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Delmar artists present show

A lot of couples share a love of one simple thing, like music, literature or the outdoors. Stan and Mary Reich of Delmar have both spent much of their lives devoted to art and the aesthetic, but they never took their passions into the public sphere together—until now.

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It's all Greek to us

How much would a weekend in Greece run you? How about \$3 a day? That's what thousands are looking forward to in the St. Sophia's Greek Festival in Albany, where—from May 14 to 16—the culture, food and spirit of Greece will be brought to the Capital District for the 41st time.

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BC offense bedeviled

When Bethlehem couldn't push across any runs in the first two innings of last Friday's Suburban Council South Division softball game, Columbia took advantage.

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Branching out



Students from Academy of the Holy Names donated a day of service all around the Capital District Wednesday, April 28, to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the founding of the school. 237 students and 66 faculty members visited Sunnyside in Troy; The Regional Food Bank in Albany; Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar; Habitat for Humanity (The Siena House) in Albany; Camp Scully in Wynantskill; Catholic Charities Housing Office in Albany; Homeless Action Committee in Albany; and St. Joseph's Provincial House in Latham, donating over 1,400 hours of service. Above: Kate Servizio (in green) and Stoyka Serafini, both sophomores at Holy Names, trim branches along a trail at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar.

Charles Wiff/Spotlight

Town holds off on borrowing

Questions as to procedure, content of loans raised

By CHARLES WIFF
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After roughly two hours of discussion, the Bethlehem Town Board decided more research was needed before approving \$1.8 million in borrowing, much of which was part of the town's 2010 budget.

The Wednesday, April 28, ruling to table the matter for two weeks came after board members expressed trepidation as to the content, timing and process associated with the borrowing. While most of the borrowing was included in the budget, on Friday, April 23, the Comptroller's Office made a request to include an additional \$365,000 of borrowing related to making repairs and renovations to Town Hall.

\$60,000 for Town Hall renovations was included in the 2010 budget.

The roof over the courthouse is leaking and in danger of collapse, said town officials, and the masonry on a portion of the building's parapet needs repair. A significant portion of the bonding request deals with making an expansion to the Human Resources and Comptroller's offices, where two new employees will be working in temporary spaces.

Some board members questioned the necessity of the office work.

"This is a building that, quite frankly, we should be looking at moving out of in the next couple years," Councilman Mark Jordan said. "It seems like an awful lot just to create some office space."

"If you had asked me for money for the roof tonight, I'd have given it to you," said Councilwoman Joann Dawson.

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G'land cheerleaders given a fighting chance

After outpouring of support, district to look into allowing private funding

By RYAN MUNKS
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Guilderland residents packed the high school's large group instruction room at the Tuesday, April 27, meeting of the school board to voice their support for the cheerleading program and freshman sports, two activities cut in the proposed budget. After hearing the concerns, the board eventually asked the district to consider a method by which the eliminated programs can be funded by private donations.

"The elimination of any sports program is unacceptable to us as taxpaying citizens, and voting members of the school district," said Kelly Smith, who spoke in the public comment portion of the meeting. Smith has children on the high school cheerleading squad and the varsity football team.

"What does the school district stand to gain from a sport that costs \$3,700 to run?" said Smith.

Smith said that last year, \$18,000 worth



A number of residents came to the Tuesday, April 27, meeting of the Guilderland Central School Board to voice their support for the cheerleading program and freshman sports, two activities cut in the proposed budget.

Ryan Munks/Spotlight

of entrance fees were collected from the school's sporting events, with at least half attributed to varsity football "Nine thousand dollars in revenue must clearly be enough to support a \$3,700 cheer program that brings so much energy and spirit to every football game," she said.

Chance Page 23

Agenda material released by councilman

Move raises legal, practical questions

By CHARLES WIFF
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The actions of a Bethlehem Town Board member have hastened a discussion at Town Hall of open government and its potential pitfalls.

Councilman Mark Hennessey posted many of the agenda attachments and memos for a Wednesday, April 28, Town Board meeting the previous Sunday on his Web site at www.markhennessey.com, with the files hosted through the Times Union Website's blog section.

While the town makes a posting of the agenda for each Town Board meeting on its own Web site, the actual resolutions and supporting memos are not accessible via that portal. Many such documents are available through the Town Clerk's office under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Law.

Town Attorney James Potter said some elements of staff memos and other materials distributed to the board would not be available under FOIL.

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Police Blotter

Man arrested after early-morning chase through Delmar

Bethlehem police arrested Adam M. Ross, 22, of 345 Kenwood Ave., Apt. 1, Delmar, after he allegedly led police on a high-speed pursuit across Delmar in the early-morning hours of Saturday, April 24.

Police first observed Ross's 2007 Chevrolet Impala traveling eastbound on Fernbank Avenue in excess of the speed limit at 1:25 a.m., according to arrest reports. A license plate check showed the vehicle registered to Ross and a DMV check revealed

Ross had a suspended driver's license, police said.

The officer lost visual contact with the vehicle and went to Ross's listed address with the DMV: 238 Glenmont Road, Glenmont. Police reestablished visual

contact with the vehicle at 1:30 a.m., when it was observed traveling at a high rate of speed westbound on Feura Bush Road passing through a red traffic signal at Murray Drive, police said.

Police attempted to close the distance with the Impala, but lost contact due to the speeds involved, according to arrest reports.

At 2:10 a.m., the vehicle was again observed turning left onto Murray Avenue from Feura Bush Road, then later making a right onto the Delmar Bypass, police said. Police activated emergency lights to stop the vehicle, which immediately increased speed and made a left onto Elsmere Avenue against the traffic signal, police said.

Police pursued the vehicle, which was traveling at high speed "and in disregard for all traffic control devices," police said. A number of turns were made through

the Delmar area, until the chase led to Palmer Avenue, a dead end.

Police observed the Impala parked on the lawn of 17 Palmer Ave. with its headlights off. Ross allegedly made a left turn onto the lawn, driving through some small trees and ending up facing the road.

Police illuminated the vehicle with a spotlight and observed two white male suspects in the car, according to arrest reports. The Impala then accelerated off the lawn and behind the patrol car, which reversed down Palmer Avenue. Police continued to pursue the Impala for several more turns until it crossed the Delmar Bypass, where the chase was broken off.

The vehicle was later spotted at 2:31 a.m. unoccupied in the driveway of 267 Bender Lane with the keys in the ignition, police said. A check of the area did not reveal Ross, and the house's occupant

was not familiar with the car, which was towed.

Police attempted to contact Ross via telephone and left several messages. He responded to the Bethlehem Police Department at 11 p.m. on Saturday.

Ross was charged with three misdemeanors: unlawful fleeing of police in a motor vehicle in the third degree, aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle in the third degree and reckless driving; and the following infractions: failure to obey a police officer, four counts of speeding, five counts of failure to stop for a sign, three counts of failing to keep right and two counts of passing a red light.

Ross was remanded to Albany County jail on \$1,000 bail or \$2,500 bond, and was scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, May 18.

Other arrests

• Guilderland police arrested Ashley E. Buck, 21, of 38 13th St., Troy, on Sunday, April 25 and charged her with aggravated DWI.

According to police, Buck was pulled over after allegedly committing a number of traffic violations on Western Avenue. Police said there was a strong odor of alcohol emanating from Buck. Upon failing subsequent field sobriety tests Buck was arrested for DWI. A chemical test would later reveal a BAC of 0.18, over two times the legal limit.

Buck will be arraigned in Guilderland Town Court on Thursday, May 6.

• Guilderland police arrested Vanessa J. Kovarovic, 35, of Ga427 Northern Pines Road, Gansevort, on Saturday, April 24 and charged her with DWAI.

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V'ville school responding to student suicide

District makes resources available to grieving residents

By RYAN MUNKS
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The Voorheesville Central School District is taking steps to respond to the Tuesday, April 27, death of Jerry Clark, a Clayton A. Bouton High School student, in an apparent suicide.

"He was a great kid, very popular - a sweet natured and gentle soul," said Superintendent Teresa Snyder.

Undersheriff Craig Apple of the Albany County Sheriff's Office confirmed that Clark's death was the result of suicide and that it occurred "at a friend's house" in New Scotland, but the sheriff's office would not release any further details.

"It's just a very sad situation," said Apple.

According to information from the school district, Clark was a Section 2 Division II wrestling champion, who represented the school in the New York State Wrestling Championships on Feb. 28, 2009. He was the first student to represent the school in the state championship since 1986. Clark was also an all-star football defensive back on the school's football team, according to information from the Section II league.

"Our thoughts go out to his family and friends, and we are prepared to assist those - both students and staff - who have been impacted significantly or who have a need to discuss and process this event," said Mark Diefendorf, principal of Clayton A. Bouton High School, in a letter sent home to parents. "The death of a young man is not just a school event, but a community event."

The letter details the steps the school has taken to respond to the crisis, first of which was to contact the school's staff and crisis management

team on the night of the student's death. The crisis management team has put forth a plan that will convert the school's library into a counseling center, staffed by social workers, guidance counselors and psychologists to attend to grieving students. The district has also enlisted the help of the Albany County Department of Children to provide additional support, if needed.

"We've had waves of students coming in. We had several students come in on multiple occasions," said Snyder. "For many students, it's the first time they experienced a loss like this."

Snyder said that Voorheesville has also received "a lot of outpouring" from neighboring districts that have provided additional counselors for the students.

"One of the things you worry about is the weight this puts on the counselors," she said.

The letter also asked parents in the district to communicate with their children about their thoughts and feelings.

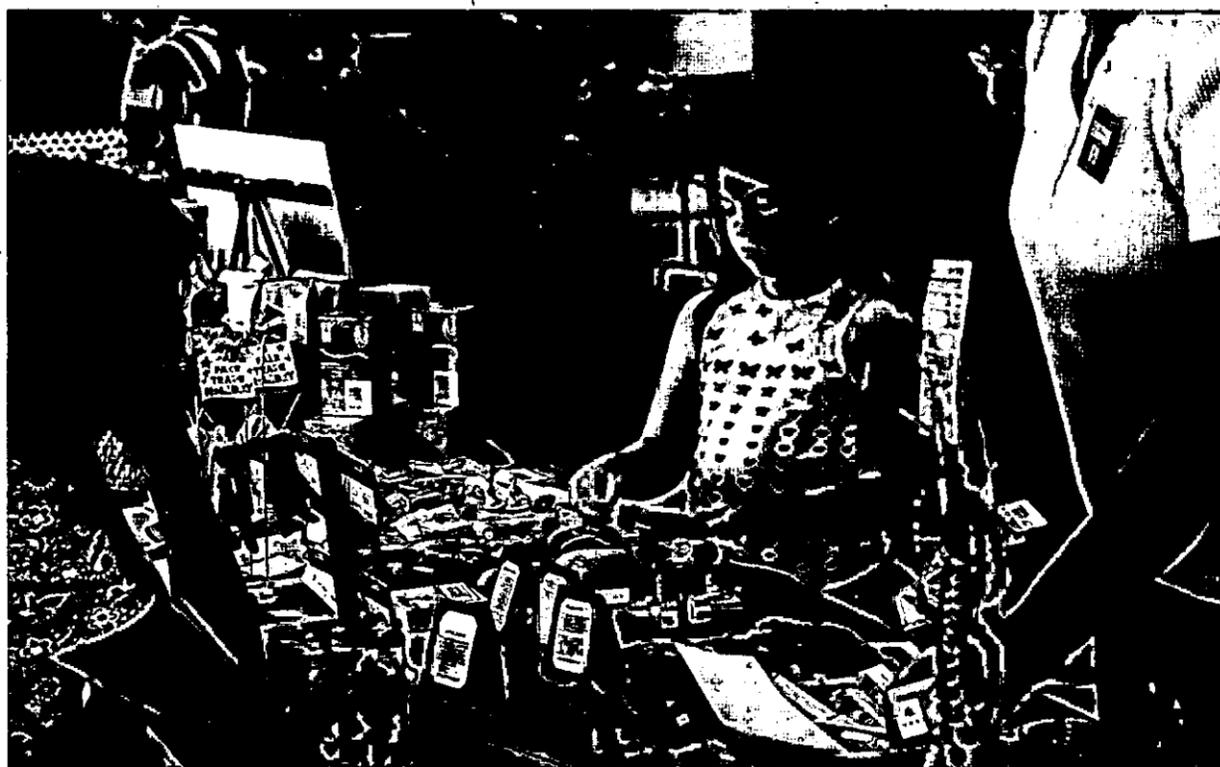
"The major concern is addressing the phenomenon known as suicide contagion," said Diefendorf in the letter. "We have had two other nearby districts experience this contagion, and we would like to do every thing we can to prevent us from experiencing it."

Suicide contagion is defined as a series of suicides prompted by an initial suicide. Schenectady schools weathered one of the area's most recent occurrences of this phenomenon in the 2008-09 school year, when three students took their lives after an initial suicide occurred in the fall.

Diefendorf asked parents to communicate with their children and monitor their child's communications and activities. Snyder said that it is important for students to realize that it is important in times like these to realize that feelings of anger and sadness are normal.

Snyder also said that it is important for the schools and community to come together to cope with the loss. "We need each other, we need to help each other, and our hearts go out to his family," she said.

Sweet on fair trade



The Fair Trade Delmar Campaign celebrated a Fair Trade Chocolate Sunday event Sunday, May 2. Information about fair trade, vendors offering fair trade products and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream were on hand at the Delmar Reformed Church. The campaign also handed out free bars of fair trade chocolate throughout the day for winners of the "Chocolate Challenge" quizzes on fair trade.

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GCSD unveils Web site redesign

Data transfer the most time-consuming part of update

By RYAN MUNKS
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Amy Zurlo, communications specialist for the Guelderland Central School District, spoke to the school board Tuesday, April 27, about the district's media services and new features on the district's Web site, which Zurlo said provide a better line of communication between schools and the community.

The district launched its new Web site in February, however, the idea to update the site was first broached in 2008.

"Our old site had initially launched in January 2001, and by the time fall 2008 had come around, the site was very outdated aesthetically, but more importantly, technologically," said Zurlo.

She said the new Web site includes features that make it more accessible to people with disabilities and

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- Amy Zurlo, communications specialist for GCSD

allows schools to update their school-specific sites regularly. It also allows teachers to build and maintain their own Web sites.

Audrey Hendricks, a BOCES communications specialist, helped transfer data from the old site to the new site.

"[Transferring data] is actually the most time-consuming aspect of a redesign," said Hendricks, who spent two days a week from July until February transferring 1,500 pages of data.

According to Hendricks, the second phase of the project is known as "guided work sessions."

"These are sessions that are designed to give authors [of Web sites] the support they need to create pages in pre-designed templates," said Hendricks.

These sessions take place on a weekly basis,

and currently there are 45 district employees registered to attend the sessions by the end of the school year.

Zurlo said long-term goals for the school's shared media program include increasing staff participation, increasing the use of multimedia [audio and video] on the Web site, adding new publications, and creating regulations for the school's news notifier, a system that informs parents of important events taking place.

One of the concerns brought up by school board members at the April 27 meeting was that few teacher e-mail addresses are available on the Web site.

"I think in the entire list in Farnsworth Middle School, there were maybe a little bit more than a handful [of e-mail addresses], and one of the goals of the communications

committee, is to make it easier for parents to contact teachers," said Board Member Denise Eisele.

"That would take 30 seconds to set up everyone's e-mail address. The hindrance to date is we have only posted e-mail addresses to teachers that have said that's their preferred method of contact," said Zurlo. She said if e-mail is not the preferred method, a parent's e-mail could end up sitting in a mailbox for weeks without being seen.

After the meeting, Zurlo said that, in general, a teacher's e-mail address is their last name followed by the first letter of their first name and "@guelderlandschools.org," with the exception of a few cases where two individuals have the same last name and first initial.

The Shared Web and Media Services program in the district has not been included in next year's budget. The district is currently tasked with maintaining its Web-based communications without the extra two days per week support of a BOCES communication specialist.

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He ain't heavy, he's my brother

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I have a bit of a vindictive streak in me that is owed, in part, to the fact that I have an older brother and am nearly a full foot shorter than he is.

My brother Dan is an imposing person. He is 6-foot-2-inches tall, and as wide as a compact car. His head is completely shaven and most days he sports a rather sinister looking goatee.

In short, if he had some ink on his arms, he'd look like an extra on the show "Sons of Anarchy."

And though he now has the demeanor of a kitten (most people call him Mr. Tibbles), it wasn't always that way. We had some pretty good dust-ups when we were kids, and I can see a lot of my brother and me in my own sons.

My sons, Kevin and Nathan, like my brother and me, have about a six-year gap between them and also fight like cats and dogs. Occasionally, when my 7-year-old, Kevin, is feeling particularly nasty, he will exploit his younger brother the same way Dan did me.

The other day, I was trying my hardest to forget that I had kids, so I sent them outside to play in the backyard. I settled into a book and was checking on them periodically from the

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kitchen window.

After being outside for about 20 minutes, Kevin came barging into the house from the back deck.

"Dad, you've got to see this — we have a new dog!"

Thinking they befriended some frothy-mouthed stray, I bolted outside. I saw nothing but my other son.

"Kevin, what are you talking about? I don't see any new dog."

"Watch," said Kevin. He picked up a small stick from the lawn and threw it about 10 feet.

Nathan, my 2-year-old, got on all fours and scampered to where the stick had fallen. There he lowered his head and, with a fair amount of grass and dirt on his face, came up with the stick in his mouth.

"This is our new doggy, Nathan," Kevin said.

Before I could express my disgust at the whole affair, Nathan dropped the stick at my feet.

"Woof," he said.

My brother used me for similar, dastardly ends when we were growing up, but I can't blame him. If I was anything like I am now, I was probably obnoxious, selfish and rude, and deserving of every Charlie horse, Indian burn, trick and scare he ever gave me. And there were a few doozys.

The Headless Horseman comes to mind.

When I was all of about 5 years old, my brother and I were allowed to stay up late one Halloween and watch "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" — not the Johnny Depp film, but the older TV movie with Jeff Goldblum as Ichabod Crane and Dick Butkus of all people as Brom Bones.

My brother, at the time 12 years old, took the movie in stride. It was made for television, after all, so nothing too gory happened onscreen. I put up a good front, but I was scared headless by the whole thing. The Headless Horseman was frightening enough, but the prospect of him taking your noggin and riding around with it under his arm was just downright sick.

After the movie, I tried to pull myself together as our mother guided us through the nightly ritual of baths, tooth brushing and getting tucked in. My brother took his bath first and

retired to the room we shared. I came in about 10 minutes later, wrapped only in a towel and still dripping from the bath.

Our beds were right next to each other, but I couldn't see my brother.

"Dan?" I called out softly, like something would attack me if I were too loud.

I was right.

The door to our room flew shut and standing behind it was the Headless Horseman!

"BWAAAHH!" he screamed, and I started screaming too. I was frozen with fear, but as soon as I regained the use of my limbs, I dropped my towel and started running like hell.

Bucknaked and not completely dry, I started running up and down the main hallway of our old South Troy colonial screaming that the Horseman was going to steal my head.

My father stepped out of my parents' room. "What the hell is going on here?"

"He's gonna steal my head and ride around and throw it at people and"

"Listen," my father said.

What I heard after my own flubbing died down was the faint sound of laughter coming from my bedroom. When my father and I walked in, my brother was rolling around on the floor, laughing so hard he almost couldn't breathe. His shirt was still pulled over his head.

"See," said my father. "It's just your brother being a jerk. Now get some clothes on and go to bed."

I don't want you to think that my brother is entirely mean. He can be very considerate at times, and I am reminded of a birthday I had one year while I was in the Army and stationed at Fort Riley, Kan.

When mail call came at the end of the day, I was handed a large brown envelope and was surprised to see it was from my brother back in New York.

Mail is a big deal when you're in the military, and when I got back to the barracks a small group surrounded me to watch as I opened my package. When I tore it open, the most godawful smell came out of the envelope. Inside it was a birthday card and a piece of moldy cheese.

Written in the card: "Have some cheese, rat."

These days we get along famously. We live close enough to one another that we can stay in touch and just far enough away that we don't get sick of each other. But as I said, I do have a bit of a vindictive streak, a chip on my shoulder, if you will, and I've been housing for the past six months in the dampest, dirtiest part of my basement something that I think will make up for all of the Headless Horseman gags perpetrated in my lifetime.

