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Nora Sampson of Delmar had a cat-themed party when she turned 8. Nora convinced her family to foster rescued kittens.

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A purrfect cause for local girls

Kitten Angels floats on donations to put thousands of kittens in homes

> By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

After the Sampson family of Delmar lost their 15-year-old cat Copper, their neighbor told them about Kitten Angels, a local kitten rescue organization that helps find loving owners for those they save.

Nora Sampson, 8, knew immediately

mother was on board, but Dad needed some coaxing.

"He wasn't sure at first, but I begged. Then he said 'OK," said Nora.

Wendy Sampson, Nora's mother, said they began by fostering four kittens. After they were all adopted, they took on seven more. Three of those have been adopted out, and one kitten they adopted themselves.

The kittens have their own room to live in when the family is that she wanted her family to serve as at work and school for the day. The \Box Cause Page 24

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Mixed opinions on BC bond

District eyes bevy of repairs and improvements: additional forum to come

> By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

Bethlehem Central School District officials are continuing to seek feedback from the community about bonding for facilities upgrades, and on a Monday, Sept. 10, forum, it was clear there is mixed opinion about the idea.

At the meeting, the district presented a state-mandated fiveyear plan developed by the district in 2011.

It identified about \$9.1 million of upgrades to be made over 10 years to fix up buildings, upgrade water and lighting fixtures and replace aging equipment. About another \$4 million would be needed to make expansive athletic facilities improvements and I.T. system upgrades.

The district is already about two years behind with the upgrades, and with budget constraints few options remain available but to bond for the projects.

"Putting something off or not addressing it will have cause and effects down the road. We all have to be cognizant of that," said Superintendent Tom Douglas, who added if a bond cannot be agreed upon, many of the projects would still need to be done. The money □ Bond Page 24

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Town Board race too close to call

Reinhardt leads Cunningham in Dem primary, Reform candidates pick up committee seats

By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

There is no clear winner in the Democratic primary for Bethlehem Town Board.

With former Town Supervisor Jack Cunningham bringing in 1,580 votes in Thursday's primary, Reform Democrat candidate Bill Reinhardt held a slight lead with 1,673 votes, according to unofficial returns. According to the Albany County Board of Elections, 250 absentee ballots will still need to be counted before a winner is declared.

Cunningham said his campaign made it a point to encourage residents to obtain absentee ballots if needed. In total, 352 absentee ballots were requested within the town. What was clear is a significant number of Reform-backed candidates won seats on the County Democratic Committee.

"Some people might say the word of the night is reform. I certainly don't know about that, but there has been a bit of change," said Cunningham on Thursday night.

Cunningham said he was proud to have run a positive campaign and added it helped people to recognize the type of person and politician he is.

"I ran a tireless campaign," he said. "I **Race** Page 29



Bill Reinhardt waves a flag and thanks voters for voting Thursday, Sept. 13.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

Bethlehem Public Library to celebrate lending

Sign up day slated now that field trips phased out

By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

For children, there's often something magical about going to the library. That wonderment grows when they are given their first library card.

"A library card is often the first thing a child is able to keep in their wallet," said Cathy Brenner, Youth Services coordinator for the Bethlehem Public Library. "It allows them to take out books on their own without the need of mom or dad."

September is National Library Card Sign Up month and Bethlehem Public Library is hosting a specific day for children to come to the library and get their first card. On Saturday, Sept. 22, parents can bring in their children to play games, munch on snacks and participate in a festival-like atmosphere. They can then sign up for their first library card, learn about using the library and check out their first books on their own.

According to library officials, more than 19,700 people have a library card



September is National Library Card Sign Up month and Bethlehem Public Library is hosting a day for children to get their first card Saturday, Sept. 22.

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in the Town of Bethlehem, out of 26,609 residents. For the past two years, about 1,400 residents signed up for a card.

Brenner said area schools used to bring children to the library on a field trip, but because of budget cuts that no longer happens. So the library is now holding this special day.

"We think as soon as a child is in school they should have their own library card," Brenner said. "We want children patrons to know how "A library card is often the first thing a child is able to keep in their wallet. It allows them to take out books on their own without the need of mom or dad."

> – Cathy Brenner, Youth Services coordinator for the Bethlehem Public Library

important they are to us. We don't treat them differently from the adults who visit and they get the same privileges."

Brenner said having a library card has become

an increasing necessity over the years because of the growing demand for Internet use and access to special databases as school reports grow more involved. Also, many school libraries have limited resources and a cutoff on the number of items that can be checked out.

"We have well over 100,000 items in this library, while school libraries just don't have the volume of resources to offer," Brenner said. "The American Library Association says a library card is the best school supply you can have."

The day is not just for children. Brenner said adults can also come to sign up for a card or the day can be used as a no pressure way to come in and pay off fines or return overdue books. Those with really old cards can also ask for the updated version.

Library card sign up day will be held on Saturday, Sept. 22, at 2 p.m. Those looking to sign up for a card must bring a picture I.D. and proof of residence. Anyone under the age of 14 who wants a card must come with a parent or guardian.

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Breslin wins Dem line in the 44th by sizable margin

Fahy wins crowded 109th contest. faces **Danz in November**

By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

Democratic voters in the newly redrawn 44th State Senate District came close to speaking with one voice on primary night.

Incumbent Senator Neil Breslin beat Albany County Legislator Shawn Morse 15,645 votes to 6,392 votes, claiming more than 70 percent of the ballots. This will be Breslin's ninth term in office, as he faces no general election challenger, and he will represent the new 44th Senate District, which encompasses Bethlehem, Colonie and the cities of Albany, Troy and Rensselaer.

"I'm obviously very happy with the resounding nature of this win," said Breslin.

Morse said he was disappointed in the results.

"I knew from the beginning that going up against a long-term incumbent with deep machine support would be a challenge, but it was always a challenge worth taking on," said Morse.

He said he was proud of his campaign for not using personal attacks.

"We campaigned on the issues that really matter most to Capital Region families – ending unfunded mandates, lowering property taxes, rescuing



Volunteers for Democratic primary candidates Patricia Fahy and William McCarthy stand outside Bethlehem Town Hall with signs on Thursday, Sept. 13.

our upstate cities and finally cleaning up the state legislature," he said.

Earlier in the day, Breslin said the complete opposite about the Morse campaign, condemning his opponent's approach.

"I wish there had been more of a focus on the issues, because calling me all kinds of names doesn't help anyone," he said.

In a statement, Breslin said he was honored by the support of the voters and will now "focus on improving the educational system for all New York's children, helping working families, protecting women's hard-won rights and making health care more affordable.'

"With the primary race over, I commend Mr. Morse for his spirited campaign. I look forward to continuing my efforts to ensure that the residents of the Capital Region, and all New Yorkers, have their rights and dignity protected

by their state government," he said.

Breslin said he is happy the primary is over because he feels they are harder to run than general election races

"At least in theory, it's an intra-family fight, between family members and you're expected to ... get along with them after."

Fahy handily bests five others

Former Albany School Board member Patricia Fahy won the crowded Democratic primary race in the 109th Assembly District.

Six Democrats had been vying to succeed longtime Assemblyman Jack McEneny, including Fahy, County Legislator Christopher Higgins, Assistant Attorney General William McCarthy, former county Executive Jim Coyne, Frank Commisso Jr. and political newcomer Margarita Perez. Fahy



Sen. Neil Breslin votes at Bethlehem town hall on primary day, Thursday, Sept. 13. He ran against County Legislator Shawn Morse to win the newly redrawn 44th state senate district.

Photos by Marcy Velte/Spotlight

won with 5,045 votes, with Commisso Jr. following closest with 2,443 votes. Higgins came up third with 2,221 votes, followed by McCarthy, Coyne and Perez in last place with 445 votes.

The newly redrawn district is comprised of the southwestern parts of the City of Albany and the towns of Guilderland, New Scotland and Bethlehem.

"It's incredibly gratifying to win, especially with running a positive campaign and a grassroots campaign," Fahy said. "It shows you can do this without the big money that some of my competitors had."

According to Fahy, a majority of her contributions were in the



amount of \$109 or less.

Higgins congratulated Fahy in a release and said he looked forward to speaking with her about continuing to move the community forward, "such as making a county land bank a reality and ensuring our environment remains sustainable." No other candidates returned calls for comment.

Fahy said her plan now is to focus more on the issues, which she said was hard to do in the primary with such a large candidate pool. Her priorities include education equality, raising the minimum wage, campaign finance reform, creating green jobs and equal pay initiatives. She is also calling for a change to the education property tax formula, which she said is extremely difficult to understand.

"I think residents understand the value of a quality education, but know it cannot and should be placed on the back of taxpayers to provide," she said.

Fahy lost the Independence Party primary to Republican Candidate Ted Danz by a tally of 150 votes to 120 votes. In November's general election she will face Danz and Conservative candidate Joseph Sullivan, who, according to unofficial returns, narrowly retained his line in the face of an opportunity to ballot write-

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Police search for driver who smashed into building

Coeymans police are searching for a person who was involved in a car crash on Sunday, Sept. 16.

Police said they were incident around 7:30 a.m. where a vehicle drove into a vacant building on State Route 143. According to police, the entire front end of a Chevy SUV drove through a concrete block wall and hit a structural support beam. Emergency crews found the vehicle unoccupied, but blood at the scene lead authorities to believe someone inside had been injured.

Police and firefighters searched the area but found no one. They also began calling area hospitals and a rescue team with blood hounds was called in to search for the person, along with helicopter backup.

Police said the registered owner of the vehicle said he was not driving the SUV at the time and had been at home. DNA samples were taken from the scene. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Coeymans Police Department at 756-2059.

Teens charged with vandalism

Coeymans police arrested four teenagers for allegedly spray painting graffiti on the back of a business on Main Street in Ravena.

They were arrested on Friday, Sept. 14. Police said the owner of the business has called officers several times over the summer because of having his building spray painted. Police arrested three brothers aged between 14 and 18 years old and a 16-year-old girl. Their names were not released by police because they could potentially be considered youthful offenders.

All were charged with misdemeanor criminal trespass and making graffiti, and felony criminal mischief. The 14-year-old will appear in Albany County Family Court, while the rest were scheduled to appear in Ravena Village Court at a later date.

Other arrests

• Bethlehem police arrested a Greenville

man on DWI charges on Thursday, Sept. 6. Police said John McNerney, 43, of 248 North Road, Greenville, was stopped after turning left from a far right lane onto Elm Avenue at around 8 p.m. McNerney and his passengers were reportedly in a fight with a man at a local Stewarts and police were following up on the incident. McNerney was charged with driving while intoxicated and various traffic violations. No charges were filed in relation to the fight.

• Bethlehem police arrested a Cohoes man on DWI charges on Saturday, Sept. 8. Police said Robert Hughes, 24, of 14 Cascade St., Cohoes, was allegedly speeding throughout town and broke several traffic laws. Police pursued him but when Hughes realized he was being followed, he stopped the car and entered the CVS on Delaware Avenue, police said. He then got back in the car, but switched places with his passenger who then continued to drive. Police stopped the car and spoke with Hughes, now the passenger. He allegedly smelled of alcohol and had bloodshot eyes. After failing several field sobriety tests he was charged with DWI, aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, speeding and various other traffic violations.

• Bethlehem police arrested Delmar woman on DWI charges on Sunday, Sept. 9. Police said Katherine Graetzer, 39, of 823 Delaware Ave., was stopped by the Delmar bypass for speeding and running a red light around midnight. Police said her speech was slurred and she smelled of alcohol. Graetzer was charged with DWI and various other traffic violations.

• State Police arrested a Selkirk man and charged him with DWI on Sunday, Sept. 9. Police said Howard Shafer, 67, of 346 Maple Ave., was charged with DWI and failure to obey a traffic device.

Guilderland police arrested Jillian Rich, 20, on Saturday, Sept. 8, on the charge of DWI.
Guilderland police

arrested Timothy Wagoner, 39, on Sunday, Sept. 9, on charges of DWI.

• Guilderland police

arrested Michio Cohen, 24, on Sunday, Sept. 9, on charges of DWI and various traffic violations.

• Guilderland police arrested Kenneth Willette, 35, on Wednesday, Sept. 12, on the charge of felony burglary of a dwelling in the second degree.

• Guilderland police arrested Chris Godfry, 23, on Friday, Sept. 14, on charges of felony possession of a forged instrument in the second degree and felony criminal possession of stolen property, a credit card, in the fourth degree and petit larceny.

• Rotterdam police on Wednesday, Aug. 22, arrested Rosalie Jackson, 44, of 4th Street, Troy, on the charges of forgery in the second degree, a felony, criminal impersonation in the second degree and petit larceny.

• Rotterdam police on Wednesday, Aug. 22, arrested Randy Jackson, 46, of Corliss Park, Troy, on the charges of forgery in the second degree, a felony, criminal impersonation in the second degree and petit larceny.

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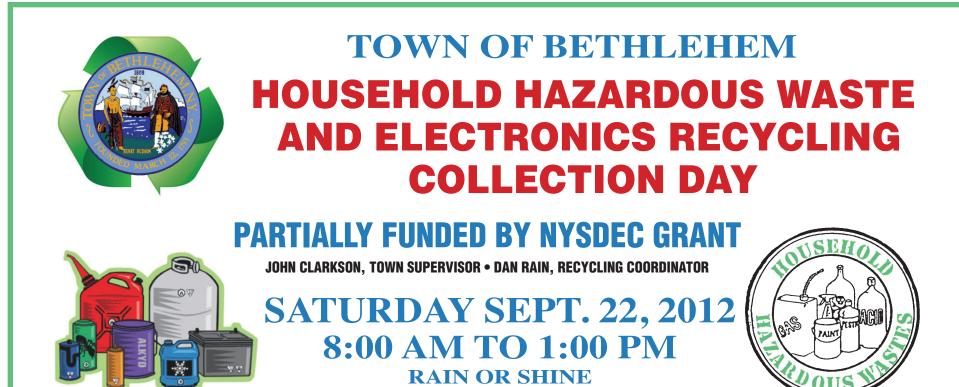
on Monday, Aug. 20, arrested Gregg Diegel, 31, of Woodlawn Street, Schenectady, on the charges of criminal mischief in the third degree, a felony, and petit larceny.

• Colonie police arrested Thomas J. Hood, 39, of 715 Downing Street in Niskayuna, on Sunday, Sept. 2, and charged him with burglary in the second degree.

• Colonie police arrested Kevin J. Berben, 27, of 30 Amilia Drive in Schenectady, on Monday, Sept. 3, and charged him with DWI and following too closely.

• Colonie police arrested Gerald Anthony Frazier, 37, of 323 Germania Avenue in Schenectady, on Saturday, Sept. 8, and charged him with criminal contempt in the first degree.

• Francis D. Jubic, 57, of 643 Waite Road, Clifton Park, was arrested on Thursday, Sept. 6, by the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office and charged with three counts of endangering the welfare of a child and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a residence.







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Bake a batch of biscuits for your best friend

By CAROLINE BARRETT

Like all good dog owners, we give Agnes a voice.

