



Parade pays tribute

People lined the streets for Bethlehem's annual Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 27. See Page 17.



Friends forever

Steve Iachetta and Rod Driscoll have reunited as the Friends Union String Band, some 30 years after first playing together. See Page 18.



V'ville takes home title

The Voorheesville baseball team defeated Hoosick Falls 6-1 last Thursday for its first Section II Class C title. See Page 32.

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EMS changes said to save big bucks

Albany County will not go through Bethlehem for insurance repayment

By MARCY VELTE
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The Town of Bethlehem and Albany County have reworked contracts with providers of emergency medical services in a way officials say could save thousands every year. The new contracts now allow Albany County to directly bill Medicare when it

provides paramedics during emergencies. These paramedics assist ambulances in providing Advanced Life Support services when they respond. "In the past, we've only been able to bill on the Basic Life Support (or transportation) side of the service," said Town Board Member and Chairman of the District Board of Ambulance Commissioners George Lenhardt. "This elevates the level of bill back. The taxpayers will receive a higher amount back and it will mitigate the cost."

The town currently contracts with the county to provide ALS services to residents during emergencies. This year's contract cost the town taxpayers about \$766,000. The wording in previous contracts did not allow the county to bill third-party providers of those needing ALS services. Since the insurance companies and other providers can now be billed for this higher level of service, the net cost to the Bethlehem taxpayers will be reduced.

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Survival tactics

Fifth-graders across the district come together for a day of camaraderie as they prepare for middle school

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Maggie Preller said she is no longer nervous about attending Bethlehem Middle School in the fall after meeting more of her future classmates. On Friday, June 2, every fifth-grade class within the district participated in Survivor Day, held at Elm Avenue Park. In its third year and put on by the district's Health and Physical Education Department, the event is meant to ease the minds of students as they leave the comfort of their individual schools and officially become one as the class of 2019. "I think it's really helpful, so you can know some of the other people you're going to be with in the middle school before you get there," said Maggie, who attends Hamagrael Elementary School. According to Frederick Powers, supervisor of the Health and Physical Education Department, for nearly 20 years the event was known as Friendship Day. Eventually the event was discontinued because of the large number of other transition activities being

Bethlehem fifth-graders took part in team-building exercises like the "trolley," in which they walked on wooden planks, top, and learned to tie-dye T-shirts at the annual Survivor Day at Elm Avenue Park on Friday, June 1.

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Town mulls meeting start time

Long-running sessions prompt call for change

By MARCY VELTE
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The starting time of Bethlehem Town Board meetings may once again go back to 6 p.m. after several recent meetings have lasted late into the night. On Wednesday, May 23, Councilman Jeffrey Kuhn proposed the idea since few people other than the board members themselves and town staff have been staying to witness the end of meetings. It also means citizens are unable to voice their concerns about town matters not on the agenda if they do not stay. "This is going to be the fourth or fifth time we are going to be ending after 11 p.m.," he said. "I seriously want to reconsider the time we're starting these meetings."

The start time of meetings was changed to from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the beginning of Supervisor John Clarkson's tenure after several citizens complained about not having time to make the beginning of the meetings because of work. Recently the meetings have been lasting longer on average than in previous years. "I guess the question for me is, when are you less likely to get people to attend the meeting," said Kuhn. "In between 6 and 7 p.m. or in between 10 and 11 p.m.? I think the answer is you're much less likely to get people to attend a meeting that is still going on between 10 and 11 p.m., so that's why I think 6 p.m. works better for a starting time."

Councilman Kyle Kotary said he liked the later start time because he can get home to have dinner with his family but added that maybe the length of the meetings is an issue. He said maybe the solution would

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Musical memoriam

Middle schoolers join Swing Docs to raise money for scholarship in honor of local teacher

By MARCY VELTE
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Mary Jane Hughes wanted nothing more than to teach her students how to make beautiful music and appreciate the craft for the rest of their lives, according to longtime friend and colleague Lynda Conway.

Hughes, a music teacher for the district who focused on teaching string instrumentation lessons for 30 years, died in December after a battle with cancer. Now, a memorial scholarship has been created in her name, and some former students are working to contribute to her legacy.

On Monday, June 11, Bethlehem Middle School students will give their second performance with local big band and swing group The Swing Docs. The profits from the event will go toward the Mary Jane Hughes Memorial Scholarship, which is given to a Bethlehem senior pursuing music as a career.

“Dr. Richard Uhl helps run The Swing Docs, and he thought

***“Her life was music;
her passion was
teaching children.”***

**– Lynda Conway,
friend and colleague of
Mary Jane Hughes**

we had a really talented group of students this year," said Conway, who directs the middle school Drama Club. "He asked if we would like to do another show with The Swing Docs, and we said, 'O.K., but let's do it as a fundraiser for Mary Jane Hughes.'"

Katie Daly, the assistant director of the Drama Club, said many of the students had Hughes as a teacher.

"This is like the last group of students who would have had her as a teacher," Daly said of the eighth-graders performing. "We wanted to recognize Mary Jane as part of our community here at the middle school while there were still students present."

The performance will include a mixture of swing and big band music, as well as some favorite show tunes. Nearly 50 middle school students will perform with the band, with solo numbers to be done by



Bethlehem Middle School students practice for “Swing Night,” a Monday, June 11, event to raise funds for the Mary Jane Hughes Memorial Scholarship.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

both groups. Some numbers to expect include “Mack the Knife,” and “The Nicest Kids in Town,” from the hit Broadway musical “Hairspray.”

“Our plan is to have some of her string students playing in the lobby before the performance and during intermission,” said Daly. “Our hope is with having The Swing Docs, it will attract a sellout audience, and our goal is \$15,000 for the endowment.”

Bethlehem Senior Eamonn O'Neill was the first recipient of the Mary Jane Hughes Memorial Scholarship. He was presented the award at the annual senior awards night Thursday, May 31.

Conway, who was friends with Hughes for 15 years, said the scholarship is a fitting way



A memorial scholarship has been established in the name of Mary Jane Hughes, a beloved music teacher who died in December.

Submitted photo

to remember her friend.

“She was just a fabulously patient lady,” said Conway. “She just never got flustered. ... She worked tirelessly. Her life was music; her passion was teaching children, and as a colleague, there was none better.”

The event will be held at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at the Bethlehem Middle School. The performance is one-night only and tickets cost \$5. Additional contributions can be made throughout the event to support the legacy of Mary Jane Hughes.

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Bethlehem Garden Club eyes new initiatives

Group to focus on green elements to enhance town's beauty, education

By MARCY VELTE
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Since 1965, the Bethlehem Garden Club has worked to make the town a greener place to live. Now the group is slightly changing its focus.

"We don't want to do traditional gardens anymore," said Virginia Acquario, a member of the club and co-chairwoman of the group's Community Projects Committee. "We want to focus on trees, bushes and benches to improve the overall beauty of Bethlehem."

Over the years, the group has helped create five community gardens throughout the town. Members are continuing their work to spiff up the various entrances into Bethlehem. The group is also placing more sustainable plants throughout the community that need less care and paying for benches to be placed in more heavily populated areas.

"In the old days, people use to drive out here to go to the country so we want people to be reminded of that time," said Acquario. "We want to make the entrances more welcoming."

Supervisor John

"We're trying to take some unique approaches on how we can make improvements now instead of waiting for some of the ideas from the comprehensive plan to be implemented."

— Virginia Acquario,
Bethlehem Garden Club

Clarkson said the town is now working with groups who may want to volunteer their time or the funds to help improve the Delaware and Kenwood Avenue entrances into Bethlehem. The Garden Club was one of the groups that showed an interest in forming a partnership.

"We're trying to take some unique approaches on how we can make improvements now instead of waiting for some of the ideas from the comprehensive plan to be implemented, which can be expensive," said Acquario.

Town officials recently went on a walk with members of the Garden Club, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, and Kiwanis to see what

kinds of improvements can be made to make the entrances look more appealing. Acquario said the Garden Club wouldn't have been able to keep the group's initiative going without the continued support from the town.

To raise money for the various projects the group supports throughout the year, the Garden Club's biggest annual fundraiser is their Garden Tour and Plant Sale. In its 16th year, the event will be held Wednesday, June 13.

The tour includes a stroll through the town's five community gardens and the gardens of about five or more local residents. A program booklet is provided that

provides information about the types of plants that can be found, the history of the garden, and what the design or motif of the garden is. The booklets also provide discounts to area restaurants the night of the event so participants can go to dinner after.

The money raised also helps to fund the group's Science Education Grant.

According to Sue Easton, the head of the Garden Club's Educational Grant Committee, any school within the town

can submit a proposal to apply for a \$1,000 grant to enhance its environmental science curriculum. This year, the Bethlehem Children's School won the money to help purchase equipment and supplies needed for its greenhouse on campus.

"This is important for us to support because they (the students) are our future members," said Easton. "You have to start them young, to get them growing and caring for the earth. Then one day maybe they will continue

doing it in the future."

The Bethlehem Garden Club Plant Sale will be held Wednesday, June 13, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Delmar Presbyterian Church. The Garden Tour will be held the same day from 4 to 8 p.m. Advance tickets can be purchased by contacting the Garden Club or the day of the event at the plant sale or in the parking lot of the Slingerlands Price Chopper.

To learn more visit www.bethlehemgardenclubny.org.



The Bethlehem Garden Club promotes their annual plant sale while walking in the Memorial Day Parade.

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Spotlight

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Police Blotter

RCS School Board president faces harassment charges

RCS School Board President John Vadney was arrested on Saturday, May 26, and charged with aggravated harassment, according to the Albany County District Attorney's Office.

Specific details have not been released but an altercation apparently arose between Vadney and Joseph E. Tracey, the father of RCS School Board Vice President Josephine 'Tracey' O'Connor. Joseph Tracey was also arrested the same day and charged with aggravated harassment, a misdemeanor, according to District Attorney's Office.

Vadney was issued an appearance ticket and will be arraigned in Ravena Village Court on Wednesday, June 13. Tracey will be arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, June 19, according to the District Attorney's Office.

Bethlehem police said Tracey was charged with leaving a threatening message on "a victim's" phone, which threatened harm. Police spokesmen Lt. Tom Heffernan said the department does not release the names of victims, but the Albany County District Attorney's Office confirmed Vadney was also arrested the same night by Coeymans police on the same charge.

RCS Superintendent Elisabeth Smith said in a statement, "While this

charge is disturbing if true, and the situation may be unsettling to the RCS community, it is important to remember that it is only an allegation at this time. The district will remain apprised of the situation as the investigation unfolds, but no action will be taken by the board until the appropriate legal process has played out."

Parole revoked when cops find heroin in home

A routine visit to the home of a Delmar man on parole led to his arrest after heroin was found in the home, police said.

Daren Altimari, 28, of 441 Kenwood Ave., was arrested on Tuesday, May 29, after police and officials from the Albany County Jail noticed he appeared to be under the influence of a substance during the visit. A search of the home found 10 small wax bags filled with heroin worth about \$140, nine hypodermic needles filled with heroin, 100 empty wax bags and a digital scale. A suboxone pill, an opiate, was also found.

Altimari was charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance in the third degree, a felony, criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree, a misdemeanor, criminal possession of hypodermic instruments,

a misdemeanor, and criminal use of drug packaging, a misdemeanor. Altimari's parole was immediately revoked, and he was sent to Albany County Jail with no bail set. He will be in court at a later date.

Ravena man ticket for DWI

A Ravena man was charged with driving while intoxicated after he was caught speeding, according to police.

On Sunday, May 27, police said Wayne Johnson II, 26, of Oakbrook Road, Ravena, was seen speeding on River Road. When Johnson was stopped, the officer reported to have smelled alcohol. When Johnson was asked if he had been drinking he told the officer he had, said police.

Johnson was charged with driving while intoxicated and received a speeding ticket. He was brought to the Bethlehem police station, where he was released into the care of a family member. He will appear in court at a later date.

Tae Kwon Do instructor now faces charges

A Colonie Tae Kwon Do instructor who was arrested on child pornography charges a week ago was additionally

Fire meets a quick end



Firefighters responded to a fire reported in the garage located behind Delmar Place on Thursday, May 31, around 8 p.m. The fire was contained to the upper level and no injuries were reported.

Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

charged Thursday, May 24, on two counts of rape in the second degree, according to State Police reports.

Christopher S. Gallup, 27, of 424 Sand Creek Road Apt. 127, was arrested after a complaint from an alleged victim who came forward after seeing reports of Gallup's May 17 arrest by Colonie police for possessing child pornography, said police.

