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Train rolls in

The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train stopped Sunday, Nov. 27, at the ALCO Heritage Museum, where a large crowd was eagerly awaiting festivities.

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Fire service good, could be better

Study of five districts in Bethlehem provides detailed analysis

By GREG FRY
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Residents of Bethlehem are receiving good service from fire departments across the town, but a new report also indicates that plenty of improvements could be made and that consolidation may someday be appropriate.

The report was the result of work by the Bethlehem Fire Districts Collaborative Planning Task Force, which examined existing service and the input of residents living within the five fire districts.

Task Force Chairman John Lutz provided a positive outlook of the fire services currently provided in the town.

"The districts are in good alignment with other districts around the state," said Lutz, who is also a commissioner in the Elsmere Fire Department. "We're kind of in the middle of the pack in terms of our expenses

and the population that we serve. The quality of service appears to be good and the cooperation is well above average."

The town, which does not have paid firefighters, has five separate departments: Delmar, Elmwood Park, Elsmere, Slingerlands and Selkirk.

The main goal of the study, according to Lutz, was to drive better performance among the five departments. The study looked closely at standard operating procedures, training, response times, personnel levels and issues related to cost.

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'Peter Pan' takes flight

The Theater Institute at Sage College is putting on "Peter Pan: The Musical" for its inaugural show.

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Friends and fun

Friendship Circle hosted its third Hang'n With Friends Social Group on Tuesday, Nov. 15, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Maimonides Hebrew Day School. A group of six boys and girls took part in a scavenger hunt around the school, "snack and schmooze" time where they got to know each other, and "Wii Time." The program is designed to integrate special needs secondary school students with social skills they can use on a daily basis.

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Contract talks hit impasse

Guilderland teachers, district will meet with mediator

By GREG FRY
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Contract talks between the Guilderland Central School District and the association representing its teachers have stalled and a state-assigned mediator will be called upon to help bring the two sides together.

District officials made a formal declaration of the impasse on Nov. 21, almost a year after talks began. The declaration is required under state law before a mediator can be appointed to assist in contract talks. The state's Public Employment Relations Board chooses the mediator.

"The move to declare impasse was decided after numerous unsuccessful attempts to negotiate a new agreement," said Guilderland Board of Education President Colleen O'Connell.

The district and representatives from the Guilderland Teachers' Association have met more than 20 times since December 2010. The last contract talks between district officials and teachers took place in early November.

"Our intention has always been to work out a deal that's fair to the district, taxpayers and the teachers," said Maceo Dubose, the President of the Guilderland Teachers' Association. "That's what we're looking for, and hopefully a mediator can help us to do that."

That's a sentiment echoed by O'Connell.

"We are cautiously optimistic that a mediator will help both parties

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Layaway offers another option

Reintroduction of financing plan may separate big, small retailers

By GREG FRY
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Consumers are ready to open their wallets for the holiday season, but there are warnings for those looking for creative ways to pay for gifts.

This year, the return of an old favorite - layaway - has drawn plenty of attention. Since October,

retailer Wal-Mart has offered layaway for toys and electronics. Customers were required to pay at least 10 percent of the purchase price as a down payment. Many other major retailers, such as Sears and Toys R Us, are offering their own programs.

While the popular big box stores have drawn some consumers in with the return of layaways for certain items, it hasn't meant much for small businesses.

"We just don't have the ability to do it," said

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The finer things in life

Local jeweler has a passion for helping

By JOHN PURCELL
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One woman's name is probably as synonymous with the many causes she supports as it is with her jewelry.

Sondra Stephens, owner of Sondra's Fine Jewelry located on Union Street in Schenectady, has run a successful business for nearly 15 years, but the most important thing to her is remembering the community that helped her succeed. Being a woman in a male-dominated industry, said Stephens, meant she had to work even harder to start a successful jewelry store. Starting with an inventory on her dining room table, she was able to open a store at her current location four years

later. Once she had "made it" she decided to dedicate herself to charity and fundraising efforts supporting women and children, because she wanted to be remembered for more than just jewelry.

"There should be some kind of legacy that you leave behind," Stephens said. "We run a business 6 days a week here and we have a very successful business and you could turn your back and do nothing, but we try to do what we can."

She said giving back to the community is important to her and it is nice for people to know that somebody cares during their time of need.

Charity efforts started with people coming into her store and asking if she could help them out with a fundraiser by donating a piece of jewelry or contributing

financially. Eventually, her efforts moved on to larger programs, such as Toy for Tots and raising money for Bellevue Woman's Center for breast cancer awareness.

After the flooding from Tropical Storms Irene and Lee devastated the Capital District, Stephens and her son, Anthony Kaczmarek, decided to start a "grassroots" coat drive.

The first coat delivery went to flood victims in Montgomery and Schoharie counties and totaled over 300 coats. After having a successful coat drive, she decided she wanted to reach 600 coats, but now the number is topping off around 1,000 as the drive comes to an end.

Businesses helping her with the effort include Ellis Medicine, First Niagara Bank on Union Street, Freihofer's and



Sondra Stephens, center, stands with two marines during last year's Toys for Tots campaign. At right, a bunch of coats are ready to be sorted for donation. Sondra's Fine Jewelry helped collect over 1,000 winter coats during its coat drive, which will benefit area flood victims.

Submitted photos

Plumbers and Steamfitters Local No. 7 of Latham. Also, Hartz Cleaners in Schenectady dry cleaned over 150 used coats free of charge. She worked with Assemblyman George Amedore's office to figure out where the coats would be dropped off and how many were needed.

She said the generosity of her customers, friends and local businesses went beyond her expectations.

"We didn't start this out as a big production. We were able to get all these coats and it is amazing," she said. "It is just overwhelming to

know that people that lost everything didn't have a winter coat."

She said she doesn't do anything but have an idea, and it is other people who support the idea and cause that make it truly happen.

"I have wonderful friends and clients that help me. I do nothing," she said. "I owe it all to all the wonderful people in the community and my friends and clients that always show up."

There is one teen from Niskayuna she said has been donating toys he receives as birthday gifts for years now. He started out as a small kid, but now

she said he is 6 feet tall and still donating his gifts every year.

"That kid started several years ago when he was little ... he will make a wonderful example for other people as he goes to college," she said. "If we can empower young people to be compassionate and if I can empower young women ... it gives me something to leave behind."

Stephens said when her time comes she doesn't want to be remembered only for her jewelry.

"You don't want to die and just say, 'Well, she was a great jeweler,'" she said.

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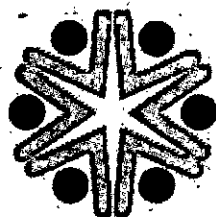
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Town of Bethlehem prepares for annual holiday parade

Businesses encouraged to be a part of celebration

By GREG FRY
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Thanksgiving is in the rear view mirror as the Town of Bethlehem prepares for its annual Holiday Parade down Delaware Avenue.

The parade steps off at 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2. Over 150 participants are expected for the fifth edition of the growing tradition.

"It's a great time," said Supervisor Sam Messina. "The kids

enjoy it. We keep it as safe as possible. There are police officers here that are coordinated for that whole event."

The parade begins at Town Hall at 445 Delaware Avenue in Delmar. From there, participants will walk north on Delaware to the Four Corners intersection.

Residents along the parade route are encouraged to turn on their porch lights and holiday displays to help illuminate the festivities.

The parade, which stretches only 1/3 of a mile, culminates with

the arrival of Santa Claus. A tree located at the Four Corners will then be lit to officially kick off the holiday season.

Many business owners are hopeful that the night will be a sign of things to come over the next four weeks. The annual Holiday Marketplace, sponsored by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, will be held at the First United Methodist Church at 428 Kenwood Avenue.

"We are asking the retailers who have a storefront to stay open late, to have some kind of offer, giveaway or draw to bring the crowds in," said Chamber President Jennifer Kilcoyne.

Over 20 businesses, from jewelers to restaurants, appear on the chamber's flyer announcing the marketplace and Kilcoyne said the list is still growing. Along with those businesses, more than 10 vendors will also be present at the marketplace.

There is no admission for the marketplace, which will be open from 4 to 8 p.m. Free bags will be available with coupons, offers and menus from in and around town.

Kilcoyne said that residents in Bethlehem respond well to local businesses and pointed to the success at the Delmar Farmers Market every weekend.

"I think that it is both

a trend nationally and I think that Bethlehem has always supported their local merchants," said Kilcoyne.

For more information about the parade, call Town Hall at 439-4955. For information about the Holiday Marketplace, contact the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce at 439-0512, or by email at info@bethlehemchamber.com.



The Holiday Parade always finishes with the arrival of Santa Claus, who throws the switch to light up the town holiday tree at the Four Corners.

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Last year, about 250 people marched and rode down Delaware Avenue in the town's third annual parade. Organizers are hoping for an even bigger turnout this year.

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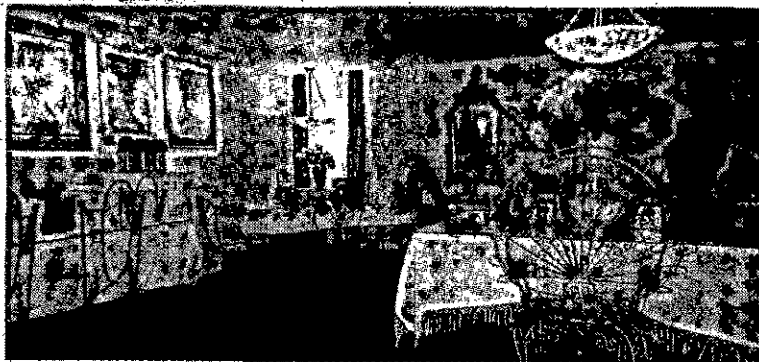
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Police Blotter

Delmar pedestrian killed in Colonie crash

A Delmar man has died from injuries sustained after he was struck by a car on Central Avenue in Colonie.

Police said Kerry Irwin, 63, was crossing the 1900 block of Central Avenue on the evening of Monday, Nov. 21 when he was struck by a car. The

driver, Rosanne Endres of Rensselaer, was not injured.

Irwin was initially taken to Albany Medical Center but later died from his injuries.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation. Police have not indicated if charges

are being considered.

Colonie Police are asking for witnesses or anyone with information to call the department at 783-2744.

Other arrests

• New York State Police have charged a Nevada woman with a violation

of Leandra's Law after authorities in New Jersey issued an Amber Alert related to the woman's disappearance.

State Police said Kathryn Leray, 29, of Incline Village, Nev., was stopped shortly after noon Saturday, Nov. 26, just south of Exit 23 on the Thruway.

Police were first notified that the woman was suicidal and traveling northbound on the Thruway with her 1-year-old son in the car.

Police said the woman was intoxicated when they stopped her and that her son was secured in a child seat.

Leray has been charged with a violation of Leandra's Law, a felony. The child was turned over to family members.

• Two people face drug-related charges following a traffic stop for speeding on the Thruway in Bethlehem.

State Police said Brittany Goldman, 19, of Monroe, was in possession of Ecstasy pills and a small quantity of cocaine. She was charged with two counts of criminal possession of a controlled

Drug arrests made at Bethlehem High School

Police: five arrests, three overdoses in short holiday week

By GREG FRY
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Bethlehem police arrested a teen on drug charges after three Bethlehem Central High School students apparently overdosed at the school and were hospitalized.

Ashanti J. McCormick, 16, of Delaware Avenue, Delmar, is accused of selling methadone to the three students. Police said at approximately 1:20 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 22, the Bethlehem police school resource officer at the high school was contacted because two students in the health office appeared to be under the influence of drugs and possibly overdosing. A third student was located in a classroom, police said. All three were taken to Albany Medical Center.

Police said an investigation led them to McCormick, who was arrested Wed. Nov. 23. He was charged with the felonies of criminal sale of a controlled substance in or near school grounds and criminal sale of a controlled substance in the fourth degree, as well as the misdemeanor of endangering the welfare of a child. He was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and remanded to the Albany County jail in lieu of \$20,000 bail, and scheduled to reappear in Town Court on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

McCormick was one of five teens arrested during the shortened holiday week. Police said one Bethlehem student was arrested for possession of methadone and three others were charged with possession of marijuana. Police were also able to identify four students who purchased methadone and contacted their families.

Methadone is an opioid most commonly used to treat patients withdrawing from an opiate dependency, such as a heroin addiction.

"This is another example of the partnership between our school resource officer and the high school staff," said Bethlehem Police Lieutenant Thomas Heffernan. "We'll continue to work closely with the district to find ways to spread the word and get information out."

High School Principal Charles Abba sent a letter home to parents on Wednesday making mention of "an increase of inappropriate behavior" at the school, including increased discipline referrals for disrespectful behavior and incidents of graffiti in the boys bathrooms. Abba specifically mentioned the possession and use of marijuana and controlled substances.

In his letter, Abba stated, "the disrespectful behavior and vandalism harms our educational environment and will not be tolerated. As for the increased drug activity, it is unacceptable, unhealthy, illegal, and it must stop."

District Superintendent Michael Tebbano issued a statement Monday, Nov. 28, regarding the increase in inappropriate behavior at the high school.

"While it is the policy of the Bethlehem Central School District that students caught in possession of, using and/or selling any type of controlled substance will be held accountable by the district and to the fullest extent of the law, those students are afforded the right of due process and it would be premature to comment on any individual incident at this time," said Tebbano.

One injured in Elsmere Ave. crash



Details on this Monday, Nov. 28, crash were pending at press time.

Photo by Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

A one-car crash on Elsmere Avenue sent the car's driver to the hospital.

Bethlehem police said the accident happened around 9 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 28, on Elsmere Avenue

near the Delmar Bypass.

The driver, who police did not immediately identify, struck a pole, knocking out wires used by Verizon.

The driver was taken to Albany Medical Center.

Police did not give any information on the driver's condition.

There was also no word on whether or not the driver will face any charges.

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Juvenile offender program expanding

County to offer help in Bethlehem, Guilderland

By GREG FRY
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An Albany County program designed to help juvenile offenders is expanding from the city of Albany to its suburbs.

Since 2006, the Albany County Probation Department has operated the Juvenile Community Accountability Board in Albany. Through the program, three or four volunteers meet with juvenile offenders and their parents to try and keep them from getting into more trouble with the law. State regulations allow for the juvenile to be involved with the program for up to four months.

"One of the things we try to do with kids coming through for the first or second time is work with them to prevent them from going further into the system,"

said Lisa Mahar, a senior probation officer for the county who also coordinates the program for youth.

When an offender under the age of 16 is charged, the Probation Department receives the information on their case. Mahar said that's when they determine if a child is right for the JCAB program.

"They discuss what happened that caused them to be charged, who they think they affected, and then they come up with a plan," said Mahar.

Going through the JCAB program is usually an alternative to other punishment like incarceration, and is oftentimes a youth's last opportunity to reverse his or her course before entering the justice system.

Outside of Albany, the program has been a success so far in Watervliet. Mahar tells the story of a teen who committed to community service hours in that city and was offered a job at the same site following the end of the service. The

boy was also connected to a boxing program in Cohoes and is training for an amateur fight in February.

The next step for Mahar is to get the program going in Bethlehem and Guilderland.

"There is a need there," said Mahar. "The numbers aren't as high as in Albany, but we wanted the other areas to have the advantage of being able to utilize this program."

In 2010, Mahar said the Probation Department saw an 84 percent success rate among young people who participated in the program.

"Where we see the most successes with the kids are when they have that strong family support network, and the ones that get what we're trying to do as well," said Mahar. "They come to the meeting, they are open to the meeting and the process, and they feel that they've gotten something out of it."

Right now, Mahar is attempting to recruit volunteers who would

be able to attend meetings in Bethlehem and Guilderland. The biggest hurdle to clear is finding people who are committed to helping their community in some way.

"The minimum qualifications are that you have to be 18 years of age," said Mahar. "Because we are a county agency, we ask that you live, work or have a vested interest in the county."

Volunteers must participate in a one-day training as part of the program. The number of volunteers that meet with a juvenile offender is limited in order to keep the interaction between the child and volunteers more personal. Mahar said she matches up experienced volunteers with those who are just joining the program.

Meetings with juvenile offenders outside of Albany are already scheduled at Bethlehem Town Hall and the Guilderland Public Library. Along with finding volunteers, Mahar said it is important to reach out

A cut above



Town officials and members of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce gathered to cut the ribbon on Shannon's Barber Shop at 340 Glenmont Road. Pictured with Shannon Haslam is Bethlehem Town Councilman Kyle Kotary, far left, and Chamber President Jennifer Kilcoyne, far right.

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and form relationships with community organizations, as many of the participants in the program are often asked to complete some type of community service.

Those interested in volunteering are asked

to fill out an application on the Albany County Probation Department's website. For more information, contact Lisa Mahar at 518-487-5856, or by email at Lisa.mahar@albanycounty.com.

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Don't let study be the end

Living in a civilized society means, in part, that if your house goes up in flames a squad of firefighters will show up to douse the blaze.

That's a fact most of us thankfully don't have to think about much, but it's one of the many amazing and complicated facts we take for granted every day.

In the Town of Bethlehem, fire departments over the past 13 months have worked with a private company on a study of fire service in the town, and how it could be done better and cheaper. The results were recently released.

We hope residents will use this report as an opportunity to better acquaint themselves with what they're paying for. Greg Fry has a full story on the findings on page 1 of this edition.

The conclusions are not that surprising. Manitou Inc. figures the town's residents are getting good, responsible fire service for their tax dollars, and makes some sensible suggestions for improvements.

First of all, we must applaud the town's fire districts for conducting this study. "Shared services" and finding "efficiencies" have been the chief buzzwords of municipal government for the past couple of years, but all too often these end up being mere talking points.

Which brings us to our second point. We would implore our fire services to take action on the recommendations of this report. Don't let these pages collect dust on a shelf (the Town of Bethlehem already has a small library of such work), even if that means making some sweeping changes.

