



A cross-country cause

Dr. David Krischer is on a cross-country bike ride to help his former nurse Anita Mullaney, who is in the terminal stages of lung cancer.

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A sign summer is over

Saratoga is saying farewell to racing season with a slate of activities this weekend.

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Senior pitches in

Clarence Markel is 83 and plays softball year round between his regular home in Florida and his summer home in his native Capital District.

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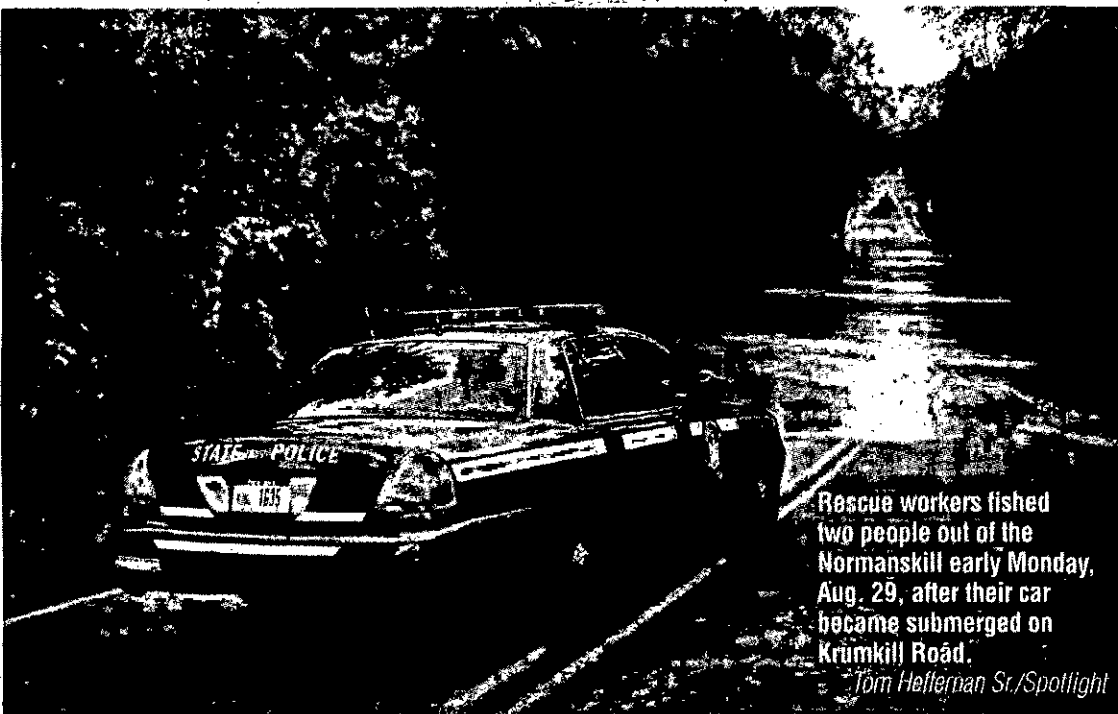
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Rescue workers fished two people out of the Normanskill early Monday, Aug. 29, after their car became submerged on Krumkill Road.

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Water everywhere

Motorists stranded in Normanskill for hours

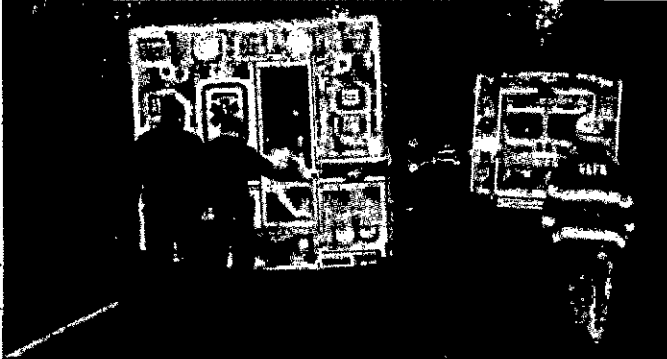
Area police and firefighters fished two people out of the Normanskill early Monday, Aug. 29, after their car became submerged on Krumkill Road.

North Bethlehem Fire Department Chief Paul Fuino said a driver removed the cones blocking off the road at the intersection of Krumkill Road and Schoolhouse Road at around 3 a.m., drove down the road to the bridge over the Normanskill and into the raging river, which Fuino estimated was running as much as 20 feet over the bridge.

The car flooded, forcing the man and woman onto the hood, and they were swept away. They were able to grab onto a nearby tree, where they sat for about 2 1/2 hours before a nearby resident heard their cries and called authorities.

The Guilderland Center Fire Department was eventually summoned

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A man is loaded into an ambulance after being rescued from the Normanskill on Monday, Aug. 29.

Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight



An emergency vehicle drives on a wet Delaware Avenue.

Rachel Brennan/Spotlight

Vista on horizon

A frenetic spring followed by slow summer for tech park

By CHARLES WIFF
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Players in the development of the Vista Technology Campus say a groundbreaking is looming on the much-anticipated, often-delayed project.

Jonathan deForest, vice president of BBL Construction Services, said he expects his crews to be starting work on Vista Boulevard, the 3/4-mile road into the tech park, in a matter of weeks.

"I think that we are closer than we've ever been," he said. "We hope that sometime in the month

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Still no solar panels

Grant-backed project may have to be reworked to be viable

By CHARLES WIFF
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A year after recovery act monies were secured for a battery of solar panels at Elm Avenue Park, the project is no closer to seeing the light of day.

The Town of Bethlehem has finished bidding the project and no contractor has come up with a quote

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A reason to race

3rd annual Race for Hope brings out the best in runners

By CHARLES WIFF
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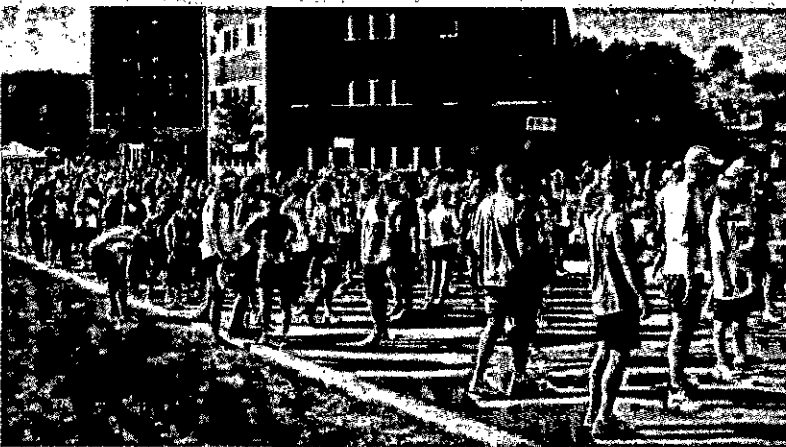
Now in its third year, the Capital Region Special Surgery Race for Hope is quickly becoming cemented as a growing annual tradition.

If you're looking for reasons why this 5K is meeting success,

you could consider the worthy causes (the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Capital Region and a patient fund at St. Peter's Hospital), the atmosphere at the start/finish line, the early fall date or the location. You could also look to the people.

Last year, about 500 people participated in the race and perhaps another 700 turned out to offer support and enjoy the day. All said, in the past two years this event has raised about \$100,000.

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Last year's Capital Region Special Surgery Race for Hope drew about 500 runners.

Courtesy Capital Region Special Surgery



A falling tree struck the garage of Delaware Avenue home and landed on top of four vehicles during the heavy rains and wind from Tropical Storm Irene.

Sandra DiNoto/Submitted



ABOVE: A car fords the standing water on New Scotland Avenue between Toll Gate Ice Cream and New Village Deli in Slingerlands Sunday, Aug. 28.

Submitted photo



RIGHT: Members of the Delmar Fire Department ready for storm-related calls Sunday morning.

Rachel Brennan/Spotlight

"Some people just have a few branches down on their front lawn, and some people lost huge trees. It was widespread but the severe damage was sporadic."

— Highway Department Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph

Irene's aftermath

Cleanup of storm's damage a long-term task

By CHARLES WIFF
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Hurricane Irene had been downgraded to a tropical storm by the time it reached the Capital District early on Sunday, Aug. 28, but it still wreaked havoc throughout the area.

In the Town of Bethlehem, highway crews were working around the clock to clear roads, but the effort is far from over.

"It will take some time for a

complete cleanup," said Highway Department Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph. "Some people just have a few branches down on their front lawn, and some people lost huge trees. It was widespread but the severe damage was sporadic."

By Monday morning, fallen trees had mostly been cleared from the town's roadways except in cases involving downed power lines. Sagendorph said highway crews will be focusing on cleaning up the damage in the coming days and weeks and



Runoff and debris from Tropical Storm Irene gathers in a sewer drain on Kenwood Avenue. Just down the road, about 6 inches of water stood in the parking lot at the Four Corners.

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Storm

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asked residents to pile branches on the side of the road for removal.

Some roads remained closed due to flooding, and will likely remain that way as the area's rivers swell in the wake of the storm.

"In my 39 years with the town, I've never seen the water higher in some of the streams than I saw yesterday," Sagendorph remarked on Monday.

The area's streams were expected to top out sometime Monday. Sean Maguire, of the Westmere Fire Department, said firefighters all over the area were dealing with flooding all day Sunday



Motorists traverse standing water at the underpass on Elsmere Avenue Sunday morning, Aug. 28.

Rachel Brennan/Spotlight

"When we advise people to evacuate, we're serious about it," Maguire said.

Guilderland Center

said in the company's eastern division, covering the Capital District and beyond, roughly 120,000 homes were without service.

The harsh conditions on Sunday precluded crews from getting around the area and making some repairs, he continued.

"If it had just been the heavy rains or just the wind, we might have seen a somewhat different result," Brady said. "The two in combination was what was really so devastating."

Reports from Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office indicated there were nearly one million power outages statewide on Monday.

firefighters also pulled a couple from the Normanskill after their car became submerged (see related story, Page 1.)

Thousands of households remained without power on Monday. National Grid was not issuing estimates on when power would be fully restored but company spokesman Steve Brady

into Monday.

"The majority of the calls really are water emergencies, in terms of pumping out basements," Maguire said.

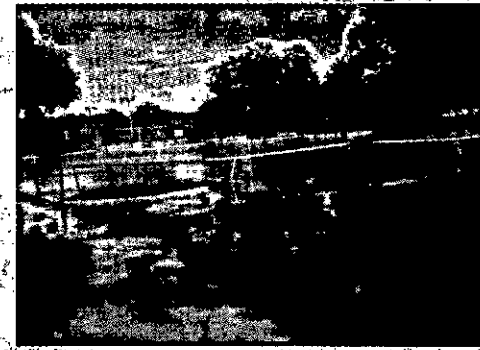
In at least one instance, the Guilderland Center Fire Department was called in to rescue two people from their Johnson Road home when the Normanskill flooded.

AROUND THE CAPITAL DISTRICT



ABOVE: Irene's wind and rain caused widespread damage Sunday in Saratoga County. At the peak, more than 30,000 households were without power in the County.

John McIntyre/Spotlight



LEFT: Tennis courts in Scotia are underwater in the widespread flooding in Schenectady County post-Irene.

John Purcell/Spotlight

Ballston Lake firefighter Michael Hurdza and Capt. John Howell speak with resident Colleen Adair and neighbor Amy Leibert while pumping water from the basement of Adair's house on Schaubert Road in Ballston Lake.

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Police blotter

Uptick in citations during 'Speed Week'

State Police in the Capital District issued 1,200 speeding tickets during a recent "Speed Week" enforcement effort.

The initiative coincided with the NASCAR race at Watkins Glen Raceway and saw stepped-up patrols on the lookout for speeding and other traffic violations during the week of Aug. 8 to 14. During the same time period last year, when there was no targeted enforcement effort underway, area State Police issued 966 speeding tickets.

Police also handed out 1,309 tickets for other offenses, including 41 instances of drunk driving and 187 seatbelt infractions.

"No one likes to get a ticket, and frankly, we don't like to have to give them," said Major William Sprague, commander of Troop G, which covers the Capital District, in a statement. "However, unsafe speed remains the leading contributing factor in motor vehicle fatal crashes."

Police said August is historically the month with the highest number of speed-related fatalities.

Arrests

• Bethlehem police on Saturday, Aug. 20, at about 11:33 p.m., arrested Sean Lawrence Collins, 30, of 42 Meadow Brook Drive Apt. 103A, Slingerlands,

and charged him with aggravated DWI and speeding.

Police pulled over Collins' 2007 Mercedes C280 on Krumkill Road in Slingerlands after allegedly seeing it traveling 44 in a 30 mph zone.

Police said Collins had the odor of alcohol on his breath but he said he hadn't been drinking. He later said he'd had one beer, according to arrest reports.

Collins allegedly failed sobriety tests and a breathalyzer test at the police station showed his BAC to be 0.20 percent, police said. He was scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 6.

• Bethlehem police on Monday, Aug. 22, at about 11:35 p.m., arrested David Tyler Bertrand, 21, of 22 Barry Court Apt. C, Selkirk, and charged him with DWI, speeding infractions and running a red light.

Police said Bertrand's 2007 Ford Taurus was pulled over on the Delmar Bypass after police allegedly saw it traveling 64 in a 45 mph zone on Route 9W, running a red light at Frontage Road and then going 77 in a 55 mph zone.

Police said Bertrand had the odor or alcohol on his breath but denied having been drinking. He did admit to speeding and running the light, police said.

Bertrand allegedly failed sobriety tests and a Breathalyzer test at the police station showed his BAC to be 0.09 percent, according to police. He was scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 20.

• Rotterdam police arrested John McGraw, 53, of Forbes Avenue, Rensselaer, on Helderberg Avenue, for the charges of insurance fraud in the third degree, a Class D felony, and falsifying business records in the first degree, a Class E felony, on Wednesday, Aug. 10.

Police find pot growing near Duanesburg

The State Police Aviation Unit, located at the Albany County Airport, recently observed several areas in Schenectady County where marijuana was being grown. On Tuesday, Aug. 9, State Police seized 359 marijuana plants at several locations in the Town of Duanesburg and Rotterdam.

Troopers, assisted by the State Police Community Narcotics Enforcement Team and under the direction of the aviation unit, hiked into the remote areas and seized the mature plants.

No arrests were made, according to police, but the investigation is continuing.



The body of Sharon L. Stein of Clarksville was recovered Sunday afternoon from the Onesquethaw Creek. She was reported missing earlier that day.

Photos by Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

Woman drowns in storm swell

Rescue workers recover body of Clarksville resident

A Clarksville woman's life was claimed by Tropical Storm Irene this weekend when she was apparently swept into the Onesquethaw Creek.

Police say Sharon L. Stein, 68, was reported missing by her husband, Geoffrey Stein, just after noon on Sunday, Aug. 28. She was last seen loading belongings into the couple's vehicle as they prepared to evacuate their Slingerlands Avenue home, which is near the creek.

Stein's body was spotted



The banks of Onesquethaw Creek had overflowed from the deluge caused by Tropical Storm Irene.

in the Onesquethaw at 4:37 p.m. a short distance from the home and was recovered by the Onesquethaw Fire Department shortly thereafter. An autopsy is to be performed at Albany Medical Center, but authorities say the death "appears to be storm related."

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Supervisor debate Cansler to move on from DPW tomorrow night

The candidates in the upcoming Democratic primary for the office of Bethlehem town supervisor will meet to debate tomorrow night, Thursday, Sept. 1.

The event will begin at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue. The debate is a joint initiative between Spotlight Newspapers and the Albany County League of Women Voters. Spotlight Managing Editor William R. DeVoe will moderate.

John Clarkson and Kyle Kotary will be granted equal time to

give speak. Answering questions presented by the audience on note cards will constitute the majority of the debate.

There will be no politicking of any kind in the meeting hall before or during the debate. Afterward, candidates and supporters are welcome to campaign. Only authorized media will be allowed to use recording devices. Video of the debate and in-depth coverage will be made available on spotlightnews.com.

The primary is on Sept. 13.

Bethlehem seeks new department commissioner

By CHARLES WIFF
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The director of one of the Town of Bethlehem's biggest departments will be taking his leave in a few weeks.

Commissioner of the Department of Public Works Josh Cansler will be relocating across the ocean for a Department of Defense job heading the Department of Public Works at NATO bases in the Netherlands. It closely resembles his previous position of DPW director

at a military base in Germany, a post he held during his 21 years in the Army.

"Bethlehem's a great town, I love this town, and I'd love to stay here and live here for a while, but the opportunity to go to the Netherlands and see a new part of the world was too good to pass up," Cansler said.

His new posting will be a civilian position. His last day with the town will be Sept. 9.

Cansler has headed Bethlehem's DPW for four years. A department of 60 positions, it's responsible for the town's water, sewer and engineering needs. The

outgoing commissioner said he's pleased with what the department has accomplished during his tenure.

"The biggest thing obviously was getting the water distribution system consolidated into one system ... ultimately that's going to save taxpayers a lot of money," Cansler said. "We've also managed to cut the budget quite a bit since I've been here, get us more on an even keel and get us closer to matching our revenues."

Members of the Town Board praised Cansler's performance at a recent meeting.

"On behalf of the town ...

I want to thank you for the work you've done here," Supervisor Sam Messina said. "You've been a great partner working with the board and your staff."

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works Erik Deyoe will be taking over as interim commissioner when Cansler leaves. The town is accepting applications for the position, which is appointed every year by the Town Board.

For details on the position and to apply, visit the town's website at www.townofbethlehem.org. The deadline for applications is Sept. 15, at which time the board will review the candidates.

Cuomo creates new stops in schoolbus driver law

NYAPT says new list of crimes that would disqualify potential employees long overdue

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Members of the New York Association for Pupil Transportation let out a sigh of relief after Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed a law on Tuesday, Aug. 16, that identifies a new list of 26 crimes for which a conviction could disqualify someone from being a school bus driver. It's a law many say has been a long time coming.

"It's been several years," said Peter Mannella, executive director of NYAPT.

The law was introduced by Senator John Bonacic, R-Mount Hope, and Assemblyman Peter Rivera, D-Bronx, as a means to update the existing law that identifies certain convictions

that would prohibit an individual from becoming a bus driver.

Some of the new convictions that are listed are reckless assault of a child, rape in the third degree, sexual conduct against a child in the first and second degree, promoting sexual performance by a child and vehicular manslaughter in the first degree.

Mannella said the main goal of this updated list was to include more laws relating to sexual abuse of children and other child-related crimes. The law also extends some of the five-year bans on drivers for committing certain crimes by permanently disqualifying them. Mannella said there is no grandfather clause in the law.

"For example, if a person is convicted of reckless driving or promoting prostitution, and it was only a five-year disqualification, now it's permanent," said Peter Tunney, director of the transportation department for South Colonie Central School District. "NYAPT has sought this sort of update for the law for a number of years."

Cindy Jurewicz, assistant director of the transportation department at Bethlehem Central School District, said it is something that is not only important to NYAPT but also the school district. She said the district has always done background checks and fingerprinting, something all school districts are required to do by state law, but this update will allow those

disqualifications to be taken care of at that particular step.

"The fingerprints will come back and say whether they are qualified or not qualified," she said. "I think it is just about time that we're caught up to where we should be."

Dave Christopher, director of the Transportation Department at the Shenendehowa Central School District, said this law is also now updated so that it fits the ever-evolving technology age because it covers many of the sexual predator-type crimes that can be committed over the Internet.

"We want the best and qualified people who are safe drivers," said Christopher, who is also an officer in NYAPT.

"That's why we're behind this law. We feel it will certainly enhance the quality of people driving. We certainly don't want people with a criminal history driving our kids."