Police said Gallup met the complainant when he was an instructor at a Tae Kwon Do school in the Town of Duanesburg and that the complainant was under the age of 15 at the time of the alleged

rapes, which police said occurred at a residence in the Town of Rotterdam and at the Tae Kwon Do school in the Town of Duanesburg.

The investigation continues and police said more charges are possible. Anyone with information about this case should call the New York State Police at 630-1700 or the Rotterdam Police at 355-7991.

Gallup was arraigned in the Town of Rotterdam Justice Court and remanded to Schenectady County Jail in lieu of \$40,000 cash bail or \$80,000 bond.

He was charged on

May 17 with one count of promoting a sexual performance by a child and one count of possessing a sexual performance by a child, both felonies, after a search warrant was executed at his residence and several computers and media storage devices containing child pornography were seized, said police.

At the time of Gallup's May 17 arrest, Lt. Robert Winn of the Colonie Police Department urged anyone who believed they or their children have had suspicious or illegal contact with the defendant to contact them.

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Time to pull the weeds out and the pants up

By ROBIN SHRAGER SUITOR

Outfitted in a T-shirt stained with last year's garden dirt and a pair of very old cotton pants I headed outside to weed my not-yet-planted garden. Very quickly I discovered I was ill suited for the job, in terms of strength, ability and patience. Weeding AFTER planting I can handle, but garden prep was too big a challenge. Pulling up grass and wildish plants was hard work: Hard, sweaty, frustrating, never-ending work.

Also, the elastic in my waistband seemed to have dried out and my pants kept slipping down, not in a sexy-look-my-thong-is-showing way, but more like a pathetic-we-can-see-your-underwear way.

Here's how it started: One morning, after I returned from the garden center with multiple plants and seed packets, my husband asked, "Would you like me to weed the garden?" Jeff wasn't talking about basic weeding. He was offering to tame the jungle occupying the space where I needed to kneel and plant my purchases.

But I replied, "No, you have other yard work to do.

I'll do the garden."

I thought we could just mow down the stuff, but Jeff said we had to pull out the weeds by their roots otherwise they would just grow back. I suggested we mow and then cover the area with the straw I bought, but he held his position on getting to the root of the matter. He demonstrated what to do by pulling out a clump of tall weeds, roots and all. "Yeah, yeah," I told him, "I understand."

I understood what to do, but struggled with the execution. I found I wasn't always able to extract the greenery down to the roots. I'd end up ripping off the top, but the stubborn roots would remain in the ground. My back started to ache from hunching over.

Soon I decided to use the special shovel known as a spade. This enabled me to stand and use the weight of my whole body to unearth weeds and also large clumps of dirt. I was turning the place into mounds of dirt, alternating with shallow holes perfect for twisting one's ankles.

At some point, either minutes or hours after I started, Jeff stopped by and announced he was



going inside to get cleaned up and have some lunch. I managed to squeak out the somewhat nonsensical reply, "When you lunch get me eat" which was heat stroke for, "I'm also hungry. Will you prepare some food for me?"

When I got inside the house Jeff was making me a sandwich. From the doorway I said, "This morning you asked if I wanted you to weed the garden and I said no. I meant yes. I changed my mind. I need your help." He smiled and said, "I thought you might." And even though he had already gotten cleaned up, he came back outside after lunch to weed the walkway so that I could spend time planting.

At our home, our vegetable garden comes into being through the teamwork of two people: a hey-I-have-some-crazy-ideas person and a person who gets things done. If one half of the team doesn't participate then it's likely the project will stall.

At our home, our vegetable garden comes into being through the teamwork of two people: a hey-I-have-some-crazy-ideas person and a person who gets things done.

Take, for example, the creation of the first garden. I'm talking MY first vegetable garden, not the Garden of Eden. Once I got the idea of having a garden I needed to conduct extensive research. This involved getting books out of the library, reading online articles, peering at gardens in my neighborhood, and talking to friends and colleagues. After doing this research I nearly decided that gardening was much too complex an undertaking. Luckily, Jeff encouraged me to forge on.

Creating a vegetable garden meant uprooting the overgrown perennial garden located in the patch of lawn that gets the most sun exposure. When


it was finished it seemed both larger and smaller than I had expected. This phenomenon is possible because I'm not a "spatial" person. I can't tell if someone is "tall" because everyone over 5'4" seems tall to me. It's difficult for me to visualize "200 square feet." I need specific references like, "It's somewhat bigger than our dining room" or "It's about the size of a deck of cards." I get a headache if I'm asked to guess how many jellybeans are in a giant jar. I can't even tell you how big the jar is, other than to say it's "way bigger than an average jar of mayonnaise."

"I'll know how big the garden should be when I see it," is not an efficient way to plan. Jeff helped me by making a sketch of a proposed garden, which included two raised beds with a walkway in the middle. He labeled the sketch with dimensions. Dimensions are numbers that are particularly meaningful to people who can judge distance. When I worried about not having space to walk on both sides of the raised bed, Jeff helped me see that my arms were in fact long enough to reach across. I convinced him that one

raised bed was all I could handle and that half the garden could remain wild with overgrown perennials.

In year one, the garden was freshly dug and kept neat by Jeff. He had made sure the walkway between the raised bed and the wild side was wide enough for the mower. By year two, the wild side started infringing on the walkway that also seemed to be sprouting grass at an abnormal rate of speed. A haphazard approach to garden maintenance led to the current year (number three) where until last weekend the space outside the raised bed looked overgrown and abandoned.

After much sweating, but thankfully no blood or tears, we made the fenced area next to our driveway look like a garden again. There are cherry tomatoes, zucchinis, peas, green beans and radishes growing inside. There is also landscape fabric (someday to be replaced by straw) covering the walkway. And when Jeff next offers to help me in the garden I will accept graciously. I will also remember to wear a belt.



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Matters of Opinion in The Spotlight

Whistle while you shop

Show of hands, who likes weekly chores?
That’s what we thought. Even getting outside to do the weekly yard work, which seemed so nice in the spring, gets old pretty quick. Then there’s the cleaning, the laundry, the shopping ...

If you’re feeling in the doldrums about all this, you can throw your weekly trip to the grocer a curveball and spend some time at a local farmers market, which are opening for the summer this week all over the Capital District.

If you haven’t ever been to a farmers market, you’re missing out. In theory, it’s a lot like a grocery store — you go there, look around for the products you want, buy them and go home. But in practice, the experience is a lot more than a chore.

For starters, farmers markets bring with them a certain amount of unpredictability. Farmers, bakers and craftspeople bring to market what they have to sell. Things change a little every time the market opens.

So rather than putting your cart on autopilot and wheeling through a store, where everything is in the same place as you last saw it, you have to think on your feet a bit. You might not have the same options every week. But what that encourages is a little ingenuity on your part.

Now that fair weather is here to stay, most farmers markets have either moved to or opened anew their outdoor locations. On a nice day, you really can’t beat shopping outside. Who wouldn’t want to stroll the market under the sunlight rather than spend yet another hour out of the week under fluorescent lighting?

And while you’re there, you may have the opportunity to grab a snack or even a full meal. Restaurants and other food vendors have become increasingly common at the larger markets in our area, which can make doing the shopping a treat rather than a solitary slog.

But perhaps one of the biggest differences between supermarkets and farmers markets is when you part with your money, you’re generally handing it directly over to the business owner. Maybe it’s even the same person who picked the head of lettuce you’re buying, or mashed up berries for a jar of jam. These people will obviously also be knowledgeable about their products and happy to help you, since a sale has such a direct effect on them.

Then there are the most obvious benefits to a farmers market: freshness and localness. You know you’re getting a fresh product at a farmers market, whether that’s a carton of strawberries or a loaf of bread. It’s unlikely the food you buy was highly processed or stuffed with preservatives because it didn’t have to survive sitting in a warehouse and being trucked across the country. And if you don’t think that matters to your taste buds, then you probably haven’t ever had truly fresh food.

Since the food is fresh, it has to come from the surrounding area, so spending a dollar at a farmers market means it’s money going to a neighbor, not to a multinational corporation. While the latter might get an undeservedly bad rap these days (anyone who has ever enjoyed a banana north of the Mexican border has juggernaut-scale industrial farming and transport to thank) our neighbors deserve and need the support of their communities. Keeping them in business will also help support a more sustainable (and tasty) marketplace for everyone.

With the exploding popularity of farmers markets, you won’t have to go out of your way to find one. There are a few big ones: The Delmar Farmers Market on Saturday morning, the Schenectady Green Market on Sunday mornings and the Farmers Market at the Crossings in Colonie on Saturdays. Then there are literally dozens of others at all times of the week. Try a few on for size, and you might find shopping to be more fun than chore.

Editorial

Another Animal Advocacy Day

By JIM TEDISCO

The writer is a state assemblyman representing parts of Schenectady and Saratoga counties.

Last year, we made history with the first-ever New York State Animal Advocacy Day in Albany.

On that day in June 2011, I, along with legislators from both sides of the aisle, law enforcement, animal advocates and hundreds of pet owners joined together to call for the toughest animal cruelty laws in the nation to protect our pets.

That day, we supported passage of a new law to make it a crime to be a spectator at an animal fighting bout – a bill that was stalled in committee.

People spoke to their legislators that day and it passed the Senate and sailed through the Assembly a few weeks later. In August, Gov. Cuomo signed it into law.

Animal advocates, pet owners and New Yorkers from across the state spoke, and our elected officials listened – and a bill to protect animals from the barbaric cruelty of animal fighting became law.

Most of the lobbyists who walk the halls of Albany are paid but animal advocates are not. They are volunteers who care about protecting our pets and all members of our families. Animal Advocacy Day is purely a people and paw-powered event.

Everywhere I go, people talk to me about their pets and how much they care for them and would never want to see cruelty inflicted upon an innocent animal.

According to the Humane Society of the U.S., 39 percent of American households own at least one dog and 33 percent have at least one cat.

Unfortunately, there are some sick and twisted individuals who do not see the value of such life, resulting in animal abuse, cruelty and neglect, which occur far too often, leading to unnecessary pain and suffering to animals.

In 1999, I led a statewide effort to collect over 118,000

Point of View

signatures to pass the landmark Buster’s Law creating the felony category of “aggravated cruelty to animals,” punishable by up to two years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

Buster’s Law was named after an 18-month-old tabby cat that had been doused with kerosene and burned to death by a Schenectady teen. Prior to this bill becoming law, animal cruelty resulted in only misdemeanor penalties, if any charges were imposed at all.

As research indicates, violence against animals is a bridge crime that can, and has, led to violence against people.

Since the 1997 arrest that inspired the creation of Buster’s Law, the perpetrator who abused the cat has been imprisoned for various crimes, including attempted rape, sexual abuse and unlawful imprisonment of a 12-year-old girl.

We have taken a huge step forward to protect our pets but there are still miles to go. It seems like every day, we hear of a new case of animal cruelty, abuse or hoarding. And each new incident seems to be worse then the last one.

That’s why Sen. Ball and I are sponsoring the second New York State Animal Advocacy Day which will be held on Wednesday, June 13, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Well of the Legislative Office Building in Albany. The event is free and open to the public.

We’ll be calling for several bi-partisan measures to strengthen Buster’s Law to require that animal abusers be placed on a statewide registry of abusers, prohibit them from ever owning a companion animal again, and require them to undergo a psychiatric evaluation. We’ll also be advocating for measures that have passed in the Senate but have not yet been taken up in

the Assembly to prohibit the sale and possession of animal fighting paraphernalia and to make it a felony to steal a pet.

Animal Advocacy Day also aims to raise awareness of enforcing current animal cruelty laws. That’s why I’m delighted that Saratoga County District Attorney Jim Murphy, who has successfully prosecuted animal cruelty cases, will again be a speaker. And this year, we will hear from Schenectady County District Attorney Bob Carney, who handled the original Buster’s case.

We’re honored that Steve Caporizzo of “Pet Connection” fame will once again be the emcee for the event.

We’ll have several celebrity guests including Prince Lorenzo Borghese, entrepreneur and animal advocate, who is best known as the star from Season 9 of the hit ABC TV show “The Bachelor.” There will be appearances from acting dog Bocker the Labradoodle, who has appeared in “Men in Black 3,” “Eat Pray Love” and “War of the Worlds,” and frequent Today Show guest and life style expert Wendy Diamond and her dog, Lucky, who holds the Guinness World Record for being the most photographed animal with celebrities.