The report mentions the possibility of consolidating the town's five fire districts down to two and eventually one large entity, a pretty big change. John Lutz, chairman of the inter-district collaborative planning task force, told us it's important for fire departments to maintain their identities. We'd submit it's more important the residents of this town receive the best fire protection possible, especially if it can be provided at a savings. Let's not let an aversion to change get in the way of progress.

Also mentioned in the study is an underlying problem you don't need a consultant to figure out. Volunteer fire departments here in Bethlehem and elsewhere are dealing with a crisis of membership that is quickly becoming endemic.

This is likely to become even worse if current trends continue. Young people are quitting Bethlehem, the remaining population is growing older and families are being forced to work harder to make ends meet, meaning volunteers will increasingly be unable to leave work to answer calls (the study shows while nearly all firefighters are employed, far fewer respond from work — we're told Town Hall tends to empty out when some departments receive a fire call, by the way).

So while we'd certainly encourage our readers to examine this report and, moreover, to attend tonight's public meeting on the matter at the BC High School, we'd also suggest the best way to improve fire services in town may very well be with your own time or means. For more information on how you can volunteer for area fire or EMS services, visit www.joinemsfire.org.

Editorial

X-Mas means family memories

By Maggie Whelan

I think differently at Christmas. I forget what I have learned. I forget that I am not responsible for other people's happiness. I want to make dreams come true. I am proud to say that I have toned down my shopping remarkably in recent years. But, memories of Christmas in the past remind me of the extreme lengths to which I would go to make someone's holiday the best ever.

In 1974, Colleen was 3. When asked what she wanted from Santa she announced, "I want a black doll." Surprised, but pleased, I patted myself on the back. I was raising an open and accepting child. It wasn't easy to find a black doll in the early 1970s. I guess no matter what color skin you had, if you were a little girl at that time, you played with a doll with white skin. After some searching, I was able to locate a very adorable black baby doll. Along with it Colleen got a cradle, high chair, bottles and a complete layette. I couldn't wait for Christmas morning to see her face when she opened her gifts. She didn't disappoint me and was thrilled with her new baby and all the accessories that came with it. Later that night as I watched her cradling her doll, I said, "So, did Santa bring you what you wanted?"

"Yes," she smiled, pretending to feed the baby with the bottle of disappearing milk.

"A black baby," I said beaming.

"Yes," she answered. "Black hair."

My children never cease to humble me in many ways. I assured myself that I still had reason to be proud of my parenting as when she opened the baby with the black skin (and black hair), she didn't hesitate to love it.

Jimmy requested a Noah's ark. Again this was a gift you could find easily today but not when I needed it. I searched

Point of View

tirelessly with no success and had to settle on a book about Noah's ark. Jimmy never complained as he also got the Batman alarm clock that he asked for in his letter to Santa.

Years later, when Jim (no longer called Jimmy) came home from college for the holidays, we were out Christmas shopping together. I said to him, "Do you remember asking for a Noah's ark for Christmas when you were little?"

"I did?" he said. "I don't remember that at all."

"Yes, it was terrible. I searched and searched and couldn't find one. I had to settle on a book instead."

Teasing me he said, "Oh, yes I remember now. I was devastated that year. I wanted a Noah's ark so bad and all I got was a lousy book."

Immediately the wheels in my brain began to turn and a plan was hatched. That year I easily found a Noah's ark set. I wrapped it up with Jim's name on it and put a big sign on it that said, "Tell off Santa's sleigh Dec. 24, 1977." I put it toward the back of the tree and waited until he had opened all his gifts. Then, I handed it to him with a big smile. He read the note, looked so confused, and said "What the heck?" As he realized what I had done, his face lit up with a smile and he laughed saying, "This is the best present I ever got."

Once, my husband Jim and I were visiting friends. Displayed in their home was a lovely ceramic knick-knack of two little girls sitting on a bench. One of the girls was white, the other black. The little black girl was playing with a white doll and the little white girl was playing with a black doll. I don't know if it was the story of Colleen and her black doll or

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that we had adopted children who were African American but Jim fell in love with it and the message it conveyed.

I put that in the back of my mind and hoped to find one for him for Christmas. I talked with our friends and found out where they had purchased it. The shop was all out but agreed to order it. It was much more than I would normally spend but I knew Jim would be thrilled. Christmas came and the excitement grew in me as I was finally going to be able to give Jim the gift. He opened it and his response was not what I expected. He said something like, "That's nice," or "I like that."

I was disappointed but tried not to dwell on it. Months later, while watching television together, Jim pointed over to the shelf where that special gift sat and said, "That's beautiful. Where'd we get it?"

I guess it's not just my children who humble me. When I told Jim I had given it to him for Christmas, he turned bright red. It was a good color to be at holiday time and I thoroughly enjoyed his apologies over and over again. The little girls still have a special place in our home and once in a while I remind Jim where we got them.

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- No. 0%

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Open Studios sale a success

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
Thank you to Jacqueline Domin for the wonderful article she wrote on our Holiday Delmar Open Studios Sale of Jewelry and Pottery. We had people travel from as far as Latham

and Colonie to our sale. Many people who stopped by mentioned they read the article!

The Spotlight's support of small businesses and local artists is much appreciated. "Buying Local" is a great way to

keep our communities vibrant and thriving.

Thank you again for helping make our event a success.

*Loretta Fontaine and
Liz Vigoda*
Delmar

'Books' benefited greatly from Regal event

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
Books For Troops would like to thank the Regal Entertainment Group for choosing their non-profit organization to benefit from one of Regal's Preview Events. The new Clifton Stadium 10 & RPX Theatre at the Clifton Park Center was the setting on Tuesday,

11/15, of "Regal Salutes the Troops." All proceeds from the \$2 movies and \$2 concessions was donated to Books For Troops. The organization would also like to thank WNYT NewsChannel 13 for sponsoring Books For Troops for this honor. The very generous donation will go a long

way toward mailing our soldiers, who are serving overseas, books that have been generously donated by the local community.

Ellen R. Keegan
Founder and
Director
Books For Troops,
Clifton Park

Normanside owners declare bankruptcy

Move is final action for previous ownership group

By GREG FRY
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At the beginning of 2011, the Normanside Country Club was shut down for financial reasons.

Now, as the end of the year draws closer, the former operators of the site, Normanside Country Club, Inc., have filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy. The Nov. 17 filing is, essentially, the last action for the former ownership group. According to Albany-based attorney for the

company, Peter Pastore, the group has a little more than \$2,100 in assets, and just under \$275,000 in outstanding debt. That means many creditors will not receive the money they are due from the former ownership group.

"Hopefully the trade creditors resume some kind of relationship with the new entity," said Pastore. "That's the good news in all of this, that somebody did purchase the note, they kept the club functioning, and those trade creditors hopefully will continue to service the new club."

The new operators of the club have no liability

or ties to the debt accrued by the former ownership group.

The Town of Bethlehem entered a closely scrutinized bid to purchase the Delmar property Delmar, but a group of private bidders ended up securing the property. The course and clubhouse were reopened this spring.

Pastore said it's a good thing that the bankruptcy announcement was delayed until after the golf season to avoid confusion and to allow the new owners to "get going" with operation of the club.

IN BRIEF

Auditions open for telethon

Soloists, choral groups and dance troupes are invited to audition for the 52nd Center for Disability Services Telethon and showcase their talent. Open auditions are Sunday, Dec. 11, from noon to 4 p.m., at the Center's main site, 314 South Manning Boulevard, Albany. Please enter at the front of the building, door

No. 7, on South Manning. Performers may audition one piece with a three-minute limit.

Those selected through the audition process will perform during the telethon broadcast on FOX23 News, live from the Holiday Inn Albany on Wolf Road. The 52nd Center for Disability Services Telethon will be held Jan. 29, 2012.

The telethon is the largest fund-raiser for the

Center for the Disability Services, a not-for-profit organization with a 69 year history. The Center's mission is to enable and empower people, primarily those with disabilities, to lead healthy and enriched lives.

Call 944-2120 or email solini@cfdnsny.org to schedule an audition. Go to www.cfdnsny.org for information.

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Reminder: The busses will leave the Library Parking Lot at precisely 8 am. You will be dropped off in the vicinity of Rockefeller Center. And we'll meet the busses at 6 pm – don't be late! – for the return trip home.

Of course you know that there are many wonderful things to do in the city: View the store windows along Fifth Avenue, have lunch at one of the small restaurants along Restaurant Row (46th Street between 8th and 9th Avenues), shop, skate at the rink in Rockefeller Plaza, whatever strikes your fancy. Those of you considering heading downtown to see the 9/11 Memorial need to know that you must make advance reservations online to get into the memorial; you can reserve

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your free tickets at <http://www.911memorial.org>.

Teen concert

The Subs(titutes) for Winter, a winter concert featuring The Subs & DJ Will, is taking place Thursday, December 8, at 7pm, in the Library's Helderberg Room. Rebecca Angel and three local teens perform original folk/rock/pop music, followed by an after-concert dance party with local teen DJ Will. (This is going to be more fun than you're really supposed to have at a Library, so come join the party.)

Stonewall film finishes series

The story of the Stonewall Uprising in New York's Greenwich Village in 1969 is portrayed in a PBS film showing at 2 pm on Sunday, December 4, at the Guilderland Public Library.

What was first known as the Stonewall Riots marked

a major turning point in the United States gay civil rights movement. In this 90-minute film, AMERICAN EXPERIENCE draws upon eyewitness accounts and rare archival material to bring this pivotal event to life.

Board meeting

The Guilderland Public Library Board of Trustees will hold its regular monthly business meeting on Thursday, December 8, at 7:30 pm, in the Library's Tawasentha Room. The public is encouraged to attend.

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Online catalog

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Mark Curiale

About the Library:

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Final film of series to be shown Sunday

This film series is devoted to American films that explore the lives and experiences of both those directly involved in the war as well as those at home. You will see the war through such themes as: men in the face of battle; patriotism and loyalty; and the disparity between citizens' beliefs and actions with regard to war. We invite you to join us in vicariously reliving this period of American history.

Sunday December 4 at 2 p.m. join us for the screening of a film based on a novel by Louisa May Alcott. A mother raises her three daughters alone while her husband is away fighting in the war. See our blog: <http://civilwarprograms.blogspot.com/> for more details about our Civil War programs

Toddler town!

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appropriate concepts like shapes and body parts and enjoy brief stories and flannel board activities. Come on down to Toddler Town on Wednesday, December 7 at 10:15 a.m. Just drop in! No registration is required for this program.

Holiday cookie exchange

Saturday December 10 at 10:30 a.m. Do you love a wide assortment of cookies for the holidays, but don't have time to bake ALL your favorites? A holiday cookie exchange may be just what you're looking for! Bring in 4 dozen of your favorite holiday cookie recipe. Cookies that can later be frozen are best. Arrange cookies on a platter or in a basket and bring a large container to carry away your cookies. During the cookie exchange, children will have the opportunity to decorate holiday sugar cookies.

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Broadway revue Sunday at Bethlehem Library

Broadway hits by Irving Berlin, Stephen Sondheim, Jerome Kern, Rodgers and Hammerstein, the Gershwin brothers and other Jewish-American composers and lyricists have collectively won 65% of the Tony Awards presented in the last fifty years. This Sunday December 4 at 2pm, the library is pleased to present "Broadway Royalty," a musical revue by Martin P. Kelly honoring Jewish-American contributions to the American musical genre.

The revue features a quartet of regional singers gathered especially for this production under the auspices of Community Action Theater Services, Inc. Janet Stasio of Slingerlands, Adam Paul Fine of Queensbury, Angela Potrikus and William Hickman, both of Niskayuna, will sing songs by Jewish composers and lyricists representing a hundred years of Broadway history. Vincent Bonafede of Troy is musical director and keyboardist.

Three dozen of Broadway's best-loved songs will be performed, with commentary about



Ethel Merman starred as Annie Oakley in Irving Berlin's 1946 hit Broadway musical, *Annie Get Your Gun*, which featured such time-honored standards as "There's No Business Like Show Business" and "I Got the Sun in the Morning."

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the composers' lives and work.

The concert is part of the library's offerings in support of A Fine Romance: Jewish songwriters; American songs 1910-1965, a national touring exhibit on display in the library

lobby until December 16. The revue was conceived in response to the library's invitation to take part in this program series.

A Fine Romance: Jewish Songwriters, American Songs 1910-1965 was developed



by Nextbook, Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting Jewish literature, culture, and ideas, and the American Library Association Public Programs Office. The national tour of the exhibit has been made possible by grants from the Charles H. Revson Foundation, the Righteous Persons Foundation, the David Berg Foundation, and an anonymous donor, with additional support from Tablet Magazine: A New Read on Jewish Life.

Winter concert

The Bethlehem Senior Chorus sings songs for the frosty season this Friday December 2 at 1 pm. Please note that this popular concert will be held at Bethlehem Town Hall.

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The Witch of Hebron

Friday December 16 * 1:30pm * Bethlehem Public Library

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Teen movie

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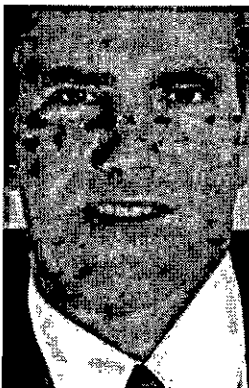
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Wednesday, Nov. 30

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Thursday, Dec. 1

Scheduled Shopping
9:00 Aerobics
9:00 OsteoBusters
1:00 Mahjongg
10:30-12:30 Medicare Presentation
1:30 Pinochle

Friday Dec. 2

Scheduled Shopping
10:00 Painting
10:30 Bridge
1:00 Quilting
1:30 Balance Class

Meals...Music and more

Enjoy "Meals...Music and More!" on Wednesday, December 7, at the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, 38 Church Rd. in Selkirk from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. Suggested meal contributions of \$2.50 for seniors and \$5.00 for others are accepted. Voluntary contributions for the music are welcome. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make a reservation. Limited transportation is available.

•The Mendelssohn Club, along with guest artists from the Niskayuna High School Bel Canto Singers and the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Bell Choir, will present "Welcome Yule" at the Kitty Carlisle Hart Theater at the Egg on Friday, December 9 at 8:00 pm. The cost is \$18.00, payable to Town of Bethlehem. Senior transportation will leave Town Hall at 6:00 pm. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176 to make a reservation. Suggested van donation: \$5.00. Home pick up is available.

•Our outreach workers are available to assist you with Home Energy Assistance Program (H.E.A.P.) applications. You can also get assistance with Medicare coverage during the open enrollment period through December 7. Call 439-4955, ext. 1173, 1174, or 1175, to make an appointment.

•Bethlehem Senior Services and Bethlehem

Senior Projects, Inc., provide transportation for town residents, age 60 and over, to medical, dental, therapy, and clinic appointments. Call 439-5770 to make reservations.

Senior Action

Town of Bethlehem

years of age or older. Call 430-4955, ext. 1176 for an appointment.

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

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, Dec. 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

Monday, Dec. 5

Shopping trip to Colonie Center and Northway Mall. Call 439-5770 to arrange transportation.

Wednesday, Dec. 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 10:30 am to noon at the Town Hall, Room 101. Jane Sanders, LMSW, will lead a discussion on current news events, human interest stories, and reminiscences about the past. Transportation can be arranged by calling 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Thursday, Dec. 8

Senior Legal Services Program This free program, staffed by the Legal Aid Society, is available between 10:30 pm and noon at the Bethlehem Town Hall. It provides legal advice and service at no cost for residents of Albany County who are 60

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In challenging economic times

comfort matters more than ever

The growing importance of energy efficiency at home, in New York and beyond

Life on a budget doesn't have to require sacrificing your comfort, especially when you need it most.

These days, more of life happens at home. We live in the era of the staycation, a time when more Americans see pizza and a movie on DVD as a big Saturday night. It isn't hard to see why. People are concerned about their personal balance sheets. For many, paying off a credit card is more enticing than paying for a vacation.

Trends like these translate to more time spent around the house, and according to an ongoing government study, that seems to be exactly what people throughout the U.S. are doing. Since the beginning of the economic recession in 2007, the U.S. Department of Labor's annual American Time Use Surveys have shown a steady increase in many activities that are likely to take place at home. Americans continue to spend less time working and shopping and more time watching television, relaxing, eating and taking care of personal needs.

Another recent study conducted by economists at the University of San Diego reported that parents at all income levels are spending more time with their children. Since the mid-1990s, both mothers and fathers have been devoting much more of their time to parenting, sharing family dinners, helping with homework or playing games. The bulk of these activities also take place at home.

More time at home can be comfortable and breezy—if you live in San Diego, where it's 75° year-round. In New York State though, time around the house can mean dealing with discomfort. For New Yorkers living in older buildings, the winter months can bring cold drafts and major heating bills, and summer can be uncomfortably muggy, taxing the capacity of air conditioning units and driving up electric bills. Fortunately, that problem is now easier to solve.

Programs from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) make it easier for New Yorkers to make their homes

energy-efficient and comfortable. Most New Yorkers qualify for free or reduced-cost comprehensive home energy assessments, low-interest loans and cashback incentives for energy efficiency upgrades, all made available through NYSERDA. For low-income households, NYSERDA offers additional programs that are especially helpful. Qualifying households can access grants or free energy efficiency services and upgrades.

For Anna Napoleon, NYSERDA's Assisted Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® program was the linchpin that allowed her to put an end to 50 years of discomfort in her Newark, NY home. Anna, a retiree, enjoys living simply. "My home is my castle," she says. "I don't care for travel."

Like many seniors, Anna has a fixed income. For decades, she put up with freezing cold winters in her 1850s-era home because she couldn't afford the cost of new insulation and heating equipment upgrades. Rather than absorb the cash expense, she withstood the cold and paid high utility bills. For a person who spends the bulk of her time at home, it was an uncomfortable situation that affected her quality of life.

When Anna's aging furnace started acting up, she called a BPI-accredited Home Performance with ENERGY STAR contractor. Technicians performed a no-cost comprehensive home energy assessment on Anna's home and identified the root cause of her discomfort and high utility bills. Not only was her furnace inefficient and outdated, but Anna's walls lacked insulation and her windows and doors were poorly sealed, allowing drafts to leak in.

