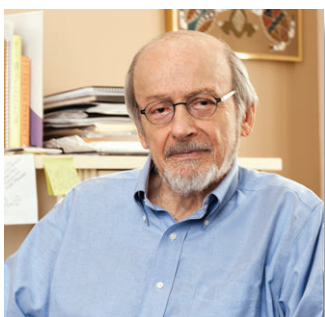




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Guilderland's Jenna Robinson passed three Saratoga Springs runners on the final lap to win the girls 3,000-meter race at Saturday's Suburban Council Indoor Track Championships.

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## N.S. hopes to save historic barn

**Town officials granted access to site after several years, push to relocate structure begins**

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A reignited proposal to create an 18-lot residential subdivision adjacent to the Colonie Country Club has New Scotland officials scrambling to save the historic LeVie barn.

Town Board member Daniel Mackay said he reached out to owners of the LeVie barn property more than three years ago to determine what, if any, historical value the 115-year-old building had and

if relocation would be possible. Mackay was able to recently arrange a visit and brought along several people to see the barn in December. He's concerned the timeline to find a solution for the barn might now be too short, with developers looking to proceed and start construction, according to town officials.

"It is an awesome structure to be in," Mackay said. "My personal assessment is that the structure is irreplaceable."

The owners of the property, Country Club Partners, LLC, have used the barn as a storage facility for maintenance equipment and supplies of the Colonie Country Club. Near the end of 2010,

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A photo was taken during a December visit shows the interior of the LeVie barn in New Scotland.

Submitted photo by Dietrich Gehring

Olympian Aidan Kelly, left, and Elsmere fourth-grader Robert Davis share a hug.



Elsmere kindergarten teacher Nancy Davis shows her students and fourth-graders the latest correspondence for Olympic luger Aidan Kelly.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

## Elsmere kindergartners get a virtual front-row view of one athlete's Olympic dreams

By MARCY VELTE  
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Nancy Davis never thought she would meet a future Olympian while on a miniature golf outing.

Davis and her family were on vacation in August on the Great Sacandaga Lake when her son became bored. He really wanted to go mini golfing, but it

was raining and the family wasn't sure if the local spot would be open.

"They opened for us, and we were grateful," said Davis, a kindergarten teacher at Elsmere Elementary. "I kept looking at the wall where there was a picture of this kid in his (luge) uniform, and he looked familiar."

Working behind the counter was Aidan Kelly, a 19-year-old

member of USA Luge's junior team, who was training at the Lake Placid facility for the coming year's Olympic qualifiers. Kelly confirmed it was his picture on the wall and that he worked at the golf course when he wasn't training.

Davis said being a teacher, she couldn't pass up the opportunity to put Kelly in touch with her

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## Smart House opens doors

**Living Resources unveils state's first barrier-free home**

By JOHN PURCELL  
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Nicole Scanu wasn't shy about showing how excited she was to move into the state's first barrier-free Smart House for people with developmental and physical disabilities.

Living Resources unveiled the Smart House, located off Ardsley Road in Guilderland, on Tuesday, Jan. 21, which harness technology to allow residents to maintain an independent lifestyle.

Scanu, 27, who is one of the first two residents, also used technology to help share her feelings to a gaggle of video cameras and reporters attending the grand opening. Through a small sticker placed on her forehead, she was able to move a cursor on a tablet and have the computer speak her sentence aloud.

"This house means a lot to me," Scanu said.

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# Clarkson says growth a balancing act

## Supervisor's State of the Town address touches on economic development

By MARCY VELTE  
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With the Town of Bethlehem in good financial shape, Supervisor John Clarkson said he believes officials should focus on long-term improvements for the town and attracting appropriate economic development.

Clarkson gave his third State of the Town address on Thursday, Jan. 23, at Town Hall. During his speech, he once again emphasized the need for an appropriate balance of residential and commercial development as the town continues to grow.

