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A magical feeling

Jim Snack loves seeing looks of wonder on people's faces when he pulls off a good trick. Catch him at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library next week.
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Rally falls short

Schalmont ran out to a 26-point lead early in the third quarter and defeated Voorheesville 54-36 in Friday night's Colonial Council game in Voorheesville.
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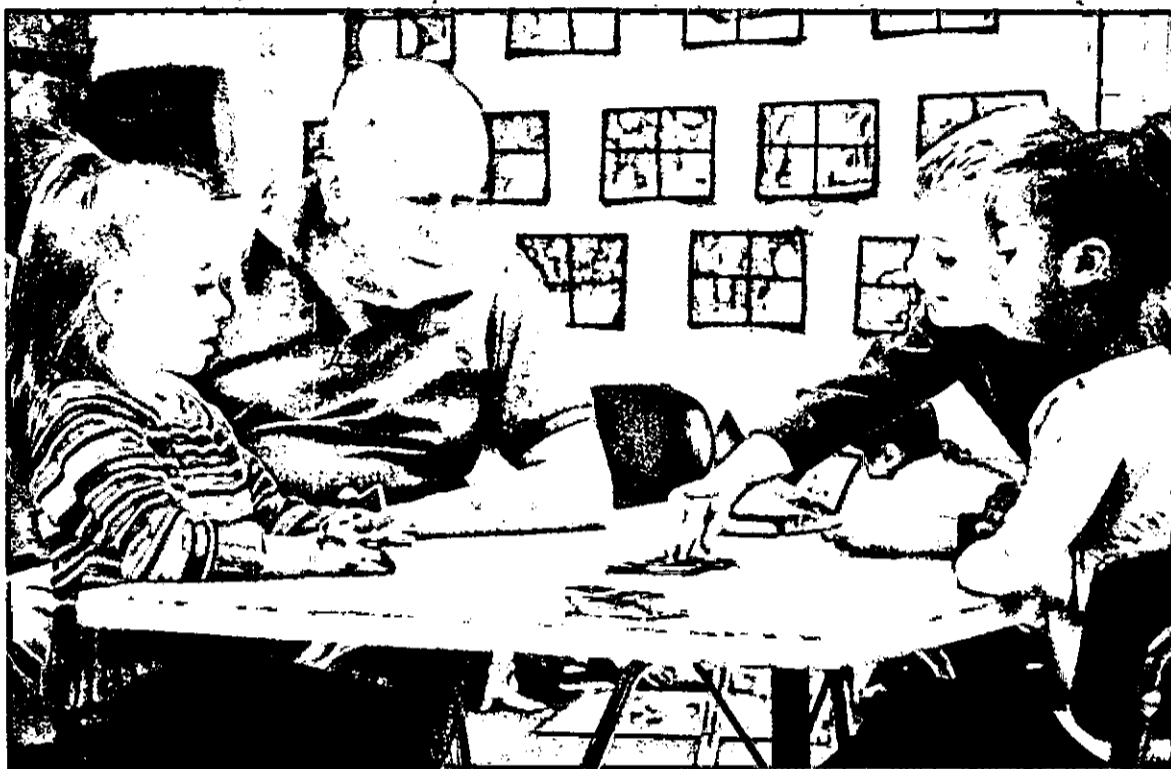
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Jody Keese's Glenmont Elementary kindergarten class was paid a visit by Delmar Place resident Bob Irving. Classrooms at the school have adopted "grandparents" who pay monthly visits to students and play games, do activities or just talk.

Charles Wiff/Spotlight

Greatest generation, meet next generation

Glenmont Elementary classes adopt 'grandparents' from Delmar Place

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Students at Glenmont Elementary School are forging connections with the past, and not through the pages of a history book.

Since last year, the school has welcomed residents of Delmar Place, an assisted-living community, into its classrooms to come speak to and interact with students. The program of adopting "grandparents" for classes, which Glenmont Principal Laura Heffernan described as an unqualified success, has benefits for all participants.

"It's a great chance for the senior citizens in the community to connect with the young people," Heffernan said. "They learn from each other. ...

The children get a history lesson, in a way."

Delmar Place residents first came to the school during Glenmont Elementary's Building Community Through Dance program last year. Seniors were invited in to talk with students about their own experiences with dance and what the trends were back in their day. The visit was such a success the school decided to invite Delmar Place back, and before long, the grandparents program was born.

Now, about once a month, about 10 seniors visit the school to sit down with classes K through 5. Though they try to visit the same classrooms, sometimes seniors have to skip a trip and kids get to interact with someone new. They spend an hour with the children playing games, doing activities or just talking.

Sometimes it's the grandparents who learn about what's new with kids. One class was showing

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Hughes files suit, seeks clean record



Christopher Hughes

Also: Selkirk man sues town for \$75M, names several BPD officers

By CHARLES WIFF
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A Bethlehem Police officer on disability has filed a lawsuit against the town and against Police Chief Louis Corsi, in a move that could be part of an effort to get back on active duty.

Christopher Hughes filed the lawsuit through his attorney on Dec. 9. It seeks compensation for damages,

punitive damages against Corsi, as well as a clean record for Hughes that does not mention disciplinary charges that have been brought against him. The suit also asks that the department "fairly consider [Hughes] for positions for which he qualifies without retaliation," indicating Hughes may be trying to rejoin the force.

Hughes referred questions to his attorney, who had not returned calls as of press time.

Hughes was brought up on two sets of disciplinary charges during

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Guard unit transfers command

Delmar resident and New York Army National Guard Capt. Nicholas Suhr relinquished his command of the Headquarters Company 42nd Infantry Division this month, handing over the company's colors to Capt. Todd Balog of Clifton Park.

The change-of-command ceremony took place at the unit armory in Troy. The 42nd's Headquarters Company supports the division in administrative tasks and support during the Guard's domestic or overseas missions.

Balog said he's most eager about running training aspects for the division.

"I'm looking forward to getting out of the office and getting back to the Army stuff... going out to the field, training," he said. "As the Headquarters Company, we have to make sure everyone is completing all the requirements they have to do to be in the Army."

The division also provides support to National Guard's Domestic All-Hazards Response Team, which is stationed in Troy.

Suhr served for two years as commander of the Headquarters Company. During that time he went with the division overseas in

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Army National Guard 42nd Infantry Division Special Troops Battalion Commander Lt. Col. Russell Clark, left, transferred the division's Headquarters Company colors from Nicholas Suhr, the outgoing commander, to Todd Balog, right, the incoming one, during a ceremony at the unit armory in Troy.

Submitted photo

Police Blotter

Teen admits setting Delmar house fire

A teenager arrested for setting fire to a Delmar home in August has pleaded guilty to arson and other charges.

Benjamin Van Zandt, 17, of Selkirk, faces four to 12 years in state prison and full repayment of \$455,000 in restitution, according to Albany County District Attorney David Soares. Sentencing is scheduled for February of 2011.



Benjamin Van Zandt

Van Zandt entered the Hasgate Drive home while the owners were away, stole several credit cards and set the house on fire. At the time, police said they thought Van Zandt knew the family was away on vacation.

Bethlehem police tracked down Van Zandt by tracking purchases made with the stolen credit card on the Internet. He was arrested when police staged a FedEx delivery of the items.

He gave a full confession to police upon his arrest, according to the District Attorney's office.



Cops seek credit card theft suspect

Bethlehem police are seeking a man they believe is using a stolen credit card.

They say the man captured on a security camera has used the card in Albany, North Greenbush and East Greenbush. The alleged theft of the card occurred in a Glenmont store in early November.

Police are asking anyone with information on the identity of the person to call investigators at 439-9973.



Officer honored

Second-generation Albany Police Officer Michael Romano, Albany County Sheriff James Campbell and County Executive Michael Breslin attended the Albany County Traffic Safety Awareness Committee 26th annual Holiday Program Thursday, Dec. 16, where Romano was given the committee's Award of Excellence.

Thomas Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

Ritter trial sees multiple delays

Case pending since 2009 arrest of UN weapons inspector

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More than a year after Delmar resident Scott Ritter found himself under arrest out of state on sex offense charges, his case has yet to go to trial.

Lawyers are wrangling with a Pennsylvania judge on particulars in the case. A trial has been delayed

several times, and while it had been on for a January start it's likely the trial will again be rescheduled to the next criminal court session in March.

"There's a lot of outstanding pretrial issues and pretrial motions in the case," said Monroe County Assistant District Attorney Michael Rakaczewski, who declined to comment on many specifics of the case.

Among those issues are records of Ritter's two arrests in 2001, in which

he was allegedly caught in Internet sting operations in Albany County. The case was dismissed in one instance and in the other a judge ordered the records sealed on the condition Ritter stayed out of trouble for a period of time.

A judge will have to decide if all or parts of those records would be admissible in court.

Ritter was allegedly caught in an Internet sting operation run by the Barrett Township Police Department in February of 2009. Police said Ritter, under the screen name "delmarm4fun," had a sexual conversation with a person he thought was a 15-year-old girl named Emily but was actually a police officer.

According to police, he exposed himself and masturbated on a Web camera during the session, according to police, and Ritter voluntarily turned himself in to police in Pennsylvania in November of last year.

Ritter's defense is also seeking to have the trial moved to another venue, arguing media coverage would influence local jurors. Calls to Ritter's attorneys in Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C., were not returned.

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Kilimanjaro quest ends

Delmar couple return safely from international expedition

By CHARLES WIFF
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A Delmar couple has just returned from a journey across the ocean that reached high into the thin air of Africa.

Dave and Linda Burtis spent several days on the side of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania earlier this month. Though they did not make the final summit, they did raise thousands for Laureus Sport for Good Foundation of America, an organization that offers sporting opportunities to underprivileged youth.

Dec. 11 was the date the international expedition was to push to the summit, over 19,300 feet above sea level, but a number either forewent the summit attempt or turned back partway in.

The Burtises elected to stay at the final summit camp rather than set out with the other climbers. Summit attempts start at midnight, and climbers hike



Dave Burtis washes up outside his tent on the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro.

all night so they can summit during daylight. After days of hiking in the rain and snow, they decided to rest instead.

It's a decision Dave Burtis does not regret after hearing about the final ascent from returning climbers.

"They came back in the camp the next morning just exhausted, and for many of the them it was beyond exhaustion," he said "We're kind of slow, so it would have been really tough for us."

The expedition was beset by rain and, at higher altitudes, snow.

"It started raining the first day as we were partway into the hike, and it was raining when we got to the tent," Dave Burtis said. "That just went on for three or four days, there was literally no sun."

The entire party had to take precautions to stave off altitude sickness, including drinking

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Linda Burtis, left, on the slopes of Kilimanjaro, just after leaving the rainforest. Linda and her husband, Dave, made it most of the way up the 19,300-foot mountain earlier this month as part of an international expedition raising money for the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation of America.

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The skinny on reverse mortgages

For some seniors, reverse mortgages offer a way to unlock equity

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Many seniors (and their adult children) are hearing about reverse mortgages from sources ranging from AARP and the media to lenders and financial brokers.

Recent headlines have touted the fact that numerous banks are waiving or reducing fees on their reverse mortgage products. And bankers point to thousands of seniors who have smartly managed reverse mortgages to remodel homes or help grandchildren with college. That's certainly good news. Mixed with the good news, though, are comments by the National Consumer Law Center saying some brokers have over-hyped the benefits of reverse mortgages, calling the loans "free money" and failing to disclose the associated fees

or accurately describing the terms of such loans.

To make sense of it all, let's start with the facts: There are a variety of reverse mortgages. But the most popular is known as a Home Equity Conversion Mortgage, or HECM. Simply, it's a loan that homeowners age 62 and older can use to turn part of the equity in their home into tax-free funds. During 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development calculated that lenders wrote 114,000 HECMs nationwide.

"The HECM is the federally insured reverse mortgage product, and the percentage growth of these loans has been high since the program began in 1990 with approximately 150 loans," said Peter Bell, president of the National Reverse Mortgage Lenders Association. "The biggest driver to adopting HECMs is that seniors are learning about the benefits."

Seniors should weigh the pros and cons, though. While the reverse mortgage can mean unlocking a substantial part of the equity in your home with relative ease, AARP notes "accrued interest payments are not tax-deductible until the loan is repaid in full."

As a first step, homeowners

should determine their goals before investigating a reverse mortgage. If a senior plans on moving from his or her home or faces long-term health-care needs, a reverse mortgage may not be the best approach. In the first case, the senior would likely spend less money putting the house up for sale versus paying the fees and costs to secure a reverse mortgage used for a short period of time, say two or three years.

Point of View

If, however, a homeowner age 62 or older wants to stay in their home for the long-term or remodel their house, the reverse mortgage is an excellent vehicle for tapping into equity.

Here's how it works: The funds from a reverse mortgage become available to a qualified homeowner without having to sell the home, give up title to it, or make monthly payments. If a homeowner is married, both husband and wife must be listed on the mortgage. The homeowner or the homeowners' heirs will never owe the bank more than the house is worth. And the majority of the fees tied to the loan are determined by the home's value, up to a

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HECM limit of \$625,500. Unlike a traditional mortgage, a reverse mortgage doesn't require that homeowners have a minimum income level or credit rating to qualify. That's because the customer doesn't make loan payments to the bank. The loan needn't be repaid until the homeowner sells the home, changes his or her primary residence for more than 12 months, or dies, in which case the estate or executor must pay off the loan.

To combat misunderstandings about reverse mortgages, HUD requires everyone who qualifies for a federally insured HECM to first receive counseling from a housing counseling agency.

"Every loan has a story behind it," added Bell. "Some people turn to reverse mortgages because they have a healthcare issue that's not covered by insurance. Some just want money to travel and visit their

family more frequently."

Critics suggest other ways to unlock the cash from a senior's home. For instance, a senior could refinance an existing mortgage, apply for a traditional home equity loan or sell their property. But selling a home when and for the price you want, even in a market as relatively stable as Upstate New York, comes with its own challenges.

To determine if a reverse mortgage is right for you (or a parent age 62 or older), educate yourself and define your financial goals. Stick to a single financial goal; it keeps your loan-shopping manageable. If you're helping a senior make this decision, find a government-approved, reverse-mortgage counselor in your area at www.hud.gov. Counselors' fees range from free to no more than \$125. Finally, choose a lender who will educate you, not someone who just wants to write a loan.

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Friday, December 24	57°/1941	-15°/1989
Saturday, December 25	66°/1889	-22°/1969
Sunday, December 26	59°/1895	-17°/1914
Monday, December 27	60°/1895	-18°/1914
Tuesday, December 28	61°/1982	-14°/1951

SEASONAL SNOWFALL TO DATE

4.0 inches as of Thursday, December 16th
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This week in weather

December 25, 1980 - Bitterly cold Christmas. Down to -36 in the Adirondacks with afternoon temps near -20 and severe wind chills. NYC dropped to -2 with steam fog on the East River, rising only to 7. Boston dropped to 7 below. Albany had a mean temperature of -8.5.

