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Broad appeal

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Waste-to-energy plant proposed

Residents take aim at Kentucky company's gasification design

By MARCY VELTE
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A proposal to build a waste-to-energy plant was met by opposition from Bethlehem residents after an initial presentation on the project was made to the Town Board.

During the presentation at the Town Board meeting on Wednesday, April 25,

representatives from Kentucky-based Recycling Solutions Technology provided information about its waste gasification process and the types of recycled end materials that are created as a result. So far, only one other plant exists in the country using the company's technology.

"This could be such an opportunity for the town, but it's really something that has to be vetted," said the town's Director of Economic Development and Planning Michael Morelli. "The proposal is so early that they haven't even

formally submitted an application yet. The company just wanted to explain the process in general terms before the board."

The proposal calls for the plant to be built on a parcel of land near the port of Albany owned by a real estate company run by Victor Gush, a local developer. In previous years a recycling center and a riverfront development called Harbor at Beacon Pointe have been proposed for the site.

Lee Bazzle, an RST director of technology, ☐ **Plant Page 31**



John Behiri, owner of Johnny B's Glenmont Diner, stands behind the counter of his silver 1960s eatery. The diner is featured in Mike Engle's new book "Diners of the Capital District," along with nearly 50 other local establishments in the Capital District.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

Anything but 'the usual'

Local man's book examines 48 local diners and their culture

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Mike Engle didn't eat a meal in a diner until he was in his 20s, but once he was brought to a "greasy spoon" he was instantly fascinated by the food and architecture of the down-to-earth eateries.

"It's kind of funny, we didn't go out to eat much when I was young and I'd never been to a diner. Then someone brought me to one and it just clicked," said Engle of his first diner experience at the Miss Johnstown Diner.

Now 38, Engle has spent years visiting, eating at and researching diners. His first book, "Diners of New York," was published in 2006 with co-author Mario Monti. In January, he released his second book called "Diners of the Capital District."

"When I was writing 'Diners of New York,' I noticed we weren't giving enough attention to the individual diners," said the Rensselaer resident. "I wanted to focus on what made them unique, especially in the Capital District."

The new book contains information on 48 diners, nearly all of them located in the Greater Capital District from Johnstown to Watervliet. Each entry contains photos, diner history with architecture information and a short review of the establishment.

Each section also includes an area to obtain the autograph of each diner's waitress or owner. Unfortunately, some of the diners in the book's pages are now closed, such as the infamous Miss Albany Diner, so collecting signatures for every establishment would not be possible.

Engle said he became attracted to diners

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Sign law moves ahead

Councilman wonders if rules becoming too complex

By MARCY VELTE
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After months of debate, specific changes to Bethlehem's sign law have been proposed by Councilman Jeffrey Kuhn are moving forward.

Kuhn, a lawyer specializing in environmental, land use, energy and commercial litigation, spent several weeks attempting to rephrase the law so residents could legally place signs of a certain size on their properties and not-for-profit organizations could advertise their events.

A section of the town's zoning code currently reads, "no sign, other than an official traffic sign shall be erected within the right-of-way of any public street or highway."

"There are several problems caused by this provision," said Kuhn. "First of all it's not really enforced. People put up temporary signs in the town's right-of-ways all the time and as a result of that there's confusion whether the law applies only to town streets and highways, or if it applies to any public street or highway in the town."

The proposed change now includes town, county, state or federal streets and highways with some exceptions.

The right-of-ways of several roads were designated as exemption areas. They include a portion of Route 32 from Route 9W to Elm Avenue, a portion of Route 9W from the Delmar Bypass to the City of Albany border,

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Capital District’s growth impressive, admiral says

David W. Titley visits area as part of Navy program

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Rear Admiral David W. Titley can call the Capital District his hometown, but a lot has changed here since his last visit.

The admiral was in the area on Thursday and Friday, April 26 and 27, as part of the Navy’s 50/50 Program, an effort that pairs 50 senior Navy leaders with 50 cities. He’s a Schenectady native, which provided him with a hometown connection – one of the elements the Navy was after for the initiative.

Trips like Titley’s are aimed at developing relationships among national and local leaders and provide opportunities to educate inland areas

about how the Navy functions

“As soon as you get away from the coast...the knowledge of what the Navy does is very small. There’s just simply not a lot of understanding,” said Titley.

Titley is assistant deputy chief of naval operations for information dominance and director of the Navy’s climate change task force. His last trip to the Capital District was in 1980, when he was married.

“It was, let’s face it – tough times. GE was downsizing...I remember downtown Schenectady as just a lot of vacant buildings. Now you go down there with sort of the Renaissance around Proctors and the nightlife ... you can kind of feel that sense of renewal and optimism, I think it’s great to see for the district,” he said.



Rear Admiral David W. Titley made several stops while in the area as part of the Navy’s 50/50 Program.

Submitted photo

Titley met with first responders in Schenectady on Thursday among other stops, including at Mayor Gary McCarthy’s office.

Being a Navy man, the trip wouldn’t be complete without stepping aboard the USS Slater, the destroyer escort from WWII docked near

downtown Albany.

“It was just an amazing visit. ... What makes it amazing is you look at those World War II vets and Vietnam and Korean War vets who man it and — the word ‘inspirational’ may be overused somewhat, but it really is inspirational.”

The Veterans Affairs Hospital also made quite an impression him.

“What I was really impressed with there was they just opened the women’s care (unit) for female veterans, and I think that is really going to help a portion of our veterans who frankly, I’m not sure have always gotten fully the quality of medical care. ... It’s great to see that the VA is recognizing that,” Titley said.

He also spent time touring the GlobalFoundries plant in Malta, and described that as a “very impressive operation.” When asked what was the biggest change for the area has been since his last visit, there was no hesitation.

“Clearly GlobalFoundries. ... It’s this, ‘Hey, what can we do and how are we going to

do it to get things sort of going again ... part of this post-traditional industrial economy that’s not only the Capital District but much of the northeast and Midwest,” he said. “It’s a huge economic transition.”

Titley said other regions are also targeting manufacturing industries. For example, in Mississippi’s Gulf Coast communities are aggressively seeking foreign auto manufacturers to “come down to the south,” touting strong ethics and a lower cost of living as draws.

“I think there are many places in America that are taking a look to say ‘Hey what could be our niche? What could we do to try to produce good high paying sustainable jobs for our fathers and mothers, sons

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Construction Career Days aim to build futures

Event links students with job opportunities

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With the hum of heavy construction equipment in the background, students from schools across the Greater Capital District watched in admiration as skilled tradespeople and professional operators demonstrated their industry knowledge at the 11th annual Capital District Construction Career Days.

Held at the Laborers Training Facility in Glenmont over two days, nearly 1,200 students participated in the event meant to provide high schoolers with additional career options as they are about to graduate. Starting on Wednesday, April 25, the local event is just one of many similar construction days happening throughout the country.

“The event works both ways to provide work for future graduates and recruit workers to local businesses,” said Brendan Manning, co-chairman of the Capital District Construction Career Days for the past four years. “It’s more about career

opportunities as compared to job opportunities.”

The event itself started about 15 years ago in Texas, according to Manning. The Federal Highway Division, which funds federal highway projects throughout the country, worked with the local New York State division to try to put a similar event together locally. They started off small in the Capital District and expanded around the state. There are now seven different sites around New York holding construction career events, usually on different weekends so some of the same organizers can participate.

Members from local construction companies, trade unions, apprenticeship programs and colleges were on hand to provide students with information to learn what requirements were needed to break into different fields in the construction industry. Manning said most fields require at least a G.E.D. to enter their programs with additional training either provided on the job or at a trade school. Some work requires special licenses or permits to work heavy equipment.

Manning said the event is meant to give



Students from schools across the Capital District watched skilled tradespeople and professional operators demonstrate their industry knowledge at the 11th annual Capital District Construction Career Days.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

students an idea of what the construction industry is all about.

“I think most times people only ever see this kind of stuff on the news or when they get stuck in traffic somewhere. We don’t want people to come out with this pessimistic idea attitude of ‘oh, they’re just holding me up in traffic,’” he said. “We need to show (the younger generation) that infrastructure and schools and bridges and hospitals all get built. These jobs are here and they can’t get shipped off to India or China like a technology

job. We need these jobs and they will always be here, so we need to share the opportunities that exist.”

Attendance at the construction event has been down in recent years because of cuts to schools budgets and state aid, according to Ellie Engalsbe, manager and CFO of EMI Guide Rail in Schenectady. The company has volunteered at the event for five years.

Engalsbe called the lower attendance “regrettable.”

“A lot of these kids are in the BOCES program

and aren’t necessarily college-bound kids and a lot of them will be looking for work,” she said. “My understanding is a lot of these kids are seniors and we definitely need people in the trades. We’re always going to have residential home building, always going to need carpenters and painters...”

Engalsbe said she believes the general push to attend college has led to the shortage of workers in construction trades.

According to information provided by the Associated General Contractors of America, 2.2 million fewer people are working in the construction industry nationwide than at its peak in April of 2006. The economy and subsequent lack of new construction has greatly contributed to those numbers, though.

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy attended the event and took a tour of the different exhibits, talking to students, teachers and construction industry professionals along the way.

“I think the event is great because it gives the students options and that’s what they need in life right now,” he said.

Students from schools across the Greater Capital District were given the opportunity to operate the heavy machinery themselves under the supervision of trained professionals. They were also able to watch construction demonstrations such as brick and pipe laying, welding, cement finishing and electrical installation.

Cameron Payne, a senior at South Colonie High School, said the event helped him to learn what we wanted to do in the future.

“I’m not a real school guy,” said the 18-year-old. Unsure of what college to go to, Payne decided he wanted to enter the apprentice program at the local labor union to become an operator.

“I like the crane because you can make the most money at it,” he said.

South Colonie technology teacher John Gehres said the event has helped his students see they do have a future and job options.

“All of a sudden they came here and said, ‘This is what I want to do.’ It’s something they’re interested in and they don’t have to go to college for it,” he said.

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Police said Roy stated she had drunk a bottle of wine during the day and had gone to the store

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At the time of the autopsy, the body could not be identified and investigators checked on local missing persons cases in an attempt to do so. Police have since identified the body as that of Anthony L. Krisanda, 30 of Glenwood Blvd., Schenectady. According to investigators at the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office, Krisanda had not been reported missing. He was identified on April 21.



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The writers, the readers, and those in between

By ROBIN SHRAGER SUITOR

“I feel like a giddy schoolgirl.”

These are the words I used to greet author Nicole Krauss at the table where she was signing copies of her latest book “Great House.” Then I asked the next person in line to use my cell phone to take a photo of Nicole and me. Thank goodness I finally learned how that phone camera works!

I asked Nicole to sign the book for my daughter, Rachel. As she wrote out the dedication I blabbered on about how last year I had agreed to be the co-chair of an event because she was to be the featured speaker, but she wasn’t available and they switched authors on me. Nicole smiled and said maybe she’d be able to attend a future event for the organization.

I’m not a Nicole Krauss groupie. I didn’t even know what she looked like or how many books she’d written (“Great House” is her third) before that day I met her at the Writers Institute program at the University at Albany last September. What I did know is that a few years ago I had read and enjoyed

her book, “History of Love,” a present-day novel that weaves together the stories of an elderly Holocaust survivor, a young girl who has lost her father and a lost manuscript. The book’s chapters alternate between different characters and different periods in time but are ultimately linked. So much research and creativity must have gone into this book.

Put simply, I am fascinated by people who write novels. And so when I get the chance to meet an author I get very excited. It’s probably like how little kids feel when they go to Sesame Street Live and see Big Bird in person, or when a sports enthusiast meets a player from a favorite team.

“Writing is my job,” Nicole said in response to a question about “when” she does her work. She said she sets aside time every day, Monday through Friday, but that before she had kids she wrote every day and didn’t always know what day of the week it was. She writes at a big desk that came with the house she lives in.

I think it’s cool to



meet authors, because in person they look like regular people. Someone you could hang out with and share a pizza. Like I could’ve said, “Hey, Nicole, let’s go grab a slice of pizza before you are due back at tonight’s book reading.” She was wearing skinny black jeans and would’ve fit in at any casual eatery. I, on the other hand, was the one slightly overdressed being I had come from work.

Famous authors not only look like regular people, they also act like them too. For example, they get tired. Nicole had been to an engagement the night before, was at the late afternoon seminar where she took questions for not quite an hour and then stayed to sign books, and then was giving a reading at 8:00 that evening.

In addition to being tired, she was humble. As people asked her to explain her writing methods, she replied, “I’ve only written three novels. I don’t have all the answers about writing.” Only three novels!

On my way out I paused to look at a flier about upcoming Writers Institute events. That’s when I noticed an elderly gentleman who looked like the author William Kennedy. It actually was him. I loitered, wanting to meet him but unsure whether introducing myself would be appropriate or intrusive.

I kept stalling and then at the very moment I got up the nerve to step toward him, Nicole Krauss beat me to it. She thanked him for coming and he started asking her a question about one of her books. I stepped back even though I wanted to join in the conversation. Yeah, I thought the three of us should chat together about writing: A three-time published novelist

(Krauss), a Pulitzer Prize winner (Kennedy), and their gushing fan, whose only “book” was a short story written in elementary school about a mouse who lived in a coffee can inside a garbage can at an amusement park. My book did come out in hard cover, if you count that the pages were bound between two pieces of stiff cardboard covered in purple corduroy fabric.

After Nicole stepped away I finally made my move. “I would just like to meet you,” I said, thrusting out my hand. This is how I came to be shaking hands with the author of “Ironweed.” And the next thing I know Mr. Kennedy is asking me who I was and what do I do. Wow, I had anticipated a walk-by “how-do-you-do,” but we had an actual conversation. I told him my name and what my day job is and also that I like to write.

I stopped short of saying, “And I’m also a writer.” Somehow I felt like I couldn’t say that


while standing in a room with these major big-time writer-author-creators of literature. But then I felt like I was selling myself short, so I added that I write a column for a local weekly newspaper about family life. “They are more like essays,” I explained, “I can’t say that I’m making anything up.”

He told me about a book he started writing that went nowhere. Writing can be hard, he said. He described how he had “this much” written, holding his fingers about an inch apart, but that he set it aside because he felt that it was just no good.

I told him that my father and my husband tell me that I should write a book, but as I’ve gotten older I found that I love to read books more than I have the talent or desire to write one.

“Good luck with your column” William Kennedy said to me as we parted.

I thanked him and walked away, those giddy schoolgirl feelings bubbling up once again.



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Matters of Opinion in The Spotlight

A pile of garbage

Dealing with trash is a dirty business. Nothing surprising there. But apparently, deciding what to do with waste isn't so simple either, as evidenced by a new proposal to build a waste-to-energy plant on a piece of land near the Hudson River in Bethlehem.

You can read all the nitty-gritty details in Marcy Velte's front-page story. Gasification proponents would tell you this process is a super-efficient method of producing energy from waste. Detractors might argue it's really no different than burning garbage with the help of a computer.

Editorial

That's not an argument we're going to tackle here, because there are very good points to be made on both sides. Let's just point out a few facts, for the record.