I believe, as legislators, we can walk and chew gum at the same time. In the past year, we’ve taken significant steps to reform state government and make New York open for business again. We’ve expanded the DNA database to help catch criminals and exonerate the innocent, and now we have an opportunity to advance additional public safety measures including protecting our pets from abuse and ensuring animal abusers don’t go on to hurt people.

Animal Advocacy Day matters because it’s about more than just protecting our four-legged friends, it’s about keeping all members of our families safe. I hope to see you on June 13 in Albany!

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Protect town's open spaces to maintain quality of life

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I applaud the town for appointing a committee of talented and committed individuals to review progress on the town's comprehensive plan that included many references to the importance of maintaining the character and open spaces of our town. As part of that review, I encourage them to listen to Bethlehem Tomorrow, a volunteer group of residents in Bethlehem interested in open space protection, and the over 900 residents who signed petitions calling for the creation of a town open space program.

Saving special places in Albany, Schenectady and Montgomery counties is the mission of the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy (MHLC). We strive to protect scenic vistas that have particular value to the public; significant habitats, wetlands, working landscapes such as farmlands; geological, scientific and cultural resources; and stream and trail corridors. These areas are important to protect our water and

air quality, contribute to the health and welfare of animals and humans, provide recreational areas close to where we live, and generally contribute to our quality of life.

I have found great solace in walking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing on the trails of MHLC's five preserves in Bethlehem, Five Rivers Environmental Center and nearby Thatcher Park. These excursions have provided a great break from the stresses of raising children, careers and the challenges of life generally. They have enabled me to instill an appreciation of the outdoors and nature in my children.

I love the small community feel of Bethlehem, with its open spaces and easy access to places to walk, bike and enjoy the beauty of open lands. I appreciate the farms and open spaces throughout our community. Sadly, many of those quiet country roads and farmlands are now developments and not so peaceful anymore.

The value of open space is immense. Open

space saves more money than it costs. It holds back rising tax dollars, maintains property values, attracts new businesses, and preserves our community's environmental character and our residents' quality of life. But, opportunities for open space protection are fleeting. When a golf course, a tract of woodlands, or a farm field suddenly comes on the market, the Town needs to be able to react quickly. With an open space program, the Town can act, guided by carefully thought-out standards for purchase of property or development rights.

As the town of Bethlehem begins its review of the town's comprehensive plan, I encourage them to look closely at protecting open spaces and determine what has and has not been done during the last ten years and recommend concrete actions to save open spaces before it is too late. Once open space is developed, it is gone forever.

Judy Thomson
Bethlehem

YMCA made Olympic dreams come true

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

On behalf of the Special Olympics Track and Field Team, I would like to thank Derek Martin, Executive Director of the Bethlehem YMCA, Mark Thurman, Fitness Director at the Bethlehem YMCA and its' membership for sharing their indoor track facilities for practice this spring; especially during inclement weather. The members went out of their

way to make sure the team members felt welcome. A special thanks goes out to Barry O'Keefe, the coach, and to David and Mary Kate, the assistant coaches, for all their time and patience. The team

had a great time and made a wonderful showing at the HVCC Meet in Troy and the Summer Games at Shenendehowa High school in Clifton Park.

Chris Hettie
Parent/YMCA Member

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Make public aware of meetings

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

In *The Spotlight's* May 30th article on the Bethlehem Reform Democrats, Jack Cunningham is quoted as saying the public is welcome at committee meetings. That may be true. If so, why doesn't the Democratic Committee publish the date, time, and location of those meetings in *The Spotlight*?

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No winners in budget vote

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
With all due respect to Dr. Douglas and voters who supported the school budget, there were really no winners on May 15th. While I fully support true “quality education,” I voted no.
Can we really view the cutting of \$3.3 million in programming and services, including

elimination of 22 teachers, using \$1.75 million of reserve funding and increasing the tax levy by 4 % as a success to be proud of? We need to do better. We will never get the structural change we need in funding our education system if we blindly continue to approve annual tax increases without ever pushing the Governor and

legislature for more creative solutions.

The real crux of the problem is that Bethlehem is receiving 4 million less in state aid this year, and property owners—regardless of their income—are being forced to pick up the bill. As a State, we need to change the entire programmatic and funding structure for our education system; otherwise, we are only pitting retired state worker against newly-hired teachers against local store owners trying to maintain their businesses here in our town. I do not want to leave this area, but if it comes down to paying for less and less services, while our mortgages continue to increase by 4 or 5 or 6% a year, there will be no winners in Bethlehem or anywhere else in the State. I suggest everyone check out this site and seriously think about what we really need to do: <http://www.nyspropertytaxreform.org>.

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Dem chair isn’t listening to his own party’s members

Editor, *The Spotlight*:
In last week’s *Spotlight*, Town Democratic Committee Chair Matt Clyne complained about the new Bethlehem Reform Democrats. How can he complain about a group that’s trying to get more people involved with the Democratic Party? He can’t even win an election these days, so he could sure use some help.

But it seems that Mr. Clyne doesn’t like anyone other than those he personally selects to be on the Committee, that’s why he doesn’t want anyone else involved. And his claim that this new group is about keeping someone else in office is laughable. Mr. Clyne is the guy who’s ensconced in office. He’s been in about 20 years, and he would never allow for a paper ballot when it came time for his re-election as chairman each year. It had to be a hand vote and who in his right mind is going to raise his hand against Matt Clyne? Now that’s what I call ensuring re-election.

Now let me go back to what Mr. Clyne stated in an article recently, that it was his job to get Democrats elected. Really? Well his hand-picked candidates for town supervisor lost in 2009 and in 2011. Seems like he’s not doing too well. And let’s recall the 2007 Albany County Legislature election in Selkirk when the incumbent Bethlehem Democrat Howard Shafer was running for re-election and was refused the endorsement of Clyne’s Committee because he had his own candidate in mind. So we had a primary election and the result is that the incumbent Howard Shafer won over Mr. Clyne’s hand-picked candidate. Did Mr. Clyne support the Democratic voters decision in the primary? No, he ran his candidate as an Independent in the general election, thereby splitting the vote and denying any Democrat re-election. There were 872 votes for Shafer the Bethlehem Democrat, 153 votes for

Mr. Clyne’s candidate, Pat Dorsey and 910 votes for the Republican candidate Rich Mendick, who therefore, won the election. You do the math!

So much for his claim that his job is to get Democrats elected. The fact is that Mr. Clyne only likes candidates that do just what he says. It’s Clyne’s way or the highway. In last year’s election for town supervisor, after Mr. Clarkson trounced Mr. Clyne’s hand-picked candidate in the primary, Mr. Clyne again refused to accept the choice of Democratic voters. He seems to think the voters are only there to endorse his choices. He just doesn’t seem to get it. Yes, it’s time for rank and file Democrats to take action into their own hands. We need change in the Democratic Committee to make it truly represent all Democrats. Hopefully, after this year’s Democratic primary, Mr. Clyne will finally get it.

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are posted at the information desk. But because balance in all things is a good idea, teens can give their brains a breather on Monday, June 11, at 3:30 and 7 p.m., and Wednesday, June 13, at 3:30 p.m. We'll have snacks, a fun craft, Wii and more to cool those circuits.

Craftapalooza

Tuesday, June 26, 10 a.m.

Pick from a variety of crafts you may have missed this year. Age 3 and up with families

Pajama-rama

Wednesday, June 27, 7 p.m.

Stories and songs before bedtime for children up to age 6 and families.

Louise Grieco

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

Library offerings include teens, adults

Summer programs at the RCS Community Library are not just for kids. Teens and adults are invited to escape the heat of the summer in the air-conditioned library with a program designed just for them.

Rewarding Readers Club for Adults and Teens. Enter a coupon for every 5 books you finish to be eligible for prize drawings.

Play it Again Technology Initiatives for Adults. Going on vacation? Catch a class in either July or August. Our special four-week Computer Star series will run once in July and then repeat in August. No prior computer experience necessary. Classes covered include Understanding Your Computer, Files and Folders, Beginning Internet, and Beginning Word. Attend all four classes or go a la carte, choosing as many classes as you like. You may even sign up for the same topic twice to really help it all sink in. Tuesdays at 6:30 pm/ Wednesdays at 11 am

Technology Play Brak for Adults and Teens. Two sessions in which to make your own eBook. Create a photo album, cookbook, or travel guide, or even convert that great American novel into a

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format that you can share with friends or family on an iPad, Kindle, Nook or other eReader device. Tuesday, July 31, at 6:30 pm or Wednesday, August 1, at 11 am.

Writing Exploration

Workshop for High School and College Students. Improve your writing skills by experimenting with language, form, and voice through open-ended writing prompts. No critiques, always fun. The group will meet twice during the summer. New members are welcome. The summer schedule, TBA, will take into

account participants' work schedules. Register by calling 756-2053 or emailing felstenj@rcscommunitylibrary.org.

Registration is required for each of these programs. Call or email the Library (756-2053/ info@rcscommunitylibrary.org) to reserve your space.

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Spotlightonpoetry

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divorce 2
by Sharon Stenson

today the furniture wept. they wanted to know what I owned. i told them everything: a black poodle with an apricot gene, the twelve tulip bulbs in red-riding hood red planted last fall, the coffee spill on the dining room carpet. i'm leaving, again. i'm going up to where the world levels out into ever-widening spirals of form

and color. up here, where the air is thin, and clean. the refrigerator throws its voice, says stay safe, don't take chances. the queen anne chair squeals, you know you can't make up for the lack inside. i whisper, my life is the story i tell myself each day, another version of reality. i will write the word eagle, and sail away on its wings.

I thought this poem would be a good counterpoint during this wedding season. I love the stunning imagery and the bow to e.e. cummings' style. Notice how the punctuation creates the pace. It's as if Stenson herself must take long, slow breaths to speak of such things.

Sharon Stenson was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, but has lived in New York most of her life. She retired several years ago from teaching writing and English at Schenectady County Community College. Sharon was also a piano teacher and has performed locally with various jazz groups. She lives in Delmar.

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Better Book Sale

June's Better Book Sale at the library starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday the 9th. The sale lasts until 4 p.m., so you have loads of time to browse the great titles — fiction, nonfiction, cookbooks, kids' books, all kinds of books — that are for sale at rock-bottom prices.

All proceeds from these sales go to support the many programs that make the Library "Guilderland's Gathering Place."

Cole Porter, via Sonny and Perley

On Sunday, June 10, at 2 p.m., the ever-popular Sonny and Perley join with

bassist Lou Pappas to pay tribute to Cole Porter's tremendous contribution to musical theater. Playing everything from Porter's most popular tunes, to his long-forgotten but beautiful gems, husband and wife Sonny Daye and Perley Rousseau nearly transform the Library's Helderberg Room into one of Broadway's musical salons.

We must be forthright: WThis delightful concert ends our Second Sunday series on a high note!

If you missed the public briefing

If you missed the first public briefing on the Guilderland Public Library's building referendum, we invite you to attend the second one to be held at 7 pm, Tuesday, June 12, in the Library's Helderberg Room. The Library's Board of Trustees, the design architect, and the Library director will present details on the plans, timing, and costs associated with the project.

This meeting is open to the public, and is intended to address any questions you may have after reading the Important Information on the Guilderland Public Library's Upcoming Building Referendum brochure you received in the mail. After the presentation, there will be a question-and-answer session.

You can get information on the project right now by visiting the library website's Building Referendum page at www.guilpl.org/expansion, or by coming to the library and viewing the display in the lobby.

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 at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Visit the library's website at www.guilpl.org. Check out the "unofficial" Library stuff at facebook.com/GuilderlandLibrary, follow the Library on Twitter (@GuilderlandLib), and get music information and downloads on the Library's Freegal page. It all starts at guilpl.org.

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June computer classes

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.

• Internet savvy: Guiding the Net generation: Take control of your digital life. We will discuss topics like sexting, cyber-bullying, and illegal downloading as they relate to respect. Get tools and ideas to counter digital abuse against yourself or someone you care about.

Tuesday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, June 13, at 11 a.m.

• Your Music "On-The-Go": Copy songs from audio CDs to your computer. Find and play your songs. Be your own personal DJ by creating playlists. Learn to move your music to your portable device listening "on the go."

Tuesday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, June 20, at 11 a.m.

• You've Got Web Mail: Learn how to navigate typical e-mail folders, send messages, reply,

forward, and attach files. Please note this class is not to sign up for e-mail, but to learn about e-mail features. If you do not already have an email account, come in a few days ahead for individual help in creating one.

Tuesday, June 26, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, June 27, at 11 a.m.