It is a lump of Roquefort, wrapped very nicely in some festive birthday paper.

Back 2 Basics
By Matt Zalen

YOU KNOW, YOU SHOULD JUST NOT STUDY. IT'S EASIER, BELIEVE ME

I DON'T GET HOW YOU DO WORK AND LISTEN TO MUSIC AT THE SAME TIME. ISN'T IT DISTRACTING?

PERSONALLY, I'D NEVER BE ABLE TO WORK LIKE THAT. MUSIC BLARING IN MY EARS WHEN I'M TRYING TO CONCENTRATE. I MEAN, WHY DO YOU THINK IT TAKES YOU SO LONG TO FINISH EACH NIGHT?

BECAUSE THE VOLUME DOESN'T GO ANY HIGHER

ARE YOU MAKING IT LOUDER? I'VE TOLD YOU TEN TIMES IN THE PAST HOUR DOING THAT WOULD MAKE YOU DEAF, AND LOOK! I WAS RIGHT!

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Record high/low/year

Day	AVERAGE HIGH 67°	AVERAGE LOW 44°
Wednesday, May 5	91°/1944	29°/1974
Thursday, May 6	89°/1930	29°/1969
Friday, May 7	92°/1930	29°/1874
Saturday, May 8	91°/1936	26°/1956
Sunday, May 9	93°/1979	27°/1956
Monday, May 10	92°/1970	28°/1958
Tuesday, May 11	90°/1911	29°/1966

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION
9.68 inches as of Friday, April 30th
1.72 inches below average

This week in weather

May 9th 1988 - A massive cyclone in the central U.S. produced severe thunderstorms from eastern Texas to the Upper Ohio Valley. A strong (F-3) tornado ripped through Middleboro KY causing more than 22 million dollars of damage.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	5:45am	8:00pm
Thursday	5:43am	8:01pm
Friday	5:42am	8:02pm
Saturday	5:41am	8:03pm
Sunday	5:40am	8:04pm
Monday	5:38am	8:05pm
Tuesday	5:37am	8:06pm

Moon Phases

May 5 Last May 13 New

Planets

Planet	When	Where
Saturn	Evening	High S/SW
Mars	Evening	High SW
Venus	Dusk	Low WNW
Jupiter	Dawn	V Low E

Rivers & Recreation

River Levels

Location	Level
North Creek	3.7
Hodley	3.9
Fort Edward	21.0
Troy	26
Little Falls	16.7
Tribes Hills	6.3
Schenectady	278
Cohoes	212
	223
	110.0

Levels as of April 30, 2010

Legend: STAGE LEVEL FLOOD STAGE

Factoid

On April 24th, 10 were killed and 146 injured in Mississippi by an EF-4 tornado that lasted almost 3 hours as it tracked 149 miles in a swath over a mile wide. 77 tornadoes, 13 total fatalities that day.

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	10:54am, 11:26pm	5:12am, 5:49pm
Thursday	11:47am, -----	6:07am, 6:40pm
Friday	12:22am, 12:42pm	7:03am, 7:31pm
Saturday	1:17am, 1:36pm	7:58am, 8:21pm
Sunday	2:10am, 2:29pm	8:52am, 9:09pm
Monday	3:01am, 3:20pm	9:44am, 9:56pm
Tuesday	3:48am, 4:08pm	10:34am, 10:42pm

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Town gears up for Bike Expo

Event promotes safety for riders of all ages

BY MALLORY BULMAN
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With increasing awareness about the environmental impact of motor transportation, local commuters of all ages have taken to riding their bikes as a clean, green way of getting around the Town of Bethlehem.

In order to make sure that bike riders are doing so safely, the Town of Bethlehem Department of Parks and Recreation, along with several volunteer groups, will hold the bi-annual Bike Expo at Elm Avenue Park on Saturday, May 8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Bike Expo focuses on rider safety, bike maintenance and the many health benefits associated with riding a bicycle. Activities will include skill stations, where bike riders will learn about safe bike operation as well as correct turn signals and traffic safety.

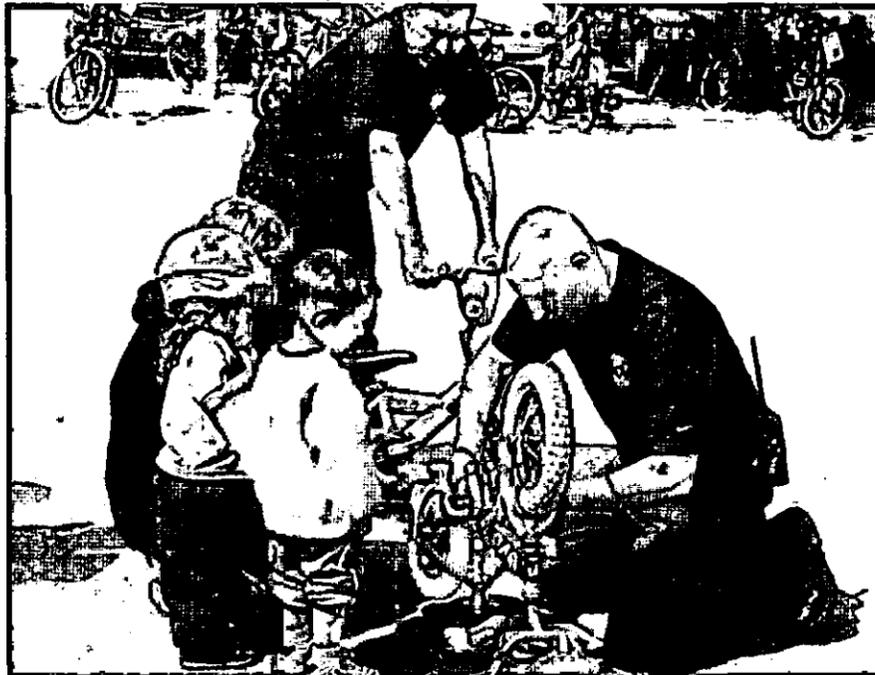
Jason Gallo, assistant administrator at Parks and Recreation, and

organizer of the event, said participants should expect all sorts of activities and information. Organizers of the event are enlisting the help of other community groups to educate about bicycle traffic and safety.

"They're coming out to share what their organizations do but also to promote safety," Gallo said.

One of the organizations helping with the skill stations will be the Friends of the Rail Trail, a committee of the Mohawk-Hudson Land Conservancy, or FORT, an organization dedicated to supporting the 9-mile Albany rail trail project. FORT volunteers will be there to "spread the word about the Albany County rail trail and encourage people to get involved with FORT," according to Dan Rain, co-chair of FORT. The organization will also volunteer with helmet fittings and the bike rodeo.

Kids will have the opportunity to participate in the bike rodeo, a fun, competitive bicycle course where participants will be scored on the safety of their riding. Through participating in the



The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will hold its Bike Expo Saturday, May 8, at Elm Avenue Park.

Submitted photo

rodeo, children will be automatically entered in a bike raffle. The raffle is not the only way attendees can go home with a different bike - the Bethlehem Police Department will be offering unclaimed repossessed bikes for sale at reduced prices.

Bethlehem School District's Healthy Kids Committee will also be at

the event, volunteering with skills stations and passing out information. The Healthy Kids Committee is a group of local volunteers focused on nutrition, exercise and healthy lifestyles for children.

"It's a logical partnership. ... It's good for similar groups to help each other out," said Healthy Kids Committee

Secretary Cindy Ferrari.

Nan Lanahan, Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Administrator, said organizers are expecting "a few hundred" attendees for the event.

"Commuting with non-vehicle traffic is becoming more popular ... and if we want people to ride bikes, we should make sure they do it safely," said Gallo.

Delmar hiker dies in Catskill fall

State police are investigating the death of a Delmar man who died while hiking in the Town of Hunter.

Police say William J. Costello, 53, lost his footing and fell approximately 100 feet to his death while hiking in the "Devil's Kitchen" area of the Catskills, which is located off of Platte Clove Road in the Town of Hunter.

Police are referring to the incident as accidental.

State Police were assisted by N.Y.S. Environmental Conservation Police, N.Y.S. Forest Rangers along with Rope Rescue Teams from the Tannersville Fire Dept., Haines Falls Fire Dept., Palenville Fire Dept., Centerville Cedar-Grove Fire Dept., and Woodstock Fire Dept., all of which assisted in the complex removal of the deceased from the scene.

Police say Costello was "an inexperienced hiker and unfamiliar with the area."

Greene County Coroner Hassan Basagic transported the deceased to Saint Peter's Hospital.

No further details were available.

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Matters of Opinion *in the* Spotlight

Get out and vote

On Tuesday, May 18, residents throughout the communities we serve will have the opportunity to go out and vote for or against the people and budgets that shape our lives and the lives of our children.

Outside of the family unit, no other organization has the immediate influence on our children than our school systems. And these certainly are lean times, for families and for schools. It is our responsibility as a constituent to at least show up and let our voices be heard on how we feel the school's have done handling our money in these trying times.

For our part, we ask that you consider this: If your intention is to vote down a budget because it cuts a certain service or activity you're particularly fond of, remember that item may not survive in the second chance or contingency budgets.

School budget votes and school board elections traditionally have the lowest turnout of any local race. Judging by the calls, e-mails and letters we receive year-round, this cannot be due to complacency. We're willing to bet that more people are willing to complain about their taxes than to actually come out and vote on the budgets that affect them. That's a shame. Your participation, your vote, buys you the right to complain when things aren't to your liking, or to celebrate when they are.

We hear from a number of the school superintendents in our area that a large contingent of voters perennially come out to vote down the budget regardless of its merits. We also hear there are many would-be voters who perennially don't vote and wonder why the budget didn't pass.

Don't be one of them. On Tuesday, May 18, get out and vote.

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Weekly poll

This week's question is:

How will you vote on this year's school budget?

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Last week's poll results:

Question: "Will you change your spending habits to support fair trade?"

- Yes I will. I think people should be paid a fair price for their labor.: 20%
- I'll try, but I'm still going to save where I can.: 40%
- I'm buying the cheapest goods I can and I don't care where they come from.: 20%
- No. Who are we to decide what's a fair wage in another country?: 20%

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Some tools to get you to the polls

Understanding a budget upwards of \$100 million can be a daunting task.

We've taken a few of the basic terms thrown around at budget time and explained them below:

Bond: Money borrowed to pay for a school district expenditure. Typically, the money is used for capital expenditures, such as the purchase of buses or the construction or renovation of a building, although in some cases school districts also issue bonds for other large expenditures such as the repayment of back taxes in a certiorari settlement.

The goal in borrowing is to spread the cost out over a period of years and lessen the cost to taxpayers in any one year.

By definition, a bond is a written promise to pay a specified sum of money, called the face value or principal amount, at a specified date in the future (the maturity date), together with periodic interest at a specified rate.

Budget cap: In the event of a school budget defeat and the adoption of a contingent budget, school districts must cap their spending increase at 120 percent of the Consumer Price index or 4 percent, whichever is lower.

Consumer Price Index (CPI): An index of prices used to measure the change in the cost of basic goods and services in comparison with a fixed base period. Also called cost-of-living index. However, the CPI does not take into account many of the items that cause school district budgets to rise, such as the increasing cost of health insurance, liability insurance and retirement contributions.

Contingency budget: Under state law, school boards can submit a budget to voters a

maximum of two times. If the proposed budget is defeated twice, the board must adopt a contingency budget. The board also has the option of going directly to a contingent budget immediately after the first budget defeat. Under a

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contingent budget, the district may not increase spending by more than 120 percent of the Consumer Price Index or 4 percent, whichever is lower. The items exempt from this cap are tax certiorari and other legal settlements, debt service (mortgage payments), and costs associated with enrollment growth.

Under a contingent budget, the percentage of the budget devoted to administrative costs cannot increase from what it was in the prior year's budget or the last defeated budget, whichever is lower.

Once a contingent budget is established, community residents are no longer allowed to petition boards of education to put additional items up for a separate vote.

Tax base: Assessed value of local real estate that a school district may tax for yearly operational monies.

Tax rate: The amount of tax paid for each \$1,000 of assessed value of property. In districts that cover just one municipality, the tax rate is figured simply by dividing the total assessed property value by 1,000 and then dividing that again into the tax levy (the amount of money to be raised locally). In districts that encompass more than one municipality, the formula for figuring the tax rate is more complicated. It involves assigning a share of the total tax levy to each municipality and applying equalization rates to take into account different assessment practices.

Tax levy: Total sum to be raised by the school district after subtracting out all other revenues including state aid. The tax levy is used to determine the tax rate for property owners in each of the cities, towns or villages that makes up a school district.

That last one is very important, because it's the figure that is the least easily manipulated.

See, a tax rate is a very emotionally charged and

easily manipulated figure, and it is because of this that it is often the figure most touted at the local level. A tax rate that increases more than 4 percent is ghastly, a tax rate that drops (it has been known to happen) is lauded. Unfortunately, neither one of those numbers, by themselves, tell you anything about how much you will pay in taxes, let alone if the amount will be higher or lower than what was paid the year before.

A tax rate depends on two other elements: a property's value, relative to the rest of the property in the community; and the total tax levy required by the taxing entity (your town, city, state or school district).

Property values can, and will, change, particularly in a housing market as volatile as the one we are in now. Because property values change, applying a tax rate to those values without knowing what the overall tax levy is, isn't really a good gauge of whether or not an entity is increasing or decreasing spending. A 4 percent tax rate applied to a home worth \$200,000 this year, for example, would yield twice the amount of actual dollars as the same 4 percent rate applied to that same home assessed at \$100,000 last year. The opposite would hold true if the assessed value of a property were to decrease.

The tax levy, on the other hand, is not as easily manipulated. If a taxing entity says it needs to raise \$1 million through taxes, the tax levy is \$1 million. There isn't much of a way to finesse that number, and its increase or decrease over last year's levy will give you the best indication as to whether you're comfortable with the level of spending by your school district.

There is always talk of decreasing tax rates through the application of federal stimulus money or other such aid. Don't be fooled. That money will have to be paid back, and even though it made your tax rate a little easier to swallow, all it did was to shift your tax burden to a different rate for another time.

Let's close with the words of journalism and political pundit Kevin Fischer, a veteran of print, broadcast and online media:

"If there's nothing else you remember about your property taxes, remember this: It's the tax levy, friend, the tax levy."

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Town should dig up info on Dowerskill cemetery

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I wrote to you recently regarding the proposal by Hershberg and Hershberg on behalf of Gordon Residential for apartments in the Dowerskill area.

I think it's important to note that the cemetery about which I spoke, bordering the property in question, from my research, appears to include one or more gentlemen who were Revolutionary War soldiers. That said, I feel it's even more important that someone from the town, county, or state consider declaring the cemetery

historical and protect it from development up to it's known borders.

Further, the cemetery may house additional people beyond those known to be buried there. These additional people would not have grave stones. Therefore, I feel it important to suggest to the town that the developers should be made to build a significant distance away from the cemetery in anticipation of such issues. Not only does this protect the developers from issues during and with construction, but it's

the right thing to do out of respect for those buried there and their families.

Lastly, officials should consider declaring this site historical on the basis of the age of the cemetery alone, but certainly it meets criteria for being labeled a protected historical site based on the presence of a former Revolutionary war soldier. I urge those in power to investigate this issue further and honor those who served for our nation.

Kim Vining
Bethlehem

Vote in favor of GPL budget

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

As a member of the Board of the Trustees of the Guilderland Public Library and as Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee, I write to personally encourage the voters of Guilderland to vote "yes" on the Library's 2010-2011 budget on May 18.

It is clear that libraries are growing in importance to residents in Guilderland and across the nation. According to studies done both locally by Fact Finders, inc. and nationally by Harris Polling, nationally 68 percent of employed adults reported using their library in 2009, as did 62 percent of unemployed adults and 53 percent of retired adults. In Guilderland, Fact Finders discovered that 80 percent of the Library District's residents had a library card and used it in the past year. Both in Guilderland and nationally, more than 90 percent of members of the community felt that the library improves the quality of their life or provided good to excellent service.

The Guilderland Public Library is a constant source of service in good times and in bad. Whether in its traditional modes of book lending, presenting cultural programs of interest to every segment of the community, or providing reference services and encouraging literacy education, we are always there for every member of the community. The Library has adapted to its new role of aiding people in finding jobs and governmental benefits. Unfortunately, given the state's economic crisis and the complete lack of Albany County or town funding, our Library has to be almost completely self-supporting, either through the property tax levy or grants. We seek out grants as often as possible; during our 2009/2010 budget year, GPL staff obtained \$151,000 of grant support.

While the Library have saved money whenever it could and invested in energy saving projects that reduce long-term costs, it

cannot provide for the growing informational needs of our users without improving and expanding the facility.

It may appear that our facility is able to meet existing and future needs, such is not the case. Programs are often over-crowded, our young people are short-changed for lack of book space and activity areas, and the exploding interest in local history and genealogy is currently unable to be addressed in any meaningful way.

The Board has looked hard at how to ensure the Library's future. In 2007, the Growing for Generations Committee gathered community members from every segment - business, education, culture, government, and private citizens - to determine how the Library will evolve in the next 20 years. Their unanimous conclusion was that expanding at the existing site was the most appropriate way to meet Guilderland's future needs. The board worked with an architect who has extensive public library experience to develop a conceptual plan. Public support for the plan was overwhelming and widespread.

The Board's next preliminary steps are to develop a schematic design, get an accurate construction budget, and obtain a preliminary approval for this work from the New York State Education Department. Despite the fact that doing this will cause a modest increase in the tax levy, the Board voted in favor of adding that expense (\$125,000) to the coming year's budget.

It is my hope that citizens will support the library budget on May 18 and permit us to move forward in these efforts to ensure the future of the Guilderland Public Library.

Robert E. Ganz
Board of Trustees of Guilderland Public Library

Swing into spring at Colonial Acres

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Saturday, May 1, was "Spring Swing Day" at Colonial Acres Golf Course! The day, designed to show the community what a great treasure we have, offered 2 for 1 golf in the morning and a variety of games and contests for kids in the afternoon. Many local organizations and businesses contributed to the day's success. Many thanks to Audubon International for setting up a fabulous display and showing folks what it means to be a "green golfer". Also thanks to CDPHP, Dunkin Donuts (Glenmont Mobil), McDonalds of Glenmont, and

Angela's Pizza for their generous food and prize donations.

Colonial Acres, a Certified Audubon Sanctuary, is open daily at 8 am weather permitting. Season passes and Punch Cards are available to those frequent golfers. For more information go to the Parks and Recreation Dept. of the town website, www.townofbethlehem.org.

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Dutchmen swing into town

College baseball team still in need of local host families

By RYAN MUNKS
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The Albany Dutchmen, a team in the New York Collegiate Baseball League will be returning for a second season in June. The team features 30 handpicked college players who will play out of Bleecker Stadium in Albany.

The league is similar to other summer baseball leagues like the Cape Cod League. According to information from organizers, "the league gives college players who have not yet signed a professional contract the opportunity to develop their skills at a higher level of play, gain experience with wood bats, and be evaluated by scouts."

In total, 41 players who have been drafted by major league teams.

Jason Brinkman, the general manger of the Dutchmen, said that the team made the move from Vermont to Albany last year for a number of reasons, but mostly, because it didn't make

"There is really something for everyone."

— Jason Brinkman,
general manger of the Dutchmen

sense to have an out-of-state team playing in a New York league.

"One of the big draws is the city has been really supportive of us. Mayor [Jerry] Jennings really wanted us to use Bleecker Stadium as our home," said Brinkman.

He said the city has made a number of improvements to the stadium to be more accommodating of the team.

With the 2010 Albany Dutchmen, all of the local players — Justin Brantley and C.J. Sohl from Siena College, Nick Polsinelli from The College of St. Rose, and Kasceim Graham from SUNY Albany — are pitchers.

"It's kind of just ironic the way it worked out," said Brinkman. "We didn't plan it that way."

Denise Polsinelli, mother Nick Polsinelli, one of the local pitchers on this year's team, and the host family coordinator for the team, said the team is currently seeking host

families to house players for the months of June and July. Polsinelli said that the housing a player is always a fulfilling experience for both the player and the host family.

"They kind of become part of the family," said Polsinelli.

She said that most of the families participating benefit from the players being role models for their children.

"If they have baseball-playing kids, it's an opportunity for the kids to receive lessons," said Polsinelli.