Most of the districts haven't experienced much trouble in the past when it came to the bus drivers they have hired, but they felt it was important, as a precaution, to make sure they are providing the best service they can.

"I appreciate the legislators putting this forward as it hopefully makes it safer for kids who are riding buses and also providing a more quality service for the taxpayers," Christopher said.

Many agreed that with this being the first update to the law since 1985, there shouldn't be such

a long wait until the law is looked at and updated again. Mannella said that he feels the law should be looked at every two years to keep up with the change in each legislative session.

"I think we're going to be looked to update on a regular basis," Mannella said. "It's been 20-plus years since it was last updated. We'll work with the legislature to do that."

Christopher agreed, and said it is something that needs to be done so the law can accurately align with the current environment instead of staying stuck in the past.

"It's something that should be looked at ever few years because things change and laws evolve," Christopher said.

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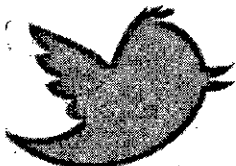
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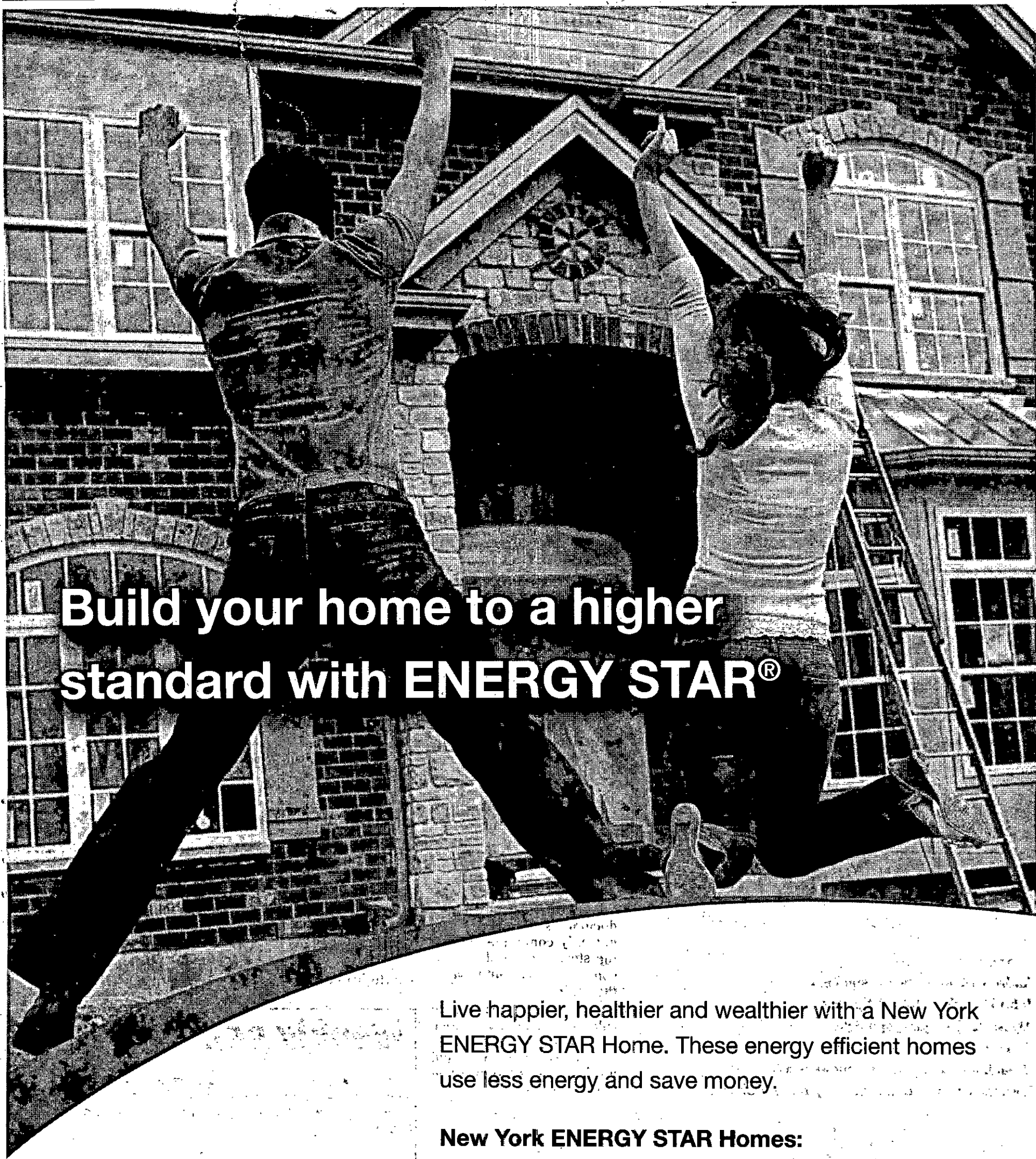
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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Kotary much more than a politician Have a choice, vote Clarkson

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

As a lifelong resident, an owner of several local businesses over the years, and a former candidate for Town Supervisor, I wholeheartedly support Kyle Kotary as our next Town Supervisor.

I met Kyle in the summer of 2007 as I was running for the office and was struck by how friendly, fair and nice he was to me even though, at the time, we were on competing sides. I was pleasantly surprised at how professional, non-political and genuine he really was. Since then, Kyle and I have become close friends, not because of politics, but because we share many common interests including our community.

The Kyle Kotary I know is nothing like the person his political opponents would have you believe. Having gotten to know him, I can assure you the negative attacks coming from his opponents are simply unfounded and untrue.

Kyle truly cares about our community. He has a passion for local government and has a record of giving back to our Town in many ways, some public and some private. He contributes to our community

every day as a coach, mentor, business owner, supporter of local organizations, and more.

Yes, he is a government professional with decades of experience at the federal, state and local levels. Yes, he is a smart political strategist and has an impressive record of winning elections.

But, he's much more than that. Kyle has a comprehensive understanding of all the issues facing the Town of Bethlehem today and in the future. Having served on the Town Board for the past six years, his experience putting together fiscally responsible and balanced town budgets, his management background in both the private and public sectors, and his academic background including his Master's in Public Administration from the nation's top program at the Maxwell School of Syracuse University, more than qualify him for the position.

In fact, Kyle has also been recognized twice by the CAPITOL newspaper as one of the 40 under 40 top leaders in New York State government in 2009 and as one of the Capitol Region's

top elected leaders in 2008. Furthermore, Kyle was accepted into the CAPITAL LEADERSHIP program of top local business and government leaders, and is a 2005 graduate of the FBI Citizens' Academy. Kyle has won seven Empire Awards for professional excellence in communications and public affairs, and in 2000, received an award from the U.S. Dept of Health and Human Services, for "his extraordinary dedication, commitment and contributions in strengthening the well-being of America's Children."

It's also important for voters to know that Kyle is a good listener, clearly a consensus builder and someone we can all trust to lead our great community into the future.

I urge all voters to support him in the September primaries and then again in the November general election. Regardless of party, you should all feel very comfortable placing the Town Bethlehem in the extremely capable hands of Kyle Kotary.

I know I do.

James E. Grady
Glenmont

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

When I first saw that both Republican and Democrat political leaders were endorsing the same person, I couldn't believe it. Ever since I lived in Bethlehem, I had choices in voting for the town board and supervisor. Why did the party leaders think we did not want to have a say in our town leadership?

Fortunately, a

superbly qualified person agreed to challenge the person chosen by the party leadership for town supervisor. I spoke with John Clarkson and was impressed with his experience in local government, his promise to provide an open and accountable government, and his demeanor. I applaud him for being willing to take up this challenge.

It is incumbent on

each of us to attend the candidate debate at the Bethlehem Town Hall on Tuesday, Sept. 1, and vote in the September 13 primary if a registered Democrat.

When you look at the credentials of the two candidates, I'm confident you will vote for Clarkson for our next supervisor.

Ann Brandon
Delmar

Kotary good for Bethlehem families

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I am writing to express my support for Kyle Kotary for Town Supervisor.

Kyle has been a neighbor, and I am happy to say a friend, since my wife and I moved to town several years ago. Kyle warmly welcomed us to the community and offered his unconditional help with any issues we could have faced. It was apparent to both my wife and I early on that Kyle was someone who truly cared about his community and was someone who would stop at nothing to make it better for all residents.

As a young family with our first child on the way, my wife and I take great comfort in knowing of Kyle's work to help the residents of Bethlehem. Through Kyle's work

at Parson's Family & Children Services, his recognition by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families, and his coaching youth sports in town, he has shown his dedication to the families of Bethlehem. Kyle's work and leadership on issues such as the preservation of Colonial Acres and the Rail Trail has shown me why I want to raise my family in Bethlehem and why Kyle should be our next Town Supervisor.

Starting a family can be financially difficult. That is why Kyle's proposal to freeze property taxes for two years will make Bethlehem a little more affordable for young families like mine. Kyle's six years on the town board has shown that he has the

skill and knowledge to balance a budget while preserving core town services that we all rely on. This experience will prove invaluable as our town leaders begin to make decisions that will shape the town for years to come.

Bethlehem is doing a lot to maintain and enhance our quality of life, and it is in large part to Kyle's leadership and dedication. I know that as Town Supervisor Kyle will continue to fight to make Bethlehem an even better place to live, work, and raise a family. My wife and I are supporting Kyle Kotary on Primary Day and we ask all town residents to support him as well.

Joshua Terry
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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Kotary part of an Kotary has the vision to lead Bethlehem 'obstructionist' Town Board

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

The fact that Kyle Kotary's campaign "war chest" contains over \$8,100 is not a confidence builder for us.

Does that make him a better candidate for Town Supervisor? We think not. Kyle Kotary has the backing of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee which can provide clout, influence and legal expertise to obstruct competition from other candidates. Let's have a fair playing field and see who wins the day.

Regarding Kyle Kotary's qualifications for Town Supervisor, we cannot support a candidate who has been part of a truly obstructionist Town Board.

This Board is discouragingly similar in fashion to Congressional Republicans in Washington, fighting the leadership on just about every issue, even things that have never been issues for past Town Supervisors. Examples of the Board's "just say no" approaches include the Supervisor's discretionary funds, replacement lights at the Town Park's tennis courts and Town Hall repairs, repairs that, incidentally, would have prevented the catastrophe at Town Hall in the Spring had the funds been approved earlier by the Town Board.

In fact, every initiative, proposal, and idea presented to the Board by Supervisor Messina has been negatively received and summarily rejected by the Board upon which Kyle Kotary sits. We can only surmise that we are dealing with a bad case of "sour grapes" because Sam Messina bucked the party pols by being an independent voice and not one of the "good old boys."

There is no place for such partisan and petty politics in Bethlehem or anywhere else for that matter. We have witnessed enough of it in Washington

and it not only disgraces and degrades our political system but more important it obstructs progress and the ability to help the people and serve the common good.

In John Clarkson we see an individual who has an extensive background in government, especially in management and budget and working on local government issues.

He has been a member of the Bethlehem 2020 Advisory Group and part of its sincere efforts to continue to make Bethlehem a vital and financially sustainable community.

Finally, John is a decent, hard working and civil person. He is open minded, independent, smart and energetic and he is a great listener. One of the reasons John decided to run is that he disliked the uncivil behavior directed at Sam Messina.

The example John gave at a recent house "meet and greet" event was Sam's inauguration as Town Supervisor and subsequent State of the Town annual addresses, events at which all Town officials should be present. No Town Board member, including Kyle Kotary, showed up at any of those events. John and many others, including us, see that as a profound lack of civil decorum and it reflects badly on our local government officials and in our minds questions the validity of Kyle Kotary's candidacy.

Please try to attend the candidates' debate Thursday, Sept. 1 at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall, moderated by the League of Women Voters. It will give you an opportunity to get to know John Clarkson, a Democratic candidate in the primary on September 13 and hopefully our next Bethlehem Town Supervisor.

Karin and Craig
Henrikson
Delmar

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I am writing to express my support for Kyle Kotary for Bethlehem town supervisor because he has the vision and skills needed to lead our local government at this critical time.

Bethlehem is at a crossroads. We need to decide on how to best protect a way of life that has caused so many to make this town their home and how to attract smart

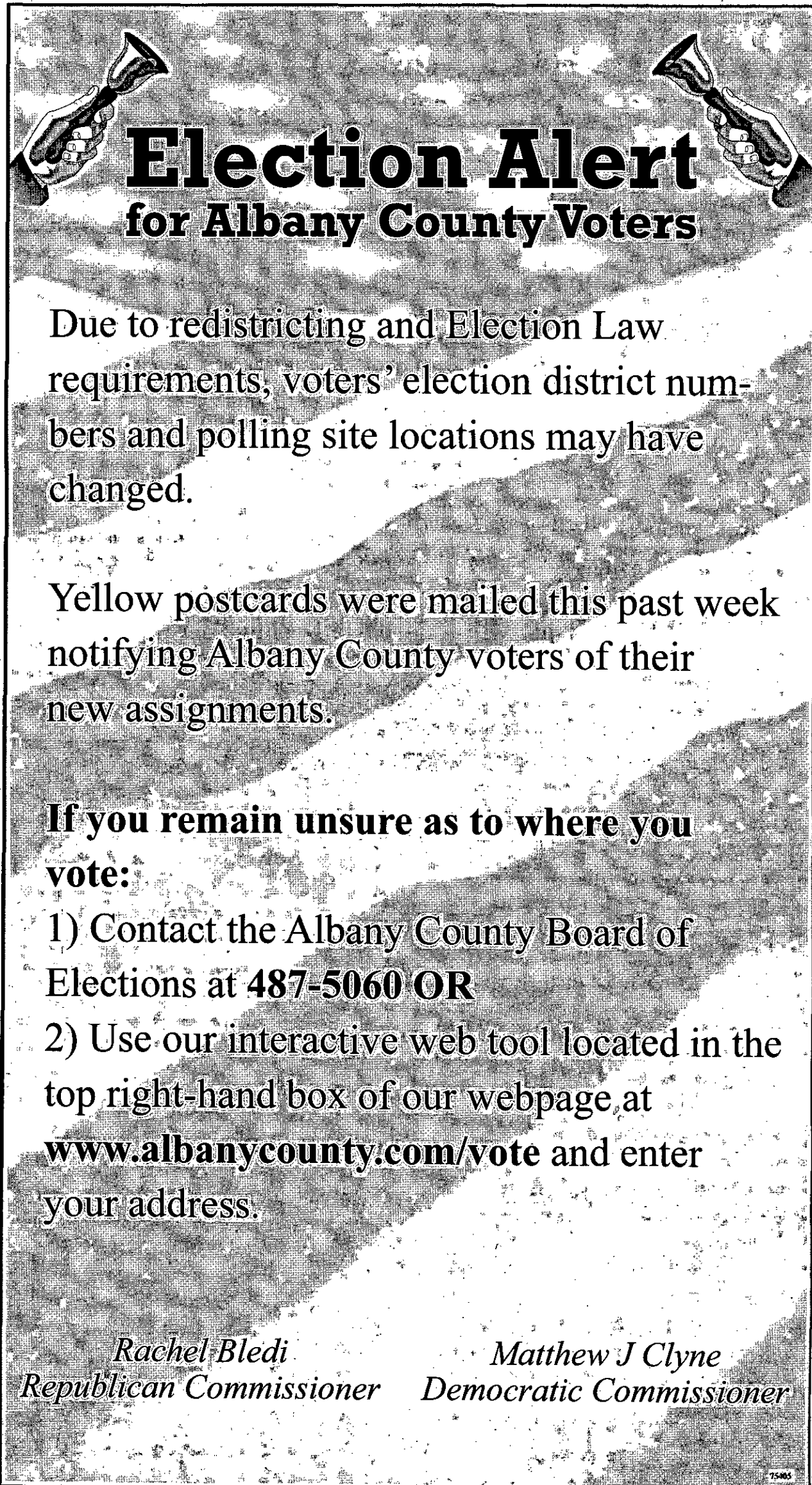
growth and development. I have worked beside Kyle for the past 4-and-a-half years on the Bethlehem Town Board and I can personally testify to his informed and thoughtful consideration of the issues that have come before the board. Kyle's commitment to our town, its families and all residents has been evidenced by his decisions on protecting our water supply, creating an attractive

business environment and keeping our taxes as low as possible. He has demonstrated strong leadership skills while working both inside town hall and with community groups. People who have

met him know that he is dedicated, capable and trustworthy. He is what Bethlehem needs for our next town supervisor.

Joann V. Dawson
Bethlehem Town
Board Councilwoman

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Kotary has increased Bethlehem's quality of life

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I write to express my support for Kyle Kotary as our next Town Supervisor.

Kyle's commitment to environmental stewardship, preserving open space and recreational areas has been key to preserving the high quality of life we have become accustomed to during his tenure on the Town Board. In short, Kyle has been an impressive champion of issues of importance to all of us, and has the experience and leadership skills necessary to succeed as supervisor.

A few years ago, our Town was recognized by a national publication as one of the best places in America to live and raise a family. Part of what made Bethlehem such a desirable place then - as now - is the character of our community, which stems from careful planning and attention to details that residents care deeply about. Kyle has demonstrated his commitment to issues that my family and friends care about. Kyle sponsored the resolution making Bethlehem one of New York's first Climate Smart Communities, which is a program that pairs NYS government with local communities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, while saving taxpayer dollars and promoting healthy vibrant communities. During Kyle's tenure, the Town

has continued to refine and enhance its recycling program and has installed energy-saving equipment. It has even secured a grant to install solar panels.

Kyle has also worked to preserve open space, protect farmland and expand and improve our parks and recreational opportunities. As anyone who has ever seen the joy of their children during a "Dive-In Movie" at

the Town Pool, it is clear that our recreational facilities are among the finest in the area. Kyle had a hand in all of that.

Kyle Kotary's accomplishments over the past six years on the Town Board speak volumes about his ability to lead and I urge your readers to vote for Kyle on primary day, Sept. 13.

Pamela S.
Hadad-Hurst
Delmar

Kotary the most qualified candidate

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

We write to express our support for Kyle Kotary in the campaign for Bethlehem Town Supervisor, and we urge our fellow Bethlehem residents support him for that office as well.

We believe that Kyle is the most qualified candidate in the Bethlehem town Supervisor's race. He understands from experience the challenges facing our town government, and that the town must hold the line on taxes and spending while protecting our high quality of life.

In fact, Kyle is the only candidate in the race who

has worked to enact a balanced town budget, and who understands the challenges businesses face in making payroll. He has also shows that he will not allow the Town Board to fall victim to partisan politics to work together to make Bethlehem an even better place to live.

Kyle offers the forward-thinking, experienced leadership that Bethlehem needs right now. That's why we are supporting Kyle Kotary in the Supervisor's race, and we encourage all Bethlehem residents to do the same.

Mike and Mandy
Fallon
Delmar

Clarkson brings experience, fairness and respect to the table

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

We are writing to express our firm support for John Clarkson as the Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem.

We have each worked with him and learned first-hand that he is a person of unquestionable integrity. He has broad experience in public policy and understands politics and the art of compromise. He incorporates humor and good will into all his dealings. He is what Bethlehem needs, now and in the coming years, to counteract the bitterness of the recent past and to help us ensure an even brighter future for our community.

John's state service included budget analysis, economic development, local government policy, and education reform, to mention a few areas of expertise. He would bring to the position of Supervisor a mature understanding of our tax structure and its potential to encourage appropriate growth while stabilizing its effects on homeowners. With two children of his own, he is sensitive to both the quality of education available in our community and the resources required for its support. At the same time, he is also sensitive to those who are on fixed incomes and who, of necessity, question tax increases and demand to thoroughly understand them.