Classes are free and open to the public. Registration is required for all classes.

Master plan committee report available

The final needs assessment report from the Master Plan Project, partially funded by the Bender Family Foundation, has received Board approval. Read it on the Library's web site, www.rcscommunitylibrary.org at the library Relocation menu item, or at the library. The report provides the background, including history, statistics, and analysis, for the board's decision to relocate the Library to 95 Main St., Ravena.

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Enjoy some shortcake with your dinner



June is strawberry season. Enjoy a chicken n’ biscuit dinner with strawberry shortcake on Saturday, June 16, at 4:30 p.m. at the Unionville Reformed Church. The cost is \$10 at the door. Bethlehem senior transportation will leave Town Hall between 3 and 3:30 p.m. Home pickup can be arranged. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176. Suggested van donation: \$3.

Monday, June 11
• Food Stamp and Medicaid assistance will be provided by representatives from the Legal Aid Society



and the Albany County Department of Social Services at Town Hall from 10:00 am to noon. Get answers to Medicaid and food stamp questions and get help with applications. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make an appointment.

Tuesday, June 12
• Seniors in Motion, a low level fun aerobic exercise class set to music, will be held at Bethlehem

Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9-10 a.m. No registration is necessary. \$3 fee per class.

Wednesday, June 13
• Senior grocery shopping for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, North Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor. For reservations, call 439-5770.

Thursday, June 14
• Senior Legal Services Program, a free program staffed by the Legal Aid Society, is available between 10:30 a.m. 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 am - 3:30 pm. We play mah jongg, bingo and pinochle. All seniors are welcome. Bring a sandwich and join others for lunch if you wish. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176 for more information.
• Senior grocery

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

Friday, June 15
• Senior grocery shopping for residents of Good Samaritan Senior Housing and Van Allen Senior Apartments. For reservations, call 439-5770

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

*Wilma DeLucco,
Bethlehem Senior Projects,
Inc. Board Member*

Register and read

Online registration for the Summer Reading Program is open. This year’s theme is Dream Big, Read. Use the library’s computers or register from home at www.voorheesvillelibrary.org. Check out our online calendar for dates and program descriptions. The first big program is the Ice Cream Social on Tuesday June 26 at 6:30 p.m. Stewart’s Shops provides the ice cream, we’ll provide booktalks, reading suggestions, and an art activity.

Seniors invited to annual Moonlight Serenade

Calling all singles, couples, and groups of friends!

Please plan to join us for a delightful evening of dining and dancing on Friday, July 13, from 5 to 9 p.m. at Mallozzi’s Clubhouse, Western Turnpike.

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Music will be provided by The John Deane Duo.
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Ticket deadline: July 6.

Veterans memorial service
The trustees of Prospect Hill Cemetery

invite the public to a veterans memorial service on Saturday, June 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. to honor United States veterans who served in all wars since the Civil War. Please park in the Guilderland Elementary School lot. A Town of Guilderland bus will take you up the hill to the cemetery.

Monday, June 11
Exercise Class
Registration
Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Aerobics
10:30 OsteoBusters

10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness
Noon Beg Zumba
1:30 p.m. OsteoBusters

Tuesday, June 12
Exercise Registration
9 a.m. OsteoBusters
11:30 a.m. Luncheon:
Fish Fry or Cold Plate
Noon food Pantry
Raffle
12:30 p.m. Bingo/
Games/Billiards

Wednesday, June 13
Exercise Registration
9 a.m. Zumba
10 a.m. Trip to Log

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10:30 a.m. OsteoBuster
10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness
1 p.m. Needlecraft
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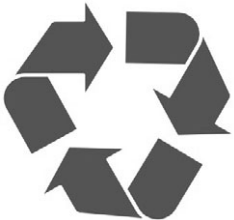
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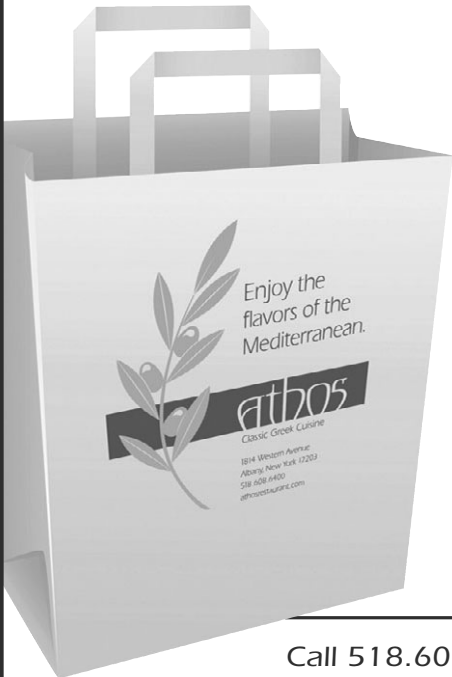
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Beverwyck awards scholarships to nine young workers

Residents raised more than \$40,000 for this year's fund

By ALYSSA JUNG
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The waiters and waitresses at the Beverwyck are more than just servers; they're friendly, familiar faces that residents of the Bethlehem retirement community look forward to seeing week after week, year after year.

The young workers, many who rely on the part-time job for pocket change or to build up a college fund, mean so much to the residents that they set up a scholarship fund eight years ago to help make the path to college a little easier.

"They see most of the applicants on a daily basis and these people are waiting on tables ... they're not unfamiliar figures," said Bill Swire, a member of the scholarship committee. "They feel a special closeness to these young people at the other end of the age spectrum."

Residents voluntarily contribute to the fund so the number of scholarships awarded and the amount of each check varies from year to year. This year, the pot was more than \$40,000 and nine students (Nikolas DelSignore, Ian Dembling,

Kaleb Dubin, Michael Gouvakis, MacKenzie Honikel, Corey Nicklas, Drew Philipchik, Kelly Reynolds, Justine Salerno) received a \$1,250 scholarship for each of the four years of college. Recipients must maintain a "B" average every semester in order to keep their scholarship.

Employees must apply for the scholarship and those applications — which ask questions about service to community, school activities and work performance at Beverwyck — are reviewed by a committee. Swire, who lives in the cottage portion of the Beverwyck, said getting to know the employees' educational and personal interests through their applications has been interesting.

"The interesting thing about the students is the variety of interests they

have going into college. Many have been leaders in extracurricular activities, some in theater, some in sports," said Swire. "The interesting point is they have participated in extracurricular activities and at the same time carrying on a part-time job and how they find the time to do all this work is remarkable."

Doug Miller, executive director of Beverwyck, said the dining room gig is perfect for high school students with an already full plate.

"The job is from 4 to 8 p.m. so it's just ideal for a high school student. They're here when they get out of school and home early enough to get homework done," said Miller.

Miller said the schedule is flexible and the job is so popular that he rarely recruits new employees.

"It's usually just word of mouth. It's just a



Nine employees of the Beverwyck received a \$1,250 scholarship for each of the four years of college. Pictured from left are Rachel Smith, employee scholarship chairperson; Drew Philipchik, award winner; Justine Salerno, award winner; Michael Gouvakis, award winner; and Douglas R. Miller, executive director of Beverwyck.

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natural gravitation to come because of the hours and it's a pretty fun job. They're working in some very nice conditions," said Miller. "They stay here long enough to realize it's more than just a paycheck."

Students from high schools all over the

Capital District work at the Beverwyck. This year, scholarship recipients were from Guilderland, Bethlehem, Albany and Bishop Maginn high schools. Miller said the fund is a testament to the students' work ethic and reflects the residents' appreciation.

"Most of the residents ... clearly recognize the need for higher education and know the value of getting a degree or diploma increases their chance of being successful," said Miller. "Residents really want to support that idea."

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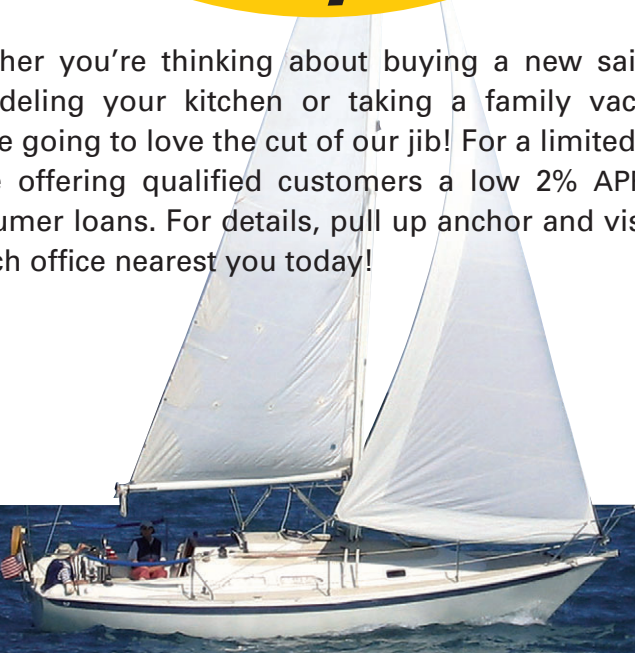
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Bethlehem parade honors nation's heroes

The Bethlehem community once again paid tribute to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in defending our country with a parade and memorial service put on by the Nathaniel Blanchard American Legion Post 1040.

On Monday, May 28, dozens of community organizations, service groups and veterans organizations paid their respects by marching in the 2012 Bethlehem Memorial Day Parade. The special commemoration ended with a memorial service held at the town's Veterans Memorial Park.

Steve Riedel, commander of the Blanchard Post, hosted the day's events.

"We are here in observance of Memorial Day, which falls of the last Monday of May and commemorates the men and women who died while serving in the American military," he said.

Riedel explained how Memorial Day was once called Decoration Day as a way to honor those who died during the Civil War. It became a federal holiday honoring all of the country's soldiers who died in service in 1971.

Veteran Al Hofacker acted as the parade's grand marshal, with Town Supervisor John Clarkson serving as honorary grand marshal.

Barry Bedrosian, of the Sons of the American Legion, said for the second year in a row, a program booklet was produced for the event through the



help of local businesses. Last year's contributions of \$3,000 went toward veterans activities at the Albany VA Hospital. It also helped sponsor an Honor Flight to take local World War II veterans to see their memorial in Washington, D.C.

This year nearly \$4,000 was raised and will assist veterans in need.

The parade honored Master Chief Thomas DeRouville, a retired member of the U.S. Navy

and former commander of the VFW Post 3185 in Delmar, as well as Bethlehem Central student Hannah VanWie, who helped bring the Pledge of Allegiance back into the morning routine at the high school.

Reidel ended with a poem written in 2005 by Charles M. Province, a veteran of the U.S. Army.

"It is the soldier who salutes the flag, who serves beneath the flag, and whose coffin is draped

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Entertainment in the Spotlight



Iachetta is also known as "Shaker Fiddler."



Steve Iachetta, foreground, and Rod Driscoll have reunited as the Friends Union String Band some 30 years after first playing together.

Tied up with strings

Busy local folk musician to perform at Shaker Meetinghouse

Back in his college days, Steve Iachetta played in a band called the Friends Union String Band.

As so often happens, college ended and Iachetta moved on. But some 25 years later, when Iachetta was playing with his latest band, Shaker Creek, he got on the phone to one of his Friends Union bandmates, Rod Driscoll.

"He asked if I wanted to sit in, and I said, 'Sure, why not? I'll give it a shot,'" Driscoll said. "We had a wonderful night. It was a lot of fun."

It was so much fun that even though Iachetta lives in Niskayuna and Driscoll is based in Peru, outside Plattsburgh, they started regularly carving out time to play together.

Those jam sessions gave birth to a new edition of the Friends Union String Band, starring just the two of them. They perform five or six times a year, with their latest gig slated for Saturday, June 9, at the Shaker Meetinghouse near the Albany airport. Built for Shaker worship services that featured singing and dancing, the meetinghouse today plays host to a number of intimate concerts.

Iachetta is president of the Shaker Heritage Society and called the meetinghouse "a really special place."

"The acoustics are truly phenomenal there," he said. "It will actually make the hair on the back of your neck stand up."

Driscoll said music "just sounds great" in the building, which was built in 1843.

"You can just picture the Shakers having their Saturday dances in there," he said.

Iachetta and Driscoll both have their own long histories in music. Iachetta was in third grade when he tried out his first instrument. Today, he primarily plays the fiddle, mixing in banjo, mandolin and tenor guitar.