She said that the team tries to match players with families whose children play the same position as the player.

"We try to have everyone have two [players] because it's easier, and the players like it," said Polsinelli.

So far, the team has only placed five players. In addition to having positive role models for young children, host families also receive other benefits,

including season tickets to all home games, discounts on concessions and team merchandise, and a thank-you gift basket containing gift certificates, merchandise and coupons to local businesses.

The team plays their first game at Bleecker Stadium on Friday, June 4. Brinkman says that in addition to the game, fans who attend can enjoy concessions provided by Savannah's, a beer garden and live music.

"There is really something for everyone," he said.

Tickets to the games cost \$3 for children, and \$5 for adults. According to Brinkman, ticket prices are low because the goal of the team is not to make money; it is to groom elite collegiate players and give back to the community.

For information about the Albany Dutchmen, visit the team's Web site at Dutchmenbaseball.com. For information about becoming a host family for players, contact Denise Polsinelli at 369-5093 or Jason Brinkman at 210-8383.

Lower speed limit for Quarry Road?

Town: 55 is too fast for stretch in South Bethlehem

By CHARLES WIFF
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Drivers in South Bethlehem take note: you may not be able to drive 55 much longer.

The Town of Bethlehem is considering lowering the speed limit on Old Quarry Road down to 45 mph.

The town's research has found records of 14 crashes in the past three years on the road, seven of which occurred in the past year. Four of those involved deer in the road.

The geography of the area and nature of the road creates blind corners and rises, said Highway Department Foreman Peter Schmidt. The county road is not posted, meaning the legal speed limit is 55 mph.

"Old Quarry Road has always been kind of an issue in the past," said Schmidt.

Also of note is the fact a short stretch of the road is in the Town of New Scotland, and would not be affected by the change.

A public hearing on the change was held Wednesday, April 28. A number of residents of Old Quarry Road said they appreciated the effort to change the speed limit but added it should be lowered even further to 40 or 35 mph.

They cited concerns such as a lack of shoulder space, blind curves and driveways.

"I feel between 35 and 40 is a more prudent speed for that road," said resident

Peter Frueh, who worries about encountering a speeding car when crossing the road for his farming operations.

Some speculated the closing of "Ben's Bridge" over the CSX rail yards in the summer of 2009 has played a role in increasing traffic on Old Quarry.

Members of the Town Board were in general agreement that more information is needed before setting the speed limit.

"It sounds to me like we need a study of the area... we may be dealing with a bigger issue here... we ought to do this correctly and be thorough with it," said Councilwoman Joann Dawson.

Supervisor Sam Messina said he's open to considering an even lower speed limit, but noted town staff had already done a study on the road.

"This is one of those things when I want to do it well," Messina said. "I don't know what further study we're going to do without spending money on it."

Schmidt said figures from Albany County shows that 85 percent of traffic travels the road at 55 mph, and advised against dropping the speed limit below what people are willing to travel because that does not usually act as a deterrent.

"If you dropped it down too low, people are just going to drive faster," he said. "I think you'd find a lot more people tailgating and creating troubles that way."

While the public hearing was closed Wednesday, if the town decides to pursue a lower speed limit another public hearing may have to be scheduled, since it would be a significant change to the proposed law.

IN BRIEF

Historical program on tap

On Wednesday, May 5 the Clarksville Historical Society will sponsor the program "An Early visit to the Indian Ladder Region" presented by Tim Albright. The event consists of a slide show program of the Indian Ladder Region and what a

traveler starting in Albany, might encounter in the early 1900's on his way to the Clarksville and Voorheesville area. The program will begin at 7 p.m. at the Clarksville Community Church, located on Delaware Turnpike, in Clarksville. It is open to the public. For information, contact Joseph Hogan at 756-9670.

Friendship Singers perform

The Friendship Singers' free song-and-dance program, "Stepping Into Spring," will be held Saturday, May 8, at 7:30 p.m., at the Delmar Reformed Church, located at 386 Delaware Ave., in Delmar.

V'ville PTA to host fair

The Voorheesville PTA is hosting its Elementary School Science Fair on Thursday, May 13, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the elementary school gym and lower cafeteria. All students are encouraged to participate and the public is welcome.



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Changes to home business rules sent to town

Neighborhood group says change could have a quality-of-life impact

By RYAN MUNKS
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On Wednesday, April 28, the Guilderland Planning Board approved revisions to the town's zoning law despite the objections of Don Reeb, president of the McKownville Improvement Association, over a provision dealing with the home business approval process.

"The McKownville Improvement Association had long discussions about this proposed change, and would hope that you would not send it forward, and that the Town Board would, in fact, not approve it," said Reeb.

The Town Board is expected to approve the revisions following the public hearing Tuesday, May 4.

The revised law, which incorporated recommendations from the Zoning Review Committee, would allow greater flexibility in permitting mixed-use developments with both commercial and residential dwellings; however, it was the

provision that streamlines the home occupation approval process that concerned Reeb.

Reeb said the density of McKownville, with 3,000 people in one square mile, increases the quality-of-life impact that more home occupations will have on the community.

Under the revisions, a minor home occupation, which by definition cannot be discernable from outside the home, would be a permitted use that will no longer require a special-use permit. The revisions also eliminate the site plan requirement for other home occupations and include a list of prohibited home occupations.

Reeb said that a number of unreported home occupations currently in McKownville have a major effect on neighboring properties.

"There are people in McKownville who now put traffic cones in their driveways because they are rather tired of having UPS and other trucking turning around in their driveways," said Reeb. "This is an annoyance, and it's a quality-of-life issue."

Stephen Feeney, chairman of the planning board, disagreed with Reeb's assessment of the

law's effects. He said that current law governs home occupations through an open-ended definition that gives a lot of discretion to the Zoning Board, and the new law provides clarity.

"The new law, as I see it here, provides much more guidance to those types of uses and what the limitations are," said Feeney.

Feeney said the law could even help reduce congestion in a densely populated community. He said that allowing people to work from home could reduce the number of cars on the road, and provide the opportunity for neighbors to walk to their accountants or hairstylists.

"From my perspective [the proposed law] is more restrictive when there is a likelihood of impact, and less restrictive when there is no likelihood of impact," said Linda Clark, the board's attorney.

Town Planner Jan Weston said the new law would not allow any home occupation that is not allowed under current law. She said the intent is to clarify and streamline the process.

The planning board unanimously approved sending the revisions on

to the Town Board, with the recommendation that the town have the law reconsidered by the Zoning Review Committee due to a procedural oversight by the committee.

Weston said the recommendation was made because when the committee considered the proposed law, they did so with the belief that the town limited regional shopping centers to 1 million square feet. In a 1999 court case in the State Supreme Court in Albany County, the developers of Crossgates successfully argued to have that law overturned.

The board recommendation was made in the case that the Town Board wanted to review the effect that provision will have on the new law. The 1 million square foot limit on regional shopping centers was not in place under the proposed law.

The Town Board will hold a public hearing on the new zoning law at its Tuesday, May 4 meeting, after this article goes to press. For updates visit Spotlightnews.com.

Full text of the law can be accessed on the town's Web site at townofguilderland.org.

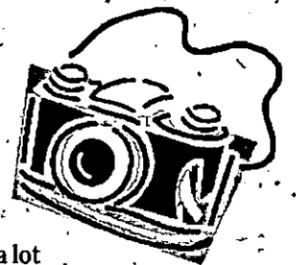
Beginning of a Journey



Members of the Journey United Church of Christ cut the ribbon on their new church on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar Sunday, April 25. The congregation had been meeting at a location on New Scotland Road, but has since outgrown that space.

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SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2010

8:00AM - 2:00 PM

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Bethlehem Town Board talks fair trade

IN BRIEF

Town Hall to host business forum

Bethlehem Supervisor Sam Messina and Chamber of Commerce President Marty DeLaney announced the first "Focus on Business Forum" to be held on May 14th from 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 101, to address issues important to current and new business in Bethlehem.

The meetings will have an open format, but several issues will be a priority, including: the Delaware Avenue Corridor Study; business development for the Glenmont hamlet; Shop Bethlehem initiative; and research on the market place and services needed.

Members of the business community can find out more information about Business Forums through both the Town and Chamber websites at www.townofbethlehem.org and www.bethlehemchamber.com.

Lyme Disease Association to present seminar

The Capital Region Chapter of the Empire State Lyme Disease Association will present an Open Forum Discussion on Lyme Disease Saturday, May 8, from 1-3 p.m. at the Guilderland Public Library located at 2228 Western Ave., in Guilderland.

The forum will be geared to answer questions about Lyme Disease, assist victims to identify physicians who specialize in Lyme treatment, and to provide education pertaining to prevention and management of the disease.

For more information contact bjmeslda@yahoo.com.

Meeting packed with other issues

By CHARLES WIFF
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Members of the Bethlehem Fair Trade Campaign Wednesday, April 28, asked the Town Board to consider issuing a resolution of support for Bethlehem to become a Fair Trade Town.

If issued, the resolution would be the final step towards Bethlehem receiving the designation. Ballston Spa is the only other municipality in New York to attain the title.

Fair trade products come from suppliers who provide living wages and other benefits to third-world workers, farmers and artisans who are in many other cases exploited for their labors. The fair trade certification is regulated by TransFair USA, an independent nonprofit group.

"Fair trade is relevant to anyone who regularly enjoys coffee, tea, chocolate, bananas, cotton clothing and any number of other products that are supported by developing countries," Fair Trade Delmar's Anna McMahon said.

Many businesses in town already offer fair trade goods. Chocolate donated by Peaceful Inspirations and brownies from Java Jazz Cafe were distributed to the board and audience.

While board members expressed general support for fair trade and its ideals, there was some question as to whether a resolution would put any burden on the town or its denizens.

"I'm concerned about what impact this will have on businesses in our community who are not selling fair trade goods," said Councilman Mark Jordan.

McMahon said there would be no restrictions or requirements placed on businesses.

"It wouldn't necessarily have any impact other than the population would become more informed about fair trade," she said.

McMahon said she would see if a note of support indented into the meeting minutes would satisfy the requirements for Bethlehem to become a Fair Trade Town.

Supervisor Sam Messina said the town would do more research and revisit the issue in the near future.

"Towns get asked to pass a lot of resolutions, and we have to make determinations like this all the time," he said.

Public hearings scheduled

The Town Board scheduled a public hearing to be held Wednesday, May 26, on the rezoning of land on which the Blessings Corner condominium development would be built.

The application calls for the construction of 52 condominium units off of Russell Road in North Bethlehem. If the rezone were approved, the project would be sent back to the Planning Board for site plan approval.

The Town Board scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, May 26, on a resolution to increase to the town's

Cold War veteran property tax exemption to the maximum allowed under state law.

The exemption works by lowering the assessed value of ones property. Under the new provisions, the maximum limit would be changed from \$12,000 to \$36,000 for eligible veterans, and from \$36,000 to \$120,000 for disabled veterans.

The changes have already been adopted by Albany County. The exemption can only be applied to county and local taxes, not to school taxes.

Town Assessor Patricia McVee said there are 52 veterans on the town's tax rolls taking advantage of the exemption, with no disabled veterans. The exemption does not affect town revenues, but rather displaces the exempted tax burden to other town residents.

McVee said the average taxpayer pays an extra 23 cents in town tax per year as a result of the exemption, which would increase to an average of 46 cents under the proposed exemption limits.

The change would take effect in the 2011 tax rolls.

Public hearing held on housing development

The Town Board held a public hearing on a rezoning which would allow to move forward the Phillipin Kill Manor housing development proposed off of Fisher Boulevard in Slingerlands.

The project would consist of twin homes, single-family homes

and six larger "estate" homes. The range of housing requires the area to be rezoned under the town's Planned Development District law, which attorney for the developer Peter Lynch said Phillipin Kill conforms to perfectly.

"One of the primary reasons for the PDD is to try to allow some diversity in the housing types, price and style," he said.

The developer is proposing donating a 35-acre stretch of land along the Phillipin Kill to the state, with hopes of it becoming part of the nearby Fiver Rivers Environmental Education Center. An easement from Fisher Boulevard would allow public access to the land.

The town's Planning Department will continue a review of the project, and the Town Board will make a decision on the rezoning at a future meeting. If rezoned, the applicant would return to the Planning Board for site plan approval.

Chief accountant hired

The Town Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Michael Cohen to the position of chief accountant, a new position in town government. He started work the following day.

Comptroller Suzanne Traylor told the board Cohen's assistance was badly needed, especially to provide another set of eyes on town finances.

"We have a \$40 million organization...you have one professional accountant, and that's me," she said. "We need fiscal oversight, we need

additional help."

Cohen is a certified public accountant who most recently worked for Time Warner Cable. His salary will be \$52,147.

The addition of another staff member to the Comptroller/HR office sparked a discussion over the necessity of office renovations to expand this space. (see related story, page 1)

Dam inspections will cost town

The Town Board voted unanimously to retain the services of Clough Harbour Associates to the estimated tune of \$149,500 to complete a new state-mandated dam safety inspection.

The Department of Environmental Conservation requirement must be fulfilled by August 2012. The town owns four dams.

Town Engineer Paul Penman said the water department makes a concerted effort to keep the dams in good shape.

"If we find problems there could be additional work to this. We're hopeful they'll be in compliance," he said.

He also said town staff would be used for the study whenever possible, which could reduce the cost of the inspection. The money will come out of the water fund's operating budget.

Warren Harris of CHA confirmed there are no known grant opportunities for the inspections.

"It's essentially an unfunded mandate," Harris said.



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BC sees five candidates for two seats

By CHARLES WIFF
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Along with an \$88.3 million budget, voters in the Bethlehem Central School District will be selecting two people to sit on the 7-member Board of Education. Five candidates have come forward this year, including one incumbent, with hopes of securing a three-year term.

The Spotlight issued a brief questionnaire to all candidates. Additionally, the public will on Wednesday, May 12, have an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates at a debate hosted by the Albany County League of Women Voters. The debate will begin at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Middle School. Those in attendance may submit written questions to the moderator before the start of the debate.

Chris Bergere

Bio: As a former teacher and Montessori school board member, and current school administrator, I believe that these experiences enable me to assist the school district with difficult decisions. I am a parent of three children in the district - one elementary and two in high school - and am committed to quality educational opportunities for all students at all grade levels. My goal is work collaboratively with the school board and district to assure that Bethlehem's academic excellence remains strong and prepares our students with the 21st century skills that they will need to be successful in an increasingly competitive society and world.

Why are you running for school board?

I am running for school board to serve the Bethlehem school district and community to the best of my abilities. Our district is faced with unparalleled challenges as financial resources diminish while the demand for quality educational programming increases.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish?

If elected it is my hope to support the existing high quality programming Bethlehem offers its students, while encouraging current and future academic excellence and growth - an immense challenge as we prepare our students for success in the 21st century marketplace.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget?

Regarding next year's budget, I think it's extremely important for the community to support the proposed budget. If not, many programs will be compromised and Bethlehem's commitment to excellence will be further compromised beyond the sacrifices already made in preparing next year's budget.

What would you bring to the school board?

I would bring to the school board a perspective that encompasses over twenty years of public educational experience within a variety of educational settings. These experiences enable me to understand the

Spotlight looks at local candidates

The Spotlight recently sent out questionnaires to board of education candidates up for election in the Bethlehem and Guiderland central school districts on May 18.

The candidates were asked to tell readers why they are running for a board seat and what they believed were some of the key issues in their specific districts.

Presented here and continued on pages 12 and 13 are the responses in the candidates' own words.

salient educational issues impacting our district and community's educational decision-making and to provide important input into this process.

Additional comments

School districts are faced with unique challenges to build upon existing excellence. While this is the case, it is my opinion that our community will continue to strive to give our students additional educational opportunities to be successful - now and in the future. It is my hope to be part of this process.

Jennifer Bliss

Bio: My name is Jennifer Bliss. (I also answer to Jeni Quackenbush.) I hold degrees from Michigan State University and Fordham Law School. Through most of the 1990's, I was an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan. I no longer practice law. I have served part time as a public arbitrator for FINRA since 2002. I have volunteered with the Jump Start reading program since 2006. I was BC's district Jump Start coordinator for two years. I have also served as a parent member of BCSD's Committee for Special Education and on the board of the Delmar Track and Field Club.

Why are you running for school board?

This fall my oldest son will begin BCMS, my daughter will be at BCMS and my youngest will be at Slingerlands Elementary. It's an exciting time and school is a central element of our lives right now. I want a part in shaping the next years in their education.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish?

I have no agenda beyond maintaining our current standards throughout this downturn without further burdening the taxpayers. There are no easy answers to this. One thing we need to do is to put more pressure on the state regarding unfunded mandates.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget?

Considering the loss of state aid, I'm impressed that the proposed budget kept the tax increase down to less than 4 percent. However, I am distressed by the loss of teachers.

What would you bring to the school board?

My work experiences as a prosecutor and an arbitrator have relied on my ability to evaluate facts and make difficult decisions. I also bring the perspectives of a literacy volunteer, the special needs community and youth athletics.

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Six vie for four seats in G'land

By RYAN MUNKS
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Six candidates will be vying for four seats on the Guiderland Central School Board. The three candidates with the most votes will be elected to full 3-year terms, while the candidate that comes in fourth place will be elected to a one-year term, to complete the term of deceased member John Dornbush.

Emilio Genzano, who is currently running for the first time, was appointed by the board last year to fill the vacant seat.

Barbara Fraterrigo

Bio: Barbara Fraterrigo and her husband, Philip, are the proud parents of five children, Philip, Michael, David, Lynn and Kerri-Ann. All are Guiderland graduates. Mrs. Fraterrigo is a graduate of Emmanuel College in Boston where she majored in biology and chemistry and minored in secondary education. She has shared her enthusiasm for sports with the youth of our community by managing and coaching baseball, softball and CYO and GBA basketball over a 20-year period. Mrs. Fraterrigo currently serves on the Guiderland Public Library Board and the School Board and is a communicant of Christ the King Church.

Why are you running for school board?

I'm offering to serve another term on the Board because of a true desire to give back to a community that I have called home for thirty-eight years. A good education is the greatest gift that a community can give its children. My children benefited greatly and I'd like to continue our tradition of excellence. I have served on the Board since 1997 and believe that I have demonstrated an ability to serve the needs of our students while being ever mindful of the ability of the taxpayer to foot the bill. I have the ability to listen with an open mind to all sides of an issue before reaching a conclusion.

What skill set do you bring to the board? I have served on the board since 1997 and believe that I have demonstrated an ability to serve the needs of our students while being ever mindful of the ability of the taxpayer to foot the bill. I have the ability to listen with an open mind to all sides of an issue before reaching a conclusion.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish? Working with my fellow Board colleagues, I hope to hire a superintendent that will lead our district to even greater excellence. I will continue to advocate for open lines of communication between the Board and our fellow citizens, teachers, support staff and administrators. In addition, I would continue to stress

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Additional comments

Academics and athletics are not mutually exclusive. My kids are into sports. But we need to rethink how we finance them. If the booster clubs and other groups get involved in how to either cut their own budgets or raise the difference, everyone gets a better result.

Michael Cooper



Michael Cooper

Bio: A resident of Bethlehem for 21 years, I am Director of Publications, Rockefeller Institute of Government, University at Albany. My wife, Laura, is a Special Education teacher. I have two sons: Brian, graduating college in May, and Alex, graduating from BCHS in June. I was actively involved in the Hamagrael PTA and editor of the Middle School and High School newsletters. I have been a Board member with Bethlehem Youth Hockey and Varsity Hockey Boosters (President the last two years). I served the last three years on the Consistory of Delmar Reformed Church, last year as Head Deacon.

Why are you running for school board?

Having been a participant in the budget forums during the last two years, I believe the crisis in funding for education is an ongoing issue that requires active participation by the stakeholders and citizens to ensure that funding cuts do not deny our youth of the education they deserve.

If elected, what do you hope to

accomplish?

I would like to see our Board of Education and District Staff conduct a thorough review of all expenses to identify where we can cut to least impact on the quality of the educational program. This is not an easy task and requires the input and cooperation of multiple stakeholders.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget?

The loss is teaching and staff positions is regrettable and we must ensure that we don't continue to make cuts that reduce the educational experiences of our students. In order to turn out well-rounded citizens, we must retain the ancillary programs when they can be funded.

