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Thousands of runners navigated a 5K obstacle course for the second Tawasentha Mud Mania on Saturday, June 16.

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## Multi-cultural music

The Old Songs Festival will spotlight national and international acts this weekend at the Altamont Fairgrounds.

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Former Bethlehem Town Supervisor Theresa Egan, Clarksville Historical Society President Joseph T. Hogan, New Scotland Town Historian Bob Parmenter and former New Scotland Town Supervisor Ed Clark, dedicate the house of Bethlehem's first post master on Sept. 24, 2005.

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## Back from the brink

Clarksville Post Office, one of the area's first, marks bicentennial

By MARCY VELTE  
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An historical landmark for the residents of Clarksville next week would not be happening if it were up to the United State Postal Service.

On Wednesday, June 27, the Clarksville Post Office celebrates 200 years of service. Last May, residents were informed of the decision to close the branch because business was slow. Through the work of community members and Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple, the decision was overturned.

"Our post office is one of the oldest in the area," said Joseph Hogan, president of the Clarksville Historical Society. "It goes back very early, we're like the fourth post office in Albany County." Hogan said he has been doing research on the post office for 10 years.

Clarksville was originally known as West Bethlehem after 1793 and housed Bethlehem's first post office beginning in 1812. In 1832, the Town of New Scotland and the Town of Bethlehem were separated. The next year, the original Bethlehem post office had its name changed to Clarksville in honor of resident Adam Clark.

The USPS officially decided to close the branch in August of 2011. By that time, residents had already begun a campaign to overturn the decision led by local lawyer Peter Henner.

Members of the community wrote letters in favor of keeping the post office, including Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple, who at the time was in the midst of negotiations with the Bethlehem Central School District to lease the closed Clarksville Elementary School.

In his letter, Apple maintained that once the Sheriff's Office and Albany County Emergency Operations Center moved to the former

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## Major changes outlined in parks report

Closing Bethlehem golf course among options in budget review

By MARCY VELTE  
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A possible \$3.5 million budget gap for the coming years is serving as a backdrop for a series of presentations from Bethlehem town department heads on possible cuts and consolidations.

On Wednesday, June 13, the Parks and Recreation Department presented to the Town Board a list of possible budget eliminations that was created with the

help of the Budget Advisory Committee.

"It's not that we would want to make these cuts, but they are options for the board to consider," said Parks and Recreation Administrator Nan Lanahan.

After working with Lanahan for several weeks, Joan Gavilik, a member of the Budget Advisory Committee, presented the information to the board.

The Parks and Recreation Department has an annual budget of \$1.7 million, of which about 40 percent is supplemented by user fees. In addition, the Office of Children and Family Services provides about \$10,000 each year to offset costs of specific programs like Youth Employment

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## New users pitch Vista buildings

Tax breaks said to be key to continued interest in Slingerlands tech park

By MARCY VELTE  
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Four new buildings have been proposed for the Vista Technology Park in Slingerlands.

On Thursday, June 14, the town's Industrial Development Agency held a public meeting to hear comments from residents about the projects. The developers for each of the buildings have applied for tax abatements with the IDA under a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement.

Columbia Development has plans to build three of the proposed structures. Thomas Keaney, the company's project executive, presented them to members of the IDA. Keaney was a former employee of BBL Construction, the company hired to build the Vista Technology Park.

The plans call for one single-floor, 6,000-square-foot building containing a restaurant called The Garden Bistro, a retail store and a telecommunications user. That building would create 25 new jobs, said Keaney. The next building would also be 6,000 square feet on a single floor and would be a Community Care Professionals medical building.

"Dr. (Lev) Barats with CCP is relocating his practice to Vista Development to go ahead with his group and offer their medical services for internal medicine to their client base here in the Town of Bethlehem," said Keaney.

The third building proposed for

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The Town of Bethlehem is looking at ways to save money at the Elm Avenue Park Pool.

Spotlight file photo

# Library asks voters for \$13M expansion

**Guilderland Library officials say space has run out**

By MARCY VELTE  
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Guilderland Public Library officials are hoping residents support a plan to build a new \$12.9 million expansion to the library in the summer of 2013.

On Tuesday, June 26, a referendum will be put before residents to approve a bond for the entire sum of the project. The plan has been in the works since 2003.

“We did a series of long-range planning efforts and performed surveys throughout the community,” said Doug Morrissey, president of the library’s Board of Trustees. “The only way to give residents what they said they wanted is to expand.”

The library was built in 1992 and is 27,650 square feet. Since that time, library attendance has more than doubled. Library Director Barbara Randall attributed that to community growth and the ability to provide better programming.

“We’re out of space;

*“We’re out of space for materials, out of space for programming the community wants us to have and out of space for tutors to students.”*

– Library Director  
Barbara Randall

it’s that simple,” she said. “We’re out of space for materials, out of space for programming the community wants us to have and out of space for tutors to students. We’re going to be focusing on the same things we’re doing now, but more people can participate.”

According to library officials, the waiting list to use library space is long, and at times residents are waiting months for a room to open. Attendance at programs has also increased since the library opened.

“One of the things that makes us unique is that Guilderland doesn’t have a village square,” said

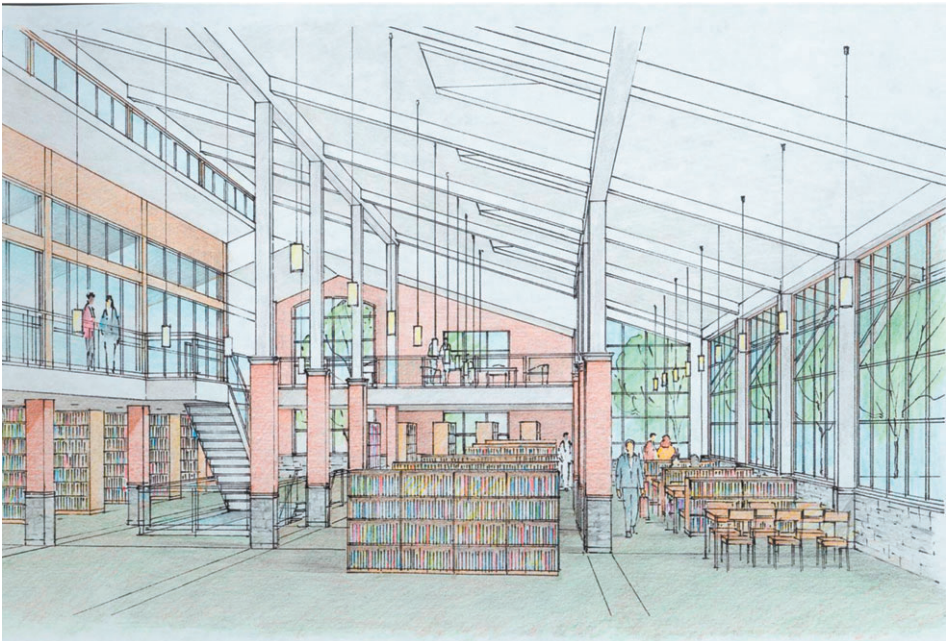
Randall. “Besides parks, we (the library) are one of the only places where people of all incomes and backgrounds can gather together.”

The project would expand the building to 47,660 square feet. Morrissey said the plan would provide more space for a larger children’s room, provide a larger reading room for adults, allow for more meeting and study rooms and create a center for local history and genealogy. Energy efficient lighting and geothermal heating and cooling would also be installed.

Morrissey said much of the preliminary research to look into the project was paid for through grants. The plan is to bond the entire \$12.9 million cost of the project and in the future, the library would hold fundraisers to help offset some of the costs to taxpayers.

Most homeowners within the Guilderland Library District currently pay about \$1 to \$1.70 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. With the bond, taxpayers would likely see an increase of about 28 cents per \$1,000.

Some have raised questions about bonding



On Tuesday, June 26, Guilderland residents will be asked to weigh in on whether or not the library should move forward with a \$13 million expansion.

Submitted rendering

such a large amount, especially during a time when the community is trying to rebound from the recession.

“We tried to be as prudent as possible and the reason why we are doing a referendum is so the community can vote on this decision,” said Morrissey. “We are leaving it completely in the people’s hands.”

Randall said the expansion is necessary for Guilderland to maintain its standard of living.

“If you want your community to continue in a positive direction, one of the things people look at is schools, the library

and recreation areas,” she said. (Those wanting to buy a home) look for things that are family areas. With nanotech and the university expanding the way they are ... we’re in that area and need to move forward like everyone.”

If the referendum passes, the project is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2013. The expansion would then take about 24 months to complete. The library would remain open during construction.

Morrissey said the library is the right place for residents to invest.

“A library, first, will

always be about the books but it’s about more than that. It’s about learning in general and enhancing the community with programs,” he said. “Also, the thought that the growth of Kindles will kill the book is a betrayal. Not everyone can afford one and there are still a lot of people who depend on books to get their educational materials. That’s not going away anytime soon.”

The polls will be open from noon to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, June 26. Voting will take place at each of the Guilderland Central School District’s five elementary schools.

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# Law looks to put a leash on dog attack policy

**Breslin’s bill would make owners accountable in all dog attacks**

By MARCY VELTE  
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Maria Flora never thought she had to worry about her young son playing in the front yard with her cousin’s dog. But life changed in an instant for the Poughkeepsie mom when the pit bull decided to attack.

Five-year-old Frankie Flora was severely mauled by the dog and nearly lost his life on April 16, 2009. Four sections of his scalp were ripped to the skull and he needed donated skin. Frankie’s right cheek was missing completely, and the boy has gone through 25 procedures to reconstruct his face and rectify injuries to his legs.

Now Frankie is 8 years old and a center on his local youth football team, and Maria Flora said doctors have called him a miracle.

“Frankie is able to blink, talk and smile now, which (doctors) can’t understand. That is a gift from God,” she said.

The Floras are now speaking out in venues across the state to promote a bill sponsored by Sen. Neil Breslin, D-Bethlehem. The proposed law would hold dog owners accountable for paying the medical bills of the victim should the dog bite or attack.

“We are here to speak on

behalf of every victim in New York State who has ever gone through any type of dog injury,” said Maria Flora at a recent press conference outside the Capitol. “We want to make the difference here, we want to help you.”

Frankie said he doesn’t remember much about the attack, but he knows it was scary and his recovery took a long time and was painful. He was in the hospital for two months after the attack.

“I remember I had to stay on the couch all day because I wasn’t ready to walk. At first I was walking like an old man,” he said.

Maria Flora said the hope is the legislation will make dog owners more cautious and will instill greater responsibility in taking care of their pets.

According to the proposed legislation, about “4.5 million people are bitten annually by dogs and about 750,000 of those victims seek medical attention.”

New York is a “one-bite state” for dogs. This means the dog owner is not liable for the dog’s first bite or injury unless the owner was negligent or knew the dog was dangerous. The proposed law would change the standards and make owners responsible for all medical costs incurred from a bite or attack at all times.

“I’ve thought for years that with so many more dogs



Frankie Flora, a dog attack victim from Poughkeepsie, bonds with Sen. Neil Breslin over football as mom Maria Flora looks on. The family is speaking in favor of a bill sponsored by Breslin to make dog owners liable for medical expenses resulting in dog attacks.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

interacting with the rest of the community that if in fact a dog bites, that there should be strict liability for the payments of medical expenses,” said Breslin.

The senator said he hopes the law would make dog owners more vigilant.

“If we stood on a corner today versus 20 years ago, we would see more dogs and leashes and we want to make sure those remain to protect residents,” he said.

Breslin said the bill didn’t come about because of any one case, but was rather in response to a general uptick in dog attacks in recent years. The law, if passed, would be known as Frankie’s Law.

In the Floras case, Maria Flora said homeowners insurance covered very little of the medical costs and because of the current law the family would not have been able to sue. Her cousin was not negligent because the dog had never shown aggressive behavior and they did not know it would attack. If the law had been in place, the dog owner would have been responsible for Frankie’s medical bills.

Frankie Flora is now doing well and is through with most medical procedures. It is unknown as he grows how his previous injuries will effect his development and if more surgeries will be needed. As the summer approaches, his life

revolves around football. Breslin told Frankie he played the position of center in school and the two bonded over the game.

Maria Flora said Frankie was also the 2010 ambassador for the Children’s Miracle Network and he continues to do volunteer work for the group.

It is unlikely the law will pass this year, with only days left in the legislative session. The Floras said they would continue their outreach until the bill is passed.

“Maria and Frankie are truly inspiring,” said Breslin. “I look forward to continue working with them on this issue so that all dog attack victims receive the justice they deserve.”

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Police Blotter

Chase leads to DWI arrest for Altamont man

An Altamont man was arrested in the Town of Bethlehem after he allegedly ran from police during a traffic stop.

Jeffrey Homeyer, 21, of 950 Altamont Blvd., was allegedly witnessed speeding on Schoolhouse Road after midnight on Sunday, June 10. Police said they attempted to pull over Homeyer for the traffic violation but he allegedly refused to stop. He continued driving until he reached a private driveway and got out, but his car rolled backward, hitting a police car, according to arrest reports. Homeyer then allegedly fled on foot.

The officer was alone and pursued Homeyer, according to police, and police used a Taser on him. While police were trying to subdue Homeyer, he

allegedly resisted arrest and used a Taser a second time.

Police said Homeyer had glassy eyes and slurred speech. He allegedly said he was on his way home and throughout the day had consumed half a bottle of Jack Daniels and 12 to 15 bottles of twisted tea. He also said he was still under parole for a burglary he committed when he was 16 year old.

Homeyer was charged with felony DWI and felony aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. He was also charged with reckless endangerment, resisting arrest, fleeing an officer and operating a motor vehicle without an interlock system, all misdemeanors, as well as

various traffic violations. Homeyer was attended to by medical professionals before he was arraigned and was remanded to the Albany Correctional Facility in lieu of bail. He was scheduled to appear in court at a later date.

Stolen debit card leads to theft suspect

A stolen debit card led Coeymans police to arrest a Ravena man who was a suspect in a series of recent auto thefts.

Joshua Duell, 26, is suspected in several burglaries and vehicle thefts occurring over several months in the Ravena area, according to police. He was arrested on Wednesday, June 6,

after he used a debit card he allegedly stole to purchase a pack of cigarettes. Police said they were able to identify Duell through the footage of a security camera within the convenience store where the purchase was made.

Because of the footage, police were able to obtain a search warrant for Duell's residence and they allegedly found items reported stolen from various vehicles in Ravena. Police said they also found information that Duell stole a vehicle in December of 2011. He is still a suspect in other burglary and auto theft incidents.

Duell was charged with burglary in the second degree, grand theft in the third degree, grand theft in the fourth degree,

two counts of criminal possession of stolen property, petit larceny and trespassing. He was arraigned in Ravena Town Court and sent to the Albany County Correctional Facility without bail. He will be re-arraigned on additional charges at a later date.

Police: Woman took drugs to jail

A Troy woman was arrested after allegedly being found with drugs and drug paraphernalia at the Albany County Correctional Facility on Wednesday, June 13.

Michelle L. Richards, 33, of 367 Third St. in Troy, was arrested by the Albany County Sheriff's Office and charged with

two counts of promoting prison contraband in the first degree, a felony, and criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree, a misdemeanor. While being processed into the jail, Richards was found to be in possession of a hypodermic needle and seven bags of heroin, according to the sheriff's office.

Richards was arraigned in Town of Colonie court and remanded back to jail without bail.