"If we do it right, we'll be able to grow the commercial base, and we'll be able to increase the options available for residential housing without losing any of the quality aspects of the community we enjoy," he said. "That's what I think we all need to aim to do."

The supervisor said that even as residents urge the town to make

sure commercial development is placed in the right areas, residential development is growing more controversial. There is a resurgence in housing development as the economy slowly rebounds from the recession, with some residents looking down on building more apartments or townhomes.

"I think when we build that type of housing, we need to make sure it's in an appropriate area, and we need to make sure it's something that benefits the community and enhances it," said Clarkson.

One of the most controversial projects as of late has been Wemple Corners, which was eventually sent back to developers after concerns were raised by the town board and planning staff following several public meetings. Clarkson said the project was too large, there weren't enough non-ownership properties and there were design issues. The project will be coming back before the town, but town officials plan on reviewing the zoning laws going forward with future projects.

Clarkson said he plans to propose an open space program in February with

input from volunteers.

"We have been talking about this for a decade in this town, and I think the vast majority of people want us to be able to preserve rural views and residential areas," said Clarkson. "You cannot preserve them all."

The supervisor said any sort of program like that needs some funding and the cooperation of willing landowners.

"If we don't have that, we won't be moving forward," he said, adding he hopes the program will better identify land for preservation and help begin public/private partnerships.

Since the town board took the time to concentrate on the town's finances the previous two years, Clarkson said would now like to work on identifying long-term improvements. He mentioned the construction of more sidewalks, especially along Feura Bush Road, along with the implementation of the Delaware Avenue Enhancement Study.

A new advisory committee has been established to help make the study come to fruition and to decide how the

**"I think by improving and preserving the things that make Bethlehem unique, those are the things that make both people and new businesses want to move here."**

- Councilman Jeffrey Kuhn

grant money awarded to the town should be used. Town officials want to add trees along Delaware Avenue, increase beautification initiatives and make it easier for pedestrians and bikers to visit shops in Delmar.

Clarkson also said he wanted to begin a new citizens committee to help fight the town's growing deer population. He said he's received complaints from residents about the deer disturbing gardens, increased traffic issues and the growing fear of the spread of Lyme disease.

"I'm not a scientist; I don't know the link, but I do understand there is a link," he said.

He added that a committee could be formed to help vet the issue among the town's professionals.

Councilman Jeffrey Kuhn said he agrees with



Bethlehem Supervisor John Clarkson gives his third State of the Town address on Thursday, Jan. 22 at Bethlehem Town Hall.

Photo by Marcy Velte/Spotlight

the majority of Clarkson's priorities for the coming year.

"I think by improving and preserving the things that make Bethlehem unique, those are the things that make both people and new businesses want to move here," he said. "The priorities in State of the Town are consistent with my vision of what the town board can do to effectively help the community."

Councilwoman Joanne Dawson said open space has been a hot topic for years, and she thinks Clarkson is right to put

that back on the agenda for the coming year. She said other topics needed to take precedent, but development is once again becoming an important issue.

"It's important to preserve the character of the town without imposing on private property rights, and that's always been the balance," she said. "I think it's every exciting to have this back on our priority list, and while we might not get everything everyone wants, there are a number of innovations we've seen other towns successfully achieve."



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# Program aims to help at-risk youths find their way

State selects county to be Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative site

By JOHN PURCELL  
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County officials are hoping that a new program that helps keep youths out of detention facilities could also end up saving taxpayers money.

Albany County announced on Wednesday, Jan. 22, it would be taking part in the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) aimed at reducing the number of young people placed in secure and non-secure detention facilities, along with enacting reforms to the juvenile justice system. The state Office of Children and Family Services' Division of Juvenile Justice Opportunities for Youth selected the county as one of six sites statewide to participate in JDAI.

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy said the county Department for Children, Youth and Families has been a leader in developing policies to improve the justice system and "ensure that our youth can turn their lives around."