What would you bring to the school board?

As a board member in other organizations, I pride myself on my ability to work with a range of individuals to find solutions. I prefer to focus on tasks and solutions, and would like to bring these skills to help our district maintain a strong educational program.

Additional comments

The dire fiscal condition of our state requires that school districts increasingly think outside the box to provide a strong education in the face of reduced funding. Bethlehem has long prided itself on its educational excellence. We must all work together to continue this for future generations.

Jonathan Fishbein

Bio: A district resident for almost 20 years, Jonathan Fishbein received a BA in Accounting, with honors, from Fairleigh Dickinson University, and a JD from Benjamin Cardozo Law School. His wife, Paula, has been a speech-pathologist with BCSD for 15 years. They have a daughter in 6th and a son in 9th grade. Mr. Fishbein, an appellate attorney



Jonathan Fishbein

in private practice, has served the NYS Office of Court Administration as a Fee Dispute Arbitrator for 15 years. He is a Certified Mediator, Arbitrator, Secretary of the Mediation Matters Board, and served on the Congregation Beth Emeth Education and Curriculum Review Committees.

Why are you running for school board?

I want to make a difference, to help grow the Board's ability to view issues from different perspectives, and to develop budgets that achieve a balance that includes the needs of taxpayers, seniors on fixed incomes, parents, students, and teachers. My experience can help bring that balance to the Board.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish?

A more proactive School Board, and a more balanced approach to school funding to keep senior citizens and those on fixed incomes in our community. The Board should begin planning budgets 2 to 5 years ahead, and using zero sum budgeting so that every dollar budgeted is justified.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget?

I support the proposed budget, and the Board should be commended for making difficult choices without legislative action on a state budget or expectation as to State finding. However, I remain concerned about some of the academic reductions and their impact on the quality of the education offered.

What would you bring to the school board?

As a certified mediator for almost 20 years, I bring to the Board an ability to seek out win-win solutions to often vexing problems. As an attorney, I have often created solutions for clients by not only thinking outside the box, but by looking at a situation from different perspectives.

Additional comments

Having attended many Board meetings, there were times when it appeared that the Board had received incomplete or inaccurate information. The flow of that information is often controlled by the administration. If elected I will work to make sure that the Board is fully informed before decisions are made.

Diane Giacone-Stever

Diane Giacone Stever was first elected to the Board of Education in May 2007. A lifelong district resident,



Diane Giacone-Stever

she has been a special education teacher for Questar III BOCES for 18 years. She holds a bachelor's degree from SUNYBrookport and a master's degree from The College of St. Rose. Diane and her husband Pat have been local business owners

(Andriano's Pizza) for 12 years. She has served on the Bethlehem Pop Warner Board for the past 11 years. Diane has three children. Sean attends the University at Albany. Katie and Samantha are BCMS students.

Why are you running for school board?

I have loved serving on the board for the last three years. It's been a productive and rewarding experience to be part of the decision making process. It's been a busy challenging term, including the Superintendent search, the opening of Eagle Elementary, and redistricting.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish?

I want to continue to work on creative initiatives that will provide the best educational experiences for our students and to keep them competitive in this changing economy. At the same time I want to continue to explore other revenue producing alternatives rather than tax increases.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget?

This budget reflects our current economic climate. It was a difficult year given state aid reductions. This resulted in tough decisions and difficult budget cuts. The Board worked diligently to develop a budget that maintained student programs at a tax rate the community could support. I think we did that.

What would you bring to the school board?

I bring the experience of a current board member, parent, educator and local business owner to the table. I have the experience and insight required to be an effective and productive member. I listen to all viewpoints, weighing the strengths and weaknesses of individual arguments to make my independent decisions.

Additional comments

During my present term, I've listened to community concerns, weighed options and worked with the other Board members to develop solutions. I will continue to be a committed and dedicated board member. I encourage everyone to review the budget proposal and candidates. Please remember to vote on Tuesday, May 18.

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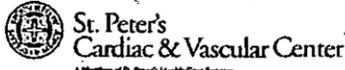
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fiscal responsibility.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget? This was the most difficult budget that I have had to face since I began serving on the Board in 1997. Fiscal realities being what they were, our administration was forced to present substantial cuts in programs and personnel. I do hope our voters will support our proposal.

Additional comments

I have truly enjoyed serving my community as a school board member. If re-elected, my fellow citizens will certainly know that I will exert my best effort to preserve our great programs while watching our expenditures. By all accounts next year will be even more difficult and require the loss of many non-mandated services.

Allan Simpson

Bio: No comment.

Why are you running for school board?



I am running for the board because I feel the board could use a business person's perspective especially during these difficult economic times.

What skill set do you bring to the board?

My skills are 30-plus years of working in finance, accounting and budgeting.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish?

I would like to maintain Guilderland's high quality of education. This will be difficult considering the current and projected economic climate. I feel I can offer a different perspective to the challenges that face us ahead.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget?

I am disappointed with the current budgeted spending plan. I do not agree with deferring the interest payments related to the bonds for six months. The budget should have either been increased to make the payment as scheduled or other expenses should have been looked at to be reduced in order to make the payments as scheduled.

Additional comments

No comment

Emilio Genzano

Bio: I have been a resident of the district for over twenty years and have been an active community member in youth and school activities. My wife and I have three children, Emilio Jr. (2009 Graduate), Joseph (Special Needs) and Maria (Westmere). I am presently employed at Albany Medical center as the assistant Vice President of Engineering and Construction. My



Emilio Genzano

background includes over twenty years of commercial construction experience, construction planning and budget control and reporting. As a father of three children I understand that a good and appropriate education can be attained regardless of the level of ability or disability. I have served on the Guilderland Pop Warner board for ten years and assisted in the formation of the Guilderland Challenger Football Division for children with disabilities.

What motivated you to run for school board? Share my background and experiences in the vision of our district.

What skill set do you bring to the board? The ability to listen with a broad range of community background from youth and school organizations.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish? My hope is to work with the board as a whole so we converse with our diverse backgrounds and come to a unified and complete resolution.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget? The 2010-11 budget is one of transition. We have to remain focused on the results of our decisions in preparation for next year's challenges.

Additional comments

As an appointed member my first six months have been all I could have imagined. Listening to all the different perspectives has given me a unique look at our community. The word "tradition" has many meanings. Our challenge as a board is to exhibit respect for each of the traditions presented to us and foster them into a positive direction for our district. The children are our future and we are obligated to provide them the ability to develop sound decision making skills, respect for themselves and others and becoming good citizens.

Colleen O'Connell

Bio: My name is Colleen O'Connell and I have been a resident of Guilderland for fifteen years. My husband is Joe Scott, a municipal finance attorney. We have three children, Hannah, a senior, Nate, a junior at the high school and Noah, an eighth grader at the middle school. I graduated from Hamilton College and the University of Connecticut School of Law and practiced for 18 years as a civil trial attorney. I have been active in various PTAs, the cross country running and girls lacrosse booster clubs, St. Madeleine Sophie finance council and teaching religion for St. Madeleine Sophie.



Colleen O'Connell

What motivated you to run for school board? After 4 years on Citizens Budget Committee, I wanted to contribute something more to the district and ran in 2004. There is a significant learning curve in this position. I believe with my six years of experience, I can contribute to the district especially with respect to

the new superintendent.

What skill set do you bring to the board? I believe I am an attentive listener whether involving our administration, presenters at public meetings or listening to concerned constituents on the telephone. As a former trial attorney, I believe I am a critical thinker and that I ask fair yet probing questions so as to resolve and explain issues.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish? My first priority would be to help orient our new superintendent and assist in his or her transition to this key position. The more our new superintendent understands our Guilderland culture and expectations, the more successful he or she will be.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget? In unprecedented times, the district put together a budget that kept as much program as possible while keeping the tax rate down. I am proud of how transparent the process is, that the proposed budget was vetted by Citizens Budget and commented on by public comment and hundreds of emails.

Additional comments

I take the BOE commitment very seriously and am proud of my near perfect attendance record over the past six years: attending BOE meetings, liaison PTA schools and two committees I currently chair, audit and superintendent search. If fortunate enough to be reelected, I will continue this level of commitment.

Elijah Sharma



Elijah Sharma

Bio: I attended Westmere Elementary School, Farnsworth Middle School, and graduated from the Guilderland High School Class of 2009. I am currently enrolled at Hudson Valley Community College and am pursuing a degree in

Political Science. I plan to complete my degree at SUNY Albany. Throughout my years in the Guilderland Central School District I was involved in student government and served as vice president of the Guilderland Class of 2009. I believe in the value of athletics and healthy living and worked for years to get my black belt in Tae Kwon Do. I live in Altamont, New York with my parents and my baby sister Grace.

What motivated you to run for school board? People need choices and I offer a real choice. I couldn't just sit by and watch as the board of education destroyed special education, sports, and ignore the people they represent. Guilderland empowered me to succeed and now I want to do the same for our district.

What skill set do you bring to the board? I am a product of the Guilderland education and I know how successful it is. I know how drastic and harmful

the cuts in this budget are and I know they are unnecessary. There is waste in the proposed budget and I will be brave enough to cut the waste and protect the classroom.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish? I will immediately work to make the board more transparent and accountable, and work to begin restoring the cuts to special education and sports. I want to focus on decreasing class sizes in the elementary school, removing waste from the budget, and preserving Guilderland's hard-earned reputation.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget? I support this budget because voting it down would not be in the best interest of the students. However, the board of education put Guilderland voters in an unfair place by presenting them with a mediocre budget that cuts away at special education, sports, and hurts students.

Free response. Take 50 words to say anything you'd like on any topic. The cuts to cheerleading and other sports are offensive to me. I am disgusted that Barbara Fraterrigo's motion to restore these valuable programs was voted down by the three incumbents running for reelection. Obviously they have forgotten the priorities of this district. I commend Barbara Fraterrigo and Julie Cuneo for their bravery and dedication to the community.

Gloria Towle-Hilt



Gloria Towle-Hilt

Bio: Born and raised in Brooklyn, NY I came upstate to attend the UAlbany from which I graduated with a BA and MA in Secondary Social Studies Education. After a summer studying in West Africa, I began my teaching career at Farnsworth Middle School in Guilderland. My husband and I were granted a leave Central Africa from 1976-78. We have two children, both of whom graduated from Guilderland. After 37 years, I retired from the Guilderland District in 2007 and ran for the Board of Education. I work part time as a Supervisor of Student Teachers for the College of St. Rose. I have a number of volunteer activities. I run a soup kitchen in the south end of Albany. I am an active member of my church, St. Madeleine Sophie, as Chair of the Pastoral Council and Christian Service Committee, lector, and Eucharistic minister. I also serve as a member of the Executive Board for the Capital District Council for the Social Studies.

What motivated you to run for school board? I had the honor of working as a seventh grade social studies teacher in at the middle school in Guilderland for 37 years. When I made the decision to retire, I also thought that serving on the Board of Education would give me

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Check in on the Bethlehem Library budget, candidates

On Tuesday May 18, Bethlehem residents will vote on the 2010-11 library budget, and also cast their ballots for candidates to fill two 5-year terms on the library board.

Three candidates are running this year; introductions follow in ballot-box order. Complete profiles can be found online at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org and at the information desk.

Jeremy Martelle

A nine-year resident of the town, Jeremy Martelle works for the Louis Berger Group, an engineering planning firm in Albany. An active-duty Air Force veteran, he is a member of the Schenectady Air National Guard.

He has held numerous aviation-related posts and also serves on the board of directors for School's Out, Inc.

As a library trustee, he hopes to lend a different perspective on how the library can reduce



Jeremy Martelle

operating costs while maintaining current services:

"As many public programs are facing serious budget cuts, it is imperative to define the role of the library within the community. My vision would be to continue the library's

commendable record of service to the Bethlehem community, while striving to improve service quality and...reduce the cost of operations."

John McCarthy

A thirty-year Bethlehem resident, John McCarthy is a policy analyst and social demographer for the New York State Assembly.

He is also co-chair of the Emerging Technology Committee for the New York State Forum for Information Resource Management, and has volunteered with his children's Scouts and sports teams.

As a library trustee, he would like to work toward increasing the diversity of the library's patronage. He believes that a public library best serves its community as its intellectual and cultural heart:

"Libraries are repositories not just of information, but also of wisdom, culture and community. I would like to see

the library become a place where a family can spend the whole day, meeting not just intellectual, but also cultural, social and business needs in the community."

Mitchell Goldstein



Mitchell Goldstein

A twenty-year resident of Bethlehem, Mr. Goldstein is a real estate entrepreneur and real estate coach.

His community service and professional associations include Kiwanis, the Chamber of Commerce Home-Based Business Committee, the Empire State Real Estate Association and United Taxpayers.

As a library trustee, his goal is to maintain the quality of library services, while "making sure that monies are spent in the most effective manner possible...where taxpayers feel they are getting a value that greatly exceeds the cost."

He would like to explore donations and volunteers as sources of savings.

Budget review and vote

Residents have an opportunity to attend a review of the proposed 2010-11 library budget next Monday May 10 at 6pm, meeting the regular library board meeting. The budget and trustee vote will be held Tuesday May 18, 7am-9pm at Bethlehem Central High School.

Library to host travel writing workshop Budget vote approaches

Poet/publisher/traveler Michael Czarnecki will present a travel writing workshop at the Voorheesville Public Library on Saturday, May 15 from noon-3 p.m. In order to give everyone a varied overview, participants are invited to share a piece of travel writing, poetry or prose that they like written by another writer. The rest of the

workshop will focus specifically on haibun, a Japanese form of writing that combines condensed prose and haiku. Writers discuss the genre and work on writing a haibun of their own.

Czarnecki will be stopping here on the third day of his second cross country journey. He will be traveling for 28 days on America's longest road, US Route



20, from Boston to Newport, Oregon.

He has been writing poetry for 43 years and has operated FootHills Publishing for 25 years. When not traveling the poetic road, he lives with his family in the far northwestern corner of the upper Susquehanna Watershed in New York State.

He is the author of numerous poetry books and one book of haibun, "Twenty Days on Route 20," about a cross-country journey on US 20 taken in 1996. Information about the journey, including almost daily updates of photos and stories while the journey is in progress, can be found at www.foothillspublishing.com/us20.

This free workshop is sponsored by the Voorheesville Public Library and Rootdrinker Institute. There is no sign-up.

Family Evening Storytime with Miss Amy meets on Tuesday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. for "Ahoy, Mateys, I See Pirates!" Bring on the eye patch, the parrots, the fun!

The program is for pre-school through Grade 2 and registration is requested. No sign-up is required for regular storytimes which meet on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:15 a.m.

Upcoming events

Lifelines prose writers will meet at 6:30 p.m. on May 10 (postponed from May 3).

The adult non-fiction discussion meets at 7 p.m. on May 10 to discuss Waking Giant by David S. Reynolds.

Thursday Poets meet on May 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Visit the VPL website at www.voorheesvillelibrary.org

RCS Library

I'd rather have roses on my table than diamonds on my neck.

- Emma Goldman

Library Budget

You will receive the 2010 Library Newsletter in your mail this week. It contains our proposed budget for 2010-2011, along with projected tax rates, Trustee information, the 2010 Summer Calendar, and news about recent Library programs. The masthead introduces our new look, which we hope you will enjoy!

The public Budget Hearing will take place at the RCS High School on Monday, May 10, at 6:30 p.m. Voting is from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, at the High School.

Latin Jazz Quartet

The final Acoustic Doorways concert brings Latin music and dancing to the Congregational Christian Church on Friday, May 14th, at 7:30 pm. The Latin Jazz Quartet features pianist/vocalist Dave Gleason from Sensemaya, Bob Halék on drum set, and Eric Walentowicz on saxophone and flute, joining local percussionist Brian Melick. Special guest Herschel Allen and his partner will demonstrate Latin dance styles.

Single-event tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and children. Come in to the Library or call to reserve tickets at 756-2053. They also will be sold at the

door.

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We thank our major local business sponsors, the National Bank of Coxsack, State Telephone Company, The Bank of Greene County, and LaFarge North America, and the Art\$Grant program funded by The Arts Center of the Capital Region through the New York Council on the Arts.

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We plan to apply for Art\$Grant funds for a third season. New local sponsors are welcome.

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"Sing Into Spring" with two upcoming concert events

Join us this weekend for the ever popular Friendship Singers Concert, "Swinging into Spring" on Saturday, May 8 at 7:30 pm at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. Delmar. The concert is free. Voluntary donation will be collected to benefit the Capital District Community Gardens Veggie Mobile. We will begin the evening with a light supper at Panera Bread in Glenmont, cost on your own. Transportation will leave Town Hall at 5:30 pm. Suggested van donation: \$3.

The Mendelssohn Club and "Hair of the Dog" will present "Greetings to



Town of Bethlehem

Spring" a spring concert at Chancellor's Hall-NYS Education Building, on Friday, May 14 at 8:00 PM. The cost is \$18. Make checks payable to Town of Bethlehem. Bethlehem Senior Transportation will leave Town Hall at 6:00 PM. Suggested van donation: \$5.

Call 439-4955, ext 1176 for transportation to the above programs.

Home pick up is available on pre-arranged basis.

Program Highlights

Saturday, May 8th

• Friendship Singers Concert, "Swinging into Spring" See details above

Sunday, May 9th

• Happy Mother's Day!!!

Tuesday, May 11th

• Seniors in Motion A low level fun aerobic exercise class to music. Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9-10 a.m. No registration is necessary.

\$3 fee per class.

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

Wednesday, May 12th

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Thursday, May 13th

• Senior grocery shopping for residents of

Glenmont, Selkirk, and South Bethlehem. For reservations, call 439-5770.

• Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar at noon. All seniors are welcome. Bring a sandwich and join others for lunch if you wish.

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\$3 fee per class.

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

• "Greetings to Spring" The Mendelssohn Club and Hair of the Dog.

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

Wilma DeLucco
Bethlehem Senior
Projects, Inc.
Board Member

Trip to Mac-Haydn Theatre scheduled

Thursday, May 27, "Annie Get Your Gun" at the Mac-Haydn Theatre, with a buffet lunch first at The White Stone Cafe. Lunch, Show, and Bus: \$54. The bus will leave the 20 Mall Parking Garage at 11 a.m. and return at approx. 5:30 p.m. Checks Payable to Town of Guilderland.

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1. Food Stamp Applications
2. Blood Pressure Readings
3. Legal Advice by Appointment Only (call senior office) Senior Citizens Only
4. Medicaid Applications

Monday, May 10

Scheduled Shopping
9:00 Aerobics

10:30 Strong Bones +

10:30 Sr. Fitness
12:00 RSVP Luncheon @ Marriott Inn
1:30 Strong Bones +

Tuesday, May 11

9:00 Strong Bones +

11:30 Luncheon: Chicken a la king or Cold Plate

12:30 Bingo/Games/Billiards

Wednesday, May 12

Scheduled Shopping
9:00 Line Dancing

10:30 Strong Bones +

10:30 Bridge

11:45 Sr. Fitness

1:00 Needlecraft

1:30 Strong Bones +

Thursday, May 13

Scheduled Shopping
9:00 Strong Bones

10:00 Art & Culture Trip to Clark Art Institute

1:00 Pinochle/Mahjongg

Friday, May 14

Scheduled Shopping
10:00 Painting

1:00 Quilting

IN BRIEF

QUILT to meet

Q.U.I.L.T. Inc. will meet on Friday, May 14 at Delmar Reformed Church, located at 386 Delaware Ave in Delmar. The meeting starts at 9:45 a.m. and there will be a \$5 visitor donation. A lecture entitled "How to Host a Successful Round Robin" will be presented by Kate Mitchell. For information, call 439-1194 or visit the website at www.quiltinc.org.

Composting how-to

A how-to program on composting with worms will be conducted at the NYSDEC Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, located at 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar on Saturday, May 22 at 2 p.m.

During this indoor/outdoor study, Center naturalists will present an interactive exploration of the Center's worm bin and lead a tour of the wildlife garden to

demonstrate the benefits of composting.

Participants will learn how to start and maintain their own worm composting bin at home. This program is open to the public free of charge. Call 475-0291 for more information.

Arboretum to host art events

The Pine Hollow Arboretum will host its Pein Air (Open Air) events on June 5th and June 11; July 17 and July 18. Artists are invited to come and create, with inspiration from nature.