The contractor suggested a comprehensive solution to Anna's energy efficiency problems, including a new high-efficiency furnace and hot water heater, insulation in the walls and basement and air sealing to reduce drafts. Because Anna's income level qualified her to participate in NYSERDA's Assisted Home Performance with

ENERGY STAR program, she received grants worth \$5,000 and a special low-interest loan. She could finally afford to make changes to her home that would allow her to feel comfortable and stop spending too much money on her utility bills. "When I first saw what they were offering me, I didn't truly believe it," Anna says.

Today, the drafts in Anna's home are gone—the improvements cut air leakage by 61 percent. Anna no longer pays for heat that escapes through poorly insulated walls, leaky windows and drafty doors. "It's quite a difference," she says. "My gas and electric bills have really gone down. I'm on the budget plan, and right now I'm \$218 in my favor. That's never happened before."

Anna is also happy to report that her monthly loan payments are affordable and well worth the modest expense. But for her, cost savings are only part of the benefit of her improved home. She now feels comfortable at home year-round. "I love to bake," she says. "Now I could just live in my kitchen, it's so warm."

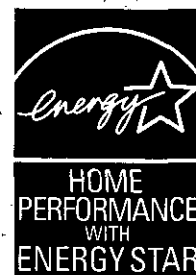
Susan Konstanty also understands how challenging it can be to balance comfort wants and budget needs. Susan and her family live in Gasport, NY, a small town about 20 miles from Niagara Falls, where winters can be especially fierce. When Susan and her husband decided she would stay at home during her children's important developmental years, the cold was even more difficult to bear. Setting her thermostat to 68° pushed her monthly bills through the roof, and, even so, Susan and her children still felt uncomfortably cold.

Susan reached out to NYSERDA's EmPower New York™ program, which offers no-cost energy efficiency services to low-income New Yorkers. EmPower paired her with a contractor who assessed her home and recommended insulation, air sealing to reduce drafts and high-efficiency lighting.

Because the EmPower New York program also focuses on teaching residents about energy efficiency, Susan learned how her family's daily routines were affecting her monthly utility bills. Her contractor showed Susan that she could cut her energy use, and save money by using cold water for laundry and taking other measures that would not affect her family's comfort.

"Without EmPower, our fuel and electricity bills would definitely be much higher," Susan says. "Knowledge truly is power, and the insight I gained has improved my family's lives."

Comfort might not be as immediately impressive as a new kitchen or a remodeled bathroom, but it does make a tremendous impact on our daily lives. We all have to live in our homes—perhaps now more than ever. It only makes sense that it's much harder to enjoy time spent under your roof if you're too cold or too hot. That's the best part about NYSERDA's Assisted Home Performance with ENERGY STAR and EmPower New York programs. They make it affordable and easy for New Yorkers to stay comfortable and save money. So whether that big Saturday night in with a pizza and movie takes place during August or February, you can savor every bit of it.



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Committee takes stock of town's finances

Final report looks at how Bethlehem can better manage money

By GREG FRY
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The financial picture may seem clear now, but things get fuzzy for the Town of Bethlehem when

considering the year 2012 and beyond.

That was one of the key underlying messages from members of the 20/20 Implementation Committee, which has come up with suggestions of how the town can better manage its finances in the future.

At the Nov. 22 meeting of the Town Board, members of the committee gave an overview of what they found during months of analysis. Perhaps the clearest message was that the town has no multi-year financial plan that projects major issues coming down the road.

"This is a very critical item," said committee member James Blendell. "We have a budget that's annual. We really do not know what it's going to be in future years, what our expenditures are going to be, what our income is going to be. In talking to the comptroller, we're in for some serious problems in the next two or three years."

Committee members said that the creation of a plan would help board members decide on levels of taxation, capital investments and the amount

of money that should be placed into reserves. The recommendation was that the town use guidelines set by the state Comptroller's Office and that the yearly plan should encompass projections for the next five years.

"We believe the plans should be provided to the Town Board during the budget process and it should cover the budget year, plus four additional years," said committee member John Hudacs.

As for reserve levels, the committee recommended that the board consider establishing a formal policy on the maintenance of fund balances, although no specifics were given as to what that policy should be moving forward.

Supervisor Sam Messina, who is entering his last month in that office, said he wanted it on the record that he supports the recommendations of the committee and urges the new board to move forward with the suggestions. Other board members also expressed interest in seeing the report followed up on.

"I fully support moving forward with a multi-year financial plan and capital plan, looking at our fund balance policy," said board member Kyle Kotary, who

called it worthwhile to get an "appropriate and consistent policy" on the planning-related issues.

"We seem to be right now in the position of responding to specific individual items, requests, crises as they emerge without knowing what's down the road six months, nine months or five years," said Joann Dawson.

The hard part may be taking action on the recommendations. During the presentation to the board, committee members made mention of a 10-year capital plan put forward in 2009 by the town's Department of Public Works. No action has been taken by the board to adopt that plan.

Ideas as basic as improvements in the collection of taxes are also included in the report. One point was that the town should continue to move toward online tax collections when possible. Board members were also advised of potential loopholes that allow for businesses that enter the town to avoid paying their appropriate share of taxes in their first year due to already-existing contracts with the business that used to be in their location.

Town Attorney James Potter raised questions

about the legality of recommendations such as the potential for passing off collection to another entity such as Albany County. Even though a detailed legal analysis was not done, committee members told Potter that they believe the recommendations are possible based on feedback received from department heads and town employees.

While much of the report cast an eye to the future, the committee did find that the town is in good shape to address accountability regarding transactions. That accountability, according to committee members, starts in the comptroller's office.

"It is well managed," said Blendell. "Our comptroller does a very good job. The comptroller has control of all the expenditures, all the purchasing and all the investments. You don't get anything purchased in this town without going through the comptroller."

The board took no official action regarding the report and did not indicate when it may be revisited.

A link to the full report can be found at www.spotlightnews.com.

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The public is invited to an information session on transportation planning for the Capital District region Thursday, Dec. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. at The Crossings of Colonie Meeting House, 580 Albany Shaker Road,

Loudonville.

The program is part of the Mohawk-Erie Multimodal Transportation Corridor Study co-sponsored by the New York State Department of Transportation and the New York State Thruway Authority, in cooperation with the New York State Canal Corporation.

The format is informal. Stop in any time between 5 and 7 p.m. Stay as long as

you like. View the charts, pick up information, ask questions, share your comments and project ideas. For more information, see www.dot.ny.gov/mohawk-erie-study.

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State could play big role in storm cleanup

Town banking on \$1 million loan for infrastructure repairs

By GREG FRY
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The final cost of cleaning up the damage from Tropical Storms Irene and Lee still isn't known, but Bethlehem officials are getting a better idea of what the scope of work is and where they can turn to for help.

The town recently applied for a \$1 million loan distributed through the State Environmental Facilities Corporation's Hurricane Emergency Loan Program, or HELP. The money is specifically designed for municipal infrastructure projects such as damage to water treatment facilities and critical pump stations.

"The funds will go towards repairing water systems," said EFC Director Matt Driscoll during a recent meeting of Governor Andrew Cuomo's cabinet.

A total of \$25 million in HELP loans are available to municipalities statewide. More than half of the money was earmarked as of Nov. 16.

Despite being a much-



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



needed shot in the arm for Bethlehem, the money would have to be paid back to the state, and two options would be available. The town could use money from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to pay back the state. Right now, it's unclear when the town may receive FEMA funding for infrastructure projects. Town officials first met with FEMA representatives in October and continue to complete reviews of damaged areas throughout Bethlehem.

The second option would be for the town to pay the money back as part of a long-term loan.

Bethlehem Supervisor Sam Messina said the town hasn't seen the state money yet, but he stressed how important the money will be to defray costs.

"If we don't get that," said Messina, "we'll have to bond this."

With hopes the state money is the way, town officials have already decided where the funds will be used. Messina

said the state loan would fund improvements to the town's water system on Wolf Hill Road and major repairs to the Dinmore Road Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Equally important, according to Messina, is work that needs to be done along the Onesquethaw Creek in South Bethlehem. That include damage to the Onesquethaw Bridge and the need to address significant erosion along the creek.

Messina said that the costs of these projects will exceed \$3.5 million, with cumulative costs exceeding \$4.6 million. The town is banking on FEMA to cover 75 percent of the costs and on the state to cover 12.5 percent, with the rest of the repairs funded by the town.

So far, Messina said the town has spent about \$1.1 million on projects and manpower costs related to the storms, including outside contractors and engineers.

Bethlehem Public Works Commissioner Erik Deyoe has said he plans to update the Town Board in December on the costs of Irene and Lee damage.

"From an engineer

perspective, we've got a lot of stuff in the works that's in the process of design," said Deyoe.

In addition to the municipal funds, Gov. Cuomo recently announced that \$3 million would be made available for businesses in some of the hardest hit areas in the state. Another \$5 million was dedicated for furnace repairs and replacements in 34 counties, including Albany County.

"We've been communicating a lot to our staff, our residents and businesses about opportunities," said Messina. "There must be 50 or 75 emails and postings on the town's website that we've made."

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Donations needed for Operation Adopt a Soldier

Holidays are busiest time for organization

By MARCY VELTE
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For the many soldiers who are unable to spend time with their families this holiday season, a package from home can be a godsend, even if it's from a stranger.

For the ninth year in a row, the Operation Adopt a Soldier program in Saratoga County is asking for special holiday donations to help service members enjoy the comforts of home while stationed overseas.

"This time of the year, the community support is wonderful and everyone remembers our troops," said organization Co-chairwoman Terri Perry. "It's great."

Perry and co-chairman Cliff Seguin Jr. formed two operations separately in 2003 when their sons were deployed. When one found out what the other was doing, they joined forces later that year.

"They're both home now and out of the service we still have admiration for the troops and it's an honor to just keep doing what we do," said Perry. "It's a priority that's in

our hearts."

Although the project takes donations for care packages all year long, the amount of donations jumps dramatically during the holiday season. This year on a day in mid-November, 182 shoebox-sized care packages were donated by a local elementary school and ladies church group.

Besides care package essentials like toiletries, snacks, stationary and reading material, the group asks for special donations like holiday candy, decorations, cookies, hot cocoa and even fake Christmas trees.

"Really, anything to boost morale and let them know we appreciate them," said Perry.

Each year the group sets aside \$1,000 to buy as many Christmas trees as possible with all of the trimmings. Other trees are donated. They are then sent to a commanding officer to set up for a whole base to enjoy. The same goes for any Hanukkah decorations that are donated.

"Once in a while someone will donate Hanukkah stuff, but we

don't get a lot of it," said Perry. "I think it would be nice to get more, since there's probably a lot more Jewish soldiers out there than we think about."

The program operates off applied grants and donations, both monetary and object-based. After the donated items are packaged — usually by groups of volunteers at the organization's facility in Gansevoort — they are shipped to the Department of Defense in New York City, which then sees to it the packages get to specific bases and soldiers.

"We never know exact addresses," explained Perry.

The cost of shipping packages downstate totals anywhere from \$1,500 to \$7,000 each month. Perry believes the organization spends nearly \$60,000 on shipping annually, reaching about 2,000 service members. Most packages are then sent on to bases in Iraq and Afghanistan, which the government pays for.

New this year to the organization's website is a place for service members to provide their information to have care packages sent to them. So

far the service has been popular.

Perry said the organization has about 500 soldiers on its list to send packages to for the holidays and one to four are signing up on the website each day. Recently a group of 140 soldiers stationed in Afghanistan added their names to the list.

Sometimes soldiers request specific objects and the organization does their best to accommodate their needs, like last year when a soldier asked for a pop-up tent. This year one service member asked for new combat boots.

"We have a Facebook page, so we put the special requests on the page hoping people will see it and help out," said Perry.

She said each year the service members are extremely appreciative and they have books filled with letters of appreciation.

"They can't believe they got a package from a complete stranger. They're grateful and it's heartwarming," she said.

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Operation Adopt a Soldier sends care packages to troops throughout the year, but it sees a surge in donations around the holidays.

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Layaway

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Melissa Steen, proprietor of I Love Books in Delmar. "We are just too small, and we don't have the space to do layaways."

Since many small businesses don't have the manpower to run such a program, the holidays could shape up to be a battle of major chains versus mom and pop.

"We've been stressing the importance to the public about supporting their local business," said Jennifer Kilcoyne, the president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. "I think people in general in Bethlehem are of that mindset, but I'm not sure how it impacts the holiday season."

Trends indicate that when consumers get around to shopping, they will be looking to buy now and not worry later. A poll released Tuesday, Nov. 22, by the Siena Research Institute in Loudonville showed that 83 percent of shoppers surveyed plan to pay for gifts as they buy them this holiday season, while only 12 percent are interested in using credit cards for holiday purchases.

The principle of layaway has drawn the attention of advocacy groups and even federal lawmakers in recent months.

The Better Business Bureau has issued warnings for consumers to consider key questions before buying items on layaway. The BBB advises

consumers to know how much time they have to pay off the item, how much they must make as a down payment, when payments must be made, what penalties may be levied if payments are missed and what happens if the item goes on sale after the item has been put on layaway.

Consumers are also cautioned to research third party websites that may handle layaway purchases for stores and businesses that can't manage the delayed payments on their own.

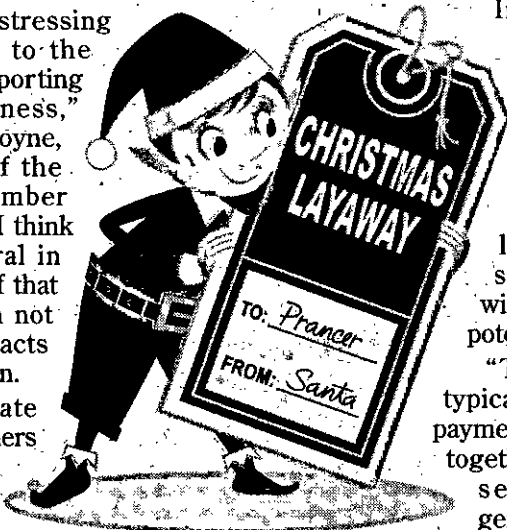
In November, U.S. Senator Charles Schumer wrote to leaders of two national retail associations, urging them to clearly identify layaway plans for shoppers, along with service fees and potential penalties.

"These programs typically require a down payment of 10 to 20 percent together with an upfront service charge — generally five dollars,"

Schumer said in the letter. "Customers pay the balance over time, and pick up the item when the balance is paid in full. In many cases, stores are charging hefty cancellation fees if a customer changes his or her mind, and do not refund the service fee."

For Steen, this holiday season will likely be similar to last year. She doesn't believe consumers are swayed by the idea of layaway.

"People are going to do what people are going to do," said Steen. "Layaway is not new. A lot of stores had it, and just stopped doing it."



The White Canadian Cross Percheron duo of Tim and Tyler are a familiar sight at Stuyvesant Plaza during the holiday shopping season.

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Carriage rides return to plaza

Tim, Tyler pull patrons for 10th consecutive year

The horse-drawn carriage from Albany Carriage Service is once again taking shoppers around Stuyvesant Plaza.

"The horse-drawn carriage has become a staple of the Holiday Open House for many families and gift seekers as they usher in the holiday season," said Janet Kaplan, vice president of real estate for Stuyvesant Plaza. "We look forward to once again welcoming Albany Carriage Service and the shoppers who visit the plaza to

get a head start on the holiday shopping season."

Stuyvesant Plaza was the first venue visited by Albany Carriage Service when it started its horse-drawn business in 1984. The carriage has returned every November since. Over the years, co-owners Thomas and Ann Ladd have witnessed multiple marriage proposals on the carriage at Stuyvesant Plaza, and have watched babies become college students.

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Locally owned stores stock a different kind of toy

Old-fashioned items popular at independent shops

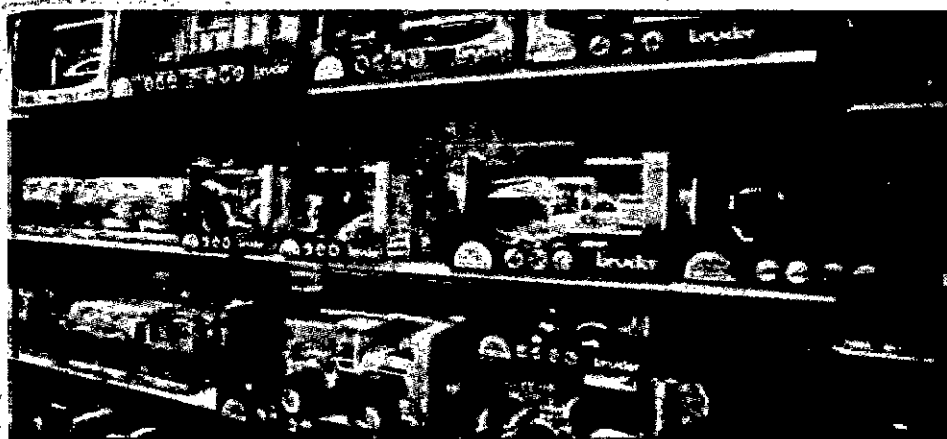
By JOHN PURCELL
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What's moving off the shelves of locally-owned specialty toy stores probably didn't appear in any Black Friday ads.

Most people know what's inside a big-box toy store, but local toy stores can offer a different take on playtime. As high-tech toys become more prevalent and popular, specialty toy stores can prove nostalgic for parents and intriguing for children.

Many Capital District specialty toy stores stray from battery-operated toys. Also, toys tend to require interaction from children instead of the toy entertaining the child. From old-fashioned toys to brain-teasing games, odds are there is something unique at a local toy store.

Kevin Murphy, store manager for The Toy Maker in Stuyvesant Plaza, said there are two different



Toy trucks line the shelves at New York Toy and Hobby in Clifton Park. Submitted photo

branches to the toy industry — mass-market and specialty — and he said the two don't compete with each other.