For starters, no formal proposal has been put to the town by Recycling Solutions Technology. We're still very short on details that would have to be forthcoming with an actual application.

Next, the type of technology that would be used at a Bethlehem waste-to-energy facility is not what you might call tried and true — the only facility exactly like it is in Kentucky and there are only a handful of gasification plants worldwide.

Thirdly, and quite importantly, the Greater Capital District is slowly but surely running out of places to put its trash. Albany's Rapp Road Landfill (where much of the area, including Bethlehem, drops its refuse) is projected to fill up sometime around 2021. A commission of stakeholder communities has been pondering exactly what to do with the hundreds of thousands of tons of trash produced every year once that happens, and the fact they haven't come up with a winning solution yet hints at the significance of that hurdle.

What will probably end up happening once the Rapp Road trash heap is capped is the Capital District will truck its garbage hundreds of miles to other landfills — not a cheap or sustainable prospect.

A gasification plant wouldn't be a silver bullet to our trash issues, but it is one element of what must be a multifaceted and smart approach to waste management.

It's pretty easy to place your papers and plastics into their separate bin and wave them goodbye when the collection truck comes along. It's far less easy (or pleasant) to contemplate the rest of the waste stream, the millions of tons of stuff that stinks up the car as you merge onto the Thruway from Exit 24. Yet we're on the brink of having our refuse filling up our backyards.

We'd hesitate to label opposition to this facility as NIMBY-ism because there are some very relevant concerns to be had here regardless of where the plant is located. Fortunately, New York State's nexus of environmental and planning regulations await this process, including the not-so-simple Environmental Impact Statement (like the town's Michael Morelli, we find the applicant's claim the planning process could be completed in a year's time to be wildly optimistic). This will reveal a great deal of important information to not only town planners, but also to residents and interest groups.

In the interim, let's keep an open but critical mind about what this parcel — the proud home of failed plans for a mixed-use development and recycling plant — might one day become other than an empty field.

CRP: A simple way to save a life

By Dr. MICHAEL W. DAILEY

The author is a Fellow of American College of Emergency Physicians, regional EMS medical director and an associate professor of emergency medicine at Albany Medical College.

Jim, Michelle, Kelly, Lee, Joey... a growing list of people who suffered sudden cardiac arrest and survived. These individuals are alive today, because of the efforts of their loved ones, friends or strangers who knew cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and were able to help. Can you help? Can your children help you?

For the past several years, I have been working closely with the American Heart Association to promote legislation that would ensure that every high school student in New York State is trained in CPR. This training would require less than 30 minutes of teaching time and could be easily incorporated into Health class. By training tens of thousands of potential rescuers each year, one or two high school class periods have the potential to save the lives of countless New Yorkers.

How often does sudden cardiac arrest occur? Across the United States, more than 1,000 individuals suffer sudden cardiac arrest daily. How many of these individuals survive? Less than 100. As an Emergency Department physician, my hope is that if more people are able to recognize a cardiac arrest and initiate CPR, there will be more survivors. Today, there are significantly more survivors than 10 years ago. Together, we have the opportunity to save even more lives tomorrow.

This CPR in the Schools bill currently sits before our New York State representatives. Some have voiced concern that it may scar a child emotionally by performing

Point of View

CPR to try to save a life. I think we should give our children more credit. I cannot imagine how difficult it must be for anyone to helplessly watch a parent or loved one lay in cardiac arrest and have no idea how to help. By empowering our youth with knowledge and basic CPR training, we can help them save lives. It is our duty to provide our high school students with the skills they need to help save the life of a family member or friend in sudden cardiac arrest. Which would be worse for our children? To try and help save a loved one in cardiac arrest or to stand by helplessly as the chances of a loved one's survival fade away even as the sirens get closer?

If a person's heart stops, someone doing CPR can give them an opportunity to survive. The American Heart Association guidelines recommend that everyone, untrained bystanders and medical personnel alike, begin CPR with uninterrupted chest compressions, performed at a rate of about 100 times per minute. Rescue breathing (i.e. mouth to mouth) is no longer needed.

On May 2, I will join volunteers with the American Heart Association in Albany to share the message with our state legislators that CPR should in fact be part of the high school curriculum in New York State. Accompanying this group will be parents who

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have lost children to cardiac arrest, as well as survivors of cardiac arrest and high school students themselves. These students will teach CPR to passersby and will demonstrate how easy it is to learn the skills that can save a life. We have also invited every state legislator to stop by and learn CPR. Please, I urge you to learn CPR and how to use an automatic external defibrillator (AED). If I have the misfortune to suffer a sudden cardiac arrest, I hope there is someone nearby who knows CPR and begins chest compressions, so that I have a chance to return home to my wife and children. I hope our State representatives support the CPR in the Schools Bill—the life of someone you love may depend upon it.

- To learn CPR yourself: Handsonlycpr.org
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- Two hours or more 89%
- I don't read 0%
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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Keep Chinese program

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
As parents of students in the Bethlehem School District, we are dismayed at the phase out of the Chinese language program included in the tentative budget adopted by the Bethlehem Board of Education. Three key issues that concern us and should also concern the district as a whole need to be considered by the board.

1. Within its plan for budget reduction, the Chinese program is the only academic program being completely eliminated. Yet the district spent considerable time and effort establishing this innovative program.

2. Eliminating the Chinese program runs counter to the 21st century

learning on which the district prides itself — a philosophy that has made Bethlehem one of the best school districts in New York. Foreign language instruction is an integral component to a robust college preparatory program. Eliminating the Chinese program has the potential to reduce the District's regional and state competitive standing.

3. The establishment of the Chinese Language program was premised on the acknowledgement that we live in a global world, driven more and more by China and Asia. Knowledge of Chinese will make Bethlehem students more competitive in both their future academic and work settings.

We understand and appreciate the dire financial straits facing the school district. However we believe that eliminating Chinese is short sighted. The district's financial situation will eventually improve, and there is no doubt that the Chinese language will still be a dominant language in our global economy. Instead of phasing out Chinese only to have to phase it back in once this District reaches solid financial ground; why not look for other ways to save the Chinese program? Whether through other non-academic cuts, or through external grant opportunities, we should take the "high-road" to maintain Bethlehem's academic excellence.

We sincerely hope that the District will re-evaluate its decision.

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Time not right for gasification plant

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
It is recommended that the plans for a proposed solid waste gasification plant on the Hudson River be rejected because of the following reasons:

1. Today direct combustion of municipal solid wastes in an incinerator is superior to waste gasification in terms of air pollution, water pollution, toxic bottom ash, and energy efficiency. However, research and development of waste gasification should be continued. To quote Mr. Hakan Rylander, an expert and historian on waste gasification: "I believe there is a long way to go, but we shouldn't give up our efforts."

2. New York City has requested Proposals for a pilot plant study of the latest technologies that significantly reduce the volume of municipal solid wastes and produce electric energy. The pilot plant must be located in NY City or no farther than 80 miles away. Since the distance from the town of Bethlehem to NY City is 130 miles, the proposed plant in the town of Bethlehem is

not related to a NY City Proposal. The Proposals are due June 5, 2012. It will probably take at least ten years to ascertain if the pilot plant study is a success. The Town should wait until New York City has completed a study before making plans for a similar waste plant on the Hudson River.

3. In 1989 residents from the town of Bethlehem formed an organization to oppose the proposal to build a waste incinerator on Cabbage Island, now a part of Beacon Island. On June 18, 1992 a referendum vote was held in Bethlehem and the building of a waste incinerator in the Town was rejected. How can the Town support the construction of a waste gasification plant without good operating data to prove that gasification technology is better for the environment than direct combustion in an incinerator?

3. An incinerator or a waste gasification plant does not belong in the Hudson River Valley at Beacon Island. There are already many sources

of air pollution in the Valley including two large natural gas power plants. If in the future the Town passes a referendum to construct a waste to energy plant a site in Selkirk would be superior to the Beacon Island site. This could also help pay for the cost of water that the Town must buy from the city of Albany.

4. If the NY City Proposal is a success and the State DEC and the Federal EPA are promoting waste to energy plants the Town should cooperate with Albany and all other local communities to site and build an incinerator or waste gasification plant. This will probably be at least ten years in the future.

5. Officials of Recycling Solutions Technology LLC, the company that has a patent on the proposed gasification plant in the town of Bethlehem, should submit a Proposal to New York City before June 5, 2012 using a site that is within 80 miles of the City.

Bill Kelleher
Delmar

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Program designed to help caregivers

If you find yourself sometimes almost overwhelmed with the stress of helping a family member or friend who is suffering from Alzheimer's disease, you should come to "Recognizing and Coping with Caregiver Stress," a program held at the Guilderland Public Library on Thursday, May 3, at 1 pm.

This vital class is presented by the Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York, and is part of the Library's Family and Caregiver information series. One key takeaway you'll get from the session: Follow the Flight Attendant's Rule: "First, put on your own life vest so you can better help those around you." You will learn this and other key concepts when you attend.

Registration is required. Call Jamie Mott at 867-4999, ext. 209, or email Jamie.mott@alz.org.

UAlbany Chamber Singers at GPL

The University at Albany Chamber Singers, under the direction of David Griggs-Janower, will present the first in

the Library's 2012 series of the Jean Marie Cole Concerts in the Garden, on Sunday, May 6, at 2 pm.

This group of 27 singers comprises eight voice majors, one piano major, two general music majors, and the rest are from other disciplines. They share a love of singing, and of communicating with their audiences.

Keyes on Keys

Celebrate Mother's Day with a special performance by pianist and Guilderland native Patricia Keyes, as she performs works by Franz Liszt, at the Guilderland Public Library on Sunday, May 13, at 2 pm.

Keyes' career has included concerts in England and Italy and throughout the United States as both a soloist and chamber musician.

Mark Curiale

For more information on these programs, please call the Library at 456-2400, or email info@guilpl.org. The Guilderland Public Library is located at 2228 Western Avenue, Guilderland. Visit the library's website at www.guilpl.org.

Redmond to run for library board

Mary Redmond will be on the ballot as a candidate for an open seat on the Bethlehem Public Library board.

A 25-year resident of Delmar, Ms. Redmond is assistant director of Construction Reporting for the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York. She is also a member and current president of Bethlehem Business Women, and a member of the Bethlehem Community Christmas Dinner Committee.

We asked her about her thoughts and goals as a prospective library trustee:

What are your goals as a library board member?

"I wish to assist the board in whatever issues they may address, while remembering that the library ultimately belongs to the taxpayers in the District."

How does a public library best serve its community?

"Service" is the key word. Bethlehem Public Library provides so much more than books. The year-round programs for all ages and interest are a great benefit."

What are the most important issues facing public libraries today?

"Of course, financial concerns are at the top of the list for every public entity. In addition, libraries face the challenge to keep up with ever-evolving technology, such as e-books."



How are public libraries changing? How can a library board expedite these changes?

"As the world moves from paper to electronic media, the library needs to stay current while remembering that not all users will embrace new technology."

How have libraries influenced your life?

"In the last fifteen years I have become an avid user of the library. I read two to four books per month, and almost always find them at the library—on the shelves or through interlibrary loan. I have also attended library programs and utilized library meeting rooms as a member of Bethlehem Business Women."

What do you like best about Bethlehem Public Library?

"The staff is always helpful, friendly and available. Interlibrary loan, especially via computer, is a great service."

Library budget presentation

The proposed budget will be presented to the public at the library

on Monday May 14 at 6pm. The vote will be held Tuesday May 15, 7am-9pm at Bethlehem Central High School. Two seats on the library board will be on the ballot: one for a full term of five years and one for a partial term of one year.

View the proposed budget in the May/June issue of the library newsletter, and also online at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org; click on the quicklink "board of trustees." You'll find a link to the 2012-13 budget under the heading "facts and figures."

Listening parties: Reflections on jazz

Thursday May 17, 7 p.m.

Hear and talk about landmark recordings by great names in jazz. Featured tonight: John Coltrane.

Preschool picnic

Friday, May 18, 11 a.m.

A film and activities just for preschoolers. Bring a lunch or snack for an indoor picnic. Preschool and families.

Family tai chi

Monday, May 21, 4 p.m.

Kick off Healthy Kids Week with tai chi taught by Lorraine Noval of the Asian Arts Group. Wear comfortable clothes. School age and families.

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Budget proposal available online, in person

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and summer calendar will be mailed this week.

Computer classes at the library

Learn something new this month with a library computer class. Small class size allows for individualized attention, so you will get your questions answered! Classes fill quickly, so reserve your spot today.

• Wired Society: Facebook, Google Plus,

Etc: Social media sites such as Facebook are being used by people of all generations. With Facebook you can get in touch with old friends, children or colleagues online. This class is your opportunity to get up to speed in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere.

Tuesday, May 8, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, May 9, at 11 a.m.

• Photo Editing with Picassa: You've taken the pictures, now learn how to save and edit on your computer. Learn to make a short slide show with a few of your favorite

photos. Practice getting images from the internet and inserting photos into Word documents or emails. Bring your digital camera and its downloading cable.

Tuesday, May 15, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, May 16, at 11 a.m.

• What is Excel? Intro to Spreadsheets: Introduces the basic features of Microsoft Excel, a computer spreadsheet program. Excel can help you at home or at work to keep track of your expenses, grades, contacts, etc. You

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For the seniors served, Citgo's oil donation made an enormous difference, as prices of food and goods climb, their income does not. Through the years, the Citgo Energy Assistance Program has become a very important, if not the most, energy assistance program by an oil company. We at Senior Services are very appreciative. We are also grateful to those who donated paper products and/or cash for the Bethlehem Food Pantry during the recent Paper Shredding event at the Elm Avenue Park.

The Berne Volunteer Fire Company and Fire Auxiliary will sponsor a roast beef dinner on Sunday, May 6, at noon at the Berne Fire Department. The cost is \$12.00 at the door, \$13.00 for takeout. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to arrange transportation, which will



leave Town Hall at about 10:30 a.m. Suggested van donation: \$5.

Monday, May 7
• Shopping trip to Wal-Mart in Glenmont. Call 439-5770 to arrange transportation.

Tuesday, May 8
• Seniors in Motion
A low level fun aerobic exercise class to music. Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 to 10 a.m. No registration is necessary. \$3 fee per class.

Wednesday, May 9
• Senior grocery shopping for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, North Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor. For reservations, call 439-5770.

Thursday, May 10
• 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 years of age or older. Call 430-4955, ext 1176 for an appointment.

• Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar at 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We play mah jongg, bingo and pinocle. All seniors are welcome.

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

Friday, May 11
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 DeLuco,
Bethlehem Senior Projects,
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Art show and reception
The Town of Guilderland Senior Artists League will be exhibiting their work at the Guilderland Public Library during the month of June. You are cordially invited to the Opening Reception of the Exhibit on Sunday, June 3, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Guilderland Public Library located at 2228 Western Avenue. Refreshments will add to the festivities.

Transportation service
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Monday, May 7
Scheduled Shopping

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

10:30 OsteoBusters
10:30 Sr. Fitness
12:00 Zumba
1:30 OsteoBusters

Tuesday, May 8
9:00 OsteoBusters
11:30 Luncheon: Beef Stroganoff or Cold Plate
12:00 Food Pantry Raffle
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Wednesday, May 9
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1:00 Needlecraft
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Thursday, May 10
Scheduled Shopping
9:00 OsteoBusters
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Laws target social media privacy

County Leg chairman speaks out against employers asking for passwords

By ALYSSA JUNG
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You’ve heard of employers asking for resumes and references, but Facebook passwords?