Sun & Moon

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wednesday	7:23am	4:25pm
Thursday	7:23am	4:26pm
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Factoid

On Christmas Day, Albany has seen a low of -22 in 1969 and a high of 66 way back in 1889. The snowiest Christmas was in 2002 with 19.2 inches of snow.

Tides at Albany

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	5:22am, 5:38pm	11:52am
Thursday	6:06am, 6:20pm	12:40am, 12:39pm
Friday	6:53am, 7:05pm	1:25am, 1:28pm
Saturday	7:43am, 7:53pm	2:11am, 2:21pm
Sunday	8:37am, 8:46pm	2:59am, 3:18pm
Monday	9:35am, 9:44pm	3:50am, 4:18pm
Tuesday	10:35am, 10:47pm	4:44am, 5:19pm

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Hot Harry's coming to Glenmont

Burrito maker looks to Center Square

By CHARLES WIFF
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A burgeoning burrito maker has its sights set on Glenmont for its next franchise location.

Hot Harry's Fresh Burritos is in the process of getting approval from the town to move in to Center Square in Glenmont, across the street from Glenmont Plaza. If all goes well and a variance is obtained from the Zoning Board of Appeals, the store could be up and running by spring. The location would be in the former Mainly Leather space.

The Hot Harry's franchise has only five locations open nationwide, including locations in Schenectady and East Greenbush, but is consistently expanding.

"We're really trying to establish ourselves in the bedroom communities," said the company's

Director of Franchise Sales Clay Slaughter. "Glenmont, with all the shopping and being so close to the concentration of the rooftops of homes, that's what really pushed us to the Glenmont location."

The new store will employ 12 to 15, who will train at the Schenectady store on upper Union Street. That location suffered a fire shortly after opening, but is now back in business.

Tim and Kim Donnelly, of Coxsackie, will be running the Glenmont branch.

"Glenmont Center Square has everything we were looking for; a location in the heart of a great community, a short commute from where we live, and easy accessibility for our customers," Kim Donnelly said.

Hot Harry's got its start in the Berkshires, said company president Samir Abdallah, and is now opening stores in

Iowa as well as in the northeast.

"It's a tough economy, but we got a great product and a following," Abdallah said.

He added he's confident the Glenmont restaurant will flourish.

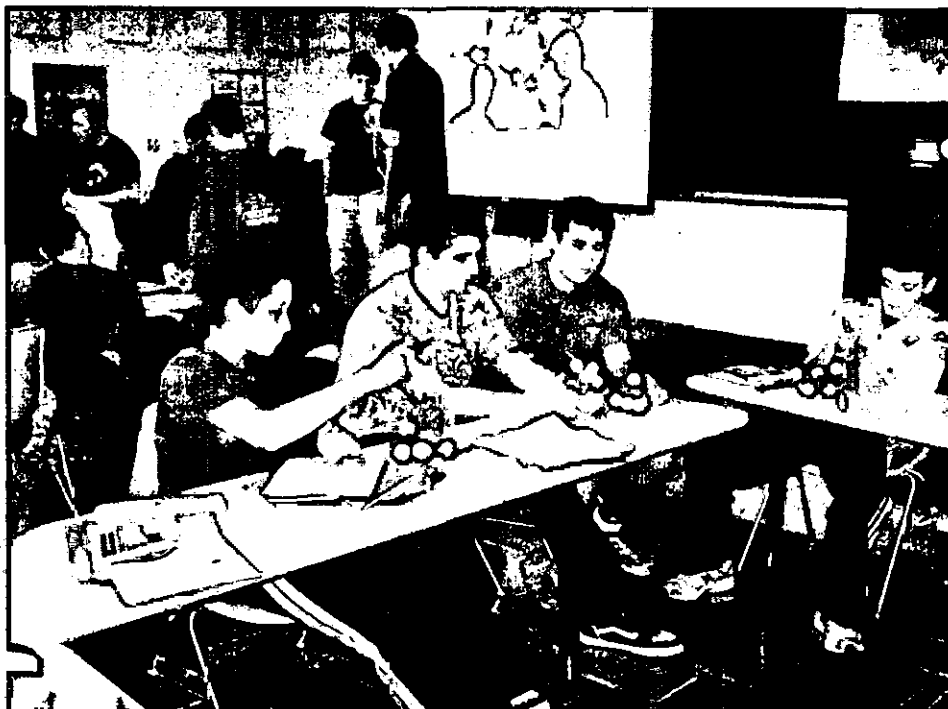
"It's a great area," he said. "A lot of our customers from Schenectady live over there."

Right across the street from the proposed store is Glenmont Plaza, where a developer has proposed to build two freestanding restaurants in the parking lot. Though no official tenants have been announced, a Chipotle has been mentioned as a potential future occupant.

Slaughter said that rumor doesn't concern him.

"We feel there's room for both of us in the market," he said. "The stronger the competition, ultimately the stronger the market."

RPI hosts Guilderland Scouts



Matt Reluzco, Matt Marotta and Peter Boeri, scouts from St. Madeleine Sophie's BSA Troop 50 in Guilderland, are instructed by a Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute student on the construction of a model atom. On Saturday, Dec. 3, several scouts attended nuclear science merit badge classes hosted by the RPI chapter of the American Nuclear Society. Students and professors worked with the scouts as they completed the requirements of the badge. Scouts toured the Gaertner Linear Accelerator and learned about the many career opportunities available in nuclear engineering. The RPI students provided an overview of nuclear physics, types of radiation and how nuclear fission works, in terms that the scouts and parents in attendance could relate to. A history of the scientists that discovered and developed nuclear physics was presented as well. After a lunch break of pizza and soda, hands on activities included building models of atoms, and using an electroscope to experiment with static electricity were held. The scouts were able to successfully complete the seven requirements needed to earn their merit badge. Attending scouts included Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Matt Marotta, Matt Reluzco and Peter Boeri; adults included John Marotta, George Reluzco, and Peter Boeri.

IN BRIEF

State museum slates activities

The state museum has planned a series of interactive programs for students during school break week, Dec. 27-30.

Participants will have the opportunity to sketch, paint, play interactive videos, watch a skit, learn exercises, do arts and crafts projects and more. Presenters include Drama Kids International, the University at Albany's College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering, the Environmental Clearinghouse, the Capital District YMCA, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, WMHT, the New York State Office of Mental Health, Best Buy and museum staff.

All activities are free and will be held Monday through Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. (unless otherwise indicated). Throughout the week, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., museum visitors can drop off food or used coats in receptacles in the museum lobby to help those in need. The museum has partnered with Food Pantries for the Capital District to collect canned, boxed and jarred food, as well as paper and toiletry products. Clean, gently used coats and jackets will be donated to the Capital City Rescue Mission.

Also, Monday through Thursday, visitors can join staff from Best Buy in the Huxley Theater to play interactive video games on a giant screen.

"Be Aware - Take Care" is the theme of Monday's program. Drama Kids International

will present a short skit at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. in Adirondack Hall to educate young people about the importance of eating right and being active. Drama Kids International is an after-school drama program that works to develop speaking skills and confidence in children ages 3 to 13.

Also on Monday visitors can build a model of a neural network in Adirondack Hall and make a poster about a public health issue in Bird Hall.

On Tuesday, "Cellular Celebration" is the theme. In Bird Hall, the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering will use a life-sized human torso and medical equipment to demonstrate current and future applications of nanotechnology in medical practice. Visitors to Adirondack Hall can also design a painting

using the magnified images of common germs and make a bracelet and match the beads to the DNA code from the human heart gene.

The museum will also celebrate Kwanzaa on Tuesday from 4 to 9 p.m. on the fourth floor. The free celebration will include singing, traditional foods and an African marketplace.

Wednesday's programs focus on "Healthy Environment: Healthy Kids." In Adirondack Hall, arts and crafts projects and puzzles will be used to provide tips on eating fish from the Hudson River. Visitors to Bird Hall can view bedbugs and ticks under a microscope and learn how to protect themselves from these tiny parasites. They also will be taught how to identify, avoid and treat poison ivy in Bird Hall.

Area soldiers extend service to country

Major General Patrick A. Murphy, the Adjutant General, announces the recent reenlistment of members of the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their continuing commitment to serve community, state and nation as part of the Army National Guard.

Sergeant Sean Baxter from Delmar has reenlisted to continue service with the Company C, 2-108th Infantry.

Sergeant Harold Gosling from Voorheesville has reenlisted to continue service with the Company D, 3-142d Aviation.

Sergeant 1st Class David Byron from Altamont has reenlisted

to continue service with the Joint Force Headquarters.

"Over the past 3 years, 16,000 men and women the New York Army National Guard has National Guard with come from far below each individual member authorized strength to having an important 100 percent strength role."

Murphy said in remarks to the force. "Our priority about the New York Army National Guard, visit for both state and federal missions and readiness. www.dnna.state.ny.us or www.1800goguard.com."


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It is much more common for dogs to develop Cushing's disease than cats. The most common signs demonstrated by dogs include increased thirst and urination, increased appetite, the development of a pot bellied stature, increased risk of infection and other skin problems such as hair loss, blackheads and the deposition of calcium in the skin (calcinosis cutis).


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Matters of Opinion in The Spotlight

The danger of loaded allegations

In this week's *Spotlight*, you'll read about a couple of lawsuits levied against the Town of Bethlehem.

One was filed by an embattled police officer, now on disability, looking to be compensated for damages and a clean record, possibly as a means to rejoin the force.

It's the latest part in a story we've covered for the past couple of years, but as intricate as it is, the other suit is a more complex and difficult affair. In May, a Selkirk resident — who is facing charges from an alleged 2008 incident in which he approached two teenage girls walking on the side of the road and offered them money to let him sniff their feet — filed a suit claiming two Bethlehem police officers fabricated those charges against him, beat him, and sodomized him with a nightstick.

That last part is a bit hard to print, as some of our readers will no doubt find it a bit hard to read. We understand that some readers may lend a credibility to the allegation because they see it in print, some may use the allegations to confirm a bias they may have against the police department and some may see the allegations and immediately dismiss them as nonsense.

Needless to say, we don't offer this information lightly.

Spotlight reporter Charles Wiff met with the claimant on two separate occasions, in addition to numerous telephone interviews and e-mail exchanges over the course of a few months. *The Spotlight* has also obtained the claimant's notarized statement in which he alleges he was sodomized.

Let's be perfectly clear: *The Spotlight* is not insinuating that this allegation is legitimate in any fashion simply because we have been thorough in investigating its circumstances or are reporting it. We bring this information to you, our readers, because it is the town's business and, thusly, your business.

For the town's part, they "emphatically deny" and have conducted their own investigation into the allegations. And for our part, we hope the truth — whatever it may be — is brought to light and that the claimant, the officers and the town can find peace and resolution in this matter.

Editorial

Leandra's Law: one year later

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New York drivers passed a noteworthy milestone on Dec. 18, which marked one year since the first phase of the much-publicized Leandra's Law went into effect. How significant the milestone is will be determined years from now after much analysis and number crunching, but early indications are that toughening state DWI penalties had a positive effect on the number of New Yorkers who drove impaired during the past year.

According to statistics compiled by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, there was a significant decrease in DWI arrests in the year after Leandra's Law took effect. It should be noted the comparison is not precise because the DCJS compared the one-year period ending in December 2009 (56,937 arrests) to the 11-month period ending in November 2010 (47,011). A projection based on those figures would equate to nearly 6,000 fewer DWIs over the course of a year, so the drop-off remains substantial regardless of the exact totals.

It would be easy to praise the law as a monumental victory in the war against drunk driving, but making any pronouncements at this point and projecting what it all means long-term would be premature. There is much to consider when analyzing pre- and post-Leandra's Law data. Facts and figures, numerical and intangible, may glean an answer eventually, but we will not know the precise effect for quite some time.

For a quick refresher, Leandra's Law, known as the Child Passenger Protection

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Act, was passed in memory of 11-year-old Leandra Rosado, who died in October 2009 when the SUV she and seven other children were riding in crashed on the Henry Hudson Parkway. The SUV driver, who

DWI involving children, a system is in place for year-to-year analysis. One thing we know for sure is that 653 drivers were charged with DWI under Leandra's Law during an 11-month period ending in November 2010. This time next year we'll be able to examine data from the preceding 11 months and the first reliable analysis will be possible.

There are a number of additional factors that make any telling determination impossible at this stage. Since Leandra's Law was designed for the specific intent of limiting DWI's involving children, any effect the law has had on drunk driving in general could be considered residual. The law certainly made headlines, which may have had an effect on the collective consciousness of drivers, especially after the second phase of Leandra's Law went into effect in August, and required all drivers convicted of misdemeanor or felony DWI to have a breathalyzer-style device installed on their vehicles.

Cautious optimism sounds about right this early in the game. Encouraging numbers do not necessarily need an explanation to be encouraging. But let's hold off on talking about cause and effect in factual terms. Wait a few years. See if children and DWI become less intertwined. Then we can crunch numbers and determine whether Leandra's Law was a colossal success or if the reality is something a bit more sobering.

was drunk at the time, recently pleaded guilty to manslaughter and more than a dozen other charges and was sentenced to 4 to 12 years in prison. The resulting law made it an automatic felony to drive drunk with a passenger under the age of 16. Previously, driving drunk with a child passenger could result in a misdemeanor charge of endangering the welfare of the child, but the charge was at the discretion of the police rather than being mandatory.

The nature of the previous law is precisely why it is too early to say what effect Leandra's Law has had. Since the endangering charge was discretionary under the old law, there is no way to confirm how many times children were actually in the vehicle during DWI arrests. For every endangering charge handed out there may have been a dozen other DWI-only charges to drivers who had children in the car. We simply do not know, so a direct comparison between then and now is not available.

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Officials talk Medicare changes

'Doughnut hole' addressed

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The open enrollment period for Medicare, which ends Dec. 31, along with questions about coverage were discussed at the Scotia-Glenville Senior Center on Friday, Dec. 10. The talk was lead by Region II Director for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Dr. Jamie Torres. Also in attendance were Representative Paul Tonko, D-Amsterdam, and Chairwoman of the Schenectady County Legislature Susan Savage, D-Niskayuna.

"This is the time that you can check your plan," said Torres. "This is the time to find out if your plan still meets your requirements and your needs."

He encouraged people to make the open enrollment period a "family affair" to discuss what options would be the best. If someone's medication has changed or he or she has developed a new disease, he said, there might be a plan to better suit those needs.

Seniors in attendance also wanted to know a little more about the elusive "doughnut hole," a gap in prescription medication coverage, that lawmakers have made steps to address.

Seniors who reach the doughnut hole, which is the point where Medicare coverage has reached a cap, will receive a \$250 check, and beginning in January, seniors will be able to buy brand-name medication at 50 percent off while in the coverage gap.

"Slowly they will start closing [the doughnut hole] by having discounted medication, and that is how it will be closed in the next 10 years," said Torres.

Torres also warned



Region II Director for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Dr. Jamie Torres talked to seniors at the Scotia-Glenville Senior Center on Friday, Dec. 10. From left, Representative Paul Tonko, Chairwoman of the Schenectady County Legislature Susan Savage, D-Niskayuna, and Torres address seniors' concerns about Medicare.