"We have a lot of old fashioned toys. ... It is things you won't see advertised on Saturday morning TV," said Murphy. "We tend to please the parents because they see things they haven't seen since they were little kids."

Some of the older style toys offered at The Toy Maker include jack-in-the-boxes and wooden puzzles. One of the best selling items is the Fun Time

Tractor, which is one of the few battery-operated toys. The tractor moves by pushing down on the smokestack and the various animals in the wagon make noise.

Outside of the battery-powered realm, Murphy said a popular item is Perplexus, a three-dimensional maze game involving a small marble inside a sphere. Players select one of the tracks to take and use gravity to complete the maze through flipping, tilting and twisting.

"Kids love to play and they will realize the play value of these toys. ... There is a lot of repeat play value with our toys," Murphy said.

Linda Ambrosino, owner of G. Willikers Distinctive

Toys on Broadway in Saratoga Springs, said her store's toys also have replay value.

"We are a specialty store and we kind of do what we consider the old classics and the new classics, the stuff I think is going to be around for a long time," said Ambrosino. "Stuff we feel is not only going to be played with on Christmas morning, but in April and May."

This shopping season, G. Willikers is selling a lot of games, a popular one being "Spot-It!" which is a matching game with a twist. The pictures on the two cards are different sizes.

"Sometimes the younger kids are a little bit better than the older ones," Ambrosino said.

educational toys, said Store Manager Andrea Neal. No electronics are carried in the store, but customers come in looking for niche products, she said.

"The buyer tries to get stuff you can't get ... at big box stores," said Neal.

Lisa Rex, store manager for New York Toy & Hobby at Clifton Park Center, said focusing on the shopping experience is important.

"It is a very interactive store. We want kids to come in and make a mess," said Rex. "We are just trying to keep up with the big boxes but we are trying to keep it a real shopping experience when you come in."

Rex said the store doesn't carry battery-operated or electronic toys. Some of the popular brands such as LEGO can be found amongst classics like a Barrel of Monkeys. She added the store also focuses on trying to get green toys.

"We are very nostalgic, but we are very hip in having the newest and hottest toys," she said.

All of the store managers and owners said the holiday shopping season has started off good. Having Chanukah celebrated later than usual also condenses some of the frantic holiday shopping, said Murphy.

"It is always said people find a way to make Christmas happen ... Santa has to come," said Murphy.

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Canine influenza has become a very hot topic in recent months due to suspected outbreaks in Texas and Colorado and publicity driven by the manufacturer of the vaccination. Canine influenza is contagious via respiratory secretions passed among dogs. It is very unstable in the environment. Canine influenza is not transmissible to people.

Clinical signs are usually mild at the outset and peak around day 7 after exposure to the virus. Clinical manifestations of canine influenza range from mild to severe, with most cases falling somewhere in the middle. Most dogs will have a cough similar to kennel cough. The cough, although frequently self-limiting, can linger for weeks. Just as in the human flu, there may be thick nasal discharge, lack of appetite and lethargy. A very minor percentage of dogs will require supportive care hospitalization to help them through periods of high fever, lethargy and pneumonia. Antibiotics are used only if secondary bacterial infection is documented. Mortality rate is approximately 5-8% in high risk populations where dogs are sheltered in close quarters. The mortality rate of the household pet has not been researched. Diagnosis is made on clinical signs and laboratory testing.

As with any preventative, the pro to con ratio needs to be assessed when deciding whether to vaccinate a dog against canine influenza. Keep in mind that most cases of canine influenza will pass in approximately a week and most cases do not require hospitalization. There is no "one size fits all" protocol regarding canine influenza vaccination. We recommend vaccinating high risk patients such as most show, track and shelter dogs as these dogs are in high density situations where the virus thrives. At this time we do not recommend incorporating the canine influenza vaccination as part of the routine series, even for those dogs that frequent boarding facilities or dog parks.

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Lighting up the Albany night

Capital District holiday tradition marks 15th year

By MARCY VELTE
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Do you still believe in the magic of the holiday season?

This year, sponsors of the annual Hannaford Capital Lights in the Park display in Albany hope visitors will continue to "believe in the wonders of the holidays." In addition to the many colorful lights that can be seen throughout Washington Park, Hannaford will host a special poetry competition for children to celebrate the event's 15th year.

"Even though [the light display] is a tradition in the Capital Region, we really wanted to do something to renew interest," said Molly Tarleton, a spokeswoman for Hannaford Supermarkets. "This year's theme is 'believe,' so we thought it would be nice to engage kids with writing something original."

The contest is for children throughout the Capital District ages 8 to 15. Each poem must contain the word "believe" and engage readers to give



Santa, elves and toys are among the light creations at the Hannaford Capital Lights in the Park display.

something back to their community. The winner will receive six passes to the 2012 light show display, a \$150 Hannaford gift card for their family and a \$150 Hannaford gift card for educational supplies for their school.

"The poem will then be read at next year's lighting event and we'd like to get it published," said Tarleton.

The deadline to submit entries is Jan. 31, 2012. For every poem received, Hannaford will donate \$1 to the Albany Police Athletic League, which provides juvenile crime

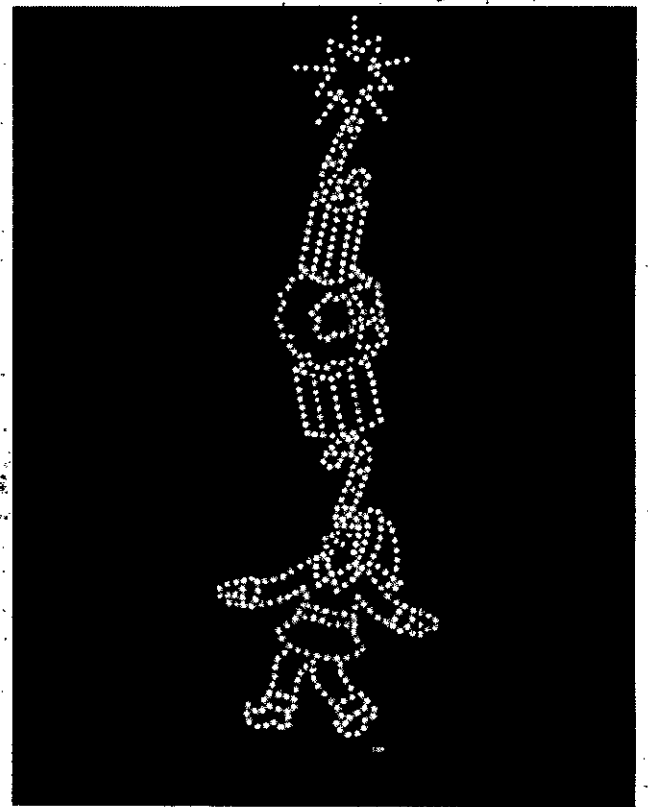
prevention programs to local youths. All proceeds from the lights display also benefit the children of the Albany PAL programs.

"For 15 years, the bright lights in the park have helped raise funds for the outstanding programming provided by Albany PAL for local children," said Hannaford Supermarkets Vice President of Retail Operations Rudy DiPietro, in a written statement. "Hannaford strongly supports PAL's programs which foster positive social and academic development of today's

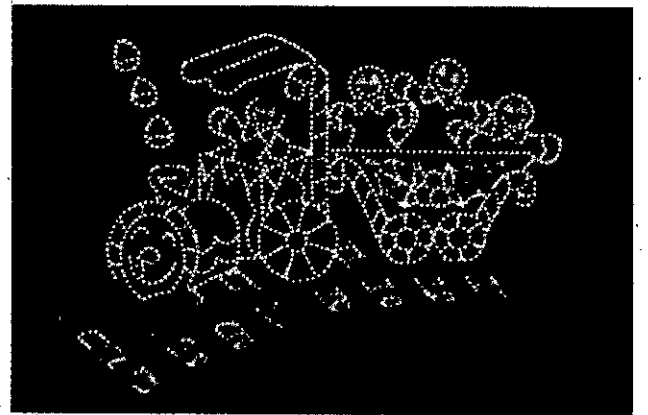
youth and help build stronger neighborhoods."

Albany PAL spokeswoman Sherry Rose said 25 percent of the displays are new each year. Because of the "believe" theme, a "Once Upon a Time" fairy tale section has been added this year, as well as a "Polar Express" area.

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Silver Saratoga streetscapes

Holiday storefronts entice eyes

By ALYSSA JUNG
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Downtown Saratoga Springs is known for its charm—quaint shops, unique eateries, picturesque sidewalks. And when the holidays roll around, the Broadway strip is transformed into an elaborately decorated festive corridor.

"Downtown is really famous for that because that's why people come here," said Susan Farnsworth of the Downtown Business Association and the Victorian Streetwalk.

This year, the Victorian Streetwalk is celebrating its 25th anniversary with a silver theme, so many businesses made sure to design their window displays with that in mind.

"It adds so much to the festivities to have beautiful windows," said Farnsworth.

Lifestyles at 436 Broadway offers "great fashion, great fun, great service" and an elegant eveningwear window display this season.

"It's all about holiday elegance.... Our mannequins will be in sparkling gray bubble bottom dresses with beautiful collars. I would say it's all about the bling, all about the silver bangles, bobble and sparkle," said Stacy Goodman, manager.

Woven throughout the dresses, jewelry and sparkly accessories will be "austere" deer and trees in frosty whites and silvers.

If you wander a bit further to 368 Broadway, you'll find a miniature

silver and white Victorian street scene adorning the front and side windows of Impressions of Saratoga, known for its horse-themed products.

"The girls constructed Victorian storefronts ... with snowflakes and twinkle lights and we have our product worked around it but it's a representation of Broadway in the snow," said Marianne Barker, owner.

The tiny Broadway took about three weeks to create, with employees making cutouts and awnings and windows for a realistic model.

"It's fun and hopefully, it attracts lots of attention," said Barker.

G. Willikers Toys at 461 Broadway is known for its specialty toys but this Christmas it might be the windows stealing the show. There's Santa's workshop, a winter forest and an ice princess scene.

"[There's] a moving conveyor belt with elves and wrapped packages going into Santa's bag; shelves with completed toys on them and children's names and a revolving Christmas tree," said Linda Ambrosino. "On the other side we have the top of a winter forest with birch trees filled with owls and cardinals and on the other side we have a winter ice castle princess scene in teals and icy and quite beautiful."

Planning starts in the summer, long before snow is on anyone's mind.

"We have a wrap session between my designer, my husband and myself and we start to build them about the beginning of September," said Ambrosino. "We make everything ourselves except for like the Christmas balls."

A successful window is almost as satisfying as a lucrative sales season.

"It's about coming out and seeing the joy and the wonder that other people created," said Ambrosino. "We love doing it and we love hearing the children's comments and people taking pictures of the windows for their Christmas cards. It's fun."

At Impressions of Saratoga, the window displays revolve year-round and are the store's best form of advertising.

"We've done during racing station the grandstand with flower boxes. Fall harvest we've done cornstalks and gift baskets with Saratoga food products flowing out," said Barker.

"[For Christmas] we've done a birch forest with snow and snowflakes and Nordic Adirondack snowmen and Santa's."

Goodman said designing the winter window display signals the start of the holiday season.

"Once you start to look at the streets of Saratoga and Broadway wreaths and lights are coming up, that's the sign the season is upon you," said Goodman. "I can see Santa's Workshop across the street."

Don't get entirely caught up in flashy window displays and forget the shops behind them, warned Farnsworth.

"Most of the shops are different than anything else. They're boutiques and have stuff no one else has," said Farnsworth.

For a list of other popular Saratoga shops with windows to explore, visit www.saratoga.org.

Here comes Santa Claus



Santa Claus and his helpers parachuted in to see children at Ellms Family Farm's annual tree cutting event on Saturday, Nov. 26, in Ballston Spa.

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Night

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"They are a sponsor this year, so it ties in with believing in the magic of the season," said Rose. Spotlight Newspapers and dozens of other Capital District businesses and organizations are also sponsors of the Capital Holiday Lights event.

Each year, about 125,000 people visit the park's 125 displays and scenes, and thousands of lights can be seen along the 1.5-mile drive.

At the end, children can visit Santa's Workshop inside the park's Lake House to see if they've been naughty or nice. There are also vendors selling crafts,

gifts and snacks, while outside visitors can see Santa's reindeer or go for a carriage ride.

"The displays are beautiful and the atmosphere is fun," said Rose. "There are lots of things for the family to do, and it all benefits the kids programs. It's just a great day."

The Hannaford Capital Holiday Lights in the Park display is open Nov. 25 to Jan. 2, from 6-9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 6-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The cost is \$15 per vehicle at the gate, or advance tickets can be purchased at Hannaford for \$10.

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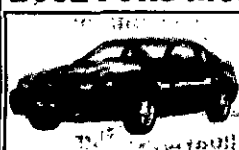
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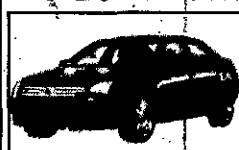
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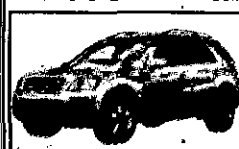
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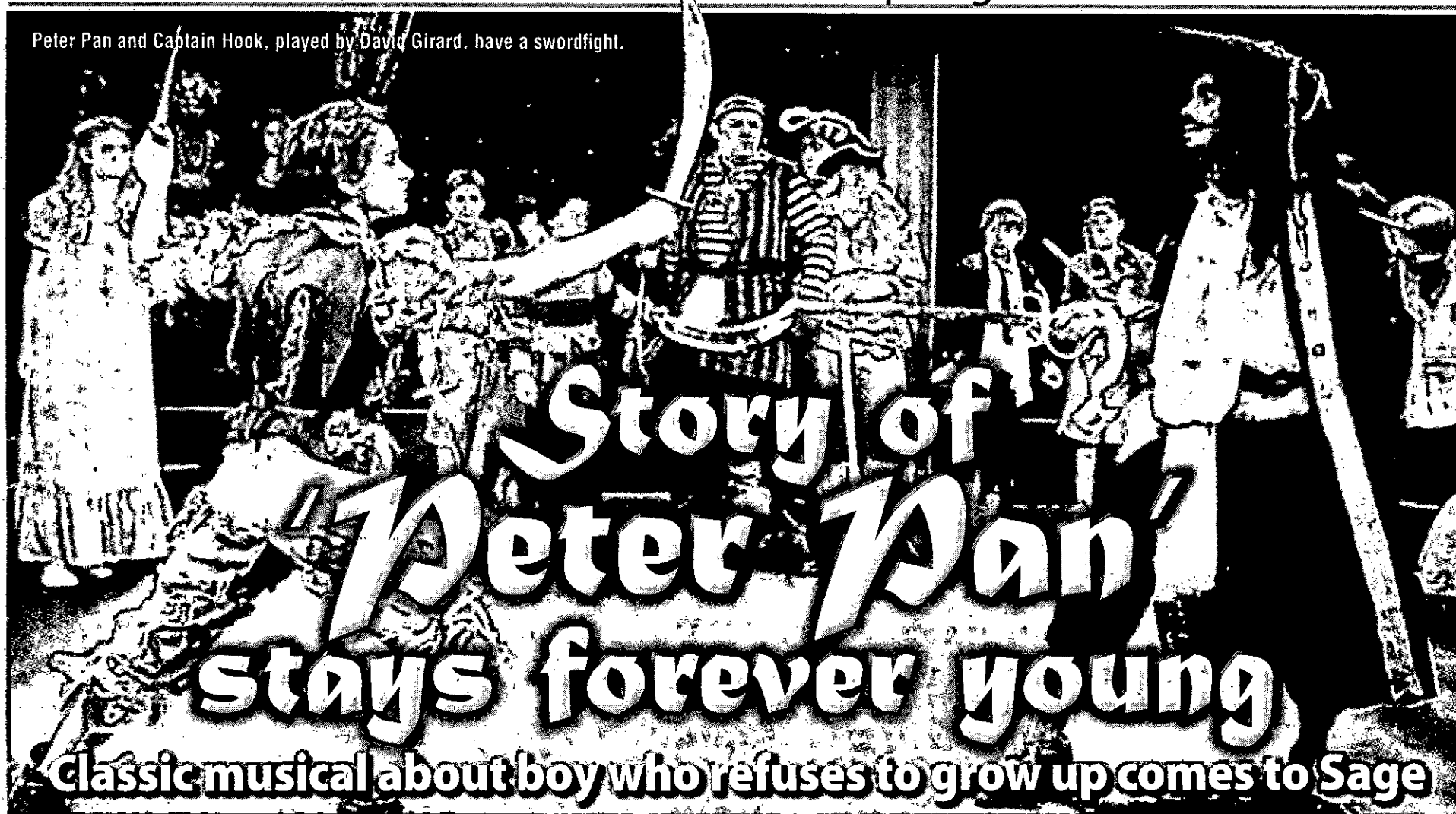
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Entertainment in the Spotlight

Peter Pan and Captain Hook, played by David Girard, have a swordfight.



avid Girard figures that if he had to stay one age for the rest of his life, he'd choose somewhere between 6 and 10 years old.

After all, what kind of cares do you have then? You hang out with your friends, you run around, you play cowboys and Indians.

"That's definitely where it's at," Girard said.

That, he thinks, might help explain the timeless appeal of "Peter Pan," the story of a boy who refuses to grow up. It's been more than 100 years since Peter Pan first showed up in a novel, and his tale's been told on countless stages around the world since then. Last year, Russell Sage College put on "Peter Pan" in the school's Little Theater. It was such a hit that organizers of the school's Theater Institute decided to put on a bigger production as their inaugural show, with Girard in one of the leading roles.

"Peter Pan: The Musical" stays pretty faithful to the traditional version, with the most notable twist being that Sage's version takes place entirely in a nursery. It's up to the audience to decide if the story is all a figment of someone's imagination or if it's real, director Michael Musial said.