Artists are then encouraged to bring their creations to the Arboretum on July 17 between 10 a.m. and noon for display. The artists will be awarded with a "People's Choice" award on July 18th at a 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. reception. For information, call Virginia Acquario at 439-7132.

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Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight



IN BRIEF

Mercato's hosts Chamber mixer

The Bethlehem Chamber Mixer hosted by Mercato's Restaurant and sponsored by Berkshire Bank will take place Tuesday, May 18 from 5-7pm. Attendees will be served dinner and get an opportunity to meet other local business people. To RSVP, e-mail liz@bethlehemchamber.com.

Restaurant Week set for mid-May

Bethlehem Restaurant Week will take place May 17 - May 21, and will showcase restaurants voted the Best of Bethlehem. 17 area restaurants have signed up to offer \$20.10 specials. Call the Bethlehem Chamber at 439-0512 for information.

BPL screens water film

On Thursday, May 13, from 6:45-8:45 p.m., the Bethlehem Public Library will screen "Blue Gold: World Water Wars." The film explores control of water as a potential source of future wars. A discussion will follow. For information, call 466-1192. The event is sponsored by Bethlehem

Neighbors for Peace.

Old Songs to present Scottish folk quartet

Old Songs will present a concert by the Scottish folk quartet Malinky on Saturday, May 15 at 27 South Main Street in Voorheesville. Malinky formed in Edinburgh in the late '90s, and has since become one of the most accomplished Scottish folk bands. The concert will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and can be reserved by phone at 765-2815 or online at www.oldsongsorg.

Conservancy group leads hike

The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy will host a hike on Thursday, May 13, at Indian Ladder Farms located at 342 Altamont Road in Altamont. The route will feature farmland nature trails with views of the Helderberg mountains. After hiking around the orchard trails, lunch will be served at Yellow Rock Café on the farm's grounds. The group will meet at 10 a.m. at the Slingerlands Community Methodist Church, located at 1499 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands and carpool to Indian Ladder Farms.

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Friday Night: 8 PM "Tribute to Rock and Roll History" where talented tribute artists will perform as Elvis and other Rock and Roll legends including Tom Jones, James Brown, Rod Stewart, Buddy Holly and Roy Orbison. See last year's Elvis Festival winner Matt Joyce and all the performers in this Las Vegas-style show backed up by the Change of Habit Tribute Band.

Friday Late Night: Join us after "Tribute to Rock and Roll History" at the Boardwalk Restaurant in Lake George for entertainment late into the evening.

Saturday Morning: 9 AM The Elvis Classic Car Parade rolls through Lake George Village from the Lake George High School to the Lake George Forum. Tune into 98.5 WCKM for an Elvis music block.

Saturday: 10 AM - 6:30 PM The Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest Preliminary continues at the Lake George Forum. Also visit restaurants and bars throughout Lake George for our Elvis Around Town event including Elvis Aboard the Lake George Steamboat Company's Minne-Ha-Ha and Dinner with Elvis at the Shoreline Restaurant.

Saturday Night: 8 PM "Elvis is Back" starring internationally renowned Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Shawn Klush with Jim Baron. Shawn and Jim will take you on a journey through Elvis' music career from his gospel roots to the peak of his fame. Backed up by the Change of Habit Tribute band this Las Vegas-style show will thrill the Elvis fan in all of us.

Saturday Late Night: Following "Elvis is Back" join us at King Neptune's Pub for entertainment into the late hours of the evening.

Sunday Morning: 9:30 AM Join us for the new Elvis Gospel Music Competition and see who wins the 2010 LakeGeorge.com Elvis Festival Gospel Music Trophy.

Sunday: 1 PM The Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest concludes with the final round of competition and the crowning of our 2010 LakeGeorge.com Elvis Festival Champion.

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Longtime Delmar artists present joint show

Couple's art quilts and sculptures to share the same space at Broadway Art Center

By CHARLES WIFF
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A lot of couples come together over their love of one simple thing, like music, literature or the outdoors. Stan and Mary Reich of Delmar have both spent much of their lives devoted to art and the aesthetic, but they never took their passions into the public sphere together — until now.

While the two often retire to their respective home studios to create art — Mary upstairs to sew artistic quilts, Stan to the basement to sculpt — this May, their works will be on display together in downtown Albany for their first full-fledged joint exhibition.

The show "Art Quilts and Sculptures" will feature about 25 works from the couple, who will celebrate their 60th anniversary this summer. Despite both having artistic inclinations, it wasn't until recently they decided to bring the two elements together appreciating each other's work in their own home.

"She has one art quilt hanging on the wall right behind a sculpture ... and the two of them blended so beautifully," said Stan Reich. "I think that's what inspired us to do the show."

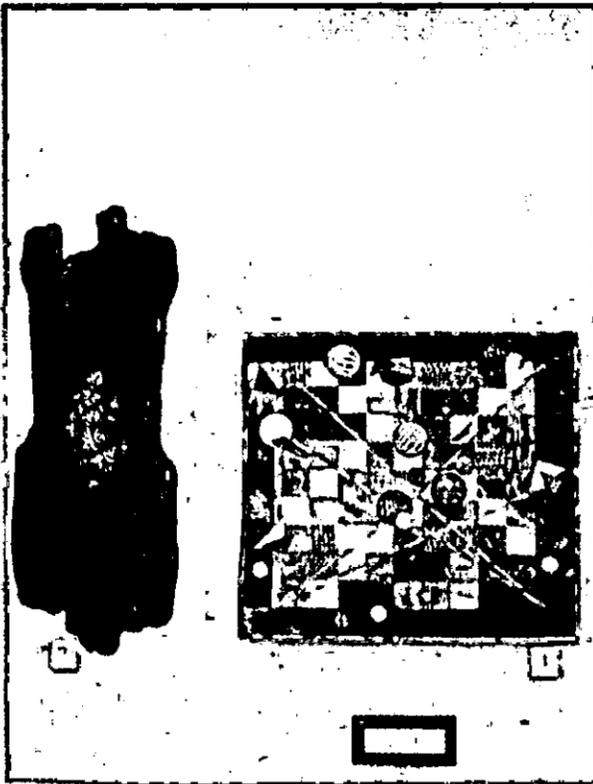
Mary Reich recently closed a quilt show at the First Unitarian Church in Albany that featured a number of her husband's sculptures interspersed. This will be the first time their work has been placed together in such numbers, though, and Mary thinks the result will be favorable even though they didn't collaborate in creating the art.

"They really look great together," Mary Reich said. "The colors of the sculptures go very often with the orangey tones I use with a lot of my works."

Mary's quilts are not what you lay out on the guest beds. Her art quilts experiment with a variety of colors, designs and styles with patterns that are rarely predictable or repeating.

"I quickly found I didn't like the traditional quilting methods," Mary Reich said.

Stan Reich sculpts in a number of mediums,



The Reichs' artwork will be on display through the end of the month at the Broadway Art Center.

including clay and bonded bronze, which can be set without the use of a foundry. He often works with the local Riverfront Artists group, which pools resources for facility and model costs.

The work of both has been recognized many times over. Mary Reich's quilts have appeared in the magazine "Patchwork Crafts" and been on display at the Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center in Auburn, the Green County Council of the Art and many local locations.

Stan Reich has twice won first prize at the large Hudson-Mohawk Regional Exhibition, and his work is often shown at the Fulton Street Gallery in Troy and the Train Station Gallery in West Stockbridge.

The two have been Delmar residents for more than a half-century. They moved to the area in 1955 so Stan could take a job in the Bethlehem Central School District, where he taught art for many years and eventually came to chair the art department.

Mary made window displays for the upscale Town and Tweed boutique store for 25 years. It wasn't until after she left that job that she got into quilting, though.

A window display is actually how the two met in New York City, when Stan Reich was still in design school.

"I was working in Greenwich Village at the time, and we were doing displays for one of the big companies," said Mary Reich. "That's where I met Stan, and a year later we were married."

"Art Quilts and Sculptures" will show through May 31 at the Broadway Art Center, 488 Broadway in Albany. Hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

On May 7, there will be a public opening party from 5 to 9 p.m.



Stan and Mary Reich have been Delmar residents for more than 50 years. This May, they'll be exhibiting a joint art show of Stan's sculptures and Mary's art quilts at the Broadway Art Center in Albany.

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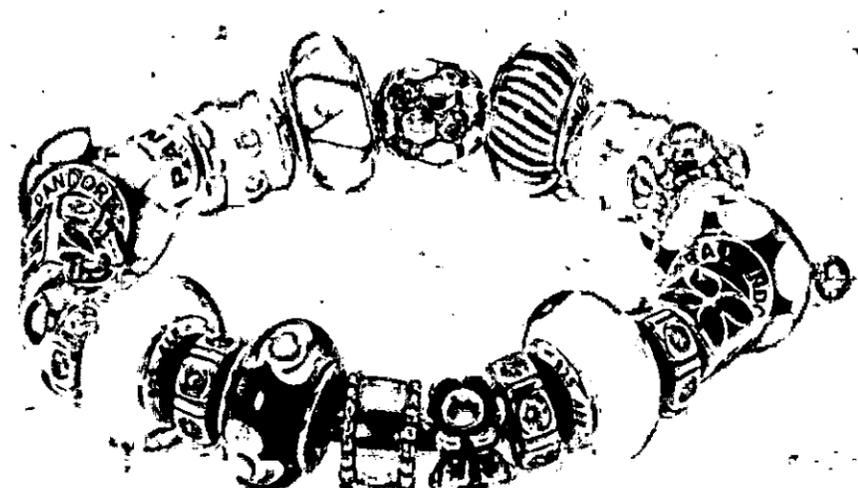
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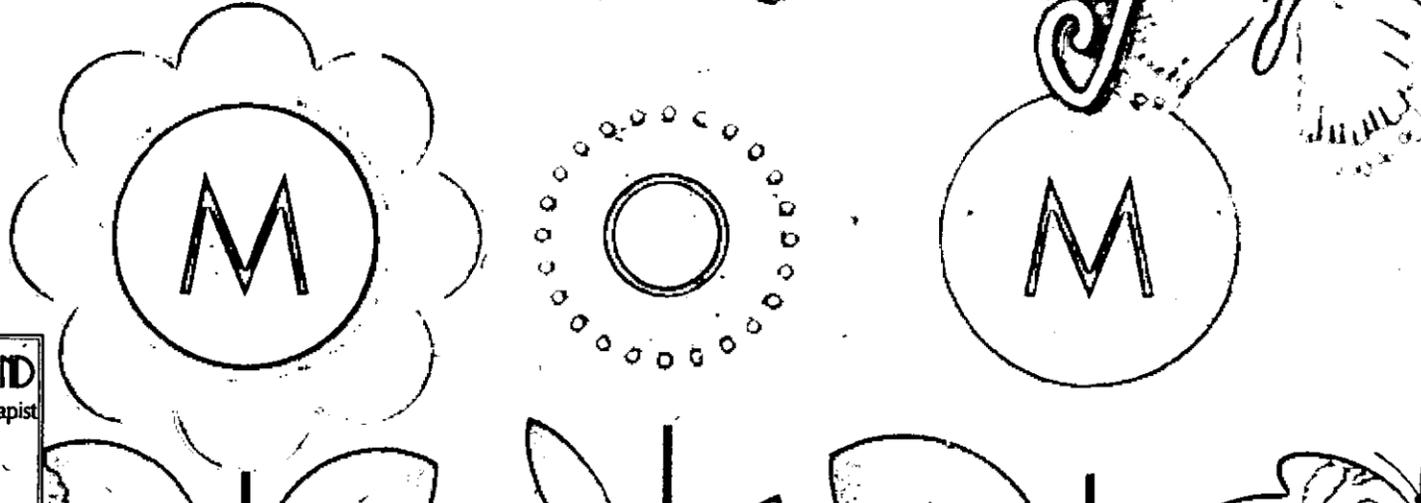
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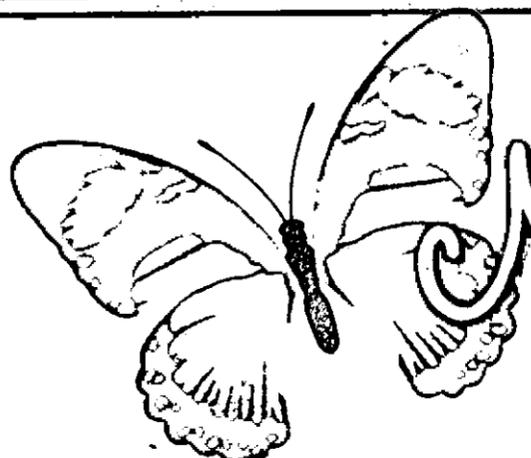
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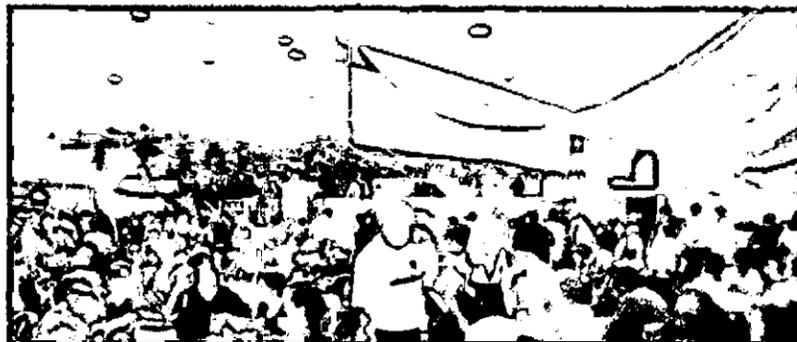
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By CHARLES WIFF
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How much would a weekend in Greece run you? How about \$3 a day?

That's what thousands are looking forward to in the St. Sophia's Greek Festival in Albany, where – from May 14 to 16 – the culture, food and spirit of Greece will be brought to the Capital District for the 41st time.

George Sokaris has been organizing the festival for the past six years, and knows better than most the time and effort that goes into every facet of the weekend celebration.

"This festival's a yearlong venture," he said, from the music to the dance performances to the food.

"The desserts that we made this year we started back in the beginning of March, and we've made about 30,000 pieces of dessert so far," said Sokaris.

And that, of course, is just the end of the one's meal. The festival will feature just about every facet of Greek cuisine, including a new addition for this year: calamari. Also plentifully available will be gyros, easily the most

popular food at the event. More than 10,000 sandwiches were served at last year's festival.

Rather than the buffet-style, picnic table dining that is often seen at events of such size, the Greek Festival will feature sit-down dining with waiter service.

"This gives you the whole experience of sitting down, dining and listening to the sights and sound of Greece," said Sokaris.

Bands will play throughout the day and evening, dance troupes will show off traditional garb and Spartan warriors will even make an appearance.

Also a Grecian tradition, festivalgoers can shop at an Agora marketplace. Rides will be available for smaller children.

The festival usually sees 22,000 to 25,000 visitors each year, said Sokaris. Some are regular visitors, others have heard about it for years.

"There seems to be an insatiable appetite in this area for good Greek food," he said. "When you're there, it's just a lot of fun."

The Greek Festival will run from 6 to 11 p.m. Friday, May 14; from noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday, May 15; and from noon to 7 p.m. on Sunday, May 16.

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Spotlight on poetry

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Nearly Deaf Girl Blues

by A. C. Everson

Bob, they booted you when
You started playing with the
Band
But that's when you became
My kind of man
I only wish that when you
spoke
That I could understand

What Bob? What you said
Bob

Sometimes I felt like a rolling
stone
Usually when the first light
Of morning shone
Listening to your music
Under the head phones

But the clarity of morning
Could never bring
The ability for me to
understand
What you say when you sing

What Bob? What you sang
Bob

The fault's not yours but rests
in my ears
And I'm afraid that even after
all these years
Haven't made you any more
clear

I don't mind Bob
I think I understood you
anyhow
Whatever you've said Bob

A poem in honor of Bob Dylan's birthday, May 24. The cadence and irregular syntax makes this poem sound like a Dylan song, wouldn't you agree?

A. C. Everson is a home-grown poet, sculptor and performance artist who has performed and shown in the Albany area and abroad since 1994. In 1995 A. C. started Breaking My Art, featuring her poetry and piñatas.

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- 9 With 23 Across, Armstrong's "One ____"
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- 20 Roger Bannister's four-____
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- 24 Hebrew letter
- 25 100th anniv.
- 26 Hardy heroine
- 27 "... two ____"
- 31 Ms. Bonheur
- 33 French reflexive
- 34 Nicholas, for one: var.
- 36 Nanny
- 40 Trunks
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- 45 Nine ____
- 47 Cold wind
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- 50 Ages
- 52 Three sisters, of "Macbeth"
- 54 Cinderella's delight
- 57 DDE
- 59 ____ Filippo Lippi
- 60 Landed
- 61 "... ____ five"
- 66 Math functions
- 68 Doc Simon
- 69 Grape or cream
- 70 Tennis player
- 71 Joint
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- 73 Thick
- 74 AKA Dupin
- 75 Prepare for a trip

- 11 Winged
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- 27 Ratio words
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- 35 Eve, to Adam
- 37 Big tooth
- 38 Gaelic
- 39 Deer
- 41 Bessemer factories
- 43 Place for hay
- 46 Innocent, in Nice
- 48 Flipped cards
- 51 Polecats
- 53 Burger addition
- 54 Located
- 55 Alert
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- 58 Greek girl
- 62 Legal claim
- 63 Israeli dance
- 64 Like a lyric poem
- 65 Hallowe'en deceiver
- 67 ____ Jeanne d'Arc

Chance

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Smith was followed by a number of parents, cheerleaders, football players, and community members who expressed support for the cheerleading squad and freshman sports.

Gary Applebee, a father of two cheerleaders at the high school, said he disapproved of the way the decision to cut the program was made, particularly with what he called a lack of notice.

"There is the distinct impression that this decision was made in a vacuum; that it was made as an administrative check in a box," he said.

The elimination of freshman and repeat sports was not included in the original budget presented in March; however, it made its way into the revised budget presented to the board at the Tuesday, April 13, meeting when the budget was adopted.

Michele Coons, a representative of Guilderland's Pop Warner program, said that eliminating the high school cheerleading program would take away the role models for aspiring cheerleaders in the Pop Warner program.

"Many of your high school's football cheerleaders came through the ranks of Pop Warner and return to our fields to give back as junior coaches," said Coons. "The junior coaches are heroes in the eyes of our young girls."

Jeanne Walsh, mother of two Guilderland High School athletes, and executive vice-president of the eastern division of the American Cancer Society, detailed the health benefits of keeping the sports program at the high school intact.

"The American

Cancer Society supports an increase in physical activities within schools," she said. Walsh said that research shows about 75,000 preventable deaths occur each year among children ages 6 to 17, largely due to obesity. "Children who live healthy, live longer," she said.

Dustin McGuire, a varsity football player at the high school, said the sports program brings a sense of community to the high school, especially in times of tragedy.

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Dustin McGuire, varsity football player

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McGuire specifically mentioned homecoming week in October taking place when the community was faced with the sudden death of a high school student—an event, he said, "left us all feeling lost and broken."

"On Oct. 4, 2009, we marched out on the field to play a game that meant more than statistic or rank," he said. "The Dutchmen football team did not play that game, the community did. Those 48 minutes were nothing more than the community coming together to heal."

Shortly after the public finished commenting on the issue, board member Barbara Fraterrigo put forth a motion to fund the parts of the sports program that were cut.

"At the last meeting I wasn't thinking clearly on the effects this would have on 220 kids," she said.

Her motion was seconded by Julie Cuneo.

Board Member Emilio Genzano argued against the motion, noting that the restoration of the cut programs was defeated by a 7-to-2 vote when the board adopted the budget.

"Where are we going to get the money from?" said Genzano.

Genzano said that restoring the programs at the expense of others would be disrespectful to the budget process.

Also opposing Fraterrigo's resolution, were board members Gloria Towle-Hilt, Denise Eisele, Colleen O'Connell and Cathy Barber, vice-president of the board.

Superintendent John McGuire said that legally the board cannot add to the budget, however, he said

that the board can relocate funds from one part of the budget to another, although

he voiced his opinion against that practice.

"Tinkering with the budget you adopted is bad business, in my opinion," he said.

Board President Richard Weisz eventually proposed an amendment to the motion that called for the district to come up with a structure by which a sport that was eliminated in the budget could be funded through private donations.