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seniors about scams that involve being contacted to provide information to receive their check because if someone reaches the doughnut hole, the check will be mailed to them automatically.

"The federal government never asks you for your Medicare number or Social Security number—that is as private as your credit card information — make sure you don't give it to anyone," said Torres.

An important element reason for Torres' visit was to discuss changes brought by the Patient Protection and Affordable Health that passed in March.

"The matter that the Patient Bill of Rights was passed in September of this year as part of the Affordable Health Care Act is historic, because now, for the first time in the history of our nation, children can no longer be denied coverage because of a preexisting condition," said Torres. "We can guarantee that every child below the age of 19 can get coverage no matter what

their health status is."

People will also have the right to go to the emergency room of their choice, even if it is out of the person's network.

With the national push toward reforming health care, Medicare has seen positive changes, said Torres.

"Not only are your benefits going to stay, but they have been strengthened," said Torres to seniors in attendance about Medicare. "The Medicare Trust Fund has also been extended (until 2029), so we want to make sure that Medicare is here for you but also for the next generation."

Medicare recipients will be able to get preventative care for free too, which he said will also help keep down costs through regular check-ups with doctors and promoting healthy lifestyles.

"Important changes are already taking place and changes that really many of us have been fighting for years," said Torres.

This was Torres' first

time in Schenectady. He covers New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

"It has been a great honor traveling the region to learn about the needs of the region, which is very diverse," said Torres. "Something that is happening in Schenectady might not be the same thing as something that this happening in Trenton, NJ."

For information about Medicare visit the program's website at www.Medicare.gov, or call Medicare's help line at 1-800-633-4227. One-on-one benefits counseling is available too through the State Health Insurance Assistance Program by calling 1-800-701-0501.

Quest

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much more water than normal. Most of their equipment was carried by local porters, who also took care of much of the duties around camp and the cooking.

Coming off the mountain early was arguably the group's most notable member, tennis star Martina Navratilova, who was evacuated by stretcher after being struck with acute altitude sickness, a potentially life-threatening condition. She met the group days later in London.

Luckily, the duo from Delmar did relatively well when it came to altitude sickness. Dave experienced some stomach discomfort near the end, but it was not too serious.

"Linda and I did very well in that department," he said. "You don't know if it's going to happen to you or

not. It's luck of the draw."

Other members of the group included former Olympians and even paraOlympian Michael Teuber, who was paralyzed from the waist down but used special equipment to move his legs.

Despite not making their final goal, Dave Burtis said making the trek with a international expedition was nonetheless an amazing experience. The couple has their sights set on making other journeys around the globe.

"We like to hike, so hiking up the mountain was just a very enjoyable experience," he said. "You're all going through the same weather and altitude issues together. It's a great bonding experience."

The Burtises are still accepting contributions to meet their fundraising goal of \$6,000. More on their climb and a link to their contribution page can be found at burtisandkilimanjaro.blogspot.com.

- Dave Burtis

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Varied past makes man a driving force

Ted Thompson has a doctorate in geography, but what really moves him has four wheels (or more)

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In his younger days, Ted Thompson spent time with the Peace Corps in Ethiopia, earned a doctorate in geography from Syracuse University, and worked with the State Department of Transportation, so one could understand if he wanted to spend his retirement years taking it easy.

But Thompson is happiest when he's on

the move. The 70-year-old drives rental cars and makes deliveries several days a week, despite an impressive resume.

Thompson, however, is humble about his achievements, and he wouldn't be too upset if there wasn't the prefix "Dr." before his name.

"A Ph.D or a doctorate is a big deal at the secondary level, at a high school level. At the university level, everyone's got a Ph.D," he said. "The Ph.D is your union ticket to teach at the college level."

But instead of teaching, upon graduation Thompson, of Niskayuna, decided to enter the school



Ted Thompson

transportation business in Western New York. He spent a year in Jordan-Elbridge as a supervisor and five years in Liverpool as a school dispatcher before heading to DOT.

The transportation industry has always held a deep sway over him, and he has driven everything from tractor-trailers to taxi cabs.

Thompson held three

different jobs with DOT, first dealing with bus transportation for four years, then being part of a strategic planning unit for five years, and for the last 14 years working in the Region 1 office in Schenectady.

"Absolutely great job," he said. "Basically, if you look at it really crudely, in the regional office, in the winter time they plow snow and ice, and in the summer time they take care of roads and bridges. I didn't do any of that. I was in a planning unit, and basically what happened was if something came up with trucks, buses, planes, trains, park and ride lots, I could take care of it."

He said that while his job duties were very broad, he was able to establish a lot of contacts and act as a salesman, adding that his success in the position

relied on his relationship with people out on the job.

Region 1 covered eight different counties, which has nearly 300 railroad crossings, according to Thompson. His job was to annually fund repairs to the crossings, which led to one of the more enjoyable jobs he can recall that took him all over the state.

The federal government has an inventory of every railroad crossings across the country, including private crossings, which travel from field to field of different farms. There are even some crossings that the federal government is not entirely sure whether they still exist, some of them being along the shore of various bodies of water.

"So I'm going up and down Lake Champlain ... and look up at the map where it's supposed to be [with] a DOT car going

over driveways and farm paths," he said. "It was the kind of thing where it's easier to say I'm sorry than ask permission. I just kept driving until somebody said something."

There was an incident at a crossing that Thompson said took more of a serious turn. The location was on Lake Champlain, where during the winter the lake would freeze over. Workers, who lived in Vermont and worked at International Paper in Fort Ticonderoga were able to drive over the lake since the ice was so thick. One night, a person drove back from the gin mill in the area after having a few drinks.

He decided to park on the tracks of the crossing and ended up getting hit by an oncoming train, killing him and his passenger.

"We took a look at that

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Bionic fingers open a new world to area teen

Lake George girl among early recipients of prosthetic

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Paige Edwards, 14, was born with what her prosthetic doctor calls "remnant digits" on her right hand. That means her palm is intact but the fingers are too small to grasp most things a typical teenage girl can.

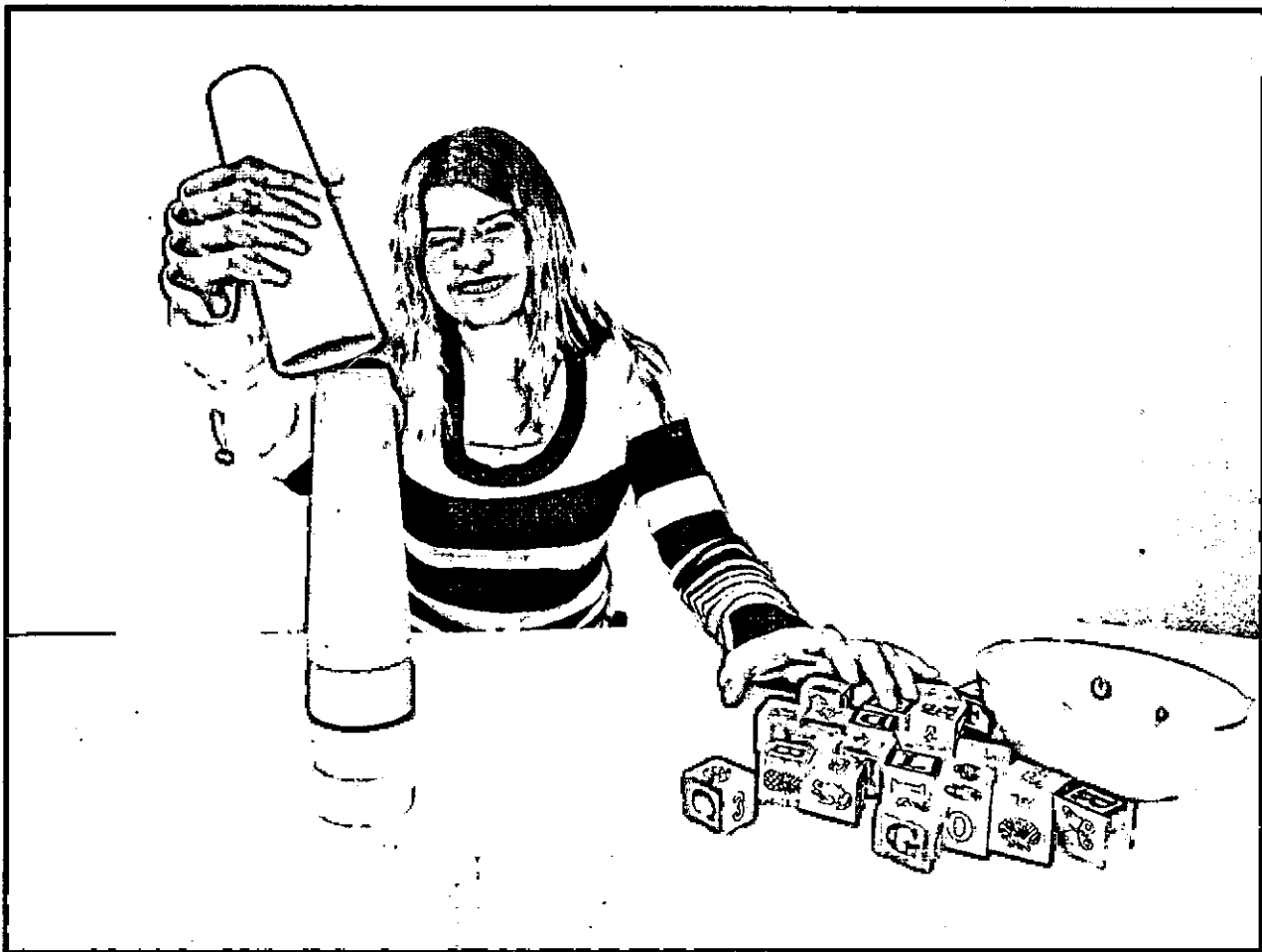
Edwards' difference has never gotten her down, though. In fact, she's molded a remarkably ordinary routine for herself, made even easier with her new ProDigits prosthetic hand by TouchBionics.

"It helps me do stuff I've never been able to do before. The first day I had it we went on a field trip and my friend had a water bottle. All I did was practice holding and opening it. A big thing for me is doing stuff so simple like everyone else," said Edwards, of Lake George.

Edwards recently attended her last fitting at Prosthetic and Orthotic Associates in Middletown, so all that's left to complete her bionic transformation is to get fitted for LivingSkin, a silicone material that looks realistic and covers the otherwise mechanical-looking fingers. Edwards said sensors pick up on what her smaller fingers or hand is trying to do, so if she pinches, the prosthetic hand pinches. If she gives a "thumbs up," the fingers do, too.

While having a fully functional right hand is exciting and convenient, Edwards said she made adjustments before her bionic fingers came into the picture.

"I've had it since I was born, so I adapted to everything. I was supposed to be right-handed but had to be left-handed. A lot of active stuff I used my wrist for, like monkey bars, I use my wrists. I do have some motion so I can grab something little," said



Paige Edwards shows off some of the things she can do with her new ProDigits prosthetic hand.

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Edwards. "Some things were harder to accept than others, but I just got used to it, I guess."

She got so used to it that she said her friends often forget she's any different than them.

"My friends will be talking to me and I'll have an ice cream cone in one hand and they'll ask me to hold theirs for a second ... and then they feel bad because they forgot [I can't]," said Edwards. "I don't ever remember a time where

it was something negative in my life. I always made it something positive."

Edwards first saw ProDigits on "The Today Show" and quickly urged her mother to look into it. Edwards' mom found the Hudson Valley practice that could fit her with ProDigits of her own.

"This particular form of electronic 'bionic' prosthesis for a finger are really relatively brand new and have only been available to the world community for one year

this month. Prior to that, for something like this young woman, there really was nothing available to allow her to be able to pick up an apple or orange; not technically small enough to actually bend and extend like fingers do," said Tom Passero, her prosthetic doctor. "She's

one of the first 150 people in the world getting this technology and the first in the Hudson Valley."

Passero's company has been involved — accidentally he said — since the very first whispers of ProDigits began circulating throughout a global

clinical team around two years ago. The prosthetic fingers were developed by engineers and clinicians in Scotland at a company called TouchBionics, which introduced the first bionic hand, a precursor to ProDigits. What TouchBionics didn't have, though, was a covering that looked like real skin. Passero did, having developed the product LivingSkin himself, so the companies merged, making Prosthetic and Orthotic Associates one of a few dozen in the world that knows how to fit for bionic fingers.

Besides convenience, ProDigits will cut down on health risks Edwards could have faced.

"Someone who uses their one hand all the time for opening and closing and grasping, is at risk of overuse or repetitive stress injury ... these will enable her hold objects in both hands and decrease with stress and strain on her natural hand that she's been using almost exclusively for 14 years. That's roughly 28 years of use on knuckles, joints, everything," said Passero.

Edwards wears ProDigits only at school, except during gym, and then takes it off at home. She's looking forward to doing a few new things.

"One thing was cutting my meat; I always have my parents cut my meat for me. Another thing was being able to do two things at once, like use a hairdryer and hairbrush. I couldn't do that before," said Edwards.

She used to get questions like "Does it hurt?" from curious classmates, but not anymore.

"Now after everyone has seen it, they're like 'Oh my God, that's awesome,'" said Edwards.

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Local woman launches weekly parenting show

'Parentology' premieres on the CW

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Paula Gretzinger knows that parenting is a non-stop job.

"It deals with everything. Usually people think when you talk about parenting it's only newborn to 2 or 3 years old, but it's also teens and beyond," said Gretzinger.

Gretzinger, of Clifton Park, is referring to her new television show — a mix of reality series, lives guests and pre-produced stories — that premiered on the local CW affiliate Sunday, Dec. 5. "Parentology" is a survival guide to parenting, packed into a weekly half-hour show, and will touch on topics like nutrition, family profiles, activities, juggling kids and work, and anything else that can help make the busiest caretaker's life a little easier.

"I wanted to have a show that targets everybody: moms, dads, grandparents. Some of my guests will be teens and every week I'll profile a different family. I have experts, local doctors, local parenting experts, nutritionists and fitness experts," said Gretzinger.

The first show, which aired at its weekly time of Sunday at 8:30 a.m., featured a stay-at-home mom with five kids, a stay-at-home dad with two kids and a single working mom. The three very different families discussed

whether or not parenting was a difficult job.

"A single mom has a different perspective compared to a stay at home dad. He thought it was very difficult, and the single working mom said 'No way,'" said Gretzinger.

Offering perspectives and a platform to share parenting tips, challenges and stories, is what "Parentology" is all about. Gretzinger said she hopes the show comes off as authentic and real, because after all, she's no expert herself. She's just a mom.

"The reaction has been very positive ... one of the things a parent said was that she really liked the show because it showed real parents and it's not a show like 'The Nanny' that talks about making one family look bad," said Gretzinger. "Mine is about giving tips to other parents in similar situations; it's a feel good show because nobody really has the answers for parenting. You think you know everything but you don't."

Gretzinger got the idea to combine two things she's a natural at—television broadcasts and raising her three kids—on a family trip to Florida.