Musial had no doubt the story was fiction when he was first introduced to it, and he was enchanted by it. People either love or hate Peter Pan, he said; put him squarely in the "love" camp.

"There's something about not growing up," he said. "That and the flying."

The flying in this case is done by Sara Curtis, a Sage junior who plays the title role. Seeing a female cast as Peter

Pan might prompt a double take, but Curtis said it's actually common for the role to be filled by a woman. Given Peter's eternal youth, the voice parts are typically written for a female, she said.

Like Musial, Curtis grew up as a huge fan of "Peter Pan," watching the Mary Martin version countless times. She first got involved in theater in high school as a way to "break out of my shell" and found she loved performing for people. That led her to Sage, where she is majoring in musical theater. When she heard "Peter Pan" was going to be performed, she hoped to land a part as Wendy or anyone else in the cast, although "Peter was my ultimate goal," she said.

With that goal accomplished, Curtis said she's been having the time of her life putting the show together.

"It's just so fun," she said. "I get to fly and that's amazing."

Girard is similarly excited about his part — or parts, as it were. Girard is both Captain Hook and George Darling, whose children befriend Peter Pan. Playing the dual roles is fun in and of itself, but Girard particularly delights in playing the villainous Captain Hook.

"What isn't neat about it?" he asked with a laugh. "I get to terrorize little kids."

Girard, a Sage graduate, appeared often with the New York State Theater Institute, a state-financed professional theater group. NYSTI folded last year amid allegations of financial mismanagement, and Sage's Theater Institute was created to continue NYSTI's educational mission. To that end, there are study guides, in-school presentations and teacher workshops related to the show available.

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Sage junior Sara Curtis takes flight as Peter Pan.

While the mission is serious, Girard, Musial and Curtis all said anyone who comes out to the show can expect a good time.

"It's really magical," Girard said. "It's very fantastical."

"It's beautiful to look at," Musial added. "It's just a nice production."

The curtain rises at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Schacht Fine Arts Center on the Russell Sage campus. Additional shows are Dec. 4 and 11, again at 2 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9 and 10, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and Sage students. Call 244-2248 to reserve tickets.

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ELVIS HAS LEFT THE BUILDING

Regional premiere of holiday comedy, presented by Curtain Call Theater, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, Dec. 2-31, shows Thursdays through Sundays. \$22. Information, 877-7529.

MAN OF LA MANCHA

Tony Award-winning musical, presented by Capital Repertory Theater, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through Dec. 17, shows Tuesdays through Sundays. \$40-\$70. Information, 445-7469.

PETER PAN

Classic children's tale, presented by the Theater Institute at Sage, Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy.

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THE ROYAL FAMILY

George Kaufman and Edna Ferber's comedy about the drama-filled lives of a theatrical family, presented by Schenectady Civic Players, Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady, Dec. 2-4 and 7-11, showtimes 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. \$15. Information, 382-2081.

Music

MARK BAPTISTE

Monthly performance by Delanson singer-songwriter, with Dean Howard, Dec. 1, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

EMERALD DAWN

Monthly performance by acoustic Celtic/rock/pop group, Dec. 4, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany.

JACK AND CHRIS

Mix of blues, pop, jazz and country by standup bass and guitar duo, Dec. 2, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

LOST RADIO ROUNDERS

Old-time music duo performing songs by Carl Sandburg, with opening act Putnam Smith, Dec. 2, 8 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$15, door price \$17. Information, 583-0022.

BOBBY KENDALL

Singer-songwriter, with special guests in Color, Dec. 3, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

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MATTHEW CAREFULLY & BAILLWICK

Capital District acoustic performers, Dec. 4, 7 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$10, door price \$12. Information, 583-0022.

Comedy

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Weekly show of improvised comedy and music, Dec. 2, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady, adults \$14, students/seniors \$6. Information, 346-6204.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"Making Time: Voyage to Vietnam," through Feb. 25; "From the Collections," through April 1; "New York Remembers: Reflecting on September 11," through April 28; plus "Beneath the City: An Archeological Perspective of Albany," permanent collections on the 9/11 recovery effort, New York state history and geography, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

"Albany and the Civil War: Medicine on the Home and Battle Fronts," through Feb. 26; "Kid Stuff: Great Toys From Our Childhood," through March 4; "First in the Hearts of His Countrymen: George Washington," through May 20; plus "The Folk Spirit of Albany: Folk Art from the Collection of the Albany Institute of History and Art" and exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

"Michael Marston, World Apart," through January; "Laugh Out Loud," through March 25; plus installations by Paul Katz, Harry Leigh, Harold Lohner, Lillian Mulero, Ken Ragsdale, Nancy Shaver and Joy Taylor. Information, 463-3726.

MABEE FARM HISTORIC SITE

"A Journey Through History: The Artistic Works of Len Tantillo," through Dec. 18, 1080 Main St., Rotterdam Junction. Information, 877-5073.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

"Postage Paid: Dance Around the World," through fall 2012; plus a Michael Jackson tribute, a "Dancing with the Stars" exhibit and the C.V. Whitney Hall of Fame, 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-2225.

SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

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

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM AND PLANETARIUM

"FETCH! Lab" and "Fueling the Future," ongoing; Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information, 382-7890.

SPA FINE ART

Featuring new works by Ken Orton, 376 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 587-2411.

TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

"I Myself Have Seen It: Photography and Kiki Smith," through Dec. 30; Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-8080.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"Rembrandt and Degas: Two Young Artists," a selection of portraits by two masters, through Feb. 5; 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

MASS MOCA

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LeWitt: A Wall Drawing Retrospective," ongoing; 87 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass. Information, (413) 664-4481.

ARKELL MUSEUM

"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

"Draw Me a Story: A Century of Children's Book Illustrations," through Jan. 7, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

Call for Artists

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

Non-audition choral group seeking singers in all voice parts for its December concert, rehearsals are Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Columbia High School, 962 Luther Road, East Greenbush. Information, 370-5434.

THURSDAY MUSICAL CLUB

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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

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Weekly Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 He wears the white hat
5 Desert bloomers
10 Woods denizen?
14 Kind of fellow
15 Actor Delon
16 ___ Loomis Pound
17 It blew its stack in December 1991
18 Waited for the green light
19 Type of antelope
20 Faceless Woodward classic
23 Knight's award
24 Surfer's paradise?
25 Scat word
28 Cardinals are seen here
30 City south-southwest of Tehran
33 Marine leader
34 Most independent
36 Tell's canton
37 Faceless air defense alternative
40 Sought the office
41 Champagne aperitif
42 North Carolina college

43 Old: Ger.

- 44 All over again
45 Sense organs
46 Tolkien forest creature
47 Giant who went west
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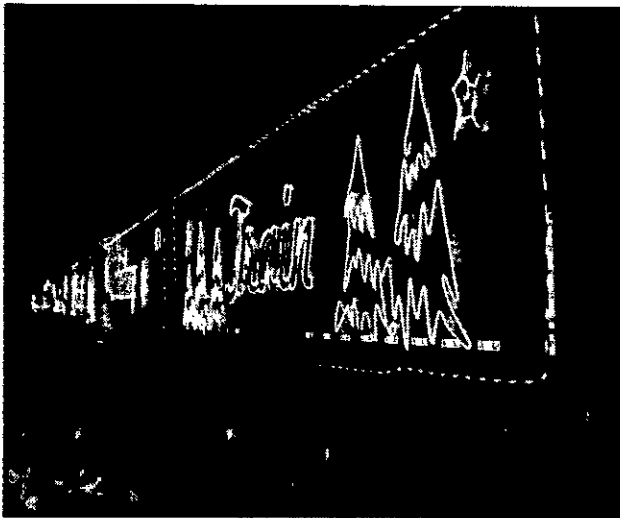
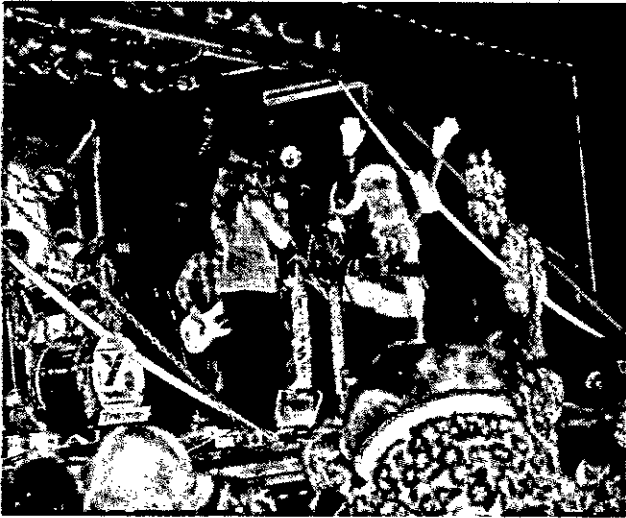
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- 1 One of the Huntleys
2 Possesses, biblically
3 One from Hamburg
4 River transport
5 Nile port
6 He spoke for himself, with prodding
7 Yarborough, of racing
8 Nice ending
9 Dutch East Indies,

today

- 10 Produce
11 Black Sea arm
12 Scottish hillside
13 Savor the sushi
21 Dance party
22 Basis for 23 Across
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26 Homologous
27 Sienna or offering
28 See 19 Across
29 Haws' partners
30 Calamus
31 Lowest deck
32 Bearings
34 Timidity
35 Seasonal tree cover
38 Man from Muscat
39 Sub shaker
45 Dance step
46 Beckon
47 Dark brown pigment
48 Misogynist
49 Uno, dos y tres sum
50 St. Louis' Gateway
51 Chick-pea, e.g.
52 TV setting
53 Skater's milieu
54 Brickell or Adams
55 A match
56 Last queen of Spain

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The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train came whistling down the tracks on Sunday, Nov. 27, and stopped at the ALCO Heritage Museum to a large crowd eagerly awaiting festivities. This is the 13th year the Holiday Train has hit the rails with lights shining, but it's the first stop at ALCO's museum in Schenectady. Also, there is a modified boxcar that literally sets the stage for music performers. The train headed north to Saratoga Springs when it departed Schenectady.

Above right: The Holiday Train features 14 rail cars decorated with thousands of feet of festive lights.

Right: Jake gave a donation to the Salvation ARMY before heading home. Canned goods were collected to help support local food banks. Canadian Pacific also donated \$1,000 to the Schenectady Salvation Army.

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Library

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For children ages 4 and up. Register your stuffed friend by calling or emailing the library, 756-2053 or info@rcscommunitylibrary.org.

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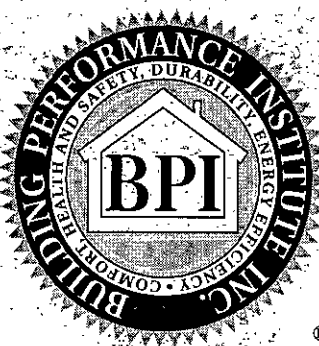
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Area educators return from trip to China

Participants reflect on differences, similarities in school systems

By ALYSSA JUNG
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Eighteen Capital District educators returned on Monday, Nov. 14, from a 10-day trip to China where they talked to students and toured schools.

Representatives from Tech Valley High School (TVHS), Capital Region BOCES, Questar III BOCES, Schalmont, Schoharie, Catskill and Cobleskill-Richmondville schools made up the delegation that flew to the Far East in search of "partnerships that will broaden the horizons of area students," according to information from TVHS.

Schalmont School Board President Sandra Beloncik said though the trip's purpose was to share information and gain insight into China's educational practices. She

felt U.S. educators shared valuable insight with their Chinese counterparts, too.

"I think we have great practices. We're really going into the 21st century ahead of them and I think our trip was more to help them in learning about some of the things that we do," said Beloncik.

Among those American educational values shared was hands-on and collaborative learning and teaching.

"We showed them hands-on rather than just teachers standing at the head of the class," said Beloncik. "Integrate subjects. ... So if you're going to have a science project have math and history in it."

There was much about the Chinese education system that was surprising, enlightening and very different from things back home, said Beloncik.

For example, at the TVHS sister school Tianjin High School No.41, a large chunk of



Eighteen educators from around the Capital District traveled to China to spend 10 days touring schools and meeting with students.

the student population live in dormitories.

"Probably 80 if not 90 percent of high school students live in dormitories on campus because they want their children at their desks at 7 a.m.," said Beloncik, adding that even one middle school had dorms for students.

Living away from home before college wasn't the only extreme difference. The length of the school day was also a lot longer.

"Usually the basic time is 7 a.m. to noon and then they come back 2:30 to 5 or 6 p.m. Then they have dinner and work another two hours on homework," said Beloncik. "Something like that really impresses you."

Class sizes were much larger than American students would be used to, said Beloncik, who

saw high school classes with as many as 40 to 60 children.

"To me that's just not manageable," said Beloncik.

The Chinese approach to foreign language was also quite different than the way most American schools teach languages, with students taking English classes starting in elementary school.

"We visited six schools. ... All of the students have to learn English, it's mandatory," said Beloncik. "We went into a 3-year-old class who were learning English."

Beloncik said that emphasis on foreign language is shared back in the states.

"They're making sure their children, this generation, is learning English," she said. "Over here in this country, I know at Schalmont and at TVHS, we're making sure Mandarin Chinese is being taught because we know that's an important language."

Erin Lasky, a social studies teacher at Colonie Central High School, was also part of the education contingent. On the South Colonie School District website, Lasky offered her

own reflections.

"Before I left for China, one of my students asked me to find out, 'Why are the Chinese students beating us at everything?'" said Lasky. "After my trip, I can say that we both have things to learn. ... We learn about ourselves through comparison to others and a future relationship with a Chinese school will provide us both with the tools to improve our teaching and learning."

Last year, Colonie Central High School and TVHS played the role of host to a delegation of 32 students and four educators from Tianjin High School No. 41 in China.

The trip wasn't all work and no play. Beloncik said the chances to sightsee were eye opening.

"We went into the city of Beijing, with 27 million people, and driving around it was 10 times worse than traffic in New York City. All the bicycles and buses were packed," said Beloncik. "We did see the Great Wall of China and other sites. It was a phenomenal learning lesson, too."

The 18-member delegation was planning to reunite on Monday, Nov. 28, to "debrief," said Beloncik.

For more information and reflections from the trip, visit the blog run by TVHS at educationpartnership.blogspot.com.

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'Aida' takes stage at SLOC

Schenectady Light Opera Company will present the Capital District Community Theater premiere of Elton John's "Aida," under the direction of Michael Mensching.

Part Broadway musical, part dance spectacular and part rock concert, AIDA is a story about the power and timelessness of love. Winner of four Tony Awards in 2000, including best lighting, scenic design, best actress and best musical score, AIDA features music by Elton John and lyrics by Tim Rice, who wrote the lyrics for hit shows like Jesus Christ Superstar and Evita.

Set in ancient Egypt, the story focuses on the Nubian princess, Aida, who is captured by an Egyptian captain, Radames. He saves her from a life of hard labor by giving her as a handmaiden to the Egyptian princess Amneris, his future bride.

"Aida" will be performed Dec. 2 and 3 and 8 to 10 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 4 and 11 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the box office by calling 877-350-7378 or at www.sloctheater.org.

Milestones

Carmelo G. Russo, M.D.

Carmelo G. Russo, M.D., 79, formerly of Delmar, NY and Simsbury, CT died on Thursday, November 17, 2011.

Dr. Russo was the husband of the late Paula (Hamm) Russo. He was born in Hartford, CT, February 22, 1932, son of the late Sebastian and Serafina (Corpaci) Russo. Dr. Russo graduated from Buckley High School, Trinity College and Hahnemann Medical School in Philadelphia.

Dr. Russo's medical practice of radiology began in 1960 at Hartford Hospital and continued at St. Mary's Hospital in Waterbury, CT and St. Peter's Hospital in Albany, NY. In 1995, he and his wife retired in Simsbury, CT.

A devoted husband, father and grandfather, Dr. Russo had a passion for spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren, and put them before everything else. He also took pleasure in his work, was an avid reader, and enjoyed art and being outdoors.

He is survived by two sons, Philip S. Russo of Weston, CT and Michel H. Russo and his

wife, Bethany of Montclair, NJ; two daughters, Lorinda M. DellaCorte and her husband, Greg of Ridgefield, CT and Elizabeth S. Pulling and her husband, Randy of Cromwell, CT; a brother, Salvatore Russo and his wife, Judy of Bellingham, WA; a sister, Serafina Tangarone and her husband, Abel of Hartford, CT; grandchildren Angele, Kaedryn, Chaz, Toryn, Jasper, Olivia, Colson and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, Dr. Russo was predeceased by a daughter in law, Nikki Chunhi Cho.

A Memorial Service will take place at the Rocky Hill Congregational Church, 805 Old Main St., Rocky Hill, CT on Saturday, December 3, 2011 at 2pm.

There will be no calling hours.

Contributions in Dr. Russo's memory and honor may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Connecticut Chapter, 2075 Silas Deane Highway, Suite 100, Rocky Hill, CT 06067.

Kane Funeral Home, 25 Catoona St., Ridgefield is in charge of arrangements.



Marty and Amelia Scardino

Scardinis mark 60 years

Marty and Amelia Scardino of Maida Lane, Rotterdam, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner party. The dinner party was given by their children and spouses; Marty and Debbie Scardino of Esperance; Mark Scardino of Clifton Park; Michael and Joann Scardino of Bonita Springs, Florida; and Mary Jo and Mark Sullivan of Niskayuna.

Marty and Amelia were

married on October 14, 1951, in Schenectady.

The former Amelia Ciarmiello graduated from Nott Terrace High School and worked at the Schenectady County Department of Social Services SJTA (Schenectady Job Training Agency). Her husband graduated from Nott Terrace High School and was a home-building carpenter.

They have five grandchildren.

AMC annual gala slated for Dec. 2

Albany Medical Center's 28th annual "Dancing in the Woods" black tie gala, will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 2 at the former Macy's store in Crossgates Mall.