As we learned when working with him, John is able to craft a balance between competing needs and priorities which neglects no party, no position. Such capacity to compromise is a rare skill and is essential in this time of intense partisan politics on all levels of government. Voters should take advantage of Clarkson's candidacy for many reasons, but

chief among them is his capacity for respecting his opponents. There is no one with whom John will not seek to build a strong working relationship. Resulting decisions and policies are much stronger for his capacity to demand consensus of himself and others.

No locality exists in isolation. As the world shrinks, the effects of economic and political realities in one area influence the habits and patterns in others. Every community is tied to regional, state, national, and international interests. Clarkson's experience at the state level exposed him to regional and broader concerns. It is essential to see our community in its larger context. In some areas, Bethlehem's efficiency may be improved through shared services. We need to know how to take advantage of state government interest in this area, including new grant and incentive programs.

We would be remiss if we were to support John Clarkson only because of his professional accomplishments and his keen mind. We also support his candidacy because of what kind of human being he is and how that influences his decisions.

His congenial attitude, his objectivity and fairness, and his kind humor were not lost on those of us who worked with him. Whether our work required us to be adversaries or accomplices, John treated us all the same: graciously, intelligently, and respectfully. For these reasons, we would like the opportunity to vote for John Clarkson, and we urge all Bethlehem voters to do so as well.

Susan and Peter Keifel
Bethlehem

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

The clear choice for our next Town Supervisor is Kyle Kotary

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

The clear choice for our next Town Supervisor is Kyle Kotary.

Kyle knows that the Town is a compilation of hamlets, North Bethlehem, Slingerlands, Delmar, Elsmere, Glenmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem. He realizes the residents of these hamlets each have their own views and concerns. Even though the Town Hall is located in the BCSD, he recognizes there are two other school districts in Town.

Kyle and his family routinely visit the Glenmont Fireman's Fair, the Selkirk Fish fry's, the South Bethlehem Clam steams and the Bethlehem Grange dinners. Kyle realizes that the Town extends beyond the Delmar by-pass.

The Town needs

to amend the current Zonings laws and reduce the regulatory hurdles to encourage smart industrial and commercial development. Kyle will encourage Town staff to provide the highest level of assistance and service to businesses in order to promote economic investment and prosperity in the Town of Bethlehem. Kyle has worked closely with businesses to identify creative solutions to challenging problems.

It is critical that Town residents are directly communicated to and provided enough information that will allow them to fully understand and continue to support the transformation that Kyle is supporting. The primary thrust behind these plans is the Town's desire to attract a significant amount of new commercial

business in order to diversify the Town's tax base. Bethlehem has tremendous assets and is centrally located in Tech Valley. In addition to helping to further stabilize the Town's finances, new high quality commercial businesses will improve the quality of life for residents and bolster Bethlehem's position as one of the Capital Region's great suburban communities.

Your vote is important. I encourage Democrats to vote in the primary on September 13, and everyone to vote in the general election in November.

After January 1, I look forward to working with Supervisor Kotary and a United Town Board.

Working together, anything is possible.

Terry Ritz
Selkirk

Clarkson best suited to save Bethlehem taxpayers money

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I am writing to urge voters in the Town of Bethlehem to join me in working to elect John Clarkson as the town's next supervisor. I gave John his first job in State Government in 1980 and can attest that he is a very creative and highly talented person who is uniquely suited to serve as our Town Supervisor in this era of economic uncertainty at state and national levels.

I have been impressed by the quality of Bethlehem's town government and the men and women who have served as Town Supervisor since I moved into the town in 1984. I appreciate the many outstanding programs and services developed by our elected officials and civil service staff. At the current time, we need an exceptionally talented person to help us figure out how to continue the

programs that have made this town a special place in which to live and to meet emerging challenges.

More than 30 years ago, when I was working as an Assistant Chief Budget Examiner in the Education Unit of the NYS Budget Division, I received a call from a Rockefeller College professor who said he had an excellent graduate student intern for our office: John Clarkson.

A few months later the Education Unit in the Budget Division needed a full-time employer and John was hired. I believe that he was put on the roster of full-time state employees more rapidly than any other graduate student intern I ever supervised.

John Clarkson's subsequent rapid rise through increasingly more important positions in state government showed that others have shared my evaluation of his skills

and abilities.

In my volunteer work as an advocate for older seniors in the Capital District, I have been constantly told that Bethlehem's public-private senior van transportation system is regarded as the best in the area. The Foundation buys the cars and vans, volunteers are drivers, and Town staff members administer the program.

John Clarkson is ideally suited to help the town find new cost-effective ways to use public-private partnerships to improve service to town residents. He has already asked me to give me more information about programs for seniors tried in other areas.

I strongly believe John Clarkson is the man that the Town of Bethlehem needs as its leader in the next two years.

Lois Wilson
Glenmont

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Conservatives providing choice where there would be none

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I read with great amusement the recent letter that was sent to *The Spotlight* by Ben Conboy, Chairman of the Bethlehem Conservative Committee.

In his usual fashion, the facts and assertions in Mr. Conboy's letter are riddled with inaccuracies and half truths. As a result, his integrity has dipped lower than NASDAQ or the New York Stock Exchange.

Mr. Conboy seems to be intimidated by the fact that there will be two names for voters to choose in this year's election for Bethlehem Town Supervisor. He is adamant that the name of John Clarkson should not be on the Conservative line in the September primary.

Mr. Conboy asserts that Mr. Clarkson "manipulated and circumvented the normal nomination process and did not reflect the will of the registered party members..." I assert that the only way to determine who the voters want to represent their party in the general election is to allow them a choice.

Ben Conboy's obvious

choice in this election is Kyle Kotary, the man who, while a member of the Bethlehem Town Board, bankrupted the town's surplus to put into the general fund, under the guise of a "balanced budget." The good taxpayers of Bethlehem will see what that "balanced budget" actually cost the people in the years to come, and it ain't gonna be pretty!

He also tries to paint Mr. Kotary as a fiscal conservative, which is both laughable and inaccurate, in typical Conboy fashion. You don't make the financial decisions in the short term that Mr. Kotary has made to look good in the long term and call yourself a fiscal conservative.

Mr. Conboy also contends that Mr. Clarkson has "strong Working Families Party affiliations." I challenge Mr. Conboy to produce one letter of endorsement or one financial contribution that was made to Mr. Clarkson by the Working Families Party. In fact, Mr. Clarkson has never run for public office prior to this year. He will bring a new face and an energetic agenda

to Bethlehem when he is elected Town Supervisor.

Mr. Kotary tried to rob the people of Bethlehem from a choice for Town Supervisor when he sought and accepted the Republican and Democratic nominations for this office. Mr. Clarkson entered the race to give the voters a choice and a chance to hear opposing dialogue on the critical issues that the Town of Bethlehem is facing. His opponent was hoping for a "slam dunk" and to enter office without affording the people a clear choice and argument about the many needs and programs of the Town of Bethlehem.

It is sad that Town Conservative Chairman Conboy does not understand the basic principle of the American system of electing our officials is to have a choice. The people will see through the smokescreen and will make their feelings known through the voting ballots.

Richie Stack
Chairman

Albany County
Conservative party

Kotary good for Bethlehem's future

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

As a young person, a student, and someone who cares about the future of our Town, I am writing to proudly and enthusiastically voice my support for Kyle Kotary in the upcoming Democratic Primary for Town Supervisor.

I am deeply concerned about the environment and our ability to live a more sustainable lifestyle. Kyle has spent his six years on the Town Board protecting and expanding open space in our Town and working to place solar panels on our Town buildings. As part of a new and younger generation of progressive leaders, Kyle understands how important it is to protect our environment. Kyle is committed to continuing this type of work as Town Supervisor so as to ensure that Bethlehem continues to be a beautiful and environmentally sustainable place to live.

In addition to Kyle's environmental leadership, he has shown a real commitment to our younger generation. While working in Bill Clinton's administration, he won an award from the US

Department of Health and Human Services, "for his extraordinary dedication, commitment and contributions in strengthening the well-being of America's Children." That is the kind of person I am looking for in a Town Supervisor - someone who understands the importance of our community's younger generation.

Finally, as a college student beginning to think about graduate school, I feel that the Town Supervisor should have an educational background that will help him when making challenging decisions involved with the job. Kyle received his B.A. in Government and Economics from Hamilton College. He went on to receive his Master's in Public Administration, with a concentration in State and Local Finance, from Syracuse University's Maxwell School.

Because of his commitment to the environment, his dedication to our community's younger generation, and his strong and relevant education, I am excited to vote for Kyle Kotary - part of a new generation of progressive leadership - in the Democratic primary on Tuesday, September 13.

Mike Rice
Delmar

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I write to join the many others who are writing to support Kyle Kotary for Bethlehem Town Supervisor.

Two and half years ago, New York State asked local governments to become members of the "Climate Smart Communities" program. By adopting a resolution or local law, such forward thinking communities would receive state assistance to address the impacts that carbon pollution will have on their communities and would be the first in line for funding for clean energy programs.

As a representative to the Governor I brought the concept to the town leaders and Kyle immediately grasped the importance of having the Town of on Bethlehem as a member of this group. On Earth Day 2009, Bethlehem along with 30 other communities was recognized as pioneers and charter members of this group. It was Kyle's resolution that passed the board and ensured that Bethlehem would obtain financial support from the State to reduce energy consumption, lowering the town's bills and making us a leader in pollution reduction.

Soon we will see a clean solar energy system installed on the roof of the park and recreation building that is funded in part by state grants. The town got preferential scoring for its grant application. When it goes up, know that it is due to the vision and leadership of Kyle, then Supervisor Jack Cunningham and board members Joanne Dawson and Mark Hennessey who all supported the resolution. Kyle has demonstrated to me the vision and leadership necessary to make a great Supervisor. Join me in voting for him.

Peter M. Iwanowicz
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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Clarkson the best in public service

Editor, *The Spotlight*

I am writing in support of John Clarkson's candidacy for Bethlehem Town Supervisor.

As Chair of the NYS Commission on Local Government Efficiency, which John served as Executive Director, I had the opportunity to work very closely with him over three years during which the Commission deliberated, produced a report, and carried out an extensive support operation for local efficiency initiatives across the State. I am very proud of the work we did together. The ideas we helped advance continue to be in focus, with local governments across the State under severe fiscal pressure, and strong interest from the Cuomo Administration.

John Clarkson is one of the foremost experts in local government I have met, and his technical knowledge, big-picture understanding, management and people skills were integral to the Commission's success. Our fifteen members included local officials, academics and business people. The group was

diverse in background and politics, and we came together on most policy issues, differed on others. There was no disagreement, however, that John and the staff he recruited did an excellent job.

When you work closely with someone, you come to know their character. I saw John work under intense pressure, including completing the Commission recommendations and report in the spring of 2008, as one Administration abruptly ended and another began. John and his staff didn't miss a beat during that trying time; they kept their eyes on the task at hand and produced a report that was hailed in newspaper editorials statewide.

I believe that our Commission was a success in many ways. Legislation has been passed in a number of areas, although there is still much to be done. Most of all, I hope we helped spur existing local interest and support for shared services and local government modernization. As a former mayor, I know how difficult it can be to make changes at the local level,

as does John. We are both optimists, however, and I think most people are. The local leaders I have always most admired are those that are willing to stand up when difficult choices face us, and today every government in New York State is facing difficult choices. John Clarkson is the right kind of leader for these times.

I do not make endorsements lightly, but John's service to our Commission, as well as his overall career in state government, were exceptional. Everything that I know about him tells me that John Clarkson would make a great Town Supervisor. I served as New York State's Lieutenant Governor from 1987 through 1994, in the United States House of Representatives for six terms, and as Mayor of Jamestown from 1970 through 1976, so I have worked with many talented and dedicated public servants. John Clarkson is among the best of them. I urge you to vote for him in the Democratic Primary on September 13.

Stan Lundine
Former New York
Lieutenant Governor

Kotary a good steward of Bethlehem

Editor, *The Spotlight*

My name is Kyle Kotary and I am running to be your choice for Town Supervisor, because I love our community, I believe in public service, and I will continue to devote my time and energy to preserving our quality of life in Bethlehem.

I'm also running for Supervisor because of a deep-rooted tradition of public service learned from my late grandfather and one of my mentor's, the late Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

They both taught me to speak my mind, stand up for what's right, back up my ideas with facts, follow the rules and always work hard.

Most mornings, I start my day drinking a cup of coffee at my desk which has on it a framed photo of the *Oath of the Athenian City-State* which reads, "We will transmit this City not only not less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

As a member of the Bethlehem Town Board, I have fought to make our community a better place to live, work, and raise a family. As a consensus builder and team player, I have worked with my colleagues to keep

the town's finances in order and run our town effectively.

Our accomplishments include: implementing the town's first comprehensive plan, becoming one of New York's first Climate Smart Communities, being recognized as one of America's best places to live, getting the Rail Trail open, saving Colonial Acres golf course, and improving our town parks.

I believe we can run a government that is innovative, progressive and fiscally responsible. That's why the budgets I draft as Supervisor will always comply with Governor Cuomo's tax cap.

I am committed to making Bethlehem a leader in environmental and green initiatives.

We should re-examine our budget process and review the Town's Comprehensive Plan to ensure it still reflects our values and vision.

We need to make our zoning and planning processes more user-friendly and more business-friendly. And we can find significant savings through shared services. We also need to do a better job of bringing in economic development

to better diversify our tax base.

My wife LJ and I chose to raise our three young children in Bethlehem. We love our Saturday morning ritual at the Delmar Farmers Market and spending winter weekends skating at the Elm Ave rink. We do hot summer days at the town pool, fall picnics at the Henry Hudson Park and hit the various ball fields in the spring.

I have worked hard to support, improve, and protect those wonderful community resources because of my belief in the ideals of that Athenian Oath - that as stewards of our community we should do our best to leave it better than it was given to us.

I'm proud to be the endorsed candidate of the Bethlehem Democratic Party and with your vote in the Democratic primary on September 13, and in the general election on November 8, we will preserve our quality of life in Bethlehem for years to come.

Thank you.

Kyle Kotary
Bethlehem
Supervisor Candidate
and Town Board
Member

A message to the voters of Bethlehem from:

John



Clarkson



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In observance of National Preparedness Month, the library and the Bethlehem Emergency Management Office (BEMO) will co-host "A Time to Remember, A Time to Prepare," an emergency preparedness information fair, on Saturday, Sept. 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the library.

Emergency vehicles and equipment will be on view in the library parking lot, community service information tables will be set up in the lobby, and a variety of half-hour preparedness presentations will be scheduled in our meeting rooms.

"Local Experiences at Ground Zero" at noon will be presented by Elsmere Fire Department assistant chief Jim Reagan, who has been an active volunteer firefighter for 36 years. He also serves as chairman of the Albany County EMS Committee and is on the executive board of the Regional Emergency Medical Organization and the



Albany County Fire Advisory Board. This program will end with a moment of silence for those who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001.

The American Red Cross will present "Pet Preparedness" at noon, "Masters of Disasters" at 12:45 p.m. (kids), "Be Red Cross Ready" at 1:30 p.m. (senior citizens) and "Red Cross Citizen CPR" at 2:15 p.m. Presenter Michael Kastner is pursuing a master's degree in emergency services administration from California State University, Long Beach. In addition to teaching preparedness courses, he is a CPR/first aid instructor.

Other scheduled presentations are Domestic Threats, Community Emergency Preparedness and Volunteerism, and Bethlehem

Senior Services. Times and locations will be posted prominently in the library lobby.

For more information on National Preparedness Month, visit www.Ready.gov. For more information on the fair, contact youth services librarian Michelle Waldenmaier at 439-9314 ext. 3031, or BEMO director Jack Brennan, 439-4955 ext. 1166.

Labor Day weekend closing

The library will be closed this Saturday-Monday, Sep. 3 to 5, for the Labor Day weekend. Regular hours will resume Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 9 a.m. New Sunday hours, noon to 5 p.m., begin on Sept. 11.

You can always find the library catalog and lots of information, links and services for all ages at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org, www.bplteens.org, and www.bplkids.org.

Domestic threats

Saturday, Sept. 10, 12:45 p.m.

Emergency Preparedness Information Fair presentation cosponsored by the library and the Bethlehem Emergency Management Office.

Local experiences at Ground Zero

Saturday, Sept. 10, noon

A presentation by Elsmere Volunteer Fire Department assistant chief Jim Reagan will close with a moment of silence for those who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001. Emergency Preparedness Information Fair presentation cosponsored by the library and the Bethlehem Emergency Management Office.

Bethlehem senior services

Saturday, Sept. 10, 2:15 p.m.

Emergency Preparedness Information Fair presentation cosponsored by the library and the Bethlehem Emergency

Management Office.

Preschool picnic

Friday, Sept. 16, 11 a.m.

A film and activities just for preschoolers. Bring a lunch or snack.

The Underground Railroad close to home

Friday, Sept. 16, 1 p.m.

Paul Stewart, cofounder of the Underground Railroad History Project of the Capital Region, will present a slide show and talk about the Albany area's abolitionists and freedom seekers. The program is supported by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.

Louise Grieco

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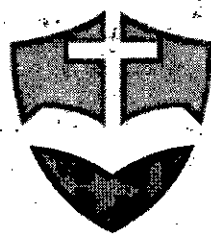
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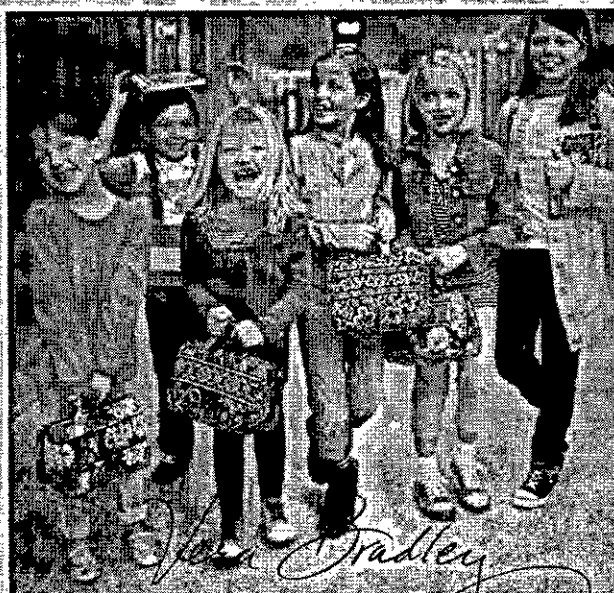
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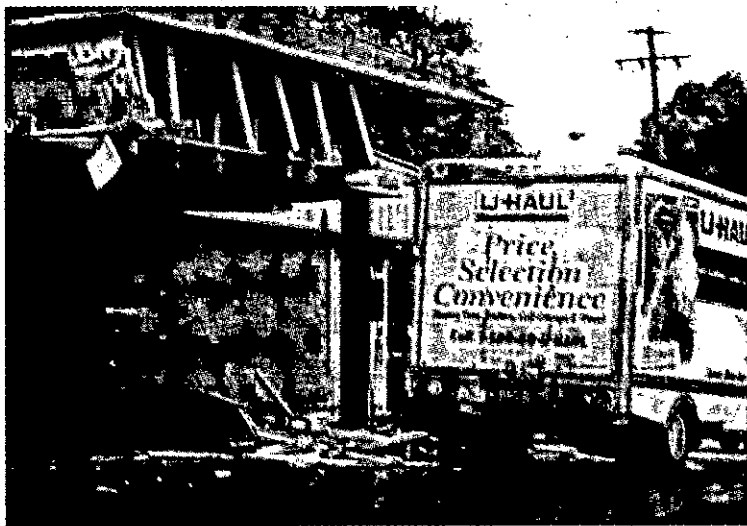
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Charles Wiff/Spotlight



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Library offers free health programs

The Guilderland Public Library presents two important Consumer Health Programs for people who care for juniors (children) and seniors (parents). The programs are free and open to all.

the Guilderland Public Library on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 6:30 pm.