The JDAI program will help the county lower detention costs, McCoy said, while enacting new procedures to reduce repeat offenders and maintain public safety. The Annie E. Casey Foundation is sponsoring the program.

"This is such an exciting initiative," county Deputy Attorney Philip Calderone

*"The children that we serve are in crisis. They need help from top to bottom, and the only way we are going to do that is providing the necessary services so they can become productive adults."*

- Albany County Family Court Supervising Judge Gerard Maney

said. "This a great community, a very supportive community for children."

Albany County Family Court Supervising Judge Gerard Maney said he was pleased with what the county has already achieved in collaborating with Family Court to develop better outcomes for juveniles accused of crimes.

"The children that we serve ... are in crisis," Maney said. "They need help from top to bottom, and the only way we are going to do that is providing the necessary services so they can become productive adults."

From 2008 to 2012, secure and non-secure detention countywide was reduced annually by around 25 percent, or from 329 admissions to 251. The amount of young men at the facilities was reduced by 33 percent, with young women seeing a 6 percent reduction.

There was a stark difference when looking at the change across races, with white youth detention dropping by 55 percent as black youths were reduced by 2 percent. There was a 12 percent decline for black youths in non-secure

detention, but secure detention increased 14 percent, according to data provided by the Office of Children and Family Services Bureau of Research, Evaluation and Performance Analytics.

A secure detention facility is locked down, and non-secure facility does not require a juvenile to be locked down or confined, but they are monitored, such as with a group home.

Maney said the case processing has already been streamlined, the length of detentions reduced and a rapid assessment was developed for children to meet with psychologists.

"We have a lot more to do," Maney said. "The Casey Foundation is going to give us the challenge and the opportunity to continue the good work that we are doing."

LaSalle School Executive Director Bill Wolff said funds allocated to new preventive measures would have a long-term effect of saving the county money. The initiative also has existed for more than two decades and has been



LaSalle School Executive Director Bill Wolff speaks during Albany County's kick off meeting of its Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative program on Wednesday, Jan. 22.

Photo by John Purcell/Spotlight

successful in other areas of the country, according to county officials.

Wolff said the "common value" between all of the partners involved in the local program has been the "improved wellbeing" of the community as a whole.

"I believe a significant component of really moving ahead ... involves reaching a new level of relationships between our entities," Wolff said. "We need to move from being characterized as primarily transactional to what might best be called transformational."

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## Bethlehem Soccer Club (BSC) Seeks Volunteer Board Members



The Bethlehem Soccer Club is currently seeking volunteers to serve on its board of directors. This year the board positions of programs and services director and membership director are open for interested candidates. There are numerous rewards associated with serving on our board. You will directly improve the lives of children, improve sports in our region and meet interesting business leaders.

The new directors will serve a four-year term beginning in April of this year. Participation is a commitment of time as the organization is in need of the professional and practical expertise provided by its board.

Each board member is expected to attend monthly and committee meetings, support the organization's goals, participate in business development activities, and adhere to the bylaws.

This opportunity is best suited for individuals with a keen interest in advancing the development of youth through sports. Prospective board members do not need to be a resident of the Town of Bethlehem. Although, warmly welcomed and preferred, a connection to soccer is also not necessary.

Potential members are self-nominated through the submission of a cover letter and resume, which is reviewed by a nominating committee. Additional information can be found at [www.bscny.org](http://www.bscny.org) and click the about tab.

### Mission

BSC is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to provide opportunities for youth of all levels to play and enjoy the game of soccer. The goal of the club is to create an environment where players can develop to their fullest potential, through volunteer efforts, professional leadership, high quality coaching, and outstanding facilities. The club encourages players to have fun while learning the values of teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play.

The posting for these positions will close Friday, February 14, 2014. If you have additional questions regarding the positions please feel free to contact Jeremy Martelle, BSC board president, at [president@bscny.org](mailto:president@bscny.org).