Guards get disciplined in escape attempt

Seven correctional officers were disciplined

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# The best secrets are hidden in plain sight

By CAROLINE BARRETT

The last time we got together, it was such a good time. My high school girlfriends and I get together when we can, to enjoy one another’s company and keep the bonds of our friendship strong. We eat and drink, take long walks and laugh and laugh and laugh.

Eating is very important and we plan simple but delicious meals. There is also plenty of indulgence, as each of us likes to bring something sweet. My friend Kate showed up to our last weekend with a big plate of cookies. They were sweet and buttery, soft and chewy. I dug in without hesitation.

“These cookies,” she announced, “have a secret ingredient. My mom made them for us.”

My ears pricked up. Secret ingredient? I love trying to figure out what’s in a recipe. My husband has suffered through many restaurant meals, listening to me wonder what the one certain ingredient in the salad dressing might be. It’s tiresome. But I can’t help it.

I bit into another cookie, this time in the name of

research. Kate wasn’t giving anything away, not even hints. She wouldn’t tell which supermarket aisle the ingredient came from, what the first letter was or if it was an animal or plant product.

I guessed everything from clarified butter to coconut cream to cottage cheese. I know, I know. But I was desperate at that point. And still, she wouldn’t give in.

Sitting over appetizers and wine, I called out, “I know! Applesauce!”

And while walking in the woods it was, “Wait, wait,” as I grabbed her arm, “Sour cream!” But it wasn’t sour cream. Or applesauce. Or anything else I guessed.

After two glorious days of eating, lounging and talking late into the night, our weekend came to an end. Still, we didn’t know the secret ingredient. I ate more cookies than I will admit to, and couldn’t figure it out.

We stood together on Sunday afternoon, cars packed and ready to go home. We hugged and said goodbye, promising to call soon. I looked Kate in the eye and pleaded. I just couldn’t go home

Our Daily Plate  
Caroline Barrett



without knowing what was in those cookies.

Finally, she relented. Looking into our faces and smiling, she said, “Butterscotch.” As in, swirls of butterscotch in the sweet, chewy cookies. Here’s the thing: all weekend, through every meal and walk, even in the middle of a card game or movie, we were trying to guess what the secret ingredient in Kate’s Mother’s Butterscotch Cookies was. We knew about the butterscotch. It was there the whole time.

Just then, the rest of us looked at each other and paused for a moment or two. We had to process this information. And then we just fell apart laughing.

It’s been a joke between useversince. And it’s made me think about secret ingredients. You know, like the recipes people have, handed down from their great grandmother. It’s the mashed potatoes in the chocolate cake and the cola in the beef brisket.

I have no secret recipes. I’m an open book.

*After two glorious days of eating, lounging and talking late into the night, our weekend came to an end. Still, we didn’t know the secret ingredient.*

A recipe book, full of not-so-secret ingredients like extra-virgin olive oil, Parmesan cheese, black pepper and fresh herbs. When I cook, it tends to be uncomplicated, simple food. What I like best is a dinner that looks something like this: a bed of fresh salad greens, a grilled chicken breast and a few crumbles of good goat cheese. I throw a handful of fresh chives and sea salt on top. It’s easy eating, and there’s no secrets involved.

I’ve had people ask me over the years, “What’s your secret? How do you get your kids to eat so well?” I’ll stop right here and tell you that I’m not going to go on about how my kids eat spinach and

### Spring vegetable saute

A splash of olive oil  
1 pint sugar snap peas, trimmed  
1 pint shelling peas, peas removed  
1 bunch small, tender carrots  
2 handfuls pea shoots, cut in half (available at some farmers markets and in the supermarket)  
5-6 fresh chives, chopped  
juice of a half a lemon  
sea salt and black pepper

Remove the greens from the carrots, scrub and slice each into quarters lengthwise. Heat the olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Cook the snow peas, peas and carrots for two minutes, stirring. Turn off the heat and stir in the pea shoots and chives. Squeeze the lemon over all, season to taste with salt and pepper, and serve.

broccoli and all things green, all because of a simple, secret ingredient. They eat the good stuff, rather half-heartedly. Left alone in the kitchen, though, vegetables are not their first choice.

Just the other day, Elliot asked for a snack. I was knee-deep in the garden, so I asked him to help himself. “A healthy one, Elliot,” I reminded him. Running off, he agreed. Foolishly, I believed him. Stepping inside awhile later, I found the remains of his ‘healthy snack’

on the counter: a thick piece of bread, spread with jelly. The center was eaten and the crusts were left behind. A big spoon, the serving kind, lay next to the crusts, smeared with Nutella. Our dog Agnes was busy, licking the crumbs and blobs of fallen jam from the floor. Elliot, high on sugar, was long gone.

But I do persist in pushing the good stuff. I drag them to the farmers markets. I ask Zoe to make

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Matters of Opinion in The Spotlight

Start the debate today

The people of Bethlehem got a sneak peak at some of the tough conversations their leaders might be having later this year when, at a recent Town Board meeting, members of a budget advisory committee presented a report on the town’s Parks and Recreation Department.

You can read the details in this week’s front-page story. We bring it up here because the report not only lays out a number of options that would greatly impact the town’s recreational opportunities, but it sets the stage for what might be the tough budget season of tough budget seasons.

Regular readers already know the details: besides contending with ever-rising pension and healthcare costs, the town will be seeing the Selkirk Cogen energy plant coming back onto the tax rolls in 2013, making for a potential \$3.5 million budget gap. This year’s budget is \$38.6 million so... well, you can do the math, and it’s not pretty.

So part of the Budget Advisory Committee’s charge is to seek out every “efficiency” (read: cut) in town. We heard from Parks and Rec last week, and over the coming months we’ll be seeing similar reports from the town’s other departments. These should be cause for some serious discussions, if the parks analysis is any indicator.

The proposals include shuttering the 9-hole Colonial Acres Golf Course, expanding access to the Elm Avenue Park pool to non-residents and/or shortening the pool season, closing the skating rink and increasing usage fees across the board. (This would be a good time to point out no one has actually proposed making any changes, these are merely reports).

If services and programs are cut to the bone and rates are jacked up, the Budget Advisory Committee figures the town will save something on the order of \$100,000 from Parks and Rec. Hardly chump change, but a big change for taxpayers.

It’s hard to entertain talk of shuttering the town’s golf course when just 18 months ago a debate was raging about buying another one. But the reality is making up the Selkirk Cogen money through taxes would mean a 23 percent tax hike and still leave the town with a deficit.

The other option is cuts. But as we’ve heard time and time again from members of the Town Board, the easy belt tightening has long since been done. This year, new holes are going to have to be punched in that belt.

If you’re a resident of Bethlehem and even mildly concerned about your town services — whether that’s police patrols, highway maintenance, senior transportation, recreation or even your sewer line — we implore you to speak up now because the writing is on the wall. Contact your representatives and let them know what is important to you and what you’re willing to pay for it. And we likewise advise those representatives to actively listen.

The time to have these conversations is now. Not when the supervisor’s budget is released. Not the night of the budget vote.

Talking about really tough choices and coming up with creative solutions takes time, so the Town of Bethlehem should endeavor to get started on the right foot if it wants to remain standing come 2013.

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Editorial

Striking the Ultimate balance

By MAX MIRABILE

The author is a student at Endicott College in Massachusetts and is interning at Spotlight Newspapers.

What do you get when you combine the non-stop movement and athletic endurance of soccer with the aerial passing skills of football?

The answer is one of the most unique sports out there: ultimate Frisbee. For over 30 years the highly competitive, yet emotionally controlled sport has flourished among college students and those looking to make an alternative sport more traditional. Icons such as Brodie Smith (University of Florida Frisbee Captain and YouTube sensation) have put the recreational hobby on the map. All of a sudden it’s “cool” to say that you’re an avid Frisbee player.

Which means it’s come a long way since I started playing, and that was only five years ago as freshman at Bethlehem Central High School. Although it was just a high school club that met once a week to play a half-hour game, the people who went began to stand out to me. As a beginner, I figured everybody’s patience would be thin with me, because I would be holding up the quickly paced game. That wasn’t the case at all.

The more experienced players took me under their wings and critiqued throw after throw with the intent of making me better. I also noticed players would congratulate the opposition’s difficult throws and timely catches. In my experiences with competitive sports, the opposition would usually be portrayed as the “bad guy.”

When it came to baseball, each opposing pitcher had a target on his chest and nothing mattered but winning. I think that’s what my problem was all of these years; I never conformed to being a robot that always wanted to win. Of course it’s human nature to want to be the best, but I always felt out of place when my teammates or coaches cared

Point of View

more then I did. The reason I’d play baseball is because I loved it. To me, just playing was a win in my book. Never in my 15 years had I felt this content with seeing the opposing teams do well.

Frisbee, is basically a stress-free environment, which allows the players to contain themselves and enjoy what they’re doing. I learned that it’s easier to accept a mistake because you get so many other chances. Playing time is divided up fairly, which also makes for happier athletes. It’s always better to know that you’ll get the chance to play each and every game, unlike most other sports. In Frisbee, you can come out when you’re tired and go back in when you were ready. You control your own fate. You could bench yourself if you wanted to and you call your own fouls. That’s right — not only are there no referees, but you are expected to call honest fouls. That’s a lot of responsibility for a kid who grew up trying to get away with whatever he could get away with.

I quickly became aware of the fouls and made sure I didn’t abuse them. I didn’t want to cheat when I was given all the ability in the world to do so. In this sport, you actually had to be talented to get the outcomes that you wanted. Whether it meant “skying” an opponent to catch the disc or “hucking” it 60 yards downfield for an open score, Frisbee requires more athleticism than you might think. So when you think about it, Ultimate sounds like it has the perfect amount of everything in it.

This summer I decided to take Frisbee to another level and joined a social league run by AUDA (Albany Ultimate Disc Association). AUDA runs several summer leagues each

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year (Competitive, Social, and Women’s) that anybody can play in. No matter what skill level you are, anyone is welcome to come and enjoy a couple games one night a week.

Registrations have filled up for this year’s leagues, but keep your eyes and ears open for announcements on their website at albanyultimate.com. This is actually my first taste of Frisbee outside of school and I’m back to being the freshman looking to learn. Where else can an 18-year-old college kid play alongside one of his father’s 52-year-old college buddies?

That’s what this sport brings to the table: the opportunity to meet not only amazing athletes but incredible people with knowledge to hand down those following in their footsteps. If you have even the slightest interest in Ultimate Frisbee or an experienced player, then try one of the leagues out. It’s been great to get back out there once a week, and I encourage whomever to try it. You’ll quickly realize it’s unlike any other atmosphere you’ve ever been in. To me, Frisbee’s not just another sport, it’s bringing competitiveness and honesty together to create an ultimate balance like I’ve never seen before.

Weekly poll

How much would you be willing to pay to keep your town services intact?

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Last week’s poll results:

“Roundabouts: Efficient innovation or traffic nightmare?”

- Efficient innovation: 67%
- Traffic nightmare: 33%

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## Your Opinion in The Spotlight

### Bethlehem Garden Tour a success

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Over 300 gardening enthusiasts toured six beautiful gardens in the Town of Bethlehem last Wednesday on the Bethlehem Garden Club's 16th Annual Garden Tour.

We are deeply indebted to the garden owners, who opened their properties for our edification and enjoyment. They were gracious hosts who made visitors welcome to their gardens.

We thank the garden owners: Peggy & Ray Mull, Martha & David Kissinger, Kathy Wagner Tully & John Tully, Drs. Anthony DeLuca & Gene Hoffert, Ms. Paulette Jakob and Mr. & Mrs. Richard Powell, Drs. Kyle and Anna Flik.

Many others in the town helped to make the evening a success: The Spotlight and Times-Union newspapers provided advance publicity of the event; Bethlehem Police and Highway Department advised on routing directions and provided traffic cones to help with parking; Delmar Presbyterian Church allowed us use of their facilities; Windsor Development Group and

Price Chopper enabled ticket sales; John Guastella of Our Towne Bethlehem printed advance information; the Library aired information on Public Access television; and especially the women of the Bethlehem Garden Club (and their families) who put in long hours before, during and after the actual event.

The accompanying Plant Sale, held at the Delmar Presbyterian Church, provided outstanding perennial plants to enhance local gardens, plus advice from Garden Club members on their care and nurturing.

Louise Kavanaugh, club president-elect, drew the Fine Gardening Raffle Grand Prize of two hours of gardening at your location performed by at least six members of the club; Mary Partridge Brown was the lucky winner. Club member Carol Ackerman drew the ticket of Sue Berzins of Delmar as the winner of the Gardening Gift Basket. And member Gale DeRosia drew Mike Lowery of Delmar as the winner of the George Boothby birdhouse.

Many local restaurants gave a 10 percent discount

on Garden Tour night to holders of a tour ticket. Our thanks to Four Corners Luncheonette, Hidden Café, Mercato's Pizzeria and Restaurant, 333 Café and Shogun for helping to make the evening special.

The funds raised from the Garden Tour and Fine Gardening Raffle are returned to the community through public gardens benches, and trees around town. The Plant Sale profits fund educational grants to Bethlehem elementary schools.

In one evening, attendees can purchase plants, view inspirational gardens, talk with gardeners about their experiences, take a chance on a raffle and eat wonderful local food. Something enjoyable for everyone!

See you next year on Wednesday, June 12, 2013 for another fine evening.

*Marcy Corneil, Chair: Garden Tour*

*Peggy Mull & Carie Hennessey, Chairs: Plant Sale*

*Jan Messina, Chair: Fine Gardening Raffle*

### Open space more than trails

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

I write in response to the recent letters (from David Van Luven, May 30 and Judy Thomson, June 6) advocating for the preservation of open space in Bethlehem. I was not one of the 900 people who signed a petition urging the town to create an open space program, but I would gladly add my name to theirs. The open spaces in Bethlehem are truly important to our town's character and its livability. It saddens me that many of my favorite bike routes and views are being built up by developers.

Bethlehem's woods, meadows and working farms appeal to me particularly as a bicyclist. I ride my bicycle regularly with others in the Team in Training program, and we participate in rides throughout the greater Capital District. While I have enjoyed wonderful rides with spectacular scenery in many places, I have often had to drive some distance with my bike on the back of the car to do so. In Delmar, I consider myself incredibly fortunate to live in a community where I can

walk out of my house, hop on my bike and be out in beautiful countryside in no time. The proximity of undeveloped land where I can enjoy the great outdoors and get some fun exercise is of tremendous value to me and many other like-minded people. I am sure it contributes to the market value of my home as a consequence.

In her letter, Ms. Thomson mentioned the preserves of the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy in town. They are undoubtedly wonderful areas and a great resource for those

who like to hike. For many of us in town, however, open space does not have to be an area with public access for walking. Rather, it is enough simply to drive by in a car or ride by on a bicycle to enjoy the benefits of some land that is kept from suburban sprawl. I hope the town will move forward to create an open space program and, when it does so, that it takes into consideration the simple benefits of the view from the road.

*Amy Koren-Roth  
Delmar*

### Benefit, scholarship fitting remembrances

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Last week's "Swing Night" to benefit the Mary Jane Hughes Memorial Scholarship was fun and an amazing show of talent and community support.

A special thanks to Katie Daly and Lynda Conway, the Swing Docs, Bethlehem Central School District and their talented students and crew, parents,

and all who played a role in pulling this very special event together. My sister, Mary Jane, was never big on public recognition but she would have loved an event to benefit a scholarship for a music student. Thank you to all who so enthusiastically shared their gifts.