"In the very preliminary conversations, I had people are very interested in doing that," said McGuire.

According to Neil Sanders, assistant superintendent for business, the district can accept donations to fund a specific sport providing that the entirety of the funding is received prior to the season.

The amendment was eventually passed unanimously. The school district is now tasked with coming up a method and rules by which donations can be accepted to fund the freshman and repeat sports and present the method to the board for adoption at the next meeting on Tuesday, May 11.

The budget will be up for vote Tuesday, May 18.

Holds

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Councilman Kyle Kotary said while he was one of three sitting board members who approved the 2010 budget—and, by extension, much of the borrowing in question—the late addition of the Town Hall renovations gave him pause.

"It's asking a lot to approve an extra \$365,000 in spending when we haven't fully vetted the alternatives," he said.

Supervisor Sam Messina said the office expansion is a great need in order to make the best use of two new positions: chief accountant and confidential secretary to the human resources department.

"I would consider them necessary to move us forward in the next few years," Messina said.

The borrowing approved in the 2010 budget would pay for four police cars, road paving, \$60,000 of Town Hall renovation and big-ticket equipment for the sewer and water departments.

There was also some confusion over the process associated with the borrowing. Wednesday's

resolutions would not have resulted in an immediate issuance of bonding, said Comptroller Suzanne Traylor. Instead, they would authorize her office to go to banks when the money was needed.

That also means the entire approved sum may not be needed for the actual work.

"We're trying to make sure that we have a mechanism in place so if we need the money we're able to go out and get the loan," Traylor said.

There is a 50-day delay between the passing of a permissive referendum and when money can be borrowed. That's of particular note when it comes to the courthouse ceiling.

It also became an issue when Highway Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph interjected into the discussion to mention the four police cruisers must be ordered by May 1. A lengthy discussion followed as to the necessity of approving borrowing before making the order, with officials eventually declaring that payment for the cars will be required upon delivery, not when the order is made.

Traylor allowed that the borrowing in the 2010

budget probably should have been brought to the board at the beginning of the year to avoid complications like the timing of the car order, but also noted the town must pay a fee for preparing the borrowing, so passing all resolutions together would save the town money.

Bethlehem has historically paid cash for capital improvements and equipment, but is approaching these expenses with the thinking borrowing will be more prudent in uncertain times, and also to spread the cost out over the life of the equipment.

In the case of the repairs and renovations to Town Hall, the cost precludes using reserves.

"We do not have the money in our budget to pay for the roof repairs, the parapet replacement, and we wouldn't do it," said Traylor.

The town carries \$12.7 million in serial bonds—the majority of its debt—according to the town's 2008 independent audit, the last year such data was available.

This is a fairly low level of debt for a municipality, and was a factor in the town's recent credit rating increase, said Traylor.

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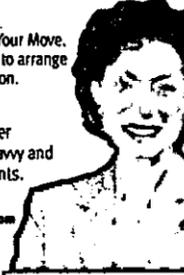
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Your Community in The Spotlight

Mercato's to host Chamber mixer

The Bethlehem Chamber Mixer, hosted by Mercato's Restaurant and sponsored by Berkshire Bank will take place Tuesday, May 18 from 5-7pm.

Attendees will be served dinner and get an opportunity to meet other local business people. To RSVP, email liz@bethlehemchamber.com.

Town hosts Restaurant Week

Bethlehem Restaurant Week will take place May 17 - May 21, and will showcase restaurants voted the Best of Bethlehem.

17 area restaurants have signed up to offer \$20.10 specials.

Call the Bethlehem Chamber at 439-0512 for information.

BPL screens film

On Thursday, May 13 from 6:45-8:45 pm, the Bethlehem Public Library will screen "Blue Gold: World Water Wars."

The film explores control of water as a potential source of future wars. A discussion will follow.

For information, call 466-1192. The event is sponsored by Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace.

Old Songs to present Scottish folk quartet

Old Songs will present a concert by the Scottish folk quartet Malinky on Saturday, May 15 at 27 South Main Street in Voorheesville.

Malinky formed in Edinburgh in the late '90s, and has since become one of the most

accomplished Scottish folk bands. The concert will begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 and can be reserved by phone at 765-2815 or online at www.oldsongs.org.

Conservancy leads hikes

The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy will host a hike on Thursday May 13 at Indian Ladder Farms located at 342 Altamont Rd. in Altamont.

The route will feature farmland nature trails with views of the Helderberg mountains. After hiking around the orchard trails, lunch will be served at Yellow Rock Café on the farm's grounds.

The group will meet at 10 a.m. at the Slingerlands Community Methodist Church, located at 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands and carpool to Indian Ladder Farms.

Clarksville to host speaker

On Wednesday, May 5 the Clarksville Historical Society will sponsor the program "An Early visit to the Indian Ladder Region" presented by Tim Albright.

The event consists of a slide show program of the Indian Ladder Region and what a traveler starting in Albany, might encounter in the early 1900's on his way to the Clarksville and Voorheesville area.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. at the Clarksville Community Church, located on Delaware Turnpike, in Clarksville. It is open to the public.

For information, contact Joseph Hogan at 756-9670.

Singers perform free concert

The Friendship

Pushing papers



Rex Smith (far left), managing editor of the *Albany Times Union*, visits Bethlehem High School's Lab School Wednesday, April 28, as a speaker for the Press Club. Pictured with Smith are English teacher Steve Smith (middle) and Math teacher Tom Fris (far right). Rex Smith spoke to high school students about the role of the newspaper in society. "You need to be voracious information consumers," Smith advised. Smith spoke on rapidly changing technology's effect on the media, and addressed the niche of current news agencies in a constantly adapting environment. "Your local weekly knows your community better than anyone else," said Smith. "Your local weekly gives you information that you won't get from anyone else."

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Singers' song-and-dance program, "Stepping Into Spring," will be performed for audiences on Saturday, May 8.

The free public concert will begin at 7:30 p.m., at the Delmar Reformed Church, located at 386 Delaware Ave., in Delmar.

Marie Liddle is the group's director. Linda Drew will accompany on piano and Bill Reusswig will accompany on drums.

Voorheesville PTA to host fair

The Voorheesville PTA is hosting its Elementary School Science

Fair on Thursday, May 13, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the elementary school gym and lower cafeteria. All students from kindergarten through fifth grade are encouraged to participate and the public is welcome to attend.

Normanside to host shopping

Normanside Country Club in Delmar will host a fashion accessories shopping event on May 15 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Whitney Cooper Company will be selling scarves, jewelry, shoes, hair accessories, and

more.

For information, call Jean Sharkey at 320-6873.

PIA hires two for management

Glenmont's PIA Management Services Inc. recently hired Michaele Southard, of Castleton as administrative assistant, and Stacey Youmans, of Ravena, as workers' compensation representative, both in its Member Services Department.

As administrative assistant, Southard provides support for the Member Services Department. As workers' compensation representative, Youmans verifies and underwrites insurance product applications; she also communicates between agents, clients and company underwriters.

QUILT to meet

Q.U.I.L.T. Inc. will meet on Friday, May 14 at Delmar Reformed Church, located at 386 Delaware Ave in Delmar.

The meeting starts at 9:45 a.m. and there will be a \$5 visitor donation. A lecture entitled "How to Host a Successful Round Robin" will be presented

by Kate Mitchell.

For information, call 438-1194.

Arboretum to host art events

The Pine Hollow Arboretum will host its Pein Air (Open Air) events on June 5th and June 11, July 17 and July 18.

Artists are invited to come and create, with inspiration from nature. Artists are then encouraged to bring their creations to the Arboretum on July 17 between 10 a.m. and noon for display.

The artists will be awarded with a "People's Choice" award on July 18th at a 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. reception.

For information, call Virginia Acquario at 439-7132.

Town Hall to host forum

Bethlehem Supervisor Sam Messina and Chamber of Commerce President Marty DeLaney announced the first "Focus on Business Forum" to be held on May 14th from 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 101, to address issues important to current and new

business in Bethlehem. The meetings will have an open format, but several issues will be a priority, including: the Delaware Avenue Corridor Study; business development for the Glenmont hamlet; Shop Bethlehem initiative; and research on the market place and services needed. Members of the business community can find out more information about Business Forums through both the Town and Chamber websites at www.townofbethlehem.org and www.bethlehemchamber.com.

Library hosts Lyme disease forum

The Capital Region Chapter of the Empire State Lyme Disease Association will present an Open Forum Discussion on Lyme Disease, Saturday, May 8, from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Guilderland Public Library located at 2228 Western Ave., in Guilderland.

The forum will be geared to answer questions about Lyme Disease, assist victims to identify physicians who specialize in Lyme treatment, and to provide education pertaining to prevention and management of the disease.

For more information contact bjmeslda@yahoo.com.

5 Rivers teaches about compost

A how-to program on composting with worms will be conducted at the NYSDEC Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, located at 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar on Saturday, May 22, at 2 p.m.

During this indoor/outdoor study, Center naturalists will present an interactive exploration of the Center's worm bin and lead a tour of the wildlife garden to demonstrate the benefits of composting.

Participants will learn how to start and maintain their own worm composting bin at home. This program is open to the public free of charge.

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Home-field advantage

By SEAN AHERN
 aherns@spotlightnews.com

Over the past five weeks, Richard "Dick" Dickershaid has been renovating three baseball fields in Woestina Park in time for opening weekend for the Challenger Baseball League.

"I think it's going to be a beautiful park," said Dickershaid. "I think it'll look like Yankee Stadium when they're done."

With renovations to the baseball diamonds in Rotterdam Junction almost complete, the Challenger Baseball League will soon have its own home field, with an opening day of Sunday, May 2, quickly approaching. The league, which is made up of children and adults with developmental disabilities, has grown with the addition of players 5 to 75 years old. The free program, which has been around for more than 21 years, is maintained by Dickershaid and his wife, Margie, who see more than 100 players running the bases four nights a week in 10 different ball clubs.

In October 2009, Steve Tommasone, former

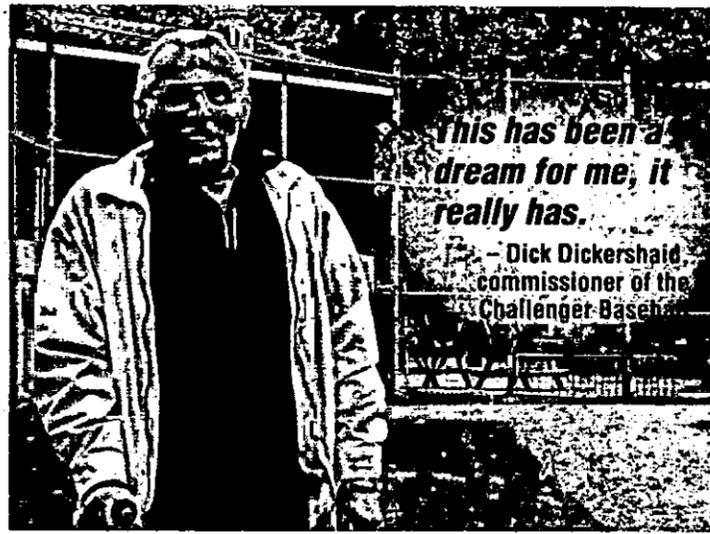
Rotterdam town supervisor, announced the permanent home for the Rotterdam Challengers Baseball League at the Rotterdam Junction park, which was formerly used by the Rotterdam Little League. Since then, the park has been refurbished using donations from the community, and \$50,000 that has been saved up by the league over the past 18 years, according to Dickershaid.

"I'm surprised that we have gotten as far as we did," said Dickershaid. "This thing has been like a jigsaw puzzle: piece by piece it came together."

For the past 10 seasons, the league rented space behind Five Corners in Rotterdam.

Originally a part of the Rotterdam Little League, the Challengers League left the program after their players wanted to stay with the sport past the age of 18.

Renovations to the park have included work on the fences along baseball fields, additions to dugouts, repainting and updating the concession stand, replacing grass and sod, and the addition of dirt that can be easily compacted for use with



Dick Dickershaid stands in one of the fields at Woestina Park in Rotterdam Junction that will be the permanent home of the Challenger Baseball League.

Sean Ahern/Spotlight

wheelchairs.

President of the Challengers Baseball League Ellen Brown said Dickershaid has done a wonderful job getting the fields ready for the players. Brown started as a volunteer in the league and as a coach 13 years ago, when his daughter started playing in the league.

"He's done a wonderful job and getting these fields for the young kids and the adults," said Brown. "The outpour of the community has been wonderful. Anything we need or anytime we ask for help, they're there for us, no questions asked."

Brown took over for Dickershaid as president of the league when Dickershaid became commissioner early last year. He said he hopes to leave the new fields and the league

in the hands of Brown and the league at the end of the year but plans on staying on in an advisory capacity. Brown said she hopes to expand upon the work that Dickershaid has done over the past 21 years.

"I have big shoes to fill," said Brown.

Dickershaid would like to see the fields used not only for the program he has been a part of since 1987, but for anyone interested in playing there.

"There's no reason why the kids and the residents cannot use the park as long as they take care of it," said Dickershaid. "I want to enjoy everything that my wife and I have put together. This has been a dream for me, it really has."

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the opportunity to continue as an active participant in the educational process. I would be able to give back to a community which supported me in my professional life.

What skill set do you bring to the board? I am a trained and experienced educator. I have lived the history of this district for 40 years. I have lots of experienced in working in a shared-decision-making environment.

If elected, what do you hope to accomplish? I hope to work with my fellow board members to provide the best possible education for our students and thus make our community a better place. I do not come with a personal agenda.

What is your opinion of the 2010-11 school budget? I support the proposed budget. I feel it represents the concerns expressed by the community through the Citizen Budget Advisory Committee as well as the best thinking of our staff. Given the tough economic climate, we have had to come to grips with the fact that we can not longer provide everything we may want but instead need to prioritize and make choices. This budget represents that new thinking.

Additional comments

As I complete my first term on the Board, I am extremely grateful to my colleagues from whom I have learned so much. I am proud of the work we have accomplished and the fact that we do so in a respectful and conscientious manner.

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Abigail Clark Hessberg to Reed Caines Johnson

Hessberg, Johnson to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hessberg III of Slingerlands announce with pleasure the engagement of their daughter Abigail Clark Hessberg to Reed Caines Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erik H. Johnson of

Toms River, New Jersey. The bride to be is a graduate of Academy of the Holy Names and Boston College. Her fiancé is also a graduate of Boston College, where

the couple met. Abigail and Reed own and operate Pearl Street Market, a gourmet market in Beach Haven, New Jersey. The couple will marry in the fall of 2011.

Angelo M. Domenico

DELMAR, NY—Angelo M. Domenico, 73, died on Friday, April 30, 2010 at the V.A. Medical Center in Albany, under the care of hospice.

He was born in Albany on December 23, 1936 and is the son of Rocky Domenico of Ft. Myers, FL and the late James Domenico. Mr. Domenico was a U.S. Army veteran serving his country from 1955 through 1958. He was a butcher for several years and more recently, a cab driver for Capitaland Taxi.

Angelo was a member of the American Legion in Delmar and the Men's Auxiliary at the V.F.W. Post #3185. In addition to his mother, he is survived by his daughters, Sandy (Russ Crouse) Clyne of Delmar, Carolina Smith of North Carolina and Sue (Shawn)



Angelo M. Domenico

Foust of Rochester, NY. He is the grandfather of Michael Grady of Tampa, FL, Bryan and Colleen Clyne of Delmar, Chad and Brooke Foust of Rochester and Tony Blodgett and Nick Domenico both of North Carolina.

He is the great-grandfather of Kaden Domenico and Cameron Blodgett of North Carolina. Angelo is the brother of Rose Domenico of Ft. Myers, FL, Eugene

Domenico of Denver, CO and James (Margaret) Domenico of Tacoma, WA. He was also predeceased by his sisters, Irene Van Wormer and Peggy Connelly.

Funeral services were held at 6:00 p.m. at New Comer-Cannon Funeral Home, 343 New Karner Rd., Colonie (Rt. 155-south of Central Ave). Calling hours preceded the service from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Interment will be private at the convenience of the family in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery, Colonie. Memorial contributions may be made to Fisher House, c/o V.A. Medical Center, 113 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208 in memory of Angelo M. Domenico.

To leave a special message for the family online, visit www.NewcomerAlbany.com

Haig, Webster to marry

Ms. Jamie Haig of Destin, FL announces the engagement of her daughter Chloe Haig to Nathaniel R. Webster, son of Glenn and Laura Webster of Glenville.

Chloe is an EMT for the Okaloosa County EMS and has a BSN degree.

Nathaniel works for the Okaloosa Island Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic and has a SWAT Medic Certification.

A July 3, 2010 wedding is planned.

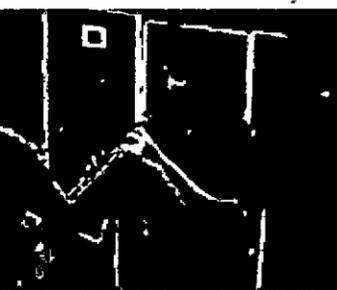


Chloe Haig and Nathaniel R. Webster

RCS student awarded music scholarship

Amy Selkirk, a 12th-grade student at RCS was awarded the annual Greene County Music Educators Association Music Scholarship on Friday, March 26, at Hunter-Tannersville High School during the evening concert for the Spring GCMEA All-County Festival. The award, achieved through an audition process, is in the amount of \$600 and is distributed over a period of three years to a student who is planning to pursue a career in music.

Selkirk, the daughter of James and Colleen Selkirk of New Baltimore, performed an audition on oboe and was selected by a panel of four GCMEA music teachers who



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Ithaca, The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam, SUNY Purchase, SUNY Fredonia, Nazareth and The Eastman School of Music. She has already been accepted at five of these colleges. Although her final choice has still not been determined, Selkirk is currently deciding between Fredonia, Potsdam and Ithaca.

"Amy has been one of the most talented students I have had the privilege of working with in over 27 years of teaching at RCS," said Scott Andrews, coordinator of the district's music department. "She is truly a very gifted musician and works very hard to achieve her goals."

Blotter

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Police said Kovarovic was pulled over for committing a number of traffic infractions while traveling on Western Avenue. According to police, Kovarovic admitted to consuming alcohol prior to driving.

Upon failing subsequent field sobriety

tests Kovarovic was arrested. A chemical test would later reveal a BAC of 0.07.

Kovarovic will be arraigned in Guilderland Town Court on Thursday, May 6.

Guilderland police arrested Laura Mitchell Stoddard, 23, of 917 Park Ave., Albany, on Thursday, April 22 and charged her with DWI.

According to police, Stoddard was pulled over

for traveling 53 mph in a 40 mph zone. Police said there was a strong odor of alcohol emanating from Stoddard. After failing subsequent field sobriety tests Stoddard was arrested for DWI. A chemical test would later reveal a BAC of 0.12. Stoddard will be arraigned in Guilderland Town Court on Thursday May 6.

Guilderland police arrested Joseph K. Conklin, 19, of 173 Cross Lane, Berne, on Thursday, April 22 and charged him with DWI.

Police said Conklin was pulled over in the area of Western Avenue and 20 Mall for speeding and failing to keep right. Police said there was a strong odor of alcohol emanating from Conklin. After failing subsequent field sobriety tests Conklin was arrested for DWI.

Conklin will be arraigned in Guilderland Town Court on Thursday May 6.