Police Blotter

Bethlehem police arrest alleged Citizens Bank robber

The Bethlehem Police Department arrested an Albany man for the bank robbery that occurred at the Citizens Bank on Delaware Avenue in Delmar on Tuesday, Jan. 14.

Police arrested Darriel Murray, 21, of Liebel Street, Albany on Thursday, Jan. 23, after Bethlehem Police Detectives received information Murray was allegedly attempting to exchange dyed money at the SEFCU Bank in Albany.

Police said Murray, allegedly armed with a handgun, approached the teller at Citizens Bank last Tuesday and demanded money. After the teller complied with the demand, the suspect allegedly fled out the front door with an undisclosed amount of cash.

With the assistance of Albany Police Department's CIU, search warrants were executed at Murray's residence and on his vehicle, where a substantial amount of evidence was seized. Murray was charged with robbery in the first degree, grand larceny in the fourth

degree, both felonies, and criminal possession of stolen property in the fifth degree, a misdemeanor.

Murray was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court by Judge Andrew Kirby and remanded to the Albany County Jail without bail. Murray is scheduled to return to Bethlehem Town Court on Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 5:30 p.m. for a preliminary hearing.

Ravena couple arrested on drug charges

Coeymans police arrested two Ravena residents on drug related charges after a long-term investigation into drug trafficking in the Village of Ravena and the Town of Coeymans.

On Thursday, Jan. 23, police executed a search warrant at the Ravena residence of Michael Miller, 45, and his wife Andrea Miller, 41. As a result of the search warrant, drugs and money were allegedly recovered.

Michael Miller is currently charged with one felony for criminal sale of a controlled substance second degree and three counts of criminal possession of a

controlled substance in the third degree. Additional charges are pending. Andrea Miller, who was out on bail for a separate drug possession charge, is now facing another felony of criminal possession of a controlled substance in the fifth degree. Both were arraigned in court and were remanded to jail with no bail pending a later court date.

Police Chief Gregory Darlington of the Coeymans Police Department said the Millers have been subjects of interest to police for quite some time.

"We believe that they were involved in drug sales and distribution of drugs in the Capital district, as well as in Greene County," said Darlington.

Darlington stated the investigation into the Millers activity is ongoing, and he expects more arrests.

The Coeymans Police Department — along with the Capital District Office of the DEA, NY State Police C-NET (Community Narcotics Enforcement Team), and the Greene County District Attorney's Office — helped with the investigation.

Other arrests:

• Guilderland police arrested Karen M. Gagnon, 44, of 4 Windingbrook Drive 1C in Guilderland, around 9:40 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, and charged her with DWI and refusal to take a breath test. Gagnon was allegedly involved in a property damage auto accident, with her vehicle going off the road and into a snow bank. Police said she had an odor of alcohol on her breath, glassy eyes and impaired speech and motor coordination. She allegedly "stumbled around struggling to maintain her balance." She refused a breath test and a chemical test to determine her BAC level.

• Guilderland police arrested Stacy L. Lanier, 39, of 42 Gipp Road in Albany, at 5:45 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, and charged her with DWI and refusal to take a breath test. Lanier was allegedly involved in a property damage auto accident on Western Avenue near Ardsley Place, with her rear-ending another vehicle. Police said she requested to not be arrested and

did not cooperate with initial attempts to perform standard field sobriety tests. Police allegedly observed her to have an odor of alcohol, bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. She refused to take a breath test to determine her BAC level, police said.

• Guilderland police arrested Alanah C. Dubois, 19, of 48 Fane Court in Troy, around 4:35 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, and charged her with DWI. Dubois was allegedly involved in a verbal dispute with a Western Avenue McDonald's employee. Police arrived at the business and said Dubois had an odor of alcohol on her breath, slurred speech, impaired motor coordination, watery and bloodshot eyes. Police said she appeared to be "out of it" and made off-handed remarks. When asked for her driver's license, she pulled out a license with a different name and attempted to put it back in her wallet. She allegedly admitted to consuming "several drinks" before driving. A chemical test revealed she had a BAC of 0.12 percent.