Proceeds will support the Melodies Center for Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders at the Children's Hospital at Albany Med. The largest fundraising initiative in the region, "Dancing in the Woods" will be catered by Franklin Plaza/Michael's catering and musical entertainment will be provided by the New York Players.

Tickets are \$175 per person and can be purchased by contacting the Albany Medical Center Foundation at 262-8892, caseym1@mail.amc.edu or online at www.amc.edu/dancing.

Community Voices plans holiday program

Capital Community Voices, directed by Julie Panke, will present a program of classical and popular holiday songs on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 pm at Genet Elementary School, Route 4, East Greenbush.

The program will include classical selections by Mozart, Mendelssohn, Thompson and Rutter. Tickets are \$8 for general admission and \$6 for seniors and students.



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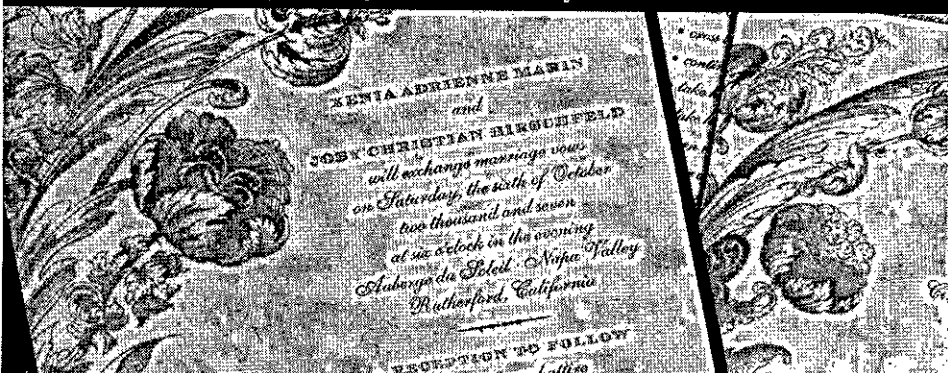
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Coeymans span reopened

Albany County officials have re-opened the Old Ravena Road North Bridge in Coeymans, which has been closed since January 2009.

The 410-foot-long bridge was opened on Wednesday, Nov. 23. The bridge crosses the CSX rail lines and was closed nearly three years ago due to safety concerns. A new steel and concrete span was built for the price of \$7.3 million, with 80 percent of the project federally funded, 15 percent state funded, and the remaining five percent funded by the Town of Coeymans.

The county administered the project as part of an agreement with the town.

There are three bridges along a more than two-mile stretch of old Ravena Road. The South Bridge over the CSX rail line was replaced in 2005.

Ministry group hosts coat day

Safe Harbor will be holding a Coat Day at Rock Road Chapel in Berne on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to noon. Donors can drop off clean and gently used items or come and pick up winter coats, sweaters, mittens, hats, boots or blankets for those in need. For more information call 872-9706 or 872-1405 to schedule a donation drop off or pick up.

An historic Christmas tour

On Sunday, Dec. 11, from noon to 4 p.m., St. Patrick's Church will host its Christmas house tour in Ravena to benefit the community giving tree.

The giving tree is the part of the food pantry that provides gifts for the children from torn families who will be receiving Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets.

Homes dating from the 1800s in Cedar Hill, South Bethlehem, Coeymans, and New Baltimore will be dressed for the season in their holiday finery of wreaths, candles, garland, decorated trees and fire places. Tickets are available at St. Patrick's 21 Main Street, Ravena and the Parish Center on

North Clement Avenue. For information, call 756-3145 or 756-2957.

First adoption clinic set

Happy Cat Rescue, Inc. will hold its first cat and kitten adoption clinic Dec. 3 at Guilderland Animals Hospital, 4963 Western Turnpike (Route 20), Altamont, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The kittens and young cats have been spayed, neutered, had shots and been tested. They all were rescued and need nice loving homes.

For more information, contact Marcia at 334-3195

Family Dance open to all

The next Delmar Family Dance will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Avenue, Delmar. Participatory contra, square and international folk dancing, singing, playparty games.

All dances taught. No experience or partner needed. Caller Paul Rosenberg with live string band music by Tame Rutabaga. Donation: \$1 to \$5.

For more information, call 482-9255 or visit www.danceflurry.org

RSVP now for NYC trip

The Town of Guilderland Parks & Recreation Department has a limited number of seats available for a bus trip to New York City. RSVP with payment by Dec. 1. The trip is on Saturday, Dec. 10, and departs from Crossgates Commons at 7 a.m. from the PetSmart parking lot. The bus arrives back at 10 p.m. The cost is \$38 per person.

Donations to be matched

A board member of the CMTA (Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association) will match up to \$25,000 of funds raised at the Art de Cure's "Starry Night" reception on Dec. 2.

Now showing at the Art de Cure Gallery, located at Clinical Prosthetics + Orthotics at 149 South Lake Avenue, Albany, "Starry Night" from Nov.

Ribbon cut on new offices



Town of Bethlehem officials and members of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce gathered recently to cut the ribbon on the Law Offices of Mark Jordan, which are newly expanded and located at 340 Delaware Avenue. Jordan is a Bethlehem Town Board member and incoming town justice.

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For more information on the CMTA, visit www.cmtausa.org.

Learn about centerpieces

Master Gardener Audrey Hawkins and Cornell Cooperative Extension staff will present a program on the basics of crafting a simple centerpiece, with evergreen boughs and decorations available to personalize, on Saturday, Dec. 10, at CCE at 24 Martin Road in Voorheesville.

Come learn the basics so you can create a centerpiece for any occasion.

Cost: materials fee of \$25 payable by Dec. 7 to secure a place in the class. Call Lisa Cox at 765-3512 to pre-register. Payment is required before the class.

Educator event at Five Rivers

A teacher workshop on the award-winning curriculum-enhancement program Project Learning Tree (PLT) will be conducted on Saturday, Dec. 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

Participants will receive a free Project Learning Tree Activity Guide, full of stimulating hands-on activities which correlate to New York State learning standards. The workshop, in celebration of the U.N.'s International Year of Forests, is open to teachers and youth leaders free of charge, but space is limited. Please call the center at 475-0291 to register by Friday, Dec. 2.

Annual Silver Tea scheduled

The Bethlehem Historical Association will hold its annual Holiday Silver Tea with displays of An Adirondack Christmas. All are welcome to attend. The event will be held Sunday, Dec. 4 and Monday, Dec. 5, from 1-4 p.m. Kathy Dorn, a musician from Latham, will play holiday selections. The association meets at the Cedar Hill School House at 1003 River Road, Selkirk.

BC Shakespeare play approaches

An annual Bethlehem tradition is in the final stages of preparation as the high school's Shakespearean company prepares to stage the 23rd annual Shakespeare production, running this year from Dec. 9-11 and Dec. 16-18.

"The students chose Romeo and Juliet this summer," said James C. Yeara, drama and English teacher at Bethlehem Central High School, and director of the play. "In addition to the well-known ill fated romance, this play features much action in the form of both stage combat as well as some dance. There is also classic lighthearted mirth to relieve the sadness of the tragedy. You will walk away with much to consider as is usual with a Shakespearean play."

"This is my fourth

year working on the Shakespeare play," said Aliza Abolafia, a senior and the student director of this year's show. "It's given me a lot of insight into Shakespeare's works, and being the student director is a fun challenge."

40 students make up this year's cast and tech crew. Casting took place in September, and rehearsals began shortly thereafter.

Romeo and Juliet is a romantic tragedy written early in the career of playwright William Shakespeare. It is about the famous "star cross'd lovers" of two enemy families who when they meet, forbidden love ensues. It was among Shakespeare's most popular stories of young love.

"It's a bitter sweet and

poignant play, one that the community can embrace and enjoy," Yeara said. "I think everyone will be blown away by the energy and the passion that the students bring to the performance. Romeo and Juliet is not to be missed. It'll be a great night out for everyone."

Romeo and Juliet will be performed Friday through Sunday, Dec. 9-11, and Dec. 16-18 in the auditorium at Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Friday shows are at 7 p.m.; Saturday shows are at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sunday shows are at 2 p.m. Admission costs \$10 for adults, \$6 for students, senior citizens and military personnel. Tickets will be available at the door or can be reserved at theatrewithoutanet.org.

4 to Feb. 1, 2012. The reception with silent auction and raffles on Dec. 2, from 5-9 p.m., will benefit the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association's STAR initiative for research for CMT, the most commonly inherited peripheral neuropathy.

The event will feature complimentary wine,

light fare and live music, to accompany original art by regional artists, including acrylics, framed photography, quilts, autographed books, hand made jewelry, silk scarves and more.

Art de Cure is a collaboration between art and medicine, showcasing art in the community to

benefit a cure. Galleries are housed in medical practices and work of regional artists is on display. The host practice chooses the charity that will benefit and Art de Cure curates the show.

For more information on "Starry Night," visit www.artdecure.org/CPO.php

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Still soaring at 83

Schenectady man sky high as he earns glider license

By JOHN PURCELL
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At 83 years old, Dr. Robert Mitchell may be one of the oldest new pilots in the nation, but he's just happy to be gliding through the sky.

Mitchell earned his FAA Private Pilot License for glider planes earlier this month at Saratoga County Airport. He trained for three years before taking the exam.

This wasn't the first time Mitchell had stepped into the cockpit, though.

"I started flying when I was in medical school back in Scotland and I have always been quite enthusiastic about flying," said Mitchell. "It was a childhood dream that I would be a pilot."

Mitchell grew up in Britain the years before

and during World War II. He was 12 years old during the Battle of Britain, the air campaign waged by the German Air Force against the United Kingdom during the summer and autumn of 1940. The battle also marked the first major campaign fought exclusively by air forces.

"That was a very important part of my life experience as a child," Mitchell said of the Battle of Britain. "The adventure, excitement ... probably a lot of kids my age then wanted to be fighter pilots and save the country."

World War II concluded before he was old enough to join the air force, but he did serve as a cadet in the British Royal Air Force for five years and flew de Havilland Tiger Moth biplanes with the Aberdeen University Air Squadron.

Mitchell has lived in the United States since

1955 and currently lives in the City of Schenectady. He also graduated from medical school before moving to the states. He now works at Saratoga Hospital in the psychiatric clinic part time. He said he finds his work similar to flying, because both have elements of the unknown.

Gliders don't have an engine, so they use updrafts called thermals to keep the plane flying through the air. Airliner pilots don't welcome turbulence, he said, but some turbulence is a good thing for glider pilots. An ideal soaring day would be a couple of days after a cold front passed when there are "lots of floppy" cumulus clouds.

Keeping the ground in sight is also a good idea too, he said.

"There is a particular emphasis on staying within reach of fields of possible landing places



Saratoga Soaring Association members congratulate Dr. Robert Mitchell on earning his FAA Private Pilot (Glider) License on Friday, Nov. 4, at the Saratoga County Airport. From left; Fred Woll, tow pilot; Jim Morzillo, FAA Examiner; Pam Grandin, student pilot; Robert Mitchell; and Doug Hatch, Mitchell's endorsing instructor and mentor.

Submitted photo

since there is no engine and the plane has to come down some time," he said. "Decisions that you make are extremely important so it is really an exercise in judgment and planning ahead and at all

times being fully aware of your situation."

Mitchell's FAA exam was a three-part test involving a written exam, oral exam and flying demonstration, which had an in-flight

emergency imposed by the examiner unknown to Mitchell.

To simulate an emergency the examiner,

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substance. Goldman was remanded to the Albany County Correctional Facility on \$20,000 bail.

Police charged Phillip Harewood, 22, of Monroe, with unlawful possession of marijuana. Harewood was a passenger in the car.

• Bethlehem police have charged a Staten Island man with DWI and criminal possession of stolen property following a Nov. 21 traffic stop.

Police said Ricardo Efrain Rodriguez, 31, of Staten Island, was traveling southbound on Route 9W at a high rate of speed.

Police said Rodriguez went through a red light at the intersection of Route 9W and Corning Hill Road and also crossed the road's double yellow line.

Rodriguez was stopped without incident. Police discovered that the Port Authority Police Department in Jersey City, N.J., was also looking for Rodriguez.

He allegedly admitted that he rented the car in September and planned on returning it, but never did due to financial problems. Rodriguez told officers he worked at CSX and was living out of his car.

Rodriguez also allegedly admitted that he had four or five beers before police stopped him.

Flying

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Saratoga Soaring Association member Jim Morzillo, jammed the air brake on, making it unusable for regulating speed during the final landing approach.

Describing his draw to flight was a little hard for Mitchell, but he said fellow fliers know the feeling.

"I just have a passion for flying, I would say it is a passion more than just a hobby," he said. "Other people who have the flying bug know what I am talking about. It is a kind of a passion that some people have. Everybody dreams flying dreams but to actually be able to do it and be up there is a wonderful experience."

Last Saturday, he also flew his 24-year-old grandson Shane Mitchell, which he said was his third passenger.

"There may be other experiences like flying, but for me it is the best experience," he said.

Reaching a Milestone



A crowd turned out for the ribbon cutting of the new Milestone Restaurant, at 9 Frontage Road in Glenmont. The Mastrantuono family is pictured here with Assemblyman Steve McLaughlin, left. Other notable attendees were Bethlehem Town Supervisor Sam Messina, Guilderland Chamber President Kathy Burbank, Colonie Chamber President Tom Nolte and Bethlehem Chamber President Jennifer Kilcoyne.

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Notice of Formation Razz Twin Capital LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/13/2011. 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. 76973 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Qualification of Brock Services, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/11/11. Fictitious name in NY State: Brock Services of New York, LLC. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 9/30/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 10343 Sam Houston Park Dr., Ste. 200, Houston, TX 77064. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, P.O. Box 13697, Austin, TX 78711. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 76972 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of THE ART DEPARTMENT CREATIVE SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/14/11. 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. 76970 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ISLAND SPARKLING WATERS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/14/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC

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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. 76969 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CHINA RED FRAGRANCES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/18/11. 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. 77139 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MY-TRAVEL INSIDER LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/19/11. 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. 77119 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Court Street Vision Express LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/20/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2504 Flatbush Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11234. General Purposes. 77116 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Island Smokes XVII LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/28/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210 will be design. 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. General Purposes. 77115 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Island Smokes XIII LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/28/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210 will be design. 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. General Purposes. 77114 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Island Smokes XXI LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/6/11. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY design. as agt. upon whom process may be served. A. Almonte, Esq. P.C., 119 Washington Ave., 101, Albany, NY 12210 will be design. 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. General Purposes. 77113 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Universal Food Solutions,

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LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/24/11. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Jorge Morales, 1200 Brickell Bay Dr., Unit 3915, Miami, FL, 33131. Purpose: any lawful activities. 77112 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Audition NYC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/20/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 11 North Pearl St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77111 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of mile-sperhour LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/20/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 11 North Pearl St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77110 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JOY-RIDER FILMS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/25/11. 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. 77107 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Bloomah's Delights, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY (SOS) on 9/14/11. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 102 Gullane Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 77450 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Northeast Green Center, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY (SOS) on 9/23/11. Office location: Rensselaer County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 215 Oakwood Avenue, Troy, NY 12182. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 77449 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Sweeney Holdings, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on 10/26/11. Office location: Albany County. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 8 Interstate Avenue, Albany, New

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York 12205. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 77448 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Rubin Productions, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/17/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 143 W. 72nd St., NY, NY 10023. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77447 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Stonebridge Enclave LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on 10/11/11. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd. 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12211. The street address of the principal business location is c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12211. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. 77446 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of OHD-LIBERTY GARDENS II LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 10/27/2011. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: I. David Swawite, 40 Beaver St., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 77444 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Fore Sight, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY (SOS) on 11/1/11. Office location: Albany County. Corporation Service Company is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 116 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 77443 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of THE HAYMARKET ANNEX II, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 10/31/11. 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. 77442 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Endorphin Business Center LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 10/20/11. Office location: Albany County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Erik

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Bunaes, 22 Schuyler Hills Road, Albany, NY 12211. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77440 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 1510(g) of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, action was taken by the Bethlehem Cemetery Association to bring lots into compliance with rules and regulations in place. Shrubbery and/or lot decorations, plants or bedding materials that impede safe and cost-effective groundskeeping were removed and a charge of \$75 applied to the lot record. This action was taken after legal notice was placed for two weeks (15-days) in this publication and/or a registered/certified letter was sent to the last known address. Additional notice attempt was made by flagging said lots on or about June 20, 2011. Lots effected: SECTION A: Vaillancourt; Crocker, Needham, Haverly, Smith, Fryer/Simoneaux and DeForest. SECTION B: Devlin, Root, Vanderpool, Curran, Lussier. SECTION C: Thornton, Macri, Marone. PC2: Carman. SECTION D: Dill, Wright, Haber, Biermeister, Cookfair, Baxter/Hulihan, Vieno and Stawowy. 77439 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Allrich Trans LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/4/2011. 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. 77430 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation HGS Properties LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/3/2011. 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. 77429 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of DrainYou LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/18/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 305 Broadway, 14 Fl., NY, NY 10007. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 77426 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Crackerman LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/18/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 305 Broadway, 14 Fl., NY, NY 10007. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 77425 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Bab's Uvula LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/18/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 305 Broadway, 14 Fl., NY, NY 10007. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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77424 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