"I used to work two jobs and did so much, it was non stop ... in Florida with my family, we decided not to bring any cell phones or computers, just be disconnected from the world, and something hit me then where I said I want to do



Paula Gretzinger, a mother to three young children and wife of WRGB's Jerry Gretzinger, recently premiered the first episode of her new show, "Parentology," on the CW.

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something to help other people," said Gretzinger, who worked at many of the local news stations and is married to WRGB's Jerry Gretzinger. "Talking to other parents, it seems like something parents don't talk about [struggling], but I want parents to know it's OK to tell someone you're having a hard time, because so many other parents are out there in the same situation you are."

Even though she put her career on hold to raise a family, she's busy as ever, only this time everything revolves around putting family first.

"I have a schedule where my daughter Isabella is always with

me. She's my buddy. I bring her when I talk to businesses about sponsoring my show ... people joke around with her, call her my bodyguard," said Gretzinger. "When my other kids (Nicole, 5, and Jerry, 7) get home from school at 3:30 p.m., I stop everything I'm doing and dedicate my time to them. My husband comes home and we have dinner with the kids, go through their days and ask how they went. After that, we play with them. We're kind of dorky. We play hide and seek, duck duck goose, traditional games. Then he goes back to work, the kids go to bed and I'll work on 'Parentology' some more."

When she says "Parentology" is her baby, she means it. Gretzinger does everything for the show, except the shooting when she's in the studio; that task falls on the shoulders of her director, who volunteers his time to create the show. She takes special care when finding families to feature or experts to interview, she said.

"So many times you read magazines and these experts are giving you advice, but you look at their credentials and they're not even parents. They're just talking about books they read themselves and things that don't really work," said Gretzinger. "I make sure they have kids and if they have products out there, that they work."

The show could do good beyond the television screen, too, if Gretzinger gets her way.

"I profiled this family ... they have seven kids and one of their daughters, 14, has a rare disease, she could die because there's no cure for that. I felt bad because the dad said that money won't help his daughter get better," said Gretzinger. "I wanted to do something to make them feel good, so I called Great Escape, told them what I was doing and asked if they'd be able to give them something ... they gave them a stay at their indoor water park and when I presented the gift to them, it was so nice to see the smile in her face and her family's faces. This is what I want this show to be."

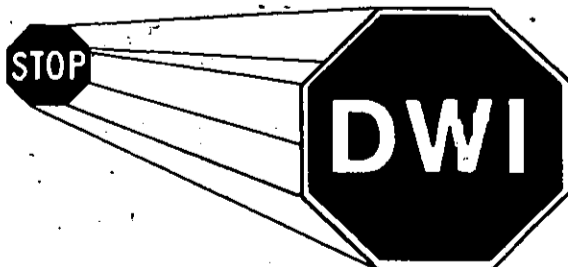
So far, Gretzinger is under contract to produce a 13-episode season, but her dream would be to do this forever and take it national.

"I'm trying to get it syndicated so I'm working with an agent. That's the biggest goal, to be able to not just help people in the Capital Region but throughout the country," said Gretzinger.

That's one benefit that Gretzinger says local businesses should keep in mind when deciding whether they want to sponsor an episode. She's still looking for sponsors, families and guests and said they can reach out to her by interacting on the show's Facebook page. She also writes a blog where she tests out tips or activities with her own children at www.minivan-mamapaula.blogspot.com.

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Bethlehem library looks back and plans ahead

There were lots of goings-on at the library this past year or so: new services, varied programs, a national touring exhibit, and parking enhancements.

Programs for all

We welcomed authors Elizabeth Brundage and Susanne Alleyn and renowned Native American storyteller Joseph Bruchac. We began a new parent workshop series that took on topics as varied as sign language, baby massage and reading at home. Youth services received a grant supporting programs and outreach for special-needs children and their families.

Evenings on the Green, A Little Sunday Music and the Riverway Storytelling Festival finale again drew large audiences.

We ended the year on a distinctive note by hosting the national traveling exhibit Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation. Complementing that fine display were a series of events, book discussions, kids' programs, musical offerings and living history presentations that drew well over 600 people of all ages.

Services

A new consumer health reference service was put in place, offering expert



confidential research related to individual health questions. The success of Computer Partners encouraged us to launch a second level of this one-on-one tutoring service for adults. We added the excellent Mango language learning program to our roster of library databases. We continued our outreach to the community with visits to Bethlehem schools and assisted living facilities, our Books to People delivery service for the homebound, the Town Health Fair and our annual blood drive.

Completed last spring, our PARC project has enhanced our parking capacity, improved safe access for all, and provided new green areas for public enjoyment.

Teens

The teen area was revamped to include expanded collections of attractive furniture, and a sleek laptop station. The area is well used and circulation of teen materials has seen an uptick.

Study Hall @ the Library opened up our meeting rooms to teens for group study before the January and June Regents exams. Our annual Teen Film Fest

showcased the creativity and thoughtfulness of our talented teens.

What's ahead

We begin 2011 with a new Winter Reading Program for kids and teens, visits by authors Lee Woodruff and Jackie Morse Kessler, and a presence on Facebook. Check us out online at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org and in the January/February edition of the library newsletter, footnotes, mailed to your homes this week. We continue to look for ways to provide excellent, relevant, and essential service to our community.

Tiny tots

Tuesdays, Jan. 11-Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m.

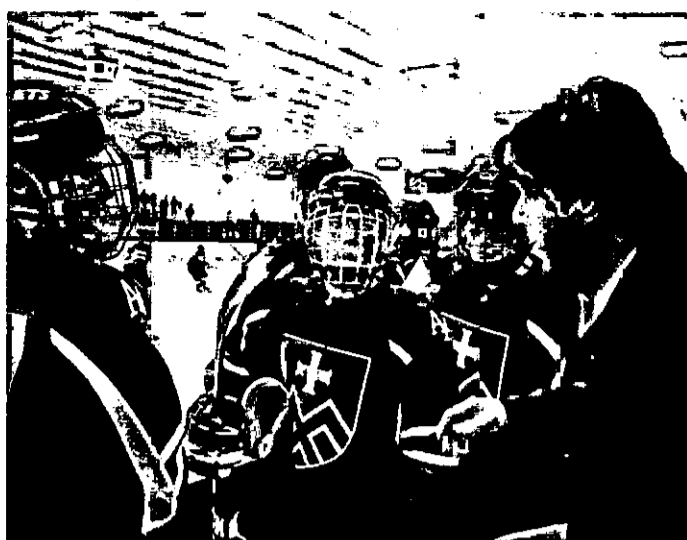
Storytimes for children up to 35 months accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Stories and more

Tuesdays, Jan. 11-Feb. 8, 1:30 p.m.

Stories with songs, movies or crafts for children up to age 6 and families.

Louise Grieco
All library programming is free and open to the public. The Bethlehem Public Library is located at 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar. For information, call 439-9314.



Champs again

Coach Eric Cavosie talks to the Albany Academy varsity hockey team during the championship game of the 45th Annual Rider Cup Hockey Tournament on Dec. 12. Albany Academy won, 5-3, for its first title since 2003.

Submitted photo

Fine Free Nine coming up

It's time to start looking for your missing books and CDs! Fine Free Nine runs from Jan. 8 to 16. This annual nine-day occurrence is a time for you to return whatever you can locate that is overdue. We will not be collecting any money and you can clear those fines off your card and your conscience. Start looking now.



some very nice books and always a bargain.

Gingerbread house

Be sure you see the magnificent handmade gingerbread house on loan to us from Joan and Hank Maness. It looks painstakingly and cleverly created. Who knew what you could do with pretzels and Triscuits and malted milk balls? The kids should love seeing it (no touching, please!).

'Toy Story 3' showing

There's excitement in the air for the Dec. 29 showing of "Toy Story 3." Kids on vacation from school can enjoy the free movie with popcorn with a start time of 1:30 p.m. All ages

are welcome, including mom and dad. Also during vacation week is the Teen Reading Working and the American Girls Tea Party. Call for information.

Poets to meet

The Thursday Poets will meet on Dec. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Holiday hours

The library is closed for Christmas on Dec. 24 and 25 and reopens at 1 p.m. on Dec. 26.

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

Library can help kids fight boredom during vacation

What are you going to do with the kids during vacation? Not only does the library have its usual selection of books, videos and music to check out, but there will also be two special vacation week activities just for kids. No need to register, just come to the library and join the fun.

• Library Pictographs: Make your mark on the newly refurbished library. Kids 8 and older are invited to create artwork for the new juvenile non-

RCS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

fiction area on Wednesday, Dec. 29, from 1 to 2:30. Young artists will choose non-fiction subjects and create icons for signwork to guide users to those topics.

• Kids Construction Zone: The Library Construction Zone re-opens Thursday, Dec. 30, from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Library Annex. Build

the highest tower or the craziest spaceship. Bring a friend for a construction play date. Lego fans can let their imaginations run wild with the library's collection of building blocks.

Vacation activities are free and open to the public. For more details, call the Library at 756-2053 or visit our website at www.uhls.org/rcscl.

Acoustic Doorways

The concert schedule for Winter and Spring

2011 will be announced in early January. The season will span old-time Appalachian tunes, modern songwriting, jazz, and world music.

The library is seeking business, individual and family sponsorships as it works toward making the series independent of grant funding. All donors receive program acknowledgement. Higher levels of donation

also receive tickets to all concerts. Contact Judith Felsten, library director, for information at 756-2053 or rcscl@uhls.lib.ny.us.

Holiday hours

The library will be closed on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 24 and 25, for Christmas. Regular hour resume Monday, Dec. 27. On Friday, Dec. 31, and Saturday, Jan. 1, the library will close

for the New Year. The Library will re-open on Monday, Jan. 3, at 10 a.m. Happy holidays from the library staff!

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Seniors, others benefit from first Turkey Trot

The first Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot to benefit the Bethlehem Food Pantry, sponsored and organized by Shannon and John Guastella, owners of the Our Towne publication, was a huge success not only for those who participated, but for Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.

More than 2,000 runners and walkers contributed to the Turkey Trot by donating money, a food item or both. As a result, the Bethlehem Food Pantry received an abundance of canned items and over \$5,000 in contributions. The Board of Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. thanks and applauds the efforts of the Guastellas and all of the sponsors and volunteers who helped in many ways to keep Bethlehem the best place to live by providing for all.

There is still time to sign up for the Christmas Day Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 25, at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.



Town of Bethlehem

The turkey and ham dinner is open to all residents of the Town and will begin at 1:30 pm. There is no fee but goodwill offerings will be accepted. Transportation for Town Seniors will be provided. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, for meal and transportation reservations.

The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department has announced the 2011 Winter/Spring programs. Among the programs that especially appeal to seniors are Afternoon/Evening Walkers, Aqua Fitness and Lifetime Fitness. A new program, called Active Aging, is being offered this year. Instructor Diane White invites you to add years to your life and life to your years using weights, bands, chairs, and walls to focus on slow movements and holding poses to improve

balance and strengthen core muscles. The Park Playbook has been mailed to all town residents and includes dates, times and fees. You can call the Park Office at 439-4955, ext. 2131 for information.

Program highlights

The Bethlehem Town Hall will be closed on Dec. 24 for Christmas Eve and on Dec. 31 for New Year's Day observed. In addition, Bethlehem Senior Transportation will not be available Dec. 24 through Jan. 2. However, the Bethlehem Senior Services office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 27 through Dec. 30 and van volunteers will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm to take transportation reservations.

For information on Senior activities and support services, call the Bethlehem Senior Services Office at 439-4955, #1176

Wilma DeLucco,
Bethlehem Senior Projects,
Inc. Board Member

Driving

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crossing and said, "This is nuts," he said. "The only thing they do on that crossing is they launch boats right into the lake. [We] looked at that and said, 'We should close this.'"

A subsequent hearing was held where they discovered that the launch was used for other areas on the lake only accessible by boat.

The traveling life has always been in Thompson's blood. In the 1960s, he joined the Peace Corps and headed to Asella, Ethiopia, earning a master's degree in secondary education from Cornell University. At the time, his mother, who was from a German family that grew up on coffee plantation in Guatemala, suggested he go see the world a bit before he went into the workforce.

"She probably meant, 'Go see your relatives in Germany,' or something like that," he said. "I wanted to do something more, so I wanted to go into the Peace Corps. And Guatemala may have been an option for me in the Peace Corps. It didn't come up and they offered me the opportunity of being in Ethiopia and I said, 'All right, give it a shot.'"

His group was the third one to head over to Ethiopia from the Peace Corps. He went through three weeks of training at UCLA where he learned about the language, culture and health. When finally arriving in Ethiopia, his group met with three other volunteers who were there from the previous trip.

The school in the area where he taught was well-established, he said, and the buildings were made from what he called "solid masonry" not mud.

Thompson taught the children history and geography, which allowed him to travel around the country and learn about the actual landscape. And he did just that, doing an entire circle around the country in one of his extensive trips.

At first, he traveled the country with his Peace Corps group, but he eventually decided to do something different. Something he said he would disown his son, Ian, for doing. He began traveling the country by himself.

By train, by bus, by taxi and even through hitch-hiking, he traveled throughout the country. Even while he was doing this, he didn't think it was the greatest of ideas.

"I'm by myself and I'm thinking, 'What am I doing?'" he said. "Well I get into town and some friendly people come up to me and say, 'You know, white people aren't really liked around here.'"

The area he was in, Mozambique or Zambia, was a hotspot for training freedom fighters, and they were trying to keep the area quiet and keep white people out of town. Thompson said they drove him out of town to keep him out of the way, and he then got on a bus and headed up a little further.

He completed his cross-country trip in a month, and would only stay in each city for a couple of days.

"I'm not the kind of guy that hangs out in one place for too long," he said.

With his penchant for driving, Thompson said he took whatever chance he could to drive the Peace Corps vehicles, which were Land Rovers or state trucks, where he would do the grocery shopping or locate new Peace Corps volunteers coming in.

"One of the things I'd like to find, and you can't, is a model of a long wheel based Land Rover," he said.

"You just can't."

Thompson began striking up conversations with the bus drivers around town who operated the 20-25 person mid-sized vans. While they would sometimes be driving Mercedes, his favorites were the Fiats.

"One time, coming back ... the guy said, 'Do you want to drive?'"

Thompson's mustachioed face beamed with joy as he recalled the story.

"Do I wanna drive? Is the Pope Catholic?" he joked. "So it was just the last few miles and it was kind of funny, I got in there, and some of the Ethiopians in there were like, 'What's going on?'"

To this day, his passion lives on for various automobiles.

He has been married to his wife for 34 years, and his son Ian attended schools in the South Colonie School district. Ian has since graduated from the University of Florida and was about to move on to get his Ph.D in behavioral neuroscience, but decided to take a break while living in Buffalo, where he is now an EMT before attending the University of Buffalo medical school.

Now, Thompson drives rental cars for Hertz on Thursday afternoons and Sunday mornings, and on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday he delivers foreign auto parts for BAP-Geon.

Ask him why he still does it, the world traveling doctor with a commercial drivers license smiles, rubs his bald head, and says it's just for fun and to keep him busy. But then the humble side of him peeks through again.