• Guilderland police arrested Mitchell W. Kelly, 23, of 133 New Road in Nassau, around 10:50 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, and charged him with DWI, failure to obey a traffic device, illegal signal and speeding. Police said Kelly was allegedly traveling 17 mph over the speed limit on the Northway and made an illegal U-turn. Police stopped him for the traffic infractions and observed him to have bloodshot eyes, slow repetitive speech and an odor of alcohol on his breath. A prescreen device revealed he had a BAC of 0.1 percent.

• Guilderland police arrested Qing Lin, 32, of 217 Sherman St. in Albany, around 1:05 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, and charged him with DWI and speeding. Police said Lin was allegedly traveling 18 mph over the speed limit on Western Avenue, and he was stopped for the traffic violation. He was observed to have a strong odor of alcohol on himself, bloodshot eyes and a "dazed and confused look." He tested positive for alcohol on a prescreen device, according to police.

Cloud-based email comes to Bethlehem

New system will help town government save money

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The Town of Bethlehem is set to see an annual savings of nearly \$35,000 after switching its email to a cloud-based service.

Jeff Dammeyer, the town's Management of Information Services Director, researched the new system for nearly two years. It took another three months to put the system in place since Microsoft Office365, the system now being used, was not listed on state contracts as a pre-approved service.

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"We now have features that are very helpful," said Bethlehem Supervisor John Clarkson. "The old system was outdated, and this performs much better."

For the past 20 years, town officials and employees had been using an internally hosted system for emails and calendars. Dammeyer said as technology advanced, staff found that system's capabilities to be limited, and people who owned Blackberries were the only ones who could view email remotely.

The new system allows for email, web conferencing and direct messaging, along with document and calendar sharing. Money is being saved because the town will no longer need to pay for internal hardware, software or maintenance costs.

Dammeyer said a

secure, United States-based data center used only by government clients is hosting the new system. Town staff can now access their email from anywhere, as long as they have an Internet connection.

"It helps for it to be hosted somewhere else so if something were to happen to Town Hall, like a fire, we would know everything has been backed-up," he said. The town's new website is also hosted in the cloud, which provides the same advantages in emergency situations.

Dammeyer said he plans to continue to look for additional technological improvements within his department that can increase efficiencies and reduce operating costs.

"This is really a tool for the staff to work more efficiently and saves us money," he said.

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# G'land reviews solar options

Consultants will assess town rooftops and properties

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Guilderland is moving forward with a “risk free” assessment of the town’s potential to harness solar power across a variety of sites, with infrastructure and aesthetics likely playing a role towards possibilities.

At its Tuesday, Jan. 21, meeting, the Town Board approved contracting with Solomon Energy Inc. for consulting services on studying the feasibility of installing a photovoltaic system across town-owned buildings and property. Solomon Energy projects a full build out across 11 potential sites generating up to 11.36 million kilowatt-hours could save the town nearly \$1.5 million over 25 years. Consultants did contend some prospective sites might not be feasible to install panels for various reasons.

“From the projections we’ve seen, which we’ve been informed that they’re conservative projections, there is some significant cost savings to the town,” Town Supervisor Ken Runion said. “There is really no cost to the town, so there is a benefit and we don’t have any capital outlay at all.”

The services will be provided to the town at no cost because fees for services would be charged to the winning bidder the town contracts with for a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). If the town decides to forgo installing panels, there would also be no cost, with consultants essentially providing the research for free.



Jeff Conrad, executive vice president of Solomon Energy, talks about the possibility of installing solar panels at various locations in Guilderland during a presentation to the Town Board Tuesday, Jan. 21.

John Purcell/Spotlight

“If we get to the end and we find out there is no benefit, then it didn’t cost the town anything,” Runion said.