*Sandra DiNoto  
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# Board OKs ethics code, sign law

**Last-minute changes reduce nepotism restrictions, right-of-way distance**

By MARCY VELTE  
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After months of debate the Bethlehem Town Board has approved changes to two town laws, but some residents remained unsatisfied.

Two public hearings were held on Wednesday, June 13, so residents could voice their opinions on changes to the town's ethics and sign laws before a vote took place. Both laws were ultimately approved, but not before adjustments were made following the voicing of concerns from members of the community and several board members.

Changes to the former town ethics code were introduced after an ethics committee was formed in January. Many of the recommendations followed those established by the state Comptroller's Office, but some were changed after several board members felt they did not match the needs of the town.

Completely removed from a previous draft was a section preventing officers in a political party from serving on boards. Most board members felt that section of the law was unnecessary. Councilman Jeffrey Kuhn had said some could argue it took away First Amendment rights.

"Over the years we've had a town attorney, we've had a supervisor and we've had at least one Town Board member that have all been officers of a political party," said Deputy

Supervisor John Smolinsky. "Were their actions politically motivated or partisan? My opinion is yes, sometimes, and that's inappropriate."

The new ethics law establishes a five-member ethics board to give advisory opinions to town employees and public officials when consultation is needed regarding the ethics law. No more than two people from one political party can be on the board.

There was also a discussion on the law's nepotism section and language was removed that would have disallowed children of public officials from serving as seasonal employees and would have prevented town employees supervised by a family member from applying for promotions. A provision prohibiting employees from hiring or supervising a family member was left in, but current employees will be grandfathered into the law.

Supervisor John Clarkson voted against removing the nepotism provisions.

"The whole idea of this provision is that it's considered, by the folks at the Comptroller's Office, many of us and many of the public, to be an impossible feat for, say, a parent to neutrally judge their own offspring in competition with someone else," he said.

The law was passed by a unanimous vote after the changes were made.

## Split vote for new sign law

Wednesday's meeting hinted at continued confusion over the town's sign law. Several residents

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– Deputy Supervisor John Smolinsky

spoke at the public hearing merely to get clarification on where signs can now be placed, including Paul Miller, chairman of the board of the North Bethlehem Fire Department.

The old law did not allow for signs to be placed in the right-of-way of any road owned by the town, county or state but because of vagueness in the wording and poor enforcement, many believed otherwise.

"We have been told by the county and the state that they don't want any signs on county or state roads, so all we're doing is eliminating any potential ambiguity" said Kuhn.

The new version of the law allows temporary signs to be placed on private, non-commercial property at the discretion of the property owner. Temporary signs such

as advertising for community events and political signs cannot be placed on town, county or state owned roads.

The board did vote to lessen the proposed right-of-way length in the law for signs on private property from 15 feet to 5 feet. Kuhn proposed the change after hearing several complaints from residents that the length was too far back.

"Fifteen feet, that's my front door," said Kim Lawler, co-chairwoman of the Hamagrael Elementary PTA, who was among the first residents to bring complaints about the law to the board. "Who can see at my front door if we're trying to advertise an event?"

Some residents questioned the cost of enforcing the sign ban on specific roads and said an issue could arise if the political signs of one party are left up longer than the signs of another. Clarkson had mentioned he did not think it would be an issue because it would look bad to voters if they noticed a candidate had placed signs in an illegal area.

The law passed 3-2 with the changes to the right-of-way distance. Councilman Kyle Kotary and Councilwoman Joann Dawson voted against the law, saying it is too complicated.

Kotary added he believes the law limits freedom of speech, erodes the rights of property owners and make the town responsible for enforcing state and county codes.

"And it still does not really provide any relief to community organizations and not-for-profits who brought this to our attention in the first place," he said.



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# Trader Joe’s plans August opening

**Final regulatory hurdle cleared in sign approval**

By ALYSSA JUNG  
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Getting approval for a sign reading “Trader Joe’s Plaza” was one of the last procedural hurdles for the grocery chain to clear before its Colonie doors swing open on Friday, Aug. 3, and on Tuesday, June 5, the Sign Review Board approved the proposed sign.

The sign will be located by the entranceway of 79 Wolf Road where a “for lease” sign currently stands. It will be 49 square feet, about 12 feet high and also include store names for two other tenants, Sleepy’s and Supercuts.

“It’s basically at the front of the parking lot in the green space area in the front. It should be up pretty soon,” said Town Building Inspector Joe Mahan.

Trader Joe’s initially saw its sign application denied by Mahan because it didn’t adhere to the 15-foot setback zoning requirement. Listing Sleepy’s and

Supercuts on the same sign was also a violation, said Mahan.

Any sign that’s disapproved by Mahan can go before the Sign Review Board. In this case, the board approved the sign with no changes, something Mahan said isn’t necessarily uncommon.

“Anything I deny someone has a right to go to the review board and ask for a special exception permit,” said Mahan. “Generally they do it because it won’t be a hazard to any people, traffic and is not encroaching on any town or state property.”

Trader Joe’s is starting the crewmember hunt at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 18, when it will begin accepting applications. Applicants must apply in person and can fill out applications on site or print one off online and bring it in.

Supermarket employees are known for their uniform of “bright Hawaiian-themed shirts.”

Trader Joe’s touts itself as a “truly unique grocery store unlike any other” and a “store of stories” because of the more than 2,000 domestic, imported

**“It’s a wonderful community and we consider ourselves a neighborhood store so we feel it’s a great fit for us.”**

– Alison Mochizuki, spokeswoman for Trader Joe’s

and specialty food items available, many under the Trader Joe’s brand, including Trader Darwin’s vitamins, Trader Jose’s salsas and Trader Giotto’s marinara sauces.

Residents can receive a copy of the “Fearless Flyer” in the mail, which outlines products of interest. Each edition highlights a selection of products that company buyers believe “are worthy of customer interest.” The store introduces about 12 new items each week

to “heighten the store’s adventurous appeal.”

Representatives of the cult-like chain have been tightlipped when it comes to details regarding the store’s introduction to the region, but did say the Capital District seemed like the perfect place for upstate New York’s first Trader Joe’s and the store would be tailored to reflect the community.

“It will have a neighborhood touch. We usually incorporate part of the neighborhood into the artwork inside the store,” said Alison Mochizuki, spokesperson for Trader Joe’s. “There’s a lot of foodies. It’s a wonderful community and we consider ourselves a neighborhood store so we feel it’s a great fit for us.”

Trader Joe’s will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. For more information about available products or the Trader Joe’s story, visit [www.traderjoes.com](http://www.traderjoes.com).

## Blotter

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and one officer retired following the attempted escape from the Albany County Correctional Facility on Friday, June 8, according to the Albany County Sheriff’s office.

The Albany County Sheriff’s Office investigated an attempted escape from the jail after an inmate left a medical evaluation.

On Friday, June 8, Leon Banks, 44, of Schenectady, was sent to county jail on grand larceny and burglary charges in the Town of Colonie. Police

said after Banks left a medical evaluation, he went unnoticed into the booking area. There he found three unsecured doors and was able to gain entry into a property room where he changed clothes. Police said Banks waited there for 90 minutes until he was noticed by a corrections officer.

Charges are currently pending, but one corrections officer was suspended without pay as of Monday, June 11.

The Sheriff’s Office said “no major policy changes” took place and that if policies were followed the incident would not have occurred.

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## Secret

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the salad dressing and toss it up. Lucy is good at chopping and I give her a pepper or carrots to dice. Elliot whips up his own scrambled eggs and a few other simple recipes (including jam on bread).

The secret, I like to tell people, is talking about and involving your kids in food. It’s nothing new. It’s similar in theory to having a good soccer player in your house. If you want your kids to be good at soccer, you play it with them. And talk about it, and practice it. It’s the same with piano. Or books, if you want to have good readers.

My secret for getting our kids to eat well is kind of like the butterscotch in the cookies. There’s nothing hidden. Just like the butterscotch, the peas, carrots and the spinach are right there in front of us.

The recipe this month was inspired by the tender, colorful vegetables in season right now. The carrots found at the farmers market in June are so sweet and tender, they don’t need to be peeled. Just crack the tops off, give them a good scrub, and eat, as is. The peas and sugar snaps are bright green, plump and fresh. Combined with the lemon

and chives, this made an easy vegetable dish. My kids weren’t looking for a secret ingredient in this dish, they didn’t even ask what was in it. But they ate it up anyway, every bite.

*Caroline Barrett is the mother of three food loving children and the wife of one grateful husband. They live together with their menagerie of pets in the Hudson Valley. Follow their adventures on her blog, [www.ourdailyplate.com](http://www.ourdailyplate.com).*

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# Library offers writing, media programs for youth

School is nearly over! As the hot summer days stretch before us, plan on some down time at an air-conditioned library program. Registration for library youth writing and media programs has begun. There are two sessions of each program. Information is available in the Library Newsletter, at the library, and on the website, [www.rcscommunitylibrary.org](http://www.rcscommunitylibrary.org). Call 756-2053 or email from [info@rcscommunitylibrary.org](mailto:info@rcscommunitylibrary.org) with child's name, age, phone number, and preferred session.

•MY WRITING PROJECT: 2-week workshops for budding writers age 7 to 9. Create handwritten, sewn books. Mondays and Tuesdays, 2 to 3 p.m.

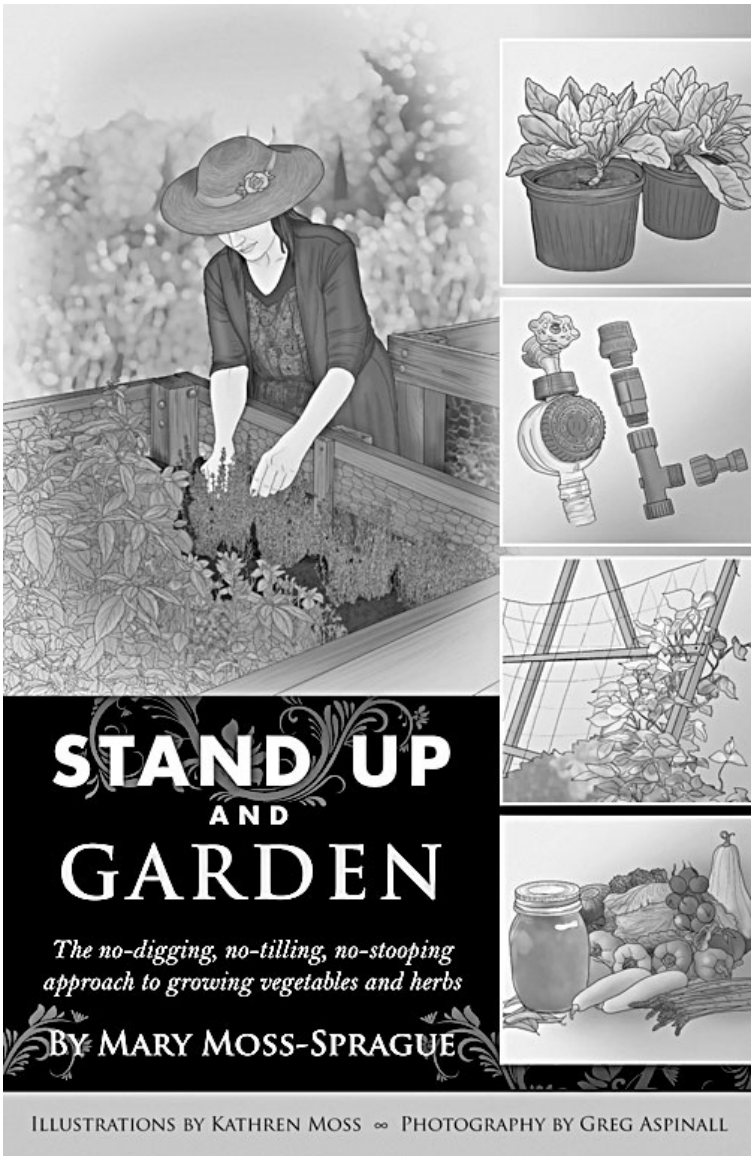
•YOUNG WRITERS WORKSHOP: children age 9 and up write, illustrate and bind their own hard-cover books during three-week workshops. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

•MY MEDIA PROJECT: 3-week program in which participants age 9 and up create a storyboard and script that is converted to a video with the guidance of library staff. Tuesdays, 2 to 3 p.m., or Thursdays, 11 a.m. to noon.

•eBOOK CREATOR: writers age 9 and up will learn how to convert words and illustrations of an original story into eBook format in just two sessions. Monday and Tuesday afternoon, 2 to 3 p.m.

### Storytimes to take a break

Library storytimes have taken a break to plan for summer programming. In the



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“Stand Up and Garden” is among the new offerings at the RCS Public Library.

meantime, keep reading and visit the library for a fresh selection of reading material. Look for your favorite storytime to resume the week of July 9th! A reminder that, while Romp and Read and Library Babies will resume at their regular time,

Positively Preschool shifts to 11 am on Thursday mornings.

### Summer reading club

Earn prizes for reading all summer long with the Library Summer Reading Club! The

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library brings book and creative activities to town recreation programs. Kids not attending these programs can sign up at the Library to receive their reading logs and a special bag to keep track of their library books. Prizes will be available beginning the week of July 9. Dream big this summer. Read!

### 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.

•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.

### Stainless steel book drop

The library has replaced its rusting book drop with a stainless steel box that separates media from books. We anticipate less damage to CD and movie cases from heavier objects. Same location, better protection!

### Holiday and summer Saturday hours

The library will close at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3, and will remain closed on July 4 to observe Independence Day. Regular hours will resume on Thursday, July 5, at 10 a.m.

Beginning July 7, the library will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays through the end of August.

### What’s new

- Adult Movies on DVD
  - “Breaking Bad”
  - “Harold and Maude”
  - “The Layover”
  - “One for the Money”
- Adult Non-Fiction
  - “Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake” by Anna Quindlen
  - “Photoshop Elements 10” by Rob Sheppard
  - “Stand Up and Garden” by Mary Moss-Sprague
  - “Windows 7 for Dummies” by Andy Rathbone

•All library programming is free (unless otherwise noted) and open to the public. RCS Community Library is located at 15 Mountain Road, Ravena. For information, call 756-2053 or visit [www.uhls.org/RCSCL/](http://www.uhls.org/RCSCL/).

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# Learn all about digital downloads

The library will host a digital download open house on Thursday, June 21, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Drop in and learn about the library’s digital ebook and audiobook collection from Overdrive. Small group sessions will start every half hour. Bring your own Nook, Kindle, iPod Touch or iPad for hands on help with downloading library ebooks and audiobooks. You may also sample the library’s Nook Color, Nook Touch, iPad, iPod touch, Kindle Touch, Kindle Keyboard, and Literati ereaders.

### Museum passes

Summer’s here and the time is right...for going to a museum! The Voorheesville Library has visitor’s passes for museums near and far. Visit The Arkell Museum at Canajoharie, The Clark Institute,



Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, Hancock Shaker Village, Hyde Collection, Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art, Norman Rockwell Museum, Schenectady Museum (with Planetarium pass) or the USS Slater Destroyer Escort Historical Museum. Our newest pass for the Guggenheim is also good for admission to the Brooklyn Museum of Art, the Currier Museum of Art in New Hampshire and several other museums nationwide. Use your library card to check out passes for three days. There are no renewals and passes are not able to be reserved. Most passes cover admissions for 2 adult and 2 children. Visit our website at [www.voorheesvillelibrary.org](http://www.voorheesvillelibrary.org) for more information.