A growing number of employers around the country are demanding that current and prospective employees fork over the passwords to their social media profiles. Which raises the question, is such a request an invasion of privacy, or even legal?

According to Graig Zappia, an employment attorney with Tully Rinckey PLLC, it’s totally legal, which is why Albany County Legislature Chairman Shawn Morse is pushing for legislation to outlaw the trend.

“I think invading people’s privacy is worth protecting, and I wanted to do it before it became a problem,” said Morse.

Morse’s proposed legislation is still in the drafting stages, but he said he hopes to introduce it to the legislature in May for a vote in June. It would prohibit any employer in Albany County from asking for or obtaining the password to a current or future employee’s social media pages, such as Facebook or Twitter.

“I understand ... that employers certainly have the right to ask for things that are important to them but when people choose to have their

Facebook private I don’t think anyone has a right to demand that as part of a hiring process or maintaining your employment,” said Morse.

Maryland recently passed legislation banning the practice, Connecticut has taken steps to address the issue and there’s a proposed bill idling in the New York State Senate similar in nature to Morse’s.

“There’s been a firestorm recently on these types of legislation,” said Zappia. “All of a sudden it’s picked up some steam.”

Zappia said he sees both sides of the argument, calling it a “legitimate privacy issue for employees and a legitimate business interest when hiring or maintaining employees in the workplace.”

If he was advising an employer, Zappia said he’d caution against using anything found on a personal social networking page to sway an employment decision.

“If you go on these accounts and use information based upon a person’s age, race, religion not to hire someone or fire someone, then you’re going to open a can of worms,” said Zappia. “There’s the potential for an employer to go down that slippery slope.”

On the other hand, Zappia said there might be times when access to an individual’s personal life via his or her online presence might not be out of line.

“I’ve heard that ...

especially in unions for corrections officers as part of security clearance, they’re asking people for their passwords,” said Zappia. “(For) secure background checks, this might be the point where privacy rights end.”

So what should people do if they’re faced with a request for passwords?

“It’s a delicate situation and if it’s a person that’s comfortable with what they have in their Twitter or Facebook accounts and there’s nothing truly damaging, you can certainly hand over those passwords and have a clear conscience,” said Zappia.

But Morse pointed out sometimes Facebook friends post things on other people’s Facebook walls that might make for a tricky situation.

“Should you be denied a job because somebody posts something on your private page that wasn’t meant to be an expression of your views or how you feel about something but simply someone else’s expression they posted on your page?” said Morse. “There’s too much room for perception to become reality. ... It’s really dangerous to allow that to become part of the norm.”

The National Association of Colleges and Employers, an association that represents about 8,000 college recruiting professionals, is one group to have come out on the issue. It said employers shouldn’t require or even request job candidates to provide

password information to social network accounts.

“NACE’s position is that this practice violates ethical standards,” said Executive Director Marilyn Mackes. “... We advise college career services professionals to counsel their students that employers do not have a right to require them to provide their login and passwords during the employment recruiting process.”

But over the past seven or eight months, that request is becoming more and more commonplace in the Capital District, said Morse.

“I’ve been hearing about it ... but like everybody else, you hear things,” said Morse. “Then when I was having meetings with people and they were talking about how they don’t think it’s a bad idea I thought, ‘Wow, this is really real and not just happening in other parts of the country,’” said Morse.

Zappia said until formal legislation comes along, with the tough job climate, employees and job seekers should use their best judgment if faced with this conundrum.

“I lean on the side of employees saying I think it’s just overstepping of the employer, but at this point they can request it ... and if they don’t comply with that request I’d hate to see someone lose their job over it,” said Zappia.

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Barbara Vink

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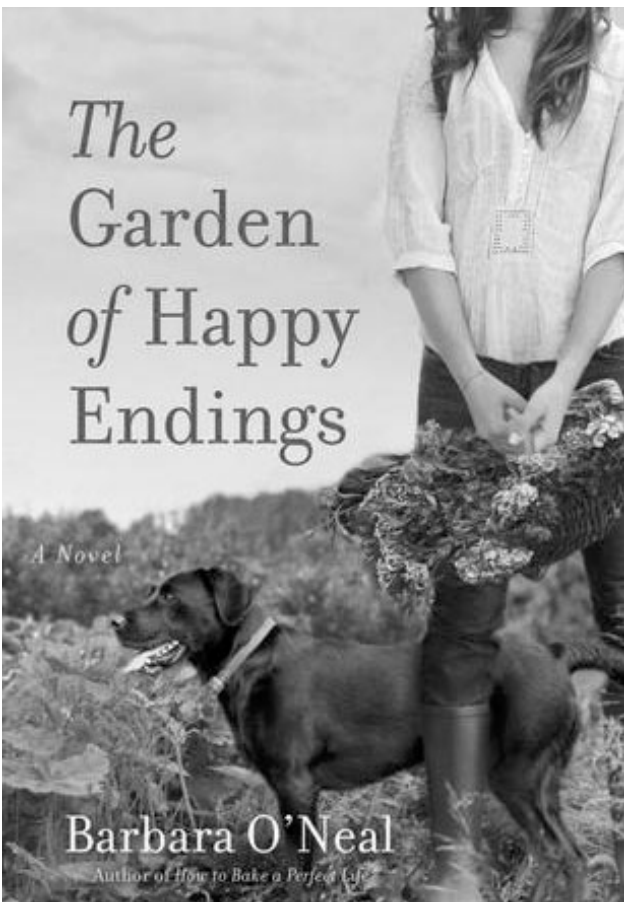
Teen time
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Library tour
Monday, May 21, 7 p.m.
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Louise Grieco
•The Bethlehem Public Library is located at 451 Delaware Ave.

and daughters?" Titly said.
Since he was a kid, Titley has had a strong interest in meteorology and later, navigation. He has served for over 10 years at sea, including a tour as navigator aboard USS Farragut and tours as an oceanographer aboard the USS Belleau Wood, USS Carl Vinson, Carrier Group Six and the U.S. 7th Fleet.
He has given talks to leaders worldwide on the subject of climate change.
"There's pretty convincing evidence that the climate is changing," he said. "In about 20 years we'll start seeing at least a few weeks with basically no ice at all in the Arctic in the summer. We don't think from a Navy perspective that will have a huge impact on the economy but what will is ... by 2050 we may start seeing as much as

two or three months of the year with basically no ice or very little ice in the Arctic."
This scenario would for instance make the Bering Strait more of "vital interest" in world trade. And, Iceland would have the potential of becoming like Singapore with the changing "arteries of commerce."
In addition to touring the area's military and industrial institutions, Titley's tour included a stop at the Round Lake Fire Department. Taking an active role in the community where you live is "part of citizenship," he said.
"You talk with these folks, all volunteers, salt of the earth just Americans wanting to help out their community. ... You got the feeling that everybody is trying to do what is best for the community," he said of his visit to the firehouse.
After wrapping up his visit, Titley headed back to Washington, D.C., and the Pentagon.

RCS
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formulas.
Tuesday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, May 23, at 11 a.m.
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Sign

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a portion of Route 140 from Kenwood Avenue to Route 85 and a portion of Route 85 from Route 140 to the City of Albany Border. Signs placed there could not exceed 6 square feet in size and could not be placed inside a roundabout. Signs also could not be posted for more than 21 days with 14 days in between, and only two separate occasions would be permitted per person or organization each year.

Additional changes include the allowance of signs on private residences as long as they are not within the right-of-way and do not exceed 6 square feet, but the law excludes signs advertising for-profit businesses. Signs for yard sales, real estate or home repair are already exempt under the existing law. Changes were also made to “prohibit the erection of sidewalk or sandwich boards by a third party” outside of a business.

To combat enforcement issues, the highway superintendent and the commissioner of public works were added to the list of people allowed to remove signs, as was any “duly designated representative.” Under current law, only the building inspector can remove signs deemed to be illegal.

Councilwoman Joann Dawson said there was some confusion over how the town defined “right-

of-way” and asked for a clarification of the term. Building Inspector Gil Bouchard said different areas of town have different measurements, but in most places the right-of-way is 25 feet from the center line of the road.

“If it’s by the edge of the road, it’s in the right-of-way whether county right-of-way, state, town or federal road,” said Director of Planning and Development Michael Morelli.

Dawson said she felt the language still needed work and residents and organizations should get more than two signs per year, especially since most politicians campaign more than twice a year and many organizations have more than two fundraising events.

“You might want to consider opening that up,” she said.

Councilman Kyle Kotary said the law was becoming too complicated for people to understand and was placing a constraint on resident’s rights. He wondered why the town couldn’t just keep its current law but add an exemption for not-for-

profit signs.

“I understand what you’re saying,” said Supervisor John Clarkson in response to Dawson. “I guess I would say there’s been a lot of work to get this to work legally and legal language isn’t always easiest for everyone to grasp. I think with explanation this would work very well.”

He said the town could potentially create informational guides to help residents better understand the law.

Kuhn told Kotary the proposed law would actually give residents more rights because under the current law, nearly all signs placed on private property are illegal.

The late hour of the discussion meant most resident had left before the public could speak on the matter, but a handful stuck around.

Amanda Fallon, a member of the Hamagrael Elementary School PTA who first brought her concerns of missing fundraiser signs to the board, thanked board members for tackling the

issue. Meanwhile, John Behiri, owner of Johnny B’s Glenmont Diner, said he was angered because the town made him remove his new banner.

“What’s the rationale?” he asked, explaining that the sign was new, aesthetically pleasing and flush against the side of his building.

Clarkson said he did not know why the town had a rule against permanent banners and he would look into it.

The proposal passed 4-1, with Kotary casting the dissenting vote. The proposal is not yet a law. Both the town and county

planning boards will need to review the changes before it is sent back to the Town Board for a final vote. A public hearing will also need to be scheduled.

When asked about enforcement issues, both Clarkson and Kuhn said they knew it has been a problem in the past and that’s why additional town officials were given jurisdiction over the signs. They also said something might be added to the law so illegal signs aren’t given back to their owners, as is the current practice. This could prevent signs that were in violation from being reposted.

“Generally people try to follow the law and not skirt their way around it once they can understand what the law is,” Kuhn said.

Town Building Inspector Gil Bouchard said he agreed with the changes. He also didn’t foresee the law creating a bigger problem by condensing all of the signs into specific areas because most political and event signs are small.

“Most of those signs are low to the ground so drivers can see over them,” he said. “I think for the most part the law was an aesthetics thing.”

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The Town of Bethlehem will hold its annual Bike Expo on Saturday, May 5, at Elm Avenue Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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By JULIE CUSHINE-RIGG
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When was the last time you enjoyed a walk, hike or picnic in a park? Whether you're a regular visitor or haven't been to one of the state's nearly 200 parks or over 30 historic sites, you may want to check one out on May 5 and show it and the environment some love.

Saturday, May 5, will be the first year of what organizers hope will be many I Love My Park Days. It's a statewide effort to improve and enhance parks through volunteer efforts.

The event is sponsored by Parks & Trails New York along with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. It's a good chance to get the parks ready for spring and summer visitors, especially since many cuts at the state level means there are fewer employees to maintain them. The State parks system is down 1,500 employees, for example.

According to Renee Ludwiczak, assistant park and recreation supervisor with New York State Parks at Saratoga Spa State Park, maintenance needs in state

parks and historic sites are "hard to meet right now" and due to those cuts, they are shorthanded.

"Our state parks and historic sites can't thrive without dedicated partners and broad public support," State Parks Commissioner Rose Harvey said. "I Love My Park Day is a great way for citizens to make a strong show of support for New York's wonderful park system."

Laura DiBetta, director of relations for Parks & Trails New York, the private group that organized the event, said, "We wanted to do something new and exciting that would bring visibility to the entire state park system and give people a chance to be able to give back to the parks. We know that New Yorkers really love their parks as they showed two years ago when they were threatened with closure."

The idea for the event had been percolating for a few years. This spring proved to be the right time to launch the effort and DiBetta added that it's also a chance to remind elected officials that the park system is important to their constituents.

The day will be host to over 30 local events across the state, and many will be helped by "Friends"



The first I Love My Park Day will be held Saturday, May 5, when volunteers will go to work in dozens of parks and historic sites statewide, like in Thacher Park (right) or Saratoga Spa State Park (above).

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groups that have formed in connection with individual parks. Those groups consist of volunteers who are dedicated to supporting parks in their areas, coordinating clean up events like I Love My Park Day and others throughout the year.

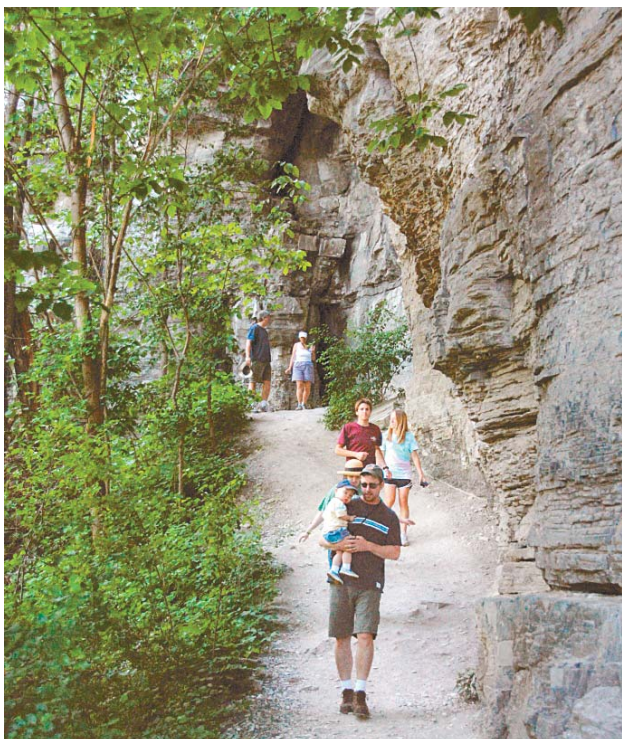
In the Capital Region there are Friends groups for many parks including at Schodack Island, Thatcher, Thompson Lake, Saratoga and Grafton.

Ludwiczak has met with the Friends group for the Saratoga Spa State Park, who will be on site and working from 9 a.m. to noon for the day. The group

plans on focusing on three areas for the day's events including cleaning up the dog park, improving and clearing trails and clearing debris around the SPAC parking lot.

For the most part volunteers at all parks can expect to clear branches, debris and overgrowth along trails in addition to collecting garbage. Participants are asked to bring good working gloves, bug spray, a lot of energy and to dress appropriately. Refreshments and water will be provided at Saratoga Spa State Park as well as many others.

Dan Keefe, spokesperson for the Office of Parks,



Recreation and Historic Preservation, said the event is one that they welcome and he encourages people to get out.

"We hope to get parks in shape for spring and deepen people's connections to their favorite parks. It's important to people's health and spirit to get out and exercise and enjoy the scenery," he said.