Driscoll, who sings lead vocals, plays guitar, banjo and bodhran, but perhaps he's most closely associated with the hammer dulcimer. Many years ago, Driscoll built a hammer dulcimer at his kitchen table, and it was the first one he ever played. People started asking him

where they could get hammer dulcimers, so Driscoll built some more. Soon enough, he had a full-fledged music shop. He still runs O'Driscoll Folk Instruments at his home.

It's not his full-time gig, though.

Driscoll switched gears about 25 years ago, becoming a teacher. He teaches psychology, economics and participation in government at AuSable Valley High School.

Outside of the classroom, Driscoll is a member of the Too Tall String Band and the Old Mountain String Band and often performs solo. With all those musical obligations, it might seem unusual that Driscoll would jump at the chance to recreate the Friends Union String Band. But he said he and Iachetta simply have "a lot of good energy."

"It's a lot of fun to get together," he said.

For his part, Iachetta likes to "keep the old tunes alive." The Friends Union specializes in Celtic, Appalachian and traditional music using vintage instruments, mixing in "new age" improvisation and Shaker influences.

Driscoll said the two have a "sort of jam band style," performing traditional ballads in updated ways and working syncopated rhythms into older songs.

For their June 9 show, they'll be joined by an old friend of Iachetta's, Norman Rhodam. Rhodam is coming up from Melbourne, Fla., to perform.

Part of the Shaker "Music in the Meetinghouse" coffeehouse-concert series, the show starts at 7:30 p.m., with doors opening at 7. There is a suggested donation of \$12, or \$10 for seniors, students and Society members. Anyone under 18 is admitted free. Fresh bakery desserts and hot and cold beverages will be available.

For more information on the meetinghouse, visit shakerheritage.org. For more information about the Friends Union String Band, visit friendsunionband.com. The duo next performs at the Syracuse Arts and Crafts Festival in downtown Syracuse July 27 to 29. Admission is free.

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

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

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Family is on a mission with heart

Son of Lowville resident brings father's memorial fund to area

By JULIE CUSHINE-RIGG
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The Larry Virkler Memorial Defibrillator Fund may be based in Lowville where Virkler was a beloved member of that community, but his son Scott Virkler of Clifton Park has been bringing the mission to his home. His aim is to equip communities, especially sports organizations, with AEDs, or automated external defibrillators.

Larry Virkler was 60 when he died in October 2004 as a result of a heart attack while dining at a favorite restaurant in Lowville with family and friends.

Although there were off-duty EMTs present who tended to him, the only thing that may have saved him would have been an AED.

Virkler was the owner of V.S. Construction in Lowville and a favored member of his community.

"He was fairly well known in the area and we felt that we needed to do something. ... We started pretty much right away," said Scott Virkler.

An AED checks the heart rhythm of a person



Larry Virkler

in distress and if needed delivers a shock to the heart to reset a normal rhythm. Virkler said that the units are "Virkler-proof" and fairly easy to use.

Recent cases of young athletes being injured or dying as a result of being struck in the chest, such as by a baseball, have brought awareness to the function and availability of AEDs. Now, Virkler is doing what he can to spread the word about the units and helping organizations to purchase them. His hope is that they will be as common as fire extinguishers.

Most recently, Clifton Park Youth Hockey and Burnt Hills Lacrosse have been able to purchase the units through the memorial fund. The cost of one AED unit is around \$1,500.

Virkler met David Bach of Burnt Hills, who is president of Junior Spartan Lacrosse and



A check was presented to the Clifton Park Youth Hockey for their AED in 2008. From left are Mitchell Virkler, Scott Virkler, Denise Virkler, Mike Nelson (youth hockey president) and Claire Virkler.

Submitted photo

vice president of Capital District Youth Lacrosse, during a recent lacrosse tournament where both men's children were playing. Coincidentally, Bach had been helping the lacrosse organization to purchase an AED unit and welcomed Virkler's help.

Bach said that the incidence of a ball or other object like a hockey puck striking an athlete in the chest and being fatal

is said to be rare, though it's more prevalent in sports such as hockey, baseball and lacrosse. He feels equipping coaches with the AED units is something that should be done.

Youth lacrosse teams often travel for games, and Bach would like to have a unit in "every one of the coaches' bags." Bach and the group are looking to equip all five of their lacrosse

team's coaches with a unit and necessary training. Thanks to the memorial fund, one unit has been purchased with a donation of \$500.

"Our kids and the kids in the community will be better protected. There's nothing that can save you from commotio cordis ... the highest probability of saving you is AED unit," said Bach.

Commotio cordis is the disruption of heart

rhythm caused by an impact near the heart. An AED unit is capable of resetting the heart's rhythm after such an event, though it may not work in all cases.

A recent golf tournament in Lowville in honor of Larry Virkler raised \$13,000 for the memorial fund.

For more information on the fund, visit Facebook and search Larry Virkler Memorial Fund.



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More art at the airport

Albany International opens new gallery on the second floor

By ALYSSA JUNG
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A new partnership between Saratoga Arts and Albany International Airport's Art and Culture Program is ensuring the old departure space on the second floor of the airport won't stand vacant.

A new art gallery called The Annex Gallery debuted its first exhibition, "Robert Cartmell: In the Studio," on Friday, May 25. Local artist Robert Cartmell's works spanning 40 years will be on display through November.

"The Annex Gallery will host an ongoing series of exhibitions that will feature contemporary, regional artists," said David E. Langdon, chairman of the Albany County Airport Authority. "We purposely created The Annex Gallery to include a comfortable seating area that can be enjoyed by our travelers and the general public."

Elizabeth Dubben, director of exhibitions at Saratoga Arts, will head curating duties for the gallery, located near the terminal parking bridge on the second floor before the security checkpoint. She said the focus is local, regional artists.

Cartmell, of the Albany area, was the perfect inaugural artist not only because of his vast body of work (he boasts hundreds of paintings and thousands of drawings) but because he's achieved international recognition for his art and more.

"For the past few decades, Cartmell's many passions have coexisted on the canvas, expressing a sense of whimsy and wonderment. On the surface, abstract shapes, vibrant colors and playful imagery evoke a sense



"The mission of the Arts and Culture program at the airport is to represent the entire region, so that includes the Capital Region and Saratoga Region all the way out to the Mohawk Valley."

**— Elizabeth Dubben,
director of exhibitions at Saratoga Arts**

of enjoyment. Yet, ever present are dangers, anxieties and fears," reads an artist statement provided by Cartmell.

Many of Cartmell's paintings depict his fascination with ancient history, mythology and magic; but his earlier work drew on his expertise of rollercoasters. He created canvases heavy on color and abstract shapes, melding them together to create a metaphor with the thrill of rollercoasters at its core.

"He's a prolific artist and his work is really quite impressive. ... He was a good fit for the show – a longtime local artist who has been exhibiting his work for a lot of years," said Dubben.

Dubben said she'll rotate exhibitions every six months and will eventually put the call out for artists that Saratoga Arts isn't aware of in an effort to give more local artists exposure.

"(It's great) accessibility, exposure. It's a very broad base of an audience," said Dubben.

Saratoga Arts has had a voice on the airport's Arts and Culture Committee for years and has played an important role in supporting its mission.

"The mission of the Arts and Culture program at the airport is to represent the entire region, so that includes the Capital Region and Saratoga Region all the way out to the Mohawk Valley," said Dubben.

She said the committee had been trying to find a way to better reflect the Saratoga area, which is how the official partnership came about.

"(It) came out of a conversation with ways for the (program) to partner with us to represent the Saratoga region," said Dubben. "For Saratoga Arts, it's our mission to offer opportunities to artists of the region and it was a great one for us. ... It's a great community partnership."

The Annex Gallery joins the Airport Gallery, located on the third floor.

Cartmell's artwork is



available for purchase. For more information, contact the Art and Culture Program office at 242-2241 or arts@albanyairport.com.

For more information about Saratoga Arts visit www.saratoga-arts.org.



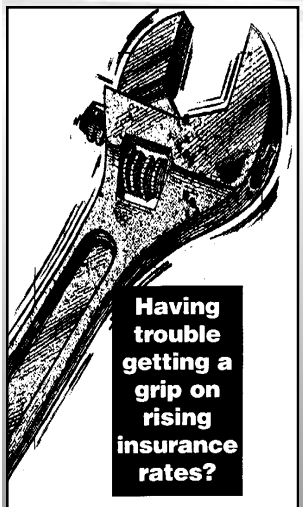
The Annex Gallery's debut exhibition features works by Albany-area artist Robert Cartmell.

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IN BRIEF

Victorian tea at New Baltimore church

The New Baltimore Reformed Church, located on the corner of Church Street and Route 144 will be hosting a Victorian High Tea on Saturday, June 9, at 4 p.m., featuring food, fun and community fellowship. Seating is limited and reservations are required which can be made by calling the church at 756-8764. Period costume, garden party dress and/or hats are optional. A photo setting will be available. Free will donations will be accepted.

Poetry reading at Pine Hollow

A poetry reading featuring Gary Lawless will be held at the Pine Hollow Arboretum Friday, June 15, 6:30 p.m. The arboretum is located at 16 Maple Ave., Slingerlands.

There will also be an open mic, where other poets can read three short poems or two longer poems. Also two pages of prose will be acceptable. Light refreshments will be served. Donations are welcomed. Contact Alan Casline at acasline@aol.com for more information. Funding to support this Reading Series comes

from Hudson Valley Writers Guild and Rootdrinker Institute.

Gary Lawless was born in Belfast, Maine in 1951. He is co-owner with Beth Leonard of the best bookstore in Maine, the independent Gulf of Maine Books found in Brunswick. Gary is the editor/publisher of Blackberry Books. His publications serve as inspiration for my own Benevolent Bird Press and are responsible for bringing the work of Japanese poet Nanao Sakaki to my attention. His work has appeared in *Rootdrinker*, *Normanskill* and in his book "Sardine Shards."



County paramedics and town EMS providers look on as Bethlehem Supervisor John Clarkson announces the new contract agreements that will save taxpayers and the town money in providing Advanced Life Support services to residents.

Marcy Vette/Spotlight

EMS

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It is still unknown how much could be saved by the town, but officials believe it is in the six-figure range.

"We can't predict how much money we lost over the last two years, but I can tell you from this day on we have the potential of saving well over \$200,000," said County Executive Dan McCoy. The savings could stretch as high as \$300,000, he said.

Town officials and Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple have been working on an agreement to get the contracts signed since former Town Supervisor Sam Messina was in office. In November of 2011, the town was told the costs of providing ALS services through county paramedics would increase by 8 percent for the 2012 budget. It was then decided that changes needed to be made.

Town Board Councilman Kyle Kotary said the savings are huge, especially when the town is facing a potential \$1.7 million budget gap in the coming year.

"I think this is great



on three levels," he said. "One, it demonstrates once again the localities, like Bethlehem, working with the county to try to find solutions to our issues. Two, it's great for the health care service within our community and three, there's the big savings for the taxpayers."

The town should be seeing the first of its savings from the contract negotiations starting in three months, but it could be six months before there is enough data to predict how much the town could save annually.

"This Advanced Life Support contract will be a great benefit to the residents of the Town of Bethlehem," said Tim Leach of Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance. "We are happy to support this contract and a continued relationship with the Albany County Sheriff's Office and

its employees, who provide top-notch service to our community every day."

David Scoons, president of Delmar Emergency Medical Services, called the agreement "innovative."

"The elected officials in our town and county are great friends with the EMS community and true partners in helping us deliver the best possible care in the most effective manner," he said.

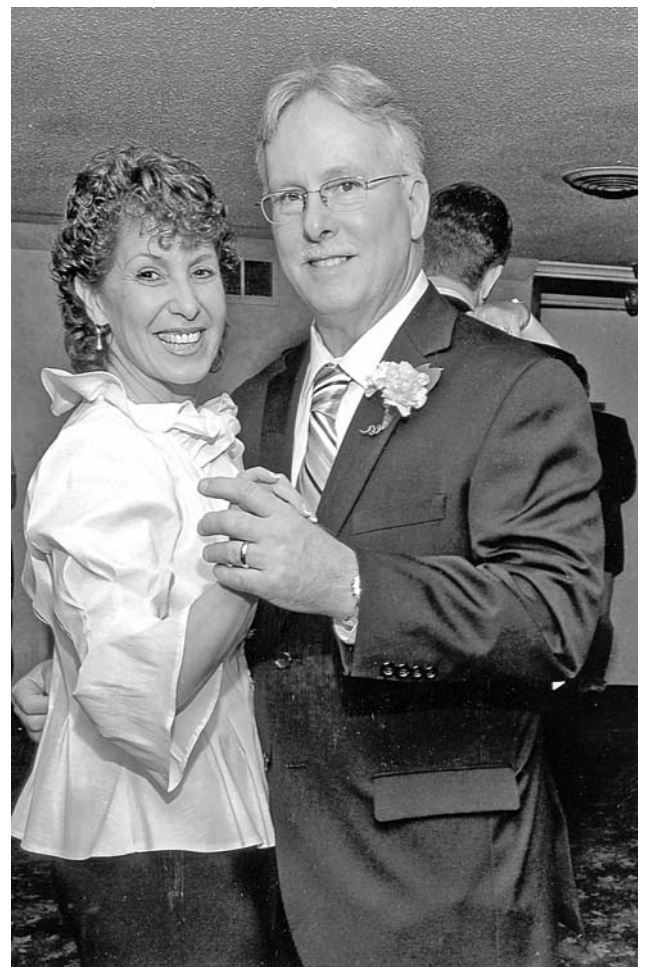
Lenhardt said the Board of Ambulance Commissioners would focus on making sure the stipulations in the contracts are being implemented in a reasonable and uniform fashion.