It turns out that our big-hearted black Lab has plenty to say. It starts when we walk in the door. She turns circles around our legs and acts all excited.

"Where have you guys been for so long?" We sing this out in our best Agnes voice. She seems to know when we are interpreting her thoughts and she licks our feet and turns circles even faster.

"OK, it doesn't matter where you were. Just as long as you're here now." We say this as we pet her head and reassure her. No, we answer, we're not going anywhere for awhile.

The voice we've given her is innocent and sweet. And in truth, a little dopey. It's a perfect match to her personality.

When we go for a hike, Agnes always comes along. The last one we did this summer was on a wandering trail along a river in the woods. The day was gorgeous: sunny and warm. Agnes stood patiently, waiting for her leash to be unhooked, and then she was off. She's good that way; on a hike she'll thunder ahead of us, just far enough that she can still see us, then come racing back and touch our legs with her wet nose.

That day we laughed as we said what surely she must have been thinking: "This is the best hike. This is my favorite trail. I love the way this tree smells. You guys are the best, hey aren't you coming, come on you're being so slow....." And on and on.

She ran off the trail now and then to jump into the sparkly water. There she'd wait for us, wondering when we would jump in too.

"Come on, girl," we called out to her we passed. She stood, saying,

"Uh-uh. No way. I'm not getting a haircut today," she says without looking at us. Her voice changes from bouncy and happy to sad and whiny. Elliot is spot on with this imitation.

And while Paul trims up the long fur on the backs of her legs, she stands in the driveway, shaking. Her sad eyes say, "This is terrible. It's just terrible for me."

There is also the humiliation a dog must endure in order to eat more dog treats. Paul likes to hold her head still and place a biscuit on her nose. She sits there, balancing her biscuit perfectly. Agnes looks up at me and in a deadpan voice says, "Really?" "I know," I tell her, "that's just downright embarrassing. "Embarrassing. Humiliating, too."

Agnes is also subjected to playing dress up, and for this she is game. Lucy ties my scarves around her head and Zoe dresses her in fancy shirts. For this, we imagine she is on the doggy runway and she trots around showing off, saying, "Look at me, darlings.'

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summer days, when there is almost always someone here to keep her company. Our mornings are a flurry of coffee, backpacks, dog treats, quick breakfasts, shoes, and then silence. All at once, we are gone. We try to sneak in a walk around the block or a few tennis ball throws before we leave for the day.

Being back in the school routine means quiet days for Agnes but busy ones for us. Often we walk in the door late in the afternoon, do homework and then go back out again.

She's been known to sit near a kid who is thoughtfully working on a homework assignment, and just stare. We know she's saying, "Hey you. Pay attention to me." It works. We throw down pencils and take her out to throw a stick or play tug-of-war.

Agnes eats each and every bowl of food like it's the best she's ever had. Yes, we pretend she's telling us just how much she loves her dinner. "Dog food? My favorite! days are quiet for Agnes. I love this stuff. This is

Aggie's Favorite Dog Treats 2 cups flour 1 cup rolled oats 1 cup peanut butter 3/4 cup chicken or beef broth Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix all

ingredients together in a large bowl. Scoop small spoonfuls of the dough onto a greased cookie sheet. Press to make flat, round cookies. Bake for 12 minutes or until browned and crisp. Cool completely and store in an airtight container.

Even so, we like to treat her now and then to homemade dog treats. The beautiful thing about baking for a dog: She is grateful no matter what they look like or whether they are a little burned on the bottom. She's there, of course, waiting for us when we walk in the

door. It goes something like this: "You're here you're here you're here! I'm so happy I love you guys!" She's back to her bouncy happy Agnes voice.

We pet her and feed her dog treats and tell her, "Yes Agnes. We love you too."

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.

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Highway robbery

Come the end of the month, there will be another hike on the New York Thruway tolls.

If you're like most of our readers, this toll change won't affect you directly. You'll drop your 30 cents or so into the till every time

you head west or east locally, just as always. For those who take a truck out onto the Thruway, though, the hike will be far from a simple inflation adjustment. The Thruway Authority



is proposing a 45 percent fee hike on trucks.

Truckers already pay some pretty stiff fees to use the Thruway. The bill for a typical five-axle tractor trailer to travel from exit 24 in Albany to exit 50 in Niagara Falls comes to more than \$65 if paying cash. The same trip is less than \$13 in a car. With a toll hike on trucks, that trip would be nearly \$100. Guess where that cost is going to get passed on to?

Everything is more expensive these days, including roads. Everyone can understand that. But when it comes to the Thruway Authority, what we see again and again is an unwillingness to do much of anything except spin the number on the toll chart forever upward.

The Thruway Authority took in \$634 million in tolls in 2011, which is about \$100 million more than it did in 2007. But interestingly, during that same period, traffic decreased by more than 10 million trips per annum.

These figures sum up the Thruway Authority's approach to budgeting fairly succinctly: If costs rise, then pass it on to the users, regardless of other trends. It also hints the Thruway Authority has done little to control costs despite a fundamental shift in the base of its revenue stream.

The interesting thing about the Thruway is the plan all along was to eventually remove the tolls altogether when the bonds for construction of the system expired in 1996. There have been some efforts to move in that direction. After the turn of the century, the tolls were removed on I-190 in Buffalo in what was largely a political gambit — a section of Downstate road was taken off the Thruway Authority's maintenance duties to make up for the loss of tolls, making the victory fairly hollow for taxpayers as a whole.

Clearly, the plan never panned out. And there are some decent reasons for that. Road maintenance and construction is not cheap — the annual cost of handling I-190 in Buffalo is about \$14 million, for example. If the cost of maintaining the entire 570 miles of the Thruway were shifted to the taxpayer, it would either be cataclysmic from an economic standpoint or the road would have to be left to deteriorate to dust.

Perhaps even more troubling than the numbers is the way in which this latest hike was put forward. The Authority scheduled three public hearings on the topic in Buffalo, Syracuse and Downstate. Notice anyplace missing? Assemblymen James Tedisco, R-Schenectady, and Steve McLaughlin, R-Melrose, held a local hearing that, while an excellent idea and important gesture, is sadly unlikely to effect change.

A big part of the problem is the unaccountability afforded by the Thruway Authority. Can you name a member of the Board of Directors? That is why New Yorkers should wholeheartedly support a proposal by Assemblyman George Amedore, R-Rotterdam, that would shift the power to increase tolls to the state legislature. Some might feel that is the path to true folly, but at least the citizenry would have the capacity to react to these tolls at the voting booth instead of merely producing their checkbooks.

Public schools are under pressure

By FELICIA BORDICK

This article originally appeared in Capital District Parent Pages.

Public schools are big news these days. There is a national dialogue about the need for improvement in our public schools and a complicated new process for evaluating teachers.

Since this new process reduces a teacher's value to a numerical score, we can assume it probably isn't a good thing for teacher/student relationships. In addition, parents will have to deal with the increased emphasis on mandated standardized testing in their children's classrooms.

During a time when public education has become the topic of national reform, there is more attention on our schools than ever before. Education is getting a lot of press, and it isn't all pretty. The headlines report tight budgets are leading school boards to cut teachers and academic programs, class sizes are increasing to save money, New York is mandating more testing, and on and on.

Enough already! Does anyone have something nice to say? Talk about taking the joy out of going to school! What happened to our Norman Rockwell painting, and when did it become more akin to "The Scream"?

Whether or not you believe this is a nightmare, it is time to start screaming. Your schools have been hijacked by state officials, ambitious politicians and someone called Pearson.

Do you know who Pearson is? Pearson is the test making, for-profit company that has a \$32 million contract with the state of New York. Speaking of Pearson, have you heard the one about the pineapple and the hare? No, it is not a joke. It refers to an actual Pearson eighth-grade reading test question involving a nonsensical story about a



talking pineapple. If you look up this story online you will get a big laugh, but then you will have to stop laughing when you remember that the state has a five-year contract with this company. By the way, this anecdotal account of a bizarre test question is all you're likely to ever know about the contents of any Pearson test. All tests are strictly confidential, and actual test papers are not to be shared with parents, teachers or administrators. Why? Because that five-year contract says so.

Test integrity is serious business, as evidenced by the newly formed Test Security Unit. A mere \$2.1 million increase in state funding will get this new agency off the ground so they can take care of all those demons that compromise test results. Believe it or not, one duty of the TSU is to analyze erasures! Come on, if we don't laugh, we will cry!

So where does that leave you as you prepare to send your child back to school this September? Get involved, attend PTA and school board meetings, speak up and ask lots of questions. Scream if you have to, but make sure you are heard!

Meanwhile on the home front, keep a positive attitude that is contagious and marked with a sense of humor. Give your child an encouraging pep talk at the start of school each morning. Make the message simple and consistent: "You are

What's your point?

The Spotlight welcomes longer opinion pieces for the Point of View section. Do you have a hobby or cause you feel passionate

passionate about? We'd love to share it with our readers.

Do you have information you think others would benefit from hearing about? Let us know.

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fine. I know you will always do your best. I am proud of you. And if something goes wrong at school, unless the sky is falling, hang in there and work it out. I have confidence in you. I promise when you get home we will make time to sit eye to eye and knee to knee to talk about your day. I love you."

If you have questions related to this article, please email them to kitchentabletime@ gmail.com.

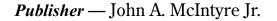
Felicia Bordick and her colleagues, Carol Smith and Joyce Thomas, are authors of "Kitchen Table Time: Recipes for School Success." Please feel free to contact Felicia Bordick with comments, questions, or suggestions at kitchentabletime@ gmail.com.

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- Leaf peeping 0%
- Football season 17%
- The apple harvest 17%

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Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Lack of political signs 5K race in Slingerlands turns out terrific a refreshing sight Editor, *The Spotlight*: volunteered countless race, the Bethlehem so that many afflicted

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

Bethlehem is an attractive community with well-tended green spaces and beautiful vistas. The town's new sign law helps to keep it that way.

The primary election was marked by signs on local lawns, a good means of informing neighbors and friends of the candidates they support. It was pleasant to drive along public highways and see them sign-free. Quite a contrast to the roads in other towns that were

littered with political campaign signs.

Kudos to the notfor-profit groups who asked for a change in the old law, to Supervisor Clarkson and the Town Board who enacted the new law, and to the town employees who enforce that law. We all benefit from this. (And shame on the politicians who illegally placed their signs in the traffic circles on the morning of the election.)

Tom and Marcy

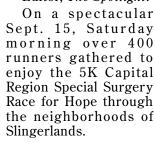
IN BRIEF

SCREAMS Club to hold first event

Students Craving Really Exciting Activities at the town Democrats would Middle School (SCREAMS) will be hosting its first event for the 2012-2013 school year on Friday, Sept. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Elm Avenue Park.

Fun Friday activities will include an outdoor rock climbing wall, DJ, refreshments, games and more.

SCREAMS is for all students in grades 6-8 who reside in the Town of Bethlehem or the Bethlehem School District. The Event is \$15 with preregistration by Sept. 19 (\$20 at the door) and includes membership to the SCREAMS Club. Check out the SCREAMS Club web page for details: www.townofbethlehem.org/pages/parksMain/ parksScreams.asp



It was a great event and a great morning. It was the third year that I had the good fortune to participate and I was thankful. Many thanks to those who

Time for town Dems **Corneil to unite as one group**

It seemed inevitable that the long brewing intra-party battle among spill into the public sphere. The difficult primary elections are over however, and the **Bethlehem Democratic** Committee is now an amalgamation of veteran as well as new talent and new ideas.

It is time for everyone to allow the dust to settle and to eschew any further hours to coordinate such a successful event, particularly the race organizers Drs. Ed and Sara Scheid, Marketing **Coordinator Sara Nicole** Mahoney and the entire Capital Region Special Surgery group.

Special accolades to the corporate sponsors, the U Albany scholar athletes who cheered on the participants, Hannaford for all the healthy food after the

Editor, The Spotlight: infighting. It is time for graciousness and goodwill to emanate from all involved. A unified party will be a strengthened party. Let's all appreciate the dedicated community service that has come

from so many over so many years and let's

all work together to

build an even better

Bethlehem. Paul Tick Delmar

Police Department for their directing traffic and all the volunteers . And kudos to the runners and walkers who participate for a great cause, the Community Foundation,

with brain, neck and spinal disorders will benefit from the race proceeds. Looking forward to next year! Robert Lazar

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Dear Bethlehem Democrats:

We would like to thank ALL of Bethlehem's Democratic voters for their record participation in last week's primary.

We believe we have achieved some important goals this primary season including providing a vehicle for Democrats to get involved with their local Committee. Your support for BRD candidates was appreciated and demonstrates the will of the voters to move forward with significant changes.

As we proceed, we will unite as Democrats to support our candidates at town, county and state

- Japanese Art & Cultural History
- The Elections of 2012
- Haydn: Revolutionary, Court Servant & Father of the Symphony
- Nelson Rockefeller's Albany
- Contemporary Challenges in U.S. ForeignPolicy

Classes start the week of October 1 at the Delmar Reformed Church. For course descriptions and a registration form see our web site at http://bcsd.k12.us/HILL or call 368-7029.

level.

And we will work with all of the Town's Democrats and Committee persons, whether newly elected or continuing, to produce the strongest and best Democratic Party we can have. Thank you again, because we know the Democratic Party can only flourish with your

support and participation.



The Spotlight

Soares secures Democratic primary nod

Incumbent DA does not face a challenger in November

By ZAN STRUMFELD strumfeldz@spotlightnews.com

"It's tough to dislodge an incumbent that's respected," said former Albany County Assistant District Attorney Peter Cristo.

Cristo was gathered with supporters of incumbent Albany County District Attorney David Soares, who will take a third term in office having beat a Democratic primary challenge by Lee Kindlon 14,498 votes to 10,132 votes.

Family, friends and colleagues of Soares gathered at Taste Restaurant on Beaver Street in Albany to celebrate the campaign. Soares finally arrived to the party around 11 p.m., after the victory was clear.

"(We) allow the thousands of Albany County voters to speak for us, and today they have," Soares said.

Soares said this particular race was a 'vicious campaign."

"I will tell you that the results reflect what I've always believed and that is the people of Albany County who are so much smarter than that ... do not play to the negativity," Soares said. "I thought it was a poor strategy. It is what it is, it's behind us

"In 2004 we promised a tough and smart approach to dealing with crime in public safety here in Albany County. We've had eight years to do just that. It's not just about fighting crime. It's really about building hope."

> - Albany County District Attorney David Soares

now."

With eight years under his belt, Soares said he doesn't know if he's going to be doing anything differently in the coming years because what he has been doing has been working.

"In 2004 we promised a tough and smart approach to dealing with crime in public safety here in Albany County. We've had eight years to do just that," Soares said. "It's not just about fighting crime. It's really about building hope."

Defeat set the tone for a more somber evening for Lee Kindlon, whose supporters gathered at Lynn's Uptown Sports Bar



in Albany.

"The election night didn't turn out as we hoped but I think we put up a good, strong fight. We had a lot of support," said Eddie Ayala, Kindlon's campaign manager. "It was a spirited campaign. We ran on the issues that we think are really important to voters."

Avala also said he doesn't believe the race was that dirty.