Among the experts is pediatrician Dr. Hamish Kerr, MD, a board-certified sports medicine specialist; he and his colleagues explain why sports injuries are on the rise among U.S. children and teenagers, and they discuss ways to prevent and treat sports injuries.

Join Albany Medical Center's experts as they explain such issues as determining when a child should resume activities and whether an injury may have lasting effects on a growing child. This

Free Page 17

Library readies for annual book sale

Our Annual Book Sale will be held on Sept. 9 to 11. The members-only sneak preview (become a member at the door) will be Friday Sept. 9, 5 to 8 p.m. The Book and Bake Sale is Saturday, Sept. 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. On Sunday, Sept. 11, the

Voorheesville Public Library

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Voorheesville Library. Call Hospitality Chair Darcy Morrison at 765-2255 if you would like to make a bake sale donation.

Holiday hours

In observance of Labor Day, the library will be

closed Sept. 3 to 5. We will resume regular hours on Tuesday Sept. 6. Regular hours of operation: Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

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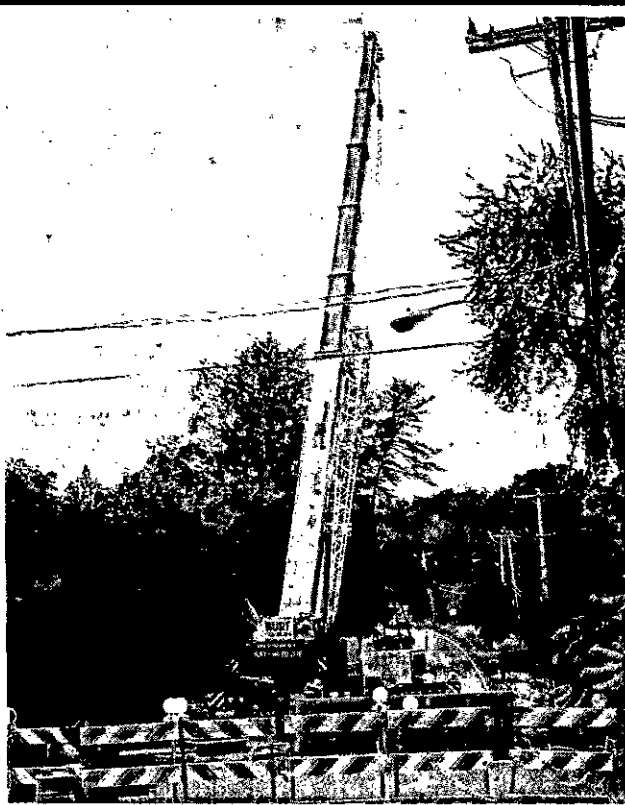
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Charles Wiff/Spotlight



Grant to help fund long-range study

The Bender Family Foundation has awarded a \$15,000 planning grant to the RCS Community Library. The grant will cover much of the cost of a long-range study of Library operations. Voters approved funds for the remainder of the cost as part of the 2011 budget referendum in May.

The library's Board of Trustees initiated the project to address changing community

RCS COMMUNITY LIBRARY

needs and fiscal and space constraints. The project's goals are a guiding vision and work plan for providing effective, cost-efficient services and facilities.

Trustees, staff, and a community advisory group will examine staffing, programs, collection

development, technology, and facility needs with an architect and a library consultant. The study will incorporate the results from 2009 patron focus groups and other surveys.

The study project will begin in September and conclude by the end of the year. More information will become available on the library website at www.rcscommunitylibrary.org/masterplan.

Presentation aims to ensure seniors understand Medicare

Will you soon be 65, or are you already enrolled in Medicare but still have questions about your coverage options? There are Medicare counselors trained to help you understand your choices and options. Attend a presentation Thursday, Oct. 20, 10:30 a.m. to noon, in the Town Hall Boardroom designed to provide you with an understanding of Medicare and the choices available to you.

Thinking about changing your current Medicare coverage? This is a great time to get a better understanding of the whole picture. The enrollment change period will begin in October and end early in December.

Having trouble paying your Medicare premium or related medical expenses? Find out if you may qualify for Federal assistance with your medical expenses.

You're almost 65? Come learn about how Medicare works.

Drug coverage

This is the time of the year that you can change your Medicare coverage. It is very important that you make sure your drug coverage is working for you. Call the Senior Center to make an appointment for any Tuesday in October to have a trained counselor review your medications and your drug coverage. Bring all your medications with you (the prescription bottles). A trained counselor will verify in the Medicare system that your drug insurance will cover your drugs. If the coverage you currently have will not work

for you in January, we will try to find one that does. This service is provided to you by Albany County Department for Aging and Senior Services of Albany.

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

Monday, Sept. 5
Town Hall Closed Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 6
9 a.m. OsteoBuster
11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Veal & Peppers or Cold Plate
Noon Special Raffle
12:30 p.m. Bingo/Games/Billiards

Wednesday Sept. 7
Scheduled Shopping
9:30 a.m. Defensive Driving @ Library
10:30 a.m. OsteoBuster
1 p.m. Needlecraft
1:30 p.m. OsteoBusters

Thursday, Sept. 8
Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Osteobusters
1 p.m. Mahjongg
1:15 p.m. Pinochle

Friday, Sept. 9
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Fall features exercise, fitness programs Free

The Parks and Recreation Department has issued its Fall Playbook. Among the popular programs for seniors is Active Aging, a five-week exercise class held on Thursday mornings in the Town Hall Auditorium. It uses weights, bands, chairs and walls to improve balance and strengthen core muscles. It costs \$20 and begins on Sept. 15. Another program is Seniors in Motion, held on Tuesday and Friday mornings in the Town Hall Auditorium, beginning on September 16. This class features low level aerobic exercise to music. The cost is \$3 per session on a pay as you go basis. Lap Swimming, Yoga and Zumba are also available. Call 439-4955, option 3, for more information.

Mark Sunday, Sept. 11, on your calendar for a theater and dinner outing. At the Mac-Haydn Theater in Chatham, we'll see "Always...Patsy Cline." After the show, we'll enjoy a buffet dinner at the White Stone Café in Ghent. The cost of theater

and dinner is \$41, payable to Town of Bethlehem. Senior Transportation will leave Town Hall at about noon. Suggested van donation: \$10. Home pick up can be arranged. Call 439-4955, ext. 1169, to make a reservation.

Farmers Markets are open with fresh vegetables and fruit. In addition, Bethlehem Senior Transportation will be available on Tuesdays, Sept. 13 and 27, to bring you to the Farmer's Market at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., in Delmar. For transportation, call 439-5770. Suggested van donation: \$2.

Monday, Sept. 5
•Town Hall closed

Wednesday, Sept. 7

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

•The Senior Discussion Group will meet from

Senior Action

Town of Bethlehem

10:30 am to noon at the Town Hall, Room 101. Transportation can be arranged by calling 439-4955, ext. 1176.

•A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall. Sign up to donate blood by calling 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Thursday, Sept. 8

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

•Senior Legal Services Program This free program, staffed by the Legal Aid Society, is available between 10:30 pm and noon. It provides legal service for residents of Albany County who are 60 years of age or older. Call 430-4955, ext 1176 for an appointment.

•Bethlehem Senior

Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar at 11:30 am - 3:30 pm. We play bridge, mah jongg, bingo and pinochle. All seniors are welcome. Bring a sandwich and join others for lunch if you wish.

Friday, Sept. 9

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

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

Wilma DeLucco,
Bethlehem Senior Projects,
Inc. Board Member

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program also reveals how to keep children, who may not participate in sports, healthy, fight obesity, and learn life-long healthy habits.

When a senior relies on you

It's called the "Sandwich Generation," people who find themselves seeing not only to the needs of their own children, but also to the health and well-being of their own parents. Too often, caregivers forget to take care of themselves. This program, "Resources for Caregivers: When a Senior Relies on You," which will be held at the Library on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 10 am, focuses on the caregiver, providing information about the services available in our community to make caregiving easier.

The program starts with

an opportunity for you to visit with the exhibitors, and then hear presentations by featured speakers followed by Q&A sessions:

10 a.m.: Visit with exhibitors


10:30 a.m.: Creating the User Friendly Home: Chris Damon, MSED, CAPS, MFCS, Community Caregivers

11 a.m.: The Emotional Journey of Care Giving: Kathie Maiello, RN, Any-Time Home Care

11:30 a.m.: Sibling and Family Communication: Susan Fitzpatrick, Esq., Burke & Casserly, PC

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For more information on these programs, please call the library at 456-2400, or email info@guilpl.org. The Guilderland Public Library is at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Visit the library's website at www.guilpl.org. Become a Facebook fan of Guilderland Library and follow the library on Twitter (@GuilderlandLib).



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Is Delaware Ave. turning into Bank Blvd.?

Financial institutions say Delmar makes good business sense

By CHARLES WIFF
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You've probably heard someone say it before, or maybe said it yourself: Seriously, another bank?

In the Town of Bethlehem, and especially on the Delaware Avenue commercial corridor, this is something of a perennial cry every time banking news come up, be it in letters to the editor, online discussions or old-fashioned coffee shop talk.

In the Delmar area, a cursory search reveals six banks clustered near Delaware Plaza at the east end of Delaware Avenue. Another three full-fledged branches are near the Four Corners, a little more

than a mile away, and there are more to the west and east in Slingerlands and Glenmont.

In a meeting of the town's Development Planning Committee last month, Bethlehem's Director of Economic Development and Planning Michael Morelli said his office hears from residents about the density of banks. At the time, he was talking with owners of the Price Chopper Plaza in Slingerlands about their thoughts for a new standalone bank there (no plans have been formally submitted yet).

In a recent interview, Morelli said there are indeed a good number of banks in Bethlehem.

"It's really based on a market economy. In a free market economy, if a use is permitted and they meet all the local laws and regulations, they can

build," Morelli said.

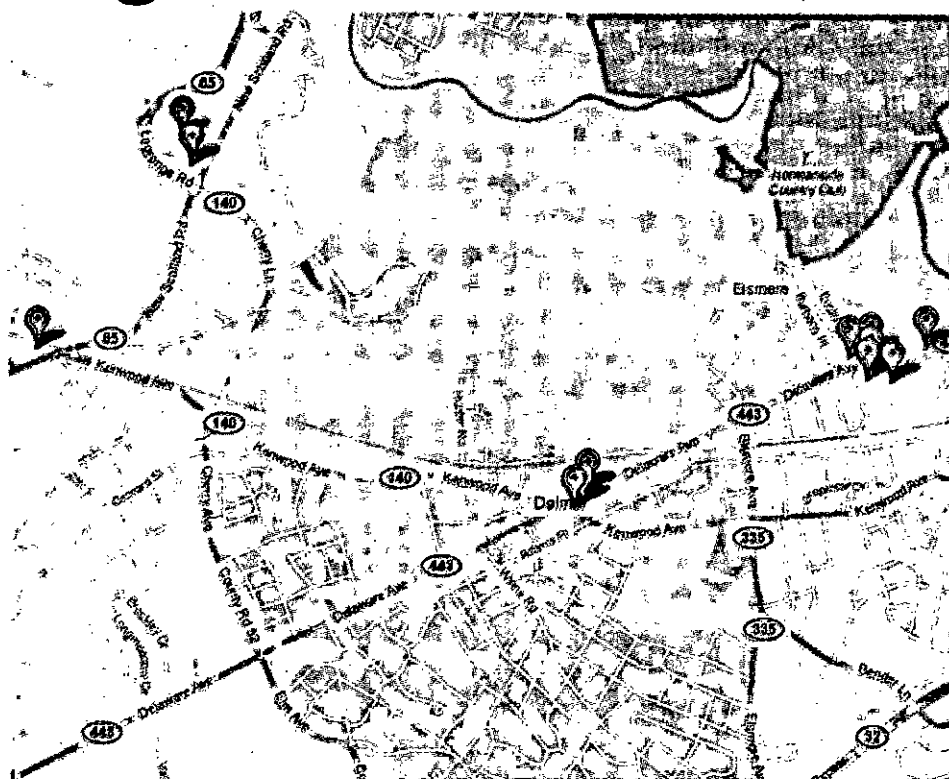
Banks are listed as a specific use in the town's zoning code, but they're generally free to locate in commercial zones just like any other business. The biggest planning obstacle for most branches is the construction of drive-through lanes, which sometimes draw the scrutiny of planners.

So why are there as many banks as places to get a cup of coffee? According to Trustco Vice President Kevin Timmons, the answer is simple.

"The branches are being put in spots where the banks think there is business to be had, just like McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, or Price Chopper or whatever," Timmons said.

Trustco has a branch near Delaware Plaza, and Timmons went on to say

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There are many in Bethlehem who are not shy in saying the town is a hotbed for bank branches. Indeed, there are nine along the commercial stretch of Delaware Avenue. But that's not an unusually high number for the Capital District, as the maps on the facing page show.

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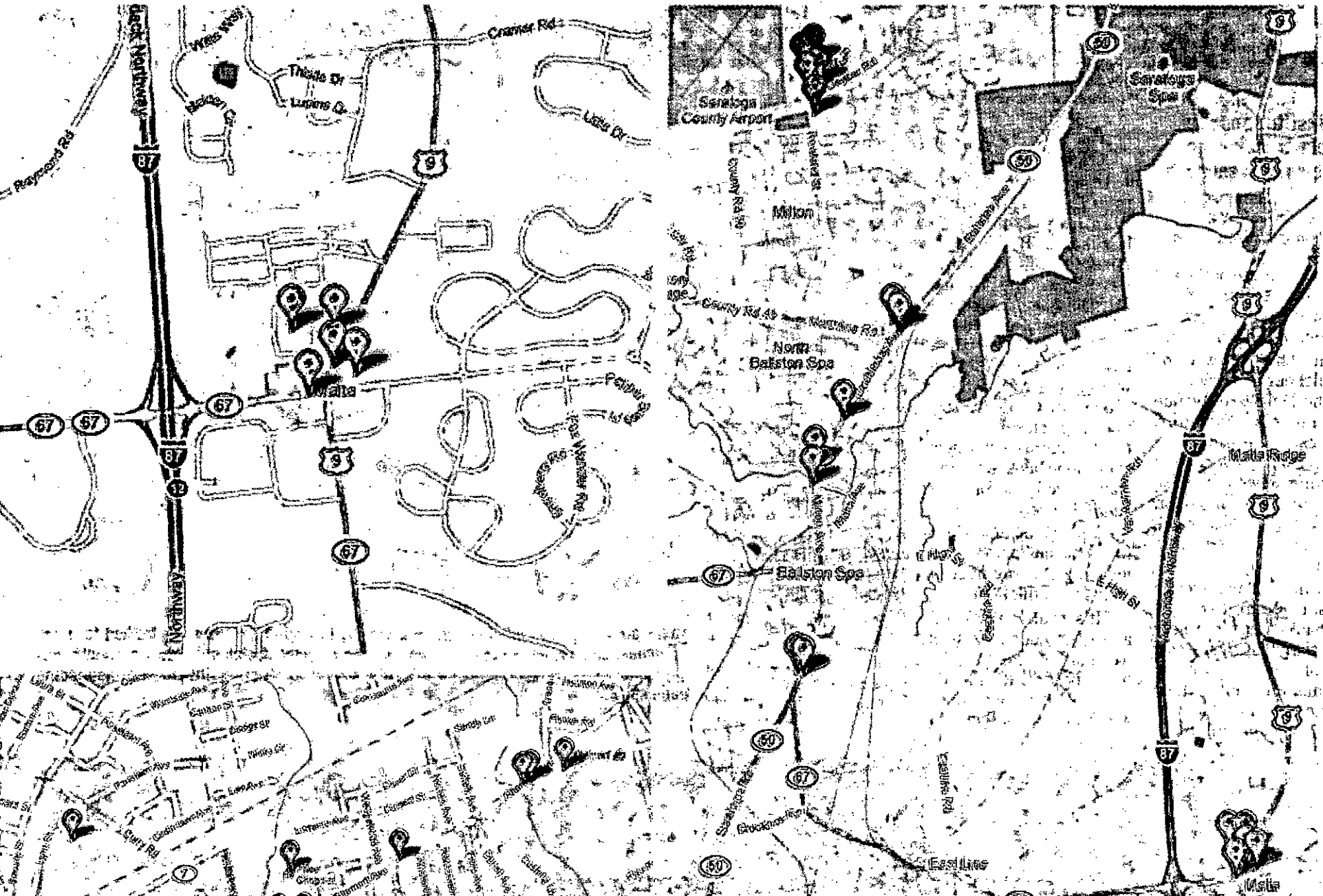


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Delmar doctor embarks on cross-country cause

Man dedicates bike trek to former nurse's medical bills

By CHARLES WIFF
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People often go the distance for those they care about, but not many do it like Dr. David Krischer.

The longtime Delmar physician is on the far side of Minnesota right now after pedaling his bike for weeks from Rockport, Mass. Now, he's hoping that every mile he's traveled and every mile he has left to go on his way to the Pacific will help his former nurse Anita Mullaney, who is in the terminal stages of lung cancer.

"She is a sweet person and very thoughtful," Krischer said last week from Battle Lake, Minn. "She had a pleasant way about her that endeared



Anita Mullaney with her grandson, Chase.

many people to her. Many former patients continued to send her cards for years after she had to retire."

Although a cross-country trip had always

been a goal for the recently retired doctor, it wasn't until he got under way in July that he thought it could be something bigger. Now, he hopes people will dedicate

a penny to Mullaney's medical bills for every mile he rides. With a trip that's expected to go 3,500 to 4,000 miles (depending on whether Krischer has the

energy and time to head down to Los Angeles), each donor would be pledging \$35 to \$40.

"As I kept pedaling, the thought just formulated: 'Hey instead of just doing it for me, I could help a friend,'" Krischer said.

Krischer retired last year after a long career, mostly at Community Care Physicians on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Mullaney, a nonsmoker, was suddenly diagnosed with lung cancer over three years ago. She's fought a battle since then that doctors now say is unwinnable. She's at her Rensselaer home with her husband, Gerry, under hospice care.

Gerry Mullaney said Dr. Krischer's ride is a terrific gesture, and one that will also be helpful after years of medical bills.

"We have a decent insurance program but

when you come up with things like cancer, the co-pays alone ... it really starts getting expensive," said Gerry Mullaney.

Organizing the efforts in the Capital District is Lisa Snyder, who also used to work in Krischer's office as a receptionist.

"I just think it's a really great idea," Snyder said.

She also remembers when Mullaney, who had worked at the office for 14 years, was diagnosed with cancer. Snyder remembers Mullaney as someone who always kept healthy.

"It was a very sudden thing. She worked on a Friday, and on Monday her husband called," she said. "It was a shocker in the building because she showed no signs to anyone."

Krischer thinks his journey will be completed sometime in October, at which time he'll probably bus it back home. He's been making stops in cities like Buffalo, Minneapolis and Sandusky, Ohio, and camping out in a tent he packs onto his bike. Not every day is a winner, but having a cause helps him.

"There are times where I'm riding with 30 mph winds in my face the entire day. I say, 'I'm going' to get through this because the more I do, the more it benefits Anita's family."

Donations may be sent to the Anita Mullaney Benefit Fund, PO Box 254, Ravena NY 12143, or can be made at any Key Bank branch. For more information or to reach Lisa Snyder, visit the benefit's Facebook group, "Dr. Krischer's Bicycle Ride Across the USA for Anita Mullaney."