"Our next goal is to ensure that the highest level of EMS service is provided to every resident in the community," he said.

Rose (Robilotto) Angerame

Lake Wales, FL - Rose (Robilotto) Angerame, 88, formerly of Delmar, passed away on January 6, 2012 after a brief illness. Rose was born January 24, 1923 to Anna and Antonio Robilotto in Binghamton, NY. She is predeceased by her devoted husband John Francis Angerame. She is survived by her loving daughters Carmella Sayer (Donald) of Austin, TX.; Anne Bagley Dunham (Wayne) of Winter Haven, FL; and GERALYN Angerame Archer (John) of Averill Park; her grandchildren Christian Angerame, Rosanna Tapia, Andrew Bagley, Melissa Bagley, Searn Archer and Sierra Archer who were the light of her life; her brothers Anthony and Leonard Robilotto and her many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her brother Paul Robilotto. Rose graduated from Cathedral High School and Albany Business School. She retired from New York State Facilities Development Corporation and later worked for the Delmar Spotlight. She was an avid bowler and bingo player. Her hobbies included playing cards, traveling, attending exercise classes and socializing with her many devoted friends. The family is deeply grateful to Cornerstone Hospice and Wedgewood of Winter Haven, FL. A mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 10am in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar. Relatives and friends are invited. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cornerstone Hospice, 2950 Havendale Blvd Northwest, Winter Haven, FL 33881. <http://cshospice.org>. Condolences may be offered at danielkeenanfuneralhome.com



Claudia and Daniel Lansley

Capitummino, Lansley marry

Claudia Capitummino and Daniel Lansley were married April 22nd 2012 at Canali's Restaurant in Rotterdam, NY. Rev Louise Alberti performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Caroline Capitummino and the late John Capitummino Sr. She

was presented in marriage by her son Michael Pasquale Mastroianni.

Both Daniel's children, Craig Lansley and Danielle Donnelly, stood up for their father. The groom is the son of the late William and Virginia Lansley.

The newlyweds reside in Rotterdam, NY.

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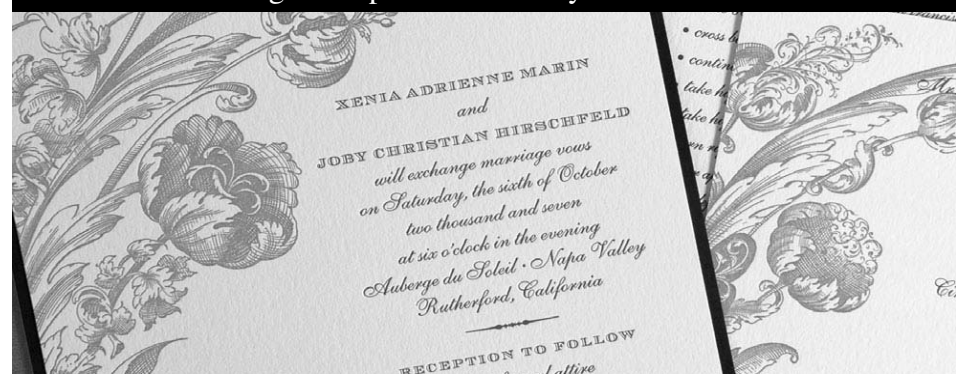


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Progress Club names officers

The Delmar Progress Club was organized in 1901 and has been incorporated since 1929. The club is affiliated with the General Federation of Women’s Clubs and has over 250 members. On May 7, the community service and civic betterment organization named Wilma DeLucco as its 53rd president. Other officers include First Vice President Carolyn Bennett; Second Vice President Kathryn Schimanski; Recording Secretary Joyce Demoly; Corresponding Secretary Judy Ciccio; Treasurer Deanne Sodergren; and Assistant Treasurer Phyllis Chambers. The new officers were installed by Marjory O’Brien, outgoing Mid-Hudson director and former Delmar Progress Club president. This year’s Mid-Hudson Director will be Pat Antonucci, who was Delmar Progress Club President for 2010 to 2012.

Farmers market opens on Rt. 32 in Feura Bush

The Jerusalem Reformed Church Farmers Market is open on Thursdays, from 3 to 6 p.m., from June 7 until Oct. 18. The market is host to a variety of vendors and is located on Route 32 in Feura Bush.

Delmar church holds strawberry dinner

A Strawberry Dinner will be held at the Unionville Reformed Church, at 1134 Delaware Turnpike, Delmar, on Saturday, June 16. The dinner includes chicken and biscuits, mixed vegetables, potato salad, cole slaw, relish tray, rolls and strawberries with real whipped cream on homemade biscuits. Servings will be at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 5 to 12 years old and children under 5 are free. Call 768-2184 to make your reservations and to reserve takeouts. Takeouts will be available by reservation only at 5, 6, and 7 p.m.

Longtime officer retires from BPD



Police detective Sgt. Robert Markel retired from the Bethlehem Police Department Thursday, May 31, after serving the department for 28 years. Markel previously served as the vice president of the Bethlehem PBA and former president of the Bethlehem Police Supervisors Association.

Tom Heffernan Sr./Spotlight

Albany JCC to present ‘Believe’

The members of the Sidney Albert Albany JCC Glee program will perform “Believe,” a Broadway themed show, on Sunday and Tuesday, June 10 and 12. The Glee program is now in its second year the 12 teens have been working since April 15 in anticipation of the upcoming shows. The actors include Maggie Allen, Megan Anders, Julianne Armbruster, Mackenna Buffaline, Jade Cox, Rachel Currier, Isabelle Doyle, Erika L. Feinman, Emily Furlong, MaryKate Krege, Ava Led Duke and Hannah R. Sossner.

Sunday’s show will be at 2 p.m. and Tuesday’s show will be at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$4 at the door, or call 438-6651 to reserve. The performances will be at the SAA Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany.

Cleanup Day help needed

Volunteers are needed for the Bethlehem

Community Cleanup Day on Saturday, June 16, from 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will meet at Town Hall at 9:00am to get supplies and safety instructions. The clean up destination is to be determined, and suggestions are welcome.

Participants under the age of 18 must be supervised by an adult. The Town of Bethlehem will provide garbage bags and supplies. Remember to bring a bottle of water to drink and wear long sleeve shirts and long pants to protect yourself from cuts, scrapes and insect bites. In the event of rain, the cleanup event will be cancelled.

For more information and to register, go to www.townofbethlehem.org/pages/CleanupDays/cleanupdays.asp.

Second Milers to meet over summer

The Second Milers club for retired men has extended this year’s meeting schedule through the summer and welcomes newcomers to join the group for good food, fellowship and

interesting programs at its forthcoming meetings.

For Wednesday, June 13, World War II veteran Bob Jackson will tell about his experience as a POW in Stalag VII-A, the notorious Nazi prison camp in Moosburg, Germany. The July 11 meeting will feature a slide presentation on the exploits of Navy salvage expert Edward Ellsberg. The club meets at noon on the second Wednesday of each month at the Normanside Country Club. There are no dues, but attendees are expected to pay for their lunches. For reservations, call Glenn Cropsey at 862-0856.

Community dinner planned at G’land church

The Lynnwood Reformed Church at 3714 Carman Road, Gunderland, will host a free Community Ziti and Meatball Dinner with all the trimmings on Friday, June 8, from 4 to 7 p.m. The last seating will be at 6:30. No reservations are required.

New Baltimore farmers market set to open

On Saturday, June 9, the New Baltimore Farmers Market will hold its opening day of the season. It will once again be at the Cecil Hallock (District 2) Park on County Route 54 from 9 a.m. to noon. The market will run every Saturday through Sept. 29 and will feature fresh, locally grown food as well as other locally produced products.

Hewitt’s hosts Team CJ benefit

Hewitt’s Garden Center in Glenmont will host Team CJs Cookout for a Cure on Saturday, June 16, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Cookout will be held at Hewitt’s Garden Center, 605 Feura Bush Road. Matchless Stove & Chimney, a specialty hearth and barbeque retailer in the Capital District, is proud to sponsor Team CJs Cookout for a Cure. The Cookout for a Cure is designed to raise awareness and funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Christopher “CJ” Motta was born in February of 2010. At two weeks of age, he was diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis, a life-threatening genetic disease. CJ’s family and friends came together to form “Team CJ” to help raise awareness and funds for research to help find a cure.

Team CJ is just shy of its goal to raise \$12,000 in 2012 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Since 2010, the group has raised over \$29,000.

Each person who stops by to show their support can enjoy a hot dog or burger, along with chips and choice of drink for \$5. All Cookout proceeds will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. For more information about participating in Team CJs Cookout for a Cure, contact Sara Madden at sarakmadden@gmail.com.

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The American Heart Association and Empire Blue Cross are teaming up to teach Hands-Only CPR when the Mobile CPR Van rolls into the Capital Region during National CPR Week, June 5 to 12. Drawing on the “Saturday Night Fever” theme song “Stayin’ Alive,” a team of trainers will offer 15-minute training sessions for three days.

The van will be at the Troy Farmers Market from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 9; at the Empire State Plaza on Monday, June 11, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Monday, June 11; and on the Harriman State Campus on Tuesday, June 12, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Everyone who learns CPR will receive a free Hands-Only CPR kit and some disco-inspired bling. Time slots can be reserved, or people can just show up. For information or to reserve a time slot, call the American Heart Association at 869.409.

G’land IDA meets

The Town of Gunderland Industrial Development Agency will be holding a regular board meeting on Friday, June 8, at 8 a.m.

The meeting will be held at Gunderland Town Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room. The agency will consider all business that may come before it.

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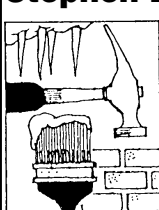
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add more public meetings to the schedule.

Clarkson said after the meeting that he is open to changing the start time if that's what the public wants, but he's not sure if that will necessarily help the situation.

"Sometimes talk expands to fill the time," he said.

Councilman George Lenhardt also said he's flexible about changing the time again, but said in a later interview it still may not help.

"I don't agree that they (the public) are leaving early. They are leaving when their tolerance

level has reached its limit. Starting earlier may just move back the time they leave by an hour and not accomplish anything more than what we currently accomplish," said Lenhardt. "It may just mean the meetings last longer."

Councilwoman Joann Dawson was not at the meeting but said later that she was also open to discussing the time change.

"We thought having them at 7 p.m. would mean more people could attend, but coincidently, the meetings are now online so people can watch them online," she said. "There's really been no change in the people who regularly attend meetings, and because

Number of people watching online since the webcast system was introduced	
• Town board meeting on Feb. 22	Live: 23, video page views: 76 so far
• Town board meeting on April 25	Live: 35, video page views: 145 so far
• Town Board meeting on May 9	Live: 24, video page views: 110 so far
• Town board meeting May 23	Live: 70, video page views: 195 so far
• Town board meeting on March 14	Live: 37, video page views: 129 so far
• Town board meeting on March 28	Live: 20, video page views: 50 so far
• Town board meeting on April 11	

we go so late, people aren't staying so that's worth discussion."

Clarkson said although having the meetings online is a helpful tool;

the town wants people to still attend the meetings so they can participate in how the town is run.

"Being at the meetings allows you to ask questions," he said.

Kotary said the number of items being placed on meeting agendas has become an issue. He said residents are beginning to feel like a lot of the more weighty issues are being discussed when no one is in the room.

"What I'd like to find out is ... I'd like to see some data on how many people are watching at home online or going back to watch (after they leave)," he said, because some may feel the length is not an issue because people can watch from home.