"Anytime you're running against an incumbent you have to point to their record...we felt that Mr. Soares' record over the last eight years in office...we didn't think it was something to be proud



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on so we ran against it," Avala said.

As for Kindlon's future, Ayala said he has a lot

of hope for the defense attorney.

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"Lee is only 36 years old. I think he's got a very bright future in whatever he decides to do, whether

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that's elected office or private practice," Ayala said.

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David Soares

Soares does not face a challenger in the November general election.





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Members of the Schenectady Photographic Society gather in the gallery area of the Voorheesville Public Library. The society has about 120 members and the work of about 40 members is shown in the current exhibit. Front row, kneeling, from left, are Harvey Gurien, Bob Coppola, Luba Ricket; standing, Bob Riccardo, Dale Winsor, Barb Lawton, Jack Hurley.

# Historian to lead walk around Voorheesville

Come take a walking tour of Voorheesville with village historian, author and poet Dennis Sullivan on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The walk will take you past historic buildings of 19th century Voorheesville. Dennis will discuss the social, cultural, and economic mix that makes Voorheesville unique in many ways. The tour will begin in the elementary school parking lot and finish at the library where cider and doughnuts will be served. Wear good walking shoes.

#### eReader open house

Friday Sept. 21, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Library staff will be holding free training sessions every half-hour. Drop in and learn how to borrow free digital books and audiobooks from the library's Overdrive collection. Bring your own eReader, tablet or smart phone, or sample the library's devices. Can't make it on this date? There will be another Open House on Thursday, Oct. 18 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., or call for an appointment for individual help.

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Zan his brother, but as he begins to communicate with Zan through sign language, he develops a true, loving connection with the little chimp, even as he realizes that his father views Zan as just a scientific specimen. What will happen to Zan when the experiment is over?

#### September Artist of the Month

On your next trip to the library, please be sure to take a stroll down the gallery hallway and enjoy our September Artists of the Month, The Schenectady Photographic Society.

Founded in 1931, the Schenectady Photographic Society offers programs and activities in the photographic arts for amateur and professional photographers alike. Over one hundred members from throughout the Capital Region share the theory, application and fun of photography at Society meetings. For more information, visit www.schenectady photographicsociety.com.

#### Holiday in NYC bus trip

On Saturday, Dec. 1, come join the Friends of the Library on their annual NYC Holiday in the City bus trip. The bus will depart at 7 a.m. from the middle school parking lot and return at approximately 11 p.m. Spend your day in NYC as you wish. The bus drops off and picks up at Bryant Park. This trip fills quickly. Bus price is \$35 per seat or \$30 for FOL members. Paid reservations may be made at the Circulation Desk at the library.

#### 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.

## Selling kids on science

First Saturday and First Monday 4 Kids returns in October with a look at cells that make up your body. Kids ages 8 to 12 can explore the parts of the cell with a taste of a 3D Jell-O model of an animal cell. Then, armed with all sorts of information about the cell and its parts, participants will create their own cell with clay to take home.

Sessions are held Monday, Oct. 1, at 4 p.m. or Saturday, Oct. 6, at 11 a.m. or noon. Registration is required; contact the library at 756-2053 or info@ rcscommunitylibrary.org

#### **Library storytimes**

Older siblings are back to the school routine by now. Are you looking for special time with their younger siblings? Library storytimes are fun, educational and free!

P O S I T I V E L Y PRESCHOOL returns to its regular 10:30 time on Thursday mornings at the Library with Miss Kathy Domery. In addition, it will now be offered on Monday afternoons at 4:30. Bring your preschoolers for a story and related craft, lots of smiles and a chance to meet new friends.

ROMP & READ offers stories, songs and games for the toddler set. Meet Miss Kathy Meyer in Selkirk on Tuesday mornings at 10 am at the Selkirk Firehouse on Route 396, east of Route

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9W. Romp and Read also meets at the library on Friday mornings at 10:30.

LIBRARY BABIES invites babies age 6 months to 2 years and their caregivers to join Miss Kathy Meyer on Friday mornings at 9:30am at the Library. Songs and finger plays, as well as lots of giggles, are a great way to start the morning with your baby.

Registration is not required. Questions? Call the library at 756-2053 or email, info@ rcscommunitylibrary.org

#### National Library Card month

As the community's students head back to school this September, the library wants to make sure that all children have the most important school supply of all – a library card.

Owning a library card gives students the resources they need to compete academically. The library can provide students free access to databases of news articles, encyclopedias and test preparation materials, as well as homework help and resources. In addition, public libraries are the number one place for free Internet access, an important resource for families without access at home – 96% of school districts require students to use the Internet to complete their homework.

The RCS Community Library also provides youngsters with exciting and engaging storytime programs that make learning fun. It is for these reasons that now, more than ever, a library card is the most important school supply of all.

Getting a library card is easy. Bring proof of your address (driver's license, rental agreement or utility bill) to the library and we will issue your card while you wait.

#### **Get computer savvy**

Excel is a spreadsheet program, useful at work and home to keep track of expenses, create calendars, and plan projects. Learn the basics of Excel to start; then, as the month progresses, learn and practice the many features of this program. Class size is small, allowing for individualized attention. Registration is required; call today to reserve your place.

•Excel Clinic. Tables and Illustrations: Excel is a great way to track your schedules or resources for projects. This clinic with briefly review Excel basic skills and build your confidence at including Tables and Illustrations.

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#### Teen Book Club resumes

The teen book club will resume on Thursday, Oct. 11, from 2:30 to 3:25 p.m. at the MS/HS library, with Mrs. Laiosa. The book club selection is "Half Brother" by Kenneth Oppel, and it can be picked up at the school library. "Half Brother" follows a teenager named Ben, whose parents, on his 13th birthday, introduce him to his new sibling: a hairy, swaddled baby chimp that will be raised as part of the family in an experiment run by Ben's father, a behavioral psychologist. At first, Ben resists calling

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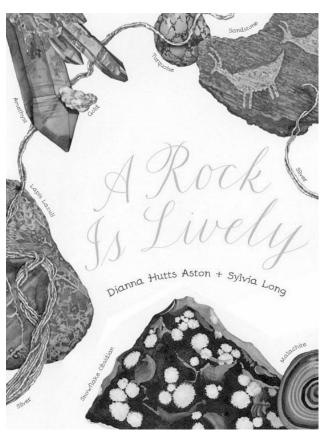
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"A Rock is Lively" by Dianna Hutts Aston is among the new offerings at the RCS Community Library.



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Tuesday, Sept. 25, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 11 a.m.

•Your Data in the Cloud

Is your computer hard drive full of photos, documents, and videos? Learn how to safely store your files in the "Cloud" with services like: DropBox, Google Drive, etc. Free up space and enjoy the convenience of having access to your files anywhere there is internet.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 11 a.m.

• Navigate State Civil Service Jobs Website

Ready for a job change? Learn how to find and apply for a wide variety of state and local government jobs through the civil service website.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 11 a.m.

Registration is required. Call 756-2053 or email from info@ rcscommunitylibrary.org to register.

#### What's new?

•New Children's Picture Books

"ABC Dentist" by Harriet Ziefert

"Bear Has a Story to Tell" by Philip Stead

"Bear Says Thanks" by Karma Wilson

"Creepy Carrots" by Aaron Reynolds "Helpful Puppy" by Kim

Zarins

"Llama Llama, Time to Share" by Anna Dewdney "My Brave Year of Firsts: Tries, Sighs and High Fives" by Jamie Lee Curtis "A Rock is Lively" by

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## Library wants to hear from tweens

The library is forming this year's Tween Advisory Board, and we want you on it! The first meeting is on Sunday, Sept. 23, at 2 p.m. Just show up!

Tweens ages 9 to 12 are welcome to join TAB. Librarian Debbie Sternklar holds TAB meetings throughout the year as a way for you to share your ideas for library programs, services, and materials. If you can't make this meeting, stop by the Youth Services desk to fill out an interest survey any time. Whether you join TAB, or provide advice, your voice counts!

#### Share your summer's best shots

Bring your summer photos to share at the Digital Photo Forum on Thursday, September 20 at 7 pm. Over the past few months, some special guests shared their photographic expertise, and taught the forum members some new techniques. If you've tried some of these techniques yourselves, or if you got some great shots over the

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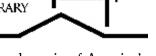
summer, bring them in and share with the group.

Also planned for the 9/20 forum: Discussing what guests we'd like to have visit and share in the months to come

#### **Guthrie centennial** celebration

Join the folk fest with your friends and neighbors as the Library celebrates Woody Guthrie's 100th birthday on Thursday, September 20 at 6:30.

The party starts with the showing of a wonderful documentary that chronicles Woody's life and music, Ain't Got No Home. Following the movie, singer/ songwriter/scholar Michael Eck will hold an "Everything You Wanted to Know about Woody Guthrie Q&A session. One special feature of the evening will be Michael performing excerpts from his program, "Bound for Glory: 100 Years of Woody Guthrie," using story and song to explore the life



and music of America's iconic balladeer.

#### Storytime registration

Storytime registration for Guilderland School District residents begins Monday, September 24, and opens to all on Thursday, Sept. 27. These two Storytimes require registration.

• Toddler Time: Wednesdays at 10:30 am through October and November

This storytime is for toddlers ages 19 months to 36 months, with a caregiver. We will spend some time together with puppets, books, and fun movement activities geared toward these active youngsters. Registration required.

 Preschool Registered Storytime for Children ages  $3\frac{1}{2}$  - 5 years old: Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Children attend registered storytime without a parent or caregiver. This is a special time for children to interact with new friends. Registration required.

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No registration is required for these sessions:

• Baby and Me: Mondays at 10:30, beginning Monday, Oct. 1

Baby and Me offers babies between the ages of 6 and 18 months and their parents/caregivers the opportunity to share time together at the library. No registration required.

• Drop-in Preschool Storytimes: Begin Monday, Oct. 1: Monday at 6:30 p.m.; Thursday at10:30 am; Friday at 10:30

Stories, songs, movement, crafts, movies and more all add up to good times with your preschoolers; all young siblings are welcome. No registration required.

Mark Curiale

For more information on these programs, please call the Library at 456-2400, or email info@guilpl. org. The Guilderland Public Library is located at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland.

## Get your free ticket to read this month

The American Library Association has designated September as American Library Card Month, and we're celebrating this Saturday, Sept. 22, at 2 p.m. with "Get a Library Card Day." Games, raffles, giveaways and more are in store. If you're under age 14, you'll need to bring a parent or guardian with a valid photo ID and proof of current residence to help you get your card. If you're 14 and older, bring your own photo ID. Besides our regular card, which comes with a corresponding key card, we have special kid-friendly cards for the



#### younger set.

A library card is free. With it you can borrow an unlimited number of books and movies, use our online resources at the library or at home, borrow museum passes, download audiobooks and ebooks, use our public computers, and request and renew library materials online. So join the fun this Saturday, and get your ticket to read.

#### Make a reading promise

When Alice Ozma was 9, her father promised he would read to her every night for 100 nights. A vocabulary, and broadens hundred nights became their horizons. More 1,000, and then 3,000. Their "reading streak" ended on Alice's first day of college. They had read

together every night for 3,218 nights.

Learn how to start and maintain a reading streak in your family at an informational meeting at the library this Friday evening, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. Our Reading Streak program is open to children and teens of all ages and their reading partners of choice. Children's attendance is encouraged but optional at this meeting.

The library will host periodic get-togethers for participating families to celebrate their reading streaks and share their experiences.

Reading to children improves their narrative skills, expands their important, this simple act creates an intimate emotional bond that lasts a lifetime.

#### Paws to read

Monday, Oct. 8, 1 to 3 p.m.

Children in grade 1-5 can stop in and read to the purrfect dog.

#### Daybooks

Monday, Oct. 8, 1:30 p.m.

The Submission by Amy Waldman. New members welcome. Copies available at the information desk. Audio copies may also be available.

#### **Bethlehem Public** Library board

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 6:30 p.m.

Open to the public. Louise Grieco

All library



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



## **Come catch 'In the Heights'**

You will not want to miss "In the Heights" at the Cohoes Music Hall on Saturday, Sept. 22, at 3 p.m. The cost is \$26.50. This show is an award winning musical about life in Washington Heights, one of Manhattan's most vibrant communities. Senior transportation will leave Town Hall at about 1:30 p.m. Home pick up can be arranged. Suggested van donation: \$5. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176. to be added to the wait list for this show.

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

#### Tuesday, Sept. 25

• 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 to 10 a.m. No registration is necessary. \$3 fee per class.



#### Wednesday, Sept. 26

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

#### Thursday, Sept. 27

•Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar at 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. We play mah jongg, bridge, bingo and pinochle. All seniors are welcome. Bring a sandwich and join others for lunch if you wish. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176 for more information.

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

#### Friday, Sept. 28

• Driving Safely: Concerns for Older Drivers.A panel discussion will be held at the Bethlehem Public Library, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, presented by Donna Stressel, Sunnyview **Rehabilitation Hospital** and Jeffrey Vunck, retired Bethlehem police officer. For transportation, call 439-5770.

• 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 to 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

## **Meals on Wheels help sought**

We are currently seeking volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels to area homebound residents weekdays from 10-11:30 a.m. a.m. Please call Cindy @ the **Guilderland Senior Office** @ 356-1980 ext 1048 for more information.

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

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#### Thursday, Sept. 20

Scheduled Shopping 9 a.m. OsteoBusters 9:30 a.m. Blood Pressure

10 a.m. to noon Scheduled Legal Aid, Food Stamp & Medicaid Appts

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#### Friday, Sept. 21

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# SCCC project getting finishing touches

#### New music building unveiled. final construction under way

#### By JOHN PURCELL purcelij@spotlightnews.com

Schenectady County Community College now has a building that reflects the caliber of the music program it hopes to present, and it is striking a chord with faculty members.

Students are already sitting in the lounge area with laptops open and coffee in hand in the college's new music building, which is a \$3.9 million, 12,600-square-foot addition to the current facility. The addition connects to the current music wing, which has also received several updates in the project.

Construction started in the spring of 2011 and was nearly completed before the start of this semester. The Dormitory Authority of the State of New York and Schenectady County provided equal funding for the project, with the college shouldering the cost to outfit the modern facility.

As SCCC School of Music Chair William Meckley showed off the new space on Tuesday, Sept. 11, he was brimming with happiness and a smile rarely left his face. He called the project "The Great Leap Forward."





"It has changed actually the whole mood of the place, just having a facility like this," Meckley said. "It also makes the faculty feel good because it makes them feel like people have confidence in what they are doing. To step up like this is quite a big deal."

College Board of Trustees Chairwoman Denise Murphy McGraw said the project has been a "10-year labor of love" for college administrators and faculty.

The first floor of the new building has teaching studios, an industrystandard live recording studio, two specialized music classrooms, faculty offices and a student lounge. The second floor includes a recording studio with a separate control room, recital space, teaching studios and faculty offices. The addition is rounded off with eight additional practice rooms and a new façade with towering windows.