He added kids in particular are easily connected to video games and electronics and this kind of event provides them a chance to get out and connect with nature.

DiBetta expects by the responses received so

far there will likely be around 1,000 volunteers throughout the state participating, including those from scout organizations, schools, corporations and alumni groups.

"There has been a great response about it and a lot of enthusiasm. ...I don't know how many New Yorkers realize that the parks and historic sites are maintained by volunteers. Hopefully we'll engage new volunteers by having this kind of event," said DiBetta.

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Owner of rundown home given an ultimatum

South Bethlehem eyesore must be cleaned up within the month

By MARCY VELTE
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The owner of a dilapidated home in South Bethlehem has been court ordered to have the property cleaned up within a month.

James Albertine, who owns the home on Willowbrook Avenue in Selkirk, was brought to court by town Building Inspector Gil Bouchard on Tuesday, April 25, because of his failure to fix up the property when asked. Albertine agreed to clean the property within a certain time limit rather than pay a fine.

“All I’m looking for is to have the area safe and the property cleaned,” said Bouchard, who claims the property has been a source of complaints from neighbors in the community for years.

Albertine was ordered



James Albertine must clean up his property on Willowbrook Avenue within a month or pay a fine.

Spotlight file photos

to demolish the rundown garage and fill in the empty pool within 30 days by Judge Mark Jordan. He was also given 10 days to board up the windows on the building until they can be fixed and clean up any brush or debris on the property. If he shows proof the work is done within the allotted time, the situation will be resolved.

The 64-year-old homeowner said he is fine

with the outcome since he planned all along to fix up the property to sell, but money had been an issue.

“It’s been a slow process,” he said. “I contacted a contractor and it was going to cost over \$1,000 with the wood and paint. I had to save up the money.”

According to Albertine, he and his wife lived in the house for more than 25 years and raised 18 foster children there. In 2008, his

wife was injured and it was hard for her to live in the home, so they moved out with their foster son. The family now lives in Albany.

Albertine claims very little was wrong with the home until Hurricane Irene caused the creek behind the property to flood in August of 2011. He said the empty pool had always been an issue for the town, but the house and garage were left intact and locked with some

property still inside.

“The floods took out half of the garage,” he said, adding that when he bought the home the Army Corps on Engineers told him there was a one-hundredth of a chance the creek would flood.

“I started to tear down part of it after the (flooding) happened but it was difficult to do myself and I didn’t have the money to finish,” he said.

Albertine said he visited the property regularly and didn’t notice anything amiss with the house until after the flooding. In October he called the police because it

looked as if the home had been “ransacked.” Things in the home had been moved around and some windows were broken, but few items had been stolen.

“There was a lot of damage, but I don’t believe it was kids,” he said. “I think they are being blamed. The kids in the neighborhood are good kids and it looked to be older people.”

Albertine said trophies and china in a hutch downstairs had not been touched. He believes kids would find the objects too tempting to break or play with.

Albertine said one of the main complaints about the building was that younger people were using the home to “party.” He thought it unfortunate that if residents saw people within the home they didn’t call the police on his behalf to protect his property and the people inside. “They have a civic obligation,” he said.

“But I don’t blame the neighbors for complaining, things just got out of hand,” Albertine said. “I’ll take responsibility because it does look (bad)... but so do some of the other properties in the neighborhood.”

Bouchard said he hopes the town and owner can come to a final resolution.

“We’ve been here before several times and in the past nothing got done,” he said. “We’ll see what happens this time.”

The parties are scheduled to be back in court on May 22.

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because they provide a different experience than going to a chain restaurant. He said a local diner is like going to the heart of a neighborhood.

“You can get the sense of the community, the sense of the architecture, even the sense of the owner with their kick knacks... people take that for granted,” he said.

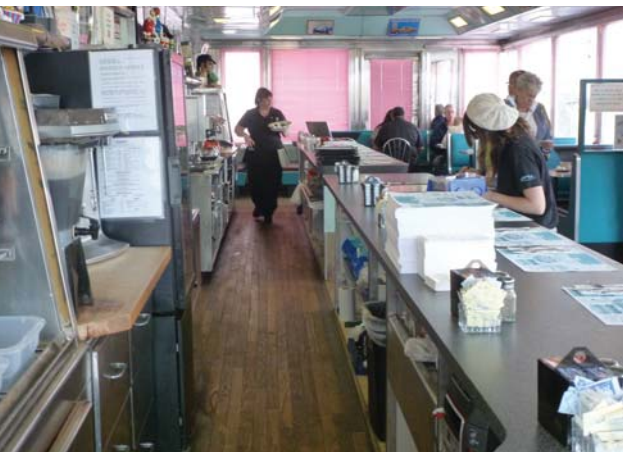
Through his research, Engle has become a diner historian and local eatery aficionado. He said one of his favorite places to stop in for breakfast is Johnny B’s Glenmont Diner, which is featured in the book.

Owned by John Behiri since 2004, the eatery was formerly the Miss Glenmont and Uncle Milty’s Diner. The diner itself was built by the Silk City Ding Car Company in New Jersey in 1962.

“One thing I really like is the owner’s attitude,” said Engle. “It’s fantastic. When you go in there, it just shows he loves what he is going and takes pride in everything he does there.”

Behiri said diners are in his blood. His father opened the original Tops diner in Rotterdam more than 30 years ago. That restaurant is now operated by his uncle and cousin. Another uncle operates the Farmer Boy Diner in Colonie, while another uncle once operated the Metro 20 Diner in Guilderland before it was bought by the Pilarinos family and named the Capital City Diner.

“We’re a small, cozy place here,” said Behiri. “We try to evoke a warm atmosphere instead of the sterile, cold cookie cutter restaurants you see. Nothing against the chains, but we want people to feel comfortable like



Scenes from inside Johnny B’s Glenmont Diner.
Marcy Vette/Spotlight

you’re coming to a friend’s house for lunch.”

This year, the diner was voted “Best Breakfast” by Capital Region Living Magazine and Engle said Johnny B’s deserves the accolade.

“I think what they do with breakfast is really creative,” he said. “He takes hot apples and puts them over a waffle. It’s almost like breakfast and dessert at the same time.”

Engle said he has other favorites. The Miss Johnstown Diner will always hold a special place for him as his first diner experience, but he also likes the Alexis Diner in Troy as a lunch destination and the Chuck Wagon Diner in Duanesburg because of its architecture.

“It’s actually featured on the cover of the book, that’s how much I like it,” he said.

Originally the home of the first Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise in Illinois, Tom and Sally Ketchum moved the Chuck Wagon to Princeton after a “failed rebirth” in Michigan. They then restored and refurbished the diner before it was opened in 2010.

“The Chuck Wagon not only has some great history... but the diner still has good food and a friendly atmosphere,” wrote Engle in the book. “The Ketchums tried to mix the classics with

some of the food people are accustomed to today.”

Engle has also learned diner etiquette and tips while researching, like always being nice to your waitress. “Also order the special, it’s usually the best thing on the menu,” he said.

Engle will host a discussion about Capital District diners at the Bethlehem Public Library on Monday, May 7, at 7 p.m. He said the event will mostly focus on the history of diners from the lunch wagon to the modern day diner and he will use local examples.

“I just hope people kind of make eating out a more enjoyable experience,” he said. “It’s about so much more ... and I think it’s up to parents to take their children to different places and broaden their horizons.”



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IN BRIEF

The Orthodox-Who Are we

Orthodox Christians from different countries and traditions will gather at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 1 St. George Place, Albany, on Sunday afternoon May 6 at 4 p.m. for a program entitled, "The Orthodox – Who Are

We.” Participating in the event will be clergy and faithful from the Armenian, Ethiopian, Malankara (India), Coptic (Egypt) and Byzantine (Antiochian) Orthodox Churches. An informational program will include brief introductions to the various traditions accompanied by examples of music from

each tradition. Vespers at 5:30 p.m. followed by a light supper will close the program. Ethnic delicacies will be featured on the menu. The event is open to the public and a donation for the "Food For the Hungry" program will be gratefully accepted. For further information, call 462-0579.

Former offices see last visitors



Firefighters from Elsmere, Slingerlands and Delmar have been doing various drills for the past week at the old Community Care Physicians building at 250 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. Drills performed included wall breaching, mask confidence and ventilation, forcible entry of interior doors, special tools, ladder and roof operations with vertical ventilation and more. Patroon Creek Development of Malta has given the town fire departments a week to train in and around the building before it is torn down to make room for a new parking lot to service Community Care's new offices next door.

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Upcoming programs at Delmar’s Five Rivers

A family-oriented investigation of forests and forest ecology will be conducted on Saturday, May 19, at 10 a.m. at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation’s Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

In celebration of National Walk in the Woods Day, Center naturalists will conduct an introductory study of different kinds of trees and the animals that depend upon them. The program is open to the public free of charge but registration is limited. Parents and children must accompany each other. Call 475-0291 by Friday, May 11 to register or for more information. Visit www.forestfoundation.org/familyactivities for other ideas recommended by the American Forest Foundation.

• A program for Daisy Girl Scouts titled Exploring Nature will be conducted on Saturday, May 19, at 10 a.m.

On this outdoor field study, Center naturalists will apply a variety of interactive

exercises using the five senses to help scouts explore the wonders of nature. Registration for this program is through the Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York at www.gsny.org. Call 489-8110 for more information. Scouts and leaders must accompany each other. A materials fee applies.

• A family-oriented study of turtles will be conducted on Saturday, May 19, at 2 p.m.

In celebration of World Turtle Day, Center naturalists will conduct a show-and-tell presentation on the natural history of turtles and the conservation challenges they face today. Afterwards, Center staff will lead an outdoor search of Five Rivers’ ponds for common turtles. Parents and children must accompany each other. The program is open to the public free of charge.

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Entertainment in the Spotlight



Below: Two Broads With Alotta Sound at the Bethlehem Public Library. The duo often performs at area libraries.
Left: After 14 years together, “We fight, we bicker,” Rene said. “But we always talk it out.”



Submitted photos

An act with Alotta sou

By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN, dominj@spotlightnews.com

Musical duo stays in harmony for 14 years

You can tell by the way Quency Rene and Diane Geddes talk to each other that they’re more than just musical partners. They laugh. A lot. When Rene recalls that they dreamed up the name “Two Broads With Alotta Sound” for their duo because, well, “We’re old,” Geddes interjects with mock indignation, “We’re middle-aged.”

Their friendship is the backbone of their act, and they say that’s why they’ve lasted 14 years in an era when bands get together and break up the way movies move in and out of theaters.

“After 14 years, you get on each other’s nerves,” Rene said. “But we’re best friends, and that makes

you invested in working things out.”

The truth is, they’re in harmony a lot more than they’re at each other’s throats. Since the day they met in a music shop in Colonie Center, Rene (who goes by “Q”) and Geddes have just clicked, on stage and off. They will present “Powerful Women of Song” at the Colonie library on Sunday, May 6, at 2 p.m.

Before they were Two Broads with Alotta Sound, Rene and Geddes both performed with other area bands. One day, Rene walked into the store in the mall where Geddes was working, looking to buy some sheet music. The two women got talking and found they had a lot in common. When Geddes’ band, Mixed Company, needed someone to fill in for a show a few months

later, she called Rene. As they grew closer, they decided to strike out on their own, debuting in 1998 with Rene handling vocals and Geddes on keyboard. When they were turning over ideas for names, they figured they might as well be honest.

“We’re just a couple of broads having a great time,” Rene said.

Geddes said the duo performs “anything bold.” With computer enhancement, they incorporate blues, hip hop and “anything in between” into their shows.

Their venues are as eclectic as their repertoire. They have performed at festivals, house parties, libraries, legislative receptions and outdoor concert series. Rene, who is retired, handles the Broads’ booking and

says yes to just about everything.

When the two land a gig, they often perform one of the programs they’ve put together and fine tuned over their 14 years. One, for instance, is called “A

Musical Journey Through New York” and features an imaginary tour bus ride through the Big Apple with songs and commentary about the city (led by bus driver “Diane the Destroyer”). “A Musical Journey Through the USA” is a similar concept, incorporating songs like “Oklahoma,” “Chicago” and “Dixie.” “A Musical Jaunt Through the Moon and the Stars” focuses on romantic songs that are “out of this world.”

In honor of Women’s History Month in March, the two put together a program that focused on the strength of female singers. The March gig actually fell through, but they figured the program would still be a good fit for the Colonie library performance. Covering the last 50 years, the program will showcase songs by Carmen Miranda, Billie Holliday, Tina Turner and more.

Upcoming shows may feature some original music, as that’s a direction the duo is exploring. They like the intellectual bent of jazz numbers, pieces that feature “picture-painting lyrics.”

Geddes and Rene encouraged anyone looking for a good time to check out the library show or any of their other performances. They’ll see two people who truly enjoy what they’re doing – and each other.

“We’re having fun,” Rene said, noting that the two have been together so long that it’s like they’re married. “We’re looking for other people to have fun with us.”

The 2 p.m. performance at the library is free. The William K. Sanford Town Library is at 629 Albany Shaker Road. For more information on Two Broads With Alotta Sound, visit www.2broadsmusic.com.

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GOD OF CARNAGE

Recent Tony Award-winning comedy, presented by Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through May 27, shows Tuesdays through Sundays, call for times, \$20-\$60. Information, 445-7469.

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Comedy about six mis-matched co-workers hiding out in a cooler yo escape a lunatic, presented by Hilltowns Players, Clarksville Community Church, May 4, 7:30 p.m., \$9 (\$8 presale). Information, 768-2916. Also, Bethlehem YMCA, Delaware Avenue, Delmar, May 6, 3 p.m., \$5 (reservations only). Information, 439-4394.

THE PRISONER OF SECOND AVENUE

Neil Simon comedy, presented by The Stillwater Players Among Others, Inc., All Saints on the Hudson Parish Center, 881 Hudson Ave., Stillwater, May 4-6, 11-13 and 18-19, \$35 includes dinner, \$30 seniors/veterans, \$20 show only. Information, 290-0019.

THE REAL THING

Tom Stoppard's comedy, presented by Schenectady Civic Players, 12 South Church St., Schenectady, May 4-6 and 9-13, shows 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, \$15. Information, 382-2081.

RUMORS

Neil Simon comedy, presented by Home Made Theater, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, through May 6, shows 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, \$23-\$26. Information, 587-4427.

THE WHIPPING MAN

Matthew Lopez's award-winning play about three men at a crossroads following the Civil War, presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through May 12, shows 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Sat-

urday, and 3 p.m. Sunday, \$22. Information, 877-7529.

Music

DON AND VICTORIA ARMSTRONG

Folk duo celebrates the beauty and mystery of the Southwest, May 3, 7 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$15, door price \$17. Information, 583-0022.

MARK BAPTISTE

Covering old songs, May 3, 7 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

EMERALD DAWN

Monthly show by Celtic/acoustic rock duo, May 4, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

BIG HEAD TODD & THE MONSTERS

Blues/pop rock band, May 4, 8 p.m., Hart Theater, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$28. Information, 473-1845.