RealSource, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 11/1/11. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Attn: Scott C. Paton, Esq., c/o McName, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C., PO Box 459, Albany, NY 12201-0459. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 77423 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Diabetes Care Club, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/30/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Tennessee (TN) on 2/21/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 875 Ave. of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. Address to be maintained in DE: 6840 Carothers Pkwy, Ste. 600, Franklin, TN 37067, also the principal office address. Arts of Org. filed with the TN Secretary of State, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., 6th Fl., Snodgrass Tower, Nashville, TN 37243-1102. Purpose: any lawful activities. 77422 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of AY-SAAR LLC, a domestic LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 07/01/2011. office location Albany. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC 4 New Hyde Park Road, Ste #4 Franklin Square, NY 11010 Purpose any lawful act. 77420 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation of Brooklyn Suite LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 11/8/10. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1650 Eastern Pkwy Ste 212, Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77419 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BFGSE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/27/11. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 610 Park Ave., Apt. 2 B-C, NY, NY 10068. Registered agent: Robert Pildes, 610 Park Ave., Apt. 2 B-C, NY, NY 10068. Purpose: any lawful activities. 77418 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Dynamite Enterprises, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/13/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 511 W. 54th St., NY, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77413 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is MARK R. LASSONDE, LLC
2. The Articles of organization of the Limited Liability Company were filed on November 1, 2011 with the New York Secretary of State.
3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served.
5. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process served to the Limited Liability Company to 6348 French's Hollow Road, Almont, NY 12009.
6. The latest date to dissolve is indefinite.
7. The purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to conduct all lawful activity. 77412 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is 288 Morton Ave, LLC
2. The Articles of organization of the Limited Liability Company were filed on November 2, 2011 with the New York Secretary of State.
3. The office of the Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County.
4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served.
5. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process served to the Limited Liability Company to 2039 Indian Fields Road, Feura Bush, NY 12067.
6. The latest date to dissolve is indefinite.
7. The purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to conduct all lawful activity. 77690 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Proven Network Solutions LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/24/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 420 Bullock Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: all lawful activities. 77692 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation The Port NYC LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/21/2011. 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. 77693 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation James McDonald Construction Services, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/28/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 64 Krikor Drive, North Falmouth, MA 02556. Purpose: all lawful activities. 77694 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation of USA SUPPLEMENTS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/7/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail

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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. 77695 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation of FRUIT ARRANGEMENTS 11238 LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/7/11. 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. 77700 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: COLUMBIA BETH-LEHEM BERK LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, August 25, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. 77699 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: COLUMBIA BETH-LEHEM SEF LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, August 25, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. 77701 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: 1529 WESTERN, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, September 22, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 2050 Western Ave., Suite 201, Gunderland, NY 12084. 77703 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: FDC 1529 WESTERN LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, September 22, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 2050 Western Ave., Suite 201, Gunderland, NY 12084. 77704 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: FRESH TREATS GUILDERLAND LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, July 22, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 1512 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. 77705 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: FRESH TREATS HOLDINGS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, July 22, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 1512 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. 77706 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: VF 1529 WESTERN, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, September 22, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 2050 Western Ave., Suite 201, Gunderland, NY 12084. 77707 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF DIAMOND CUSTOM INTERIOR RENOVATIONS, LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/16/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to 54 Hudson Ave., Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 77726 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Stonebridge DHC LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on 11/04/11. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12211. The street address of the principal business location is c/o Dawn Homes Management, LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12211. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. 77727 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: JESSIE ALBERT, RECEIVER LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, November 10, 2011. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. 77728 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of SDA REALTY GROUP, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/8/11. 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. 77853 (D) (November 30, 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 Genesis Associates II, LLC. b. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on September 30, 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: Anthony Grasso, 1 Arizona Avenue, Sherwood Park, Rensselaer, New York 12144. e. The Limited Liability Company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes. 77854 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ACUMEN ASSOCIATES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/9/11. 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. 77856 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Petron Energy, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/4/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 7/26/10. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Incorp Services, Inc., One Commerce Plaza - 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805-A, Albany, NY 12210-2822. Address to be maintained in DE: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts of Org. filed with the DE Secretary of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activities. 77859 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of TARA LAURENCE HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/10/11. 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. 77860 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GIOVANNI CONTRACTING LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/2/11. 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. 77861 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The name of the limited liability company is LIBRARY CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC, and the Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on October 26, 2011. The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him is 402 Feura Bush Road, Glenmont, NY 12077-2984. The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more members. The purpose for which this limited liability company is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity in which a limited liability company may engage under the laws of the State of New York, all subject to, and in accordance with, applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. 77862 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation Precision Risk Solutions LLC of org filed with SSNY 10/6/2011. Off. Loc. Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 135 Kennewick Circle Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: all lawful activities. 77863 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CASTLE RESTORATION LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/14/11. 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. 77865 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of SALA4, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/14/11. 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. 77866 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of LIBERTY GARDENS ASSOCIATES II, L.P. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 11/3/2011. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Liberty Gardens Associates II, L.P., c/o Omni Housing Development LLC, 40 Beaver St., 5th Fl., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 77867 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation The Law Firm of Daniel M. O'Hara PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/8/2011. 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. 77869 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation CGB Realty Holdings LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/15/2011. 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. 77870 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 163 Fourth Ave Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/14/2011. 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. 77871 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of formation of Yellow Dog Media, LLC (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on November 15, 2011. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy to 3049 Evelyn Avenue, Schenectady, New York 12303. Duration: Perpetual. Purpose: to conduct any lawful act or activity for which limited liabilities may be formed under the law. 77878 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Kenneth Gibbons L.L.C. (a foreign professional service limited liability company) App. for Authority filed with Sec of State NY (SSNY) on 9/26/11. NY Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey on 11/5/10. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail process to its foreign add: 7 Riggs Place West Orange NJ 07052. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Sec. of State Division of Revenue 33 West State Street 5th Fl. Trenton NJ 08608. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to practice the profession of public accounting. 77879 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC CBM Farm LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on 11/15/11. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to the LLC, at LLC, 60 Meriam Street, Lexington, Massachusetts 02420. The street address of the principal business location is 348-350 Albany Hill Rd., Rensselaerville, NY. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. 77880 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: THINKING, HORS-ES, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with Sec'y of State of NY on 11/3/2011. Office loca-

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tion: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 110 Salisbury Rd, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful activity. 77881 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HELEN OF TROY ANTIQUITIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 11/18/11. 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. 77882 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Success Symbols, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on October 11, 2011, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 28 Upper Wedgewood Lane, Voorheesville, New York 12186, which is the principal business location. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law. 77883 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation of Lakeshore Holdings Group LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 9/19/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to PO Box 1933, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: any lawful activities. Latest date 1/1/2109. 77886 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation of Jan's Wash and Wax, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 10/18/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 56 Haswell Rd., Watervliet, NY 12189. Purpose: any lawful activities. Latest date 12/31/2110. 77880 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation of Digital Age Distribution, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 10/28/11. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 12 Petra Lane, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful activities. 77981 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Qual. of CSP Albany LLC, Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 10/31/11. Office loc.: Albany County. LLC org. in DE 10/20/11. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of proc. to Robert Heidenberg, Lerner-Heidenberg Proper-

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ties, 234 Closter Dock Rd., Closter, NJ 07624. DE off. addr.: 160 Greentree Dr., Ste. 101, Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. on file: SSDE, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purp.: any lawful activities. 77982 (D) (November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 40 Butler St Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/23/2011. 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. 77983 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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Notice of Formation Rare Books Consulting LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 11/22/2011. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 77984 (D) (November 30, 2011)

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SURROGATE'S COURT - ONONDAGA COUNTY 3RD SUPPLEMENTAL CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK by the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: CHARLENE A. THOMPSON if living and if dead, to her heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are, unknown and if she died subsequent to the decedent herein, to her executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of CHARLENE A. THOMPSON the decedent herein, whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot, after diligent inquiry, be ascertained. A petition having been duly filed by DOROTHY D. THOMPSON who is domiciled at 200 Polk Street, Apartment One, Syracuse, NY 13224, YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Onondaga County, at 401 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, NY 13202 on December 20, 2011, at 9:30 in the forenoon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the Estate of CHARLES A. THOMPSON, lately domiciled at 300 Polk Street, Syracuse, NY 13224, authorizing DOROTHY D. THOMPSON, as Administratrix of the Estate of CHARLES A. THOMPSON, deceased, To distribute and allocate the net settlement proceeds of \$31,965.61, derived from the gross settlement with defendant PFIZER INCORPORATED in the sum of \$50,000.00, the adequacy of the gross settlement offer from defendant PFIZER INCORPORATED in the sum of \$50,000.00, as well as attorneys' fees to WEITZ & LUXENBERG, P.C. in the amount of \$15,982.80 and return of disbursements incurred by WEITZ & LUXENBERG, P.C. in the amount of \$2,051.59 having been approved by order of the Supreme Court, New York County, dated May 21, 2011, leaving net settlement proceeds of \$31,965.61, it being respectfully requested that this Court determine the allocation and distribution of the net settlement proceeds as set forth herein; To allocate fifty percent (50%) of the net settlement proceeds to the cause of action for conscious pain and suffering and fifty percent (50%) of the net settlement proceeds to the cause of action for wrongful death

Fire

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"What we're trying to do is more cooperation so that we can ultimately get to a situation where the service that you get across the town is entirely consistent," said Lutz. "The average is OK, but we really need to strive to be better than just the middle of the pack."

Details of the study indicate that if consolidation is a possibility, the five districts could be combined into two, with the creation of a town-wide district a possibility within 10 years of that consolidation. The report also states that a "considerable amount of the benefits of consolidation can be achieved through greater cooperation leading to a functional integration of operations."

Lutz stressed that it is important for departments to keep their identity while also working together in a more collaborative fashion.

"I don't think there's a need to necessarily consolidate the districts into one district, at least in the short term," said Lutz.

The hope is that the results will give departments a framework to use as they plan for the next 10 years and try to reduce costs.

Over that time, the town is expected to see tremendous growth with a number of development projects moving forward, such as the Vista Technology Park and the mixed-use Wemple Corners project, to name a few. While fire coverage issues are taken into consideration during development talks, the report does indicate that existing district boundaries "bear little relation to modern development patterns, and in some cases inhibit management and delivery

of fire services."

Right now, departments consistently provide mutual aid in many areas of the town, such as at the Price Chopper Plaza on Route 85 in Slingerlands. As they continue to collaborate, Lutz said it is important for everyone to be on the same page.

"For example, if a firefighter from Selkirk ends up having to help out on a crew from Elmsmere, that firefighter should know where Elmsmere's tools are on each one of its pieces of equipment," said Lutz.

The report also takes non-residents into consideration. Lutz said it is important to remember that thousands of people are moving through the town every hour, including on the Thruway.

"Our ability to be responsive to their needs is something that we have to continue to grow and prepare for," said Lutz.

Finding enough firefighters is a problem plaguing many departments across the nation, as many volunteers are struggling to find the time between work and family to serve with local departments. One issue raised in the report is that many of the volunteer firefighters in Bethlehem are town employees. A recommendation in the report is for a better utilization of those employees, as well as all volunteers, with consideration given to their full-time jobs.

Manitou, Inc., a Peekskill-based firm, conducted the study at a cost of more than \$54,000, which was split between the fire districts.

The full report can be found online at www.townofbethlehem.org and at www.elmsmerefire.com. A public presentation of the findings will be given Nov. 30 at 6 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central High School auditorium.

State museum plans activities

The state museum in Albany has the following activities planned for Dec. 1 to 7.

•Chocolate Expo & Holiday Gift Market

Sunday, Dec. 4, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., first floor exhibition Halls

Cost: \$3/person; children 12 and under are free.

Shop, sip, and sample at the State Museum's annual Chocolate Expo & Holiday Gift Market. Browse through the galleries featuring more than 35 of the region's chocolatiers, specialty food producers, clothing and jewelry artisans and more. There will be children's activities and chocolate dipping fountains.

•Story Art

Friday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m., Kids

Cove

Cost: Free. Pick up tickets at the front desk.

Enjoy the museum by listening to a story, exploring objects from the teaching collection and creating a fun art project. Themes will be announced on the day of the program.

•Furry Tales and Touchables

Saturdays, Dec. 3 and 17, Meet at Discovery Place at 11 a.m.

Cost: Free. Recommended for children 4 to 6 years old.

A storybook reading comes to life as youngsters observe and touch real and replica museum specimens that relate to the story.

•Trash to Treasure

Saturday, Dec. 3, 1 to 3 p.m., Adirondack Hall classrooms.

Cost: Free.

Trash to Treasures features an art project using manufacturing mistakes and materials destined for the landfill.

•Music Jam

Every Thursday, noon to 2 p.m., Adirondack Hall

Cost: Free.

Take a lunch-time musical break or join the musicians as they play acoustic music inspired by the Celtic tradition of jigs, reels, waltzes, hornpipes and marches, as well as occasional popular songs, jazz standards and early music. All levels of skill on any acoustic instruments are welcome.

Talks

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come to an agreement that not only meets the needs of our committed staff but that is also fair to our taxpayers, as well," said O'Connell.

Teachers in the district are currently working off of their previous contract, which was adopted in July 2008 and which expired in June 2011. Under state law, the provisions of an expired contract stay in place until a new one is adopted.

Dubose said the slow-moving negotiations are not having an impact on day-to-day operations in classrooms.

"Our members are professionals, and teachers are still providing the same education they've always provided for the students in

Guilanderland," said Dubose. "This is the next step, and we hope through a third party that we're able to work out a deal."

Both sides credit tough economic times as the main reason for the stalled talks. District officials attribute the declaration to a mix of increasing costs and declining revenues.

"Like every other district, we have a genuine revenue problem," said Guilanderland Superintendent Marie Wiles. "We have flat or declining state aid, and with the new property tax levy limit legislation, we have a new ceiling on how much revenue we can generate from our community through taxes."

According to the district's website, about three-quarters of the district's yearly budget is used for salaries and benefits. Dubose declined to talk about the individual sticking points

between the two sides, but did say that the two sides are closer than when they began last year. He made it clear that teachers recognize there needs to be a proper balance achieved.

"We recognize the economic times and as an association, we're willing to look at some short-term sacrifices but not long term hardships," said Dubose.

There's been no indication of how long it may take both sides to reach a new contract with the help of a mediator. In his 10 years in the district, Dubose said he cannot remember a time when both sides haven't been able to sit down at the table and work out a contract. However, he is confident that it won't take another 20 meetings to do so.

"I mean, it's unusual, but given the economic times that we're in right now, this is where we are," said Dubose.

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against the aforementioned defendant;
To allocate the net sum of \$15,982.81, representing fifty percent (50%) of the net settlement proceeds, to the conscious pain and suffering claim belonging to the decedent's Estate, to be distributed in accordance with EPTL Section 4-1.1:
TO: NAME
TO: DOROTHY D. THOMPSON, as and for her share as surviving spouse
and distributee of said decedent, pursuant to Section 4-1.1 of the Estates, Powers and Trusts Law, equal to 100% of net conscious pain and suffering proceeds (spouse is entitled to \$50,000.00 + 1/2 remainder; spouse received \$3,480.00 by prior Decree of this Court dated October 28, 2008; spouse has received \$100.98 from a prior settlement)
AMOUNT: \$15,982.81
TOTAL: \$15,982.81
To allocate the net sum of \$15,982.80, representing fifty percent (50%) of the net settlement proceeds, to the wrongful death of said decedent, to be distributed pursuant to EPTL Section 5-4.4 as follows:
TO: NAME TO: DOROTHY D. THOMPSON, as and for her share as surviving spouse and beneficiary of said decedent, pursuant to Section 5-4.4 of the Estates, Powers and Trusts Law, equal to 100% of net wrong-

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death proceeds
AMOUNT: \$15,982.80
TOTAL: \$15,982.80
To remove and/or modify the restrictions in the Limited Letters of Administration issued to DOROTHY D. THOMPSON, petitioner as such Administratrix, to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of such decree;
To dispense with the filing of a bond;
To discontinue this action against the defendant, PFIZER INCORPORATED, listed herein, and to continue against all other non-settling defendants; and
To judicially settle and allow petitioner's account with respect to the total amount of \$50,000.00 and to grant such other and further relief as may be just and proper.
HON. Ava S. Raphael
Surrogate
Dated, Attested and Sealed,
Allyn F. Campbell
November 4, 2011
Deputy Chief Clerk
(Seal)
WEITZ & LUXENBERG, P.C.
Telephone Number: (212) 558-5687
Attorney for Petitioner
700 Broadway, New York, NY 10003
Address of Attorney
(Note: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you.)
77724 (D)
(November 30, 2011)

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ELECTION AND SPECIAL REFERENDUM
SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK
DECEMBER 13, 2011
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Annual Election of the Slingerlands Fire District will take place on December 13, 2011, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the firehouse located at 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York for the purpose of:
1) Electing one Commissioner for a 5-year term commencing on January 1, 2012 and ending on December 31, 2016. All duly registered residents of the Slingerlands Fire District shall be eligible to vote. All individuals who wish to be candidates must file a petition with the Fire District Secretary at 628 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York, with 25 signatures of resident electors of the district by November 23rd, 2011; and
2) Electing one Treasurer for a 3-year term commencing on January 1, 2012 and ending on December 31, 2014. All duly registered residents of the Slingerlands Fire District shall be eligible to vote. All individuals who wish to be candidates must file a petition with the Fire District Secretary at 628 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York, with 25 signatures of resident electors of the district by November 23rd, 2011.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to the resolution duly adopted on October 11, 2011 by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Slingerlands Fire District, in the Towns of

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Bethlehem and New Scotland, Albany County, New York, a Special Referendum at the Annual Election of the qualified voters of said Fire District, will be held at the fire station located at 1520 New Scotland Road, in the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, in said Fire District, on December 13, 2011, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) and the polls to remain open until 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) or as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters then present to cast their votes to vote upon the following Proposition:
PROPOSITION NO. 1
SHALL the bond resolution of Slingerlands Fire District, in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, Albany County, New York, entitled: "A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED OCTOBER 11, 2011, OF THE SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE "FIRE DISTRICT"), AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF A CAPITAL PROJECT CONSISTING OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE EXISTING FIRE STATION OF THE FIRE DISTRICT LOCATED AT 1520 NEW SCOTLAND ROAD IN THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,800,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,800,000 OF SERIAL BONDS OF THE FIRE DISTRICT TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF SAID APPROPRIATION, OFF-