Construction and outfitting of the recording studio and control room were still ongoing, with workers installing the bamboo floor in the studio



on Sept. 11. The new

combination space will

offer students a place

not only in the studio

performing, but also

wielding the mixing board.

are classrooms offering

students digital training

in recording and music

notation. The college is

using Avid Pro Tools for

the music production

software and Sibelius for

notation software. Since

On the first floor, there



SCCC's new music building welcomed students at the start of the fall semester with expanded offerings and new areas for students to practice or just lounge. At top left, a worker on Tuesday, Sept. 11, places bamboo flooring in the recording studio on the second floor.

the industry has become

more digitally focused, it

has made keeping up with

current technology more

studio, it used to be

with electronics every

five years you got to

(replace it), now it is buy

new software," Meckley said. "We are still going

to invest significantly in

electronics, but so much

more of it now is just buy

"In the recording

affordable.

#### John Purcell/Spotlight

the new software, which is not inexpensive, but it is not like replacing racks and racks of electronics."

The new building is complemented by the student housing being offered at SCCC, which Meckley said was a barrier before with the program. He said many students would visit the campus, but a lack of housing would be a deal breaker for people outside of the area.







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## **Eatery to carve out Crossgates niche**

A new Brazilian steakhouse is coming to Crossgates Mall.

Texas De Brazil Churrascaria (steakhouse) is set to open at the mall in 2013, according to Crossgates officials. The restaurant is said to be a blend of "Brazilian cooking and southern Texas hospitality." The buffet will offer 50 items including soup, salad, vegetables and side dishes, while carvers will come to each table with offerings of beef, pork, lamb, chicken and sausage. Also offered is an expansive wine selection and dessert menu.

Texas De Brazil was founded in 1998 and is family-owned and operated. The company owns 21 domestic operations and three international restaurants. New locations in New York are planned in both Albany and New York City.

The restaurant will be located on the lower, east wing of the mall. An exact date for the opening has not been set, but those interested are encouraged to join the Texas De Brazil e-club to receive location updates and special offers.

For more information, visit www.texasdebrazil.com

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### Hazardous waste collection

The Town of Bethlehem is holding a Household Hazardous Waste and **Electronics Collection** Event on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Highway Garage, 74 Elm Ave. East, Selkirk. Bring your paint, household chemicals, automotive fluids, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, electronics and more. See www. townofbethlehem.org for accepted items and full details.

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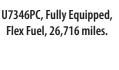


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# **BC** lobbies for school DARE officers

#### **Town's compost** facility operates in the red, marketing of product discussed

#### By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

The Town of Bethlehem is considering making changes to two community programs on its way to a balanced 2013 budget.

On Wednesday, Sept. 12, Bethlehem Central School **District Superintendent Thomas** Douglas spoke before the board on how reductions to school resource and DARE officers would affect the district. Also at the meeting was the town's Recycling Coordinator Dan Rain, who presented a comparison of local compost facilities and their operations.

The town is looking to close a nearly \$3.5 million budget gap. The town's Budget Advisory Committee suggested over the summer eliminating the town's compost facility would save between \$100,000 and \$200,000. Bethlehem also contributes about \$338,000 to help pay for three school

resource officers who also teach Drug Abuse Resistance Education to elementary school students. The district chips in an additional \$45,000 for the service.

### **District could** adjust to losing cops

Douglas said if the town decided to cut funding from the district for resource officers, the situation would not be ideal, but adjustments could be made.

"We sympathize with the situation everybody's under and this is by no means something that we're not use to as a district," he said. "There are very difficult decisions ahead because of the fiscal realities that have been placed upon school districts and municipalities across the state."

Board members asked Douglas to speak at the meeting because they are considering at least a reduction in the number of officers the town allots to work in the district. Douglas told the board he did his dissertation on resource officers and how their presence contributes to a school's atmosphere.

He said the officers are needed at the middle school and high school levels because they are able to bond with students, which often helps to solve or stop crimes involving students because they "are typically more plugged into the community." The superintendent also said the DARE program is important not only to teach small children about the dangers of drug use, but for them to learn respect for police. He called some of the work "vital."

Douglas said having an officer on campus also helps because incidents involving drugs, weapons and fighting must be reported to authorities. By having the officer there, one doesn't have to be pulled off the streets for something that could be considered "minor," he argued.

When asked, Douglas said he would recommend keeping at least one officer on staff because of the size of the district. He also said the district would continue to budget \$45,000 in funding to contribute to SROs and DARE, but it is unlikely more money could be found.

"A full-scale elimination

would definitely have an impact and effects," he said.

"It took two and a half minutes to respond to Columbine," said Douglas, giving a hypothetical situation of cases he's studied. "With an SRO, some the situations that have happened since have minimized the travesties ... because of their presence."

#### Town's compost doesn't make green

The Town of Bethlehem's **Compost Facility operates** at a loss, but officials say that's something that could be changed. The Selkirk site operates at a cost of nearly \$359,000 annually, but takes in just \$46,000.

"If we were to close the facility, we would have to pay for another means of disposal which could be upwards of \$250,000 for the year, so those two numbers alone don't show the whole picture," Rain said.

As part of the budget process, Rain and staff members from the Highway Department spent time touring the Schenectady

County Compost Facility and the Oneida Herkimer Compost Facility in Utica to determine how to create more revenue for the town. A specialist was also brought to tour the Bethlehem facility, which takes in leaves for compost and then distributes the compost for free to residents, or for a fee for commercial use.

Bethlehem is considered by state officials to have created an exemplary product that is environmentally sustainable, said Rain, but factors like aging equipment, lack of a grinder and being unable to collect tipping fees have contributed to the facility being in the red. Also, the town has not been marketing its product to generate sales.

Jean Bonhotal, a composting specialist with Cornell Waste Management Institute, suggested finding new uses for the product and developing better relationships with private businesses. She also said marketing the compost to homeowners and residents by bagging it could raise revenue and awareness of the product.

Rain found compost facilities

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## **Mathew Tully survives Afghanistan suicide bombing**



Local lawyer and National Guard Lt. Col. Mathew Tully on Khybar Pass in Afghanistan. Tully was injured in a suicide bomber attack on Aug. 7. Submitted photo

#### Local attorney awarded Purple Heart. recovering from injuries

#### **By JOHN PURCELL** purcellj@spotlightnews.com

National Guard Lt. Col. Mathew Tully was awarded the Purple Heart after surviving a suicide bomber attack on his unit serving in Afghanistan.

Tully, co-founder of the Tully Rinckey law firm, sustained injuries on Tuesday, Aug. 7, when a suicide bomber attacked his unit using a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device near the Village of Pul-I-Alam in Logar Province,

Afghanistan. Tully is still recovering from wounds. No U.S. service members were killed in the attack.

Tully and Greg Rinckey founded Tully Rinckey, PLLC, in 2003. Tully is on military leave of absence from the law firm and he serves as a combat arms officer.

Tully is expected to return to his leadership role at the law firm in the spring of 2013, according to firm representatives.

"Matt has made many sacrifices in his long service to our country, and I'm proud to run a business with him," Managing Partner Greg T. Rinckey said in a statement. "We are

hoping for his speedy recovery as I'm sure he's eager to get back to fighting beside our troops in the field."

Tully also received his **Combat Action Badge last** May after hostile forces armed with AK-47 rifles and rocket-propelled grenades attacked his unit serving in Iraq.

"I have stood eve-toeye with communists and terrorists and it is all because of military experience," Tully told *The Spotlight* before his ongoing deployment.

Tully previously said coming back home isn't the easiest thing, either.

"When you go through experiences like that it is difficult to relate to people

that haven't," he said. "(My wife) wasn't able to experience those emotions that you go through that are there ... A lot of times you don't want to tell those things to someone you love."

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On Veterans Day last year, Tully announced he was stepping down from his position of chief humane law enforcement officer of the Schenectady County SPCA before his scheduled deployment in July. He was the first chief of the local SPCA.

David Dean, former Detective Sergeant for the Troy Police Department, was sworn in as the new chief humane officer for the SPCA at the beginning of January.

### Kennedy to talk at Albany Institute

September is **Prostate Cancer** 

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Pulitzer Prize-winning author William Kennedy will speak at the Albany Institute of History and Art on Sunday, Sept. 30, at 2 p.m.

Kennedv will tell stories about how Albany has changed during his lifetime, including downtown, Capitol Hill, Center Square, the advent of the South Mall. the eradication of the Gut, the changes wrought after the decline of the Dan O'Connell/Erastus Corning machine, the leadership of Mayors Tom Whalen and Jerry Jennings, and the role of Nelson Rockefeller in these changes. Kennedy

will also talk about his experiences researching these topics in the Institute's library as well as at the New York State library and the Albany Public Library.

Kennedy won the Pulitzer Prize for "Ironweed," which was turned into a movie shot in downtown Albany.

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## Finance in the Spotlight

## Nine tips for recovering from a financial setback

By ANTHONY LANZILLO, Senior Vice President, KeyBank

urphy's Law states: "If something wrong can go wrong, it will go wrong, and at the worst possible time." If you're currently experiencing a financial setback, chances are you're shaking your head in agreement.

However, here's another law of probability that provides levity. It comes from the pages of quantum mechanics, and it states: "if it can happen, it will happen." and while it doesn't rule out the financial setbacks most

it at least accounts for the available for people facing possibility and high probability of financial recovery.

The truth is, financial setbacks leave us feeling vulnerable. Whether you're a fresh college graduate with you've hit a financial setback, hefty student loans or an you need to accept the fact established professional who that your life has changed; has lost track of finances or you cannot live like you did your job, the timing is never good. But where you go from order. Figure out what your the low is up to you. More new normal is and stabilize it. important, if you create the opportunity for recovery to not easy when you have to happen, it's a near statistical certainty that it will. The to finances. You have to cut following nine tips will help get you on your way.

likes to admit when they're at fault for something, especially when it involves money. If you accept the fact that you got yourself into this situation, it you'll be able to keep better will only be that much easier to get yourself out of the situation. Reflect and identify what caused you to get to the financial setback you're currently facing and think about what you could have to develop a strategic plan done differently.

Once you realize you've to be financially in the next landed yourself in a financial few months? The next few slump, it doesn't mean it's years? Beyond? If you're the end of the world. Keep in having difficulty meeting your mind that while your current financial obligations, contact situation may be difficult, the creditors and negotiate a setback is only temporary. new payment plan. Most What's important is for you to look at the situation and ask yourself: is this a one-time setback or is it an partial payments. ongoing issue that has yet to be resolved? think "why do bad things always happen to me," you'll remain a walking Murphy's Law billboard. Get proactive. Work through the situation and resolve to recover. If you waste all your energy wondering why you always end up in bad situations, you not throwing in the towel. won't have any energy left to solve the problem.

financial advisors to help you align your finances so you have a cushion next time you encounter financial hardship. The more knowledge you

can gain now, the better off you'll be later.

5. Evaluate resources. It's necessary to determine what resources you have available to you. This includes your own accounts as well as insurance and loans. Depending on your current of us inevitably go through, situation, resources are

financial setbacks. Do your homework and research what's out there. Your banker can help.

6. Adapt realistically. When when your finances were in

7. Exercise discipline. It's change the way you live due back on spending, which often means less socializing. 1. Be accountable. No one Evaluate what you can and can't live without and look at the month as a whole. If you plan ahead, there's less room for spontaneous spending and track of expenses.

8. Develop goals. Now that you've accepted your situation and understand your life is changing—at least temporarily—it's time and define your financial 2. Maintain perspective. goals. Where are you looking companies are willing to work with you if you're in a financial hardship and can only afford

change vou're habits, situation, align your goals, financial house, chances are understand that you're restructure your lifestyle it will happen. Not only is it increasing the probability and move forward. It's all basic quantum mechanics, that another financial setback about attitude. Think positive it is also financial common could happen again. Seek out and know that if you create sense.

4. Seek help. If you don't is a process. Accept your the opportunity to fix your

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## Money saving tips

when you're facing and/or recovering from a financial setback, saving money can seem both impossible and impractical. It's not. So if you're struggling in your current financial situation, take a deep breath and honestly analyze your spending. Look at what vou're doing on a daily basis and see what changes can be made. By changing your habits slightly, you will be amazed how much you can save each month. Here are some simple yet effective tips to save money every day.

Cook at home more often. Leave the stress of work behind and focus on cooking a healthy and satisfying meal.

Make your own coffee. Instead of buying a pricy

Saving money can be cup of coffee at your favorite hard, even in good times. But coffee shop, make it yourself. The amount you spend on your coffee shop coffee per week could pay for an entire supply of coffee for a month if you made it yourself.

> Brown bag your lunch. Put vour leftovers from last night in anything expensive. Do your a container and bring it to work.

Make a list before you go grocery shopping. Have a plan and stick to it to avoid buying whatever looks good at the time.

Be familiar with your bank balance and avoid overdraft fees. If you need help reconciling your finances, talk with your banker.

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**Avoid impulse buying.** Ask yourself, can I live without it? If the answer is yes, then don't buy.

Also, if you're a parent, keep in mind that your relationship with money is the greatest influence on your children's future relationship with money. Be a good financial role model. It's an investment in your future as well as your child's.

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# **Oktoberfest planners hope for sun**

#### **Glenville to host third** annual German festival. with more attractions for kids and teens

#### By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

Attendance at last year's Oktoberfest in Glenville was washed out as Mother Nature rained on the festivities.

"Last year, it was really poor weather and the crowd was really affected," said James MacFarland, director of operations for Glenville. "This year, we are hopeful for better weather. We have had a great summer so we a optimistic in that regard."

Organizers may be hoping for clear skies, but they're better prepared for weather to take a turn for the worst. David Hennel, chairman of the volunteer event committee, said at this year's event there will be even more tents located

outside. Last year helped organizers learn ways to better deal with inclement weather.

"We do have some big tents that will there this year if there is a chance there is not ideal weather," Hennel said. "We are able to move a lot of the stuff indoors or under cover if there is that chance."

Although if you ask Hennel, there is no chance bad weather might be looming. His mind is focused on the sun shinning bright, or at least having dry ground.

Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29, from noon to 9 p.m., at the same location at the Richmor Aviation Hangar and surrounding area. The hangar is located at the Schenectady County Airport off Route 50 by the Thomas Corners Fire Department.

Hennel said the first year of the event drew around 5,000 people and he is hoping to top that number. The



A festive but sparse crowd turned out at last year's Oktoberfest event in Glenville.

event committee of 12 has

met for nine months to plan

the event and almost 100

thing for everybody," Hen-nel said. "I think we have a

really good mix of fun stuff

for people to do and the op-

"It truly is a little some-

volunteers will help run it.

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There is a long list of activities at this year's event, including laser tag, a rock climbing wall, inflatable obstacle course, smoke house safety exhibit and pumpkin and face painting, along with other activities.

"There is a lot more activities for the kids and that

was something that people suggested. Hennel said.

The Harvest Area will feature various local vendors and nearby will be the Cruise-In car show featuring classic cars and other eye-catching rides. The first event had more than 100 cars showcased.

The Cruise-In is offered to all vehicles and motorcycles at no cost, but participants are required to arrive between 10:30 and 11 a.m. the day of the event. Anyone interested can register their vehicle by contacting Richard DiCresce, of Enterprise Auto Sales, at 382-0054.