Electricity costs for the town are annually around \$500,000 paying at the rate of \$0.118 per kilowatt-hour, according to data provided by Solomon Energy. A full build out is projected to yield annual savings starting at \$21,600 and increasing to \$111,315.

The proposed locations and installation type, along system size, include the Town Hall roof (50 kW), Department of Public Works building roof (318 kW), transfer station ground mount (6,400 kW) and roof (65 kW), water district building roof (273 kW) and carport (558 kW), two roof installations on parks and recreation buildings (totaling 33 kW) and a ground mount (652 kW), and on a roof (151 kW) and carport (969 kW) at the town golf course.

Jeff Conrad, executive vice president of Solomon Energy, said some issues potentially limiting installation are the conditions of rooftops on buildings. The company will be doing a more detailed review of

infrastructure to ensure roofs could house panels for 15 to 20 years.

Runion said the town was already looking to replace the roof at Town Hall in coming years, so the project could spur repairs to occur this year.

“It might work out well. We would have a new roof with a good warranty on it, so it might make sense to look at Town Hall,” Runion said. “I think some of the other sites are more interesting and maybe more appealing, particularly the transfer station site.”

Runion said an installation at the transfer station would not interfere with any building and has no real aesthetic impact to residents.

“The (transfer station) would be one of the main areas that we would look at. Based on if we could fully build out on all of the land, there would be over a 6 megawatt array in total,” Conrad

said. “There are some major concerns with landfill sites based on settling of the soil. There are environmental ... approvals we would need to get.”

Conrad added the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority announced it was looking to “revamp” its rebate program for larger scale systems.

Any costs of building a system would affect what rate the town pays the company it contracts with for solar energy, because a private entity bears construction expenses. The more rebates a company attains to offset construction costs, the less the town would theoretically pay for solar electricity.

The three Parks and Recreation building sites are already being seen as unlikely installation sites, Conrad said, with the small system size being a concern.

Runion said the carports proposed to be built for solar panels at the golf course “intrigues” him, because of the added benefits. If electric charging stations were installed at the site, the town could convert to using electric golf carts, providing possible fuel cost savings.

“If you have your own power and you are generating it, it becomes probably very beneficial because you can just hook them up and you got the solar power,” Runion said. “That is where you have a double benefit.”

## Your Opinion in The Spotlight

# Pothole pleas fall on deaf ears

Editor, *The Spotlight*:

On Saturday January 11, 2014 I hit a pot hole on Kenwood avenue state route 104 and blew a tire. It cost me \$400.00 for a new tire, balance and alignment and state taxes.

Needless to say the state will not reimburse me. Kenwood and the other state roads leading into and out of the town of Bethlehem are in need of repaving and have been in bad shape for years. When I complained all I was told there was no money for repaving these roads I complained to the DOT so often that they finally put up signs on Route 85 (Campus area) that read rough road, this was done so that if any one damages their car on this stretch of road the state is not liable since the motorist was advised of the road condition.

On Monday January 13, 2014 I sent an e-mail to the governor’s office hoping I would get his attention and maybe get some funding. Guess what? It must have fell on deaf ears or perhaps the Governor is too busy knocking Conservatives. I called the

DOT office and asked to talk to the commissioner and she was too busy to talk to a taxpayer. I did receive a call from the regional DOT personal and all I got was he has no money to pave the roads. The state has money for bike paths five million to the capital district and federal money for the Delaware Avenue enhancement program to which the town will match. The state is not totally responsible for the condition of Kenwood Avenue, the towns manhole and the numerous water pipe breakage areas bear some responsibility for the bad condition of this roadway. I called our State Senators office and have heard nothing from him I guess he is not interested about the roads in this area. So I guess folks we just have to continue to pay our taxes and repairs to our cars when they are damaged utilizing our pot holed roads. I am sorry, Supervisor John Clarkson, I won’t be able to view your enhanced Delaware Avenue since I will be busy looking out for the pot holes.