### Ice cream social

Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

I scream! You scream! We all scream for ice cream! Come enjoy a summer passion-ice cream sundaes-with help from our neighbor at Stewart’s. They provide the refreshments, while we provide booktalks, reading suggestions, and dreamy stars, or soaring bats to decorate for summer nights.

Barbara Vink

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



# Learn more about proposed expansion

The referendum on the Guilderland Public Library’s proposed expansion is on Tuesday, June 26, from noon until 9 p.m., at your local elementary school. You are encouraged to vote in this important election as it charts the future of one of our community’s key services.

Over the last several months, a lot of information has been provided about the potential expansion. If you still have questions, you might want to visit the Building Referendum information page on the library’s website at [www.guilpl.org/expansion](http://www.guilpl.org/expansion).

A series of “Frequently Asked Questions” (“FAQs”) will more than likely provide the answer you’re looking for.

The two public briefings about the Building Referendum were well attended. You can view and listen to the briefing by going to [www.guilpl.org/expansion](http://www.guilpl.org/expansion), and clicking on the “Public Briefing Presentation” link.

### ‘Dream Big: READ!’ Now

Sign-up for the Guilderland Public Library’s 2012 Summer Reading Club — “Dream Big: READ!” — began on Wednesday, June 20, at 6 p.m. for residents of the Guilderland Central School District, and will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 23, for non-residents.

The program consists of two parts: reading done at home and shared activities and programs at the library. You can get details on Summer Reading Club at <http://bit.ly/GPLSummerReading>

Mark Curiale

For more information on these programs, call the library at 456-2400, or email [info@guilpl.org](mailto:info@guilpl.org). The Guilderland Public Library is located at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Visit the library’s website at [www.guilpl.org](http://www.guilpl.org). Check out the “unofficial” library stuff at [facebook.com/GuilderlandLibrary](http://facebook.com/GuilderlandLibrary) and follow the Library on Twitter (@GuilderlandLib).

# Summer cinema among upcoming events

The Bethlehem Public Library will host summer cinema featuring family movies on Fridays, July 6 to 27, at 2 p.m.

Bring a blanket and pillow. Call 439-9314 for titles.

### Bethlehem Public Library board

Monday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.  
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### You’re not too old ...

Monday, July 9, 7 p.m.  
Storytime for grade 6 and up!



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### Search for life beyond Earth

Tuesday, July 10, 2:30 p.m.

Learn about the search for extraterrestrial life with distinguished professor and NASA researcher Dr. John Delano. Sculpt

your own ET to take home. Families.

### Dreams are magic!

Tuesday, July 10, 7 p.m.

Jim Snack’s new show is packed with magic, comedy and an important message. On the Green (indoors if it rains). All ages. Sponsored by Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

### Reptiles and amphibians

Wednesday, July 11, 2:30 p.m.

Megan Mansfield, an educator

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# Come dine, dance with fellow seniors

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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.

There will be complimentary Hors d'oeuvres, a cash Bar, fruit cups, dinner rolls and your choice of chicken breast with a vegetable stuffing covered in a supreme sauce, baked fresh haddock with a breadcrumb topping and butter sauce or sliced sirloin of beef smothered in a mushroom gravy.

Cost: \$27 per person  
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Ticket deadline: July 6.

**Monday, June 18**  
Scheduled Shopping  
No Aerobics  
No OsteoBusters  
No Sr. Fitness  
Noon Beg Zumba  
1:30 p.m. OsteoBusters

**Tuesday, June 19**  
9 a.m. OsteoBusters  
11:30 a.m. Luncheon:  
Turkey Meatloaf or Cold

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Plate  
12:30 p.m. Bingo/  
Games/Billiards

**Wednesday, June 20**  
Scheduled Shopping  
9 a.m. Zumba  
10:30 a.m. OsteoBuster  
10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness  
1 p.m. Needlecraft  
1:30 p.m. OsteoBusters

**Thursday, June 21**  
Scheduled Shopping  
9 a.m. OsteoBusters  
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Blood Pressure & Scheduled Legal & Medicaid Appts.  
10 a.m. to noon Scheduled Food Stamps  
1 p.m. Mahjongg  
1:15 p.m. Pinochle

**Friday, June 22**  
Scheduled Shopping  
10 a.m. Painting  
10:30 a.m. Bridge  
1 p.m. Quilting

# Play some bridge at St. Stephen's

Do you like to play bridge? St. Stephen's Church has a game every Friday afternoon from 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Bring you lunch if you wish. Coffee and cookies are served. The cost is \$1. Call 439-3265 for more information. There is also an evening duplicate bridge game on the 4th Friday of each month at St. Stephen's Church. The next game is June 22 at 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$3. Call 439-6164 to sign up.

The farmers markets are open in Delmar. You can get fresh vegetables and fruits at the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Avenue on Tuesday afternoons, and at the Bethlehem Middle School on Kenwood Ave, on Saturday mornings.

The Bethlehem Senior Transportation Service provides transportation to Town residents, who are age 60 and older, to medical, dental, and other appointments; grocery stores; and numerous social and recreational programs. Call 439-5770 to make reservations. Our Social Workers are available to provide assistance with insurance, housing concerns, and health and income programs. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make an outreach appointment.

**Tuesday, June 26**  
•Seniors in Motion, a low level fun aerobic exercise class set to

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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 27**  
•Senior grocery shopping for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, North Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor. For reservations, call 439-5770.

•Caregivers Support Group, a discussion for those caring for a loved one diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another dementia will be held at the Town Hall from 10:30 to noon.

**Thursday, June 28**  
•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.

•Medicare and EPIC Basics, for those turning age 65, will be presented at Town Hall from 1:00 am to noon by Janet Kiffney, Albany County Health Insurance Program and Candy Rivera-Whitehead, EPIC Outreach. Learn about Medicare coverage, supplemental insurance plans, Medicare Part D, and EPIC prescription drug coverage. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make a reservation.


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

**Friday, June 29**  
•Senior grocery shopping for residents of Good Samaritan Senior Housing and Van Allen Senior Apartments. For reservations, call 439-5770.

•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.

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

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



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# Finance in the Spotlight

## Wedded bliss? It starts with being able to talk about money

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If you need proof that money matters in love, look no further than the leading online wedding planning website, *The Knot*, which recently revealed the average cost of a wedding is \$27,800.

Obviously this number is skewed a bit by the 16 percent of couples who spend above \$30,000 for their wedding, but even then, nearly



Anthony Lanzillo

If one of you has poor credit, there are ways in which you can work together to improve it. Consider adding the spouse with poor credit to a credit card so he or she can start building credit. Or the spouse with poor credit can sign up for a secured card that will help build credit.

You should also consider helping your partner pay down debt. What is good for one is equally good for the other. With lower combined debt and higher credit scores you will qualify for lower interest rates and get better deals.

### Joining your financial lives

Many states consider property and most debts acquired during a marriage to belong to both of you regardless of title. So even if you decide against opening up a joint banking account and choose to keep your finances separate, the “married” purchases you make will likely be both of your responsibilities.

This is why it is so important for couples to talk about money. It is critical that you know where each of you stand on financial decisions that need to be made—today, tomorrow and into the future.

Here are some tips on finding a common financial ground:

- Schedule a date to discuss finances with your partner. Talk about your earnings, debts (all of them, from student loans to car loans, credit cards, and so on), spending and saving habits. Make a list of all the expenses you will share as a married couple. Lay everything on the table. It is important to understand what you will be taking on together. Also discuss dreams and goals and how you hope to achieve them.
- Compromise through differences. One of you might be a saver and the other a spender. Create a budget that allows for both. There might be some debating, but remember, you are working together now.
- Determine what you will do with your discretionary income. How do you want to spend and/or save it?
- Determine a structure for your financial situation. Discuss who will be responsible for paying the bills and balancing the larger loan.

checkbook. How will you research and collaborate on decisions for larger purchases? Assign these tasks according to your individual likes/dislikes/skill, and hold each other accountable. Keeping your financial house in order is a team effort.

- Always keep the lines of communication open. Discuss your worries or any issues you might be struggling with.

Now that you have discussed your finances, it's not a bad idea to call your financial advisor and set up an appointment to

discuss your options as a couple. The goal is to establish shared values and a plan for financial security. If you can do that and work together to achieve successful financial outcomes—instead of becoming part of the 30 percent of couples

who lie to each other about money—you'll be well on your way to wedded bliss.

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## Improve your relationship with money—and as a couple

Most people go into marriage thinking they can handle any and everything life can throw at them—emotionally and financially. The sooner you can talk about the tough issues like money, the more likely this is to be true and the sooner you can begin working together to maximize your financial freedom, comfort and security.

The good news is that it doesn't have to be hard. Your path to merging and understanding your finances can be fun and bring you even closer together. Here are a few ideas new couples can incorporate in your lives.

- Learn to have fun without spending a lot of money. For example go for a hike, take a bicycle ride, or have a picnic.

- Pay for as much as possible with cash. Don't increase your debt if you don't have to.

- Discuss your dreams and goals with each other. Make sure they are compatible.

- Don't forget about your income taxes. Married couples are taxed differently than individuals—you could end up paying more or less depending on your individual contribution to the income. If you receive a refund make sure to discuss how it will be spent or saved.

- Review your investments. Decide whether or not you need to change your investment allocations to meet joint goals.

- Most things in life cost money—make sure you understand where you both want to spend it by

talking about your overall values.

- If you don't already own a home, set a budget and create a list for house hunting. Consider where you want to live and what you want your home to provide. Look at comparables and set a max budget for yourselves.

- Discuss starting a family and begin saving as soon as you can. Decide whether or not you will both continue to work and how that might affect the finances. Don't forget to consider the cost of daycare if you are both going to continue working.

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ABOVE: Many runners came decked out in costumes or wild outfits.

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# Steeped in history

## Program to examine Shaker use of herbs

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When you dunk a teabag in a mug of boiling water, do you ever wonder how the mixture of herbs or tea leaves got in there?

Courtney Powers knows exactly what it takes to create the perfect bag of tea with a unique flavor profile, and on Saturday, June 23, at the Shaker Heritage Society she'll demonstrate how to tailor tea to any taste during a "Tea in the Garden" program.

"I didn't really care for some teas I purchased from other companies and I wanted to make one I liked," said Powers, who turned to tea after giving up coffee for Lent one year.

Powers will use herbs from the Shaker Heritage Society's massive herb garden and put her blends up to the public taste test. All it takes is a scale, a steady hand and a lot of trial and error.

"You have to balance the flavor but certain flavors are really overpowering," said Powers.

Powers will not only use herbs the Shakers fancied,

like lemon balm or mint, but also pay homage to a practice that is uncommon today but was just another household chore in the 19th century.

"People were used to making their own tea. You didn't go to the store and buy tea in bags so it was just something people would do on their own," said Starlyn D'Angelo, executive director of the Shaker Heritage Society. "They would compress the herbs in bricks and basically wrap them in brown paper. Then they would do their own mixes at home."

Shakers didn't just use herbs for tea. Growing, packaging and selling herbs was one of the Shakers' biggest industries. In fact, the society's herb garden has more than 100 different herbs and an old brick drying house that needs a new roof.

In the 1800s, herbs were in high demand for both medicinal and culinary purposes. The Shakers were a primitive, outdoor warehouse of herb production and even took tips from neighboring Native American tribes to enhance their growing tactics.

Herbs were sold in markets within the Shaker

community and also shipped down the Erie Canal and along bumpy wagon routes to be distributed nationwide and even in Europe.

"They had a huge herb agency," said D'Angelo. "Our garden is to help interpret the history of the Shakers and various industries that they engaged in."

The practical, aromatic plants were more than just a source of cash for the Shakers. As with many other simple tasks in the communal religious society, agriculture held a spiritual meaning.

"The Shakers really believed their work was a form of worship so doing the labor in the fields and in their gardens was important to them spiritually as well as in their temporal lives," said D'Angelo.

They were a celibate community, meaning men and women weren't supposed to come into physical contact with one another save for strict, controlled times. That meant that men grew the herbs and packaged them while women played the role of collecting herbs from the field.

At the Shaker Heritage



The Shaker Heritage Society will present a program focusing on the expansive herbs grown and used by the Shakers in the 19th century on June 23 at 2 p.m. Courtney Powers of Collar City Teas will demonstrate tea blending and offer a tea tasting.

Submitted photo

Society, volunteers tend to the rows of herbs. There are popular plants, like parsley and basil, but also obscure varieties like sarsaparilla that were commonplace years ago.

"We have a lot of things that we grow that people may not be familiar with right now," said D'Angelo. "We have many varieties of mint that surprise people, like chocolate mint and regular mint and ... mint with different flavors."

The garden also has vibrant rose bushes. Today, the colorful, thorny flowers are grown for aesthetic purposes but in the Shakers' day, nothing was grown to simply be admired. The community tended acres of rose bushes to manufacture rose water, popular in baking and for making ice cream.

"That's something people are pretty curious

about. They don't realize that something a rose actually had a purpose," said D'Angelo.

Powers only just strayed from tea leaves to start experimenting with herbs after booking the Shaker demonstration. She said herbs are easier to blend than regular tea because the flavors "play nicer with each other" than tea leaves.

She sells pre-blended specialty teas that she selects from retail companies at her business Collar City Teas in Troy and creates concoctions for friends.

"It depends on what people are looking for," said Powers. "Sometimes I have companies do the blending for me. This is more of a side thing; I don't actually do it in the shop."

Powers doesn't yet sell her own blends but at the

demonstration she'll offer three tea varieties that are all her own. One is a tea made from raspberry leaf, one is made from peppermint and another is made from spearmint that "has a little bit of bite" but is good iced or hot.

Powers focuses on tea tasting events and said she'd eventually like to collaborate with other cafes in the area.

"I'd rather do more of the tastings and events," said Powers. "Blending is nice but it's difficult and time consuming."

Pre-registration for "Tea in the Garden" is required by Tuesday, June 19. The program is \$20 per person and takes place at 25 Meeting House Road in Albany at 2 p.m. Register by calling the Shaker Heritage Society at 456-7890 ext. 23 or emailing ShakerEducator@gmail.com.

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# Cribs for a Caribbean county in need

**Local groups help mothers and children in devastated Haiti**

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It's been more than two years since a 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck the Caribbean nation of Haiti, but even today most of the residents lack even the most basic necessities. Perhaps most in need are women and children, specifically women who are pregnant and caring for young children.

One local charity has been fighting for these vulnerable groups since 2009. To Love a Child is made up of just under a dozen volunteers and funded entirely on donations. The Clifton Park-based group's mission is to "provide humanitarian assistance to impoverished children and their families throughout the world to help create a better future and quality of life for all." They have adopted the village of Rantlamouaie in the Central Plateau of Haiti.

There, said To Love a Child Executive Director Cindy Schmehl, women are giving birth to their babies in very primitive surroundings.

"It's a high poverty area. They literally have nothing for their children once they're born. ... Their dwellings are very humble," she said.

Schmehl has been to Haiti to assist in humanitarian efforts. She has also been to Zimbabwe on a similar mission and has made more than 25 trips to those destinations since 2003.

"We meet with the ladies and find out what their needs are. ... We help them out with Bundles of Love," she said.

Bundles of Love are drawstring bags sewn by women here and include all of the things a mom would need during pregnancy, like pre-natal vitamins and maternity clothes.

Once a woman has given birth, they are given Bundles of Joy – everything needed for a baby's first few months of life, such as diapers and clothing.

Schmehl believes strongly in giving back, and said that here in the U.S. people are very fortunate to "have food every day and a drugstore around the corner."