The event, of course, also features of bevy of traditional German food and brew for people to enjoy. Inside the hangar, German bands will perform to entertain people as they eat or relax.

Any money raised at the event, which features free admission, is put back into holding it and to host more

features and attractions. The Town of Glenville, Glenville **Business Professional Asso**ciation and Richmor Aviation present Oktoberfest, but there are several sponsors helping fund it.

The event was the brainchild of the town's Small **Business and Economic** Development Committee, MacFarland said, which aims to showcase local businesses while providing an entertaining experience.

"It is a free, fun community event that raises the profile of Glenville," MacFarland said.

Hennel has chaired the event committee for all three years and said he continues working on the festival because he enjoys seeing people coming to it and having a good time.

"It is neighbors actually getting a chance to talk to each other," he said. "Most people are there long enough for two meals."



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# **Foodies scuttle to Joe's Crab Shack**

#### Patrons start lining up night before at Latham eatery

#### By ZAN STRUMFELD strumfeldz@spotlightnews.com

Hundreds of hungry, crab-loving customers waited outside for hours at the grand opening of Joe's Crab Shack on Monday, Sept. 10, in Latham.

The seafood shack stands at the location of the former Dakota Steakhouse at 579 Troy Schenectady Road. The Houston, Texas-based chain is the fourth location to open in New York State. The Latham eatery seats 294 guests and has a large patio, as well as a playground on the premises.

"It's a fun place with great food served by passionate people," General Manager Gary Tromblee said.

The fun began at 11 a.m., with anxious patrons lined up to enter the restaurant. Upon entering, customers were greeted with high fives from the servers.

Tromblee said Joe's specialties are, naturally, anything that has to do

with crabs, including Joe's Classic Steampot which has Dungeness crab, sweet Snow crab, boiled shrimp and smoked sausage.

Tromblee also emphasized the handson interactive experience Joe's offers. He said servers are there to help coach guests on how to properly eat crabs. The family-oriented location also offered something special for their grand opening: the first 100 patrons in line received a free bucket of crab each month for a year.

This bargain sparked more than hunger in some patrons. Kent Pugliese, 34, of Selkirk started waiting in line at 8:30 p.m. Sunday evening.

"We were worried if we didn't come the day before we wouldn't make it in," Pugliese said.

Pugliese and his two friends, who all write for their own food blog, crfoodies.com, slept on chairs in sleeping bags until the restaurant opened. The initial critique was positive.

"I love seafood. A couple of their steampots came highly recommended, as well as



Seafood fans eagerly flocked to the grand opening of Joe's Crab Shack in Latham Monday, Sept. 10.

their spicier ones, which I love," Josie Donahue, 31, of Colonie said.

Joe's Crab Shack is also working with Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry campaign throughout the entire month of September. For each donation (\$1, \$5 or \$10), patrons receive either a free key lime pie, free order of crab nachos or a free classic steampot.

"It's a different flavor and atmosphere than the Capital Region has already," Pugliese said. "It's just a fun atmosphere."







It was a festive atmosphere inside the restaurant and out as the Texas-based chain opened its fourth location in New York state.

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## **Entertainment** in the Spotlight

#### **By JACQUELINE M. DOMIN** dominj@spotlightnews.com

oretta Hackney's fundraising for the Relay for Life isn't confined to the couple of weeks or even months before the event. Hackney collects money year round for the overnight walk that benefits the American Cancer Society, trying to hold events at least every other month, if not every month.

The team she captains, Loretta's Legends, hosted a pancake breakfast in the spring. It's had Pampered Chef parties. For her birthday, Hackney sent letters to family and friends saying the only gift she wanted was donations for the relay. When the holidays approach, Hackney and fellow team members set up shop at area malls, where they wrap presents in exchange for contributions.

Their latest fundraiser is called "Comedians Against Cancer." It's set for Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Village of Colonie Recreation Čenter. Local and national comedians will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. Beforehand, people can enjoy dinner from Carrabba's Restaurant.

Hackney said the Legends thought this was something a little different than what's usually found on the Capital District fundraising scene.

"A lot of people have walks and runs," she said. "This is a unique event. I've never heard of something similar."

Hackney got involved in Relay for Life in 2003, four years after losing her mom to ovarian cancer. Her mom was 49 when she died. Hackney noted several other people she knows have been diagnosed with cancer since then.

Hackney's passion and commitment to Relay for Life caught the attention of the American Cancer Society, which contacted her in 2007. "They said, would you like to make a career of fighting cancer?" she said.

She's worked for the society ever since. She's the senior director of special events. At the same time, she's kept up her dedication to Loretta's Legends, finding the relay a



## Latest Loretta's Legends Relay for Life benefit to be comedy show

moving and meaningful event. Against Cancer Event. Aidala She notes with pride the team raised more than \$12,000 last year.

Some of the

Loretta's Legends team members play trivia together on Monday nights, she said. Stephen Murray is host of trivia nights at area bars and restaurants, and he often appears at comedy events put on by Greg Aidala, whom Hackney said has "done a

lot in support of cancer." So Loretta's Legends lined both men up for the Comedians

will serve as the evening's host.

> They will be joined by Matt Kelly and Jon Fisch, who has appeared on 'The Late Show with David Letterman" and Comedy Central. Dinner

from Carrabba's will be available starting at 6 p.m. Jon Fisch, who has appeared Meals on "Late Show with David Letterman," will perform at the Comedians Against Cancer include Caesar salad, rolls,

chicken

marsala, pasta, sauce, meatballs and beverages. Food will stop being served at 7:30, when the comedy show starts. Take-out meals are

available for \$7. The evening will also feature a raffle and a dessert sale.

Tickets are \$25 for dinner and the show or \$20 for just the show. Only those with prepaid tickets are guaranteed dinner and a seat. Tickets are available by emailing Hackney at Loretta. hackney@ cancer. org or calling her at 257-6088.

> Hackney added that the American Cancer Society recently moved its roughly 30 local employees to the Hope-Club facility on Penny Lane in

Latham. The HopeClub serves area residents who have cancer or are related to some-

> one with cancer through support groups, classes and education.

"We're very excited to have everything under one roof," Hackney said. The Albany-Colonie Relay for Life will be

held June 15 at Christian Brothers Academy. The overnight walk honors cancer survivors and pays

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## **County extends occupancy tax**

#### **Convention center** debate crops up, lawmakers eye tax cap

#### By ZAN STRUMFELD strumfeldz@spotlightnews.com

The Albany County Legislature passed an extension of the county's 6 percent hotel occupancy tax at a Monday, Sept. 10, meeting, but not before talk turned to the stalled Albany County Convention Center.

The occupancy tax sends about \$1 million per year toward the \$220million project. Another portion of the tax goes to the Albany County **Convention & Visitors** Bureau in order to increase tourism in the area. The remainder of the money goes toward financing debt to the Times Union Center. The measure passed by

a vote of 26-10.

When the law came up for a vote, Legislator Christopher Higgins, the only Democrat to oppose extending the tax, spoke against it, saying it was a "bad idea for our city."

"We are spending... hundreds of thousands of dollars on healthcare and salaries and pension on this authority that hasn't even completed one task," said Higgins, who is running in a Democratic primary for an Assembly seat. "I think we need to reevaluate this."

In contrast, County Legislator Bryan Clenahan said the hotel tax was his "favorite tax" because it's assessed to non-residents.

"Letme say first of all that nobody likes taxes,' Clenahan said. "I find it a little bit irresponsible to

oppose this without some kind of plan to make up those \$2 million."

Several other legislators who were dubious on the convention center's feasibility nevertheless voted for the occupancy tax. County Legislature Gary W. Domalewicz said he's happy with the tax because the money can "pay down our debt service on the Times Union Center." He also added that he doesn't have "too much hope it's going to be a convention center."

County Legislator Mary Lou Connolly also stood in support of the tax when she expressed that Albany County is a tourism destination.

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come to Albany, to see our history," Connolly said. She also said there

would be many benefits to having a convention center in Albany, including in Schenectady County the possibility of national conventions.

In other business on Monday, the Legislature scheduled several public hearings. A hearing on a county pawn shop reporting law was set for Tuesday, Sept. 18 and a public hearing on the 2013 tentative annual budget was scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 23.

Before that budget has even been reviewed in full by the Legislature, Chairman Shawn Morse on Monday sent to committee a draft of a law that would clear the way for the body to again exceed the state property tax cap.

The Legislature also approved several housekeeping items such as an agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation for snow and ice removal and an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the explosive detection canine team grant.

## **Invasive species in** neighboring county

An invasive species was confirmed as being spotted for the first time on Monday, Aug. 20, by the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

A Schenectady homeowner reported a suspected infestation of Hemlock Woolly Adelgid to the USDA Forest Service and DEC Forest Health staff later confirmed it. Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) is a tiny insect from East Asia, which attacks forest and ornamental hemlock trees. It feeds on young twigs, causing needles to dry out and drop prematurely and branches to die. HWA infestations can be most noticeably detected by the small, white, woolly masses that are attached to the underside of the twig, near the base of the needles.

The invasive species was first discovered in New York in 1985. The invasive, exotic pest has been detected in 28 other counties across the state. Previously, it was found primarily in the lower Hudson Valley and more recently in the Finger Lakes region. Seventeen other states along the Appalachian Mountain range also have HWA infestations, from Maine to Georgia.

Hemlock decline and mortality typically occur within four to 10 years of infestation in the insect's northern range. Damage from the insect has led to widespread hemlock decline, according to the DEC.

The DEC Forest Health program conducts annual surveys for the invasive species funded by a federal grant. DEC officials suspect the new discovery is part of the species' natural movements.

Dispersal and movement of HWA occur primarily during the first life stage ("crawler") as a result of wind and animals that come in contact with the sticky egg sacks and crawlers. Isolated infestations and long-distance movement of hemlock woolly adelgid, most often occur as the result of people transporting infested nursery stock or other forest products.

Information on HWA can be found at www.nyis.info. For questions or to report possible infestations visit DEC's website at www.dec. ny.gov/animals/82617.html or call its toll-free Forest Pest Hotline at 1-866-640-0652.



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#### Lighthouse 9/11 ceremony marks an end to father's poem

By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

For some, Sept. 11 is day to pause in remembrance, but for one father it is a day he can never forget.

For six years, Steven Cafiero Sr. has read his emotional epic detailing the events of 9/11 at The Waters Edge Lighthouse's ceremony on the anniversary of the terrorist attacks that claimed nearly 3,000 lives. After 11 years of working on the poem, "9/11," with minor additions and tweaks, Cafiero said it is now complete.

"It is a poem that was my therapy for many years," Cafiero said after the reading and before an impromptu "God Bless America" was sung. Over all the years, he said it continued to be therapeutic to write.

Cafiero lost his son, Steven Cafiero Jr., on 9/11. His son was on the 92nd floor of the south tower and had just started working at a new job — it was only his twelfth day. Cafiero wore a black and white picture of his son on his jacket over his heart, which was actually his badge to enter ground zero for the first year following the attack.

His son was scheduled to come home and visit him only three days after the attack, on Sept. 14, 2001.

"He was so excited about his new job. He said 'Can I come up this Labor Day Weekend?" Cafiero said. "God works in mysterious ways."

He said it is "necessary" to read his poem every year at the event. Every year, he would reflect on the poem and go through his collection of *"This helps spread the word in some small way that we shall prevail."* 

– Steven Cafiero Sr.

newspapers and magazines detailing the attack. He wanted to make sure nothing was left out, with his poem telling the story of the day.

"This helps spread the word, in some small way, that we shall prevail," he said. "There is nothing more to say, it is there now. It took 11 years to write, right up to yesterday."

This Sept. 11 was also even more difficult for Cafiero than usual, because he saw his doctor earlier in the day and was told he has to have an operation for a rare cancer.

Lawmakers invited to the ceremony also shared remarks and state Assemblyman James Tedisco, R-Glenville, said it is just as important today to remember what happened on 9/11.

"In America, when you attack us, you attack freedom and liberty and they wanted to destroy America," Tedisco said. "They still want to destroy our way of life, but that news for them is they know in their hearts and their minds that they can hurt us, they can injure us, they can hurt us ... but they can never destroy the efforts of the United States of America."

State Assemblyman George Amedore, R-Rotterdam, said even as crowds dwindle at memorials it is important to continue recognizing on 9/11 not only as a day to remember loss, but also the great gains from a nation united.





"I want thank all of you, all of you for coming out this afternoon," Amedore said. "Ordinary people giving time on an extraordinary day; that is true patriotism."

County Legislator Angelo Santabarbara, D-Rotterdam, said the tragic events have only strengthened the nation and increased commitment to American values.

"Caring for one another, overcoming adversity and respecting individual freedom are at the core of the American experience," Santabarbara said. "From the daughter who

ABOVE: Assemblyman James Tedisco shares remarks during the sixth annual 9/11 ceremony at The Waters Edge Lighthouse in Glenville.

#### LEFT: Those gathered at the event applauded the resilience of Americans after the tragedy.

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cares for an elderly parent to those who rushed into burning towers on 9/11 — Americans care for one another."

Cafiero said the annual ceremony is important because it embodies the meaning of four words: "We will never forget."





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rest of the time they have free reign of the house.

"They are very funny to watch," said Wendy, adding that having the kittens has helped teach Nora responsibility, as it is her job to feed them, take care of their litter and play with them.

Judie Janco began Kitten Angels in Delmar nearly 11 years ago. The organization works through animal control and the watchful eye of residents. Any wild cats that are found within Bethlehem with kittens are rescued by the group, which pays for medical bills of the kittens and mother.

Typically, the mother is released back into the wild, but the group will try to find a home for it first if they can. Janco said the focus is kept on the kittens, because they are often more adoptable.

"I started Kitten Angels because there was no organization in the region that just catered to kittens," she said. "I belong to SCRUFF, a trap, neuter and release organization, and they leave the kittens. But then you have to trap them all over again in the future and that doesn't make sense."

Janco estimates her organization rescues 600 to 800 kittens each year within Bethlehem. She works with



dozens of foster families and has placed thousands of kittens into loving homes.

The organization basically runs on donations of time, money and supplies. High school students often do their community service with Kitten Angels and youth offenders from both the town and county are sent Janco's way. The foster homes are also essential for the program to work, especially since the group lost its adoption space when the Delmar Pet Supply Store closed in August.

"We ask for a donation when we come to pick up cats from the person who called us. We also ask if you can foster them, until they are adopted," said Janco. "Usually if you can't foster them, we can't take them."

Janco said the group is in desperate need of more foster homes for kittens and a new space to hold adoption clinics. For now, they are holding them on Saturdays at the Delmar Farmers Market. "Fostering is a great way to give back, especially if you're unsure if you're ready to own a cat," said Sampson. "Cats can have very different personalities, so it's a way to know what type of pet you want."

Recently, both Nora Sampson and another local girl, Cameron Conway, asked their friends to forego presents at their birthday parties. Instead, they asked for donations of cat supplies to be donated to Kitten Angels.