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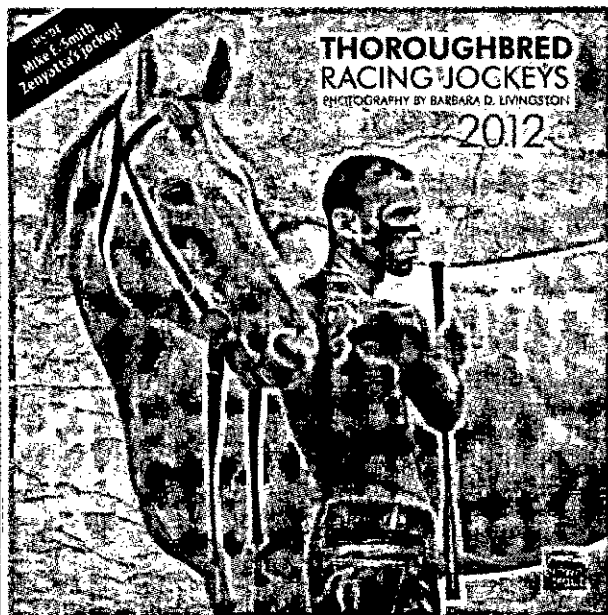
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Entertainment in the Spotlight

Right: The 2012 Thoroughbred Racing Jockeys calendar was sold at the track for \$13.99, with all proceeds benefitting the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund.

Below: Dennis "Oil Can" Boyd signs autographs for fans during "Rivalry Day" at the track on Friday, Aug. 5.



Boyd was joined by Mickey "Mick the Quick" Rivers at the inaugural "Rivalry Day," which celebrated one of the oldest rivalries in sports, New York vs. Boston.

Racing season's final stretch

Activities planned in Saratoga to mark end of season

The racing season at Saratoga Race Course is in the final stretch, and a weekend of activities will bid farewell to the 2011 meet.

Racing kicked off on Friday, July 22, and wraps up Monday, Sept. 5. The weeks in between were filled with giveaways, theme days and special guests and conclude with a family fun fest and a musical festival. The fun fest is Sunday, Sept. 4, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday, Sept. 5, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Final Stretch Music Festival is Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 3 and 4, from 7 to 11 p.m. each day.

The track's backyard will host all kinds of traditional children's activities for the fun fest: bounce houses, a climbing wall, pony rides, caricatures and games. Magicians and jugglers will also be on hand. Proceeds from games, pony rides and some other activities will benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Capital Region.

Sunday also marks the last giveaway of the track season, with people taking home a black long-sleeved T-shirt.

The musical festival, meanwhile, will offer live music at venues throughout the Spa City.

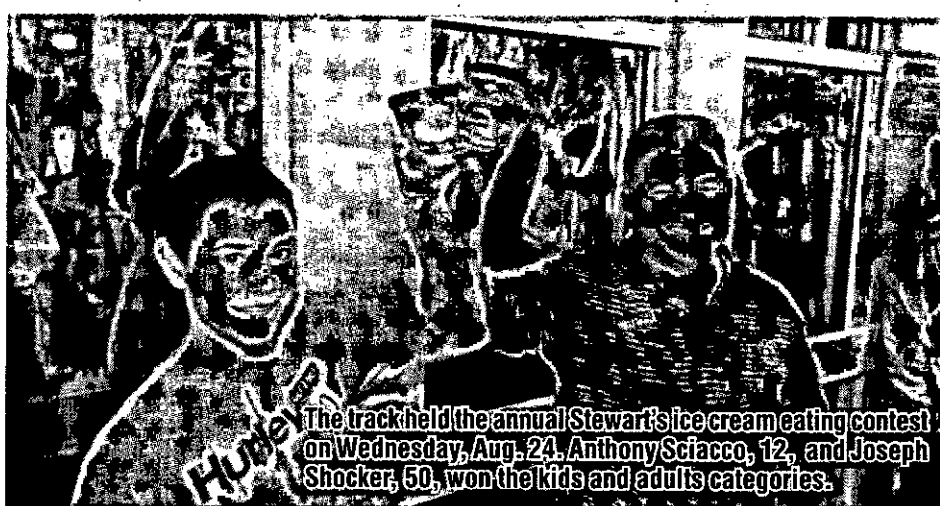
Ellsworth Jones Place, by the City Center, will feature Bluz House Rockers on Saturday

night and Annie And The Hedonists on Sunday night. The Collamer parking lot will host Maximum on Saturday night and Solid Smoke on Sunday. Bob Warren and Friends will perform at Adirondack Trust Co. both days, and High Definition Band is booked for Caroline Street both days. Jason Smucker will be on Division Street both days, while Nick Coluccio performs at Ben and Jerry's on Saturday, followed by The Mad For Trad Pan Celtic Session on Sunday.

The musical festival is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Saratoga Co. Chamber of Commerce at 584-3255 or Susan Farnsworth at 587-8635.



Former heavyweight champion Joe Frazier signs a boxing glove, during an autograph session at Saratoga Race Course on Friday, Aug. 26.



The track held the annual Stewart's ice cream eating contest on Wednesday, Aug. 24. Anthony Sciacco, 12, and Joseph Shocker, 50, won the kids and adults categories.



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"I am Searching for Field Character," through Sept. 30; "one floor up more highly," an installation by Katharina Grosse, through October; "Ruse," through Dec. 31; "Sub Mirage Lignum," through Dec. 31; "The Workers," through March 15, 2012; "Sol LeWitt: A Wall Drawing Retrospective," ongoing; 87 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass. Information, (413) 664-4481.

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"Rising from the Sea: The Art of Jay Hall Connaway," through May 27, 2012; plus "Arkell's Inspiration: The Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People," ongoing; Canajoharie. Information, 673-2314.

THE HYDE COLLECTION

"New York, New York! The 20th Century," through Sept. 17, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

Call for Artists

THURSDAY MUSICAL CLUB

Women's singing group entering its 99th year is beginning practices for its 2011-12 season Sept. 9, practices held Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., concerts on Dec. 2 and April 1. Information, 765-4536.

SCHENECTADY CIVIC PLAYERS

Holding auditions for December production of "The Royal Family," 7:15 p.m., Sept. 6 and 8, Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady. Information, 382-2081.

SCHENECTADY LIGHT OPERA COMPANY

Holding auditions for "Aida," Sept. 12 and 13, Schenectady Light Opera House, 427 Franklin St. Schenectady, seeking large multi-racial cast for Elton John musical. Information, 477-2256.

CHRISTIAN ARTS INTERNATIONAL

Seeking singers for a performance of Handel's "Messiah" Dec. 4 at St. Plus X Church in Loudonville featuring Metropolitan Opera baritone Louis Otey, rehearsal Sept. 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. Information, 459-3152.

MOHAWK HUDSON HUMANE SOCIETY

Seeking artists to participate in its "Art Saves Animals" benefit Oct. 6, The Arts Center of the Capital Region, River Street, Troy, deadline for submissions is Sept. 22. Information, Nancy Larabee 434-8128, ext. 206 or nlarabee@mohawkhumane.org.

THE CHORALIERS

Musical group looking for singers of all abilities, performs concerts at Christmas and in the spring, pieces are familiar and fun to sing, no auditions are necessary, practices are 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Saint Clares' Chapel, McClellan Street, Schenectady.

ETUDE CLUB

Looking for women interested in vocal and instrumental performance, meetings held the first Thursday of every month. Information, 374-5536.

SARATOGA ARTS

Seeking local artists for Aug. 23 outdoor exhibition called "Art in the Park" in Congress Park, space is limited and registration by Aug. 12 is required. Information, 584-4132.

CLIFTON PARK COMMUNITY CHORUS

Ongoing rehearsals for its winter concert, Shenendehowa Adult Community Center, Clifton Common, Clifton Park, no auditions required to join. Information, 371-6681.

CAPITLAND CHORUS

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

TANGO FUSION DANCE COMPANY

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

ADIRONDACK PASTEL SOCIETY

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

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

Openings in the string, horn and percussion sections. Information, 813-4299 or e-mail delmarcommunityorchestra@gmail.com.

COLONIE TOWN BAND

Several openings, rehearsals on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at town hall, Route 9, Newionville. Information, 783-2760.

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Openings for brass players, rehearsals on first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newionville. Information, 783-2760.

SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

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

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

Openings in women's singing group, focusing on old favorites and show tunes, rehearsals Tuesday mornings at Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Avenue, Delmar. Information, 439-2360.

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Siena College, Route 9, Loudonville. Information, 783-2325.

THE ORCHESTRA ON THE COMMON

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

ELECTRIC CITY CHORUS

Male singing group, training provided, rehearsals at Faith-United Methodist Church, Brandywine Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 399-1846.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS

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

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

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

ARTISTS WANTED

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

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Weekly Crossword

Bone Breaking

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ACROSS

- 1 Avon product?
- 5 Year or frog leader
- 9 Baldwin's center
- 13 Spread
- 14 H
- 15 King toppers
- 16 What a wise cobbler does
- 19 Dombey's partner
- 20 Fearsome cape
- 21 Stan's buddy
- 22 "___ two aspirin and ___"
- 23 Something new in LA?
- 25 Before split or oil
- 28 Cato said emptor
- 29 Asian sea
- 30 US ICBM
- 31 Pop and op follower
- 34 Bone breakers?
- 38 ___ Aviv
- 39 English architect Jones
- 40 Jose Jimenez
- 41 Mona Lisa's ___
- 42 Scribe
- 44 Army's mule, et al.
- 47 Gumshoe Charlie

DOWN

- 48 NY city
- 49 Companion of might
- 50 Fuss
- 53 "... books in the running brooks, ___": Shakespeare
- 57 Clip
- 58 Contraction
- 59 Songstress Horne
- 60 Cravings
- 61 Doodle's mount
- 62 Pitcher
- 1 ___ Tweed
- 2 Voice
- 3 Curb
- 4 One of a short seven
- 5 Metric measure: Brit.
- 6 Thames school
- 7 Oh!, in Essen
- 8 Key letter?
- 9 Visitor
- 10 Sunshine State city
- 11 Lac, for example
- 12 ___ Park, CO
- 14 East Indian tree
- 17 Agha
- 18 Isle of Wight channel
- 22 Soft mineral
- 23 Surpass

- 24 Handwoven rugs
- 25 Ligneous fiber
- 26 Laugh-In's Johnson
- 27 Fastener
- 28 Spree
- 30 Flip call
- 31 Med. school course
- 32 Actor Auberjonois
- 33 Despot
- 35 Geisha garment?
- 36 Agitated state
- 37 Wotan
- 41 Rogues
- 42 Early form of bridge
- 43 Rave's partner
- 44 A rolling stone is never ___
- 45 Coeur d'___, ID
- 46 European finch
- 47 Prudent
- 49 Bearing
- 50 Once more
- 51 Sand hill: Brit.
- 52 Lengthy eskers
- 54 Forty winks
- 55 Broadway sign
- 56 Corrida shout

Milestones

Franklin, Camardello to wed

John and Deborah Franklin of Delmar take great pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Anne, to Samuel J. Camardello, son of Sam and Heidi Camardello of Dolgeville, NY.

Elizabeth, a 2001 graduate of Bethlehem Central School, is a 2005 graduate of Le Moyne College where she earned her B. S. in Biology. She received her M.S. in Education from The College of St. Rose in 2007. Elizabeth is currently a sixth grade science teacher with the Albany school district.

Sam graduated from Dolgeville Central School in 2000 and earned his undergraduate degree in Material Sciences from Alfred University in 2004. He received his M.S. in Chemistry from The University at Albany in 2010. Sam is presently employed as a material scientist at the General



Samuel J. Camardello and Elizabeth Anne Franklin

Electric R&D Center in Niskayuna.

A December 3, 2011

wedding is planned at St. Mary's Church in Ballston Spa.

Keefer, Rudolph to exchange vows

Craig and Susan Keefer of Glenmont, N.Y. are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Abigail Keefer, to Brian Rudolph, son of Nancy Rudolph of Glenmont, N.Y. and Ray Rudolph of Delmar, N.Y.

The future bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Marist College, where she was awarded a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and Special Education. She is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Literacy at the University at Albany and is employed as a pre-school teacher at the Laven Early Childhood Center.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Binghamton University, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in



Abigail Keefer and Brian Rudolph

Management. He is currently pursuing his MBA at the University at Albany and is employed by

the University's Athletic Department.

A June 2012 wedding is planned.

Francis N. Mengel

Francis N. Mengel, of Delmar, NY passed away on August 4, 2011 at the age of 92.

Mr. Mengel was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pa., and attended Penn State University, graduating in 1941 with a degree in architectural engineering. After graduation, he worked in Norfolk, VA for the wartime ship building industry until enlisting in the U.S. Navy. In 1941 he married Edna Mae Stoeckle of Philadelphia, who passed away in 1969. After World War II he worked for an architectural firm in New York City. Then, in 1960, he was employed by the New York State Dormitory Authority where he worked as a project manager until his retirement in 1985.

In 1995 he married, and is survived by, Lois June Lee of Delmar. He is also survived by his two children from his first marriage, Carol M. Pightling of Visalia, CA and Francis N. Mengel, Jr. of Clermont, FL (formerly of Delmar) and by four stepchildren from his second marriage, Linda Drew of Delmar, Vicki Bylsma of Berne, Janice Lee of Delmar and Janet Lee of Methuen, MA. His is also survived by two grandchildren, two great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild. Mr. Mengel was a 50 year member of the Delmar Presbyterian Church. He was a life long member of the Masonic Order and a past commander of his American Legion Post.

In accordance with his wishes, Mr. Mengel's remains have been donated to the Anatomical Gift Program of the Albany Medical College. A memorial service for family and friends will be held at the Delmar Presbyterian Church on September 10, 2011 at 11:00AM.



Mary Margaret Bayerle Silver

Mary Margaret Bayerle Silver, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, died on August 20, 2011.

Mary was born in St. Cloud, MN to the late Raymond and Mary Kuharski Bayerle. The majority of her formative years were spent in Minneapolis. Her desire to help people who were sick led to her becoming a Registered Nurse and later to complete advanced training in psychiatric nursing at the University of Minnesota Medical School. She was recruited as Director of the Psychiatric Nurse Training Affiliate Program at Fergus Falls State Hospital, a position she held until leaving to raise her family.

She married Dr. Reuben Silver in 1951. They lived in Minnesota for 11 years before moving to Delmar, NY for over 38 years. In 2000, they moved to Wilmington, NC.

Mary's interest included sewing, needlework of all kinds, gardening, home repairs, reading, shopping, and cooking. Her organizing skills were the envy of her family. She was a baseball and basketball fan, and she enjoyed bowling and golf.

as a participant, once even scoring a hole-in-one.

In addition to her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her brother Conrad Bayerle and her sister Phyllis Gausman.

Mary is survived by her husband, Dr. Reuben Silver; son, Gerald Silver and wife, Cindy, of Hartsville, SC; daughter, Kathleen Pearre and husband, Howard, of Winston-Salem, NC; grandchildren, Anna Mae Silver of Buffalo, NY; Samuel Silver and wife, Kerianne, of Clifton Park, NY; Matthew Silver of Saratoga Springs, NY; Abigail Muller and husband, Christopher, of Vienna, VA; Amy Dunn and husband, Ryan, of Smyrna, GA; and David Pearre and wife, Jessica, of Portland, OR; and great-granddaughters Elizabeth, Susannah and Madeline, Muller and Juliet Dunn.

Graveside services will be conducted on Tuesday, August 20th at 11 am by Rev. Robert Kus with Rabbi Robert Waxman assisting at Oakdale Cemetery, 520 North 15th Street, Wilmington, NC.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Plantation Village Memorial Fund, 1200 Porters Neck Road, Wilmington, NC 28411, or to Davis Health Care Center, 1011 Porters Neck Road, Wilmington, NC 28411.

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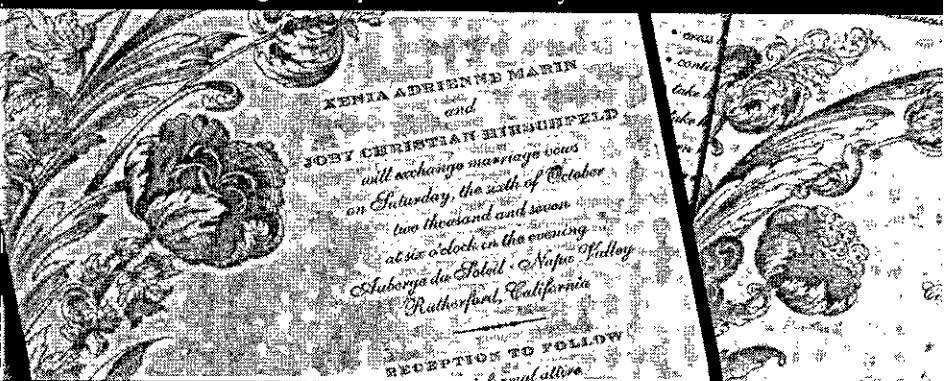
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Are my Mother. Oh, Holy Mary,
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And Earth! I humbly beseech you
From the bottom of my heart to
Succor me in my necessity.
(Make request). There are none
That can withstand you power.
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Pray for us who have recourse to
Thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place
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LT Andrew Joseph Wendth and Allison Jean Mesmer

Mesmer, Wedth to wed

A. Joseph and Julie L. Wendth of Slingerlands announce with pleasure the engagement of their son, LT Andrew Joseph Wendth to Allison Jean Mesmer, daughter of Edward and Donna Mesmer of Buffalo.

The future groom is a 2002 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and a 2006

graduate of the University of Rochester. He is a naval aviator stationed in Norfolk, Virginia. His fiancée is a 2004 graduate of The Academy of the Holy Angels and a 2008 graduate of Canisius College. She is a sales representative at a pharmaceutical company.

A November 19, 2011 wedding is being planned.

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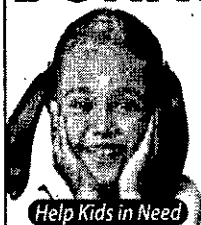


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Symphony to open season

The Albany Symphony opens its 2011-2012 season on Sept. 17 at the Palace Theatre with a program featuring The Planets, along with an American cellist and a cutting edge young British composer.

The performance is sponsored by both M&T Bank and Nigro Companies. Single tickets start at just \$19 and can be purchased by calling the Palace Theatre Box Office at 465-4663, or online at www.albanysymphony.com. Single tickets for this and all Albany Symphony performances go on sale August 22.

The performance features an evening of English music, featuring two English classics by Holst and Elgar and a recent work by the Chicago Symphony's new Composer-in-Residence, Anna Clyne. Holst's "The Planets" includes the opening movement, "Mars, Bringer of War." Elgar's Cello Concerto, written in 1919 and colored by the sadness of the First World War, will be performed by the cellist

Ralph Kirshbaum, who along with Yo-Yo Ma and Lynn Harrell, is considered one of the greatest living American cellists.

The British composer Anna Clyne was born in the U.K. in 1980. "<<rewind>>" is her first major orchestral piece, a rhythmically vibrant, choreographic homage to analogue tape – going backwards!

The orchestra's 2011-2012 season runs from September to May and is highlighted by a special concert with Joshua Bell on Dec. 17. The concert season features a wide array of world-class artists, international leaders in composition, and favorites of the repertoire. The orchestra continues to offer subscriptions to its concert season, with three-concert packages for as low as \$50 and special discounts and access to performances like "Joshua Bell Returns." Visit www.albanysymphony.com or call 465-4755 for more information or to order.