"I realized that I'm one of the over privileged state retirees."

Help with heating costs available

Cold months approach. Heating costs increase. People with monthly incomes under \$2129 for one person, or \$2784 for two people, etc., are eligible for the Heating Assistance Program called HEAP.

This grant can be received each heating season and goes directly to the heating company. Applications to the program are now available in the Senior Office.

Please act quickly as funds are limited.

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Wednesday, Dec. 29

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Thursday, Dec. 30

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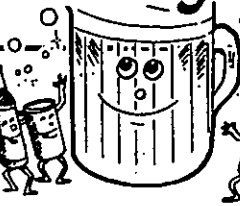
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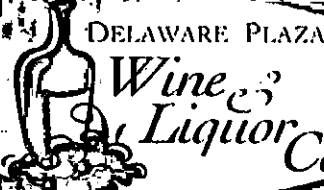
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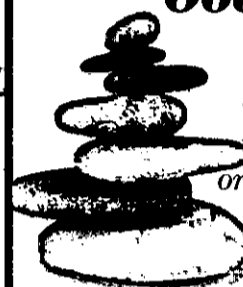
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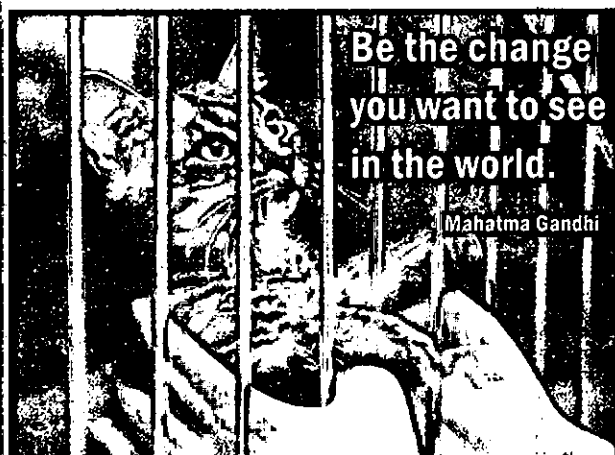
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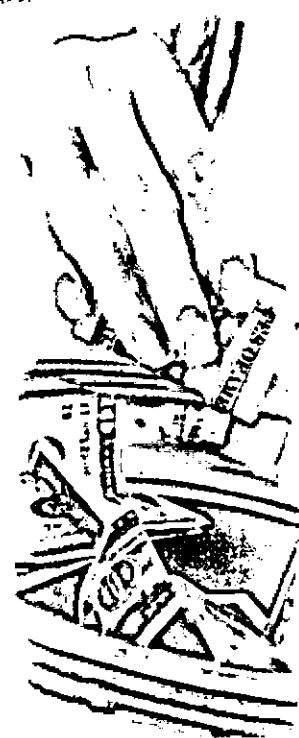
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A PIG PHENOMENON

Local candy shop specializes in old Saratoga tradition

By ALYSSA JUNG
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Mike Fitzgerald loves everything about Christmas, which is lucky for him, since he gets a start on the holiday season in August.

Fitzgerald is the owner of Saratoga Sweets, the Halfmoon-based candy shop perhaps best known for producing the only traditional peppermint pigs in the world. Sporting a Santa hat everyday from August to New Year's Eve, with Christmas tunes blaring throughout the small kitchen called the "Pig Pen," he spends all day, every day, cooking up the sweet, minty and historical treats.

"The best we can make in a day is 1,000, but those days are few and far between. If we can get 400 to 500, we're happy," said Fitzgerald, rapidly stirring a liquid version of the candy pig in a bright red tea kettle. "This year, we'll make 130,000 pigs."

Back in 1988, when Saratoga Sweets first opened in Saratoga Springs, the historical society approached the candy shop about making peppermint pigs. The tradition of passing one around after Christmas dinner and whacking it with a hammer after reflecting on something good that happened throughout the year had died with the city's last candy maker in the '30s.

Fitzgerald made around 60 pigs that first year, which turned out to be far too little for the throngs of older Saratoga residents who showed up at the shop's doorstep on Christmas Eve.

"One older gentleman came in holding



a little hand, his grandson, and said the last time he'd gotten a pig he was the little hand," said Fitzgerald. "It was really rewarding and nice. With all due respect to Saratoga, my wife and I thought we were off to the races and every year we expand what we do."

Saratoga Sweets moved to its Halfmoon location on Route 9, and after creating molds specifically crafted to mirror the original peppermint pigs from the late 1800s, Fitzgerald found the perfect recipe and process to create the one-of-a-kind candy glass. The trick to making it shatter? A high sugar content. And, the ability to break it apart isn't the only thing that sets the pigs apart from other hard candy.

"We use peppermint oil. Most modern day candy is made with extracts and flavorings, which are radically less expensive. Most of my critics were people who had them as children and if I tried to slide by a lesser product, I would have heard about it, so I knew we had to make them with oil and I still make them with oil," said Fitzgerald.

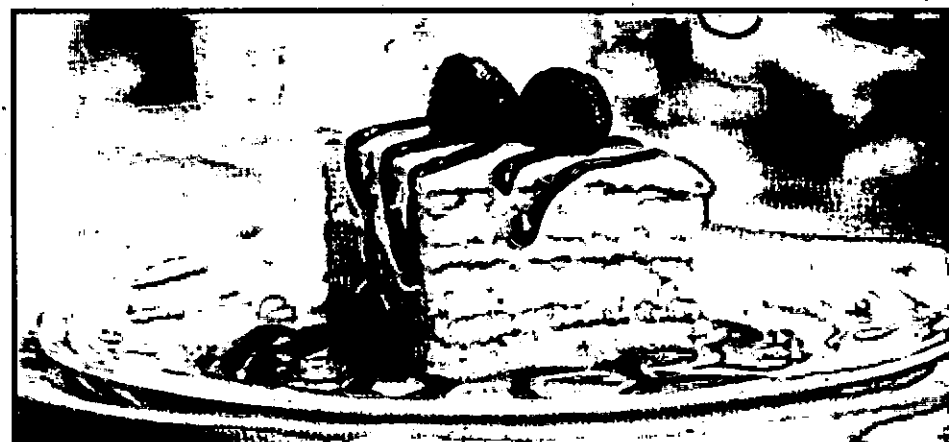
The candy shop will go through two dozen large jugs of peppermint oil each season at \$750 apiece. Opting

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Mike Fitzgerald makes peppermint pigs in the "Pig Pen" at Saratoga Sweets in Halfmoon. The finished product is at left.

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State museum slates activities

The state museum has planned a series of interactive programs for students during school break week, Dec. 27-30.

Participants will have the opportunity to sketch, paint, play interactive videos, watch a skit, learn exercises, do arts and crafts projects and more. All activities are free and will be held Monday through Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. (unless otherwise indicated).

"Be Aware - Take Care" is the theme of Monday's program. Drama Kids International will present a short skit at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. in Adirondack Hall to educate young people about the importance of eating right and being active. Drama Kids International is an after-school drama program for children ages 3 to 13. Also on Monday, visitors can build a model of a neural network in Adirondack Hall and make a poster about a public health issue in Bird Hall.

On Tuesday, "Cellular Celebration" is the theme.

In Bird Hall, the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering will use a life-sized human torso and medical equipment to demonstrate current and future applications of nanotechnology in medical practice. Visitors to Adirondack Hall can also design a painting using the magnified images of common germs and make a bracelet and match the beads to the DNA code from the human heart gene.

The museum will also celebrate Kwanzaa on Tuesday from 4 to 9 p.m. on the fourth floor. The free celebration will include singing, traditional foods and an African marketplace.

Wednesday's programs focus on "Healthy Environment, Healthy Kids." In Adirondack Hall, arts and crafts projects and puzzles will be used to provide tips on eating fish from the Hudson River. Visitors to Bird Hall can view bedbugs and ticks under a microscope and learn how to protect themselves from these tiny parasites.



Scarves for school

Wendy Cohen Summer, a 1969 graduate of the Albany Academy for Girls, spoke to students in October about her ZAAHNA program, which employs and teaches Afghan women to create high quality embroidered pillows and hand-woven shawls. Proceeds from the sale of the items go toward schooling Afghan children. Summer returned to the Academy on Thursday, Dec. 16, for the annual Wassail celebration and to offer scarves for sale to parents and faculty.

ABOVE: Albany Academy for Girls sixth-grade students Angela Scallero, left, of Ballston Spa and Emily Ashton of Albany told the scarves.

LEFT: Academy parent Janet Sidford, left, of Slingerlands, and Summer show off the scarves.

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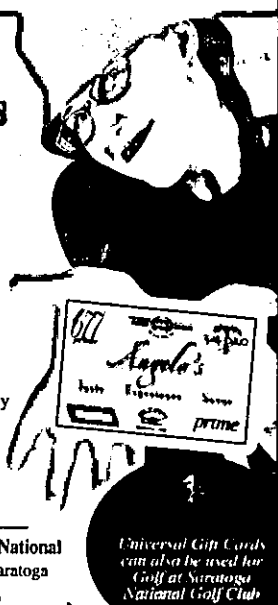
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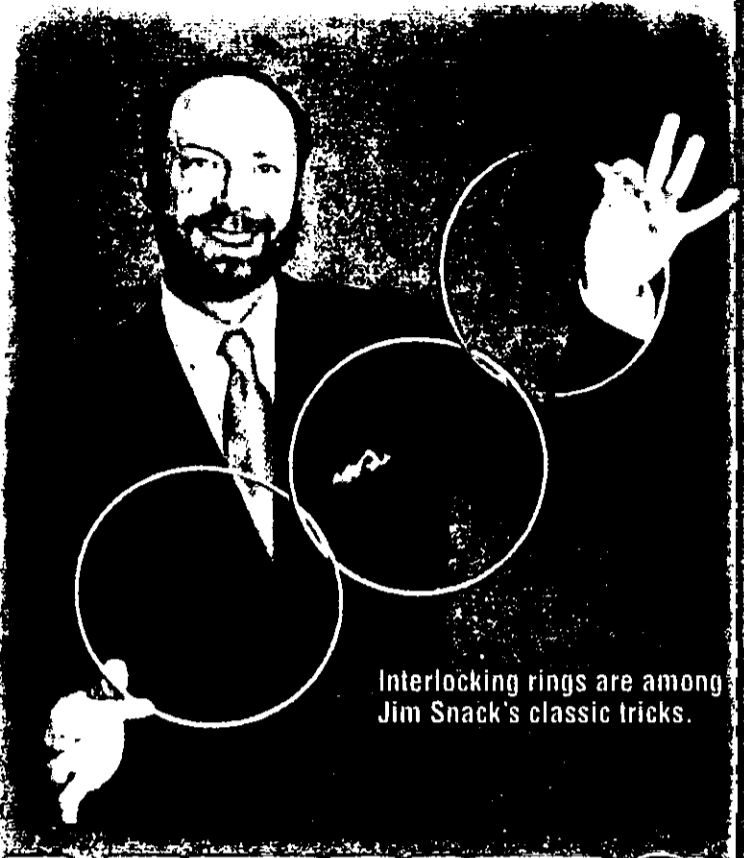
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Entertainment in the Spotlight



Left: Jim Snack's fascination with magic started when he was 8 years old and a magician made his head disappear.



Interlocking rings are among Jim Snack's classic tricks.

MAGIC MOMENTS

Jim Snack will bring his bag of tricks to the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library next week

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN
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Jim Snack called a woman up on stage. Look in the bag, he told her. She did. There was nothing there. Snack said a few words, made a few gestures. Look again, he told her. She did. There was an egg in the bag. "This woman just freaked out," Snack said. "The look on her face was, oh my gosh. The audience went crazy."

For Snack, that moment at a recent performance in Washington, D.C., reminded him of just why he made magic his career.

Snack, of West Sand Lake, will bring his act to the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library on Tuesday, Dec. 28, at 2 p.m. Families with children 4 and older are invited to the free show.

Snack was just a kid himself when he was turned on to magic. When he was 8, a magician made his head disappear. Crouched inside a box while the audience roared, Snack fell in love with magic.

He went to the local library and read all its books on magic. He saved his allowance and sent away for tricks in the mail.

When it came time for college, Snack would have

loved to study magic, but he settled for majoring in theater at the University at Albany. For years after he graduated, though, he made his living as a magician, doing what he calls "classic tricks" like pulling coins out of the air.

"They're tricks that have stood the test of time," he said. "You put your own spin on it."

Whereas Snack was initially attracted to magic because it fascinated him, the lure now is just the opposite. He loves seeing his tricks fascinate other people.

"I love watching people react to it," he said.

That's especially true of younger audiences. "Children haven't lost their sense of wonder," he said.

So he's excited for the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library show. It was originally scheduled for the summer, but Snack had to reschedule after landing another performance elsewhere.

The other performance wasn't strictly a magic show. Over the years, Snack has branched out beyond magic, billing himself as a motivational speaker who delivers customized programs on change, creativity, teamwork and communication. Magic punctuates his performances.

could return the favor.

"I told them, I'll do it," he said. "I went and I had a blast."

So, on a lark, Snack contacted other local libraries to see if anyone else might want to hire a magician. He was floored when 18 booked him for the summer.

Compared to his speaking gigs, it wasn't the most lucrative work. But it paid off in another way. Snack said he "really had a great time" interacting with local kids, watching their faces light up the way the woman's had when she found the egg in the bag.

So when the Clifton Park-Halfmoon gig fell through, even though Snack provided a replacement magician, he offered to do a makeup show whenever the library wanted. It chose the December break.

Snack considers himself a teacher at heart. He went back to school for a master's degree in communication and worked as a teacher's assistant, winning an award as an outstanding TA. When he returned to entertaining, he found he missed teaching. So he started to incorporate some messages into his shows. At the library show, he'll talk about the importance



Jim Snack is one of fewer than 500 speakers worldwide who have earned the Certified Speaking Professional designation from the National Speakers Association.

It turns out those kind of engagements pay the bills a little better than standard magic shows do. When he

first started out, Snack was a regular on the local library scene, but then started to be booked for corporate meetings both locally and nationally.

Last summer, he got a call from the Cohoes library. They needed a magician and wanted to know if Snack could recommend someone.

He looked at his calendar. He was free on the date in question. The library had often booked him when he was first starting out; he figured he

of reading.

The library gigs proved fulfilling enough that Snack is considering doing more this summer, even if the conference he attended when he was supposed to do his original Clifton Park-Halfmoon performance pretty much covered the pay he would bring in for a whole week of library shows. Conferences and the like are really how he makes his living, and he enjoys them. At an upcoming General Electric conference, he'll take part in a conference call in which Snack will enlist people from remote locations to help him pull off a trick.

The speaking might pay the bills, but the magic, he said, is the fun part. He's found his clients – and there are dozens of them, from the Capital Area School Development Association to General Motors – like having a speaker who can infuse some levity into a lecture.