"When you see the people in Haiti and Zimbabwe, you really recognize how much they don't have. It's the basics ... like being able to give birth to a child and living," she said.

In April, Linda Moran, executive director and founder of Maple Leaf Childcare in Malta, discovered To Love a Child at an Infant/Toddler Expo in Saratoga. She saw that she could help, and donated 40 cribs to

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– Linda Moran

their Infant Development Program.

"Not only will our donation keep these items out of landfills, but it will help families who have no other means of giving their infants safe beds to sleep in," said Moran. Because of new standards for cribs, the center needed to replace the 40 it had.

In addition to the cribs, Moran's childcare center donated 10 new infant carriers, a welcome mode of transportation for the little ones in Rantlamouaie.

"The women have to walk two or three miles (for necessities)," said Moran.

Schmehl will be bringing Moran's donations to Haiti in August when she goes there with a group from RPI. That group, Engineers for a Sustainable World, is led by Professor Michael Jensen from the in



Linda and John Moran, above, of Maple Leaf Childcare, recently donated 40 cribs to the Clifton Park group To Love a Child to be distributed to needy families in earthquake-struck Haiti. To Love a Child collects pre- and post-natal necessities for women in Haiti who would otherwise be unable to provide them for their children.

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They'll be developing a patient care center for a clinic in Rantlamouaie from a 20-foot by 8-foot cargo container. According to Jensen, the group has been to Haiti twice before.

Moran said the Haiti donation is part of Maple Leaf Childcare's ongoing commitment to its community. The center has given a \$1,000 scholarship to an area high school student going into early childhood education. It also participates in the March of Dimes walk

and provides babysitting nights at no cost for parents who need a night out.

"We do a lot of little things throughout the year," said Moran.

For more information on To Love a Child or to donate to the cause, visit [toloveachild.net](http://toloveachild.net).

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## Entertainment in the Spotlight



Sharon Katz and the Peace Train



Galant, Tu Perds Ton Temps

# Festival offers a good Old Time

**Annual gathering showcases national, international acts**

**R**oger Mock knows what kind of image the phrase “folk music” brings to mind: Someone on stage strumming an acoustic guitar.

And sure, the annual Old Songs Festival features plenty of acts like that. But there’s so much more.

Mock says folk music is cultural music. In fact, it’s multi-cultural music, and Old Songs strives to reflect that in its festival.

“We call it a folk festival, but we take that in the broadest terms,” Mock said. In previous years, musicians from Poland, Vietnam and the Netherlands have all taken the stage.

This year, the festival, which runs from Friday to Sunday, June 22 to 24, at the Altamont Fairgrounds, features acts from Scotland, France and South Africa, not to mention plenty of American talent.

Mock, the art director of Voorheesville-based Old Songs, said Archie Fisher is the patriarch of a well-known singing family from Scotland and is a “wonderful” singer and guitarist. A member of the Scottish Traditional Music Hall of Fame and the host of BBC Radio Scotland’s award-winning “Travelling Folk,” he

will perform at the festival Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

“It’s hard to describe,” Mock said of Fisher’s music. “It kind of takes you to a different place.”

The festival is a return engagement for Fisher, but it’s been many years between trips. He last visited Old Songs in the late 1980s.

Galant, Tu Perds Ton Temps, a group of French-Canadian women whose name translates to “Lover boy, You’re Wasting Your Time” is among the new acts this year, and Mock called them “just terrific.”

“They do amazing a cappella harmony,” he said, explaining that their simple style is a nod to the laid-back style of early Quebec kitchens. Like Fisher, Galant, Tu Perds Ton Temps will be part of Saturday night’s concert.

Another group with international roots is Sharon Katz and the Peace Train. When apartheid was coming to an end, Katz and other musicians used to travel by train across South Africa in support of Nelson Mandela, Mock said. They would stop in cities and hold rallies to back the eventual president. The message of peace and tolerance marks their performances even today. They will be one of the acts performing at the opening concert on Friday night, taking the stage at 9:30.

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John McCutcheon

Friday will also feature a special afternoon performance of “Four Seasons, Four Years,” a production of 11 singers and musicians showcasing songs that were popular in America between 1850 and 1865. Old Songs Director Andy Spence dreamed up the show while looking for a unique way to mark the sesquicentennial of the Civil War.

“She wanted to do something different,” Mock said. “This tells the story of the war from New York’s perspective.”

That perspective is recounted in narration that is interspersed with the songs, performed by Greg Artzner, Dan Berggren, Betsy Fry, Steve Fry, Reggie Harris, Terry Leonino, John Roberts, Bill Spence, Toby Stover, Susan Trump and George Wilson.

The show has traveled around the state, but the festival will mark its biggest exposure yet. Mock highly recommended checking out the 3:30 performance.

“It’s quite beautifully done,” he said. “It’s really moving.”

Mock called the show one of the festival’s “biggest highlights.” While noting the festival doesn’t usually try to promote any of its acts as headliners, he did point to John McCutcheon as another big draw.

“He’s one of the foremost folk singers in the country,” Mock said.

A seven-time Grammy nominee, McCutcheon is a familiar face at the festival.

“He kind of begs to come back,” Mock said. “He loves the festival, and he’s always a big hit. He’s a great showman.”

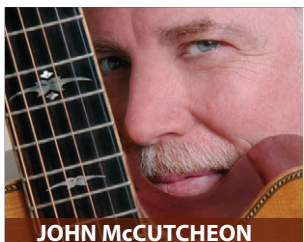
McCutcheon will play in Friday night’s concert at 7 p.m.

The concerts – one at 7 p.m. on Friday, one at 7 p.m. on Saturday and one at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday – may be the highlights of the weekend, but there is plenty more to do. There’s a full slate of classes on Friday, focusing on everything from old-time banjos to hammer dulcimers to dance band experiences. There will be contra dances and sings, and new this year is the Diamond

Jubilee Organ, the largest touring antique fairground organ in the country. It will play music each day near dinnertime.

Drawing 3,000 to 4,000 people each year to the Altamont Fairgrounds, the festival creates a “nice village atmosphere,” Mock said. It’s a great place for families and for anyone who enjoys all that folk music has to offer.

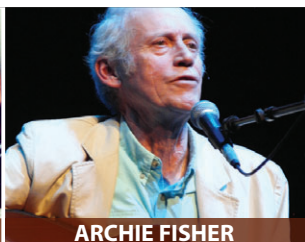
Adult tickets for the entire festival are \$105, with camping costing an additional \$20. Daily tickets are also available, with the price varying according to the day and time. For more information or to buy tickets, visit [www.oldsongs.org/festival](http://www.oldsongs.org/festival).



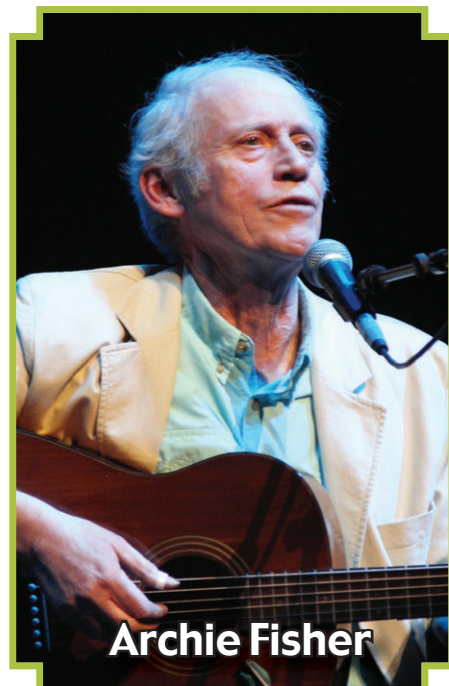
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# Arts and Entertainment

## Theater

### BLACK TIE

A.R. Gurney comedy set in Lake George, presented by Adirondack Theatre Festival, Charles R. Wood Theater, 207 Glen St., Glens Falls, 7:30 p.m. June 26-30, 2 p.m. June 27, \$25-\$40. Information, 874-0800.

### BRIGADOON

Famous Lerner & Lowe musical, presented by Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 Route 203, Chatham, June 21-24 and June 27 through July 1, call for show times, adults \$28-\$30, children under 12 \$12. Information, 392-9292.

### WRONG WINDOW

Regional premiere of comedy-thriller tribute to Alfred Hitchcock, presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, through June 23, shows 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sundays, \$22. Information, 877-7529.

## Music

### PATTY SMYTH & SCANDAL

Relive the 1980s with the band that

gave you “The Warrior” and “Goodbye to You,” with opening act Sirsy, Alive at Five concert series, June 21, 5 p.m., Riverfront Park, Albany, free. Information, 434-2032.

### RUNNING THE RIVER

Local Americana band, June 21, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

### NICK HUMPHREY

Blues/folk artist, June 22, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

### ROB JONAS AND RICK SACCHETTI

Singer-songwriters, with special guest Emerald Dawn, June 22, 7:30 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

### JIM GAUDET & THE RAILROAD BOYS

Capital District bluegrass/country band, June 22, 8 p.m., Caffé Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$16, day of show \$18. Information, 583-0022.

### MATTHEW SWEET

Power-pop rocker performs his classic 1990s album “Girlfriend” in its entirety, with opening act A Fragile Tomorrow, June 22, 8 p.m., Hart Theater, The Egg,

Empire State Plaza, Albany, \$28. Information, 473-1845.

### DOUG IRVING AND FRIENDS

An evening of Adirondack folk music also featuring CB Smith, Nancy Walker, Kaye McDonnell, Gary Moon, Phil Henry and more, June 22, 8 p.m., WAMC Performing Arts Studio, 339 Central Ave., Albany, \$16. Information, 465-5233, ext. 4.

### ALL PAUL SHOW

Tribute to Paul McCartney's music, June 23, 7 p.m., Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue, Scotia, free. Information, 374-8611.

### MARK ZANE

Indie folk rock, June 23, 7 p.m., Emack and Bollio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

### LUCA CIARLA

Internationally acclaimed Italian jazz violinist, June 23, 7:30 p.m., The Van Dyck Restaurant, 237 Union St., Schenectady, \$15, sponsored by A Place for Jazz and the Swingtime Jazz Society. Information, 348-7999.

### THE MCKRELLS

Saratoga's well-known Irish band, June 23, 8 p.m., Caffé Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$15, day of show \$17. Information, 583-0022.

### JOHN SLOVACEK

Singer-songwriter, June 23, 8 p.m., Moon and River Cafe, 115 South Ferry St., Schenectady, free. Information, 382-1938.

### KATSURA WITH GARY MOON

Acoustic rock, pop and folk, June 24, 6:30 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany, free. Information, 512-5100.

### CARAVAN OF THIEVES

Acoustic gypsy jazz band, June 24, 7 p.m., Caffé Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs, advance tickets \$168, day of show \$18. Information, 583-0022.

### MUSIC COMPANY ORCHESTRA

Classical performance, June 24, 7 p.m., Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue, Scotia, free. Information, 374-8611.

### FLAME

Rock band, June 27, 7 p.m., Freedom Park, Schonowee Avenue, Scotia, free. Information, 374-8611.

### DICKEY BETTS & GREAT SOUTHERN

Southern rock, with opening act Kirsten Thien, Alive at Five concert series, June 28, 5 p.m., Riverfront Park, Albany, free. Information, 434-2032.

## Comedy

### MOP AND BUCKET COMPANY

Weekly show of improvised comedy and music, June 22, 8 p.m., Proctors Un-

derground, 432 State St., Schenectady, adults \$14, students/seniors \$6. Information, 346-6204.

### COMEDY WORKS

Chris Coccia and Harry Freedman headline, June 22 and 23, 9 p.m., Best Western, 200 Wolf Road, Colonie; June 23, 7:30 p.m., Starting Gate Restaurant, 12 Ballston Ave., Saratoga Springs; advance tickets \$15, day of show \$20. Information, (877) 565-3849 or 275-6897.

## Visual Arts

### NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

“Best of SUNY Student Art Exhibition,” through Sept. 3; “Focus on Nature XII,” through Dec. 31; “Beneath the City: An Archeological Perspective of Albany,” permanent collections on the 9/11 recovery effort, New York state history and geography, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

### ALBANY INSTITUTE OF ART

“Great, Strange, and Rarely Seen: Objects from the Vault,” through Aug. 26; “Recent Acquisitions,” through Sept. 23; plus “The Folk Spirit of Albany: Folk Art from the Collectcion of the Albany Institute of History and Art” and exhibits on Hudson River School painting, American sculpture and the history of Albany, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

### ALBANY AIRPORT GALLERY

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

### ALBANY CENTER GALLERY

“Surface and Light,” through July 14, 39 Columbia St., Albany. Information, 462-4755.

### ARTS CENTER OF THE CAPITAL REGION

“Fence Salon,” through July 15, 265 River St., Troy. Information, 273-0552.

### BROADWAY ART CENTER

“Renewal,” through June 23; “Seasons of Change: Photographs by Neil Sergott,” through June 30; Arcade Building, 488 Broadway, Albany. Information, 732-4224.

### BROOKSIDE MUSEUM

“Discovering Lake Desolation,” through July 27; “The Threads of Time,” through Jan. 31; 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa.

### CLEMENT ART GALLERY

“Jamie Rodriguez: The Nordic & Baltic Landscapes of Europe,” through June 27, 201 Broadway, Troy. Information, 272-6811.

### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DANCE

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

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

### SARATOGA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

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

### SCHENECTADY MUSEUM AND PLANETARIUM

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

### TANG TEACHING MUSEUM AND GALLERY

“Pam Lins: Denver Gold,” through June 22, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs. Information, 580-8080.

### UPSTATE ARTISTS GUILD

“More Pretty Girls and Robots,” through June 22; “Salon Des Refuses,” June 25-29; 47 Lark St., Albany. Information, 426-3501.

### HYDE COLLECTION

“Stephen Knapp: New Light” and “Tiffany Glass: Painting with Color and Light,” through Sept. 16; 161 Warren St., Glens Falls. Information, 792-1761.

### CLARK ART INSTITUTE

“Through Shen-kan: Sterling Clark in China” and “Then & Now: Photographs of Northern China,” through Sept. 16; “Unearthed: Recent Archaeological Discoveries from Northern China,” through Oct. 21; “Clark Remix,” through Jan. 1, 2014; 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. Information, (413) 458-9545.

### MASS MOCA

“Sanford Biggers: The Cartogrtapher's Conumdrum,” through Oct. 30; “Michael Oatman: All Utopias Fell,” through Nov. 4; “Anna Betbeze: New Work,” through Nov. 5; “Making Room: The Space Between Two & Three Dimensions,” Through Jan. 2; “Invisible Cities,” through Feb. 4; “Sol LeWitt: A Wall Drawing Retrospective,” ongoing; 87 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass. Information, (413) 664-4481.

### ARKELL MUSEUM

“Mark Adams and Beth Van Hoesen: Life Observed Up Close,” through June 24; plus “Arkell's Inspiration: the Marketing of Beech-Nut and Art for the People,” ongoing; Canajoharie. Information, 673-2314.

## Call for Artists

### AJKUN BALLET THEATRE

Seeking young dancers pre-kindergarten to young teens to perform alongside the company in its summer production of “Don Quixote,” rehearsals and performances will run from July 30 through Aug. 11 at The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Informa-

tion, artisticstaff@ajkunbt.org.

### SARATOGA ARTISANS AND CRAFTERS' MARKET

Accepting applications for local artists and crafters to be vendors at new market at High Rock Pavillions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays through Sept. 27, must have state tax ID and general liability insurance. Information, 461-4893.