KIM & CLYDE

Country duo, May 4, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

TONY TRISCHKA AND TERRITORY

Veteran musician headlines "Banjo Summit," May 4, 8 p.m., Caffe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$24, door price \$26. Information, 583-0022.

MIDNIGHT SOCIETY

Pop/rock duo, May 5, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

THE PRIESTS

Three singing clergymen, May 5, 7:30 p.m., Hart Theater, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$39.50-\$59.50. Information, 473-1845.

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Performing Haydn's "The Creation," May 6, 3 p.m., St. Luke's Church, 1241 State St., Schenectady, adults \$20, seniors \$15, students with ID \$10, families \$50. Information, 253-7068.

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Acoustic suo from Israel and Switzer-

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Weekly show of improvised comedy and music, May 4, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady, adults \$14, students/seniors \$6. Information, 346-6204.

COMEDY WORKS

Joey Kola and Corey Rodrigues headline, May 4 and 5, 9 p.m., Best Western, 200 Wolf Road, Colonie, May 5, 7:30 p.m., Starting Gate Restaurant, 12 Ballston Ave., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$20, day of show \$25. Information, (877) 565-3849 or 275-6897.

Family Fun

IMAGINATION ARTS WORKSHOPS

Study impressionism (May 10) at Malta Community Center, open to children age 5-7, registration fee is \$6 per class for Malta residents, \$7 per class for non residents, registration deadline is one week prior to class. Information, 899-4411.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

"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

"First in the Hearts of His Countrymen: George Washington," through May 20; "Recent Acquisitions," through Sept. 23; plus "The Folk Spirit of Albany: Folk Art from the Collectcion 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

Installations by Paul Katz, Harry Leigh, Harold Lohner, Lillian Mulero, Ken Ragsdale, Nancy Shaver and Joy Taylor. Information, 463-3726.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

"Tails & Terpsichore" through Nov. 24, 2013; "En Pointe!" through Nov. 18; "Eleo Pomare: The Man, The Artist, The Maker of Artists," through Nov. 18; "American

Ballet Theatre: Then & Now," through Nov. 18; 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information, 584-2225.

SAMUELS

"True Grit," featuring Sue Clark's photographs of the Old West, through May 31, 258 Alplaus Ave., Alplaus, open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Information, www.suephotography.com.

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.

HYDE COLLECTION

"Toulouse-Lautrec & Company: Prints from the Belle Epoque," through May 27, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE

"Clark Remix," through Jan. 1, 2014; 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

MASS MOCA

"Kidspace: Under the Sea," through May 28; "Invisible Cities," through Feb. 4; "Sol 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 Conaway," through May 27; plus "Arkell's Inspiration: the Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People," ongoing; Canajoharie. Information, 673-2314.

Call for Artists

BALLSTON SPA COMMUNITY BAND

Openings in several sections, especially percussion, rehearsals Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Ballston Spa High School. Information, 580-1037.

THURSDAY MUSICAL CLUB

Women's singing group entering its 99th year, practices held Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Information, 765-4536.

THE CHORALIERS

Musical group looking for singers of all abilities, performs concerts at Christmas and in the spring, pieces are familiar and

fun to sing, no auditions are necessary, practices are 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Saint Clares' Chapel, McClellan Street, Schenectady.

ETUDE CLUB

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

CLIFTON PARK COMMUNITY CHORUS

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

CAPITALAND CHORUS

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

TANGO FUSION DANCE COMPANY

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

ADIRONDACK PASTEL SOCIETY

Group meets four times a year and holds an annual show, promotes and encourages the medium of pastel through exhibitions, education and comradery in the medium. Information, 793-9350.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

COLONIE TOWN BAND

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

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

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

SUBURBAN SOUNDS COMMUNITY CHORUS

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

FRIENDSHIP SINGERS

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

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

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

Weekly Crossword

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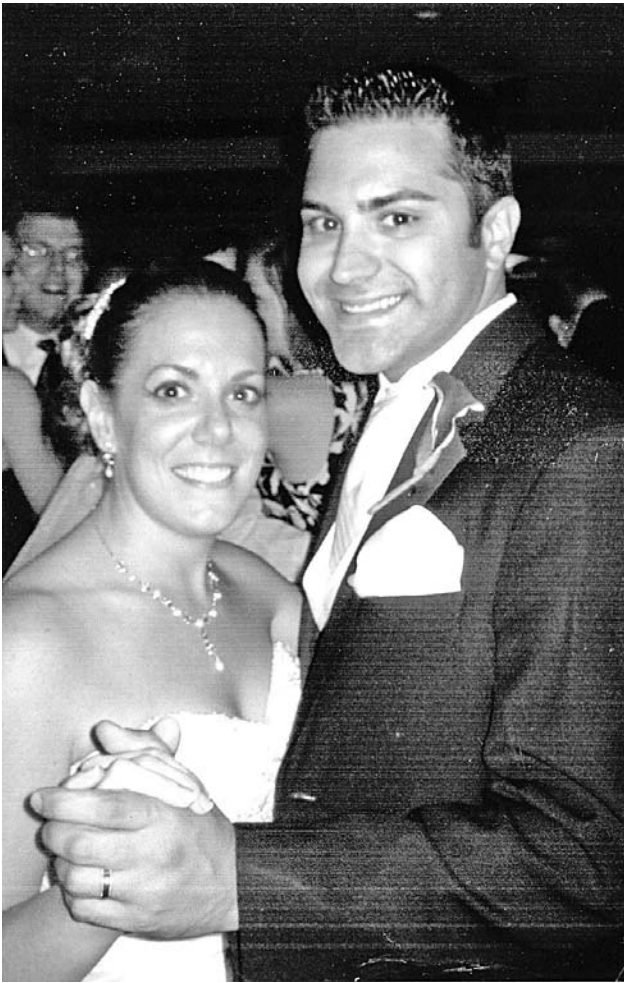
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Milestones



Kristina Marie and Brian John Frugis, Jr.

Fournier, Frugis wed

Jim and Dolores Fournier, Selkirk, NY, are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Kristina Marie Fournier to Brian John Frugis, Jr., son of Brian and Susann Frugis of Pequannock, NJ.

The bride received her Bachelor's Degree from SUNY Plattsburgh in Elementary Education and her Master's Degree from The College of St. Rose and is currently employed as a reading teacher for East Greenbush Central

School District. The groom received his Bachelor's Degree from Rutgers University in Atmospheric Science and is employed as a meteorologist for the National Weather Service.

The wedding took place at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Albany, followed by a reception at The Century House in Latham on 8/13/11. After a honeymoon in Hawaii and Las Vegas, Mr. and Mrs. Frugis make their home in Voorheesville.



Walter and Doris Osterhout

Osterhouts mark 70 years

Walter and Doris Osterhout of Eisenhower Court, Colonie, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary with a dinner party followed by an open house with family, friends and neighbors. The dinner party was given by their children and spouses – David and Diane Simons of Plainville, Connecticut; Dean and Karen Osterhout of Latham; and Ray and Denise Palmer of Scotia.

Walter and Doris were married on January 17th 1942 at the Stanford United Methodist Church in Schenectady.

The former Doris Miller graduated from Mount Pleasant High School and was a homemaker. Walter graduated from Nott Terrace High School and was employed by the New York Telephone Company. They have six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Cotazino named to honor society

The Delta Epsilon Iota Academic Honor Society has selected Maria F. Cotazino for membership in the local chapter at The College of Saint Rose.

Delta Epsilon Iota was established in order to recognize and encourage academic excellence in all fields of study. The organization rewards outstanding students through financial scholarships, provides leadership opportunities to its members, and promotes the principles of Dedication, Enthusiasm, and Initiative among students participating in higher education throughout the United States.

Students qualify on the basis of academic achievement. Prospective members must have completed a minimum of 30 semester hours at an accredited college or university, while maintaining a 3.30 cumulative grade point average or a scholastic ranking within the top 15% of their class.

Delta Epsilon Iota's membership is comprised of outstanding scholars attending many of the finest colleges and universities in the



Maria F. Cotazino

country. Organizational vision and cutting edge resources have made the Society one of the leading academic development organizations, synonymous with leadership and excellence in academic life.

Maria is from Voorheesville, New York and is the daughter of Joseph and Joy Cotazino. Maria attended Clayton A. Boston high School, Voorheesville. Maria's college major is Mathematics: Adolescent Education and her expected College graduation date is May, 2012.

Maria's future plans are to teach 7-12 grade math. She also plans to obtain her Master's Degree from the College of Saint Rose with a concentration in special education.

Spotlight on Poetry

Ring-A-Ding Sackers

By Taylor Tewksbury

The alarm clock cannot defend itself
from the early morning dreamer
the shock-stricken sleeper
the nightstand top sweeper.
It cannot protect from the fly-swattling whacker
the ring-a-ding sacker
the crushing ram hacker.
It has no defense from the crusty-eyed grumbler
the thick-tongued mumbler
the blind-swinging pummeler.

And let's not forget all those
backhanded slammers
the striking force hammers
or the closed-fist whack-whammers.
It cannot avoid the groggy-mind bashers,
so it must pray for a day
without floppy-armed smashers.

I chose this poem from a large collection of poems submitted by two English classes at Guilderland High School. I love the original language and the sense of play this poet exhibits. Kudos to Ms. Tewksbury

and her teacher, Diane Geurin.

Taylor Tewksbury is a student at Guilderland High School. Her favorite genres are poetry and fiction. She is also a staff writer on her school newspaper. In addition to writing, she enjoys painting, softball, basketball and cross-country running.

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Your Community in The Spotlight

Town to hold Bike Expo

The Town of Bethlehem will hold its annual Bike Expo on Saturday, May 5, at Elm Avenue Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Te day is dedicated to safety and fun for the entire family. Activites include a helmet fitting, bike rodeo (for ages 7 and under), bike skills course (for ages 8 and up), bike inspections, bike registrations, a used bike auction, a bike ride through the park and giveaways and prizes.

The event is co-sponsored by the Town of Bethlehem's Police Youth Bureau and the Parks and Recreation Department, with assistance from the PaTHs 4 Bethlehem Committee.

Bethlehem Youth Court celebrates Law Day

Bethlehem Youth Court is celebrating Law Day on Thursday, May 17, at 6 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall Auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Law Day, which is officially May 1 but is celebrated throughout the month of May, is a day to recognize the importance of our judicial system. The event will feature guest speaker Javy Martinez of Colonie Youth Court and the third annual Advocacy Scholarship Competition, during which senior Youth Court members will present arguments to a panel of judges and the winner will receive a \$250 scholarship.

The Bethlehem Police Supervisor's Association will be presenting two scholarships to senior Youth Court members. For more information call 439-4955 x1143 or visit www.BethlehemYouthCourt.org.

Minneapolis singer in town

Old Songs presents Minneapolis singer-songwriter Ellis on Saturday, May 12, at 8 p.m. at Old Songs, 37 South Main St., Voorheesville.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$5 for children ages 12 and under and may be purchased at the door or by calling Old Songs at 765-2815.

Ellis may not be a household name, but once you've seen her perform you're not likely to forget

Scouts aim to give troops a treat



To commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Girl Scouts, Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 1907 collected 104 boxes of cookies that were donated to Operation Adopt a Soldier, along with “thank you” cards. Pictured at Westmere Elementary are Marina Cohen, Grace Elliott, Lindsey, Graycen Dubin and Bethany Solomon.

Submitted photo

her. A mix of folk artist, dharma teacher and comedienne, her music is best described by the effect it has on her audience rather than a particular genre. Simply put, she leaves audiences better than she finds them, with softened edges and opened hearts. With compelling songwriting and engaging performances, Ellis is quietly amassing a loyal following of supporters across the country.

After moving from Texas to Minneapolis at age 16, Ellis got her start singing her own songs at open mics where she quickly dropped her often-mispronounced last name (Bergeron). She joined a rock band in high school while also setting up her own record label to put out her first solo CD “Soft Day” in 1996. Ellis began touring full-time in 2000. Since then she has independently sold more than 40,000 copies of her seven CDs.

A winner of several awards including the 2009 Just Plain Folks Best Female Singer Songwriter CD (“Break The Spell”), as well as being voted the “Most Wanted To Return” performer at both Falcon Ridge Folk Festival and Sisters Folk Festival, she has also received Top 5 recognition in the Telluride Troubadour Song Contest and the Rocky Mountain Folks Fest Song Contest.

She has repeatedly been voted “Best Local Musician” in Minneapolis by readers of Lavender Magazine and the Minnesota Women’s Press.

In 2010, Ellis completed her critically acclaimed seventh full-length recording, “Right On Time.”

Onesquethaw breakfast set

On Saturday, May 12, from 8 to 11:30 a.m., Onesquethaw will host a pancake breakfast. The breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, homemade sausage gravy, biscuits, eggs, applesauce, juice, coffee, tea and milk. There is no cost but donations will be taken to benefit the Faith Followers Youth Group and Camp Fowler Scholarship Fund.

New Baltimore Reformed Church holds plant sale

The New Baltimore Reformed Church, located on the corner of Route 144 and Church Street in the hamlet, will be holding its annual Plant Swap and Sale on Saturday, May 12, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Complimentary coffee will be available inside and there will be a bake sale on premises with Mother’s Day treats available for purchase

as well as wholesome church-made dog biscuits.

Master Gardeners will be on hand for soil testing, helpful gardening information and advice.

All proceeds will go to support the church’s ministries.

Mother’s Day Teddy Bear Tea planned

The Friends of the Castleton Public Library will host a Mother’s Day Teddy Bear Tea Fundraiser on Saturday, May 5, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Schodack Landing Fire Hall (350 Firehouse Lane, Schodack Landing). Dress up and bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed friend along to enjoy storytime activities with Mrs. Darlene Miller, crafts and treats. \$5 for adults, children and stuffed friends free. Call the Castleton Public Library to reserve your spot at 732-0879.

Cinco de Mayo Fiesta at BCSD

Come and enjoy a taste of the progress that has been made in the school lunch program at Bethlehem Central School District by having school lunch for dinner.

Come dine (or take out) on Wednesday, May 9, from

5 to 7 p.m. at the BC High School Cafeteria.

As a celebration of the Cinco de Mayo holiday, the Bethlehem Healthy Kids Committee and School Nutrition Director Paul Franchini will be serving a “school lunch for dinner” of savory Mexican delights (fish tacos and chicken fajitas, bean and cheese burritos, rice and beans, garden salad, black bean salsa) for all BCSD families. Stay and eat with friends or take your dinners to go (\$10 adult and \$5 student - cash only).

All proceeds of this fundraiser will go toward the purchase of food processors for the school kitchens, helping cooks to prepare fresh, tasty lunches.

RSVP: bethlehemhealthykids@gmail.com. Entertainment by BCSD student musicians.

Baby Animal Days at Indian Ladder

Indian Ladder Farms in Altamont will be holding its 17th annual Baby Animal Days, May 5 through May 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the Baby Animal Barn is \$5 per child, adults are free with children.

Come see, pet and learn about the baby farm animals. Visit the barn filled with chicks, ducklings, goslings, turkey poults, bunnies, goat kids, lambs

and calves. Stop in at the Farm Animal Learning Center, where children and adults alike can learn how farm animals depend on people for survival and what the animals can do for us. Learn how bees make honey and how honey is collected, then visit our in store observation hive and see the bees busy at work.