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Music

ROB JONAS BAND

Holiday rock show with special guests the Midnight Society, Dec. 23, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

RACQUETTE RIVER ROUNDERS

Contemporary string band, Dec. 26, 7

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Milestones



Yoni Kantarovsky and Julia Garfinkel

Garfinkel, Kantarovsky to wed

Mr. Miles Garfinkel and Mrs. Evelyn Loeb Garfinkel of Delmar are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Julia to Yoni Kantarovsky, son of Dr. Alex and Mrs. Liora Kantarovsky of Ramat HaSharon, Israel.

The bride to be is a 2001 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. She holds a bachelors degree in Viola Performance from the College of Fine Arts at Boston University, and a masters degree in Viola Performance from the Buchmann-Mehta Academy of Music at The

Tel Aviv University. She is also working towards a second masters in String Instrument Education at Tel Aviv University. She is currently teaching and performing in Tel Aviv, Israel.

The future groom is a graduate of The Tel Aviv University School of Engineering with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He served three years in the Armored Corps of the Israeli Defense Forces, and is currently working as an engineer in Israel.

Maternal Grandmother of Julia is Ilse Loeb of

McHawk Township, New Jersey, widow of J. Walter Loeb. Paternal Grandmother is Vicky Garfinkel of Albany, New York, widow of Bernard Garfinkel.

Maternal Grandmother of Yoni is Nechama Karniel of Ramat HaSharon, Israel, widow of Shlomo Karniel. Paternal Grandmother is Olga Kantarovsky of Ramat HaSharon, widow of Reuven Kantarovsky.

The affianced couple lives in Tel Aviv, Israel. A summer 2011 wedding is planned for Petach Tikva, Israel.

McCann, Filippone to marry

Kevin and Nancy McCann of Delmar are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Erin McCann to John David Filippone, son of Terry Nord of East Greenbush.

Erin is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. She holds a Bachelors degree in Fine Arts from SUNY Plattsburgh and a certification in Medical Billing and Coding. Erin is currently employed

at St. Peter's Hospital where she is the Senior Information Associate on a Medical/Surgical unit.

John David is a graduate of Williams College and received his medical degree from the University of Rochester. He completed his medical internship, residency, and cardiology fellowship at Strong Memorial Hospital. He is currently a Cardiologist working with Albany Associates and Cardiology.



Erin McCann and John David Filippone

A wedding on June 24, 2011 is planned.



Mike Fitzgerald plays with one of the 400 to 500 peppermint pigs he makes daily at Saratoga Sweets in Halfmoon. Below, the candy mixture sits on the stovetop before being poured into molds.

Alyssa Jung/Spotlight

Pig

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for an alternative would cut that cost by about 70 percent, but as Fitzgerald explained, it wouldn't be the same.

"We don't scrimp. Our oil is made for us specifically, so from the way it's made to the way it tastes, you won't find another piece of peppermint candy made anywhere in the world that's like it," said Fitzgerald.

Only a few people know how to make an actual peppermint pig, but many contribute to its success by shrink wrapping it, packaging it and selling it, all on site. Fitzgerald said the homegrown feel of the whole operation is special, but so is the notion that he's creating one of the few Christmas traditions that originated in America.

"Santa Claus, Christmas trees, candy canes, it's all great, but the origins are in Europe. Peppermint pigs were never made in Europe, only here in



Saratoga County, so it's nice we've been able to revive it," said Fitzgerald. "One Christmas night, there could be 100,000 pigs shattered all over. I make a joke with the kids that if they listen real hard, around 5 p.m. they'll hear it."

The pigs are sold in three sizes: small, medium and large. The medium size is the most popular and comes with a soft bag and miniature hammer for \$13.95. Saratoga Sweets also sells Pig Poop, Pig Puddle and Pigsy Dust, because, as Fitzgerald pointed out, accidents happen.

"We basically sell everything. When they

break we sell the pieces as Pig Poop. Pig Puddle is mixed with white chocolate and Pigsy Dust is very fine and can be sprinkled on cupcakes or hot cocoa," said Fitzgerald.

The peppermint pig is undoubtedly the most sought after holiday product the store sells, but almond butter crunch is a close second, and this year it will cook up 150,000 pounds of it.

Saratoga Sweets is located at 1618 Route 9 in Halfmoon and everything peppermint pig, from actual candy to plush versions, is available online at saratogasweets.com.

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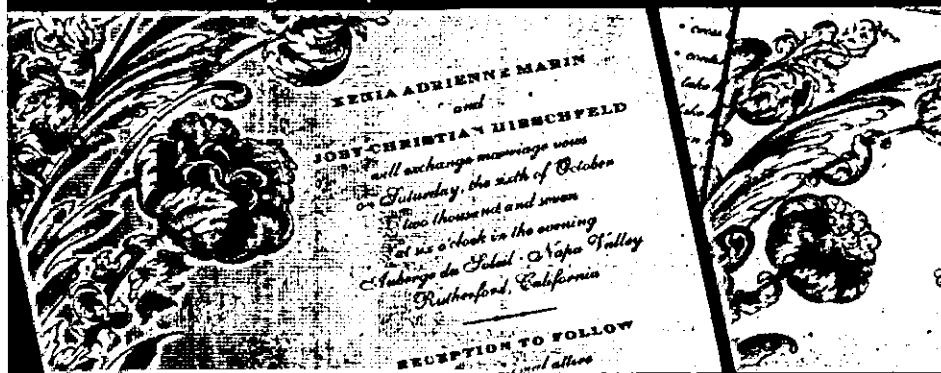
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its grandparent how to use GPS, for example.

"I'd rather listen to them talk than talk to them," said Delmar Place resident Bob Irving, who was playing a game of UNO with kindergartners in Jody Keese's classroom. "When I'm happiest is when they are happy."

Though the visits only last for half an hour, it's something the students look forward to, said Keese. Between visits, the classes correspond with their grandparents through letters and cards. This year, some classes had each student make a card, and then they bound them into a holiday greeting book.

"The kids really enjoy it," Keese said of the program. "He's like a member of our class, to them."

She can also work reading, writing and history lessons into the program, or just let her students build social skills through interaction.

For the seniors, the visits provide a great way to get out of Delmar Place and to have a fun, active afternoon, said the



Delmar Place resident Bob Irving stands with his adopted "grandchildren" at Glenmont Elementary School.

community's activities director Kassi Neal. A varied routine can be beneficial to mental and physical health.

"It's great for our folks to get involved with different generations, and to learn about things that are going on to them," Neal said. "The children make their days. They look forward to coming in hours in advance."

The facility also coordinates with St. Thomas the Apostle School for students to come visit residents at Delmar Place. This year, kids from all over the area came to the Delaware Avenue community for a Halloween costume parade. Delmar Place has about 90 residents.

Suit

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his time on the force. They were later dismissed through arbitration, and he also claims his brother (a sergeant on the police force) told Hughes he would be passed over for K-9 handler position because of his involvement in the police union's collective bargaining negotiations with the town.

The suit accuses the department, and Corsi specifically, of retaliating against Hughes for his involvement in the police union and for going to town administration and the press with allegations Corsi had uttered a racial slur on a taped phone conversation from his office.

That tape was later found, and Corsi was issued a 10-day suspension without pay.

Town Attorney James Potter said the case has been passed on to the town's insurance carrier, and added the department took disciplinary actions on substantiated issues.

"Based on everything we have seen, the police department took action for proper reasons," he said.

Hughes has been on medical leave from the department, and last year was placed on job-related disability leave, which would possibly allow him

to collect a full salary until retirement age.

Man sues town for \$75 million

The town is also the target in another lawsuit filed by a Selkirk resident. John A. Robinson filed the suit in May, alleging two Bethlehem police officers falsely arrested and beat him. It also claims the officers sodomized Robinson with a nightstick.

John Bailey, an attorney at the firm representing the town in the case, said the allegations set forth in the lawsuit are unfounded.

"Needless to say, we emphatically – and I do mean emphatically – deny these accusations," he said. "The chief and his command staff are first-rate people. If anything remotely like this ever happened, the officers involved would be disciplined in a minute over this."

A police department representative said BPD officers are issued collapsing batons, and referred all other questions to attorneys.

The suit says the incident occurred in May of 2008, when officers Chad Rice and Michael Whiteley arrested Robinson on charges he approached two teenage girls walking on the side of the road, and offered them money to let him sniff their feet. Robinson signed a statement admitting to the

incident, but he now says it was coerced through violence.

In an interview with *The Spotlight*, Robinson denied the foot-sniffing incident. He said the police fabricated the charges to discredit and embarrass him, and to intimidate him to drop a wrongful termination lawsuit he had against a heavy equipment repair shop in town. That lawsuit was eventually settled for \$10,000. The business, Robert H. Finke and Sons, of Selkirk, has done business with the town before.

The case against Robinson, which includes charges of endangering the welfare of a child and harassment, has been transferred to the Town of Colonie, where Robinson is scheduled to appear later this month.

Potter said the police department has conducted an investigation into the suit's claims, but declined to go into specifics.

"If the claims in the complaint were true, they would be very disturbing. However, anybody can make allegations," Potter said. "Detectives Rice and Whitely have excellent records with the department, and it's inconceivable they would do something like this. The allegations in the complaint seem preposterous."

Robinson's arrest records include statements from the girls who made the complaints. Robinson was also arrested by Troy police in 2002 for allegedly menacing people from his car, charges he said were filed due to mistaken identity.

Robinson was arrested on several occasions in the weeks following his arrest by Bethlehem police for allegedly missing court dates, violating court orders and for a similar incident in the Town of Coeymans.

The lawsuit alleges that on one occasion, Christopher Hughes stuck his stockinged feet in Robinson's face while he was awaiting arraignment at the Bethlehem police station.

Hughes declined to speak on those accusations and is being represented by the same lawyer as the rest of the defendants.

Robinson is representing himself. He claims the incident caused damage to his spine and ultimately paralyzed him. He's seeking more than \$75 million in damages.

In a lengthy notarized statement about the incident, Robinson said he had been paralyzed from the waist down in a 1995 automobile accident and underwent physical therapy. He claims he was fired from his job at Adirondack Trailways after the May 2008 arrest.

The lawsuit is still in early stages and before a federal district court. Robinson is seeking a jury trial.

Unit

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2009 to Japan for a training mission and assisted in the logistical planning for three other overseas missions in Thailand, Japan and Australia.

Suhr holds a bachelor's degree from West Point and a master of engineering in industrial and management engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic

Institute. He's received numerous decorations during his service, including the Bronze Star.

Balog is an East Greenbush native who joined the military in 2001 through the Michigan State University Army ROTC program, and has since served in a variety of capacities in the active Army and National Guard.

He's participated in two overseas training missions

with the 42nd Infantry Division, first, in Cairo, Egypt, and also in Hokkaido, Japan, in December 2009 serving as the Secretary of the General Staff.

Balog's decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal and Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf clusters.

The Dec. 11 ceremony was followed by a celebration of the Guard's 374th birthday.

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Old Songs slates contra dance

Old Songs will hold a New Year's Day contra dance on Saturday, Jan. 1.

There will be a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., with dance instruction at 7:30. The dance starts at 8. Fennig's All-Stars will provide live music and Fern Bradley will be the caller.

Admission is \$10. Old Songs is at 37 S. Main St., Voorheesville. For information, call 765-2815.

Five Rivers to hold workshop

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will hold a teacher workshop on the award-winning curriculum-enhancement program Project WILD Aquatic will be conducted on Saturday, Jan. 15, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Center staff will lead a participatory training in Project WILD Aquatic, an initiative which integrates aquatic biology themes into the core reading, writing and arithmetic disciplines. Participants will receive a free Project WILD Aquatic curriculum guide full of stimulating activities for students in grades K-12.

The workshop is open to teachers and youth

leaders free of charge. In-service credit for this workshop may be arranged through the Greater Capital Region Teacher Center. Call Five Rivers at 475-0291 by Wednesday, Jan. 12, to register for the workshop.

Program to look at animal tracks

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will hold an indoor/outdoor primer to tracks and traces of winter wildlife on Saturday, Jan. 15 at 2 p.m.

Five Rivers naturalists will discuss how to read wildlife footprints and other signs of winter activity, using taxidermy specimens and other artifacts from the center's collection. Afterwards, Center staff will lead participants outdoors along center trails to search for evidence of seasonal wildlife activity.

The program is open to the public free of charge. Call the center at 475-0291 for more information.

Skating club plans event

The Albany Figure Skating Club will host a special event as part of U.S. Figure Skating's National Skating Month. SkateFest will be held at the Albany Academy Field House (117 Hackett Blvd.,

Teaming up to help



On Sunday, Dec. 19, after a contentious game played by the Clifton Park Eagles and Bethlehem Youth Hockey PeeWee teams (Bethlehem won 4 to 3), the hockey teams skated onto the ice to give toys to an Albany Ronald McDonald representative.

Photo submitted by Joanne Cunningham

Albany) on Wednesday, Dec. 29, from noon to 2 p.m., with registration beginning at 11:15 a.m.

The event will include a free ice skating lesson with ice skating coaches, ice games, open skating, skating information, raffles, and a bake sale. There will also be a

skating exhibition and demonstrations by local figure skaters and the Albany Figure Skating Club's synchronized skating teams, as well as a special appearance by the Albany Devils' mascot, Devil Dawg.

All SkateFest events are free and open to the public. Skaters must bring their own skates, and helmets are recommended. Information and registration forms are available on the Albany Figure Skating Club's website: www.albanyfsc.org.

For more information about SkateFest, visit www.albanyfsc.org, or contact Mary Amodeo at 439-8006 or mamodeo3@nycap.rr.com.

Gas group helps establish scholarship

The Hudson Valley Community College Foundation announced a new scholarship funded by a gift of \$12,000 from the New York Propane Gas Association for students enrolled full time in the college's heating, air conditioning and refrigeration technical services program.

Four \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded in fall 2011 to help

provide more qualified, well-trained technicians to meet the labor needs of the growing propane industry, particularly in upstate New York. Recipients will be second-year, full-time HVAV/R students who demonstrate financial need, with preference given to those interested in propane technology. Students who maintain enrollment in the program may renew the scholarship for their final semester.

JCC to hold watercolor classes

The Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center will hold a series of four watercolor classes for beginning and continuing students will on Wednesdays, Jan. 26 and Feb. 2, 9 and 16, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Massry Senior Center.

Watercolorist, Diane E. Bollman-Buyer will teach the series. Prepaid registration is required; cost is \$16. To request a supply list and/or to register, contact the Albany JCC's senior adult office, 438-6651, ext.112.

Holy Names to hold blood drive

The Academy of the Holy Names will sponsor

a blood drive Friday, Jan. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Riley Auditorium at the AHN Upper School, 1075 New Scotland Road; Albany.

The Junior Ladies of Charity/Service Club are sponsoring the drive. If you donated on or before Nov. 19, are 17 years old (16 with signed parental permission) and meet the height and weight criteria, you will be eligible to donate.

Dunkin Donuts will give a pound of coffee to all donors.

For information regarding donating blood at the Academy of the Holy Names or to make an appointment, call 438-7895, ext. 212.

College plans Acceptance day

Maria College will hold an application acceptance day on Tuesday, Jan. 4, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Participants can learn about the college by talking with admissions staff and by reviewing degree programs and schedules. If they bring a transcript, acceptance is possible. Financial aid experts will be one hand.