### BALLSTON SPA COMMUNITY BAND

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

### THURSDAY MUSICAL CLUB

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

### THE CHORALIERS

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

### ETUDE CLUB

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

### CLIFTON PARK COMMUNITY CHORUS

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

### CAPITALAND CHORUS

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

### TANGO FUSION DANCE COMPANY

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

### ADIRONDACK PASTEL SOCIETY

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### DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

### COLONIE TOWN BAND

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

# Weekly Crossword

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## ACROSS

- Guitarist Paul
- Totaled
- Nostradamus, e.g.
- Cereal grass
- Small flycatcher
- Gave encouragement
- Mat men
- Plait
- Just a little guts?
- Hemingway's \_\_\_\_ in the *Stream*
- Fill with joy
- Word with medicine or tool
- Man, e.g.
- With feathers
- Cuts to the quick
- Heracles' archery prize
- Southwestern Indian
- Mine output
- 110 per cent
- I get it!
- Bud's partner
- Former newspaper section, for short
- Rustic
- Seemed
- Fleming, and name-sakes

- Adjective suffix
- Support for Degas?
- Musical tempo
- Series of quick steps
- Slapsie \_\_\_\_ Rosenbloom
- Accuses
- Before
- Odor
- Time period
- Smack
- Raines and Fitzgerald
- NYC radio station

## DOWN

- Theater section
- Merit
- ERA, e.g.
- Dismay
- Festival for Apollo
- Lived
- Poet's contraction
- Lucy's hubby
- Majestically
- Text mistakes
- Eddie Popeye \_\_\_\_
- Actor Tim \_\_\_\_, of TV's *Frank's Place*
- Library classification initials
- Primp

- Popular Halloween decoration
- Incident
- Roma's \_\_\_\_ Tiberina
- Barber's implement
- Dock
- Mauna \_\_\_\_
- Tropical yellow fruit
- First name in furniture
- College bigwigs
- Madison Square Garden cheer?
- Barracks bane
- Summer, in Lyon
- Pale purple
- Refrains, in an old song
- Dutch painter Karel \_\_\_\_
- Tuscany town
- French states
- Sound enhancer
- Escapade
- Retirement age for Cicero?
- Seine tributary
- That was close!
- Lead-in for plane or space
- Russian ruler
- MLXXXVIII plus 57 Down

**Parks**

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Services, a program to help young adults find jobs, and the Middle School Pit, a meeting place for students after school.

“I think we all know as Bethlehem residents we have very strong Parks and Rec programs,” said Gavilik. “That’s why a lot of us move to Bethlehem and a lot of us want to live here.”

The committee looked at areas to decrease costs or increase revenue by comparing operations to what is done in other municipalities.

According to Lanahan, the department spends the most in ball field maintenance, as well as caring for the golf course and pool.

“Changes to those areas would have the most impact to budget,” she said in an interview after the meeting.

There are 26 ball fields under town ownership. Gavilik said the budget committee found the fields are better maintained than those of the school district or other municipalities in the area. By scaling down maintenance and providing less equipment like goals, the department could save about \$20,000. Also, an additional

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\$7,000 could be taken in if there was an increase in user fees. Fees have not been raised since 2007.

Suggested options to save money at the Elm Avenue Park pool include raising user fees for children between 2 and 4 years old and for seniors, which could increase revenue by up to \$18,000. Another suggestion was to shorten the season by one week at the end of the year. This would save between \$6,600 and \$9,000.

“Another option, which is a little more controversial, is to allow non-residents access to the pool,” said Gavilik.

Non-residents can visit the pool only if accompanied by a town resident. It was not known how much revenue could be realized by opening up pool access.

“There is an interest there,” said Lanahan. “When the Thatcher Park Pool closed a while ago we had an influx of people call about using our pool, so those people were looking for places to go. Plus people in

the RCS community and City of Albany that may not have the facilities we have.”

Concerning the golf course, Lanahan said attendance has been on the decline over the past three years and the course has been operating at a loss. In 2008, the town took over Colonial Acres Golf Course and entered into a five-year agreement with the Open Land Conservancy to keep it open. The lease will expire in August and for the first time the town has the option to close the facility, saving an estimated \$20,000.

Lanahan said there is a correlation between decreased attendance at Colonial Acres and the opening of the private Hidden Meadows course several years ago. Both courses offer par three play, but Hidden Meadows has 18 holes and Colonial Acres has nine.

“We probably draw similar clientele,” Lanahan said.

Instead of closing the course, the town could increase rates, but it

is unknown how much would be made by doing so and the course needs capital improvements like new sewer lines and a new clubhouse.

Other options outlined include closing the ice rink in Elm Avenue Park, eliminating lighting at night for tennis and basketball courts, eliminating a night ranger position and instituting a carry-in/carry-out policy for trash in parks. Another option includes eliminating the aforementioned Middle School PIT and YES programs.

The committee suggested creating a “Friends of the Bethlehem Parks and Rec” group to help raise funds and provide maintenance of areas, pursuing various grants and possibly entering into a shared services agreement with the Highway Department.

The board will be hearing from the Budget Advisory Committee on other town departments as the fall budget season approaches.

“This is the first in a series, and it raises some interesting standards...” said Supervisor John Clarkson. “There’s no easy answer.”

The next board meeting will include a presentation from the Highway Department and Department of Public Works.

**Milestones**



Brendan Behan

**Brendan Behan earns Eagle Scout award**

An Eagle Court of Honor was held on Sunday, May 20, 2012 for Brendan Behan, who earned the Eagle Scout award. The Eagle is the highest award attainable in the Boy Scouts of America’s advancement program.

To earn this award, Brendan earned 32 merit badges, served as a leader in his troop, participated in many hours of community service, and completed a major service project. For his Eagle service project, he planned, designed and led the construction

of a large garden shed located on the grounds of the Bethlehem Central High School. This shed provides lockable tool storage for the community garden-located there.

Brendan has been a member of Troop 58 in Elsmere for seven years. The Elsmere troop is chartered to the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post #1040.

Brendan is the son of Tom & Anne Behan of Slingerlands, NY and is a senior at Bethlehem Central High School.

**Local student on Dean’s List**

Congratulations to Alexandra Sutherland of Delmar, NY. Alexandra has been placed on the Dean’s Honor List for the Spring 2012 semester. Alexandra is a Bio-med Major and has maintained

a cumulative grade point average above 3.50.

Alexandra attended Bethlehem High School and works part-time at the Paper Mill.

This is her first year attending Sage College.

**Ostroff named to President’s List**

David Ostroff of Delmar was recently named to the President’s List at Hudson Valley Community College.

Each fall and spring term, the college’s President’s List honors those students who have a term grade point average between 3.5 and 4.0.

David Ostroff is in the

Business Administration academic program at the Troy, NY college. David earned a 4.0 for the Spring 2012 semester. He has plans to transfer to RPI in the Spring and works part-time at his family’s business, Delmar Florist. David is the son of Jeff and Barbara Ostroff of Delmar, NY.

**Brink**

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Clarksville Elementary building, a post office would be needed in the vicinity. Apple said certified letters, packages and “bulky mail” is sent from the office on a daily basis.

“The closing of the Clarksville Post Office would have an adverse impact on the Sheriff’s Office, and might affect the Sheriff’s Office’s plans to locate its substation

in Clarksville, to the detriment of the town,” he wrote.

The Postal Regulatory Commission released a decision reversing the closure on Jan. 29, in which it was said the Postal Service took some needed aspects into account such as its financial situation and a postmaster vacancy, but it did not adequately take into account the concerns of residents.

The USPS has since said they will keep open hundreds of mostly rural offices once slated

to close by cutting back on spending. This will give Congress more time to overhaul the organization’s financial structure through legislation.

Clarksville residents will celebrate the anniversary with an event on Wednesday, June 27, at the Clarksville Community Church at 7:30 p.m. Hogan said refreshments will be served and he will present a talk about the history of the post office and stories he learned about through his research.

“It was 1970 before (the post office) was in its own building,” he said. “It used to be in various houses or businesses of whoever was postmaster.”

Because only larger cities could afford a building to house their post office, many times a popular gathering spot like a hotel or restaurant was used to collect the mail.

Hogan said when he was young his mother served as Clarksville postmaster. He remembers people coming to figure out what they had to do to create a post office area within their home.

“I remember thinking we didn’t have the parking space outside,” he said.

The post office will also have a special pictorial cancellation mark available to residents. Residents can go to the post office to have their mail specially stamped with the mark on June 27 and for 60 days afterward to celebrate the anniversary.

“I think it’s good we’re acknowledging the occasion because there aren’t a lot of post offices in the area as old,” said Keith Loehner, the officer in charge at the post office for the past seven years.

For more information, contact the Clarksville Post Office at 768-2991.

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## Your Community in The Spotlight

### RSC Soccer sign ups open

Registration for the fall 2012 recreation soccer season is open until July 15. Registrations can be completed online at [www.rcssoccerclub.com](http://www.rcssoccerclub.com).

The registration fee is \$50 for the first child and \$35 for each addition child in the family. The club is open to children ages 5 to 12.

If you do not have Internet access or require further assistance, contact Carley Libertucci, recreation registrar, at 860-7329.

RCS Travel Signup registration for the fall travel soccer program is also open until July 15. Price for regular registration is \$125 this year. It is not necessary to order a new uniform unless your player(s) have outgrown theirs as we will be keeping the same style as last year. If a new uniform is necessary, order it at the time of registration.

If you have any questions, contact Mary Hyer, Travel Registrar at 338-8135.

### Become a 'Beef Explorer'

Cornell Cooperative Extension in the Capital Region is forming a new youth-oriented program called "Beef Explorers" and applications are now available. Modeled after the current "Dairy Visions" program, the plan is to expose interested youth 14 to 18 years old to a variety of beef production systems, marketing information, career opportunities and business owners through meetings, field trips and tours.

Many of the region's livestock-oriented youth view their prospects as culminating in showing their animals at their local fair. But there are many more openings available if they only knew and understood what is possible. Gaining exposure to commercial operations, larger-scale thinking and successful enterprises can provide participants with new information and ways of thinking. With the growing local foods focus in our communities and beyond, new markets and opportunities will continue to open.

The applications from interested participants must be returned by July

### An appropriate recognition for new store



**Apropos Prom and Bridal held a ribbon cutting ceremony at its new location at 1789 Western Avenue in Albany on Friday, June 15. Apropos carries more than 30 formal dress designers, many of them exclusive to the store. In addition to wedding and prom dresses, accessories and shoes, Apropos will also outfit the men in a special event with tuxedos. For a complete list of designers and store hours, visit: [aproposprom.com](http://aproposprom.com). Pictured from left: Samina Hyder; Kathy Burbank (Guilderland Chamber President); Sindi Saita (owner of Apropos); Paul Pastore; Jenni Bliven (GCC board president); and Jean Cataldo (Town of Guilderland receiver of taxes).**

*Submitted photo*

14. Visit [blogs.cornell.edu/capitalareaag-andhortprogram](http://blogs.cornell.edu/capitalareaag-andhortprogram) to obtain an application or call 746-2560 for more information. The program will begin in September/October and continue through to July. Participants will be expected to participate in a final project demonstrating some of the information they have learned through the program.

### Tutoring program needs volunteers

If you're an adult age 50 and over who would like to share your love of reading and help children strengthen their reading skills, the Capital Region OASIS Ingenerational Tutoring Program has an opportunity for you.

The OASIS Tutoring Program in partnership with the City of Albany School District, which pairs adult volunteer tutors with students in kindergarten through fourth grade, is in need of volunteers for the 2012-2013 school year in the City School District of

Albany.

Volunteer tutors are provided with training, materials and ongoing support to help students once a week in individualized, one-on-one sessions during the regular school year. Tutoring will take place at three elementary schools of the City School District of Albany – Arbor Hill Elementary, Sheridan Preparatory Academy and Schuyler Achievement Academy.

Tutoring sessions will begin in October 2012. Training sessions for volunteers will be held on Sept. 13 and 14, at Richardson Hall of the downtown University at Albany Campus, 135 Western Avenue, Albany. The City School District of Albany has a volunteer application process that all tutors must complete, which includes a background check.

The Tutoring Program is an extension of OASIS Institute's Intergenerational Tutoring Program that is offered throughout the Institute's national

network of cities, now including Albany.

Working with elementary schools, OASIS pairs adults 50 and over with young children with underdeveloped reading and language skills. The adults work one-on-one with the students each week as their tutors, mentors, and friends. Since 1989 volunteers have helped over 300,000 children across the country learn to read and be more successful in school.

To learn more about the OASIS Tutoring Program and volunteer opportunities, contact the Capital Region OASIS Program at 442-5585, or [OASIS@albany.edu](mailto:OASIS@albany.edu).

### BC Class of '92 to hold reunion

The Bethlehem Central High School Class of 1992 is hosting its 20th Class Reunion on the weekend of June 29-July 1.

The weekend will feature a meet and greet at a local bar owned by a classmate, a tour of the high school, a dinner

cruise and a picnic at the town park where family, friends, parents, teachers and anyone else in the community is invited to join in.

Direct questions to [bchs1992@gmail.com](mailto:bchs1992@gmail.com).

### Free appraisal day in Coxsackie

The Coxsackie Antique Center is sponsoring an Antiques Road Show-style free antiques appraisal day on Saturday, June 23. Experts will be ready to date and identify items and will indicate approximate values for items. This will not be a buying event. It is an informational event for the public. Any type of item may be submitted for evaluation and the evaluations will be done right on the spot.

The event will be held between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Military items, sports items, guns, tools, marbles and coins should be brought between 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. The event will be held at Coxsackie Antique Center, 12400 Rt. 9W, West Coxsackie. For additional information

call the center at 731-8888. No reservation or appointment is necessary.

### Grads earn scholarships

The Capital Area Council of Churches is pleased to announce that eight area graduating high school seniors have each been awarded a Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 for their first year of college. The awards were announced at the Council's Spring Assembly on June 12.

Congratulations to Daniella Hall, a member of Union Missionary Baptist Church; Mecca Bint Ismail, who attends Masjid-As-Salaam Mosque; and Geneva McPherson, a member of New Hope Family Life Center, all graduating from Albany High School; Colleen Bernstein, a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar, graduating from the Academy of the Holy Names; Farrell Brennan, a member of St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville, graduating from Voorheesville High School; Mary Doane, a member of St. Patrick's Church in Ravena, graduating from Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School; Jolisa Smith, a member of Blessed Hope Worship Center, graduating from the Albany Academy for Girls; and Ekong Takor, a member of First Presbyterian Church, graduating from Shaker High School.

To be eligible for the scholarship, students must live, worship or attend school within the service area of the Council of Churches (Albany County and southern Rensselaer county), understand and apply the teachings of Dr. King in their lives, be active in their house of worship and in their community and demonstrate academic potential and financial need.

The scholarships are primarily funded by the offering received at the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Interfaith Memorial Service held on Jan. 15. Application forms are available from the CACC office (462-5450) or on the Council's web site ([www.capareacc.org](http://www.capareacc.org)) and are due at the CACC office, along with all supporting documents, by March 31.

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# Vista

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Columbia Development is a 7,500-square-foot, two-story, multi-use building. It would have retail users on the first floor and office space on the second floor. Expected tenants include a hair salon, a medical center and another telecommunications user.

Albany Enterprises is proposing one 15,000-square-foot building with two stories. It would house Cornea Consultants, an eye care and vision corrections practice. The presentation was given by Stephen Reilly, a partner with Whiteman, Osterman & Hanna, on behalf of Albany Enterprises. The building would create nine jobs, he said.

