austin's or to inquire about enrollment, call 438-7879.

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