"She got really into it," said

Cameron's mother, Laurie. "She's not really into material things, like a lot of toys."

Cameron said she felt good taking all of the supplies she got as presents to Judie and getting to spend some time playing with the kittens. She is amazed by the work that is being done at the organization, and at times has spent hours watching the cats play. Someday she would like to start volunteering, and she may use the opportunity to turn her love for animals into a future career.

"I really love cats and I thought (the party) was a great idea because one of my friends did something similar for dogs," she said.

Sampson said she casually made the same suggestion to Nora, because there wasn't anything her daughter really needed for her birthday. She felt it was a good opportunity to teach a lesson about giving back to one's community.

"I know I have too much stuff, and it's better to donate it to someone or something that needs it more," said Nora.

Janco said she admires the girls for their support of her organization, especially giving up their birthday presents. "They are very special little girls," she said.

To learn more about Kitten Angels or to donate, visit kittenangels.org or call 573-9906.

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## **Bond**

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would then need to be found in the budget, potentially placing more programs on the chopping block.

BC Operations and Maintenance Director Gregg Nolte said the main concern is protecting the structural integrity of each of the district's 11 facilities and 22 out-buildings and ensuring the health and safety of students and staff. Nolte's department has identified repairs needed to the roofs at Slingerlands and Glenmont Elementary schools and at the high school, with facade and masonry repairs needed at the middle school.

Technology upgrades are needed for the district

to support a new state mandate that calls for all standardized testing to be done online starting in 2014.

Since 1989, the district has taken out five bonds totaling \$128 million. Money from the two most recent bonds was used to build Eagle Elementary, make infrastructure improvements and to build additional space to move to full-day kindergarten.

Douglas said the public should keep in mind interest rates are low and by bonding the district would be eligible for state aid. The district typically receives a 71 percent aid-to-bond ratio, which means taxpayers would usually pay about 29 percent of a bond. However, that number can not be confirmed until a plan is in place and paperwork has been submitted.

#### Former bond, sports debated

After a short presentation, those in attendance on Monday were split into groups to talk about the projects. They were asked to identify what they felt were priority items, how much they would be willing to bond for and if they would prefer smaller, systematic bonds to one large bond.

Many in attendance said they would like to see more transparency from the district.

Participants felt information should be placed online throughout the process and perhaps a survey should be conducted so more feedback could be gathered from the community at large, not just those with children at the district. Others wanted more definite numbers about state aid and a breakdown of how much certain bond sizes would cost taxpayers per home.

"Let's talk about the elephant in the room," said High School Principal Scott Landry, reporting for his table. "There is still a lot of perceived mistrust over the \$93 million bond and I think that is hovering over this whole discussion."

Some participants said they felt slighted by the 2003 bond because only half of the money went to infrastructure projects,

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which they presumed would have taken care of all the needed upgrades. Also, a full half of the money was used to create Eagle Elementary to deal with growing attendance, but in 2011 the district decided to close Clarksville Elementary.

Opinion was split on weather the district should bond to upgrade athletic facilities.

Last December, three fathers and sports booster club members began a grassroots campaign to bond for a new synthetic turf field and track, lights for the high school gymnasium and replacement of three sets of bleachers. The district estimates the work would cost between \$2.5 and \$3.5 million, but those supporting the

r, an urgency, I don't think it's touching anywhere res near the number of ts students that that kind a of money is meant to eld touch."

> Jim Giacone, one of the parents originally arguing for the project, said sports and extracurricular activities help children become well rounded and studies show they improve test scores.

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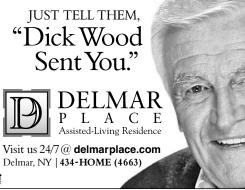


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The district plans to hold an addition forum at the end of September in hopes more community members will join in on the discussion. Further talks on the topic will take place at future Board of Education meetings. If the board approves a bond, the community would also have to pass the measure by referendum.

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## Your Community in The Spotlight

#### **Beth Emeth open** to new members

Congregation Beth Emeth, the 4th oldest Reform Jewish congregation in the United States, is once again welcoming new members into their congregation. Families interested in membership information or in enrolling their children in religious school are encouraged to call the temple office at 436-9761.

Families interested in a Jewish education for their children in kindergarten through high school will appreciate the interactive programs, staffed by experienced faculty, with special programs for Bar and Bat Mitzvah and Confirmation. The Congregation welcomes interfaith families and offers programs and activities to complement their experiences.

Many o f t h e congregation's programs are open to the community, including lifelong learning for adults, weekly Shabbat services, Torah study and numerous special events and programs for those of all ages detailed on the Beth Emeth website at www.bethemethalbany. org. Opportunities for community service are plentiful.

For more information, call the temple at 436-9761.

#### **RCS** helpers needed

Stars Intergen Inc., a local nonprofit agency, is recruiting adults to volunteer in Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk classrooms and after school homework clubs, helping students with reading and other academic subjects. The agency also is recruiting community members to mentor high school students who hope to attend college, but could benefit from guidance during the sometimes overwhelming college search and application process.

STARS (Seniors Teaching and Reaching Out to Students) classroom volunteers help students with reading and other **ViSit Church** academic subjects and always work under the Peacemaker Linda direction of a teacher. Volunteers are needed in grades Pre-K through 5th and Dialogue in Beirut, grade at the A.W. Becker Lebanon will be giving a Elementary School in presentation at Delmar Selkirk and 6th through Presbyterian Church, 585 8th grade at the Ravena- Delaware Ave., Delmar, on



The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy opened up the Keleher Preserve in Voorheesville to the public in a ceremony Thursday, Sept. 13. The 287-acre property was donated to the Conservancy in 2010 by Katherine and John Barber of Seattle, Wash. The property is at the top of Wolf Hill and along the Helderberg Escarpment. A \$6,700 grant from NYS Environmental Protection Fund allowed for development at the preserve to allow public access from Gulf Hill Road. Picture from left: Judy Thomson (MHLC Board President), Kathy Moser, Peter Bakal, Peter Stoj, Tom Dolin (Town of New Scotland supervisor) and Ethan Winter.

Submitted photo

Coeymans-Selkirk Middle School in Ravena. Classroom schedules are flexible and are based on the volunteer's availability.

High school mentors do not have to make a big time commitment. Once a volunteer has met a student, much of the mentoring can be done by telephone and email contact to help answer the student explore college options and career choices.

Stars Intergen Inc. is based in Glenmont and provides intergenerational programming for the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District. Last year 40 volunteers contributed more than 3,500 hours of service to the district's students. For additional information, contact Stars Intergen Director Karen Harmon at 439-1505 or starsintergen@gmail.com.

Thursday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. She will be talking about peace and justice issues from the perspective of her work in Lebanon. Youth are especially welcome at the presentation. Participants are invited to a complimentary Middle Eastern dinner at the Church preceding the talk at 6 p.m. Please make dinner reservations at ellenkellylind@gmail.com.

Macktaby is the youth program coordinator for the Forum for Development, Culture and Dialogue (www.fdcd.org) in Beirut, Lebanon. The FDCD promotes peace building, equality and human rights in the Middle East, with an emphasis on women and youth. She has a BA in Clinical Psychology from Lebanon University and a M. Div. from the Near East School of Divinity.

#### **Friendship Club** to meet

6:30 p.m., followed by the program. If you are able to bring a dish to share, the cost is \$2. For others, the cost is \$7. Reservations are taken by Hertha Thayer at 453-0450. Any questions should be referred to Mark Baumbach at 765-4419, or markb.hbrgmus@verizon. net.

#### **Create painting** at Thacher

On Sunday, Sept. 23, instructor Amy Anderson returns to Thacher Nature Center for the third in her series of Wet on Wet Oil Painting. In this popular class, students will earn skills involved in creating a Wet-On-Wet landscape masterpiece. Each student will go home with a finished work of art.

No experience is necessary but previous artistic experience is helpful, Fee: \$40, student. brings own supplies. \$50, instructor supplies all materials. Class may meet outside depending on the weather. . Recommended for ages 16 and up. Please call 872-1237 to register, get a list of materials and to get a picture of the painting that will be done in class. Go to www.nysparks.gov for additional information

on parks programs.

#### Church has new music man

The First United Methodist Church of Delmar announces that James Douglas Esmond (Doug) of Albany has been selected to serve as Music Coordinator for the church's new evening worship service slated to begin on Sunday, Sept. 23.

A graduate of Ithaca College with a Bachelor's degree in music, Esmond has had more than 11 years of church music leadership experience. He is skilled in guitar, organ, piano, banjo, ukulele, trombone and several other instruments. In addition, he has sung professionally for many years and is a composer and arranger of church music, both traditional and contemporary.

Esmond also serves

Esmond, please call the First United Methodist church of Delmar at 439-9976. Services are held at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

#### Lyme Disease support group to hold open forum

The Capital Region Chapter of the Empire State Lyme Disease Association will hold an open forum support group meeting on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Guilderland Public Library, 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland.

The open for ummeetings provide an opportunity for participants to raise questions, exchange ideas and experiences, make connections and locate resources, drawing from the extensive experience of the other support group members. Anyone with questions about Lyme disease is welcome to attend. The meeting is free and open to the public.

#### **Farm Bureau** scholarships

New York Farm Bureau is encouraging high school seniors who have been involved with agriculture and plan on continuing studies in this field to apply for the New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship sponsored by the New York Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee. Scholarship awards are \$1,500 for first place, \$1,200 for second and \$1,000 for third place. The first place winner will be invited to present their essay at a NYFB Spring event.

Students applying must have a family Farm Bureau membership or a Student Farm Bureau membership (a membership application may be included with scholarship enclosures). Students are required to submit a brief essay answering the question, "If you had the power to change something in your community or on your farm, what would you change and

why?'

## Peacemaker to

International Macktaby from the Forum for Development, Culture

The Friendship Club of the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, will meet on Friday, Sept. 28. The speaker will be Barbara Zittel whose topic is Alaska Adventure, by Land and Sea. There will be a covered dish supper at

as Organist/Music Director at the Newtonville Methodist Church in Loudonville and teaches at Blue Sky Studios in Delmar. He will continue to hold those positions in addition to his new role. For more information service or to reach Doug application.

The application submission deadline is Nov. 18. To nominate someone for the scholarship or to request an application, call 1-800-342-4143 or visit http://www.nyfb.org and then scroll down to "Farm Essentials" for scholarship about the evening worship information and the





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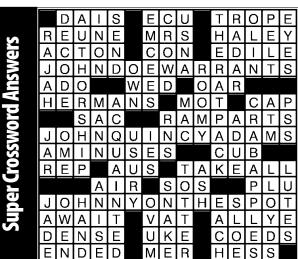
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#### LEGAL NOTICE 82925 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of EQUINE PROPERTIES OF NEW YORK, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/5/12. Office location: Schenectady County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 799 Old Hwy 30, Esperance, NY 12066. Purpose: any lawful activity. 829<sup>26</sup> (D)

#### (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

CAPITAL REGION MEDI-CAL SUPPLY, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 7/5/12. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 74 Brookhaven Ln., Glenmont, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 82928 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of B. MANGREEN PROPER-TIES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/9/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 82931 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 438 CENTRAL REALTY LLC Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/9/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 83101 (D)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of EM STRATEGIES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY 8/9/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 83102 (D)

LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice of Registration of Maxwell & Van Ryn, LLP, Cert. of Reg. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 6/21/12. Office location: Álbany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 2 Normanskill Blvd., Delmar, NY 12054, the office loc. of LLP. Name/ addr. of each gen. ptr. avail. at SSNY. Purpose: to practice the profession of Law. 83106 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of WANNABE PRODUC-TIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/10/12. 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 83109 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Limited Liability Company Name: The Lotus Flower Enterprises, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secre-tary of State of New York (SŚNY) on 8/8/12. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 99 Washington Avenue, Ste., 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Registered Agent upon whom process may be served: 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 1008, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: For any lawful

purpose. 83111 (D)

#### (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

World Insurance Associates, LLC

(dba GJK Insurance Agency LLC) LLC was filed with the SSNY

on 08/09/2012. 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 LLĆ served upon him: Gary Kroeger, 730 Hope Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07724. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 83120 (Ď

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 1598 UNION STREET ASSOC., LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on

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NY 10011, the registered agent of LLC upon whom rocess may be served MO address of LLC: 1000 West Nifong Blvd., Bldg. 8, Ste. 110, Columbia, MO 65203. Arts. of Org. filed MO Secy. of State, 600 W. Main, Jefferson City, MO 65101. Purpose: any lawful activity. 83124 (D)

LEGAL NOTICE

83131 (D)

ATES, LLC

**USA** Corporate Services

Inc. at the same address.

Purpose: all lawful activities.

LEGAL NOTICE

LEVINE REALTY ASSOCI-

Notice of formation of

Levine Realty Associates, LLC, a limited liability com-

pany (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with

the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 11/23/2010. Office loca-

tion: Albany County. The

SSNY has been designated

as agent of the LLC, upon

whom process against it

may be served. The SSNY

shall mail a copy of any pro-cess to the LLC, c/o Loud-

onville Home for Adults.

298 Albany-Shaker Road,

Albany, Néw York 12211

The purposes of the LLC

are to continue to hold.

manage and operate real

estate properties includ-ing, but not limited to, 298

Albany Shaker Road, Al-

bany, New York 12211 and

5 Gipp Road, Albany, New

York 12203, and to engage

in any other lawful act or

activity for which a limited

liability company may be formed under the Limited

Liability Company Law of

LEGAL NOTICE

WESTMERE HOME FOR

Notice of formation of Westmere Home for Adults,

LLC, a limited liability com-

pany (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with

the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 11/18/2010. Office loca-

tion: Albany County. The

SSNY has been designated

as agent of the LLC, upon

whom process against it

may be served. The SSNY

shall mail a copy of any pro-cess to the LLC, c/o Loud-

onville Home for Adults.

298 Albany-Shaker Road,

Albany, New York 12211

The purposes of the LLC

are: (a) to establish, main-

tain and operate assisted

living residences as de-fined in Section 4651(1) of

the New York State Public

Health Law; (b) to estab-

lish, maintain and operate

an assisted living resi-

dence with a special needs

assisted living certificate,

as those terms are defined

in Sections 4651 and 4655

of the Public Health Law of

the State of New York; and

(c) the additional purposes

for which the Westmere

Home for Adults is formed

are: to establish, maintain

and operate an assisted

living residence with an

enhanced assisted living

certificate, as those terms

are defined in Section 4651

of the Public Health Law:

provided

83132 (D)

the State of New York.

(September 19, 2012)

83133 (D)

ADULTS, LLC

(September 19, 2012)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of YA-MAN ENTERPRISES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/6/12. Office location: Schenectady 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, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. 83125 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Rushmore 8P, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/09/12. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 40 W Brighton Beach Ave., Ste 703, Brooklyn, NY 11224. General Purposes. 83126 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation AMCB Services Company NY, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/17/2012. 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 83127 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Paul the Wine Freak, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/16/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities 83128 (D)

#### (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation JKM Consulting LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/13/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities.