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From the Editor's Desk

We need more Smart Houses

Living Resources' first Smart House opened last week in Guilderland. The single-floor, solar-powered home is designed to give people who have disabilities a place to live independently while having the support built in to help them with such things as opening and closing the blinds or turning on the TV — by themselves.

It's great that there is now a facility in place to help those with disabilities live more independently, and we think the technology could even be extended to a greater percentage of the population. Specifically, this technology can help our rapidly growing senior citizen population continue to live in their homes.

The Smart House has a lot to offer, and we applaud Sen. Neil Breslin for helping secure the funding to make it a reality. It is designed to allow for ease of movement from one room to the next. The kitchen is equipped with a stovetop that remains cool to the touch, special cookware and self-closing cabinets and drawers. From an iPad, residents can find recipes and step-by-step instructions for making their own meals, or they can switch TV channels.

Basically, anyone who has a physical issue can safely navigate the house without any assistance, but they first need to be a Living Resources client to benefit from the technology in this facility, and even then there is a waitlist. We know making strides in accommodating people with disabilities and mobility issues often start with baby steps, but we are eager to see this Smart House technology available to and even greater percentage of our population.

While this is good, there are many more people with physical issues who don't have access to this technology in their homes. They also don't have the financial means to move into an assisted living facility, or they simply don't want to leave their homes and lose their independence.

As more members of the Baby Boomer generation age become less mobile, they will need some form of assistance. The trouble is eldercare facilities such as nursing homes are already filling up, and the cost of having a loved one placed in these facilities is more than what some people can afford. And if someone is determined to live out their days in their

own home, the risk increases because there won't be a direct link to medical staff should a crisis arise – be it a stroke, a heart attack or a fall in the bathroom.

Living Resources is currently seeing this first-hand. Only six of the individuals the nonprofit serves will live in the first Smart House. Its 36 remaining individuals are still living in homes that no longer meet their needs for an independent lifestyle, and there are an additional 31 people on a waiting list for future Smart Houses. That waiting list is sure to grow.

Being able to install this type of technology in already-established homes and apartments will make it easier for those who can – and want to – live an independent life to achieve that goal. It may take government subsidies like the \$650,000 state-issued grant to make this a reality, but we believe that would be a small price to pay when it comes to a quality-of-life issue for our senior citizens.

Hopefully, more people will benefit from the technology offered in the Smart House in the not-too-distant future.

The word on the street

What are you doing to stay warm during this extremely cold weather?



Casha Darling, Albany

“Wear gloves, thermals and make sure you have hot chocolate.”



Terrance Darling, Albany

“Wear layers, nice warm boots, have hand warmers and keep your kids warm, too.”



Jim DeWitt, Delhi

“It's my wife's birthday, and she wanted to come shopping. So, just not working today and staying warm inside.”

Asked Friday, Jan. 24, at Colonie Center.

What do you think?

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Guest Commentary

Surviving the college search

By PAMELA LULE

*This Point of View article is the first in a two-part series about the college search process. The writer, 17, is a senior at Bethlehem Central High School who is attending college in the fall. She has recently been accepted to the University of Vermont, Fordham University, and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. She is (very carefully) making her decision soon.*

“A Good College.” It seems my generation has been raised with those words constantly echoing from the mouths of our parents and educators. It might come from a mother threatening her child over his apathetic B's with the classic line: “If you keep this up, you'll never get into a good college.” Perhaps it's from teachers, who emphasize the importance of those mind-numbing, stress-inducing, six-hour standardized tests that may just be the only ticket to “a good college.” I sit here scanning through my endless list of potential schools, through every statistic, rate and ranking, wondering not only if it is “a good college” but if it is good enough. High school seniors all over the country are losing sleep and struggling to keep their sanity intact as they wait for those acceptance letters. Floating in their nightmares is the cringe-worthy word no student ever wants to see: “waitlisted.”