On weekends during Baby Animal Days for a small additional cost there will be face painting and weather permitting, pony rides. Mother’s Day Weekend the Yellow Rock Cafe will host a special menu brunch. Reservations are strongly suggested. Free tractor drawn hayrides through the orchard for moms and families.

For more information or directions call Indian Ladder Farm Market at 765-2956 or visit www.indianladderfarms.com.

Film screening at B’nai Sholom

B’nai Sholom Reform Congregation in Albany will host a screening of “Leon the Pig Farmer,” an irreverent 1992 comedy from the production company of “Monty Python”’s Eric Idle.

The film will be shown Saturday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. at B’nai Sholom, 420 Whitehall Road, Albany. Admission: \$3 contribution.

“Leon the Pig Farmer” is considered a cult classic in Europe. The movie’s zany story is set in motion when Leon Geller (the late Mark Frankel), a sensitive Jewish boy from London, accidentally learns that he is the product of artificial insemination. Leon’s search for his biological parents leads him to the still more startling discovery of a sperm bank mix-up proving that he is the son of a Yorkshirepig farmer. The inevitable confusion results in a comic Jewish identity crisis.

“Leon the Pig Farmer” received the “International Critics’ Prize” at the 1992 Venice Film Festival and was named “Best Film” at the 1992 Edinburgh Film Festival. “Fresh and vastly amusing” is how the Chicago Tribune described it, while the Village Voice called it “insightful and witty.”

For more information, contact the B’nai Sholom office at 482-5283 or e-mail office@bnaisholom.albany.ny.us.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 206 (c)

The name of the limited liability company is Learnimation, LLC. The date of filing of the articles of organization with the Department of State was March 14, 2002. The county in New York in which the office of the company is located is Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company upon whom process may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the company served upon him or her to Sarah Manning 49 Oldox Road Delmar, NY 12054. The latest date upon which the company is required to be dissolved is March 8, 2201. The business purpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York. 80116 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Pyrrho Global GP, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/9/12. Off. loc.: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/14/12. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc. (CSI), 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: CSI, 1675 S. State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 80252 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Bou-lis LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/21/2012. 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. 80260 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Doron Enterprises LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/13/2012. 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. 80261 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Advantage Production LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/20/2012. 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. 80262 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Simplicity Protection, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/6/12. Off. loc.: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 1/24/12. 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

LEGAL NOTICE

10001. TX address of LLC: 122 W. John Carpenter Fwy, 6th Fl., Irving, TX 75039. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful activity. 80266 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

JOHN MCGRATH, LLC, Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/21/12. Off. Loc.: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, P.O. Box 3904, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act. 80272 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Journeys By Julie, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 2/16/12. 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 112 Masten Ave., Cohoes, NY 12047. Purpose: any lawful activities. 80274 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Bay Marine, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 1/30/12. 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 Hillary S. Wagoner, 26 Brightonwood Rd., Glenmont, NY 12077. Purpose: any lawful activities. 80275 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Odyssey Partners, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/22/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 8 Adams Avenue, Bayville, NY 11709. Purpose: engage in any lawful act or activity. 80278 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of PINNERGY, LTD. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/20/12. Off. loc.: Albany County. LP formed in Texas (TX) on 12/31/05. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LP: 350 N. St. Paul St., Ste. 2900, Dallas, TX 75201. Name/address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 80280 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of PINNERGY GP, L.L.C. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/20/12. Off. loc.: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 7/25/11. 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. DE address of LLC: 350 N. St. Paul St., Ste. 2900, Dallas, TX 75201. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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80281 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LARA'S MENAGERIE MANAGEMENT, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/22/12. 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. 80282 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of OBI IGBO RESCUE TEAM, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/22/12. 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. 80283 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: LWF VENTURES LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/02/2010. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 680 Watkins Street, Brooklyn, New York 11212. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 80287 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: WORLD CLASS GYMNASTICS ADULT, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 23, 2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC c/o Michelle H. Wildgrube, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube P.C., 2310 Nott St. E., STE 1, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 80290 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of SOMESCENTS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/26/12. 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. 80292 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of TRIL-LION TECHNOLOGIES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/20/12. 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. 80293 (D)

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Alur Financial LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/26/2012. 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. 80453 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Universal Energy Source LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/22/2012. 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. 80454 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation BFC Citipoint LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/26/2012. 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. 80455 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Ev-george LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/28/2012. 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. 80456 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: KATHRYN LAMONT TEAL, PLLC, Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 25, 2012. Office location: Albany County, 99 Washington Avenue, Suite 309, Albany, New York 12210. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon who process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the PLLC c/o Lynn M. Coles, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube P.C., 2310 Nott St. E., STE 1, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: Professional services – attorney and counselor-at-law. 80458 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of R Marsac Consulting, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/5/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 3/11/02. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the NJ address of LLC: The LLC, 30 Ramar St., Flanders, NJ 07836. Arts. of Org. filed with NJ Dept. of Treasury, PO Box 302, Trenton, NJ 08646. Purpose: any lawful activity. 80465 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

1083 Brighton Beach Avenue, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/9/12. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 4012 Atlantic

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Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11224. General Purposes. 80467 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Pyrrho Capital Management, LP. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/9/12. Off. loc.: Albany County. LP formed in Delaware (DE) on 2/14/12. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc. (CSI), 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LP: c/o CSI, 1675 S. State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Name/ address of each genl. ptr. available from SSNY. Cert. of LP filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 80471 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

On February 28, 2012, Bethlehem Mobile Home Park, LLC, a limited liability company, filed articles of organization with the New York Secretary of State for the purpose of engaging in the purchase, ownership, leasing and development of real estate including, but not limited to, mobile home and manufactured home parks, and any other lawful business. The office of Bethlehem Mobile Home Park, LLC is located in Albany County. The specified date of dissolution is December 31, 2062. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served, with any such process received by the Secretary of State to be mailed to Bethlehem Mobile Home Park, LLC , 14 Saybrook Drive, Glenmont, New York 12077. A registered agent upon whom process against the limited liability company may be served is Rose Watkins, mailed c/o Barney Square Apartments, 225 State Street, Suite 113, Schenectady, New York 12305. 80472 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Samuel Thorpe LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/2/2012. 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. 80475 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Natural Stone & Tile, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/2/2012. 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. 80476 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Ambica III LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/29/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1579 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: all lawful activities. 80477 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Yes Dental of NY, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/22/12. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may

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be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1420 St. Nicholas Ave., NY, NY 10033. General Purposes. 80572 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PAEZ NY CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/3/12. 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. 80574 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GRADTIX, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/3/12. 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. 80575 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BUDDHA TEA HOUSE, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/4/12. 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, 69 N. Pearl St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: all lawful activities. 80580 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PERUZZI CAPITAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/4/12. 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. 80581 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of A-Z PARTY RENTALS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/6/12. 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. 80583 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 205 207 8TH AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/5/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 So Lake Ave Box 13, Albany, NY 12208 Purpose: any lawful activity. 80591 (D) (May 2, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of 70 7TH AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/5/12. 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. 80585 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 128 TODT HILL ROAD LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/5/12. 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. 80586 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 201 AND 203 BUTLER STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/5/12. 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. 80587 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 400 5TH STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/5/12. 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. 80588 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JCJ HOLDINGS OF N.Y. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/19/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 43 Willow Lane, Delanson, NY 12053. Purpose: any lawful activity. 80589 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: Livingston Rentals, LLC Arts. of Org. filed under sec 203 of the LLC Law with NY Secy. Of State (SSNY) on April 3, 2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 So Lake Ave Box 13, Albany, NY 12208 Purpose: any lawful activity. 80592 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: Third Arbor Hill, LLC Arts. of Org. filed under sec 203 of the LLC Law with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on April 3, 2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 So Lake Ave Box 13, Albany, NY 12208 Purpose: any lawful activity. 80592 (D) (May 2, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of Gutches West LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/2/12. 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 CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 80593 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LUMINOUS REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/9/12. 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. 80798 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 343 GNR REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/9/12. 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. 80799 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

DAGON ENTERPRISES, LLC Notice of formation of DAGON ENTERPRISES, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 4/3/12. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 911 Central Avenue, #105, Albany, New York 12206. The purposes of the LLC are to acquire, own, hold, improve, manage and operate the real property known as 80, 84 and 88 North Williams Street, in the Village and Town of Whitehall, New York (the "Property") and to acquire, own, hold, improve, manage and operate the real property known as 7-9 North Main Street in the Village and Town of Whitehall, known as Whitehall Marina (the "Property 2"). 80801 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

ROETTENKILL ASSOCIATES, LLC Notice of formation of ROETTENKILL ASSOCIATES, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 4/6/12. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 911 Central Avenue, #105, Albany, New York 12206. The purposes of the LLC are to join with Bay Marine, LLC and create a joint business venture known as Dagon Enterprises, LLC and to accomplish any lawful business which at any time shall appear conducive to or expedient for the protection or benefit of the Limited Liability Company. 80802 (D) (May 2, 2012)

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Notice of formation of OHD-SOUTHEND III, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 3/30/2012. 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. 80803 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Eye Care Enterprises, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY (SOS) on 4/12/12. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 49 North Street, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 80812 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GLADSTONE HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/10/12. 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. 80821 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of FABLE FOODS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/10/12. 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. 80820 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BRISBANE VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/10/12. 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. 80822 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of BEKDAS WATCH COMPANY, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 4/6/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 12/5/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. NJ address of LLC: 321 Rt.3 W, Paramus, NJ 07652. Arts. Of Org. filed with the NJ Secy. Of State, 33 W. State St., Trenton, NY 08608. Purpose: any lawful activity. 80823 (D) (May 2, 2012)

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Notice of Formation Olympe LLC Arts. of Org.

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filed with SSNY 4/10/2012. 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. 80824 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Corey W. Hunter, M.D. PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/13/2012. 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. 80825 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of American Senior Benefits, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/11/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Ohio (OH) on 5/25/01. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. Principal office of LLC: 2504 Armatrading, Cedar Park, TX 78613. Arts. of Org. filed with OH Secy. of State, 180 East Broad St., 16th Fl., Columbus, OH 43215. Purpose: any lawful activity 80827 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY 1. The name of the limited liability company is RJM Development, LLC. 2. The Articles of Organization creating the limited liability company were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on April 13, 2012. 3. The principal office of the limited liability company is in Albany County. 4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any copy of process against it is: 524A Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. 5. The limited liability company is formed for the purpose of engaging in any business purposes permitted by law. 80994 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CLOS THALES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/17/12. 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. 80995 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ONE PEAR PRODUCTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/17/12. 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. 80996 (D) (May 2, 2012)

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Notice of formation of OHD-VETERANS TROY LLC.

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Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on 4/18/2012. 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. 80999 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of SHEPHERD REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/23/12. 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. 81000 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of DCyr Realty, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 23, 2012, 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 160 Witter Road, Altamont, New York 12009, 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. 81005 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 23-67 Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/20/2012. 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. 81006 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Inward Unfold Design LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/23/2012. 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. 81007 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Adhara New York, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/16/2012. 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. 81008 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of LOVESICK LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/9/12. Fictitious name in NY State: LOVESICK MOVIE LLC. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/4/12. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 9159 Delano Street, Unit 9901, Naples, FL 34113.

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DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity. 81114 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of LLC-IQBAL 7 LLC has filed an Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of New York on 3/23/12. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served. A copy of any process shall be mailed to 24 Mercer St., Albany, NY 12203. 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. 81115 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing on the proposed 2012-2013 Budget for the Bethlehem Central School District shall be held at the Bethlehem Central High School located at 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, Albany County, New York, on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., Prevailing Time. The budget will be available for review commencing on April 25, 2012 at the Bethlehem Central High School, Business Office, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, and the offices of each Elementary School, the Middle School and the High School of the District. AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the election of candidates to the Bethlehem Central School Board of Education and the budget vote will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the upper gymnasium of the Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, Albany County, New York, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine on the following items:

PROPOSITION #1 To adopt the annual budget of the Bethlehem Central School District for the fiscal year 2012-2013 and to authorize the requisite portion therefore to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District. PROPOSITION #2 To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education to a three (3) year term commencing on July 1, 2012 and expiring on June 30, 2015 to succeed Lynne Lenhardt and Charmaine Wijeyesinghe, whose terms expire on June 30, 2012. PROPOSITION #3 Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library be authorized to expend for the operation of such library for the fiscal year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, the sum of \$3,913,041 and that the Board of Education of Bethlehem Central School District of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, County of Albany, New York, be authorized to levy the necessary tax therefor. PROPOSITION #4 To elect two (2) trustee to the Board of Trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library, one (1) for a five (5) year term commencing on July 1, 2012 and expiring on June 30, 2017 and one (1) for a one yer term commencing on July 1, 2012 and expiring on June 30, 2013. PROPOSITION #5 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, is hereby authorized to (1) acquire school vehicles at a cost not to exceed \$660,000 which is estimated to be the maximum cost thereof,

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(2) expend such sums for such purpose, (3) levy the tax necessary therefor, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education, taking into account state aid received, and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, to issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$660,000, or enter into a lease-purchase agreement at a principal amount not to exceed \$660,000 to acquire such vehicles. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to the Education Law of the State of New York. The election and budget vote shall be by voting machine or absentee ballot. The hours during which the polls shall be kept open shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. prevailing time or for as long thereafter as necessary to enable qualified voters who are in the polling place at 9:00 p.m. to cast their ballots. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for the 2012-2013 school year, exclusive of public monies, and Basic STAR exemption impact report may be obtained by any taxpayer in the District during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting except Saturdays, Sundays or holidays, at the Bethlehem Central High School, Business Office, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, and the offices of each Elementary School, the Middle School, the High School of the District, the School District Website and the Bethlehem Public Library between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time and also at said District Election. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education and for the office of Trustee of the Bethlehem Public Library shall be filed with the District Clerk at the District Clerk's office at the Bethlehem Central High School, Business Office, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, not later than April 16, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk, must be signed by at least Ninety Nine (99) qualified voters of the District and must state the name and residence of the candidate. A copy of such petitions may be obtained at the Office of District Clerk in the Bethlehem Central School District during regular school hours. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the vote if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. on May 15, 2012. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on each of the five days prior to the day of the election, except Saturday, May 12 and Sunday, May 13, 2012, and on the day set for the election. Any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list, by making his/her challenge and reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

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the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote in said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) resident with the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law section 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address as per School District Policy 2120.2. AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a policy adopted by the Board of Education in accordance with Sections 2035 and 2008 of the Education law, any referendum or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said vote and election, must be filed with the Board of Education at the Bethlehem Central School on or before April 16, 2012 at 5:00 p.m., prevailing time; must be typed or printed in the English language; must be directed to the Clerk of the School District; must be signed by at least Two Hundred Forty Seven (247) of the qualified voters of the District; and must state the name and residence of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain or place before the voters any proposition if its purpose is beyond the power of the voters or is illegal, or any proposition requiring the expenditure of moneys which fails to include specific appropriations for all such expenditures required by the proposition or any proposition which must be included in this notice of the annual meeting and was not received at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting. Date: Delmar, New York March 28, 2012 Judith E. Kehoe District Clerk Bethlehem Central School District 80832 (D) (May 2, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL Pursuant to Section 505 and 1526 of the Real Property Tax Law Notice is hereby given that the Assessor of the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, has completed the tentative assessment roll for the current year and that a copy is available at the office of the Assessor at 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY where it may be seen and examined by any interested person beginning on May 1st. HEARING OF COMPLAINTS YOU MUST FILE A FORMAL WRITTEN GRIEVANCE WITH THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW NO LATER THAN MAY 22ND 2012, BY 8PM. The Assessor will be in attendance with the tentative assessment roll Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday evening, May 9th 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday May 19th 9 a.m to noon by appointment only. The Board of Assessment Review will meet on Tuesday May 22nd 9 a.m. – noon and 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. to hear and examine all complaints in relation to assessments, on the application of any person believing himself to be aggrieved. Patricia C. McVee, IAO Assessor, Town of Bethlehem 81002 (D) (May 2, 2012)

Councilwoman’s absence questioned

Nisky’s Liz Kasper gone from five of seven town meetings this year, records reveal trends

By JOHN PURCELL
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Amid heated debates on a proposal to build a new indoor recreation in Niskayuna, there has been one Town Board member noticeably absent from meetings.