83129 (D) (September 19, 2012) LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification

(September 19, 2012)

#### The Spotlight LEGAL NOTICE

with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/14/2012. 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: C/O GARNISH MARKETING, LLC, 462 Hamilton Street, Albany, NY 12203-1334 Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date.

(September 19, 2012)

83138 (D)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Lorraine Drive, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/20/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave.. NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful pur-83280 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation The Alices / Alice Boynton LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/23/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom pro-cess may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206 Purpose: all lawful activities. 83281 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation The Alices / Alice Dickstein LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/23/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom pro-cess may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 83282 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Hands on Nurse Practitioner in Psychiatry PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 8/24/2012. 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. 83283 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of STANDPIPE SOLU-TIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/23/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC

| mar, NY 12054. Purpose:<br>any lawful activity.<br>82910 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                                                                        | (SSNY) 07/02/12. The office<br>of the LLC is located in Alba-<br>ny CO. SSNY is designated<br>as the agent of the LLC at: c/o<br>PERSING & O'LEARY, LLP,                             | Notice of Formation of Mon-<br>etized Web LLC, Art. of Org.<br>filed Sec'y of State (SSNY)<br>7/12/12. Office location: Al-<br>bany County. SSNY desig-               | Schenectady County. SSNY<br>has<br>been designated as agent<br>of the LLC upon whom<br>process against it may be                                                                                    | LEGAL NOTICE<br>NOTICE OF FORMA-<br>TION of JF REAL ESTATE                                                                                                                                                   | of Prosper Funding LLC.<br>App. for Auth. filed Secy.<br>of State of NY (SSNY)<br>on 6/13/12. Office loca-<br>tion: Albany County. LLC<br>formed in Delaware (DE) on | be served. SSNY shall mail<br>process to: c/o The LLC,<br>46 State St., Albany, NY<br>12207.The registered agent<br>is: USA Corporate Services      |
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| LEGAL NOTICE<br>Notice of Formation William<br>J. Byrne, M.D. PLLC Arts.                                                                                                                    | 10 Century Hill Dr., Ste 3,<br>Latham, NY 12110 Purpose:<br>Any lawful activity.<br>82916 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                                | nated as agent of LLC upon<br>whom process against it<br>may be served. SSNY shall<br>mail copy of process to 95<br>Consaul Rd., Colonie, NY                          | served.<br>SSNY shall mail a copy of<br>process to the LLC, 1598<br>Union Street, Schenectady,<br>New York 12309. Purpose:                                                                          | GROUP LLC. Art. of Org.<br>filed w/Secy. of State of NY<br>(SSNY) on 6/5/12. Office<br>location: Albany County.<br>SSNY designated as agent                                                                  | 2/17/12. SSNY designated<br>as agent of LLC upon whom<br>process against it may be<br>served. SSNY shall mail<br>process to: National Cor-                           | Inc. at the same address.<br>Purpose: all lawful activities.<br>83284 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                   |
| of Org. filed with SSNY<br>8/2/2012. Off. Loc.: Albany<br>Cnty. SSNY designated as<br>agent of LLC whom process                                                                             | LEGAL NOTICE                                                                                                                                                                         | 12205. Purpose: any lawful<br>activities.<br>83104 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                                                        | For any lawful purpose.<br>83123 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                                                                                                        | for service of process.<br>SSNY shall mail process<br>to 90 State St. Ste. 700<br>Ofc. 40, Albany, NY 12207.                                                                                                 | porate Research, Ltd., 10<br>E. 40th St., 10th Fl., NY, NY<br>10016, the registered agent<br>upon whom process may                                                   | LEGAL NOTICE<br>Notice of Formation of AAM                                                                                                          |
| may be served. SSNY shall<br>mail process to: c/o The<br>LLC, 911 Central Ave. #101,<br>Albany, NY 12206. Purpose:                                                                          | Notice of formation HLM<br>GLOBAL LLC as a domestic<br>LLC. Articles of Org.<br>filed with NY Sec-                                                                                   | LEGAL NOTICE                                                                                                                                                          | LEGAL NOTICE<br>Notice of Qualification of                                                                                                                                                          | Purpose: Any lawful activity.<br>83130 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                                                                                                           | be served. DE address of<br>LLC: 615 S. DuPont Hwy.,<br>Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of<br>Org. filed DE Secy. of State,                                                   | BRAND MANAGEMENT<br>GROUP HOLDINGS,<br>LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed<br>with SSNY on 8/21/12. Of-                                                    |
| all lawful activities.<br>82911 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012)                                                                                                                                 | retary of State (NS)<br>on 07/30/2012 office<br>location: Albany County, NS<br>is designated as agent upon                                                                           | Notice of Formation of Day-<br>star Solar, LLC, Art. of Org.<br>filed Sec'y of State (SSNY)<br>7/10/12. Office location: Al-                                          | Liberty Creek Title, LLC.<br>App. for Auth. filed Secy.<br>of State of NY (SSNY) on<br>7/27/12. Fictitious name in                                                                                  | LEGAL NOTICE<br>Notice of Formation of                                                                                                                                                                       | Townsend Bldg., Dover, DÉ<br>19901. Purpose: any lawful<br>activity.<br>83137 (D)                                                                                    | fice location: Albany County.<br>SSNY designated as agent<br>of LLC whom process<br>against may be served.                                          |
|                                                                                                                                                                                             | whom process<br>may be served, NS shall<br>mail service of process                                                                                                                   | bany County. SSNY desig-<br>nated as agent of LLC upon<br>whom process against it                                                                                     | NY State: Liberty Creek Title<br>Agency, LLC. Office loca-<br>tion: Albany County. LLC                                                                                                              | PAPAGIORGIO ENTER-<br>TAINMENT LLC. Arts. of<br>Org. was filed with SSNY                                                                                                                                     | (September 19, 2012)                                                                                                                                                 | SSNY shall mail process<br>to: c/o The LLC, 46 State<br>St., Albany, NY 12207. The                                                                  |
| Notice of Formation Arch<br>Dental Oral Care Prod-<br>ucts LLC Arts. of Org. filed<br>with SSNY 8/6/2012. Off.<br>Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY<br>designated as agent of<br>LLC whom process may | (SOP) to NW Registered<br>Agent LLC @ 90 State St<br>STE 700 Office 40, NW<br>Registered Agent LLC is<br>designated as agent for<br>SOP at 90 State St STE 700<br>Office 40, purpose | may be served. SSNY shall<br>mail copy of process to 8<br>Railroad Ave., Albany, NY<br>12205. Purpose: any lawful<br>activities.<br>83105 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012) | formed in Missouri (MO) on<br>1/19/12. SSNY designated<br>as agent of LLC upon whom<br>process against it may be<br>served. SSNY shall mail<br>process to: c/o National<br>Registered Agents, Inc., | on 8/17/12. Office loca-<br>tion: Albany County. SSNY<br>designated as agent of LLC<br>whom process against may<br>be served. SSNY shall mail<br>process to: c/o The LLC, 46<br>State St., Albany, NY 12207. | LEGAL NOTICE<br>Notice of Formation of a<br>Limited Liability Company<br>(LLC): Name: GARNISH<br>MARKETING, LLC, Ar-<br>ticles of Organization filed                 | registered agent is: USA<br>Corporate Services Inc. at<br>the same address. Purpose:<br>all lawful activities.<br>83285 (D)<br>(September 19, 2012) |
| be served. SSNY shall mail                                                                                                                                                                  | is any lawful purpose.                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                       | 111 8th Ave., 13th Fl., NY,                                                                                                                                                                         | The registered agent is:                                                                                                                                                                                     | 0                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                     |

## Race

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some people have embraced a message of reform and I think really at this point we are going to have to se what reform looks like in the coming weeks."

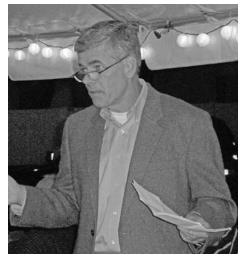
Reinhardt said on Thursday he was optimistic he would come out on top.

"I think people want to see new ideas and some new perspectives," he said. "I think people liked my thinking about the future and the need to plan beyond the current budget," including sustainability and "going green."

Cunningham said he would not have run his campaign any differently, while Reinhardt said he wished he had gotten out more to speak with residents.

He added the strong voter turnout means people want to see change within the Bethlehem Democratic Party. Several notable committee members may have lost their positions depending on the absentee count, including town and county Democratic Committee Chairman Matthew Clyne (who was one vote shy of retaining his committee seat), Town Board Councilman Kyle Kotary and Town Clerk Nanci Moquin. Cunningham held on to his committee seat. All said, Reform-backed candidates claimed 28 seats on the 62-member town committee, according to unofficial results.

The Bethlehem Reform Democrat movement began in May of this year. Group organizers said they were



The Democratic primary for the Bethlehem Town Board was too close to call, but since Jack Cunningham holds the endorsement of the town's Independence Party, he will be on the general election ballot regardless of the outcome.

#### Marcy Velte/Spotlight

frustrated with the inner workings of the town's Democratic Party and did not like the direction the party was headed. They claimed the point was "not to form a new party, but to be proud of and participate in" the current party.

Supervisor John Clarkson has endorsed the movement and said he feels Reinhardt would be an asset to the board. On Thursday evening, he called the results "dramatic."

"I think it's healthy to have a lot of new people involved in the committee and I heard from a lot of people, including Matt Clyne and other leadership figures, that they had trouble getting people to run. So we have solved that problem," he said.

Cunningham said no matter who wins, the party now needs to come together to focus on beating Republican candidate Jeremy Martelle in November. Reinhardt agreed, adding he feels the Reform movement has done good for the entire party.

"I talked to many disaffected residents who want to participate in the party because of the changes that happened tonight," he said. "I talked with Independents who now want to become Democrats because of the changes that happened tonight, and I'm very excited about that.'

Cunningham holds the endorsement of the town's Independence Party, meaning he will still be on the general election ballot regardless of the primary's outcome.

Martelle said now that the primary is over, the "real choice begins" for the town's voters. He said Bethlehem needs new leadership, and questioned if that could come from the Democratic Party.

"We need someone who will bring a balanced approach and new ideas to our town government," he said.

In the meantime, Cunningham and Reinhardt will need to wait at least a week to find out the official winner of the primary. Absentee ballots within Albany County were opened starting Friday. Sept. 14. The general election will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

## **Board**

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mostly break even because they are operated by counties and are able to charge tipping fees to the municipalities served. Because Bethlehem is a town, he said it is harder to be self sufficient. Some facilities also make other products like mulch.

Councilman Kyle Kotary suggested initiating talks with smaller, local municipalities like the Town of New Scotland. He said it may be more cost effective for all involved if smaller towns closed their facilities and used Bethlehem's. Rain said that idea may not work because of the size of the site and staffing.

Councilwoman Joann Dawson suggested placing ads in local newspapers as soon as possible to begin marketing the town's compost and looking into what was needed to bag the product.

Rain suggested revising hours of operation, developing a marketing plan and researching the cost of adding new products like blended topsoil. He also suggested evaluating a new rate schedule for debris pick up and the cost of compost for residents.

"Most of our product is given away for free, which is a great service, but it is why we don't make money," said Rain.

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Notice of Formation of ART DOMANTAY ARTWORKS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/21/12. 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. 83286 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Total Business Brokerage & Consulting Group LLC. App. for Auth. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/9/12. Office location: Al-bany County. LLC formed in Florida (FL) on 3/14/12. SNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. FL address of LLC: 1580 Sawgrass Corporate Pkwy., Ste. 130, Sunrise, FL 33323. Arts. of Org. filed FL Secy. of State, 2661 Executive Center Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32314 Purpose: any lawful activity. 83287 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE ty. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 24 North Street, Albany, NY Third 12204. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 83291 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY

COMPANY Name of LLC: SEBASTIAN HAIR STUDIO IV, LLC The Articles of Organization were filed with the NY Secretary of State (SSNY) 08/20/12. The office of the LLC is located in Albany Co. SSNY is designated as the agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process to the LLC at: SE BASTIAN HAIR STUDIO IV. LLC, 31 Bradhaven Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 83292 (D)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

(September 19, 2012)

Notice of Formation of TO-TAL EXPEDITING LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/22/12. Office loca tion: 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. 83293 (D) (September 19, 2012)

Limited Liability Company 83326 (D) (September 19, 2012) LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice of Formation of GNSL LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 8/20/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 83327 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of an LLC: Village Post Properties. LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on August 22, 2012. Office location is in Albany Coun-The SSNY has been designated as agent of the upon whom process LLC, against it may be served, SNY shall mail a copy of Process to the LLC, 122 Old Stage Road, East Berne, NY 12059. Purpose:

for any lawful purpose. 83331 (D) (September 19, 2012)

agent of LLC whom pro-cess may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities 83335 (D) (September 19, 2012)

LEGAL NOTICE

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Organization of R-n-G Innovations, LLC On August 31, 2012, R-n-G Innovations, LLC (the "LLC") filed Articles of Organization with the New ork State Department of State. The principal business location of the LLC is 23 Marion Avenue, City and County of Albany, New York. The New York Secretary of State is designated as the agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served against the LLC is c/o Charles Gianfagna, 23 Marion Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. The LLC is orga nized for the purpose of any lawful business

83337 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AMERICAN PRIZE CEN-TER LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/29/12. Of-

the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities 83339 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Capital CPR LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/23/12. 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 Woodlawn Avenue, New York 12208. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 83340 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MAIN STREET CONNECTIONS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSŃY) on 09/04/12. Office location: Schenectady 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

filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) LLC, 2400 Jaffrey Street, on January 30, 2012. New

LEGAL NOTICE

1627 US Route 9W, Selkirk, 12158. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 83543 (D) (September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PULLEY COLLECTIVE LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/27/12. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to 90 State St. Ste. 00 Ofc. 40, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity 83544 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of CAFE SOLY AGUA LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/13/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to 90 State St. Ste. 700 Ofc. 40, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Current name of LLC: Pulley Green LLC. 83545 (D)

(September 19, 2012)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Raymond James New York Housine Doportunities Fund I-B L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/7/2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., ŃY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Term: until 12/31/2062. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 83546 (D)

LEGAL NOTICE

The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 83346 (D) (September 19, 2012) LEGAL NOTICE

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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## **Ballston Spa ties Bethlehem**

#### King's eight saves keeps Eagles off the scoreboard

By SPORTS STAFF jonasr@spotlightnews.com

The Bethlehem boys soccer team couldn't crack Ballston Spa's defense.

The Eagles (4-0-1) dominated the time of possession and outshot the Scotties 8-3, but the Suburban Council game ended with the score tied at 0-0 Saturday.

Ballston Spa goaltender Brady King stopped all eight shots he faced to

help the Scotties improve saves for Bethlehem, while Kessler made three saves had seven saves. for the Eagles.

off a 3-1 victory over Burnt traveled to Clifton Park Hills-Ballston Lake last to face Suburban Council Thursday in Burnt Hills.

Matt Henning and Liam Roohan each scored in the first 10 minutes to give the Eagles a 2-0 lead. Tim Hughes tallied on a penalty kick to pull the Spartans (2-2-1) within a goal, but Roohan scored his own penalty kick marker to increase Bethlehem's lead to 3-1.