IN BRIEF

Klim named to Dean's List

Thomas A. Klim of Delmar was recently named to the Dean's List for Binghamton University's spring 2011 semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a minimum of a 3.75 grade point average for the semester.

Society plans craft fair

The Shaker Heritage Society in Albany will host its Fall Harvest Craft Fair

on Sept. 10 and 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The fair features over 75 local artisans offering high quality hand made work. Guided tours of the historic site will also be offered at 11:30, 12:30, and 1:30 pm on both days, as well as free pony rides for children on Saturday from 1-3. The cost of entry is \$4 per person, and free for children under 18. You can save \$1 by clipping this announcement and bring it to the fair.

Arico graduates from college

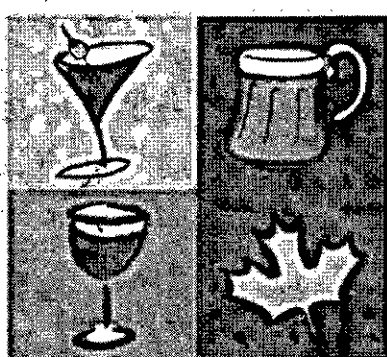
Allison M. Arico, daughter of Patrick and Theresa Arico of Slingerlands, recently graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and health sciences.

Arico, a 2005 graduate of Voorheesville High School, graduated PharmD magna cum laude.

Stroll for Epilepsy set

The 3rd annual Saratoga Stroll for Epilepsy will be held on Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Saratoga Spa State Park in Saratoga Springs. A barbecue hosted by the Holiday Inn Resort of Lake George will be served immediately after.

After a 10:30 a.m. check in, the stroll will start at noon. Registration is \$25 per person, or \$30 on the day of the event. Children 12 and under enter free. Register online at myetap.org.



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Race

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That's nothing to scoff at, especially these days. With registration building momentum and participation on track to exceed last year's level, organizers hope it will again raise \$50,000.

"In an economy like this, matching what you did the year before is growing," said race organizer SarahNicole Mahoney of Capital Region Special Surgery in Slingerlands. "The corporate sponsors, their hearts are always in the right place, but there's a lot of events in this town, and a lot of worthy organizations. ... I think the success of this event continues to be led by the individual registrants."

That includes individuals like Deb LaPietro, who will be running in the race for the third time and is organizing a team to memorialize a fellow teacher at Westmere Elementary School in Guilderland who died of cancer a few years ago.

The Farley's Friends team will be a way to remember for those who knew Daryl Farley, a 22-year teacher of first- and second-graders.

"She was great with the little ones, that's what we remember most about her," LaPietro said. "She was just a kind, caring teacher that the kids just adored."

Farley's friends and family



About 700 people came to last year's Race for Hope for the atmosphere. Now in its third year, the event continues to draw people racing for all different reasons but all raising money for charities.

Courtesy Capital Region Special Surgery

ran in the first Race for Hope on something of a whim as Farley lay at St. Peter's Hospital. Now, LaPietro hopes that the run will become an annual tradition.

"It kind of brings us back, gets us together, and gives us time to remember," she said. "Now every year when we do it, it will be in memory of her."

Students are getting involved too, and they have a

chance to bring a smartboard back to their school. This year, students in grade nine to 12 can sign up as part of the "Educator's Challenge." The "school champion" who finishes with the best time will take a high-tech teaching tool back to school with them, a value of over \$2,500 donated by the Audio-Video Corporation.

Kiera Heath, an incoming sophomore at Guilderland High

School, was instrumental in getting the school's varsity and junior varsity field hockey team signed up, a total of 33 girls. She learned about the run through her volunteer work at the Ronald McDonald House.

"I thought getting the team involved would be a good thing to get us involved in the community," she said.

For those who don't want to

run or walk, CRSS's parking lot will turn into a festival on race morning, with food and entertainment for young and old. The Charlie Watts Riots will be playing, the iconic Bettie's Cakes double-decker cupcake bus is slated to be parked near the finish line and there will be community atmosphere to spare.

For the runners, this year's race will feature digital chip timing, provided by USA Track and Field. The UAlbany athletics department will be providing much of the volunteer labor needed to run the race.

Walkers are also welcome to step off after the wave of runners starts. This year, all ages will be welcome on the course, and those under 12 will have a reduced \$10 entrance fee. Small children won't be charged a fee, but those with strollers won't be able to step off with the runners for safety reasons.

Registration closes at noon on Friday, Sept. 9, and the cutoff for mail-in registration falls on Monday, Sept. 5. The fee is \$25, and the first 500 entrants will receive a free Race for Hope T-shirt.

The race starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 10. Race packet pickup will start at 7 a.m. the day of race, and from Sept. 6-8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Special Surgery Offices at 1220 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands.

For more information or to register, visit www.raceforhopealbany.com.

Solar

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that would put it within the amount and limitations of the federal grant. The issue, said Town Engineer Paul Penman, is that not many companies are equipped for this scale of project.

"It's not big enough for the major contractors to bid on it, but it's too big for some of the smaller guys to bid on it," he said. "We're kind of in a gray area."

The American Investment and Recovery Act grant of \$111,500, with a town investment of \$12,500 attached, was awarded in February of 2011.

The Town Board on Wednesday, Aug. 24, voted to reject the two bids received. The town will go out for new proposals.

The lowest bidder was Vanguard Energy with a bid of about \$130,000. Even though that was close to the grant amount, the company would not have been eligible to receive the funds under the guidelines of the administering agency, the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's guidelines.

A second bid from Gould Erectors and Riggers was about \$190,000. The town would have had to kick in another \$65,000 under that proposal, which would make the benefits of the

solar energy much less tangible.

The panels are intended to offset energy use at the park's administrative offices by 70 percent for an annual savings of \$4,000.

Penman said the town's also speaking to NYSEDA about restructuring the terms of the contract,

so Bethlehem could potentially install however big a system it could get for \$124,000. They're also looking a ground-based system, which could be cheaper than the roof-mounted one.

New bids will likely be due sometime in September.

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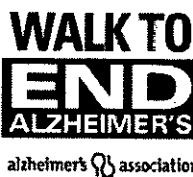


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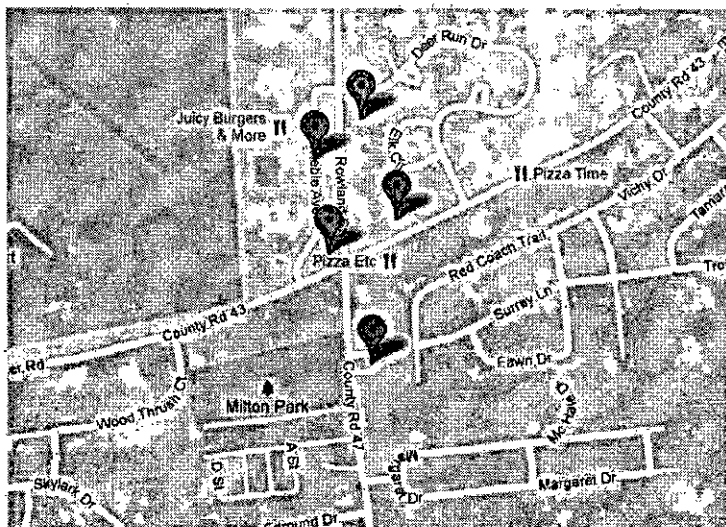
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Bank

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there is a roughly \$900 million deposit base in a 3-mile radius around that bank branch.

"For Upstate New York, that's a pretty good showing for that size of a market," he said.

In other words, Delmar's residents are reasonably affluent, which is good for business of any sort but banks in particular.

Delaware Avenue is also a busy stretch of road. Thousands of vehicles pass through this corridor on their way to or from the city every day, and some of them are naturally going to need to stop off at the bank.

Karl Johnson, vice president at Pioneer Savings Bank, said his company has branches in Glenmont and Delmar because that's a

convenient structure for many customers.

"Now they can bank in both places, where they work and where they live," he said. "You want to be situated in an area where there's a movement of people. ... Location is very important."

And while commercial activity has been sluggish for years, banks are still kicking. Trustco Bank recently opened a branch in Glenmont at what used to be a Hollywood Video store, putting that vacant storefront back to use.

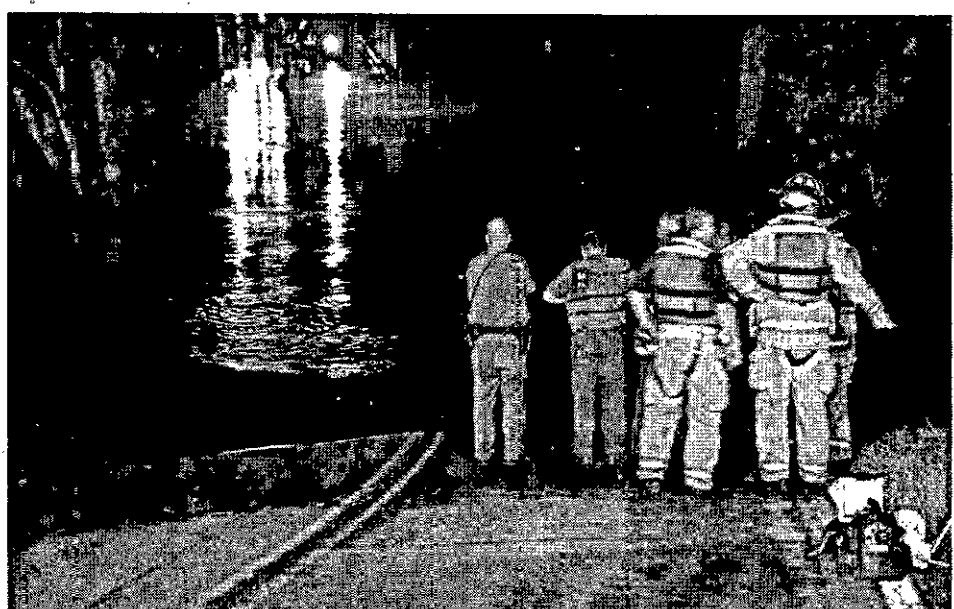
Berkshire Bank is undertaking the only bank project under way right now in the Town of Bethlehem. The bank is building at the location of the former Saratoga Shoe Depot at Elsmere and Delaware avenues. This isn't a new branch, though. Berkshire will be relocating from within Delaware Plaza to the more visible location.

That's a win for the town, said Morelli.

"I think that Berkshire Bank, it's a real credit to them that they've made a commitment to invest a lot of money on that corner, and it will look nice when it's done," Morelli said.

And no matter what one thinks about Delmar's banking landscape, it's not particularly busier than in other high-traffic areas of the Capital District. On Rotterdam's Altamont Avenue area, there are eight banks lined up in the space of a few miles. Even the relatively tiny Town of Milton has five standalone branches downtown.

"I can certainly appreciate that observation," said Johnson on the clustering of banks. "There are a lot of banks in the area, but I think we're all coming here for the same reasons: because the market is very attractive."



Rescue workers look at the Normanskill River early Monday, Aug. 29. Two people were pulled from the water after their car became submerged on Krumkill Road.

Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

Water

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to rescue the two by boat. Both were suffering from hypothermia and were rushed to the hospital, Fuino said.

"They're very

fortunate they're alive," he said.

Fuino did not have the names of the rescued people, but he said the driver was not from the immediate area and may have been unfamiliar with the roads.

"Nobody knows what

possessed him [to move the cones]," Fuino said.

Police could not be immediately reached.

Krumkill Road remained closed on Monday, and reports indicated parts of the road had washed out.

-Charles Wiff

Vista

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of September we'll be breaking ground."

Though it's encouraging news, that schedule is well removed from the dates bandied about in the spring, when developers said quick action could have companies settling into offices during the fall months. The Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency worked at a frantic pace to cement a deal that would finance the construction of Vista Boulevard. In the end, it ended up visiting the Bethlehem Central School District, the town itself and Albany County lawmakers

to move forward with a plan to use payment in lieu of taxes receipts to pay off around \$7 million in bonds.

Though the plan was approved in June, the bonds haven't yet been issued. They should be going out in the near future, though.

"This has slipped a little bit. It slips whenever you get down to the final dotting the I's and crossing the T's," said Bethlehem Supervisor Sam Messina, who has been supporter of the IDA deal. Now that the money matters have been sorted out, the IDA will see less of the project.

The Planning Board will still be quite involved,

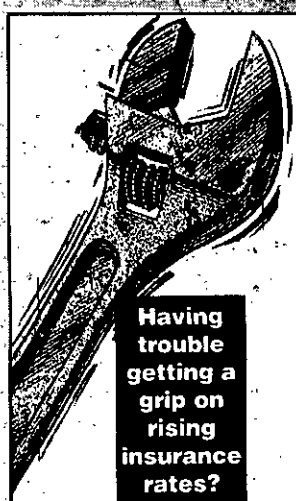
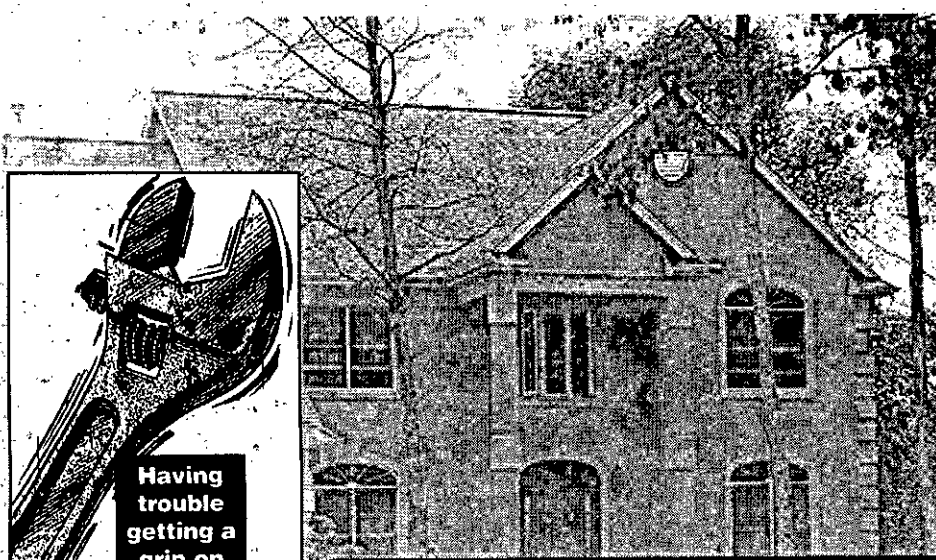
though. The building of Vista Boulevard and an office building at its terminus has been fully approved, but developers will be back before planners on Sept. 6 to go over "Phase 1B," which will cover much of the retail and office space near the park's entrance.

That construction will get under way as soon as the road's construction allows.

"That's the exciting part, as the road's going you're also going to be seeing buildings going up," deForest said.

Among the confirmed retail tenants is a ShopRite grocery store, which will be the largest retailer in the Vista park.

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IN BRIEF

Hannah's Hope Run planned

The 5th Annual Run for Life 5k and Family Fun Run/Walk to benefit Hannah's Hope Fund will be held on Sunday, Sept. 18 at 5 Caraway Court in Clifton Park.

The event is dedicated to finding a cure for Giant Axonal Neuropathy. The 2-mile walk for Hope will be held at 9:30 a.m., the 5k at 10 a.m., and the Kid's Fun Run and Expo at 11 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each age group as well as overall male and female.

Register at www.active.com by Sept. 9; T-shirts will be given out to the first 200 registrants.

Cooks and Kitchen Tour set

The 3rd annual Cooks and Kitchens Tour, sponsored by the Mansion Neighborhood Association and Historic

Albany Foundation, will be held Sunday, Sept. 25 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Diners will experience local cuisine in historic gardens. Guests will visit three homes for each of the three dinner courses. The tour begins at 1:45 p.m. in Bleeker Park between Eagle and Phillip Streets at Madison Avenue. The cost is \$45 per person, with advance paid reservations required.

For additional information, contact Mary Moneymaker at 518-436-7848.

Schneider makes Dean's List

Emma Schneider of Delmar was recently named to the Dean's List for University of Minnesota Twin Cities' spring 2011 semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a minimum of a 3.65 grade point average for the semester while taking 12 or more

credits. Schneider is in the College of Continuing Education Program.

CDARPO to hold meeting

On Sept. 8, CDARPO will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at Ramada Inn, 946 New Loudon Road, Latham.

Membership includes Albany, Schenectady and Troy landlords. For more information, call 433-7377.

Two named to Dean's List

Joseph A. Calzone of Delmar and Joseph P. Kane of Glenmont were recently named to the Dean's List for Roger Williams University's spring 2011 semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a minimum of a 3.4 grade point average as well as complete 12 credits for the semester.

Your Community in The Spotlight

Leavitt named to Dean's List at Hartford

Aliza Leavitt of Delmar made the Spring 2011 Dean's List at the University of Hartford. Students are named to the Dean's List after each semester for full-time students and in early summer for part-time students. Full-time students must have at least a 3.25 GPA in at least 12 graded credits, no grade below C, no more than one C, no "Incompletes," no "No Grades," no "No Passes" and no "No Report from Instructor."

Local students earn honors

Molly Bierman and Lauren Manning of Glenmont have been named to the Dean's High Honors list for Connecticut College's spring 2011 semester. To be named to the Dean's High Honors list a student must earn a grade point average of at least 3.7.

Local students named to Dean's List

Rebecca Chambers of Delmar and Rebekah Coons of Voorheesville were named to the Dean's List for Wells College's spring 2011 semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a minimum of a 3.5 grade point average for the semester and take 12 letter-graded hours.

Massaroni graduates from William and Mary

Jennifer Massaroni of Voorheesville recently graduated from the College of William and Mary. Massaroni earned a BBA degree.

Five Rivers sets morning bird walks

A series of four early morning bird walks will be conducted at the NYSDEC Five Rivers Environmental Education Center 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar on successive Thursdays on September 8, 15, 22, and 29. On these outdoor trails,

center naturalists will help identify birds beginning at 7 a.m. over coffee and bagels indoors, then lead participants along the trails at 7:30 to look for fall specialties as well as year-round avian residents. The data collected on these outings will help monitor avian trends such as changing land use and climate. These programs are available to the public free of charge. Please call the Center at 518-475-0291 for more information.

Other programs will be available at Five Rivers, including a nocturnal study and a turtles program.

Area residents earn degrees

Emily E. Traylor of Glenmont and Peter F. Munoz of Slingerlands were recently awarded degree at Binghamton University's Decker School of Nursing. Traylor received a BS in Nursing Traditional, and Munoz received a BS in Nursing Baccalaureate.

Suker earns degree

Cyrilla R. Suker of Voorheesville was recently awarded a degree in Binghamton's University's College of Community and Public Affairs. Suker earned an MSW in Social Work.

Danchetz earns degree

Brian G. Danchetz of Delmar was recently awarded a degree at Binghamton University's School of Management. Danchetz received an MAT in English Adolescence Education.

Marler earns degree

Andrew J. Marler of Delmar was recently awarded a degree at Binghamton University's School of Management. Marler received a BS in Management Finance.

Area residents earn degrees

The following students were awarded degrees at Binghamton University's School of Engineering and Applied Science: Kristie T. Caesar of Delmar, who received a BS in

He's got spirit



Patrick Honda, center, a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce hospitality committee, and owner of P&C promotional printing, receives the Spirit Award for his enthusiasm and dedication to Capital Alliance of Young Professional's (www.cayp.org) mission. Joining Honda are CAYP President Theresa Petrone at left, and CAYP Vice President Ryan Hanley, right.