The college is at 700 New Scotland Ave. in Albany.

A show of appreciation



Marine Cpl. Luke McDermott of Westerlo, seated, greeted several hundred friends, well wishers and even perfect strangers at the Greenville American Legion post No. 291 Sunday to thank everyone for all the support they showed to his family after he lost both legs when a Humvee he was riding in hit a roadside bomb in Afghanistan. One man told McDermott that he drove more two hours just to shake his hand and thank him. The Greenville American Legion Post 291 honored Luke with a lifetime membership. See more photos at www.spotlightnews.com.

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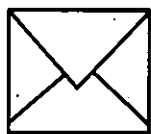
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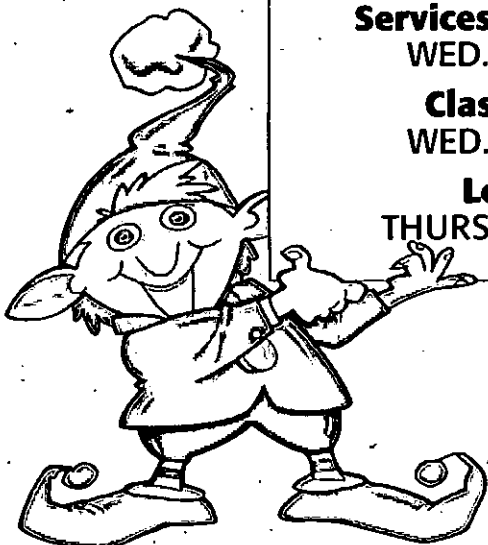
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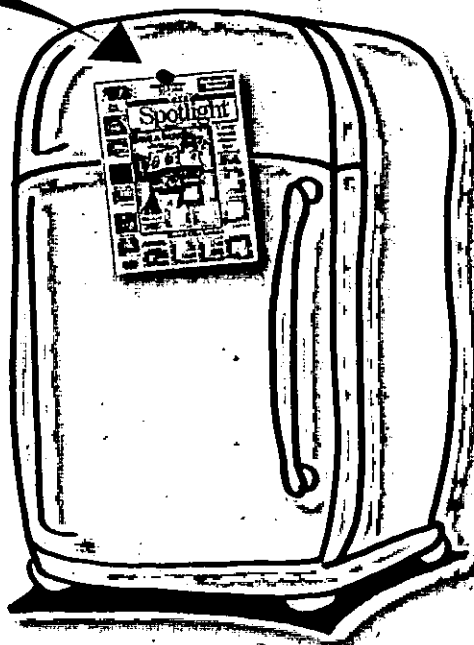


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Notice of Formation of STE-REO & AUTO SECURITY OF THE WORLD LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/1/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 67833 (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of STLJ, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/19/2010. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 29 The Beachway, Manhasset, NY 11030. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 67834 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Qualification of ANC BINDERS LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/29/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 10/28/10. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o USA Corporate Services Inc., 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o USA Corporate 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. 67835 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: COLUMBIA 98 WOLF, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, November 3, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. 67836 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Integra Holdings, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on 09/09/10. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, c/o McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C., 677 Broadway, Suite 500, Albany, NY 12207. The

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street address of the principal business location is 745 Albany-Shaker Rd., Albany, NY 12210. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. 67837 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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1: The name of the limited liability company is YI SUNSHINE CLEANERS, LLC.
2: The Articles of Organization were filed on October 22, 2010 with the Secretary of State.
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Notice of Formation of BRIDGEND SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/3/10. 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. 67841 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of B&G BAKED GOODS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/5/10. 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. 67842 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of formation of a limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: 2513 Wine & Spirits, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on September 8, 2010. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to Lorenzo Scavio, 132 Brandon Terrace, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: to engage in any activity for which LLCs may be organized under the LLC Law. 67844 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of formation of a limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: Lexington Project, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on June 8, 2010. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against

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it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to Lexington Project, LLC, 333 Sheridan Avenue, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: to engage in any activity for which LLCs may be organized under the LLC Law. 67845 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Rep Films NY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/2/10. 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, 375 Greenwich St., 5th Fl., NY, NY 10013. Purpose: any lawful activity. 67847 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of SOEX North USA, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/10. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Roubik Affandilians, 3294 East 26th St., Los Angeles, CA 90058. Purpose: any lawful activities. 67848 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Qualification of TIG Global, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/5/01. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Registered Agent Solutions Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Address to be maintained in-DE: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 160 Greentree Dr., Ste. 101, Dover, DE 19904. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 67849 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Qualification of LOCUM LEADERS, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/1/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Georgia (GA) on 7/24/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. GA address of LLC: 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Ste. 1600, Atlanta, GA 30030. Arts. of Org. filed with GA Secy. of State, 315 W. Tower, 2 MLK Jr. Dr., Atlanta, GA 30334. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 67850 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: KENDALL SQUARE LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, November 8, 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 Dawn Homes Management, 20 Corporate Woods Boulevard, Albany, NY 12211. 67852 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Name: MRDC HAMPTON LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, November 8, 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 Dawn Homes Management, 20 Corporate Woods Boulevard, Albany, NY 12211. 67853 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: LDFT LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, November 8, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. 67854 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation 30-20 REALTY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/5/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 67855 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation 30-11 REALTY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/5/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 67856 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation 30-18 12 STREET LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/5/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 67857 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation EBRASPE & TRADE LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/8/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 67858 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: COLUMBIA GLOBAL MALTA, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, November 4, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. 67859 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: THE DENNIS DROZD COM-

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PANY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/08/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 33 Albion Ave Albany, NY 12209. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 67860 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Asif Holdings LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/6/10. 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. 67993 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 1607 York LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/4/10. 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. 67994 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Cover Baby, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/28/10. 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. 67995 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Stiefel Digital LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/18/10. 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. 67996 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Spoonwood Cabin LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/29/10. 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. 67997 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Multifam Renovation, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/17/10. 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. 67999 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of The Reibstein Law Group, PLLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/28/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC 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: Profession of Law. 68000 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 1962 Realty LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/30/10. 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. 68001 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of DeBrill Realty 81, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/27/10. 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. 68002 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Eric Deruiter, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/01/10. 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. 68003 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 6162 Capital, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/3/10. 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. 68004 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Lefters Plaza Management LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/19/10. 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. 68007 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Paradise Distributors, LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/16/10. 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. 68008 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Copraco LLC. Arts Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/12/10. 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. 68009 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Miki One LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/3/10. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Harvard Business Services, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805A, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful activities. 68012 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of THE LJJ GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/28/10. 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, 99 Washington Ave. Albany, NY 12231. The registered agent is: Sec. Of State at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68013 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Nicole Kemp LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/8/10. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 49 North St., Delmar, NY 12054. Registered agent: Deborah L. Schultze, 49 North St., Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful activities. 68020 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation XENOULA LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/12/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68021 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation KAITOULA LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/12/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68022 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

The name of the Limited Liability Company is RLL GARNER STREET LLC, the articles of organization of the LLC were filed with the NYS Secretary of State on November 12, 2010, the purpose of the LLC is the engage in any lawful act or activity, the office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County, the street address of the principal business location is c/o LaForest, 126 Simmons Avenue, Cohoes, NY 12047, 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 RLL GARNER STREET LLC, c/o LaForest, 126 Simmons Avenue, Cohoes, NY 12047. 68023 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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BevCap Management LLC LLC was filed with the SSNY on 11/05/10. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom pro-

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cess against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: Michael L. Abbott, 406 S. Chestnut, McKinney, TX 75069. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 68024 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Plaza North 1031, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/9/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2390 E. Camelback Rd., Ste. 325, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68025 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Fierce Entertainment LLC. Articles of Org. Filed with NY Secy. Of State on 8/18/2010. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC. Upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to: 911 Central Ave. #185 Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: For any lawful activity. 68029 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of SWIG PRODUCTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/12/10. 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. 68030 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of DJK Holdings, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 11/02/10. 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, 530 Feura Bush Road, Glenmont, New York 12077. The purposes of the LLC are to acquire, own, hold, improve, manage and operate the real property known as 772 Delaware Avenue, Bethlehem, New York (the "Property"). 68031 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of formation of Advantage Tree Service, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 11/02/10. 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, 530 Feura Bush Road, Glenmont, New York 12077. The purposes of the LLC are to conduct business as a tree removal service. 68032 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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RMF INVA, LLC Notice of formation of RMF INVA, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of

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State of NY (the "SSNY") on November 8, 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 7 Executive Centre Drive, Albany, New York 12203. The purposes of the LLC are to engage 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. 68033 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 603 BRIGHTON BEACH LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/17/10. 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. 68035 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC) for the transaction of business in the State of New York pursuant to Limited Liability Law Section 206(a)(8)(b): Name: Lorenc Holdings, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/16/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: C/O Lorenc Holdings, LLC, Dreyer Boyajian LLP, 75 Columbia Street, Albany, New York 12210. No Specific date of dissolution. To engage in any business under the laws of the State of New York. 68042 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation Arthur Cooper, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/19/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68046 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation BFC 21 STREET LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/23/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68047 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Adequate Images, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/23/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68048 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: ALBANY ATHLETIC CENTER, LLC Articles of Organization filed by the Department of State of New York on: 10/08/2010 Office location: County of Albany Purpose: any and all lawful activities. Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: Bally Total Fitness 1 Crossgates Mall Road Albany, NY 12203 (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF C.H. WILK COMPANY, LLC a domestic Limited Liability Company organized under the laws of New York whose Articles of Organization were filed on November 12, 2010 with the New York Secretary of State. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to 42 Turner Lane, Loudonville, New York 12211. New York Office Location: Albany County. Purpose: All lawful activities. 68049A (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Y.U.P. CONTRACTING LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/18/10. 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. 68051 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of By Star, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/26/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68117 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Oli Architecture PLLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/9/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC 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: Profession of Architecture. 68118 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Abacadabra Enterprises LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/8/10. 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

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process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68119 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Gan Chassidim LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/28/10. 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. 68120 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Stewart/Stand Design Store, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/9/10. 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. 68121 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Michael P R Moran, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/9/10. 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. 68122 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Premiere PRS, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/7/10. 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. 68123 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Free For All, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/22/09. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 295 Madison Ave., Ste. 1010, NY, NY 10017. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68124 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Juniper Arts LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/16/10. 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

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12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68201 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 2031 Bedford LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/18/10. 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. 68202 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of SATSKY & GEFTER CORPORATE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/17/10. 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. 68203 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation Simpson Innovative Business and Legal, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/29/2010. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 68206 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of MJC HVAC, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/10/10. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68207 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of QUATRON MGMT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/24/10. 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. 68208 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of UNIT 5 REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/26/10. 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. 68209 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DAL-LOW REALTY OF LONG ISLAND LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/26/10. 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. 68210 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of DAL-LOW REALTY OF FARMINGDALE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/26/10. 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. 68211 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Qualification of MSDW 2000-LIFE2 155 Bellwood, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/18/10. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/16/10. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc. (CSI), 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: CSI, 615 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, PO Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 68218 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of RUMINATION SOFTWARE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/4/10. 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. 68213 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

On September 29, 2010, Vanguard Solutions, LLC, which is located at 12 Princess Lane in the City and County of Albany, filed its Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State. The Secretary of State has been designated the agent of the company upon which process may be served. The business purpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York, including, but not limited to, the provision of technical consulting services. 68214 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of formation of COMPLETE TITLE SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/04/10. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 936 Kings Highway, 2nd Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any Lawful purposes. 68215 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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ONTARIO STREET ONE, LLC (the "LLC") filed Articles of Organization with the NY Secretary of State ("SOS") on 6/4/10. LLC office is in Albany County. SOS was designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SOS shall mail copy of process served to 773 Madison Avenue, Albany, NY 12208. The purpose is any lawful act or activity. 68216 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Qualification of Cole HN Buffalo NY, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/23/10. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/8/10. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 68217 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of RNJ Capital LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/23/10. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Harvard Business Services, Inc., 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805A, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful activities. 68219 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Latin Markets Brazil LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/15/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68220 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Madison Transporter Of NY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/29/10. 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. 68221 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of AM 118 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/13/10. 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. 68222 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 64 St. James Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/16/10. 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. 68223 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Feldman Family Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/16/10. 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. 68224 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Jacinrocc Property Management LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/15/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68225 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 48021 121A, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/16/10. 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. 68226 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Executive 1031, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/29/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2390 E. Camelback Road, Ste. 325, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 68360 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 2500 Avenue 1031, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/29/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2390 E. Camelback Road, Ste. 325, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 68361 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Daniel St 1031, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/3/10.

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Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2390 E. Camelback Road, Ste. 325, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68362 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Ingalls & McCarthy Construction LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/28/10. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Zachary J. Ingalls, 2603 Guiderland Ave., Ste. C, Schenectady, NY 12306. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68363 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Articles of Organization of STS Sons, LLC (the ALLC) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (AS-SNY) on August 26, 2010, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o 69 Devon Road, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is for any lawful business purpose or purposes for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Law of the State of New York. 68364 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
Name: Echo Pond Farm, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 3, 2010. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 957 Weaver Road, Delanson, New York 12053. Purpose: Any lawful business purpose. 68366 (S) (December 22, 2010)

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sum(design), LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/28/2010. Office in Schenectady Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 740 Union St., Schenectady, NY 12305, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 68367 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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LOTTIE LLC App. for Auth. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/28/2010. LLC was organized in DE on 6/16/2005. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to c/o Jill Kendall, 41 Ten Eyck Ave., Apt. 2, Albany, NY 12209. Required office at 25 Greystone Manor, Lewes, DE 19958. Cert. of Org. filed with Jeffrey W. Bullcock, SSDE, Div. of Corps, PO Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 68368 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Smart Sales LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/3/10.

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(SSNY) on 5/18/10. 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. 68369 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Crown Heights, P.T., O.T. & SLP, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/22/10. 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: Profession of Occupational Therapy, Speech-Language Pathology and Physical Therapy. 68370 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Moshi West Broadway LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/25/10. 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. 68371 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of First Telecom LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/13/10. 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. 68372 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Locust Knoll LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/15/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 17028 Bonafish Ln. W., Sugarloaf Shores, FL 33042. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68373 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 45 Brevoort Place, Management LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/27/10. 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. 68374 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of GG Clothing NY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/21/10.

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Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68375 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of William Macklowe Company LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/21/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68376 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of Dona Tima Realty II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/13/10. 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. 68377 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 45 Division, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/26/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68378 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 847 Bedford, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/26/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 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. 68379 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of 4 Good Measure, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/27/10. 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. 68380 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Notice of Formation of New York Floor Sanding, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/06/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC

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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. 68381 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Michael's Copier Sales & Services LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/14/09. 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. 68382 (D) (December 22, 2010)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AJS Complete Managing LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/04/10. 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. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful activity. 68383 (D) (December 22, 2010)

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Plotter Kill gains ground

County land purchase paves way for Long Path trail

By JOHN PURCELL
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Schenectady County officials announced the purchase of an additional 12 acres at the county-owned Plotter Kill Preserve in Rotterdam, which brings the total size of the area to 645 acres. The county paid \$50,400 for the land, but the purchase won't cost taxpayers anything. Funding was provided by a federal recreational trails grant the county received from the state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation totaling \$75,840.