Jeff Dammeyer, the town's Director of Management of Information Services, said 70 people watched the May 23 meeting live online, and there have been 129 page views of the video from that meeting as of Wednesday, May 31. He said people should also keep in mind that residents can watch the meetings live on public access as well, so the number of people watching from home could be much greater.

"This will be on the agenda at next meeting (June 13) so we can discuss it," said Clarkson. "We want to hear from members of the public to see how it works for them."

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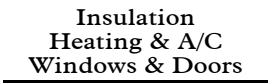
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(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Qualification of Pyramid Financial Solutions, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/18/12. Off. loc.: Albany County. LLC formed in Indiana (IN) on 6/28/06. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: National Corporate Research, Ltd., 10 E. 40th St., 10th Fl., NY, NY 10016, registered agent upon whom process may be served. IN address of LLC: 3603 E. Raymond St., Indianapolis, IN 46203. Arts. of Org. filed with IN Secy. of State, 302 W. Washington St., Room E018, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Purpose: any lawful activity.
81124 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION OF CST TAX ADVISORS LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/29/11. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/23/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 1330 Ave. of Americas, Level 23, NY, NY 10019. DE address of LLC: 1201 N. Orange St. #732. Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St. Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful activity.
81130 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: Retirement & Benefit Partners of Central New York, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on March 30, 2012. LLC office location: 10 Gales Drive, Slingerlands, NY 12159, Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to: 10 Gales Drive, Slingerlands, NY 12159. LLC has been formed to engage in any lawful act or activity. LLC shall be member-managed.
81132 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Kind Family, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/18/12. 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 7 Washington Square, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful activities.
81134 (D)

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Notice of Formation of KVD-licious Konfexionz, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/12/12. 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 6 Jeanette St., Albany, NY 12209. Purpose: any lawful activities.
81135 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qual. of I Will Survive, LLC, Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/13/12. Office loc.: Albany County. LLC org. in DE 12/28/11. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of proc. to 274 Madison Ave., Ste. 801, NY, NY 10016. DE off. addr.: NRAI, 160 Greentree Dr., Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. on file: SSDE, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purp.: any lawful activities.
81136 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qual. of DUDAY, LLC, Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/10/12. Office loc.: Albany County. LLC org. in DE 3/7/12. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of proc. to 875 Ave of the Americas, Ste. 501, NY, NY 10001. DE off. addr.: NRAI, 160 Greentree Dr., Dover, DE 19904. Cert. of Form. on file: SSDE, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purp.: any lawful activities.
81137 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Compound Strategies Group LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/16/2012. Off. Loc.: Schenectady Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1243 Waters Road, Scotia, NY 12302. Purpose: all lawful activities.
81138 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Aashsi's, LLC., filed with NY Sec. of State on 4/27/2012. Location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail process to 208 Nutgrove Lane, Albany NY 12202. Purpose: any lawful activity.
81310 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of Sporty Skorty, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/01/12. 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, 6 Meadow Spring Lane, Glen Cove, NY 11542. Purpose: engage in any lawful act or activity.
81153 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Limited Liability Company (LLC)
The name of the LLC is: MALONE FAMILY HOMES, LLC. The date of the filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) under Section 203 is: April 27, 2012. The office within New York State of the LLC is located

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in Schenectady County. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him or her is:130 Rosemont Street, Albany, New York 12203. The purpose of the business of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.
81311 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Service Experts Heating & Air Conditioning – New York LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/27/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
81312 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of The Digital Prof LLC. Articles of Org. were filed with NY Secretary of State (NYSS) on 2/29/12. Office location: Albany County. NYSS is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. NYSS shall mail service of process (SOP) to NW Registered Agent LLC @ 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, Albany NY 12207. NW Registered Agent LLC is designated as agent for SOP at 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, Albany NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose.
81313 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of Professional Service Limited Liability Company. Name: Darling and Wesdorp, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/04/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, 333 Delaware Ave, Suite 208 Delmar, New York 12054. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Law.
81314 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of formation of CM Fox Senior Living LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/9/12. Office in Albany County. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 2390 Western Ave., Guilderland NY 12084. Purpose is any lawful purpose.
81315 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Qualification of LOGAN LO, LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/7/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/17/99. 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. DE address of LLC:16192 Coastal Hwy., Lewes, DE 19958. The registered agent is Harvard Business Services, Inc. at the same address. Arts. Of Org. filed with the DE Secy. Of State, 401 Federal St., Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901.

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Purpose: any lawful activity.
81316 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of B&D PAYROLL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/8/12. 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.
81317 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Icy Penguin LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/8/2012. 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.
81321 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation International Gourmet Produce LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/9/2012. 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.
81322 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Postscript Works LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/10/2012. 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.
81323 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation AD HOC FM, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/10/2012. 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.
81324 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Titan 1452 Equities, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/10/2012. 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.
81325 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

ADK Equipment Leasing, LLC
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company
Articles of Organization of ADK Equipment Leasing, LLC ("LLC") were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 10, 2012. Principal business location: Albany County, NY. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to 30 Colonial Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes.
81326 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of formation of a limited liability company ("LLC").
Name of LLC: Ideal Health, Weight Loss and Wellness Center, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 3, 2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to Stormy A. DeSantis, 2 Palisades Drive, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: to engage in any activity for which LLCs may be organized under the LLC Law.
81328 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

ANYWAYNET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/09/12. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 139 Fulton Ave., Ste 518, NY, NY 10038. General Purposes.
81329 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of PCHC LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/8/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Arizona (AZ) on 7/20/11. 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. AZ address of LLC: 4400 North Scottsdale Road, Ste. 705, Scottsdale, AZ 85251. Arts. of Org. filed with AZ Corp. Commission, 1300 West Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
81330 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of BIBIFRESH, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/10/12. 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.
81333 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of KMG JEWELRY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/10/12. 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.
81334 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Specialized K9 Detection Service, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/02/12. 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, 141 Wemple Rd. Glenmont, NY 12077 Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
81335 (D)
(June 6, 2012)

Tactics

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done by the schools. However, some parents and teachers felt the day needed to return to help students get better acquainted with one another. The event was reintroduced and redesigned as Survivor Day.

All of the students are split into 20 “tribes” made up of a mixture of 20 students from the various elementary schools. They participate in a series of academic challenges and physical activities, and by working together, earn points along the way. The day is modeled after the reality game show on television called “Survivor,” and school officials said the students love the competition and challenges.

“This is really important for the kids because it is the time all 400 students have been thrust into one environment and actually put into groups similar to the classes they will be put into at the middle school,” said Hamagrael physical education teacher Chris Berschwinger.

Most of the activities needed to be completed through teamwork. There was a relay obstacle course,



Bethlehem fifth-graders play soccer at Survivor Day in Elm Avenue Park on Friday, June 1.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

group academic questions about math, social studies and geography, and trolley races, where students stepped in unison to cross the finish line on wooden planks.

As a crafts project focusing

on American culture, students also learned how to tie-dye their own shirts. Berschwinger said the shirts were meant to be a keepsake from the day and a reminder of a time when they were unified as a class, perhaps

to prevent future squabbles or bullying.

“It’s something that the kids look forward to,” he said. “I know my fourth-graders look at it as a big day.”

Students also had time to

meet with some of their future teachers, the middle school principal, and Superintendent Tom Douglas dropped by in the morning to introduce himself.

“It’s a good way for these kids who feel skittish about going into the middle school to really just get a foot in the door and maybe have a bit better idea for what’s about to happen,” said Berschwinger. “I’ve been working here for 12 years, and there are a lot of fifth-graders who are scared about going to the middle school because it’s seen as such a big thing, so if this helps them we’ve done our job”

Brian Murray, a student from Slingerlands Elementary, said he liked that Survivor Day introduced him to some new people who he could see being friends with in the future. However, he said he’s not nervous because his older brother is already in the middle school.

“The only thing I think I would be worried about is finding my classes,” he said. “Besides that, I’m fine. No one here’s been mean or anything. I’m not really a negative person. I try to be optimistic because I don’t think it helps to be negative.”

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 1203 The name of the Limited Liability Company is: Bowitch & Coffey, LLC. Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State: May 11, 2012. County in which the office of the company are located: Albany County. Designation of Process: The Secretary of State of the State of New York has been designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. The post offices address of the company within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process against the Limited Liability Company is: 17 Elk Street, 5th Floor, Albany, New York 12207. The purpose of the business is: to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL. 81338 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AGR FIELD SERVICES, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/27/12. Office location: Schenectady County, LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 2/8/10. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Richard G. Della Ratta, 147 Barrett St., Schenectady, NY 12305. FL address of LLC: 13100 56th Court, Ste. 703, Clearwater, FL 33760. Arts. of Org. filed with FL Secy. of State, 2661 Executive Center Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 81339 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Cole FD Portfolio I, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/1/12. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/18/12. 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

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served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 81340 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AUDITION SUCCESS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/14/12. 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. 81342 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of IOP-BP HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/15/12. 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. 81552 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Albany Enterprises, LLC. Application for Authority filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 5/18/12. Office location: Albany County. The New York Secretary of State 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. 81553 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of AL-LEGRIA BOUTIQUE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with

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SSNY on 5/17/12. 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. 81555 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

MTL POWER LLC was filed with the SSNY on 05/16/12. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: c/o Paracorp Incorporated, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Wash. Ave., Ste. 805A, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 81558 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation World of Gray Swans LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/27/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o World of Gray Swans LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81565 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Spex Advisory Services LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/21/2012. 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. 81568 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Bakshi Family LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/21/2012. 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

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Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81698 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Paul Andrew Design, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/21/2012. 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. 81699 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of YOFI REALTY 70 STEUBEN STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/22/12. 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. 81700 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Megabombshwartz Production, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/23/2012. 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. 81702 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation: RAM Ventures, LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/01/12. 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, 523 Western Ave, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: For all lawful activities. 81705 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of an LLC: Coeymans Crushing Center, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 22, 2012. Office location is in Albany County. The 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, at 40 Riverview Drive, Coeymans, NY 12045. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. 81707 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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HOWARD ALBANY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/25/12. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Eagle-Riverview Group Inc., 1 Civic Center Plaza, Ste. 500, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business location: 52 Howard St., Albany, NY 81708 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Muscle Wall Holdings, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/22/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 12/8/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 800 Brazos, Ste. 400, Austin, TX 78701. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Ste. 400, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 81709 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LW DESIGN GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/24/12. 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.

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The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81713 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of PrudentLender LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/23/12. 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 Lemery Greisler LLC, 50 Beaver St., 2nd Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. 81714 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 894 HART REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/25/12. 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. 81715 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of Myers Environmental Consulting, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 5/30/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 705 Stephens Place Guilderland, NY 12303-5265. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 81716 (D) (June 6, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION It is hereby resolved by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Slingerlands Fire District existing in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland in Albany County that, WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners have hereto for established a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of acquisition,

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remodeling, renovation and construction of the facilities to house the fire apparatus and firefighters of the Slingerlands Fire District, WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners have determined that there is need to expend from said Capital Reserve Fund a sum of money not to exceed \$345,000.00, and WHEREAS, there is presently in said fund a sum of money in excess of said \$345,000.00 is hereby, RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Slingerlands Fire District subject to a Permissive Referendum pursuant to Section 6-g of the General Municipal Law transfer a sum of money not to exceed \$345,000.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund to the Operating Fund for the purpose of said renovation and construction. 81710 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS The BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (“DISTRICT”), Delmar New York is seeking bids from qualified firms to provide “Transportation Bus Parts” to the District. The District seeks to purchase excellent affordable quality product(s). A formal Invitation for Bids (“IFB”) will be available June 14, 2012, at the Bethlehem Central Schools Transportation Department, 82 Van Dyke Road, Delmar, New York 12054. No Bid shall be considered unless the organization making the bid has first obtained a copy of the IFB. Specific requirements are provided in the IFB. The Bidder’s qualifications, cost, and compliance with the requirements of the District will be used during the evaluation of the bidder selection. The response to this Invitation for Bid must be received no later than 11: 00 A.M. (EST) JUNE 25, 2012, in the Office of the Director of Transportation, Bethlehem Central School District, 82 Van Dyke Road, Delmar, NY 12054. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, to waive any and all informalities, and to disregard all non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids. 81712 (D) (June 6, 2012)

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Shen shuts down Lady Dutch

Guilderland limited to three baserunners against top seed
By MAUREEN KELLY
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Erika Daigle did what no other pitcher in the Section II Class AA softball tournament could do: silence Guilderland's bats. Daigle allowed only three runners to reach base as she pitched Shenendehowa to a 4-0 victory over the Lady Dutch in last Friday's Class AA championship game at Veeder Park.