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agent of LLC upon whom
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(May 5, 2010)

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haven Road, Slingerlands,
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Home Construction, LLC,
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timore, MD 21201. Arts of
Org. filed with MD Secy. Of
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Baltimore, MD 21201. Pur-
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bany County. LLC formed in
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DE 19901. Purpose: any
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on 3/8/1996. SSNY desig-
nated as agent of LLC upon
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309, Tempe, AZ 85254,
also the address of the prin-
cipal office. Arts of Org. filed
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W. Washington, Phoenix, AZ
85007-2996. Purpose: any
lawful activities.
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SSNY designated as agent
of LLC upon whom process
against it may be served.
SSNY shall mail process
to: Delaney Corporate Ser-
vices, Ltd., 99 Washington
Ave., Suite 805A, Albany,
NY 12210. Purpose: any
lawful activities.
62120
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of
Open Dealer Exchange,
LLC. Authority filed with
Secy. of State of NY (SSNY)
on 2/01/10. Office loca-
tion: Albany County. LLC
formed in Delaware (DE) on
1/13/09. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: The LLC, 16901
Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI
48126, 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.
62121
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of
Mymy Productions LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy.
of State of NY (SSNY) on
4/1/10. Office location:
Albany Co. SSNY desig-
nated as agent of LLC upon
whom process against it
may be served. SSNY shall
mail process to: The LLC,
c/o AR7 Films, 285 West
Broadway, Ste. 300, NY, NY
10013. Purpose: any lawful
activities.
62122
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Publication
PLYNDIRIO LLC Arts. of
Org. was filed with SSNY
on 3/31/2010 Office loca-
tion: Albany County. SSNY
designated as agent of LLC
whom process against may
be served. SSNY shall mail
process to: c/o The LLC,
911 Central Ave., #101,
Albany, NY 12206. Purpose:
any lawful purpose.
62125
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of formation of A&S
DAVIDOFF MGMT, LLC a
NYS LLC Formation filed
with SSNY on 03/25/10.
Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY
designated as agt. of LLC,
upon whom process may
be served. SSNY shall mail
copy of process to: The LLC,
8411 20th Ave., Brooklyn,
NY 11214. Purpose: Any
Lawful purposes.
62126
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of TRI-
STATE INSURANCE BRO-
KERAGE, LLC. Arts. of
Org. was filed with SSNY
on 3/30/10. Office loca-

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tion: 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.
62127
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of ER-
SKINE EQUITY PARTNERS
LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed
with SSNY on 3/31/10. Of-
fice 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.
62128
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of
PIECES OF 8 PRODUC-
TIONS LLC. Arts. of Org.
was filed with SSNY on
4/2/10. Office location: Al-
bany County. SSNY desig-
nated 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.
62129
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of
IGNITION TRAINING LLC.
Authority filed with Secy.
Of State of N.Y. (SSNY)
on 4/5/10. Office loca-
tion: Albany County. LLC formed
in Delaware (DE) on 3/2/10.
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. DE ad-
dress of LLC: c/o USA Cor-
porate Services Inc., 3500
South Dupont Hwy, Dover,
DE 19901. Arts. Of Org. filed
with the DE Secy. Of State,
401 Federal St., Ste. 4,
Dover, DE 19901. Purpose:
any lawful activity.
62130
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of SA-
SHA INTERNATIONAL LLC.
Arts. of Org. was filed with
SSNY on 3/30/10. Office lo-
cation: 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.
62132
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Name of Foreign LLC: Frac
Tech Services, LLC. App
for Authority filed NY Dept
of State 3/9/2010. Juris-
diction and date of org: TX
1/1/2010, NY Location: Al-
bany, County. Sec of State
of NY is designated as reg-
istered agent upon whom
process against it may be
served. The Sec of State
shall mail a copy of any
process to P.O. Box 1587,
Cisco, TX, 76437. Principal
bus. location: 16858 I-20,
Cisco, TX 76437. Certificate
of Formation on file at Texas
SOS, P.O. Box 13697, Aus-
tin, TX 78711. Purpose: any
lawful activity.
62143
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
K.B. EQUIPMENT REPAIR
LLC- Articles of Org. filed
NY Sec. of State (SSNY)
03/16/2010. Office in Albany
Co. SSNY desig. Agent of
LLC upon whom process

LEGAL NOTICE
may be served. SSNY shall
mail copy of process to
United States Corporations
Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Av-
enue, Suite 202, Brooklyn,
NY 11228.
62145
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of
Broughton Properties, LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy.
of State of NY (SSNY) on
4/9/10. Office location: Al-
bany Co. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: The LLC, 935
New Loudon Rd., Latham,
NY 12110. Purpose: any
lawful activities.
62147
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of
Alutiq-Mele, LLC. Author-
ity filed with Secy. of State
of NY (SSNY) on 1/25/10.
Office location: Schenect-
ady County. LLC formed in
Alaska (AK) on 8/1/03.
SSNY designated as agent
of LLC upon whom process
against it may be served.
SSNY shall mail process
to: c/o National Registered
Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the
Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY
10001. AK address of LLC:
3909 Arctic Blvd., Ste. 400,
Anchorage, AK 99503. Arts.
of Org. filed with AK Secy. of
State, PO Box 110806, Ju-
neau, AK 99811. Purpose:
government services.
62148
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of UB
Katonah, LLC. Arts. of Org.
filed with Secy. of State of
NY (SSNY) on 4/1/10. Of-
fice location: Albany County.
SSNY designated as agent
of LLC upon whom process
against it may be served.
SSNY shall mail process
to: c/o CT Corporation Sys-
tem, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY
10011, registered agent
upon whom process may be
served. Purpose: all lawful
purposes.
62149
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of
El Pinto Foods, LLC. Au-
thority filed with Secy. of
State of NY (SSNY) on
3/12/10. Office location:
Albany County. LLC formed
in New Mexico (NM) on
1/6/05. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: c/o CT Corpora-
tion System, 111 8th Ave.,
NY, NY 10011, registered
agent upon whom process
may be served. NM ad-
dress of LLC: 10500 4th
St. NW, Albuquerque, NM
87114. Arts. of Org. filed
with NM Secy. of State, 325
Don Gaspar, Santa Fe, NM
87503. Purpose: all lawful
purposes.
62150
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of War-
rington Realty, LLC, Art. of
Org. filed Sec'y of State
(SSNY) 3/26/10. Office loca-
tion: Albany County. SSNY
designated as agent of LLC
upon whom process against
it may be served. SSNY
shall mail copy of process
to 12 Old Myers Dr., Albany,
NY 12205. Purpose: any
lawful activities.
62152
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Pro-
fessional Limited Liability
Company (PLLC) Name:
Safari Health NP Family
Health, PLLC. Purpose:
to practice the profession
of Nurse Practitioner in
Family Health. Articles of
Organization filed with the
Secretary of State New York
(SSNY) on March 31, 2010.

LEGAL NOTICE
Office location: Albany
County. SSNY designated
as agent of PLLC upon
whom process against it
may be served. SSNY shall
mail a copy of process to
48 McCormack Rd, Sling-
erlands NY 12159.
62155
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of IB
BROADWAY LLC. Arts. of
Org. filed with Secy. of State
of NY (SSNY) on 4/25/2008.
Office location: Albany
County. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: 104 Broadway,
Brooklyn, NY 11211. Term:
until 12/31/2099. Purpose:
any lawful activity.
62156
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of All-
Square Wealth Manage-
ment, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed
Secy. of State of NY (SSNY)
on 3/26/10. Off. loc.: Albany
Co. SSNY design. agt. of
LLC upon whom process
against it may be served.
SSNY shall mail process
to: The LLC, 61 W Pail-
sade Ave., Englewood, NJ
07631. Purpose: all lawful
activities
62157
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of 21
TREETZ PLACE, LLC. Arts.
of Org. filed with Secy. of
State of NY (SSNY) on
4/7/10. Office location: Al-
bany County. SSNY desig-
nated as agent of LLC upon
whom process against it
may be served. SSNY shall
mail process to: c/o Capitol
Services, Inc., 1218 Central
Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY
12205. Purpose: any lawful
act or activity.
62158
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of
Grand Avenue Holdings
LLC. Arts of Org. filed with
Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY)
on 01/19/10. Office location:
Albany County. SSNY desig-
nated as agent of LLC
upon whom process against
it may be served. SSNY
shall mail process to: 99
Washington Ave., Ste. 1008,
Albany, NY 12260. Purpose:
any lawful activity.
62159
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Com-
munity Kollle LLC. Arts Of
Org. filed with Secy. Of State
of NY (SSNY) on 01/20/10.
Office location: Albany
County. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: 99 Washington
Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY
12260. Registered Agent
upon whom process may be
served: 99 Washington Ave.,
Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260.
Purpose: any lawful activity.
62160
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Good
Reputation LLC. Arts Of
Org. filed with Secy. Of State
of NY (SSNY) on 05/12/09.
Office location: Albany
County. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: 99 Washington
Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY
12260. Registered Agent
upon whom process may be
served: 99 Washington
Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY
12260. Purpose: any lawful
activity.
62161
(May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Good
Reputation LLC. Arts Of
Org. filed with Secy. Of State
of NY (SSNY) on 05/12/09.
Office location: Albany
County. SSNY designated
as agent of LLC upon whom
process against it may be
served. SSNY shall mail
process to: 99 Washington
Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY
12260. Registered Agent
upon whom process may be
served: 99 Washington
Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY
12260. Purpose: any lawful
activity.
62161
(May 5, 2010)

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LEGAL NOTICE
 Notice of Qualification of DeBrill Realty LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 08/17/09. LLC Formed in (DE) on 07/21/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. DE address of LLC: 32 Lockerman St., Ate. 201, Dover, DE 19904. Arts. Of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62162 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LMN Funding LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/10/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62163 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BSES Realty LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/03/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62164 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Del Mar Re Services LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/09/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62165 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of NSD Consulting LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/22/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62166 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Mobile Star LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/15/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may

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be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62167 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Prestige Dental Management LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/18/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62168 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Chamber Productions LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/5/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62169 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of C.B.K. Cookies & Cakes LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/5/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62170 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of The King Collective LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/19/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62171 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Aldus Group, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/15/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 245 Park Ave., 24th Fl, NY, NY 10167. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62172 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).
 Name: CAPITAL REGION MANAGEMENT, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, April 15, 2010. 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 c/o Robert J. Koshgarian, Szege, Goldman, Mazzotta & Siegel, P.C., 9 Washington

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Square, Albany, NY 12205. 62175 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: CS & PS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on December 15, 2009. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to c/o The LLC, 217 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. Purpose: Any lawful business purpose. 62178 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AP Account Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/14/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 11/17/09. 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 TX: 9311 San Pedro, Ste. 600, San Antonio, TX 78216, also the address of the principal office. Arts of Org. filed with TX Secy. Of State, PO Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711-3697. Purpose: any lawful activities. 62179 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Aero-cell Wireless LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/08/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62368 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of SDB6 LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/26/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1 Greenbriar Ln., Dix Hills, N Greenbriar Ln., Dix Hills, NY 11746. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62369 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Satsky & Geffer, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/08/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62370 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Maoz TS, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/30/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent

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upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62371 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Western Cline NY, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/23/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62372 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of River View Village, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/10/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62373 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Uncle Rico's Food & Drink LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/24/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62374 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Tele-shuttle Tech2, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/17/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62375 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Roth Partners, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/12/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62376 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CMS Management Solutions, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/04/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62382 (May 5, 2010)

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Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62377 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Zhang & Zhong LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/15/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62378 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Mountain Lion Entertainment LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/28/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62379 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 64 Woodside LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62380 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Azrael LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 05/28/09. LLC Formed in (DE) on 05/18/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 62381 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Fine Flowers By Kelly & Company, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/07/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62382 (May 5, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIM-

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ITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
 The name of the LLC is YOGA-DO, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 10, 2010. The purpose of the LLC is to offer Kripalu-Certified yoga instruction and nutrition coaching, as well as engaging in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o Thomas McCarroll, 55 Mansion Boulevard, Delmar, New York 12054 62391 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Village of Voorheesville has determined, pursuant to Village of Voorheesville Local Law 1 of 1981, that the property of the late Loretta Munks, at 16 Altamont Road, Voorheesville, New York, 12186, has been abandoned for over three years. No responses to notice of Code Violations have been received. It has also been certified that this property has structures which have been condemned and are deemed dangerous and unsafe. It is the Village of Voorheesville's intention to condemn this property and eventually remove the structures on this lot, tax map number ID 72.6-4-6. This property is currently under condemnation notice. 62393 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Publication EAYADAMA LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/20/10 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, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 62394 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Publication AMALIA-MOLLY LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/21/10 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, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 62395 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Genesis Networks Telecom Services, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/14/10. 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. TX address of LLC: 600 N Loop 1604 E. San Antonio, TX 78232. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, P.O. Box 12887, Austin, TX 78711. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 62399 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Brock Services, Ltd. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/15/2010. Fictitious name in NY State: BSL Brock Services, L.P. Office location: Albany County. LP formed in Texas (TX) on 3/23/1995.

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SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LP: 10343 Sam Houston Park Dr., Ste. 200, Houston, TX 77064. Name/address of each gen. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos St., Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 62941 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 162 INDIA STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/15/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 62942 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ETUDE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/15/10. 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. 62943 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of KICKSHAW LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/15/10. 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. 62944 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).
 Name: SMS PETRA LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, April 19, 2010. 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 11 Walker Way, Albany, NY 12205. 62946 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Dentemax, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/23/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/1/10. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agent Solutions, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Address of the principal office: 25925 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 400, Southfield, MI 48033. Arts of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 62947 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC
 Articles of Organization for VAN ALLEN APARTMENTS, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on April 14, 2010.

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"A government entity does not have to produce intra-agency documents, unless they contain certain categories of information," he said.

Posting the attachments for the upcoming meeting online is an idea that has come up in the past and received general support from other board members, said Hennessey.

"I've conceptually discussed this issue for a long time now," he said. "What I'm really looking for here is a healthy and fair discussion of the items that are coming before the Town Board."

Hennessey made the postings acting independently of the town as a "proof of concept"—in other words, to show it is possible—and to garner response, he said. He'd like to see the idea implemented on the town's own Web site.

Two items were left out—the resume of an applicant for the job of chief accountant and a list of hirings in the Recreation Department—to avoid releasing personal information.

Supervisor Sam Messina said the posting took him by surprise and though he is supportive of open government and posting the documents, they should be released through the town's Web site in a standardized and legal manner. He said he asked Hennessey to remove the documents, as a town policy is not in place.

"In general, I think we should use the technology available to release as many records as possible to the public and to make them as accessible as possible," Messina said.

Potter said if the Town Board wants to release agenda attachments, it could set criteria as to what types of information would be released. He pointed out the town already exceeds many of the requirements in the state's "sunshine

laws," including by posting the Town Board meeting agendas and minutes on the Internet.

"The Town of Bethlehem has always gone beyond what is required by law," he said.

Councilman Kyle Kotary agreed there were legal questions that must be answered. "I applaud Mark Hennessey for forcing the issue and showing that the placement of the documents is technically easy," Kotary said.

He went on to say making sure documents don't violate laws regarding personal information or expose the town to liability were definite concerns. Also at issue would be the manpower needed to quickly make those before determinations bimonthly.

"It really becomes a legal, logistical and financial nightmare," Kotary said.

The Town Board did not discuss the agenda attachments at the meeting in question.

Youth Court celebrates Law Day



Bethlehem Youth Court celebrated Law Day on Thursday, April 29 at Bethlehem Town Court. Local judges, attorneys, parents and volunteers took part in several events to celebrate, including the presentation of a \$2,500 grant awarded by the New York Bar Foundation. A \$250 scholarship was also awarded to Michael Wollner, a Bethlehem Central High School senior who has been a member of BYC for two years, following a Oral Advocacy Scholarship Competition. ABOVE: Michael Wollner, winner of the Oral Advocacy Scholarship Competition. Submitted photo

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The office of the company is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon which process may be served and a copy of process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State to the LLC at Lombardi, Walsh, Wakeman, Harrison, Amodeo & Davenport, P.C., 111 Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law. 62948 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF CONVERSION TO A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) NORSIA REAL ESTATE PARTNERSHIP, a NY Partnership was converted to NORSIA REAL ESTATE, LLC, a NY LLC, by filing Certificate of Conversion with NY Secretary of State on July 31, 2001. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. LLC managed by one or more members. Office: in Albany County. SOS is agent for service of process and shall mail copy to c/o Albany Gastroenterology Consultants, P.C., 1375 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. 62949 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF NAMES OF PERSONS APPEARING AS OWNERS OF CERTAIN UNCLAIMED PROPERTY HELD BY NEW YORK PROPERTY INSURANCE UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION The persons whose names and last known addresses are set forth below appear from the records of the above named company to be entitled to abandoned property in amounts of fifty dollars or more: SMITH FLORENCE 689 CLINTON AVE ALBANY NY 12206 THE OF MARGARET JOHNSON 8 SLINGERLAND ST ALBANY NY 12202 WEBB ISHMAEL 58 1ST ST ALBANY NY 12210 WILLINGHAM ELIJAH WANDA WILLINGHAM 95 HENRY JOHNSON BLVD ALBANY NY 12210 A report of unclaimed property has been made to Thomas P. DiNapoli, the

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Comptroller of the State of New York, pursuant to Section 701 and/or Section 1316 of the Abandoned Property Law. A list of the names of the persons appearing from the records of the said insurance company to be entitled thereto is on file and open to the public inspection at the principal office of the corporation located at 100 William Street, New York, NY where such abandoned property is payable. Such abandoned property will be paid on or before August 31st next to persons establishing their right to receive the same. On or before the succeeding September 10th, such unclaimed funds still remaining unclaimed will be paid to Thomas P. DiNapoli, the Comptroller of the State of New York. Upon such payment this company shall no longer be liable for the property. NEW YORK PROPERTY INSURANCE UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, 62950 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF INFINIGY SURVEYING PLLC A Professional Limited Liability Company under the Limited Liability Company Law § 1203: (i) Name: Infinigy Surveying PLLC; (ii) Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 2, 2010; (iii) Office location: Albany County; (iii-a) Address: 11 Herbert Drive, Latham, NY 12110; (iv) SSNY is designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, 11 Herbert Drive, Latham, NY 12110; (v) Registered Agent: none; (vi) Specific Date of Dissolution: None; (vii) Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Land Surveying. 62951 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). The name is Depcon, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of the State of New York ("Secretary") on April 8, 2010. Office of the LLC: Albany County. The Secretary has been designated as agent for service of process upon the LLC. The Secretary shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 17 Luther Road, Saratoga

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Springs, NY 12866. The purpose of the business of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. 62952 (May 5, 2010)

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Notice of information of FJA PAINTING, LLC pursuant to NY Limited Liability Law 203, Art.org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/15/2010. office location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: c/o the LLC, 167 Lenox Avenue, Albany NY 12208. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity. 62953 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF The Brady Group LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is: The Brady Group LLC. SECOND: The county, within this state, in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Albany. THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: Neal D Brady 1 Ellsworth Place Delmar, NY 12054-1408 USA 62955 (May 5, 2010)

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SIMPLY SENSITIVE, LLC Notice of formation of SIMPLY SENSITIVE, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on March 30, 2010. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, at 3 Fairfield Drive, Voorheesville, New York 12186. The purposes of the LLC are to engage

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in any lawful purposes; to incur indebtedness, secured and unsecured; to enter into and perform contracts and agreements of any kind necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the business of the LLC; and to carry on any other activities necessary to, in connection with or incidental to the foregoing, as the Members in their discretion may deem desirable. 62956 (May 5, 2010)

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NOTICE OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF HORIZON SERVICE ORGANIZATION LLC 1. The name of the limited liability company is Horizon Service Organization LLC (the "LLC"). 2. The Articles of Organization for the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State's Office on March 22, 2010. 3. The office of the LLC is to be located in the County of Albany State of New York at 1187 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham, New York 12110. 4. The Secretary of State is designated as an agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address in the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: c/o Lemery Greisler LLC, 60 Railroad Place, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866. 5. The duration of the LLC is perpetual. 6. The character and purpose of the business of the LLC shall be to undertake any lawful act or activity in which a limited liability company may engage under the laws of the State of New York; all subject to and in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. 62958 (May 5, 2010)

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NOTICE OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF PARAGON TITLE AGENCY LLC 1. The name of the limited liability company is Paragon Title Agency LLC (the "LLC"). 2. The Articles of Organization for the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State's Office on March 25, 2010. 3. The office of the LLC is to be located in the County of Albany State of New York at 12 Cornell Road, Latham, New York 12110. 4. The Secretary of State is designated as an agent of

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the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address in the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: c/o Lemery Greisler LLC, 60 Railroad Place, Saratoga Springs, New York 12866. 5. The duration of the LLC is perpetual. 6. The character and purpose of the business of the LLC shall be to undertake any lawful act or activity in which a limited liability company may engage under the laws of the State of New York; all subject to and in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. 62958 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: CAPITAL CITY PRODUCE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, April 13, 2010. 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 381 Broadway, Menands, NY 12204. 62961 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Avant Healthcare Professionals, LLC. Fictitious name: Avant Healthcare Professionals Staffing, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/22/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 7/2/03. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Registered Agent Solutions, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Address to be maintained in FL: c/o 1265 S. Semoran Blvd., Ste. 1221, Winter Park, FL 32792, also the address of the principal office. Arts of Org. filed with FL Secy. Of State, R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250. Purpose: any lawful activities. 62963 (May 5, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Ocean Diagnostic Monitoring, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed

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with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/19/08. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62965 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PATRIOT SERVICES SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/23/10. 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. 62966 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of PATHSTONE FAMILY OFFICE, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/3/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/14/09. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Paracorp Incorporated, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805A, Albany, NY 12210. DE address of LLC: 40 E. Division St., #1A, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 62968 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Public Meeting The Bethlehem Town Board and the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce Board will hold a public business forum meeting on May 14, 2010 at 8:00AM in the auditorium of Town Hall located at 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY. The purpose of the meeting is to solicit the views of businesses on issues important to current and new businesses in Bethlehem. 62974 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Public Hearing Please take notice that the Village Board of the Village of Voorheesville will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at 6pm. at Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville, NY. The purpose is to discuss the expansion of the Sewer System along Maple Avenue. Linda M. Pasquali Clerk Treasurer 62975 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Publication PAVEL LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/28/10 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, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 62977 (May 5, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of GCA Abstract LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/17/2009. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Delaney Corporate Services, Ltd: 99 Washington Ave Suite 805A, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful activities. 62978 (May 5, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NY. Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of Bethlehem, will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, New York, for project known as Kendall Square located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Feura Bush Road and Elmsmere Avenue. Disabled individuals who are in need of assistance in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 439-4955 Ext. 1183. Advanced notice is requested. (May 5, 2010) 62979 (May 5, 2010)

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Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 4:15 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 4 p.m.