Councilwoman Liz Orzel Kasper was present for the first meeting of the year on Jan. 12, but was absent from the following five meetings until returning on the Thursday, April 19, meeting. All other board members were present for the seven meeting held so far this year. After the recent meeting, Kasper said she was in Florida at a home she purchased last year.

“We bought a house in Florida, I’m not moving there,” Kasper said after the meeting. “We were doing a lot of remodeling this year and I was going to get back in March and then my granddaughter got married down there.”

Kasper said the property is going to be a “vacation home.” She said since Town Board meeting are typically two weeks apart there is ample time to go to Florida for 10 days.

The Spotlight reviewed Town Board meeting minutes from 1990 to the present and found in 15 of the 19 years Kasper served as a board member during that time period, she was either the most absent board member or was tied for the most absences.

Upon Kasper’s return, some residents on April 19 voiced concern about her extended absence.

“I am certainly, if you ask anybody, I am very visible and very approachable. I am not going to say that I haven’t been a diligent member of the board.”

Niskayuna Councilwoman Liz Orzel Kasper

“Liz, I voted for you and I will not do so again unless you attend meetings and that goes for everybody on this board,” Whitmyer Drive resident Amy Howansky said. “Your job is to be here, your job is to discuss things in a public open forum to hear our views and to vote according to the views of the people in the town.”

Earlier in the meeting, Kasper said she watched meeting videos “several times” while she was away, allowing her to see presentations given and hear residents’ concerns. She said she read three local newspapers, too.

“I am fully informed,” said Kasper. “I read your emails and I read everything that I got.”

Kasper said she didn’t reply to emails because she wanted to “listen to the whole thing” on the proposed indoor recreation center before making any statements on the project.

Former Town Board candidate Linda Rizzo, who left the town GOP and filed a change of enrollment to join the Democratic Party while Kasper (also a Democrat) was out of state, also voiced her discontent at the recent meeting.

“When you are elected by the public, you are elected to come to board meetings and cast your vote,” Rizzo said.

“Sitting in Florida ... is not being responsible to the taxpayers.”

Rizzo said it is “not legitimate” for Kasper to say she kept up with meetings and town issues while she is out of state, because she is elected for “the power of the vote.”

“Once you leave this table Liz, you are no different than I am,” Rizzo said. “You are doing nothing more than what I am doing and I am not an elected official.”

Kasper said even if she was present at meeting she probably wouldn’t be responding to residents’ comments during the meeting because it has been the policy of the current administration to not respond at meetings.

“That part I don’t see as a lack, because we sit here many meetings ... and you don’t see the board members respond,” Kasper said. “Even if I was here I probably wouldn’t have been responding.”

Kasper said her extended absence is not something that will continue in future years.

“I didn’t ever leave, I was here for everything,” Kasper said. “If I am gone for any length of time I will certainly make sure I am back.”

Kasper said she picked



See a breakdown and year-to-year attendance for all Niskayuna board members at [spotlightnews.com](#).

the timeframe this year to leave because it was February vacation and spring break, so she wasn’t missing “as much.”

Kasper noted there have been previous board members that have had jobs out of state and who were absent from several meetings.

“I certainly don’t recommend it and I don’t plan to continue for that length of time,” she said. “If I were going to be down there next winter, I will make sure that it doesn’t conflict with meeting times.”

She said if there were not controversial issues being debated, she’s not sure anyone would have noticed her absence.

“If this controversy wasn’t happening ... people wouldn’t have noticed that I wasn’t there,” she said. “They made a point of it because of this ‘whose side,’

people were scared of whose side I was on.”

As the recreation center project would require bonding, a supermajority vote of 4-1 would be required to pass it.

A look back at attendance

Kasper was first elected to office in 1986, and since that time has served on the board except during a time period of 1996 through 1999.

The Spotlight reviewed meeting records from 1990 to present day. Excluding the years Kasper was not on the board, there have been 478 Town Board meetings during her tenure since that time. Kasper attended 391 of them, or about 82 percent.

The meeting numbers include regular meetings, special meetings, budget hearings and any other official gathering of the board to vote on resolutions.

“I do the other things, and I have always done the other things and I am there,” Kasper said when asked about her record.

She said throughout the years she has been very active in the community outside of attending board meetings.

“I am certainly, if you ask anybody, I am very visible and very approachable,” she said. “I am not going to say that I haven’t been a diligent member of the board.”

Kasper said she did hesitate to run again because of her plans to purchase a home in Florida with her husband.

“When I ran in the fall I

wasn’t going to run ... but I was asked to run and I explained that we had some obligations this winter and that I would be (in Florida),” Kasper said.

Kasper said she has received many phone calls and emails of encouragement and support from residents since the April 19 meeting, with residents confirming they know she does a good job.

Since 1990, out of Kasper’s years on the board she held the most absences of all board members for all of the years except 2007, 2001, 1993 and 1991. Two of those years, 2008 and 1994, she was tied with a fellow board member for most absences.

Kasper said in 2001, when she had six absences, her mother was dying. In previous years, she said she has had to have surgeries that led to her missing meetings.

She also noted attendance at agenda meetings traditionally wasn’t recorded, so she said there were several times she was at a meeting that was not officially recorded.

“The agenda meetings have always not been recorded ... but the agenda meetings are now being recorded,” she said.

Kasper in 2011 attended 75 percent of the Town Board’s meetings and 83 percent in 2010. During these three years, Supervisor Joe Landry is the only board member attending every meeting. All board members besides Kasper have attended every meeting in 2012

In 2011, Councilwoman Julie McDonnell attended 91.7 percent of meetings (two missed), Councilwoman Denise Murphy McGraw attended 87.5 percent (three missed) and Councilman Jonathan McKinney attended 79.2 percent (five missed).

In 2010, McDonnell attended 91.7 percent (two missed), McGraw also attended 91.7 percent and McKinney attended 95.8 percent (one missed).

The Town Supervisor receives a salary of \$53,800 and the four board members receive a salary of \$10,450, with all five receiving health, dental and vision insurance. The board members also receive a pension. Town Comptroller Paul Sebesta said these salaries have remained unchanged for the last five years.

To view a spreadsheet of data compiled by *The Spotlight* listing meeting attendance from 2000-12, visit [www.spotlightnews.com](#).

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Board of Fire Commissioners of the Slingerlands Fire District will be held on May 16th at 7:30 p.m. at the offices of the fire district located at 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159.
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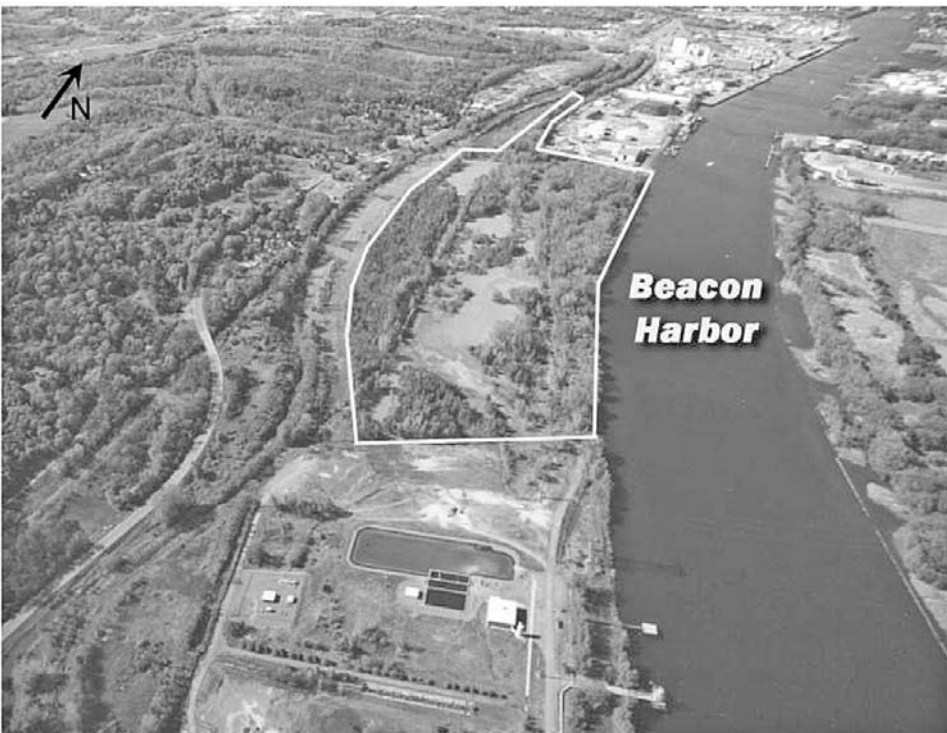
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summarized the gasification process. He also fielded questions from residents and members of the board.

The new technology patented by RST uses a single-stream method to clean and feed waste into a kiln that slowly rotates as it is heated. Metals are picked out of the material with magnets. According to the company, the reusable byproduct ash is sifted through a screen and gases are transported to a separate reduction chamber to produce power that is then fed back to the grid. The remaining fumes are passed through a pollution control unit to remove contaminants before being released into the air.

The company argues that its design is different from a typical incineration plant, a fact that was questioned by many residents who spoke out about the proposal.

The gases and ash created from the waste materials are reusable, according to RST. The company claims 25 percent of materials (the resulting ash) is usually sent back to a landfill. The new gasification process was touted by RST as the “technology of the future” that will one day replace landfills altogether, since



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the byproducts can be used to create concrete and recyclable tin and aluminum.

The facility could potentially process 1,500 tons of waste per day using two lines and produce 50 megawatts of power per hour.

All waste would be transported to the facility by train and river. For the project to move forward the town would need to change a zoning law to allow the plant to be built in the heavy industrial use area and also change an existing law prohibiting the import of industrial waste.

In 2011, a similar waste-to-energy facility said to be using different technology was proposed by a company in Connecticut to the City of Albany to be built on land in the port of Albany. The city’s Department of Development and Planning said the project is no longer being considered.

According to Morelli, an Environmental Impact Statement would be needed for the Bethlehem project with a review from local and state agencies. Public hearings would need to be set in the future

and approval from the Army Corps of Engineers would also be needed.

“They said they would like to see the review completed in a year, but that’s a pretty optimistic timeline,” he said. “The process could take years.”

As an incentive, the town would receive not only property taxes but a “community host fee” similar to a tipping fee at landfills.

The town board told Bazzle it would like to see the environmental impact study and any other information associated with building the company’s facility in

Kentucky. Bazzle said that could be arranged.

Residents and environmental activists at the Wednesday meeting were concerned about aesthetics, environmental safety and the safety of employees who could one day work at the plant. Some were also concerned that after recycling is accounted for, the waste fed into the plant would not have enough material to be turned into renewable aggregate.

Jim Travers, a Ravena resident and member of the Citizens Environmental Coalition, Selkirk Coeymans Ravena Against Pollution and the Coalition Against Riverfront Pollution said the site interferes with the natural course of the Normanskill and the structure could be unstable because of the soil.

“This is not something I would want in my town,” he said. “We’re not hearing a whole lot. This is a very superficial overview, what we’re seeing ... I would have to tell you there isn’t really enough in host benefits for this to profit the town in any way.”

Travers told the board there is no known ventilation system that can clean 100 percent of toxins before they are filtrated into the air and every baby born today is born with 200 chemicals

in their bodies that didn’t exist 100 years ago.

“Most us don’t call these waste-to-energy plants but wasted energy plants,” he said.

Resident Linda Jasinski said although she is undecided on the project, it is something the town should continue to research. She said residents were also opposed to a recycling center being placed on the site out of fear that materials sent to the facility, like plastic bags, would fly into the town.

“They went a couple hundred feet and set up shop in Albany so if there are any problems we still had them, but now we don’t have the tax income from it, the benefits from it and we don’t have the control over it and that kind of thing. ... We have to have an open mind, we can’t just shut it down,” Jasinski said.

Supervisor John Clarkson said the board would consider forming another citizen’s committee to help study the proposal while more informational meetings and public hearings would be held in the future.

“The proposal really still needs to be properly vetted,” said Morelli. “The board will look at all of the facts and do the right thing. Right now, they just can’t make an informed decision without all of the information.”

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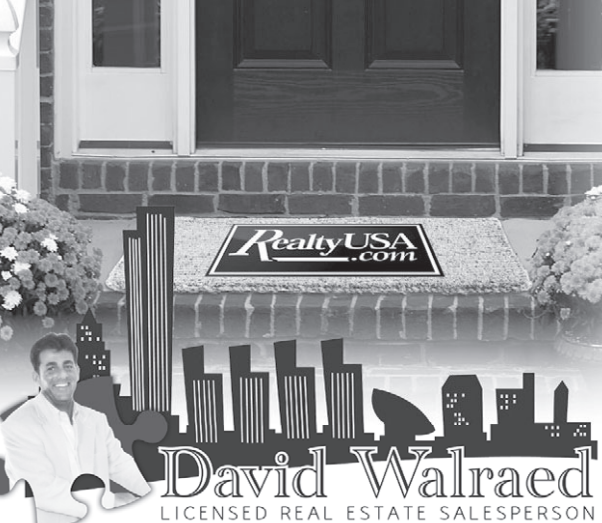
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Brothers hope pro tour stop sparks squash interest



Kyle Sleasman serves the ball during his opening-round match at the Albany Open April 13 at Siena College.
Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Sleasman played against international competition in front of hometown fans

By ROB JONAS
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There is a difference between being the best squash player in the Capital District and being the best squash player in the world.

Albany area champion Kyle Sleasman learned that fact when he took on former world No. 1 John White in the opening round of the Albany Open at Siena College April 13. Though Sleasman put up a good fight, White still won the best-of-five match 11-5, 11-7 and 11-9 to advance to the second round.

“He’s just able to put amazing pressure on you, and I was really fatigued,” said Sleasman, who had a 5-1 lead in the third game before White pulled out the victory. “That’s all it takes.”