Kessler made eight goal.

## Lady Dutch beat defending champs

volleyball team recorded its biggest win of the season by sweeping Shenendehowa 3-0 in last two games before taking Thursday's Suburban Council match.

The Guilderland girls 0) edged the defending and 10 digs to lead Guil-Section II Class AA derland. Kayla Myers champion Plainswomen contributed four kills and 25-23 in each of the first six blocks. the third game 25-16.

Allison VanDoren had and Michelle Paulser had The Lady Dutch (5- nine kills, 14 service points six kills for Shen.

their record to 1-3-1. Alex BH-BL goalie Kurtis Souza

The Eagles returned to Bethlehem was coming action Tuesday when they North Division leader Shenendehowa (4-0-1).

> The Plainsmen's lone blemish on their record was last Thursday's 0-0 tie against Guilderland (2-1-1). Dutchmen goaltender Kedrick Weeden made five saves to post the shutout. Danny Juers and Patrick Gerstenberger combined for seven saves in Shen's

> > Gabby Agresta recorded

seven kills and two blocks,

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Scott close behind.

Felicia Sciortino, a senior from Niskayuna, took over the lead briefly at the one-mile mark. With Cherubino screaming encouragement, Maloy, Triller and Scott surged by Sciortino 30 meters later.

Triller finished second to Maloy with a time of 18:17.01, and Scott took third place with a time of 18:24. Sciortino finished fourth with a time of 18:31.

"I just wanted to go out and stick with my teammates," said Triller. "It's nice to turn in a personal best, but the points are what really matters."

"I normally can't stay with Catherine (Maloy) or Leah (Triller)," said Scott. "But I worked real hard this summer. I was just happy to stay with them today."

victory for the Colonie 15:42.42. Gronostaj missed

torn planter fascia in her right foot in 2010. Maloy didn't run her sophomore season, and she said she struggled through a disappointing 2011 season.

Sophomore Emily Burns was the top finisher for Guilderland. Burns finished fifth with a time of 18:38, one week after she placed third at the Guilderland Invitational.

In the boys race, Bethlehem had three of the top 10 runners to win the team title with 46 points. Shaker was second with 72 points, and Queensbury finished third with 90 points.

"I thought they would step, up and they did," said Bethlehem coach Tom Howley. "I was pleased with everybody's performance. Our times were really good, and we showed more depth than we have had in the past."

Columbia's Kyle Gronostaj turned in a personal best to win the It was an important boys race with a time of

resident, who suffered a his sophomore year while suffering from a bone marrow disease that made him underweight. After growing seven inches and putting on 40 pounds over the year, Gronostaj was the first Section II finisher in the Guilderland Invitational and added a victory in a league meet with Shenendehowa and Colonie.

"It was very hard not being able to run," Gronostaj said. " I was constantly looking up and seeing where I thought I would have finished in the meets I couldn't run."

Bethlehem's Benhamin Fishbein and Stephen Booker finished second and third, respectively. Fishbein, turning in a time of 16:02.55, stayed with the pack and pulled away to join Gronostaj in the second loop, just a little before the two-mile marker.

Booker said he just tried to keep Fishbein in his sights, and he was pleased with his third-place finish in a time of 16:07.82.

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the Scotties have a history of playing the Plainsmen tough.

Personally, I'm hoping for a battle of undefeated teams when Shaker hosts Shen next weekend. And hopefully, it will be a battle that lives up to the hype.

Shifting gears, Bethlehem and Niskayuna appear to be the early frontrunners for the No. 1 seed out of the Suburban Council for the Section II Class AA playoffs.

Bethlehem is off to a 5-0-0 start in the South Division thanks in large part to midfielder Tara Teal and goaltender Katie Nickles. Teal has scored 13 of her team's 20 goals, while Nickles posted three consecutive shutouts before allowing two goals to Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake in a 3-2 Bethlehem victory last Thursday.

Niskavuna's success is largely based on the efforts of forwards Anka Parzych and Meghan Doyle. Parzych and Doyle each have scored nine goals and added four assists through the Silver Warriors' undefeated start in the North Division.

Bethlehem and Niskayuna meet Oct. 2 in Niskayuna, and much can happen to change the Suburban Council landscape between now and then. After playing Shen Tuesday, Bethlehem has a road trip to Saratoga Springs Thursday before resuming South Division play next week against Mohonasen and Columbia. Meanwhile, Niskayuna faces North Division clashes against Saratoga and Shaker next week before playing Bethlehem.

Finally, it's early but the Section II cross country season is already proving to be intriguing with several teams looking stronger than ever.

A perfect example is the Guilderland girls team. The Lady Dutch followed up their first-place finish at the Guilderland Invitational by finishing second to a dominant Holy Names squad at the Shaker Invitational. With track star Emily Burns joining the cross country team this year, Guilderland now has three strong lead runners-Burns, Christina Herkenham and Michelle Fish.

It probably won't be enough to unseat defending champion Saratoga, but it may be enough to propel Guilderland to a top-three finish in both the Suburban Council and Sectional meets.

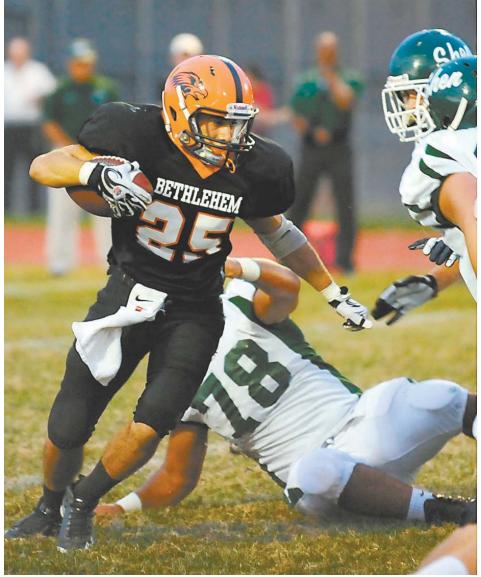
Another team to keep an eye on is the Bethlehem boys. The Eagles won the Shaker Invitational title with three runners finishing in the top 10. Bethlehem hasn't been in the discussion of a Sectional boys title for several years but with Shaker adjusting to life without Mike Libruk, Christian Delago and Jon Vallecorsa, the door is open for another team to win the Class A crown. With Ben Fishbein and Stephen Booker leading the way, the Eagles may be the team to unseat the Blue Bison.

Holy Names is the team which has impressed me the most in the early going. The school without a nickname dominated both the Niskayuna Ekiden and Shaker invitationals thanks to a strong lead group led by senior Catherine Maloy and junior Leah Triller.

If younger runners such as sophomore Kaylee Scott and seventh grader Lydia Williams continue to contribute the way they have through the first two invitationals, Holy Names may be on its way to a Class B title in early November.

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Bethlehem's Mike Graves seeks some running room during last Friday's Empire Division game against Shenendehowa in Delmar. The Plainsmen limited Graves to 10 vards on 11 carries in a 57-0 victory over the Eagles. Robert Goo/Spotlight

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trying to keep pace with Bethlehem in the Suburban Council South Division, but Saturday's 4-2 loss to Niskayuna (5-0-0) knocked the Lady Dutch further behind the Lady Eagles.

Niskayuna took a 1-0

game on an Anka Parzych goal. Jess Capone scored in the 22<sup>nd</sup> minute to pull Guilderland even at 1, but Meghan Doyle tallied one minute later to give the Silver Warriors a 2-1 advantage.

struck again in the first 23 minutes of the second half to increase Niskayuna's Shen. Cubello had nine lead to 4-1. Laurie Knapp saves for Guilderland.

lead 12 minutes into the tallied in the 27<sup>th</sup> minute, but that was as close as Guilderland got.

> Niskayuna goaltender Kristen Hartlage made seven saves, while Guilderland netminder Jenna Cubello stopped 10 shots. Guilderland's loss to

Parzych and Doyle each Niskayuna came two days after the Lady Dutch posted a 0-0 tie against

Shen strikes for three touchdowns in third quarter

#### By SPORTS STAFF jonasr@spotlightnews.com

The Shenendehowa football team continued its early season dominance by beating Bethlehem 57-0 in last Friday's Empire Division game in Delmar.

The Plainsmen (3-0) scored three touchdowns in the third quarter to break open a close game and send the Eagles (1-2) to their second consecutive loss

Marcelino Christie rushed for nearly 130 yards and a touchdown to lead Shen's offense. Ryan Buss rushed for a touch-down and threw a 32yard scoring strike to twin brother Kyle Buss.

In other Empire Division action, Guilderland (1-2) earned its first win of the season by edging Ballston Spa 21-20.

Quarterback Frank Gallo's 70-yard touchdown pass to Jacob Smith in the fourth quarter gave the Dutchmen their one-point lead over the Scotties (0-3). Gallo threw for 211 yards and a pair of touchdowns, and Brad Johnston returned a kickoff 78 yards for another touchdown.

Ballston Spa quarterback John McDonald ran for two touchdowns and threw for a third.

In Class B action, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk (3-0) eased past Ichabod Crane 41-6 last Friday.

Charles Johnson, Dylan Keyer and Fred Pechette each scored two touchdowns for the Indians, who led 34-0 at halftime.







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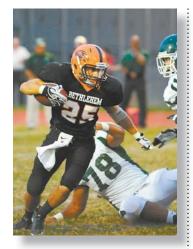


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### Eagles struggle against Shen

Shenendehowa scored three times in the third quarter on its way to a 57-0 victory over Bethlehem in last Friday's Section II Class AA Empire Division football game. Shen's defense limited Bethlehem's Mike Graves to 10 yards on 11 carries.

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## Weekly poll

What football team is in greatest danger of losing in Week 4?

CBA (at Saratoga)



Bethlehem's Katherine Dority, white jersey, battles Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake's Emma Van Vorst (2) for the ball during last Thursday's Suburban Council game in Delmar. Two other BH-BL defenders watch the battle. To see a photo gallery from the game, go to www.spotlightnews.com. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

# BC stays on track

#### Lady Eagles defeat Burnt Hills and Ballston Spa to remain perfect

By ROB JONAS jonasr@spotlightnews.com

The beat goes on for the Bethlehem girls soccer team.

The Lady Eagles improved their record to 5-0-0 with Saturday's 3-1 Suburban Council victory over Ballston Spa.

Senior midfielder Tara Teal scored three times in the first half to raise her season total to 13 goals, and goaltender Katie Nickles made seven saves for Bethlehem.

"We played better in the first half than in the second half, but it was a good win for us," said Bethlehem coach Tom Rogan.

The Lady Eagles were coming off their first difficult game of the season, a 3-2 victory over Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake last Thursday in Delmar. Nickles allowed her first two goals of the season in the match-up of the defending Section II Class AA and Class A champions, but a pair of Teal goals and a Stephanie Dootz marker helped Bethlehem prevail.

"Burnt Hills was a very good team," said Rogan. "They put the pressure on us, and they got a couple of goals."

Teal started the scoring quickly for Bethlehem when she lofted a shot past BH-BL goaltender Florie Comley 37 seconds into the first half. Morgan Burchhardt tallied midway through the first half to tie the game at 1 before the Lady Eagles regained the lead before halftime.

"We always want to put the pressure on the other team as early as we can, and that (goal by Teal) was certainly good for us," said Rogan.

Bethlehem looked to carry the momentum from its two most recent wins into Tuesday's game against Shenendehowa (3-1-1) – a rematch of last year's Class AA Sectional final the Lady Eagles won 3-2 in overtime.

"It will be a big week for us," said Rogan. "We'll be testing ourselves against two of the better teams in our league with Shen and Saratoga (Thursday)."

Guilderland (2-2-1) has been **BC** Page 31

## Eagles, AHN win at invy

#### Maloy leads Holy Names' pack; Fishbein paces BC

By MAUREEN KELLY jonasr@spotlightnews.com

The Academy of the Holy Names took the top three spots at the Shaker Invitational Cross Country meet Saturday at Colonie Town Park.

Placing five runners in the top seven, Holy Names bested the field with a score of 32 points. Guilderland was second with 74 points, and Queensbury third with 100.

"I am very pleased with our team's performance today," said Guilderland assistant coach Colleen Mickle. "Holy Names is nationally ranked, so to finish just behind them I have to be pleased."

Despite the convincing victory, Holy Names coach Carlos Cherubino was merely satisfied with his team's performance.

"We are still not strong," Cherubino said. "We could do better. It's early in the season, and we have a long way to go. I think they are just starting to feel good themselves."

AHN senior Catherine Maloy covered the 3.04 mile course in 18:17 to win the race. Maloy got out fast and took the lead early, with teammates Leah Triller and Kaylee

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## Shaker makes statement on the road

- Ravena (vs. Albany Academy)
- Shaker (at Schenectady)
- Shen (vs. Ballston Spa)

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## Last week's poll results:

#### Which boys soccer team will win the overall Suburban Council title?

- Bethlehem 76%
- Shaker 14%
- Guilderland 5%
- Shenendehowa 5%
- Burnt Hills 0%

Another big Section II football showdown turned into a one-sided affair.

One week after Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake cruised past Schalmont 37-0 in a battle of defending Sectional champions, Shaker shut down Columbia's running game and got a solid performance out of running back Ryan Griffin to beat the Blue Devils 47-12 in last Friday's showdown of undefeated Liberty Division teams.

Shaker's defensive effort was impressive. The Blue Bison limited Columbia running backs Chris Smith and Kenny Mathieu to a combined total of 89 yards on 21 carries. This was the same duo who had racked up 634 yards and seven touchdowns in the first two games.

The more telling statistic was Shaker's balanced attack. Running backs Ryan Griffin (67 yards, four touchdowns) and Kenny Jackson (five carries, 70 yards) aided quarterback Chris Landers (81 rushing yards, 67 passing yards, two passing touchdowns) in a way they hadn't been able



to do the first two weeks.

The question going forward is can Shaker avoid the slip-ups that cost it the Liberty Division title last season? Remember the Blue Bison beat Columbia early in the 2011 season, but losses to Schenectady and Niskayuna dropped them to fourth place and a road date with Shenendehowa in the Section II playoffs.

This appears to be a different Shaker team, though. The Blue Bison have won their first three games by at least four touchdowns, and nobody has slowed down Landers (289 passing yards, 273 rushing yards, nine total touchdowns). If Griffin and Jackson continue to make significant contributions, stopping the Blue Bison may be nearly impossible – certainly for the rest of the Liberty Division.

That being said, there is one team on Shaker's schedule which could trip up the Blue Bison – Shen. The Plainsmen (3-0) have been very impressive through the first three weeks with six points allowed and two games where their offense exceeded 50 points. However those games have been against Empire Division foes Albany, Guilderland and Bethlehem, and with all due respect to those three teams, they aren't of the same caliber as Columbia.

The Shaker-Shen match-up doesn't happen until Sept. 28 in Latham. In between, Shaker has to deal with Schenectady's high-powered offense while Shen tackles Ballston Spa, which is off to a disappointing 0-3 start. The latter could be a trap game for Shen. Ballston Spa's three losses have been by a combined total of nine points, and Shaker Page 31