The top-seeded Plainswomen scored twice in the bottom of the fifth inning and added two more runs in the sixth to earn their berth into Tuesday's regional final at Veeder Park against the Section III champion.

"I am just very happy we got those runs," Daigle said. "When it was a scoreless game, I just knew I had to make great pitches. I threw a lot of screwballs and they just made little pop-ups, which is exactly what I wanted. My defense behind me was great. I was very happy when we got those runs. It took the pressure off me, and I could relax some and just make the pitches."

"This was a classic Section II final," said Shen coach Dan D'Amboise. "There was good pitching and great defense. Eventually, we got the hits."
Sixth-seeded Guilderland had scored 22 runs in its wins over Bethlehem in the quarterfinals and Colonie in the semifinals, but its hitters had a hard time connecting against Daigle.
"They have a great pitcher," said Guilderland coach Lou Marino. "She jammed us inside, and we couldn't get the hits we needed."

Guilderland pitcher Mallory Harrigan kept Shen scoreless until the fifth inning, when the Plainswomen put runners on second and third on two singles and a throwing error. Katie O'Gorman drove in Ali Kramer and Erin Buckley with a line-drive single over the shortstop's head to make the score 2-0.
"I hit a change-up that was low and bit outside, but I just knew it was my pitch. With two strikes on me, it was stressful," said O'Gorman. "I am very excited to contribute to this team's victory."
Melissa Morgan – who made a back-handed,

diving catch to deny an extra-base hit earlier in the game – led off the bottom of the sixth inning with a single and moved to third on Amanda Auguston's double. Caitlin Lawson singled in Morgan and Auguston two batters later to double Shen's advantage to 4-0.
"It was an outside pitch, and when I hit it it felt good," said Lawson. "They (Guilderland outfielders) were playing deep, and it dropped in."
"I wasn't comfortable with a two-run lead," said D'Amboise.
Daigle completed the shutout with a scoreless seventh inning for Shen, which won its first Sectional title since 2008 and its seventh for D'Amboise. The Plainswomen lost to Bethlehem 2-1 in last year's

Class AA final.
"We were definitely motivated by last year's loss in the final," said Lawson. "We didn't have as much enthusiasm (last year) as we did today."
"It was a full team effort that got us here," said O'Gorman. "Our captains post quotes (on the dugout), and today was the perfect one for us. It says, 'It takes talent to be good, but desire to win.' That sums up this victory."
Marino was proud of the effort his Guilderland team put forth during the playoffs.
"I knew we had a great team," Marino said. "We started five sophomores. We went through ups and downs. We pride ourselves on focus, attitude and effort. A very good team (Shen) beat us today."

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with Penfield's defense.
If Shaker does defeat Penfield Friday, it will need to come up with another strong performance in Saturday's finals against either Section III champion West Genesee or Section XI champ Bay Shore. That's a tall order for

any team, but the Blue Bison have been putting forth consistently strong performances throughout the playoffs. It's hard to imagine that they would falter badly now.
Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't mention Johan Santana's no-hitter for the New York Mets last Friday against the St. Louis Cardinals. It took the Mets 8,020 games to see one of their pitchers do that.

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Shaker surprises Guilderland in Sectional final

Lennon's late goal lifts Blue Bison past Lady Dutch

By MAUREEN KELLY
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The Shaker girls lacrosse team recorded a pair of firsts Wednesday – its first Section II Class A title, and its first win over Guilderland in coach Courtney Hill's four years at the Latham school.

Julia Lennon scored off a feed from Lauren Smith with 3:29 left in the second half to lift the Blue Bison past the Lady Dutch 9-8 in the Sectional final at the University at Albany.

"I was real tired, I was out of breath and I thought I was going to puke," Lennon said. "But I knew this could be it. I caught the pass with my left (hand), switched over to my right and put it in the lower corner (of the net)."

"We have a swing play where you look for the open girl," said the Siena-bound Smith. "I saw Julia as open as possible, running in the lane holding her left hand up. I knew if I made the pass she would put it in."

Top-seeded Guilderland

(18-1) overcame an early 5-0 deficit to grab an 8-7 lead in the second half before Maddie Devine scored with 9:29 left to tie the score at 8. Six minutes later, Lennon put home the game winner.

"This is the best feeling I've had in my life," said Hill. "It's hard to describe. Never beating Guilderland in my four years, and now we are leaving here with tears of joy instead of tears of sorrow. These girls were in such a state of focus tonight. Nothing was going to shake them, and their mental toughness really paid off."

"We came out strong, but I knew they (Guilderland) could easily get right back in it," said Shaker goaltender Anne Morrison. "I just kept trying my best to keep my eye on the ball, and when I made a save to make sure I looked for an outlet to clear it."

Five different players scored goals for Shaker (16-1) during its opening onslaught. Guilderland coach Gary Chatnik called a timeout with 15:47 left in the first half, and Kelly Camardo tallied less than one minute later to

begin a Lady Dutch run. By halftime, Shaker was clinging to a 6-4 lead.

"We dug ourselves a hole. Give them credit – they (Shaker) played great," Chatnik said. "During the timeout, I told them there was a lot of game left. But Shaker was

winning a lot of draws and playing a lot of offense. We needed to control the ball and get it into the cage."

Anne Rehfuss gave second-seeded Shaker a little breathing room when she scored early in the second half. But Guilderland tallied the

next four goals during a seven minute time span to take the lead. Morgan Hardt had three of the Lady Dutch's four goals in that stretch.

Morrison settled down after Guilderland grabbed the lead and made two key saves while Shaker

was killing off two yellow card penalties. Those saves changed the momentum, as the Blue Bison rallied for the victory.

Smith, Devine and Lennon each scored a pair of goals for Shaker.

Hardt's hat trick paced Guilderland.

Bosox begin season with win in Cooperstown



The Bethlehem Bosox opened its season by beating Rotterdam 4-3 May 29 at Cooperstown's Doubleday Field. Bethlehem's Joe Foley hit a three-run homer to cap a fifth-inning rally. Besides Foley, this year's Bosox roster includes Jared Barends, Austin Bielawa, Steve Booker, Chris Caswell, Brian Devane, Zac Flagler, Bobby Peters, John Riker, Luciano Rosetti, Nick Sgroi, Aidan Sheehan and Kevin Weber.

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Lady Dutch fall in softball finals

The Guilderland softball team's run through the Section II Class AA playoffs ended last Friday with a 4-0 loss to top-seeded Shenendehowa at Veeder Park in Colonie. Shen pitcher Erika Daigle allowed only three base runners in earning the victory.

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Weekly poll

Which spring sports team had the most impressive championship run in 2012?

- Bethlehem boys tennis
- Niskayuna boys lacrosse
- Shaker girls lacrosse
- Shenendehowa softball
- Voorheesville baseball

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Last week's poll results:

What summer sporting event are you looking forward to?

- Saratoga 60%
- Giants training camp 40%
- Albany Dutchmen 0%
- Tri-County ValleyCats 0%

Blackbirds win title

Voorheesville defeats Hoosick Falls for first Sectional championship

By SPORTS STAFF
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The Voorheesville baseball team won its first Section II title in the program's history by beating Hoosick Falls 6-1 in last Thursday's Class C final at Joe Bruno Stadium in Troy.

The eighth-seeded Blackbirds (18-5) took a 2-0 lead in the first inning and added two more runs in the second inning to get an early jump on the sixth-seeded Panthers. The rest was left to Voorheesville pitcher Kevin Connolly, who limited Hoosick Falls to one run on five hits.

Anthony Scaccia hit a two-run triple, and Mike Young added an RBI single for the Blackbirds.

Voorheesville was scheduled to play in the regional finals Tuesday at SUNY Plattsburgh. Ticonderoga (Section VII) and Norwood-Norfolk (Section X) were scheduled to play Monday in a regional semifinal.

Guilderland's baseball season ended last Wednesday with a 2-1 loss to Columbia in the Class AA semifinals at Joe Bruno Stadium.

The Blue Devils scored both of their runs after a lengthy rain delay. Ryan Henchey doubled, and Tim Gaule belted a two-run homer over the left field wall to make the score 2-0.

Guilderland scored one run in the sixth inning and had runners on first and second in the seventh before Columbia worked out of the jam with a double play.

Columbia went on to defeat Shenendehowa 3-2 in the Class AA Sectional final last Friday.



Voorheesville pitcher Kevin Connolly delivers to the plate during last Thursday's Section II Class C championship game against Hoosick Falls at Joe Bruno Stadium in Troy. Connolly pitched six shutout innings to help the Blackbirds defeat the Panthers 6-1 and claim the school's first Sectional baseball title.

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Three Eagles qualify for states

Kearney, Ruetz win individual titles at Sectional meet

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Bethlehem's Jackie Kearney and Parker Ruetz won individual titles at last week's Section II Division I Track and Field Championships in Johnstown.

Kearney claimed the girls pentathlon title with 3,069 points, while Ruetz won the boys discus throw with a distance of 142 feet, 8 inches. Both Eagles qualified for this weekend's state meet at Cicero-North Syracuse High School outside of Syracuse.

Bethlehem's Matt Crawford also earned a berth to the state meet after placing second to Shaker's Christian Delago in the boys 800-meter run. Delago finished first with a time of 1:54.73, while Crawford ran a time of 1:55.23.

In the Division II meet, Voorheesville's Vinny Saccocio qualified for states after placing second to Berne-Knox-Westerlo's Ben Becker in the pole vault. Becker cleared the bar at 13 feet, 6 inches in fewer attempts than Saccocio.

West Islip poses challenge for Nisky

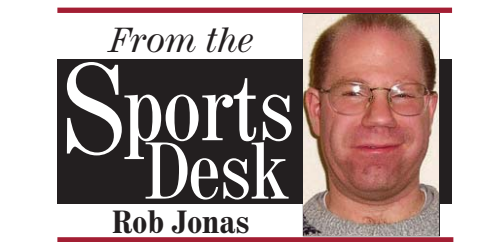
How good is the Niskayuna boys lacrosse team?

We'll have the answer after Wednesday's state Class A semifinal game against Long Island power West Islip at Hofstra University.

One could look at the Silver Warriors' recent lopsided regional victories over Section IX champion Minisink Valley (19-5 last Wednesday) and Section I champ Mamaroneck (23-3 Saturday) and say that they are among the best teams in the state. But the scores are deceptive – not because of how Niskayuna played, but because of the competition it faced. Minisink Valley was the best Class A team in a section that isn't very good at lacrosse, and Mamaroneck finished the regular season with a losing record before going on a miraculous run to take the Section I title.

West Islip is a quantum leap forward from Minisink Valley and Mamaroneck in terms of talent. The Long Island champions have won four state titles since 2006, and they routinely send players to NCAA Division I programs.

Niskayuna has seven players committed to Division I teams on its roster including



junior Luke Goldstock (North Carolina), who leads the Silver Warriors with 80 goals and 60 assists. Fellow junior attacker Lucas Maloney has 78 goals through 21 games, and senior Matt Sexton has 62 goals and 45 assists.

Whether Niskayuna can get past West Islip depends on how many times senior midfielder Tanner MacIvor wins face-offs and how well junior goaltender Evan Quinn plays. If MacIvor wins the majority of face-offs, the Silver Warriors have a good chance to control the flow of play, but they still need Quinn to make some saves in order to advance.

Overall, Niskayuna's firepower will keep the Silver Warriors close to West Islip. But, this will not be a cakewalk like the two regional games. Niskayuna will have to earn

its way past West Islip to reach the state finals for the third time in the program's history.

Meanwhile, the Shaker girls lacrosse team has a chance to reach the state finals for the first time. The Blue Bison must get past Section V champion Penfield first in Friday's Class A semifinals at SUNY Cortland to do it, but it's possible.

What makes it possible is the play of senior goaltender Anne Morrison. The Villanova-bound netminder hasn't allowed an opponent to score more than eight goals in a game since giving up a dozen in a 12-6 loss to Guilderland April 19. In the 12 games since that loss, Morrison has stymied some of the most potent offenses in the region including Guilderland in last Wednesday's 9-8 victory in the Sectional finals.

Shaker's offense isn't as prolific as Niskayuna's when it comes to scoring goals, but the Blue Bison have several weapons including Lauren Smith, Maddie Devine, Anne Rehffuss and Julia Lennon – all of whom have scored more than 30 goals. That gives the Blue Bison options when confronting

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