"Preserving open space and adding to our parks and nature areas is a top priority for the County Legislature," said Susan Savage, D-Niskayuna, chairwoman of the Schenectady County Legislature. "This purchase will increase access to our beautiful trail system for all county residents at no cost to taxpayers while improving the safety of this trail."

County officials plan to construct a new trailhead and a half-mile trail, which will tie into the current trails at the preserve. The land acquisition will provide a much-needed access point at the lower end of the preserve and allow the Long Path trail to access 2.5 miles of the Plotterkill rather than using existing roadways. An additional entrance off Gregg Road will allow emergency personnel to have quicker access to the opposite end near the state Thruway. The original access point is located off Mariaville Road.

"It is an additional access point into the preserve and will help with any emergency personnel if there was a lost or injured hiker," said Joe McQueen, spokesman for the county.

The new land allows the preserve to become a part of the Long Path trail too, which starts in Fort Lee, N.J., and extends to John Boyd Thacher Park. Vincent J. Schaefer of the Mohawk Valley Hiking Club conceived the pathway more than 70 years ago. He based the Long Path off the

Long Trail in Vermont, which was the country's first long-distance hiking trail.

"Ironically the Long Path trail was the vision of a Schenectadian," said McQueen. "I thought it was kind of ironic that he had the idea for the trail and it had never hit into Schenectady."

The Long Path will access 2.5 miles of the preserve for the trail rather than using nearby roadways. After a two-year study conducted by the Trail Conference and the National Park Service, the Long Path is now being built following the original route envisioned by Schaefer. Future plans for the trail involve extending it to the Mohawk River and into the Adirondacks. One obstacle in building the trail is acquiring privately owned land so roadways are avoided.

The new park area is also located near the Great Flats Aquifer, which is a main water source for the county, said McQueen, so the purchase will help protect an important water source for county residents.

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• It's a little too early to declare a favorite to win the Capital District High School Hockey League title because there are so many good teams this year.

Bethlehem entered this week as the No. 1 team with a 5-0-0 CDHSHL record (5-1-1 overall), but there are several teams hot on the Eagles' tails including Saratoga (4-1-0, 6-1-0), Niskayuna/Schenectady (3-0-0, 4-2-1), Queensbury (2-0-0, 6-0-2) and Shen (2-0-0, 5-1-1).

• If Bethlehem continues to challenge for the league title, it will be because of its defense. Since an opening day 12-2 loss to Mamaroneck last month, the Eagles have allowed 12 goals in their last six games. That's comparable to the success rate for Saratoga (15 goals in seven games), Queensbury (18 goals in eight games) and Shen (12 goals in seven games). And as anyone who follows sports knows, winning teams are built on strong defense.

• We'll know a lot more about the contenders in the CDHSHL as we get into the heart of the league season in January. For now, keep an eye on Bethlehem, Saratoga, Niskayuna/Schenectady, Queensbury and Shen as they battle each other for first place. One of those five teams will likely rise above the others by Jan. 31.

• Schalmont High School graduate and current Niskayuna physical education teacher Ben Smith was named the new head coach of the Albany Legends last week. At least, that confirms that the Legends intend on playing next year – something I wasn't certain of after the team lost money in their first International Basketball League season.

Smith has been an assistant coach in the pro ranks before, having worked for the Albany Patroons from 2005 through 2007. So, he knows a thing or two about minor pro basketball. And the Legends team he inherits from Derrick Rowland is the defending IBL champion.

Ultimately, it's not Smith that controls the fate of the Legends in this market. It's the fans that need to fill whatever home court the Legends choose to play in. They played at the Washington Avenue Armory last year – often in front of sparse crowds – and that venue might still be in the mix. But in the same press release that announced Smith's hiring, there was this statement:

"The Legends will announce the 2011 home schedule and venue location in the coming days and weeks. Season tickets are on sale now. Opening night Friday, April 15, 2011."

So at this point, the Albany Legends have a coach and a desire to play in 2011. Everything else is up in the air. Not exactly a great sign for a second-year franchise, but you have to start somewhere.

• For all the talk that kickers and punters are the least important players on a football team, try telling that to Miami's Dan Carpenter (four missed field goals in a 17-14 loss to Buffalo) and the New York Giants' Matt Dodge (punt returned by DeSean Jackson for winning touchdown in Philadelphia's 38-31 victory). They're getting read the riot act for not doing their jobs correctly.

• Finally, a parting gift for recently-fired Denver Broncos coach Josh McDaniels – a real spy camera. That way, he won't get caught when he secretly tapes another NFL practice. That is, if he ever gets to coach in the NFL again.

• Next week: A look back at 2010. And I promise only minimal mentions of Tiger Woods and Brett Favre.

BC dominates R-C-S at meet

The Bethlehem boys swim team had an easy time with Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk in a dual meet last Thursday in Delmar.

The Eagles swept the top three places in five individual events on their way to a 108-71 victory over the Indians.

Kevin Flynn and Brian Negri each won two events for Bethlehem. Flynn took first place in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:02.00, and he finished first in the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:34.07.

Negri won the 50 free-

style with a time of 24.64 seconds, and he eased to victory in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:02.19.

Matt Weber contributed a victory in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:13.13 for Bethlehem. Evan Ginsburg won the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:01.54, and Eric Ramsey finished first in the 100 freestyle with a time of 55.62 seconds. James Starr grabbed first place in the 1-meter diving competition for Bethlehem with a score of 159.55.

Pollard sets Sectional record

Albany Academy's Manny Pollard set a Section II record at last Saturday's Section II diving meet at Mohonasen High School.

Pollard recorded an 11-dive score of 602.40 to take first place at the meet.

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Sabres

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for their final game before the Christmas vacation.

R-C-S (0-4, 0-6) entered the game also searching for its first win of the season after suffering losses to Mechanicville and Hudson Falls last weekend.

Mechanicville raced out to a 41-12 halftime lead and cruised to a 66-45 Colonial Council victory over the Indians last Friday. Jordan McBride led the Red Raiders with 30 points, while Connor Zeoli netted 10 points for R-C-S.

The Indians then went to Scotia-Glenville last Saturday for the back half of the Foothills-Colonial Challenge. Once again, they got off to a slow start, as Hudson Falls jumped

out to a 33-13 halftime lead and never looked back in beating R-C-S 66-52.

Jon Hammond's 24 points led Hudson Falls. Kenny Fuqua netted 24 for R-C-S, while Ryan Rivers contributed 11 points.

In the Suburban Council last Friday, Bethlehem (4-0) kept its record perfect with a 61-44 victory over Shaker, while Guilderland (2-2, 3-3) evened its record with a 50-49 win against Saratoga Springs.

Jordan Sperber scored 14 points for Bethlehem, which outscored Shaker 21-11 in the second quarter to break the game open. Shane Natale added 11 points.

Cameron Dobbs netted 15 points for Guilderland as the Dutchmen hung on to edge Saratoga by one point.



Voorheesville's Zach Precious leaps to bat the ball during last Friday's game against Schalmont. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

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league victories.

Voorheesville (4-1, 4-2) held an opponent to less than 20 points for the second game in a row, as the Blackbirds defeated Schalmont 41-15 in Rotterdam.

Schalmont stayed close through the first three quarters before Voorheesville's defense shut out the Sabres in the final eight minutes to pull away.

Brittanie Denman and Anna Feller each scored 10 points for the Blackbirds, who were coming off a 54-16 home victory over Cobleskill-Richmondville last Tuesday.

R-C-S (3-2, 4-2) also turned in a dominating fourth quarter performance in a 57-33 victory at Mechanicville last Friday.

The Lady Indians outscored the Red Raiders 18-4 over the final eight minutes to seal the victory and move above the .500 mark in the league.

Jaquilla Ponder led all scorers with 28 points for R-C-S. Ponder drained six three-pointers in the game.

The Indians traveled to Voorheesville to face the Blackbirds Tuesday in their final league game before Christmas vacation.

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Voorheesville's Russell Daly, left, knocks the ball away from Schalmont's Nick Reali during last Friday's Colonial Council game. Reali had the last word, though, as he scored 21 points in a 54-36 win.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Sabres stand tall

Reali's 21 points lead Schalmont past Voorheesville

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The Schalmont boys basketball team found a simple solution to its problem of closing out games — build a lead the other team can't come back from.

The Sabres (2-2 league, 2-3 overall) ran out to a 26-point lead early in the third quarter and weathered a Voorheesville rally to defeat the Blackbirds 54-36 in Friday night's Colonial Council game in Voorheesville.

Schalmont used tough defense and strong inside play to take a 32-13 halftime lead. The Sabres forced nine Voorheesville turnovers, and

senior forward Nick Reali scored 14 of his game-high 21 points over the first 16 minutes.

"I think we were very active defensively, and we created turnovers or hurried shot [on Voorheesville's part] that led to one-shot opportunities," said Schalmont coach Kevin Curtin.

"We did not have an answer inside for [Reali]," said Voorheesville coach Don Catellier. "Every kid we put on him, he took to the basket."

The Sabres opened the third quarter on a 7-0 run to extend their lead to 39-13 before Voorheesville (0-4) finally got going. The Blackbirds outscored Schalmont 23-9 from midway through the third quarter to the 5-minute mark of the fourth quarter to trim the deficit to 12 points.

"I was extremely happy," said Catellier. "We challenged the kids at

halftime, and they responded well. The kids came out and showed some heart in that third quarter."

"They always play hard here," said Curtin. "Don has a young group, and it was only a matter of time before they started hitting some shots."

Schalmont's defense put a stop to Voorheesville's rally, though. Once it got to be 48-36, the Sabres didn't allow another Blackbird point the rest of the night.

Senior guard Anthony Metzold contributed eight points for Schalmont, which was coming off consecutive close league losses to Watervliet and Fonda-Fultonville. Joe Keenan, Kyle Russell and Michael Noland each scored eight points for Voorheesville.

The Blackbirds traveled to Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Tuesday

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Lady Dutch end skid

Harrigan helps Guilderland gain first victory

One girls basketball team picked up its first victory of the season, while another sustained its second loss in a row.

Guilderland used a balanced attack to defeat Saratoga Springs 46-32 last Friday, while Shaker handed Bethlehem a 75-35 loss in Suburban Council action.

Mallory Harrigan scored 15 points for Guilderland (1-3 league, 1-4 overall), which broke the game open by outscoring Saratoga 23-8 in the second and third quarters. Cristal Benton and Shannon Mackesey each added eight points for the Lady Dutch.

Heather Lewis netted 10 points for Saratoga (1-3, 1-4).

In Latham, Shaker (3-1, 3-1) assumed control of the game with a 28-point first quarter. By halftime, the Blue Bison had a 45-18 advantage.

MacKenzie Rowland — daughter of former Albany Patroon Derrick Rowland — led Shaker with 15 points. Madison Rowland and Lauren Woods each contributed 11 points.

Allie Olsen scored 14 points for Bethlehem (2-2, 4-2), which was coming off a 60-32 loss to Colonie three days earlier.

Bethlehem and Guilderland each played one more Suburban Council game before the Christmas break. Bethlehem met Saratoga Tuesday, while Guilderland hosted Shaker.

In Colonial Council action last Friday, both Voorheesville and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk posted

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Eagles soar to first place

Balanced attack leads Bethlehem past S/C

led by John Gosstola's one-goal, one-assist performance. Andrew Carroll, Ben Grace and Sean Moran also tallied.

The Bethlehem hockey team moved into sole possession of first place in the Capital District High School Hockey League with last Friday's 4-0 win at Shaker/Colonie.

Four different players scored goals for the Eagles (5-0-0 league, 5-1-1 overall),

Goaltender Patrick Miron stopped all 23 shots he faced for Bethlehem, which moved one standings point ahead of Saratoga Springs.

Stephen Reilly made 39 saves for Shaker/Colonie, which fell to 1-1-0 in the league (2-4-0 overall).

Life after basketball begins for Sheehan

In the words of Eddie Murphy's version of Gumby, "Merry Christmas, dammit!" OK, moving on...

I was looking forward to Wednesday's Georgia Tech-Siena men's basketball game because it was supposed to be Brad Sheehan's return to Albany.

A funny thing about that — Sheehan decided not to use his last year of NCAA eligibility and left Paul Hewitt's Yellowjacket squad. Sheehan graduated in May from the Atlanta-based school and entered the work force.

I'm not surprised by Sheehan's decision. Several years ago when I asked him why he chose Georgia Tech, the then-Shaker High School senior explained that it had more to do with academics than athletics. He said that Georgia Tech would give him a top-notch education for free, and that was all it took.

Now that he has his college degree, Sheehan has left Georgia Tech basketball behind, and that's good for him. Unfortunately it took some of the steam out of this week's Siena-Georgia Tech game at the Times Union Center, but Sheehan didn't need to stay just for

an opportunity to play a few minutes and wave to his old hometown crowd. He has a new career path to pursue, and I'm certain everyone around here wishes him the best.

The University at Albany men's basketball team started the season losing five of its first six games without starting guard Mike Black. The Great Danes are 5-1 since getting Black back.

Arguably, this is UAlbany's best stretch of games since the days when Jamar Wilson and Brent Wilson (no relation) roamed the courts for the Great Danes. Not that Black is the second coming of Jamar Wilson, but he certainly has a deft scorer's touch (13.5 points per game) that gives UAlbany a third offensive weapon to go along with Logan Aronhalt (17.9 ppg) and Tim Ambrose (17.3 ppg).

I caught a little heat a couple of weeks ago for suggesting that the Great Danes are in better shape to make the NCAA Tournament than Siena. But when you consider how much better UAlbany has played since Black's return and how woefully thin the talent pool is around America East (name one good AE team other than Vermont at the moment), the Great Danes have a legitimate chance of challenging for the league title. Meanwhile, Siena (3-6 entering the Georgia Tech game) looks shaky at best as a contender in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.

If UAlbany can pull off a worst-to-first turnaround this year, though, it will likely be because of what Black can do for the Great Danes.

Switching gears to the high school ranks, any lingering questions about the Shenendehowa girls basketball team were answered last Friday when the Plainswomen defeated Colonie 58-35 in a game that wasn't even as close as the final score indicated. The defending Section II Class AA champions built a 29-16 halftime lead and then put the game out of Colonie's reach with a 17-7 third quarter.

The way the Plainswomen did that was they made the Garnet Raiders a one-dimensional team. Forward Tehresa Coles got her points (14), but no one else on Colonie's roster could get in gear against Shen's tough defense.

Shen may not be as balanced in the scoring department as it was last year (Emily Weber and Allie Setter have accounted for more than half of the total points the Plainswomen have scored through last Friday), but it's still coached well by Ken Strube, especially at the defensive end. And with wins over Colonie (3-1) and Shaker (3-1) already under their belts, the Plainswomen appear ready to take on any challenger.

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