Sleasman and his older brother, Dan, represented the region at the Albany Open – one of the last stops on this year’s Pro Squash Tour. Dan lost to Guyana national squash team member Robert McDavid in three games in his opening round match.

“I treated it like any other match, but I quickly learned that it wasn’t like any other match,” said Dan Sleasman, who coaches the Siena College squash team with Kyle. “I played a guy with extraordinary talent, and I enjoyed every minute of it.”

“He was very tough,” said McDavid, who coaches Vassar College’s squash team. “He’s the same as me. I’m coaching in a small town (Poughkeepsie). I’m not getting as much action as I had been.”

The Sleasman brothers acted both as competitors and ambassadors during the three-day tournament that took place at Siena and Albany’s Fort Orange Club. When they weren’t playing, they helped Fort Orange Club squash director Steve Kuzman set up the rooms for spectators and watched the international field of pros play.

“Our goal is to get Albany on the map as a squash city, and having the Pro Squash Tour here is a great opportunity,” said Kyle Sleasman.

“These kinds of things require a

commitment from the tour and the community, and the community here is committed to making this event very big,” said Pro Squash Tournament commissioner Joe McManus.

The Sleasman’s love of the game came from their father, Dan Sr., while growing up in Colonie.

“He’d just bring me to the courts to hit with him when I was younger, and I always loved it,” said Kyle. “It’s been a great sport for me.”

“I love all sports, but this sport has captured my passion and I don’t think I’ll ever let it go,” added Dan Jr.

What makes squash so appealing to the Sleasmans is that it requires power, finesse and endurance. Squash players can hit the ball hard – White holds the world record for hardest backhand (172 miles per hour) and hardest forehand shots (171 mph) – but they can also try to foul up their opponents by hitting a soft drop shot to the corner. And with near-constant action, squash players can burn up a lot of calories in a short period of time.

“Fitness is a huge factor because these (pro) guys all have tremendous ability,” said Dan. “If you’ve got two guys with similar ability and one guy is a little more fit than the other guy, that guy will likely win.”

“If tennis (players) are fit, then these (squash) guys are twice as fit,” said Kyle. “They’re constantly in motion. There is no down time.”

In terms of conditioning, the pros the Sleasmans played had the advantage. Still, Kyle and Dan did the best they could to impress the local fans – especially the Siena College squash team members that came to the Marcelle Athletic Complex to watch them play.

“It’ll be fun because they’re the ones who teach us on the court,” Siena squash player Rob Pacheco prior to Dan’s match against McDavid. “It’ll be fun to watch them play on the court.”

Ultimately, the Sleasmans hope that their efforts will help squash become more popular in the Capital District. Dan said they have a goal to see a multi-court squash facility be built in the area.

“If we had that, I’ll tell you that we’d have so many kids in the area (playing),” added Kyle. “The kids would eat it up.”

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Lady Dutch place second at meet

Bethlehem ends league losing skid

Harris and Marco sweep hurdles titles for Guilderland

By SPORTS STAFF
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The Guilderland girls track and field team turned in a second-place finish at Saturday's Anthony Luciano Memorial Meet in Hudson Falls.

The Lady Dutch finished with 72 points to finish behind meet champion Shaker, which had 110 points.

Dejana Harris and Abby Marco swept the hurdles for Guilderland. Harris won the 100-meter high hurdles with a time of 15.70 seconds, while Marco took first place in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles with

a time of 1:05.21. Kendra Lizzotte added a victory in the pole vault for the Lady Dutch. Lizzotte was the lone competitor to clear the bar at 11 feet.

Catalena Diamante and Hannah Buckey took two of the top three places in the high jump. Diamante finished second after clearing the bar at 5 feet, 3 inches, while Buckey placed third with a cleared height of 5 feet. Emma Willard's Keishorea Armstrong won the title by clearing 5 feet, 6 inches.

Anna Pickett was second for Guilderland in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:24.82. Shaker's Maryanna Lansing finished first with a time of 2:23.42.

Guilderland's boys team

placed seventh out of 22 schools at the Luciano Meet with 32 points. Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake lapped the competition with 100.71 points, nearly double the total of runner-up Niskayuna (55 points).

Alex Gaines led the Dutchmen with a victory in the pentathlon. Gaines scored well in the shot put and long jump to claim the title with 2,765 points. Justice Spear of Glens Falls was second with 2,650 points.

D'Angelo Livingston also won an individual title for Guilderland. Livingston threw the discus 142 feet, 3 inches to take first place in the event.

Guilderland's 3,200-meter relay team of Nathan Scott, Pranav Nayak, Matt Pasquali and Dan Ritwik placed second with a time of 8:33.02. Queensbury's team of Zach Vanderzee, James Doty, Ben Baker and Zach Flint won with a time of 8:20.48.

Bethlehem participated in the Cohoes Relays Saturday and won three boys events. The 1,600-meter relay of Luke Carpinello, Mike Fast, Max Seiler and Matt Crawford finished with a winning time of 3:29.6, and they teamed up to win the sprint medley relay with a meet record time of 3:34.7. The long jump duo of Dylan Languth and Drew Duguid took first place with a combined distance of 39 feet, 0.5 inches.

Bethlehem also scored victories in three girls relays. The 3,200-meter relay of Christina Macfarlane, Lindsay Cheu, Abbi Wright and Kelly Quick finished with a winning time of 9:54.1, while the duo of Lindsay Lee and Jenna Hendrick won the long jump relay with a distance of 28 feet, 5.5 inches. Vicky Buehler and Sarah Hospodar teamed up to win the triple jump relay with a distance of 66 feet, 2.5 inches.

Eagles edge Columbia for first Council win of the season

By SPORTS STAFF
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The Bethlehem boys lacrosse team won its first Suburban Council game of the season by beating Columbia 7-6 Saturday in East Greenbush.

The Eagles (1-7 league, 3-8 overall) overcame a 3-1 deficit by outscoring the Blue Devils 4-1 in the second quarter to take a 5-4 halftime lead. Bethlehem and Columbia traded goals twice in the second half before the Eagles pulled out the one-goal win.

Liam Christensen scored three goals, and John Gosstola contributed two goals and two assists for Bethlehem. Goaltender Dan Comber stopped 12 shots.

Sean Kelly and Evan Staats each had two goals and an assists for Columbia.

Bethlehem couldn't

keep up with South Division leader Shaker in last Thursday's 18-5 home loss.

The Blue Bison (6-1, 7-1) broke open a close game by scoring eight times in the second quarter to build a 13-4 halftime lead.

Stephen Farrell had five goals and five assists to lead a balanced Shaker attack. Stephen Rehfuß and Tim Leahy each contributed four goals, and Nick Dodd added two goals and three assists.

Gosstola recorded a hat trick, while Christensen and Sam Vincent each added a pair of assists for Bethlehem.

The Eagles returned to action Tuesday against undefeated Niskayuna. They travel to Shaker Thursday.

Guilderland (4-3, 5-4) played its first game in a week when it hosted Saratoga Tuesday. The Dutchmen's last game was an 8-6 win against Ballston Spa last Tuesday.

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texted me the selection. If I had been near a TV set, I would have likely smashed it to pieces.

Weeden? A 28-year-old failed pro baseball pitcher turned collegiate quarterback that played in a spread offense for two years? This was who the Browns felt they needed in their offense? Really?!

(Side note: My anger rose as I typed that last paragraph. I was even tempted to include some swear words, but this is a family newspaper.)

I spent the rest of Thursday night trying to figure out a justification for giving Weeden a chance. When I heard Weeden had a stronger arm than incumbent quarterback Colt McCoy, I decided that would be good enough for me. Just as long as the Browns selected a wide receiver in the second round, I could forgive Browns management for this lapse of logic.

The Browns had the fifth pick of the second round Friday. Maybe they could get Georgia Tech's Stephen Hill or South Carolina's Alshon Jeffery – both acceptable receiver options.

Instead, Cleveland chose California offensive tackle Mitchell Schwartz. Nice protection for Weeden, but he's not eligible to catch passes. In my book, that was another failure.

By the time Cleveland drafted again (late third round), I was pretty certain the Browns had forgotten they needed a wide receiver. The Browns proved me right by taking John Hughes – the Cincinnati Bearcats defensive tackle, not the deceased movie producer famous for "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" and the "Home Alone" franchise, to name a few films.

By this point, I had

gone from being elated over the addition of Richardson to being out-and-out depressed over the entire Browns draft class. Even the selection of Miami, Fla. wide receiver Travis Benjamin early in the fourth round didn't make me feel any better. I was bitterly disappointed Cleveland chose to address positions I felt could have waited until later rounds.

The one thought that gives me a sense of hope is that I haven't seen Weeden, Richardson, Schwartz, Hughes or Benjamin play a single down for the Browns. Maybe they will all play well enough to justify being drafted in the first place and help Cleveland ascend in the AFC North standings.

If nothing else, I'll be able to watch Trent Richardson run over opposing defenses while he's wearing a Cleveland Browns jersey. I can live with that.

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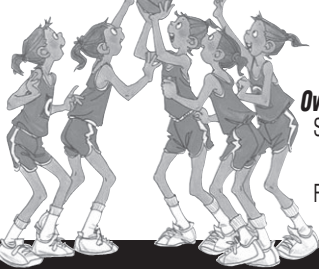
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Locals play against pros

Colonie natives Kyle and Dan Sleasman participated in the Pro Squash Tour's recent Albany Open at Siena College. Despite losing in straight sets, both brothers are hoping their efforts will help increase squash's popularity in the Capital District.

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Weekly poll

Who is the best girls lacrosse goaltender in the Suburban Council?

- Lexie Ball (BH-BL)
- Asa Goldstock (Niskayuna)
- Lauren Huck (Saratoga)
- Anne Morrison (Shaker)
- Logan Wollaber (Ballston Spa)

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Last week's poll results:

Who is the best boys lacrosse goaltender in the Suburban Council?

- Lucas Carter 69%
- Brendan Deady 17%
- Dan Comber 12%
- Evan Quinn 3%
- Sean Klim 0%

Blackbirds fly high

Voorheesville are off to perfect start after beating Lansingburgh

By ROB JONAS
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Last year's 2-1 loss to Cambridge in the Section II Class C quarterfinals is fueling a hot start by the Voorheesville baseball team.

With last Wednesday's 4-2 Colonial Council victory over Lansingburgh, the Blackbirds improved their record to 6-0 in the league and 10-0 overall.

"The way things have gone for us thus far are pretty indicative of how we prepared for this season," said Voorheesville coach Kyle Turski. "We had a bad taste in our mouths after the way our season ended last year."

Pitching and defense continue to be strengths for the Blackbirds this season, but the offense has picked up, too.

"Everybody is hitting the ball well right now," said Turski. "We have a team batting average of .337 and an on-base percentage of .460. We have 26 extra-base hits between our No. 2 and No. 6 hitters."

In its most recent game, Voorheesville received a strong performance from pitcher Kevin Connolly, who limited Lansingburgh (3-2, 7-3) to seven hits. Anthony Scaccia drove in three of the Blackbirds' four runs with a pair of doubles.

"We know that if we're going to win games in June, pitching and defense are going to be a big part of it," said Turski. "But we also know that we have to hit the ball."

Voorheesville put its perfect



Voorheesville's Kevin Connolly pitches during last Wednesday's Colonial Council game against Lansingburgh at Knickerbacker Park. Connolly scattered seven hits in a 4-2 Blackbirds victory. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

record on the line Monday when it met Albany Academy in a Colonial Council game.

"Academy is 3-3 in the league, but we know they're better than that," said Turski entering the showdown. "They're a very good team."

After Monday's game, the Blackbirds must navigate through a remaining schedule

that includes rematches against Schalmont, Watervliet and Albany Academy if they want to avoid the taste of another defeat before the Section II playoffs.

"Going undefeated would be great, but what we talk about every day and before every game is that if we don't take care of business today, then it won't matter tomorrow," said Turski.

Dutch keep rolling

Wins against Colonie and Averill Park keep Guilderland perfect

By SPORTS STAFF
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The Guilderland girls lacrosse team continued to roll through the Suburban Council schedule with Saturday's 20-4 victory over Colonie.

Cara Quimby led the way for the Lady Dutch (9-0 league, 11-0 overall) with four goals and an assist. Morgan Hardt and Mackenzie Cietek each contributed hat tricks, and Kendall Cietek added a goal and three assists.

Goaltender Jess Madsen needed only four saves to pick up the victory for Guilderland. Sara Lester made 12 saves for Colonie.

The Lady Dutch have now scored 10 or more goals in all 11 of their games, and they've reached the 20-goal plateau three times. One of those three games came last Thursday when they defeated Averill Park 21-5.

Hardt had five goals, while Kelly Camardo contributed four goals and two assists for Guilderland. Kendall Cietek and Ali Cardinal each recorded hat tricks.

From elation to frustration in one night

It's amazing how the NFL Draft can drive you crazy.

There isn't a physical football game going on. The only action is NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell stepping up to a microphone, reading a name on a card and then the college athlete walking across the stage to get his new pro team's uniform.

And that only happens in the first round. After that, some deputy commissioner reads the name of a player that is sitting at home.

But somehow, the NFL Draft can drive mostly reasonable people insane. I should know because it happened to me last weekend.

First of all, I should admit that I'm a Cleveland Browns fan. I've been a Browns fan since the "Cardiac Kids" of the early 1980s, which was around the time my older sister was attending Cleveland's Case Western Reserve Law School. My reasoning was that I should support the Browns since she was living in Cleveland.

(Side thought: If only I had access to a time machine, I'd go back to that fateful day I became a Browns fan and tell younger self to root for the Pittsburgh Steelers, the New York Giants or even the Tampa Bay



Buccaneers. At least, those teams have won a Super Bowl since 1980. The Browns haven't even been to a Super Bowl.)

I had some hope going into this year's NFL Draft, though. The Browns had the No. 4 overall pick in the first round, and that's where all the NFL analysts figured prized Alabama running back Trent Richardson would be available. Knowing how anemic the Browns offense was last year (a decent high school football team can average more than 13.6 points per game), I figured that Richardson would be the shot in the arm that the team needed.

The primary concern was, would another NFL team that needed a running back make a trade with the Minnesota Vikings for their No. 3 overall pick and steal Richardson away? There were rumors swirling that Tampa Bay or the New York Jets would offer

a trade the Vikings couldn't refuse.

Obviously, the Browns heard those same rumors because they traded four picks to Minnesota to grab the Vikings' first-round spot on draft day. Moments later, Goodell announced Richardson's name and handed him the NFL's version of a college diploma — a Cleveland Browns jersey with his name on it.

When I got word Richardson was a Brown (I deliberately avoided watching the first round for fear Richardson would be given a Tampa Bay Buccaneers jersey), I was ecstatic. For once, I felt like Cleveland was on the right track. Now, all the Browns needed was to add a wide receiver or two and they would be ready to contend for the AFC North Division title. Having the No. 22 overall pick should give Cleveland the wide receiver of its dreams.

A couple of hours later, Goodell was handed the Browns' next draft card. He strode to the podium and announced that with the No. 22 pick in the draft, the Cleveland Browns selected Oklahoma State quarterback Brandon Weeden.

Again, I was not near a TV set. A friend

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