Submitted photo

Mechanical Engineering; James V. Spinosa of Delmar, who received a BS in Computer Science; Ryan C. Renak of Feura Bush, who received a BS in Mechanical Engineering; Jason M. Wasserzug of Glenmont, who received a BS in Computer Science; James G. Sabbag of Slingerlands, who earned a BS in Industrial Systems Engineering; and Jeremy J. Stevens of Slingerlands, who received a BS in Industrial Systems Engineering.

Theologian at Rensselaerville Presbyterian Church

If anyone has the pulse of the future of leadership in mainstream American churches, it is Barbara Wheeler. Ms. Wheeler, who will be the last in the summer series of visiting ministers at the Rensselaerville Presbyterian Church, is a nationally recognized researcher, consultant and writer in the field

of theological education. At the 11 o'clock service on September 4 in the historic church on Main Street in the hamlet of Rensselaerville, she has chosen to give a sermon with the title, "A Little Bit Swerved."

Ms. Wheeler, a Presbyterian elder, recently stepped down as president of Auburn Theological Seminary in NYC, a post she held for 30 years. She is not, however, leaving Auburn, rather she continues in a second post there as director of the Center for Theological Education which enables theological schools in the United States and Canada to understand their work based on hard data and research. Last summer she received the 2010 Excellence in Theological Education Award from the Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. given biennially to a Presbyterian who has "made an outstanding lifetime contribution to theological education in and for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)."

Under Ms. Wheeler's

leadership, Auburn Theological Seminary became a dynamic educational institution, "a seminary without borders" reaching across faiths and cultures around the world. Auburn's programs include The Center for Church Life that seeks to renew church life and leadership through non-degree education; The Center for Multifaith Education that seeks to increase multifaith understanding, dialogue, and action; and The Center for the Study of Theological Education.

Byron reenlists in Army National Guard

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 First Class David Byron from Altamont has reenlisted to continue service with the Joint Force Headquarters.

"Over the past 3 years the New York Army National Guard has come from far below authorized strength to 100 percent strength," Murphy said in remarks to the force. "Our priority is to provide ready forces for both state and federal missions and readiness starts with maintaining our strength."

"We have more than 16,000 men and women in the Army and Air National Guard with each individual member having an important role."

For more information about the New York Army National Guard, visit www.dnna.ny.gov or www.1800goguard.com.

Hawk migration watch marks anniversary

The 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Thacher Park Hawk Migration Watch will take place on Saturday, Sept. 10, 10 am - 4 pm at the Thacher Park Overlook. Hawk watch leader Will Aubrey will be on hand answer any questions, provide education background and material on hawk

migration, compile migration statistics and assist with migrating raptor identification.

Activities will be ongoing throughout the day. Live raptor presentations, 10 am - 2 pm. Dragonfly and damselfly displays. Educational Walk for Wildlife with North Country Wildcare. Meet rehabilitated owls 2 - 4 pm. Live mountain dulcimer music with Carol Lynn and Gene Langley. Chainsaw artist Rich Koonz will have carved wildlife available for viewing and purchase. Owl mask making. Face painting. Raptor silhouette identification. Food and refreshments available from the Overlook Café.

Sunday, Sept. 11, raptor viewing and counting with Will Aubrey. Event is free and open to the public.

Please call Thacher Park at 872-1237 for additional information. Visit the park website at www.nysparks.com for about parks and park events.

Church to hold pancake breakfast

The Onesquethaw Reformed Church, located at 11 Groesbeck Road, Feura Bush, will offer a breakfast of pancakes, sausage and eggs to order on Sept. 3, from 7:30-11:30 a.m., for the price of a donation only.

For more information, call 768-8019.

Ravena residents should renew swim passes

Those interested in attending open swim sessions at the RCS pool during this upcoming school year should renew their passes by the end of September. Passes are \$30 for residents of Ravena and \$125 for non-residents; proof of residency will be required. RCS students may use the pool free of charge.

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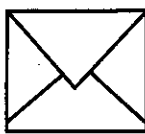
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(August 31, 2011)

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Notice for publication, for information of Dan E. Puckett

At the Pruyn House, history is in fashion

Curator Diane Morgan says Old Fashioned Sunday event highlights the area's agricultural past

ANDREW BEAM
beama@spotlightnews.com

On Sunday, Sept. 11, the Pruyn House will be holding its annual Old Fashioned Sunday event, which will transport attendees back in time.

"It's meant to highlight the early 19th century and highlights the farm community we were and still are with the few farms we still have," said Diane Morgan, curator for the

Pruyn House. Morgan said there will be many different activities and demonstrations that date back to the late 1800s, including basket making, weaving and quilting. There will also be a man who will be demonstrating what a preservation carpenter does, a blacksmith and someone who does sheep shearing. Morgan added that the person doing the sheep shearing will be using old-time tools.

There will also be pony rides, a magician and even a storyteller for children. Beth Bomba is one of the storytellers

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A re-enactor demonstrates his craft during the Old Fashioned Sunday at the Pruyn House in 2009. This year, the event takes place Sunday, Sept. 11.

Submitted photo

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(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Qualification of BRICKMAN FUND II RYE LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/26/11. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/25/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 615 South DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
74959 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

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Notice of Qualification of Cantina Laredo Syracuse L.P. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/19/11. Office location: Albany County, LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/6/11. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc. (CSI), 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
74960 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
SUMMONS WITH NOTICE ACTION FOR A DIVORCE CARMEN FRASER (Plaintiff) CLAUD P BENNETT (Defendant) Plaintiff resides at City of Rochester, County of Monroe To the above named Defendant: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default of the relief demanded in the notice set forth below. Signed: Attorney James McCann 9 Genesee Street Albany, NY 14414 585-226-2040 NOTICE: The nature of this action is to obtain a judge-

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(August 31, 2011)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Name: Browntown, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) 07-22-2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office location: Albany County, SSNY is agent for process against the LLC and shall mail copy to Matthew P. Hoff, 68 Cambridge Drive, Glenmont, NY 12077.
75091 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of DELANEY VERO, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07-22-11. Office location, County of Albany. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 73 Crescent Drive, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: any lawful act.
75242 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation Psychiatry Now PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/3/2011. 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.
75243 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

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Notice of Formation Goose Hollow Alpha Advisors LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/1/2011. 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:

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Notice of Formation of DCJ MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/8/11. 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.
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75331 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Fraleigh Holdings, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/10/11. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Bradley Reiffer, Fitzpatrick Grand Central Hotel, 141 East 44th St., Penthouse, NY, NY 10017. Purpose: any lawful activities.
75333 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Greg Rohman, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/10/11. 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, 19 Peachtree Lane, Levittown, NY 11756. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
75334 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

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Daughter and Dad Recycling, LLC articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of NY (SSNY) on 08/08/2011. Office Located in Albany County at 198 New Scotland South Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom service may be made and SSNY shall mail a copy of service

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to the office location. The character of the LLC is any lawful activity.
75341 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

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(August 31, 2011)

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75361 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Pursuant to Section 206 of the New York Limited Liability Law a. The name of the Limited Liability Company is Barrel O' Fun, LLC. b. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on August 10, 2011. c. The office of the Limited Liability Company will be located in Albany County. d. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon him or her is: Barrel O' Fun, LLC c/o Alessio F. Depoli 61 Briar Avenue Albany, New York 12203 e. The Limited Liability Company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes.
75379 (D)
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75380 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

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Notice of Formation Bravo Buildings LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/22/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 991 Central Ave., #1C1, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities.
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(August 31, 2011)

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75351 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
ISLAND SMOKES VIII LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/09/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210 will be desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: Any Lawful purposes.
75352 (D)
(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, have received the Tax Rolls and Warrant for the collection of School Taxes for the Town of New Scotland properties in and for the Bethlehem Central School District, and will receive payments as follows: Tax payments are to be mailed to Tax Collec-

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tor, P.O. Box 181, Delmar, NY 12054. There will be a 2% penalty for payment from October 1 through November 1, 2011. Unpaid school taxes will be turned over to the Albany County Treasurer on November 15, 2011.
Michelle Curtis
Tax Collector
DATED: August 31, 2011
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(August 31, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE: TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NY. Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY, regarding the College Park Subdivision, located on Bryn Mawr Drive & Oberlin Place, Glenmont, as shown on drawing entitled: College Park Subdivision, Preliminary Plat, Subdivision Plan, Wemple Road, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, dated February 2, 2009, last revised 07/05/2011; prepared by L. Sipperly & Associates, 696 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY 12110. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 439-4955 Ext. 1183. Advance notice is requested.
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(August 31, 2011)

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Linda Pasquali
Clerk Treasurer
75384 (D)
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who will be coming from the William K. Sanford Library. Morgan said the Colonie Art League will also have its paintings for sale.

The main attraction, according to Morgan, will be the performances put on by the three town bands from Colonie: the Colonie Town Band, the South Colonie Friends of Music Big Band and the Brass Choir.

A tribute will be made to the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11th terrorist attacks as well as the 150th anniversary of the Civil War with a salute from the 125th Regiment.

"The color guard will be starting off the afternoon," Morgan said. "They will strike up the band and will march near the barn. Then Supervisor Paula Mahan will get on the microphone and say a few words."

Those who attend the event will also get a chance to check out all of the buildings on the

grounds, including the tool museum, the carriage house and the main house. Morgan said people will be able to look at the farming history of the town with all the different farming equipment that will be on display in the carriage house.

People will also be able to view the one-room schoolhouse, which Morgan said dates back to the 1910s and is on the national register.

A new event this year will be a celebration of the centennial babies, all of whom were born around June 7, 1995. This date was important because it celebrated the 100-year anniversary of the Pruyn House. Joanne FitzGibbon, who is coordinating the celebration of the centennial babies, said the last time all of the children were together was when they were 10 years old. When they were asked when they wanted to all get together again, they gave a specific response.

"They said, why not meet back when they can drive here when they're 16 years old," FitzGibbon said.



Sheep wait to be sheared without the benefit of electric tools.

Not all of them have been contacted yet, but FitzGibbon is hoping to get a hold of all of them before the date of the celebration. They will be honored with a birthday cake with all of their names on it.

"Some of them are still in the area," FitzGibbon said. "I haven't really gotten in touch with a lot of them at this point, but we do this kind of thing sporadically."

Morgan is excited for

the upcoming celebration as it is a continuation of the organization's purpose as serving as a historical landmark and center for the Town of Colonie.

"Our mission is, as the Pruyn House, to be a cultural, historical and educational center for the town," she said. "This event just kind of follows that mission, which is to continue to try and educate people."

Submitted photo

IN BRIEF

Golfers needed for charity event

Golfers needed for the annual FOCUS Golf Event, September 13 at Orchard Creek Golf Course (\$125 per golfer, \$450 for a foursome). Fee includes green fees, cart, prizes, and food. Play will be Best Ball. 8am - Registration, 9am - Play begins. All proceeds to benefit the FOCUS Interfaith Food Pantry and FOCUS Breakfast Program. For Non-Golfers - Join us for lunch at Orchard Creek on the day of the event! 2 p.m. - Lunch Buffet including burgers,

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that could compete and win at the national level. The players had the talent within them to begin with. But what the indoor training facility did was give them the same opportunity for year-round training as the state representatives from California and Texas – two states known for producing top-notch ballplayers. And by taking advantage of the facility they had in their backyards, Clifton Park and Gunderland could improve their players' skills.

In the wake of the two local teams' success at the Babe Ruth World Series, it will be interesting to see how many more area youth baseball coaches and parents start sending their players to All Stars for off-season training. And it will be equally interesting to see how well those players do if given the opportunity to play against the best in the country.

Maybe there will be a Babe Ruth World Series champion from the area in the not-to-distant future, and maybe that team will credit All Stars for taking it over the top.

As youth baseball season ends, the high school sports season is slated to begin this weekend with a full slate of football games. As you might have noticed, there isn't a comprehensive Class AA preview like there has been in previous years. You can blame Irene for that, since she rained out Sunday's scheduled Section II football media day.

I have included capsule previews of your local teams. They're a little scattered throughout the sports pages, but I hope that they give you an idea as to how your favorite high school team is going to do in 2011.

The primary storyline in Class AA is Shenendehowa coach Brent Steuerwald's

"farewell tour," as he announced that he will retire after this season. There is little doubt that the Plainsmen want to give Steuerwald one more Sectional championship before he leaves, and with several starters returning on offense and defense, they are the odds-on favorite to finish first in the Empire Division and make a serious run at the AA title.

Ironically, it could be Steuerwald's high school alma mater – Christian Brothers Academy – that stands in Shen's way. The Brothers also have a veteran-laden lineup, and their talent level is comparable to their 2006 Sectional championship squad.

Other storylines to follow in Section II football this season:

Area football fans will get a possible Class AA final preview Oct. 8 when CBA visits Clifton Park to play Shen. Coincidentally, that is the final scheduled home game for the Plainsmen, which is when the school will honor Steuerwald with a special ceremony. That will undoubtedly be the game that will likely garner the most attention from area football fans – even moreso than the annual Shen-Saratoga battle, which takes place Oct. 14 in Saratoga Springs.

I know I have the Oct. 8 CBA-Shen game already circled on my calendar. And you can bet I will be Tweeting from that contest, as well as every high school sporting event that I go to between now and next June's Sectional finals in baseball, softball and lacrosse. If you want to know what's going on with the games as they happen, follow me @jonas_spotlight.



A group of Bethlehem defenders tackle an Averill Park player during last Saturday's scrimmage at the high school. The Eagles are looking to improve on last year's 4-5 record that included a playoff loss to Ballston Spa.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

2011 Class AA football preview

Bethlehem Eagles

Head coach: Rick Leach

Key veterans

John Gosstola (QB), Zach Garcia (WR), Jeremy Seaburg (WR), Trey Silver (WR/CB), Tyler Vadney (OG), Jon Martin (K)

Key losses

Mike Strohecker (RB), Kyle Bossung (WR/LB)

Outlook

The Eagles lost two of their top offensive players from last year in Strohecker and Bossung, but they kept their aerial attack and regained Vadney, who spent a year in North Carolina.

"Vadney anchors an offensive line that starts three underclassmen," said Leach.

Bethlehem will be starting several underclassmen this season as it looks to move up the division standings.

"[Our players] need to learn quickly on defense," said Leach. "Six juniors and a sophomore will be starting."

Schedule

All games start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Sept. 2 — at Shenendehowa; Sept. 9 — at Saratoga Springs; Sept. 16 — at Christian Brothers Academy; Sept. 23 — Ballston Spa; Sept. 30 — Albany, Oct. 6 — Columbia (6:30 p.m.); Oct. 14 — Shaker

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Ride

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Park going in the bottom of the first inning. After working a five-pitch walk, Sargent stole second and moved to third on a passed ball. Then with two outs, Matt Alverson walked and stole second. As Alverson raced toward second, Guilderland catcher Casey Chase threw wildly to third base, which allowed Sargent to score the game's first run.

With Alverson at second, Josh Capitula hit a grounder to shortstop Cameron Long, who threw it wildly to first base. Alverson raced around third and scored to give Clifton Park a 2-0 lead.

"That [inning] was huge because that put the pressure on them," said Clifton Park manager Matt Frey.

Munger and Varsanyi continued to shut down opposing batters through the next three innings before each of them allowed a hit in the fifth inning. Munger's first hit allowed was a one-out single by Ryan Cullan, and Varsanyi's first hit allowed was an infield single to Sargent, which was preceded by a Guilderland error that allowed Munger to reach base.

Munger and Sargent pulled off a double steal to move into scoring position. Munger then came home when relief pitcher Kristian Singh threw his pickoff attempt into left field to make the score 3-0. Richard Drum drove in Sargent from third with a squeeze bunt back to Singh to put Clifton Park ahead 4-0.

Guilderland got a run back in the top of the sixth inning off two Clifton Park errors on the same play. With two on, Long hit a ball that was mishandled by third baseman Frankie Pizzo and went into left field. Jack Grabek, who was on second at the time, came around to score when Alverson's throw from left field sailed over catcher Mike Gillooley.

Munger eventually loaded the bases on a two-



Clifton Park pitcher Mason Munger, background, throws a hustling Casey Chase out at first base during last Friday's Babe Ruth World Series semifinal game against Guilderland at Clifton Common.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

out walk to Cullan, but he got out of it by inducing Max Schiller to ground out to Pizzo.

"The kid's a competitor," Frey said of Munger. "He's got ice water in his veins."

Alverson relieved Munger in the seventh inning and got into trouble when he walked two Guilderland batters with one out. A misplayed ball by Drum at shortstop loaded the bases for Brandon Peda, who had one of Guilderland's two hits off Munger. Peda laced a sharp grounder toward shortstop that hit Brendan Das on the fly. Das was out, but Peda reached first safely to keep the bases loaded.

"That's a tough play," said coach Grabek. "It was hit so hard that there was no way that Brandon Peda could get out of the way."

Alverson ended Guilderland's last-ditch rally by getting Long to

pop out to Capitula at first base.

Guilderland finished in a tie with Glen Allen (Va.) for third place in the World Series. Both teams posted a 3-3 record between pool play and the playoff rounds.

"We really had a great year, and I couldn't be prouder of my guys," said Grabek.

Guilderland needed extra innings to make an all-Capital District semifinal happen, as it posted a come-from-behind 4-3 victory over Meridian (Idaho) in last Wednesday's quarterfinal game.

The Bulldogs scored three times in the bottom of the sixth inning to rally from a 3-0 deficit, and then Brandon Peda's RBI bloop single in the ninth inning drove in Ryan Curry with the winning run.

"He was the one I wanted

up there, and he came through for us," Grabek said of Peda.

Guilderland spent the first three innings looking just to get on base against Meridian starter Hunter Weindel. Weindel set the Bulldogs down in order until the fourth inning.

"We were really flat," said Grabek. "The coaches kept looking at each other and wondering, 'Is it nerves?'"

While Weindel was having his way with Guilderland's hitters, Meridian's offense came up with several clutch hits off Guilderland starter Matt Pierce. Talen Kraft hit RBI doubles in the first and third innings, and Weindel helped his own cause with a RBI double to give the Northwest region champions a 3-0 lead.

Pierce settled down after Weindel's RBI double, though. He didn't allow another base runner before giving way to reliever Kristian Singh, who pitched two perfect innings.

Still Guilderland needed some runs to force the game into extra innings, and the Bulldogs got them in the bottom of the sixth. Cameron Long got the rally going with an RBI single, and Singh capped it with a double that drove in Peda and Long to tie the game.

Singh began the final Guilderland rally with a one-out bloop single. He moved to second on Jack Grabek's two-out single and scored when Peda's blooper fell before Meridian's right fielder could make the catch.

Markel

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dipped down and away," said Khaki. "My catcher at the time asked if I had ever tried that pitch before, and I said no. So he said, 'You should keep doing it.'"

Khaki continued to torment local softball players with his arsenal of pitches until he retired and moved to Florida. When he joined a 70-and-over league, he went back to playing shortstop and considered his days as a pitcher to be over.

That was until three years ago when Bob convinced Khaki to pitch for the Delmar Fire Department team while Khaki was visiting for the summer.

"He was coming up here to watch the games, so we got him into the game a little bit," said Bob. "At first we had him pitch an inning or two, but now he's gotten into a nice groove and he's doing well."

The added appeal of playing softball with his son for the first time was all the convincing Khaki needed to join the team.

"I never would have pitched again if not for [Bob]," said Khaki. "It's a special thing for me to pitch to my son."

"It's a lot of fun," added Bob, who is a detective with the Bethlehem Police Department. "I never really got the chance to play with him until now because of work. It's given me an opportunity to have some fun and play with him."

Bob said the two will continue to play together until Khaki can't step on a softball field any more.