"The practice has a facility today in the town, however the lease is not being renewed and an existing tenant in the building is moving into that space," said Reilly. "The doctor would love to stay in the town, wants to stay in the town, but he has looked at facilities outside the town and financial assistance from the IDA is very much an important factor for keeping the practice in Bethlehem."

Two people spoke out against the project not because of uses, but because of the tax abatements being sought.

Developers are seeking sales tax and mortgage abatements on all the new buildings. They also are asking for a tier II PILOT agreement from the IDA, which is considered the standard for the Vista project. It provides tenants with 50 percent off their taxes in the first year, which diminishes to 5

percent by the 10th year of the agreement.

A tier I PILOT, which is what ShopRite and the two banks now being built within Vista were provided, is considered an enhanced agreement, with the tenants paying no taxes for the first two years.

Bethlehem IDA Chairman Frank Venezia gave a presentation on the PILOT system to the Town Board on Wednesday, June 13, to help residents and board members better understand the process. He said the reason for giving the first businesses Tier I status was to get more businesses interested in the Vista Tech Campus, and he thinks it worked. "There are more applications in the pipeline that will fit the intended use of the park, which are tech-type businesses," he said.

Chris Kidera, co-chairwoman of the town's Budget Advisory Committee, spoke out at the public hearing against the abatements. She said none of the projects really diversified the types of businesses already in the town to attract employment.

"Now I know you're trying to get Visa off the ground ... but take a look around," she said. "They're firing teachers and the town is struggling, so I'm not sure these are the best of times to create 10-year abatements."

The IDA will discuss the applications at its next meeting on Friday, June 22 at 8 a.m. Venezia said if the applications are denied the developers can resubmit their proposals, but speculated they would most likely look to promote their projects in a municipality that would give them a better deal.

# Tonko keeps Independence line

## Court rules against Dieterich's bid to invalidate signatures

By JOHN PURCELL  
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A court has ruled in favor of Rep. Paul Tonko and brought to a close an attempt by his opponent, Bob Dieterich, to strike his name from the Independence Party line.

Schenectady County Supreme Court Justice Barry Kramer denied Dieterich's lawsuit seeking to invalidate signatures on Tonko's Independence Party petition. Dieterich's campaign sought to invalidate 52 out of 167 pages of Independence designating petitions, which it claimed would leave Tonko below the required amount of signatures.

The Court actually added six signatures back on to Tonko's petition previously struck by the state Board of Elections before reaching a decision. Tonko's campaign collected 1,176 signatures, above the required 871, and the state board had tossed out 48.

Dieterich made a bid for the Independence Party line but failed to secure the party's nomination. He also didn't obtain enough signatures to force a primary.

Michael J. Kenneally, a spokesman for Dieterich, said the campaign had considered appealing the decision, but decided against it "due to the time sensitive nature of the case."

"Obviously we're



Paul Tonko

disappointed with the decision," Kenneally said in an email. "Had we known that election laws are merely suggestions, we easily could have secured enough signatures to force a primary election."

Tonko's campaign was pleased with the court's decision and in a statement said Dieterich should shift his focus towards "issues important to families," such as Medicare, Social Security, job creation and "middle class values."

"Our opponent's campaign has been obsessed over these wild allegations for the past two months," Tonko said. "The court's recent ruling soundly dismissed these charges."

Dieterich had sought to invalidate commissioners of deeds (the people collecting signatures on Tonko's behalf), but judge Kramer decided early in proceedings the commissioners were valid, according to court

transcripts.

Also, Kramer said allegations of fraud from Dieterich's campaign were unfounded.

"I see no factual basis to support fraud in any event here," Kramer said in his ruling.

Kramer said on Thursday, May 31, before reaching his decision, there was "substantial compliance" with the law. Despite a few signatures gathered that were "somewhat questionable," there wasn't enough to invalidate Tonko's petition and fall below the required signature threshold, he said.

"As far as I'm concerned, you have failed to meet your burden of proof here, and the petition that you brought to invalidate the signatures is hereby denied," Kramer said.

Dieterich is still hopeful Independence Party votes will support him at the polls.

**"I see no factual basis to support fraud in any event here."**

**— Barry Kramer,  
Schenectady County  
Supreme Court Justice**

"Bob Dieterich's message of sound fiscal policy and balanced budgets will resonate with Independence Party voters and ultimately it's their determination at the ballot box that will matter in November," Kenneally said in an email.

Clinton Britt, spokesman for Tonko, said the lawsuit was an "unfortunate distraction" from the issues. He previously said it appears "resoundingly clear" that Independence Party voters support Tonko.

The newly redrawn 20th Congressional District includes Albany and Schenectady counties and portions of Montgomery, Saratoga and Rensselaer counties.

In Schenectady and Albany County, there were more than 15,500 enrolled Independence Party voters as of April 1, according to data from the state Board of Elections. Out of that total, there were 13,511 active voters, or around 87 percent. There are a total of 293,198 registered voters within those two counties, where enrolled Independence Party voters account for 5 percent of the voter pool.

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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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 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 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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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.

LEGAL NOTICE

81314 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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. Purpose: any lawful activity. 81316 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Post-script 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 20, 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.

LEGAL NOTICE

81324 (D) (June 20, 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BIBI-FRESH, 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 20, 2012)

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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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 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 20, 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 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AUDITION SUCCESS LLC. Arts.

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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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AL-LEGRIA BOUTIQUE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 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 20, 2012)

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Notice of Formation Bakshi Family LLC Arts. of Org. filed

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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. 81698 (D) (June 20, 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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Muscle Wall Holdings, LLC.

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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 20, 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. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81713 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 894 HART REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/29/12. 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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

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 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: Retirement & Benefit Partners of Albany, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on May 24, 2012. LLC 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: 10 Gales Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159. LLC has been formed to engage in any lawful act or activity. LLC shall be member-managed. 81717 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MARKETING SAMURAI LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/31/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process

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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. 81718 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). NAME: Crafts And Coins, LLC). Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/10/2012. Office location: (Albany) County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, (Matthew Bertolino 11 Marion Avenue Albany, NY 12203). Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 81720 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LAUNCESTON LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/31/12. 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. 81721 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DEVONPORT GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 5/31/12. 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. 81722 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 211 BAY 11 STREET, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/1/12. 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. 81724 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Seven B, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 5/30/12. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to c/o Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP, One Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 81725 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Oreolu Properties LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/24/12. 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 PO Box 66082, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful activities. 81839 (D) (June 20, 2012)

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Notice of Formation of Zamil Realty, LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/3/12. 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 c/o Jonathan Roshanzamir, 38 W. 32nd St., Ste. 500, NY, NY 10001. Purpose: any lawful activities. 81840 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Frontier Utilities New York LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/24/12. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/4/12. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 333 Clay St., Ste. 4060, Houston, TX 77002. DE address of LLC: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1675 South State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 81841 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Kelman Transport, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 6/6/12. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to c/o Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP, One Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 81844 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GCO REAL ESTATE CONSULTANTS & MANAGEMENT, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/4/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81847 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Chiset LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 6/1/2012. 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. 81856 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of THE ROCKEBILT GROUP, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/6/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81857 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Best-BuyTickets.com LLC. Arts. of

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Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/13/12. 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, Attn: Diane Sequin, 26 Farnam Place, Colonie, NY 12295. Purpose: any lawful activity. 81864 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Eat Albany, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State (SSNY) on June 6th, 2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY shall mail svc. of process to: 586 Madison Ave., Apt. 1, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: any lawful activities. 81866 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 10 SAVOY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/6/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 81867 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of JAY S. ROSENTHAL BUILDING LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 6/5/12. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 6/4/12. 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. NV address of LLC: c/o 10 Bodie Dr., Carson City, NV 89706. The registered agent is: ISL, Inc. at the same address. Arts. Of Org. filed with the NV Secy. Of State, 204 N. Carson St. #4, Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: any lawful activity. 81869 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ANC CAPITAL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/8/12. 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. 81876 (D) (June 20, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DNA OUTDOOR LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 6/12/12. 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. 81878 (D) (June 20, 2012)

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12054. ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE. 82012 (D) (June 20, 2012)

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Supreme Court of the State of New York County of Monroe Carmen Fraser (Plaintiff) Against Claude P. Bennett (Defendant)

Summons with Notice Plaintiff resides at City of Rochester County of Monrow

Action for a Divorce To the above named Defendant

You are hereby summoned to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the notice set forth below. James McCann Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 9 Genesee Street Avon, New York 14414 (585)-226-2040 Dated: April 17, 2012

Notice: The nature of this action is to obtain a judgment of divorce dissolving the marriage between the parties on the grounds that they relationship between husband and wife has broken down irretrievably for more than six months.

The relief sought is;

A judgment of absolute divorce in favor of the plaintiff dissolving forever the bonds of matrimony between the parties in this action.

Custody of Zhane Bennett, Zackrie Bennett and Marquise Bennett

Support for Zhane Bennett, Zackrie Bennett and Marquise Bennett

Possession of the marital residence

Equitable distribution of marital property

NOTICE OF AUTOMATIC ORDERS (D.R.L. 236)

PURSUANT TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS LAW § 236 Part B, Section 2, as added by Chapter 72 of the Laws of 2009, both you and your spouse (the parties) are bound by the following AUTOMATIC ORDERS, which shall remain in full force and effect during the pendency of the action unless terminated, modified or amended by further order of the court or upon written agreement between the parties:

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annuity payments of any kind, without the consent of the other party in writing, or upon further order of the court.

(3)Neither party shall incur unreasonable debts hereafter, including, but not limited to further borrowing against any credit line secured by the family residence, further encumbering any assets, or unreasonably using credit cards or cash advances against credit cards, except in the usual course of business or for customary or usual household expenses, or for reasonable attorney's fees in connection with this action.

(4)Neither party shall cause the other party or the children of the marriage to be removed from any existing medical, hospital and dental insurance coverage, and each party shall maintain the existing medical, hospital and dental insurance coverage in full force and effect.

(5)Neither party shall change the beneficiaries of any existing life insurance policies, and each party shall maintain the existing life insurance, automobile insurance, homeowners and renters insurance policies in full force and effect. 81861 (ALL) (June 20, 2012)

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The refunding bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on June 6, 2012 and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Bethlehem Central School District is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution. A COPY OF THE COMPLETE TEXT OF THE REFUNDING BOND RESOLUTION TOGETHER WITH ALL EXHIBITS IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK WHERE IT IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS FOR TWENTY DAYS FOLLOWING THIS PUBLICATION. Delmar, New York Judith E. Keohoe, Dated: June 8, 2012 School District Clerk The following is a summary of said refunding bond resolution: The title of the refunding bond resolution (the "Resolution") is "REFUNDING BOND RESOLUTION OF THE BETHELEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK, DATED JUNE 6, 2012, AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF THREE SERIES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT (SERIAL) BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN RELATION THERETO AND THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS TO BE REFUNDED." The Resolution recited that the Bethlehem Central School District (the "School District") has outstanding \$14,605,000 School District (Serial) Bonds, 2005, dated July 15, 2005, originally issued by the School District on or about July 20, 2005 which are callable on January 1, 2015 (the "Series 2005 Bonds"), \$7,480,000 School District (Serial) Bonds, 2005 Series B, dated September 15, 2005, originally issued by the School District on or

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about September 23, 2005 which are callable on September 15, 2014 (the "Series 2005 B Bonds") and \$9,870,000 School District (Serial) Bonds, 2006 Series A, dated August 15, 2006, originally issued by the School District on or about August 15, 2006 which are callable on June 15, 2015 (the "Series 2006 Bonds" and, collectively with the Series 2005 Bonds and the Series 2005 B Bonds, the "Refunded Bonds"). The Resolution further recited that the Refunding Bonds carry interest rates higher than the interest rates available in the current capital market. For the object or purpose of refunding the outstanding principal balance of the Refunded Bonds (or such portion thereof as the President of the Board of Education, as Chief Fiscal Officer of the School District, shall determine to be in the best financial interests of the School District) including providing moneys which, together with the interest earned from the investment of certain of the proceeds of the refunding bonds authorized by the Resolution, shall be sufficient to pay (i) the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds, (ii) the aggregate amount of unmatured interest payable on the Refunded Bonds to and including the date on which the Refunded Bonds which are callable are to be called prior to their respective maturities in accordance with the Refunding Financial Plan, as defined in the Resolution, (iii) the costs and expenses incidental to the issuance of the refunding bonds authorized by the Resolution, including, without limitation, the development of the Refunding Financial Plan, as defined in the Resolution, costs and expenses of executing and performing the terms and conditions of the Escrow Contract, as defined in the Resolution, and fees and charges of the Escrow Holder, as defined in the Resolution, (iv) the redemption premium to be paid on the Refunded Bonds which are to be called prior to their respective maturities; and (v) the premium or premiums for a policy or policies of municipal bond insurance or cost or costs of other credit enhancement facility or facilities, for the refunding bonds authorized by the Resolution, or any portion thereof, the Resolution authorized to be issued not exceeding \$32,000,000 of refunding serial bonds of the School District pursuant to the provisions of Section 90 or 90.10 of the Local Finance Law, as applicable (the "School District Refunding Bonds" or the "Refunding Bonds"), it being anticipated that the amount of Refunding Bonds actually to be issued will be approximately \$31,185,000.00. The Board further determined that (a) such Refunding Bonds may be issued in series, (b) such Refunding Bonds may be sold at private sale at a discount in the manner authorized by Section 90 or 90.10 of the Local Finance Law, as applicable and (c) such Refunding Bonds may be issued as a single consolidated issue. The Board further determined that such Refunding Bonds may be issued to refund all, or any portion of, the Refunded Bonds, subject to the limitation relating to approval by the State Comptroller. The Board President, as chief fiscal officer of the School District, was authorized to enter into an agreement or agreements containing such terms and conditions as he or she shall deem proper with a bank or trust company or banks or trust companies, to act in connection with the Refunding Bonds, as the Fiscal Agent for the School District, to perform the services described in

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Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, and to execute such agreement or agreements on behalf of the School District, regardless of whether the Refunding Bonds are initially issued in certificated or non-certificated form.

Subject to the provisions of the the Local Finance Law, the Board President was further delegated all powers of the Board with respect to agreements for credit enhancement, derived from and pursuant to Section 168.00 of the Local Finance Law, for said Refunding Bonds, including, but not limited to the determination of the provider of such credit enhancement facility or facilities and the terms and contents of any agreement or agreements related thereto.

The Board further determined that: (a) the maximum amount of the Refunding Bonds authorized to be issued pursuant to the Resolution does not exceed the limitation imposed by Section 90 or 90.10, as applicable, of the Local Finance Law; (b) the maximum period of probable usefulness permitted by law at the time of the issuance of the Refunded Bonds was 30 years measured from the date of issue of the original bonds or from the date of the bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation thereof, whichever date is earlier; (c) the last installment of the Refunding Bonds will mature not later than the expiration of the period of probable usefulness of each object or purpose for which the Refunded Bonds were issued in accordance with the provisions of Section 90 or 90.10 of the Local Finance Law, as applicable; and (d) the estimated present value of the total debt service savings anticipated as a result of the issuance of the Refunding Bonds computed in accordance with the provisions of Section 90.10 of the Local Finance Law, is as shown in the Refunding Financial Plan.

The financial plan for the refunding authorized by the Resolution (the "Refunding Financial Plan"), showing the sources and amounts of all moneys required to accomplish such refunding, the estimated present value of the total debt service savings and the basis for the computation of the aforesaid estimated present value of total debt service savings, was set forth in Exhibit A attached to the Resolution.