Guilderland at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Ballston Spa at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake at Guilderland, 4 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 4 p.m.

Guilderland at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Watervliet, 4 p.m.

Voorheesville at Albany Academy, 4 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Albany Academy at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.

Bethlehem at Ballston Spa, 4 p.m.

Guilderland at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, 4 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK

Bethlehem at Saratoga Springs, 4 p.m.

Guilderland at Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.

Thursday, May 6

SOFTBALL

Cohoes at Guilderland, 4 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Bethlehem at Guilderland, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 7

BASEBALL

Bethlehem at Averill Park, 4 p.m.

Guilderland at Mohonasen, 4 p.m.

Voorheesville at Watervliet, 4 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Shenendehowa at Bethlehem, 4 p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Averill Park at Bethlehem, 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Bethlehem at Averill Park, 4 p.m.

Guilderland at Mohonasen, 4 p.m.

Holy Names at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Guilderland at Averill Park, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 8

BOYS LACROSSE

Bethlehem at LaSalle, 7:30 p.m.

Guilderland at Mahopac, 7:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL

Bethlehem at Moribito Tournament, TBA

TRACK AND FIELD

Bethlehem, Guilderland (girls), Voorheesville at Queensbury Invitational, 10 a.m.

Guilderland (boys) at Johnstown Invitational, TBA

Monday, May 10

BASEBALL

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Lansingburgh, 4 p.m.

Schalmont at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Colonie at Guilderland, 4 p.m.

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SOFTBALL

Cohoes at Voorheesville, 4 p.m.

Lansingburgh at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk, 4 p.m.

Rats

(From Page 36)

Portland, Maine, to give the Pirates a better lease for their arena.

Once it was revealed the Pirates were staying in Portland, there was little Times Union Center general manager Bob Belber could do to prevent the Devils from coming back to town — that was, unless he was willing to go without a professional sports team tenant for the foreseeable future. Since that would have been a problem for the arena's bottom line, Belber went with the Devil(s) he knows.

And as it turns out, it appears that New Jersey has no interest in reclaiming the River Rats name and logo that they used when they were last in town. Just like it did when its AHL affiliate was in Lowell and Utica, New Jersey plans on planting the Devils moniker on Albany's jerseys. As for Rowdy the River Rat, my guess is he's packing his gear and moving to the Island of Misfit Mascots (that's a reference to the "South Park" episode with Sexual Harassment Panda, for those of you scoring at home).

The biggest question is how will all of this go over with Albany hockey fans who have been cheering on the River Rats for 17 seasons? If New Jersey actually gives Albany a good on-ice product, then people might not mind rooting for the Albany Devils. But given the fact that Lowell only made the AHL playoffs once in the four years the Devils were located in that northeastern Massachusetts city, people shouldn't hold out a lot of hope for years of playoff runs to come in Albany.

As for me, I regard the Devils' return as nothing more than a necessary step to keep pro hockey in Albany. I'm not excited or happy about it, but that's the reality of living in a minor league sports town in today's economy. You hope that you can hold on to a team, but you have to be willing to accept a new one when the old one moves on.

Of course, I was more willing to accept the Devils' return if they were going to be called the Albany River Rats. Since that's not going to happen, I'll do my part to carry on the River Rats' legacy by wearing their jersey (Carolina era, not New Jersey era).

• Sometimes, getting a sports story is about timing.

I was ready to write two stories about the win streaks Bethlehem's softball and Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake's boys lacrosse teams were on, but they both wound up losing Friday. And the crazy part was I was to be both games so I could get pictures of these great teams, nimbly traveling from Delmar to Latham without getting stuck in rush hour traffic to do so.

Just goes to show that if you wait too long, you wind up writing a post mortem about a winning streak instead of writing about the streak. Still, I'm glad I got to see those teams in action. They're going to make some noise in Sectionals, especially the Bethlehem softball team.

• I was hoping to catch Saratoga's softball showdown with Shenendehowa last Thursday, but the game was postponed — not because of rain or a wet field, but because of high winds. First time I've ever heard of a game being postponed because it was a windy day. Then again, dust in one's eyes can be a big problem.

• Churchill Downs named a Kentucky Derby Day race after Funny Cide. I think that's cool. By the way, Funny Cide is now 10 years old. In horse years, that makes him eligible for Social Security.

• If Scott Sicko can change his mind about trying out for the Dallas Cowboys, I'd like to change my mind and try stand-up comedy. Wait, you have to be funny to do that, right? Never mind.

• Finally, a quick shout out to my Montreal buddy, Gab, who's going to games 3 and 4 of the NHL Eastern Conference semifinal series between the Canadiens and the Pittsburgh Penguins. He's lucky enough to have season tickets for Les Habitants, but he's a Penguins fan — one who's brave enough to wear his Penguins jersey to the Bell Centre. I hope he makes it out of there in one piece.

That's it for this week. Next week's column will be a special one as I turn the big 4-uh-oh. Not sure if there will be any special guests to roast me, but you can send me any messages of encouragement you might have (and I'm going to need encouragement) at jonasr@spotlightnews.com. Any messages I receive will be interspersed within the column.

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Former Eagles join Highlanders

Two Bethlehem Central High School graduates are among eight Section II alumni playing for the Albany BWP Highlanders soccer team this summer.

Austin Hughes and Darko Knezevich are on F.J. Zwicklbauer's club. Hughes is a defender with

Binghamton University, while Knezevich is a midfielder at the University at Albany.

Other Section II grads on this year's Highlanders squad include Trey Jasenski (Mohonasen), Robert Millock (Shaker), T.J. Popolizio (Shenendehowa), Roberto Sgueglia (Mohonasen), David Burke (Shen) and Adam Costello (Saratoga Springs).

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Devils

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Bethlehem in the South Division. Shenendehowa (8-0; 8-0) is the only undefeated team in the Suburban Council.

"We are very pleased with our progress," said Gentile. "As much as they wanted to go undefeated, 8-1 is still a great record."

Bethlehem was scheduled to play Shen Monday, weather permitting. If not, the Eagles' next game is Wednesday against Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake.

Here's the plan, guys



Guilderland coach Sean McConaghy (with sunglasses) talks strategy with his offense late in the fourth quarter of Saturday's Suburban Council game against Bethlehem.

Lady Dutch rally past Bethlehem

The Guilderland girls lacrosse team used a big second half to pull out a 9-5 victory over Bethlehem in last Friday's Suburban Council game.

The Lady Eagles (4-5 league, 5-5 overall) had a 4-2 halftime lead before the Lady Dutch (9-0, 9-1) went on a 7-1 run in the second half to remain undefeated in league play.

Erin Mossop scored four goals and added an assist to lead Guilderland's comeback. Shelby Iapoco and Kristen Cagino each contributed a pair of goals, and goaltender Amanda Santandrea stopped five shots.

Michelle Primomo tallied twice, and goaltender Meghan Ladouceur had

nine saves for Bethlehem. Cameron Caesar, Shirah Fudin and Moriah Greenstein had the Lady Eagles' other goals.

Both teams entered last Friday's game off impressive victories. Guilderland defeated Averill Park 15-1 last Wednesday, while Bethlehem handled Columbia 15-2.

Mossop scored twice and added three assists to lead a balanced Guilderland attack. Kelly Camardo, Jenna Crupi, Hanna Scott and sisters Kendall and Mackenzie Cietek also tallied twice.

Primomo scored four times, and Caesar added a hat trick for Bethlehem in its victory over Averill Park.

Zanotta zaps three more HRs

Guilderland's Matt Zanotta continues to hit the cover off baseballs.

Zanotta hit three more home runs in last Friday's 18-4 Suburban Council victory over Averill Park to raise his season total to 10.

Two of Zanotta's three blasts came in an eight-run seventh inning for the Dutchmen (5-4 league, 6-6 overall). Zanotta's first shot in the inning was a grand slam, and his second was a solo homer — one of two he hit in the game.

Luke Stark and Nick Mastrianni got into the act for Guilderland. Stark drove in two runs with a seventh-inning home run, and Mastrianni added a two-run shot in the top of the fourth.

In another Suburban Council game last Friday, Columbia built a 5-1 lead after two innings and cruised to an 11-4 victory over Bethlehem in Delmar.

Scott Dulong and Matt Kasper each had three hits for Columbia. Matt Cahill singled three times for Bethlehem.

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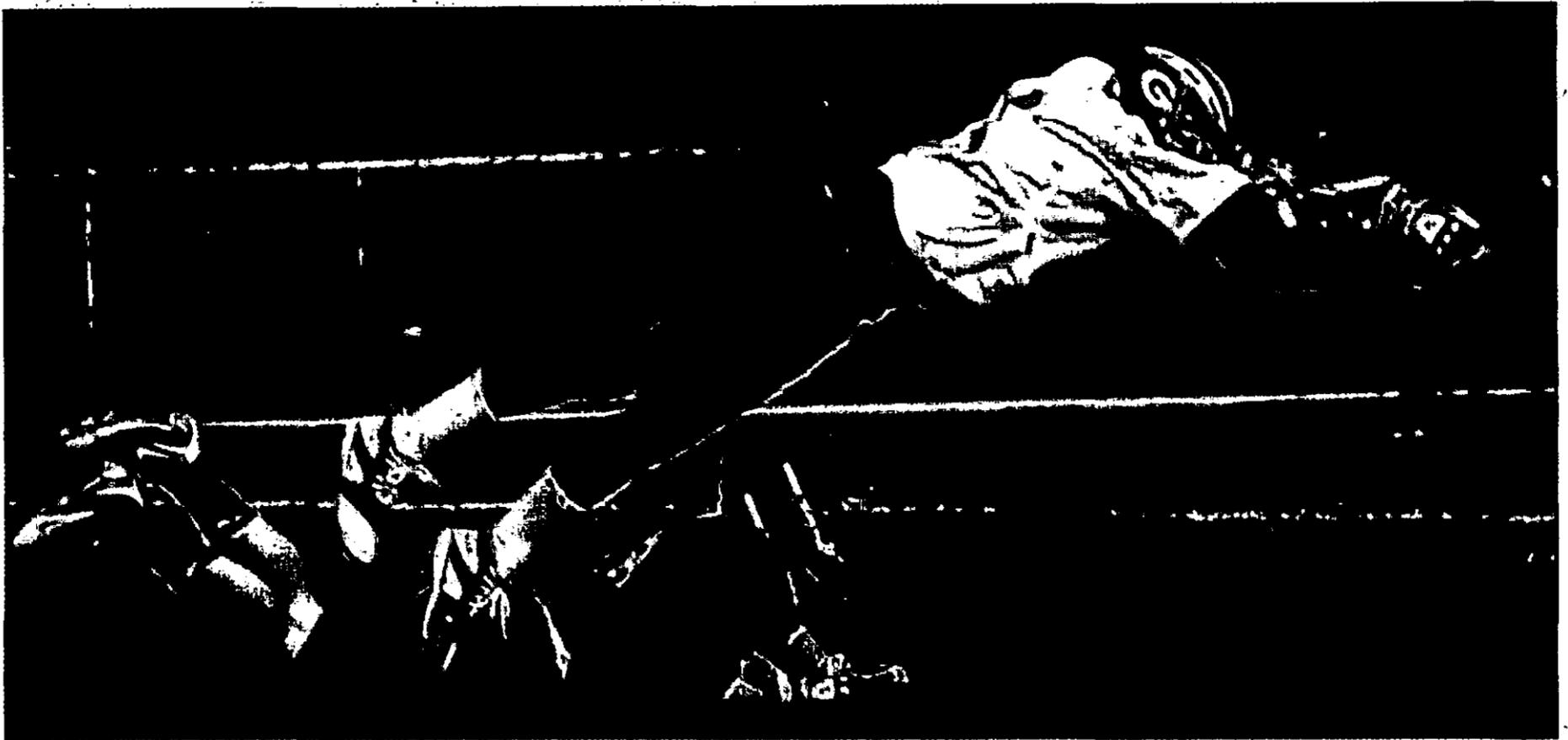
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Sports in the Spotlight



Guilderland's Taylor Dubose, top, sails over Bethlehem goaltender Theo Ferguson while reaching for a missed shot in Saturday's game.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Dutchmen fend off Eagles

By ROB JONAS

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The Bethlehem boys lacrosse team wanted nothing more than to beat Guilderland on Senior Day, but the Dutchmen were uncooperative.

Ian DiPace and Tony Stanish scored fourth-quarter goals to lead the Dutchmen to a 5-4 victory over the Eagles in Saturday's Suburban Council South Division game in Delmar.

"It was a hard-fought win against a team that was psyched up to play," said Guilderland coach Sean McConaghy.

The Dutchmen (6-1 league, 6-3 overall)

had a difficult time shaking Bethlehem (3-3, 4-4). Every time Guilderland scored a goal through the first three quarters, Bethlehem responded with one of its own.

DiPace and Stanish changed that pattern in the fourth quarter. DiPace broke a 3-3 tie midway through the quarter by charging through the middle of the field and firing a shot past Bethlehem goaltender Theo Ferguson. A short time later, Stanish scored off a pass from Paul Jones to put the Dutchmen ahead by two goals — the first time either team had such a cushion.

Eric Halék scored with less than

three minutes left in regulation to pull Bethlehem within a goal, but a pair of penalties in the final two minutes thwarted any chance the Eagles had of completing the comeback.

"We were pushing at the end," said Bethlehem coach Dave Rounds. "The offense could feel things weren't happening for us, so we started taking some risks."

Both goaltenders played well to keep the game low scoring. Ferguson stopped 12 shots for Bethlehem, while Sean Klim made seven saves for Guilderland.

"He had some huge saves for us," McConaghy said of Klim, who's been

splitting the goaltending duties with Christian DePersis. "He's been playing well, we think."

It was Bethlehem's third consecutive loss after a 4-1 start — a stretch Rounds said the team owed more to its physical state than anything else.

"We've got some big injuries on offense right now," said Rounds. "Some of them are trying to suck it [and play], but it hasn't been the same."

Bethlehem looked to get back to its winning ways Monday when it hosted Shaker in a Suburban Council game, while Guilderland hosted defending league champion Niskayuna.

Blue Devils halt streak

BC's offense shut out for first time

By ROB JONAS

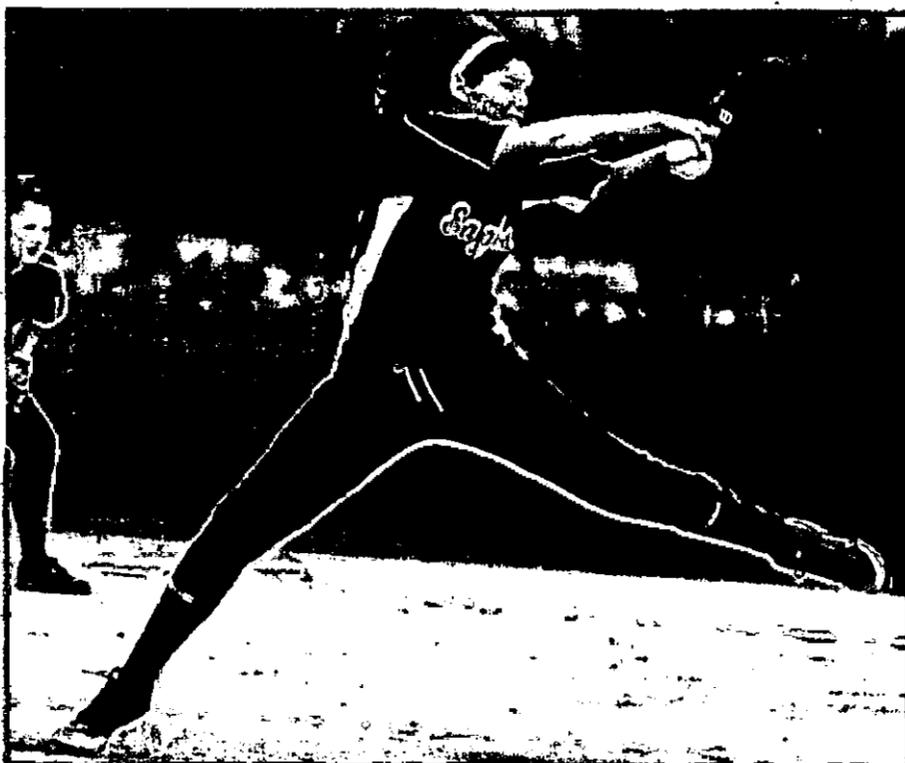
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When Bethlehem couldn't push across any runs in the first two innings of last Friday's Suburban Council South Division softball game, Columbia took advantage.

The Blue Devils (8-1 league, 8-1 overall) scored three runs in the top of the fourth inning and three more in the top of the sixth on their way to a 7-0 victory over the previously-undefeated Eagles.

"Our offensive production was off that day, shall we say," said Bethlehem coach Karen Gentile. "We had been doing good up till then."

The Eagles (8-1, 8-1) had a chance to push across a couple of runs in the bottom of the first inning. Mary Beth Dombrowski beat out an infield single and moved to second on Megan Crucetti's sacrifice



Bethlehem's Toni Edwards delivers to the plate during last Friday's Suburban Council game against Columbia in Delmar.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

bunt. Sammy Smaldone singled Dombrowski to third and stole second to put runners on second and third before Columbia pitcher Jenna Servidone struck out the next two batters to end the threat.

Bethlehem pitcher Toni Edwards cruised through the first three innings before running into trouble in the fourth. Meg Hallenbeck fouled a two-run double to highlight Columbia's three-run rally

that gave the Blue Devils the lead for good.

Brittany Hart contributed a pair of singles for Columbia, which moved into a first-place tie with

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Rats are gone, not forgotten

I'm wearing one of my two new Albany River Rats jerseys as I write this week's column. Long live Rowdy. OK, moving on...

From the

Sports Desk

Rob Jonas



• I don't know what made me sadder last week — the fact that Hershey swept Albany in the AHL playoffs, or the knowledge that the Albany Devils will be moving into the Times Union Center this fall.

Yes, I said the Albany Devils. And no, I don't feel good about it. Not one bit.

For one thing, I still remember what the River Rats were like when they were affiliated with the Devils. Sure, it went well for a few years (including a Calder Cup in 1995), but the last seven years were spent in the basement before New Jersey uprooted its affiliate and moved to Lowell, Mass. in 2006. I was happy when they left and Carolina (with help from Colorado for the first year) moved in.

Unfortunately, when Carolina announced it was moving its affiliate to Charlotte, that left the door open for another NHL team to move its AHL affiliate to Albany. And unfortunately, someone forgot to slam the door in New Jersey's faces when the Devils expressed interest in moving back to Albany after four years of disinterest in Lowell (average attendance — about 1,800).

There had been a brief glimmer of hope when the Portland Pirates expressed interest in moving to Albany, but as it turned out, it was all a ploy to get the city of

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