"I plan to continue playing in this league, and I know he'll continue to play as long as he can," said Bob.

"I've always been competitive, and I always try to strike batters out," said Khaki. "I always want to win."

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Sept. 10 – at Shaker Invitational (girls only), 11:30 a.m.
 Sept. 13 – at Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.
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 Sept. 27 – Niskayuna, Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 4 – at Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 18 – at Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 29 – at Suburban Council Championships, 1:30 p.m.

Field hockey

Sept. 6 – at Columbia, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 8 – Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 10 – Queensbury, 10:30 a.m.
 Sept. 14 – at Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 16 – at Burnt Hills, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 21 – Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 23 – at Shaker, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 27 – Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 30 – Columbia, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 3 – Shaker, 7 p.m.

Oct. 5 – at Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 7 – Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 12 – Burnt Hills, 7 p.m.

Oct. 14 – at Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 19 – at Niskayuna, 7 p.m.

Oct. 21 – at Schuylerville, 4:30 p.m.

Golf

Aug. 30 – at Burnt Hills, 10 a.m.

Aug. 31 – Shaker, 9:30 a.m.

Sept. 1 – Niskayuna, noon

Sept. 7 – Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 8 – Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 9 – at Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 12 – at Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 13 – at Colonie, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 15 – at Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 19 – Colonie, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 20 – at Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 21 – at Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 22 – at Suburban Council Tournament

Sept. 26 – Columbia, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 27 – Ballston Spa, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 30 – at Columbia, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 3 – Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Boys soccer

Sept. 7 – Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 9 – Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 13 – at Colonie, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 15 – Burnt Hills, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 17 – at Ballston Spa, 11 a.m.

Sept. 20 – Shenendehowa, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 22 – at Saratoga Springs, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 26 – at Mohonasen, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 28 – Columbia, 4 p.m.

Oct. 4 – at Niskayuna, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 6 – Shaker, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 11 – at Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 13 – at Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 18 – Colonie, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 20 – Mohonasen, 7 p.m.

Oct. 22 – at Columbia, 7 p.m.

Girls soccer

Sept. 7 – at Averill Park, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 9 – at Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 13 – Colonie, 4:15 p.m.

Sept. 15 – at Burnt Hills, 4:15 p.m.

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Oct. 13 – Guilderland, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 18 – at Colonie, 4:15 p.m.

Oct. 20 – at Mohonasen, 7 p.m.

Oct. 24 – Columbia, 7 p.m.

Home games in bold.

2011 Class AA football preview

Guilderland Dutchmen

Head coach: Dan Penna

Key veterans: Tim O'Connor (QB/WR/DB), Ryan Fanuele (RB/DB), Tony Stanish (RB/DB), Adam Gersowitz (OL/DL), Stephen Jill (LB/OL), Nigel Simmons (DL/OL), Jim McLaughlin (DL/OL), Noah Poskanzer (DE/WR)

Key losses: Ryan Smith, Dylan August, Dom Litz, Conor Hurley, Dustin Maguire, Nate Boehm, Matt Callan, Kyle Sanders, Jack Walsh

Key newcomers: Micaiah Henningham (RB/DB), Stephen Polsinelli (RB/DB), Conor Gallup (RB/LB), D'Angelo Livingston (OL/DL), Andrew Antoinette (OL/LB), Emre Rice (OL/LB)

Other contributors: Connor Drislane (QB/WR/DB), Houston O'Hea (OL/DE), Alex Gaines (OL/DL), Brandon Courtney (WR/DE)

Outlook: "Overall, we need to mature early [as we face] all four Empire Division 2010 playoff teams in the first four weeks," said Penna.

2011 Class B football preview

R-C-S Indians

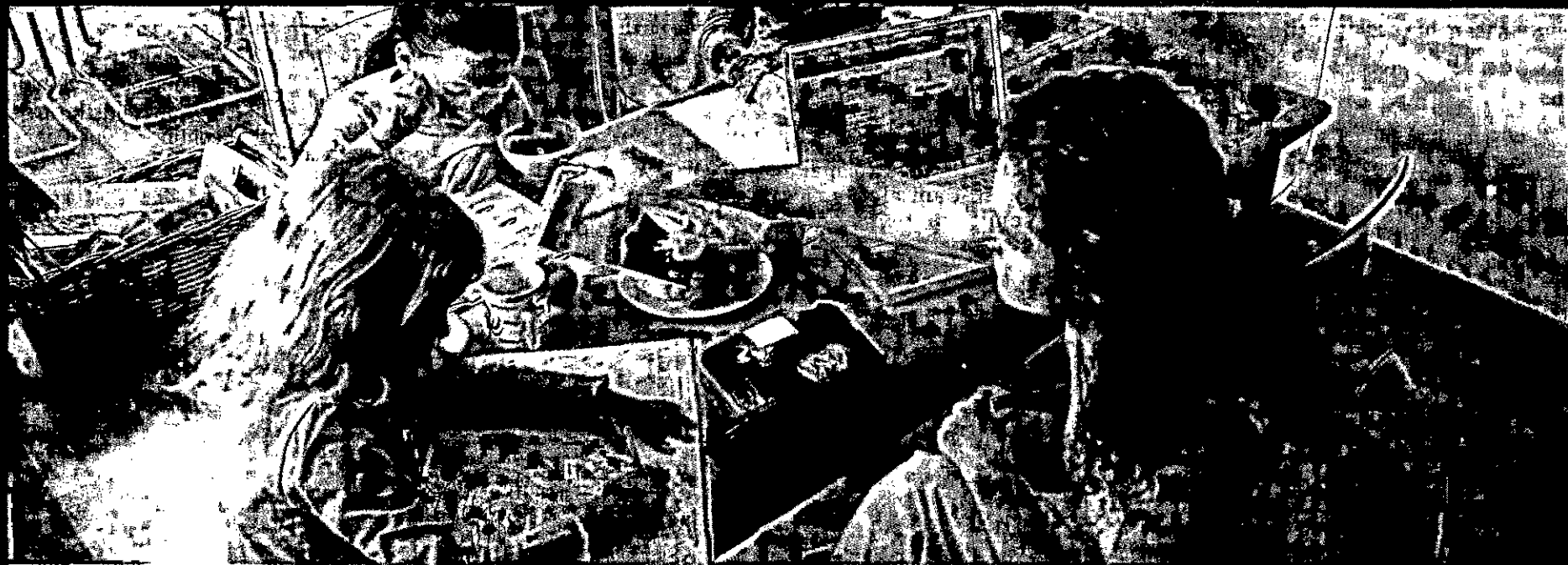
Head coach: Gary VanDerzee

Key veterans: Conner Zeoli (WR/S), Cameron Grecco (RB/LB), Dylan Keyer (LB), Andrew Gudz (OL), Ale Soutiere (OL/DL), Aaron Stewart (WR/DB), Harland Hoose (P/K)

Key losses: Corey Watts (RB/LB), Daryl Ford (FB/LB), Devin Clark (OL/DL), R.J. Boomhower (C/DE), Anthony Byerswalters (OL), Matt McCauslin (DT), Sam Spence (WR/DB), Tyler Swart (QB)

Key newcomers: Desmond Williams (WR/DB), Luke Misuraca (OL/LB), Doug Mark (OL/DE), Brandon Williams (C), Tyler Gallagher (OL/DL), Nick Anderson (RB/DB)

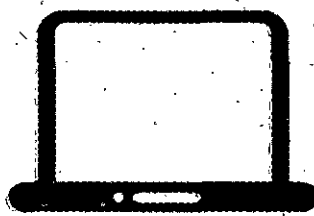
Outlook: "The team lost a lot of talented players [including] junior quarterback Tyler Swart, who moved to Texas," said VanDerzee. "The team returns several members from last year's club, and with a talented group up from the JV team [we] should be right in the mix for the division title and the sectional title."



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Sports in the Spotlight

Markel going strong in his 80s

Father joins his son in local softball league

By ROB JONAS
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Age is nothing but a number to Clarence Markel.

The 83-year-old man plays softball year round between his regular home in Florida and his summer home in his native Capital District. And he plays it well.

Pitching for the Delmar Fire Department team in the Cooper-Varney Ecumenical Church League, the man friends call "Khaki" is more effective than pitchers less than half his age. Two weeks ago, he needed 59 pitches over seven innings to post a 6-1 playoff victory against Delmar Reformed Church.

"I still have the good pitches," said Khaki. "I don't have the fast ball anymore, but I still have the curve ball, the sinker, the slider, the riser and the

change-up."

"They look at my father, and they don't think he's in his 80s," said Khaki's son and catcher, Bob Markel. "They see him and think he's going to pitch slow, but they're not ready for what he can throw."

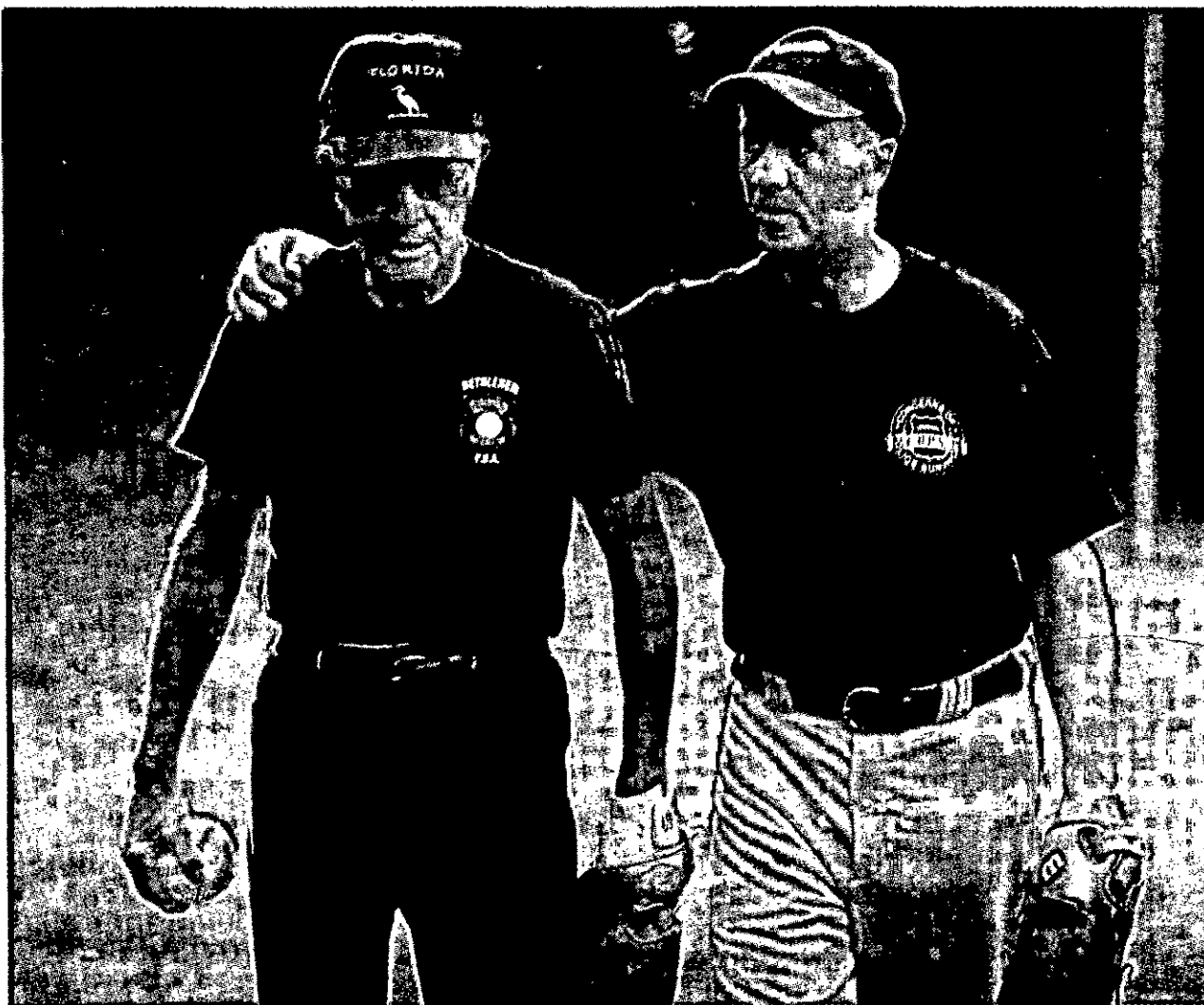
Khaki has been playing softball for more than four decades. He got his start playing shortstop for the 1019 VFW post team in the 1960s, but it wasn't long before he tried pitching.

"There was a guy on the team by the name of Joe Shubert, who thought I'd make a good pitcher," said Khaki. "I copied my pitching style from another guy on the team by the name of Hank Kohler, and he threw a straight riser. But my riser had a natural curve to it."

As Khaki developed his pitching style, he added pitches to his repertoire. One of his pitches, the slider, he discovered by mistake on a hot day.

"My hands were sweaty, and at one point the ball slid off my fingers and

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Clarence "Khaki," left, and Bob Markel talk strategy prior to last Tuesday's Cooper-Varney Ecumenical Church League softball game in Delmar. Now 83, Khaki keeps hitters fooled with a variety of pitches. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Two great teams from one facility

With all the flooding and wind destruction courtesy of Tropical Storm Irene, it's amazing that the only damage I saw was a few downed tree limbs and an abnormally-high Normanskill Creek. I hope that's the worst you saw where you are. If not, I hope you will be able to recover soon. In the meantime, let's talk sports.

The Babe Ruth World Series in Clifton Park became a great advertisement for the All Stars Academy in Latham.

Both the host team from Clifton Park and the Eastern New York state champion team from Guilderland trained for several months at All Stars in preparation for the World Series. The net result for their hard work was a head-to-head meeting in the World Series semifinals, which Clifton Park won 4-1 last Friday.

Clifton Park – which lost to Tri-Valley (Calif.) 12-0 in the championship game – went the extra mile to select Matt Frey to coach the team. The 2005 Shenendehowa High School graduate and All Stars instructor took 20 players to Latham beginning last November and had them working on their baseball skills through the winter and spring before paring his roster down to 15 players. Though they had some shaky moments in every game, the players made all the clutch plays to get through the tournament with a 4-2 record – the best ever for a Clifton Park team.

Guilderland manager Brian Grabek also sent his team to All Stars for off-season training. The net result was the formation of the best pitching staff in the World Series. Alex Varsanyi pitched well in all three of his appearances, allowing only three earned runs in more than 17 innings of work, while Matt Pierce and Kristian Singh did an outstanding job shutting down opponents.

As a team, Guilderland allowed 15 runs in six games – the lowest total for any team that got out of pool play. Tri-Valley was next with 16 runs allowed.

This is not to say that All Stars is solely responsible for turning Clifton Park and Guilderland into teams

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From the
Sports Desk
Rob Jonas



Ride ends in semifinals

Errors cost Guilderland against hosts

By ROB JONAS
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The ride continues for the Clifton Park Bulldogs.

Starting pitcher Mason Munger tossed six innings of two-hit ball to lead Clifton Park to a 4-1 victory over Guilderland in last Friday morning's Babe Ruth World Series semifinal at Clifton Common.

The victory moved Clifton Park into Friday night's championship game, where it lost to Tri-Valley (Calif.) 12-0 in five innings.

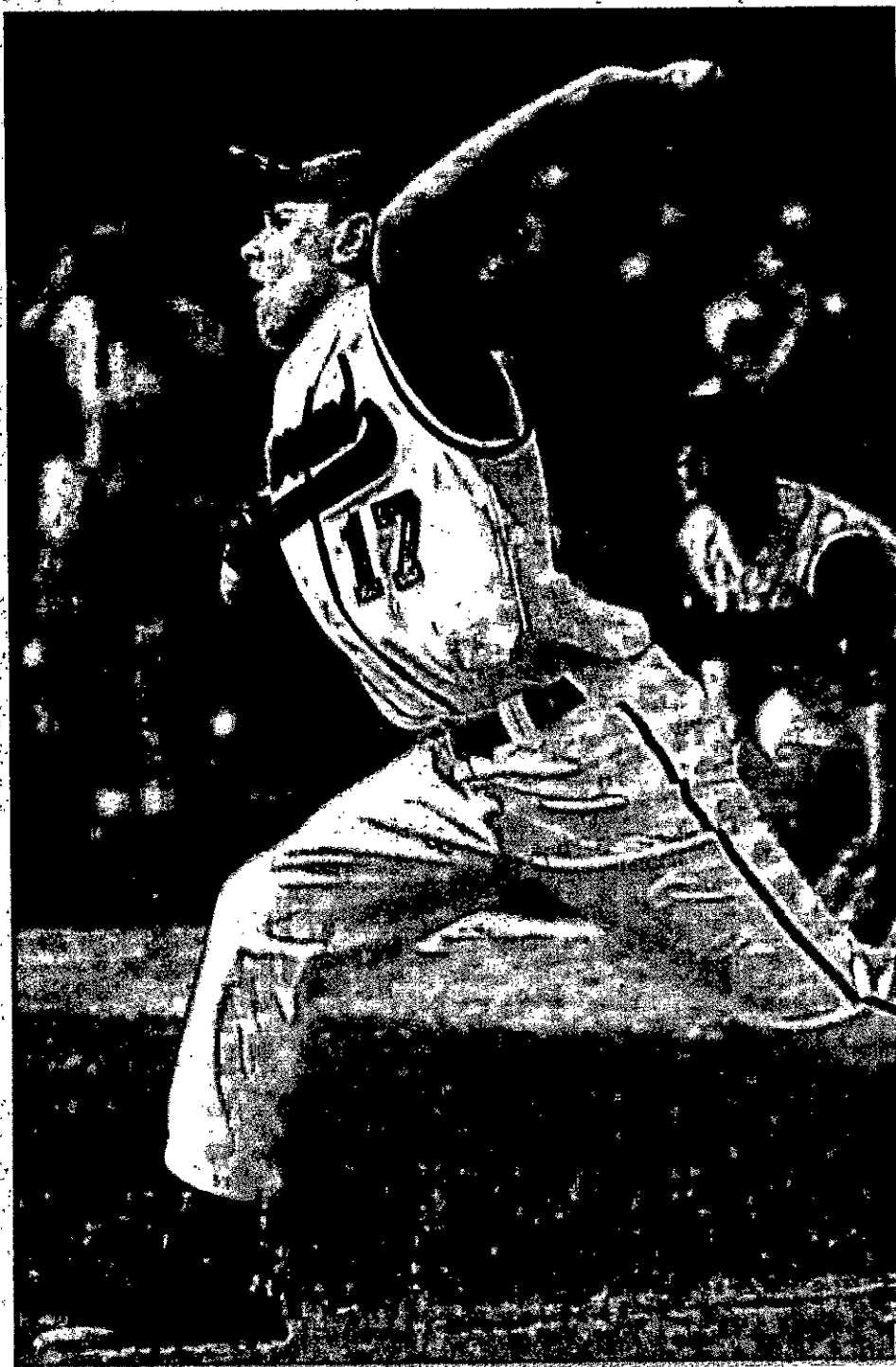
"It really means a lot because at the beginning of the year, we talked about [making the finals] a lot, and now we're here," said Munger, who was named Clifton Park's most valuable player of the game.

Guilderland starter Alex Varsanyi also pitched well, taking a no-hitter into the fifth inning. However, the Guilderland defense committed four errors, which led to all of Clifton Park's runs.

"Usually, we play very well in the field, and we just didn't," said Guilderland manager Brian Grabek. "Give credit to Clifton Park. They took advantage of our mistakes."

Zach Sargent got Clifton

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Guilderland's Alex Varsanyi pitches in last Friday's Babe Ruth World Series semifinal against Clifton Park at Clifton Common. Rob Jonas/Spotlight