The Board President is authorized and directed in the Resolution to enter into an escrow contract (the "Escrow Contract") with a bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in this State as he shall designate (the "Escrow Holder") for the purpose of having the Escrow Holder act, in connection with the Refunded Bonds, as the escrow holder to perform the services described in Section 90.10 of the Local Finance Law.

The Refunding Bonds shall be sold at public or private sale to Jeffries & Company (the "Underwriter") for such purchase price as shall be determined by the Board President, plus accrued interest, if any, from the date of the Refunding Bonds to the date of delivery of and payment for the Refunding Bonds, subject to the approval of the terms and conditions of such sale by the State Comptroller as required by subdivision 2 of paragraph f of Section 90.10 of the Local Finance Law, if applicable. The Board President was authorized in the Resolution to execute and deliver a purchase contract or similar agreement for the Refunding Bonds in the name and on behalf of the School providing the terms and conditions for the sale and delivery of the Refunding Bonds to the Underwriter. 82010 (D) (June 20, 2012)



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standing behind the girls basketball bench, and it will be obvious next April when Carrese isn't sitting in the baseball dugout.

With change comes

opportunity, though. Clawson, Bain, Murphy and whoever replaces Carrese will have the chance to create their own legacies at Shen – in all likelihood by basing what they do on what they saw their predecessors do over the years and adding their own touches.

Hopefully, the legacy of the new guard will be a continuation of the legacy left behind by the old guard.

In other sports developments, the 2-year-old Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League – home to the Albany Dutchmen – is trumping the more established New York Collegiate Baseball League in terms of recruiting NCAA Division I players.

I did a recent comparison of PGCBL and NYCBL rosters, and the differences were striking. While PGCBL teams are attracting players from places like St. John's, Clemson, Virginia, Vanderbilt, Mississippi State, Wake Forest and Auburn (to name a few), the NYCBL is attracting many more community college and NCAA Division II and III players.

The migration of Division I players to the PGCBL is due to Perfect Game USA's involvement in the league. The collegiate baseball scouting service worked with eight former NYCBL teams (including the Dutchmen, the Amsterdam Mohawks and the Glens Falls Golden Eagles) to found the new league, and it supplied the teams with information and contacts to draw major Division I talent to the eastern half of New York.

This leaves the NYCBL in a transitional phase. No longer able to draw Division

I talent on a regular basis, the 34-year-old league must now grab players wherever it can. Given the number of current NYCBL players whose schools end in the abbreviation "CC," it looks like the 12 teams are looking for athletes who have the potential to join a Division I program instead of athletes who are already on Division I teams. It's not a pretty picture.

This is not to say there is no future for the NYCBL. There should be opportunities for any collegiate ballplayer to compete during the summer. But, the future certainly looks rosier for the PGCBL.

Meanwhile, the Albany Legends (remember them?) are heading to Gary, Ind., this weekend for the Independent Basketball Association playoffs.

The Legends began the final week of the regular season in third place with a 9-3 record thanks to leading scorer Lloyd Johnson (32.7 points per game), and they bolstered their roster by adding Saint Rose graduates Shea Bromirski and Brian Hanuschak.

Finally, the Albany Devils released their first six guaranteed home dates for the 2012-13 American Hockey League season Monday morning. The home opener is Saturday, Oct. 13. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Christensen earns first team honor

Klim, Santandrea garner all-league recognition

The Suburban Council announced its boys lacrosse all-star teams last week. They are:

Attack

First team – Luke Goldstock (Jr., Niskayuna), Matt Sexton (Sr., Niskayuna), Mike Jenkins (Sr., Shenendehowa)

Second team – Lucas Maloney (Jr., Niskayuna), Kyle Marr (So., Shenendehowa), Trevor Hiss (Sr., Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake)

Honorable mention – Joe Romano (Jr., Shenendehowa), Mark Leslie (Sr., Ballston Spa), Matt McDonald (Sr., Ballston Spa)

Defense

First team – Jordan Davis (Sr., Ballston Spa), Danny Santandrea (Sr., Guilderland), Kyle Fragnoli (Jr., Shaker)

Second team – Tyler Olney (Jr., Shenendehowa), Fabian Brunner (Sr., Niskayuna), Dom Martinelli (Sr., Niskayuna)

Honorable mention – Chase Godfrey (Sr., Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake)

Goaltender

First team – Sean Klim (Sr., Guilderland)

Second team – Evan Quinn

(Jr., Niskayuna)

Honorable mention – Zach Knight (Sr., Saratoga)

Specialists

First team – Tanner MacIvor (Sr., Niskayuna)

Second team – Jacob Quay (So., Shaker)

Honorable mention – Ryan McCart (Sr., Shenendehowa)

Defensive midfield

First team – Jack McCurdy (Sr., Niskayuna), Brandon Souza (Sr., Shaker)

Second team – Logan Ball (Jr., Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake), Kyle Abdelattif (So., Ballston Spa), John DeGuardi (Sr., Ballston Spa)

Honorable mention – Tyler Pantalone (Jr., Niskayuna), Joe Kromer (Sr., Shenendehowa)

Midfield

First team – Blake Pfohl (Sr., Niskayuna), Liam Christensen (Sr., Bethlehem), D.J. Edick (Jr., Shenendehowa), Nick Vincent (Sr., Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake)

Second team – Brian Rogers (Jr., Shenendehowa), Joe Chiara (Sr., Shaker), Stephen Polsinelli (Jr., Guilderland), Justin Picardi (Sr., Niskayuna)

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# Review

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in its best season in several years by winning the Suburban Council South Division title. The Lady Dutch completed the regular season with a 12-2-2 record before they lost to Shaker in the Section II Class AA quarterfinals.

Guilderland’s football team made the playoffs by beating Bethlehem 32-20 in the final week of the regular season, but the Dutchmen lost to Columbia in the quarterfinals.

Guilderland might have finished second to Bethlehem in the Suburban Council South Division boys basketball standings, but it had the top player in the league. Senior guard Cameron Dobbs averaged 24 points per game for the Dutchmen.

The spring sports season produced several special teams in Guilderland, starting with its girls lacrosse team. The Lady Dutch were undefeated until they lost to Shaker 9-8 in the Section II Class

A finals. Guilderland’s softball teamsurprisedmanypeople by beating Bethlehem 16-15 in the quarterfinals and shutting out Suburban Council South Division champion Colonie 6-0 in the semifinals to reach the Class AA Sectional final. The magic playoff ride ended there, though, as Shen defeated the Lady Dutch 4-0.

The baseball team turned in a strong playoff run of its own. Guilderland made it to the Class AA Sectional semifinals before losing to eventual champion Columbia 2-1. The Dutchmen was second to the Blue Devils in the Suburban Council South Division standings, too.

Guilderland’s boys lacrosse team won the Suburban Council South Division title and made it to the Sectional semifinals before losing to Niskayuna 16-3. Niskayuna went on to win the Class A Sectional and regional championships.

## Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk

The RCS football team

finished second to Albany Academy in the Reinfurt Division standings and lost to eventual Class B Sectional champion Schalmont in the semifinals.

Things went better for RCS girls teams in the winter. The girls bowling team won the Section II title by 197 pins over runner-up Colonie, while the girls basketball team got as far as the Class B Sectional semifinals before losing to Watervliet 49-43.

RCS sent two wrestlers to the state tournament in Albany. Heavyweight Alex Soutiere led the way with a second-place finish in the 285-pound weight class, while Jerome Gladney competed in the 106-pound division.

## Voorheesville

The girls soccer team maintained its winning

tradition by finishing the regular season with a 9-5-1 record and making the Section II Class C playoff field. The Blackbirds lost to eventual Sectional champion Hoosic Valley 2-0 in the quarterfinals.

Hoosic Valley proved to be a nemesis for Voorheesville in girls basketball, too. The Schaghticoke-based school defeated the Blackbirds 36-28 in the Class C Sectional finals.

It wasn’t until the spring sports season that a Voorheesville team defeated Hoosic Valley in a Sectional playoff game. The baseball team stunned the previously undefeated Indians 11-0 in the Class C quarterfinals. Voorheesville went on to win its first Sectional baseball title by shutting out Hoosick Falls 6-0 in the finals.

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# Streak

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run homer in the bottom of the first inning to help the Dutchmen grab an early lead. Elmira rallied several times, but the Pioneers couldn’t catch the Dutchmen.

Starting pitcher David Stagg scattered five hits and struck out nine batters in 5.1 innings of work to pick up the victory for Albany. Cody White pitched out of a bases-loaded jam later on, and Ricky Schafer tossed two innings of relief to earn the save.

Kendall Konopka

doubled and singled for Elmira. Konopka also made a catch in center field to rob Remillard of a double.

The weekend for Albany began with a 7-1 loss to Mohawk Valley last Friday in Little Falls. Eric Helmrich belted a three-run homer in the fourth inning for the Diamond Dawgs, and starting pitcher Joe Michaud limited the Dutchmen to one run on five hits over the first five innings.

Jack Wietlispach doubled and singled for Albany, and Remillard drove in the Dutchmen’s lone run.

Albany traveled to Amsterdam Monday.

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## Christensen receives honor

Bethlehem midfielder Liam Christensen is one of four midfielders named a first team all-star by the Suburban Council boys lacrosse coaches for the 2012 season. Christensen led the Eagles with 65 points (35 goals and 30 assists).

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## Weekly poll

Who is your coach of the year?

- Mike Campisi (Shenendehowa boys soccer)
- Corey Gregg (Mohonasen boys soccer)
- Courtney Hill (Shaker girls lacrosse)
- Kyle Turski (Voorheesville baseball)

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## Last week's poll results:

Who is your coach of the year for Delmar/Guilderland?

- Kyle Turski 57%
- Curtis Snyder 37%
- Henry Mormile 6%
- Tom Rogan 1%

# 2011-12 in review

Bethlehem girls soccer, Voorheesville baseball among Sectional champs

By ROB JONAS  
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With graduation day coming up, let's look back at highlights from the 2011-12 high school sports season, school by school.

### Bethlehem

Soccer and volleyball dominated the fall sports scene in Bethlehem.

The girls soccer team won its fourth consecutive Section II Class AA title by edging Shenendehowa 3-2 in an overtime thriller. Dana Donnelly's corner kick curled into the Shen goal to give the Lady Eagles the championship. Bethlehem then defeated Liverpool 2-0 for its first regional title before losing to Arlington in the state semifinals.

The boys volleyball team claimed its second consecutive Sectional title by defeating Shen in the Class A finals. The Eagles reached the state tournament, where they finished the pool play portion of the competition with a 3-3 record.

The boys soccer was also highly competitive during the fall season. Bethlehem won the Suburban Council South Division title and got as far as the Sectional semifinals before being upended by Colonie.

During the winter months, the Bethlehem boys basketball team edged Guilderland for first place in the Suburban Council South Division standings and made it to the Sectional quarterfinals before losing to Troy. Along the way, the Eagles won their first playoff game under head coach A.G. Irons when they defeated Albany 68-49 in the opening round.

Bethlehem made a bid for the Capital District High School Hockey League regular season title before stumbling late in



Rohin Bose and the Bethlehem boys tennis team returned to the top of the Section II Class A heap when it defeated Guilderland 5-4 in last month's championship match.

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the regular season. The Eagles finished fourth in the Division I standings and then lost to Christian Brothers Academy in the Sectional quarterfinals.

Matt Crawford turned in a strong performance at the state indoor track and field meet. The senior placed second in the boys 600-meter run with a time of 1:20.62.

In the spring, Bethlehem's boys tennis team returned to the top of the Section II heap by edging Guilderland 5-4 in the Class A finals. The Eagles avenged a 5-4 loss to the Dutchmen in the 2011 team final in the process.

The Bethlehem baseball team had the biggest comeback of the

year. After starting the Suburban Council season with a 2-7 record, the Eagles won six consecutive games to make the Class AA Sectional field. Bethlehem lost to Troy in the opening round, though.

Golfer Victor Fox had to wait until June to compete in the state tournament after qualifying back in October. Fox's clubs didn't accumulate any rust, though, as he placed fourth with a two-day score of 152. No other Section II golfer placed in the top 30 at the state tournament.

### Guilderland

The girls soccer team turned ☐ **Review Page 31**

## Outlaws end home streak

Oneonta scores early and often to defeat Albany Dutchmen

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The Oneonta Outlaws ended Albany's home winning streak at three games by beating the Dutchmen 10-4 in Sunday's Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League game at Bellizzi Field.

The Outlaws (5-3) scored twice in the top of the first inning and added three runs in the top of the third to take a commanding 5-0 lead. Catcher Shane Crain led Oneonta with three hits, including a home run in the third inning.

Logan Brown also had three hits, and Zac Johnson tripled and singled for the Outlaws, who are playing their first season of PGCBL ball after winning the New York Collegiate Baseball League title last year.

First baseman Ben Douglas singled twice for Albany, which had won its first three home games of the season. Starting pitcher Austin Chase took the loss after allowing five runs on 10 hits in five innings of work.

The Dutchmen got off to a good start and hung on for a 6-5 victory over Elmira in Saturday's Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League game at Bellizzi Field.

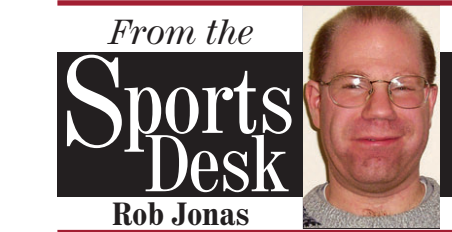
Latham native Will Remillard belted a three- ☐ **Streak Page 31**

# Last of Shen's old guard departs

The old guard is history at Shenendehowa. With James Carrese's announcement that he was leaving the baseball team last week, the Clifton Park high school lost its fourth coach with 20 or more years on the job in the last 10 months. Football coach Brent Steuerwald, boys soccer coach Mike Campisi and girls basketball coach Ken Strube announced their retirements between August 2011 and the beginning of January.

To the best of my knowledge, this may be the first time four long-tenured coaches from the same school retired in one school year. It's likely it will be the last time such an occurrence happens.

The reason why it won't happen again is because coaches rarely stay at the same school for more than two decades (or, in the case of Steuerwald, 44 years). Young coaches often hop from school to school as they pursue better or more high-profile



jobs. And in today's high school sports world where wins often supercede player development and parents are more apt to question coaches' decisions, careers can be derailed in a hurry.

The two things Steuerwald, Campisi, Strube and Carrese did well in their long careers at Shen were produce winning teams and well-rounded athletes. Between them, they produced 85 Suburban Council titles, 32 Section II championships, 12 state titles and 1,789 victories. Staggering numbers, but they will tell you those stats pale in

comparison to the number of athletes they worked with who went on to have successful lives, either in or away from sports.

Shen Athletic Director Chris Culnan must find a replacement for Carrese, and if past history is any indication, that replacement will come from within the current baseball coaching staff. Culnan hired long-time assistant coach Brian Clawson to take over for Steuerwald on the football team, chose junior varsity soccer coach Jonathan Bain to replace Campisi and selected freshman girls basketball coach Joe Murphy to grab the varsity reins left behind by Strube.

Still, the coaching landscape at Shen is irreversibly altered. It will be obvious in September when Steuerwald isn't patrolling the football sidelines on Friday nights and Campisi isn't sitting in his lawn chair near the soccer bench. It will be obvious again in December when Strube isn't ☐ **Last Page 30**