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SET BY ANY FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND/OR LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED; AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE SUCH BONDS AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE FIRE DISTRICT TREASURER; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A TAX TO BE COLLECTED TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS", be approved?
Such Proposition shall appear on the ballot labels at said Special Referendum at the Annual Election in substantially the following form:
PROPOSITION NO. 1
YES o NO
o
SHALL the bond resolution of Slingerlands Fire District, in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, Albany County, New York, entitled: "A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED OCTOBER 11, 2011, OF THE SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT, IN THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE "FIRE DISTRICT"), AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF A CAPITAL PROJECT CONSISTING OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE EXISTING FIRE STATION OF THE FIRE DISTRICT LOCATED AT 1520 NEW SCOTLAND ROAD IN THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,800,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,800,000 OF SERIAL BONDS OF THE FIRE DISTRICT TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF SAID

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APPROPRIATION, OFFSET BY ANY FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND/OR LOCAL FUNDS RECEIVED; AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE SUCH BONDS AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE FIRE DISTRICT TREASURER; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A TAX TO BE COLLECTED TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS", be approved?
The voting will be conducted by machine ballot as provided by law and the polls will remain open from 6:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) and as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters then present to cast their ballots.
NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN every elector of the Town who shall be a registered voter and who shall have resided in the Fire District for the period of 30 days prior to such Special Referendum at the Annual Election shall be eligible to vote.
NOTE: As at all public Fire Commissioner's meetings, reasonable accommodations and access are available.
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
DATED: 2011
/s/ Gayle A. Griffiths
FIRE DISTRICT SECRETARY
77725 (D)
(November 30, 2011)

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PUBLIC ELECTION NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that

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the Selkirk Board of Fire Commissioners of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, State of New York, will hold the Annual Public Election for the position of (1) Commissioner, for the term of five years commencing January 1, 2012. The election will be held at Fire Station No. 1, 126 Maple Avenue, Selkirk, on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Note, as with public commissioner meetings, reasonable accommodations and access are available.
Stephanie E. Sellers
District Secretary, Selkirk Fire District
Board of Fire Commissioners
77722 (D)
(November 30, 2011)

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed bids for the furnishing of an Aluminum 1500 GPM Pumper with a 750 Gallon Tank on a Custom Chassis will be received by the Village Clerk, Village of Voorheesville at 29 Voorheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, NY until 11:00 AM local time Friday, December 30, 2011 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Contract Documents, including Information For Bidders, Additional Instructions, Bid Documents, Agreement, General Conditions, General Requirements, Specifications, may be examined at no expense at the Village Clerk's office, 29 Voorheesville Avenue, Voorheesville, NY. Copies of the Documents may be obtained electronically by contacting the Village Clerk at 518-765-2692.
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(November 30, 2011)



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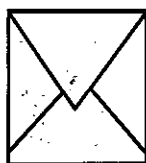


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Quick

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might be a good omen. I'm especially intrigued by what freshmen Evan Hymes and Brandon Walters bring to the table for the Saints.

Speaking of intriguing basketball players, Gerardo Suero could be the second great find for University at Albany coach Will Brown — the first being Jamar Wilson. Suero scored 23 points in 23 minutes on a bum ankle in the Great Danes' 81-62 victory over Farleigh Dickinson Sunday. Suero could be the difference between a good season and a great season on Washington Avenue Extension.

Did the Union College hockey team really beat Michigan 6-3 in Ann Arbor Sunday? Wow. I knew the Dutchmen would be good again this year, but beating a traditional Midwestern power in its barn is very impressive.

My early call on the Capital District High School Hockey League Division I hierarchy goes as follows: 1. Saratoga; 2a. Shenendehowa; 2b. Bethlehem; 4. LaSalle; 5. Shaker/Colonie; 6. Christian Brothers Academy. The order is subject to change, especially numbers four through six. The top three should remain the same.

I'll also give you my early call on the Suburban

Council boys and girls basketball contenders in the North Division: Shenendehowa and Shaker. That's it on both sides.

On the South side of the league, Bethlehem, Colonie and Guilderland will likely battle each other in boys basketball. In girls basketball, drop Guilderland from that list and keep Bethlehem and Colonie. The Guilderland girls team may improve over last year, but Bethlehem and Colonie are the clear frontrunners.

What brought teams from the University of North Carolina, Purdue and Arizona State to the Capital District? Last weekend's Journeymen/ASICS Northeast Collegiate Duals wrestling tournament at Hudson Valley Community College. And that represented only one fifth of the list of big-time teams that competed. Frank Popolizio continues to do more to raise the Capital District's sports image than any other individual I know.

I don't know how long it will take to sort out the American Hockey League's Northeast Division, but I think the Albany Devils will be the one to sink towards the bottom of the standings. The Devils have scored 51 goals in 20 games — the fourth lowest total in the Eastern Conference, and the third lowest total for any conference team that has played 20 or more games. As good as the goaltending has been at times, you still need to score more than 2.5 goals a game to win consistently at the pro level.

Finally, a word to all of those Buffalo Bills fans who thought their team was a shoo-in for the NFL playoffs after a 3-0 start: your team is just not that good. As for all of the New York Jets fans out there, your team is not that good either.

That takes care of all of the thoughts I had bottled up for two weeks. For more observations on the sports world, be sure to visit my spotlightnews.com blog page, Sports Scraps 2.0.

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Eagles

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made several saves in the third period and received help from his defense, which prevented the Jets from getting to the front of the net.

"I think they did a great job of shutting down the middle of the ice," said Shaker/Colonie coach Steve Hudak. "We couldn't get any dirty goals [in front]."

Bethlehem's offense also came through with a pair of insurance goals. Cameron Shepardson wristed one shot home with 9:38 left in the third period, and John Gosstola added an empty net goal with 9.1 seconds left.

"Hockey is a game of momentum, and you've got to stay focused and in control. And I think we were in control for the most part," said Rodrigue.

Cooley finished with 28 saves, while Shaker/Colonie netminders Zach Dignum and Kodi Riddell combined to stop 25 shots.

Both coaches said the weekend tournament gives them an idea of what their teams will have to work on before the start of the Capital District High School Hockey League season. For Bethlehem, it's working on technique, while Shaker/Colonie seeks to get more production from its offense.

"We need to work on taking care of the puck in the defensive zone," said Rodrigue. "We need

to work on stick-to-stick passing. Everything needs to be hard. We need to play hard, work hard and pass the puck hard."

"I think we're going to have to score five to six goals a game in order to win," said Hudak. "I think we have the capability to do it. We just have to play to our capability."

Bethlehem had something to prove to Mamaroneck when the two squads met in Friday's opening round of the Shaker/Colonie Thanksgiving Tournament. The Eagles lost to Mamaroneck 12-1 at the same tournament one year ago, and they hadn't forgotten about it since.

"It meant a lot to these guys," said Rodrigue. "We had 12 reasons to beat them this year because they beat us 12-1 last year."

Bethlehem grabbed a 2-0 lead at the start of the second period with two goals in 10 seconds. First, Sam Vincent tallied on the power play off a feed from Nicholas Parente 55 seconds into the frame. Then off Cameron Shepardson's face-off win, Chris Caswell passed the puck ahead to Andrew Carroll, who flicked a shot past Mamaroneck goaltender Bret Poniro to give Bethlehem a two-goal cushion.

"We knew it was important to come out focused in the second

period," said Rodrigue. "We had such a good first period, and we didn't want to get out-worked."

The Eagles' power play struck again at 6:16 of the second period. This time, Vincent passed the puck on to John Gosstola, and Gosstola finished it with a goal to make the score 3-0.

"We wanted to keep the pressure on them," said Rodrigue. "We had great special teams play all night."

Mamaroneck started applying some offensive pressure late in the second period and turned its play up a notch in the third period, but Bethlehem freshman goaltender Zach Sanchez was up to the task. Sanchez made several key saves and carried the shutout past the midpoint of the third period before the Tigers got late goals from Chris Leblanc and Nick Spano to make it close.

"They started playing more physical, and they tried to ring our bell a little bit," said Rodrigue. "But our guys stayed focused and played our game, and that's the most important thing."

Sanchez finished with 26 saves in his varsity debut for Bethlehem.

"I wanted to put him in a big game situation early in the season, and he played phenomenally," said Rodrigue.



Guilderland's Cameron Dobbs, left, and Mike Doynow are among six returning seniors for the Dutchmen as they begin their pursuit of the Suburban Council South Division boys basketball title. Guilderland begins its season Dec. 6 at Columbia. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

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said Guilderland coach Ron Osinski. "But otherwise we struggled with our offense, which put a strain on our defense."

Bethlehem lost a lot of its low post presence with the graduation of forwards Scott Clas and Ryan Stempsey, but Irons said his guards are ready to carry the load this season.

"We're a different type of team," said Irons. "We're guard heavy, but we're more skilled in terms of the different things they can do. They can drive to the basket, and they can shoot from the perimeter."

Irons also said the extra work his players put

in during the off-season should help them as they enter the throes of the Suburban Council season.

"Since the end of last season, they've been in the weight room three times a week, and they played on the same AAU team in the summer," said Irons. "I think they're motivated by the success of last season."

Osinski is banking on

the experience his players gained last season to help Guilderland become a contender in the South Division.

"The good thing is the five seniors I have back have a lot of playing experience, which helps the younger guys," said Osinski.

The Suburban Council season begins Dec. 6.

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Sports in the Spotlight

Eagles fly out of the gate

Bethlehem beats host team to win Shaker tourney

By ROB JONAS
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The Bethlehem hockey team used another goal-scoring flurry to win the Shaker/Colonie Thanksgiving Tournament title.

The Eagles (2-0-0) scored three times in a span of 3:34 in the second period on their way to beating Shaker/Colonie 5-2 in Saturday's championship game at the Albany County Hockey Facility.

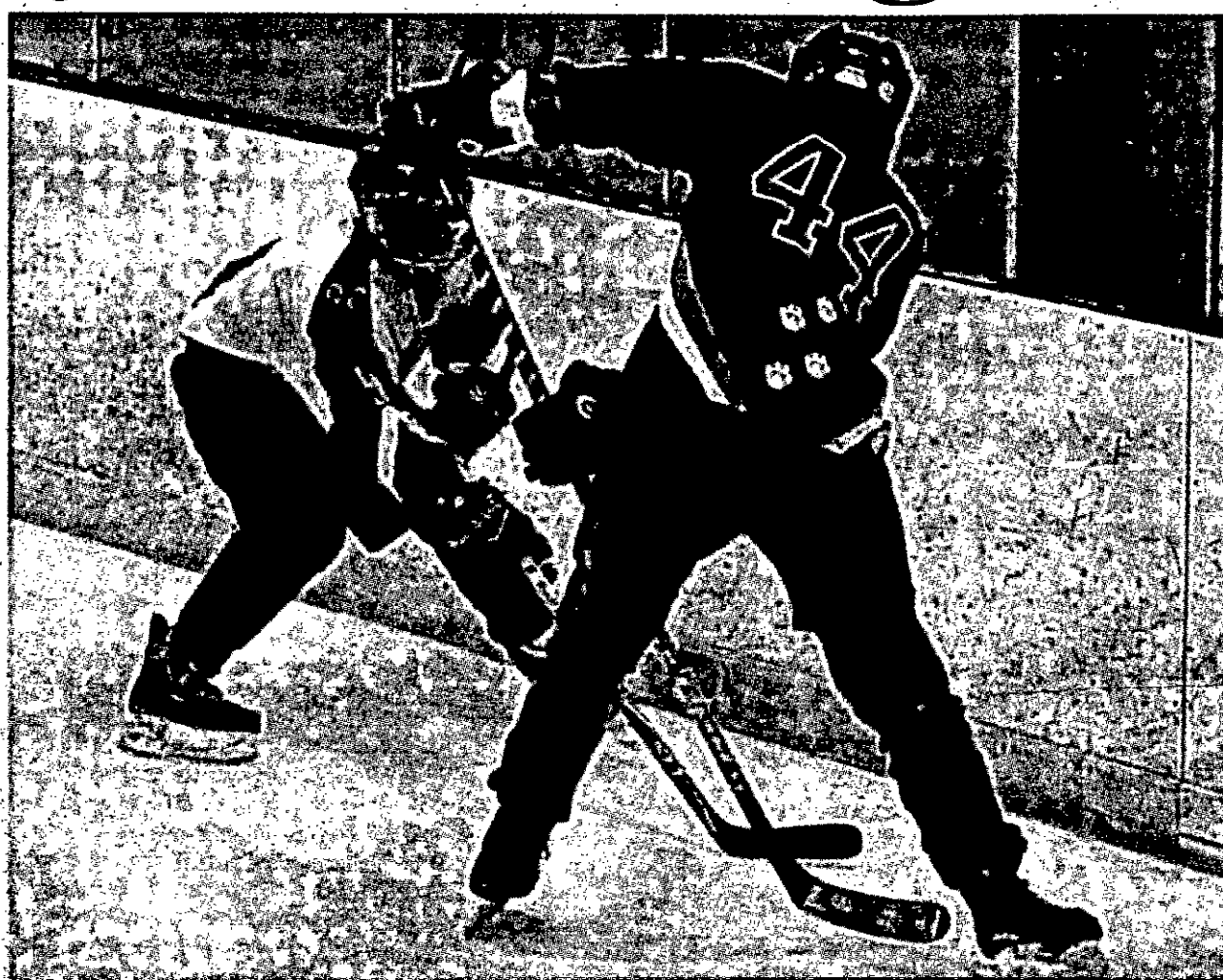
Bethlehem's three-goal spurt was similar in nature to the one that helped it knock off Section I power Mamaroneck 3-2 in Friday's opening round game. The Eagles struck three times in a 6:16 time span to grab a 3-0 lead before the Tigers rallied in the third period.

took Shaker/Colonie (0-1-1) to score first before Bethlehem's offense got going. Mike Mineau tallied on a power play 3:22 into the second period to put the home team ahead 1-0 before goals by Austin Scro and Andrew Carroll 44 seconds apart gave Bethlehem a 2-1 advantage.

"We didn't play well in the first period," said Bethlehem coach Andre Rodrigue. "We took a long time to get our legs under us ... and I think it took Shaker/Colonie scoring first to really get us going."

Kevin Egan tied the game at 2 for Shaker/Colonie later in the second period with a shot through traffic that beat Bethlehem goaltender Kevin Cooley inside the left post, but Joey Verstandig stuffed home a pass from Sam Vincent a short time later to put the Eagles ahead 3-2.

Once Bethlehem regained the lead, it never let Shaker/Colonie get back in the game. Cooley



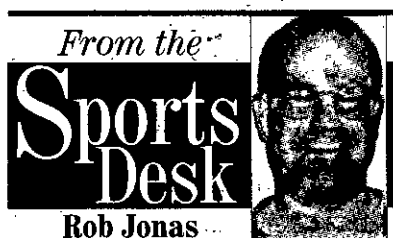
Bethlehem's Wyatt Grace, left, battles Mamaroneck's Trey Herlitz-Ferguson during Friday's opening round of the Shaker/Colonie Thanksgiving Tournament at the Albany County Hockey Facility. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

This time, though, it

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Quick takes? I got them

To paraphrase Chuck D of Public Enemy, I've got so much sports on my mind. Therefore, I offer up the following thoughts in rapid fire fashion:



From the
Sports Desk
Rob Jonas

I feel bad for the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake football team following its 27-20 loss to Maine-Endwell in the Class A state final last weekend, but I don't feel sorry for the Spartans. They exceeded expectations in reaching their third state final in four years.

The best area high school team this fall was the Schalmont girls soccer team. A 23-0-0 record, its first state title (for the team and the school), back-to-back 4-0 victories in the state tournament against arguably two of the top four teams in the state (Bronxville and Greece Odyssey) and it outscored all of its opponents 123-7. That's a special group.

BH-BL's girls volleyball team was only slightly less dominant in its sport than the Schalmont girls soccer team. The Spartans tied a school record with 29 victories and won their fourth state title — their first since 2005.

Meanwhile, something special is brewing in Niskayuna with the high school girls swim team. The Silver Warriors finished second to Clarence in the individual team standings and helped Section II take the overall team title at the state meet Nov. 19 in Buffalo. And with two-time 100-yard freestyle champion Kina Zhou coming back next year for her senior season, Niskayuna will be in great shape for 2012.

Last year, the Shaker boys cross country team won the state and Federation titles, but it lost to Fayetteville-Manlius at the Nike Team Regionals. This year, the Blue Bison lost to F-M at the state meet before beating the Syracuse school at the Nike Team Regionals. Might that bode well for Shaker when it goes to Portland, Ore., this weekend for the national meet?

When the weight of high expectations is lifted, sometimes good things can happen. The Siena men's basketball team wasn't expected to do well this year, but a respectable 2-3 start with only eight healthy players available for coach Mitch Buonaguro to use

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The Bethlehem boys basketball team is looking to repeat as Suburban Council South Division champions with a veteran-laden lineup. Among the returning players are, from left, (front) Casey McGraw, Paul Alonge and Nate Kane; and (top) Jack Baynes, Matt O'Keefe and Shane Natale. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Rising in the South

BC, Guilderland set their sights on division title

By ROB JONAS
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The Bethlehem boys basketball team is aiming for another Suburban Council South Division title.

Guilderland is one of five teams aiming to knock Bethlehem from the top of the division standings.

Who wins out will depend on how

well they can survive a tough league schedule.

"I don't think there is a slouch in the group this year," said Bethlehem coach A.G. Irons. "Everyone has their strengths, and hopefully our strengths are a little stronger than theirs."

Both Bethlehem and Guilderland return several key players from their 2010-11 rosters. The Eagles have guards Nate Kane and Shane Natale, while the Dutchmen welcome back forward Taylor Dubose and guards Cameron Dobbs and Mike Doynow.

"Our main goal is to take it one step at a time, but overall I think we're a big contender for winning the Suburban Council," said Dobbs.

Dobbs is arguably the most exciting returning player in the South Division. As a junior, Dobbs averaged nearly 20 points per game in leading Guilderland's offense last year.

"Cameron really was the scorer last year, and Mike [Doynow] — when he came in off the bench — really helped out with his hustle,"

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