We can't help it. The overwhelming importance of getting into “a good college” has been stressed to us for years. It's no secret that an individual's worth suddenly increases in the eyes of others if he or she casually mentions unforgettable days playing rugby with the chaps at Harvard Yard. The school emblem on one's diploma has, without a doubt, always held a

significant amount of weight when it comes to what that individual's opportunities might be. In their desperation, many of my peers dig themselves a hole of debt from their tuition costs that is so deep, they will work well into their 30s and still be trying to crawl out of it. Colleges know this, and they don't care. They have no problems filling their seats. The institutions are fully aware of their high esteem in society. They thrive on the parents who take out second mortgages and sell their cars to put their child through school. But that system is collapsing. Quickly.

Every single year, the cost of tuition at state and private universities rises. According to the College Board, an organization every parent of high school age children is likely familiar with, the costs rise about 4.2 percent annually on average. Since 1980, tuition costs have risen by 945 percent. It makes me somewhat thankful to be a senior; however, I am absolutely terrified to hear what my little sister will pay for her education in seven years when it's time for her to graduate. Unless something is done to fix the system, it will only be more difficult for a child to be able to afford an education. My parents, who went to school in Albania where I was born, could have never imagined this. They took their learning upon themselves since their education system was so corrupt that bribing one's professors was a common practice. They took comfort in the dream that their children would be raised in America, without fear of being cheated by the education system like they had been.

And yet, that's exactly what's happening. Students are being cheated out of their money, paying thousands of dollars a year for that degree in psychology or

anthropology and feeling so betrayed by the world that, to their financial dismay, cannot provide them with work anywhere. This dissatisfaction is so common, and the lack of outrage genuinely surprises me. How could loans on \$55,000 tuitions even be considered for so many when they are more than likely to cripple the workforce and further the debt crisis?

The belief that one's future depends on their college degree is too prominent to shake and fuels society's delusions of what a college degree entails. Such delusions have been force fed to students for years. They are willing to pay \$40,000 a year for their education because they view it as their sole ticket to success. It takes much more than a degree to succeed in the workplace. Students do not necessarily think of investing in themselves by maximizing their own motivation and taking it upon themselves to learn. Instead they focus on passing just to get that degree. As a result, they lose critical thinking or analytical skills that employers look for, and suddenly, that almighty degree that we put on a pedestal for our entire educational career, loses some of its value in the eye of the employer.

The only thing that will fix these extremely influential flaws is not a change in tuition costs, but a radical change on the attitude this standardized-test oriented, out-of-touch education system has taken on teaching their students what it really means to learn.

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# Senior trip to Mendelssohn Club

Join us as we enjoy the wonderful music of the Mendelssohn Club at the Bethlehem Public Library on Sunday, Feb. 2, at 3 p.m. Senior transportation will leave Town Hall at about 1:45 p.m. Home pick up can be arranged. Suggested van donation: \$3. Call 439-4955, ext. 1169, to make your reservation.

Beat the winter doldrums with a shopping trip. We will go to Wal-Mart in Glenmont on Monday, Feb. 3. Call 439-5770 to make a reservation.

The Senior Discussion Group, facilitated by Jane Sanders, will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 5, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Join others to talk about current events, human interest stories and reminisce about the past. Call 439-5770 to arrange transportation.

Add your name to our wait list for Capital Repertory's Thursday, Feb. 6, 10 a.m. showing of "The Mountaintop," which takes place on the eve of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination. This moving, soul searching, yet often humorous show will give you a new insight into the man who did so much to shape our current



culture. The cost is \$13, payable to the Town of Bethlehem. We will have a late lunch at Panera Bread in Glenmont after the show, cost on your own. Senior transportation will leave Town Hall at about 8:45 a.m. Home pick up can be arranged. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176. Suggested van donation: \$5.

Our 2014 Health and Wellness Program continues on Friday, Feb. 7, with "Pre-Planning Your Funeral" with Robyn Michele Haberman, NYS Funeral Directors Assoc. The program is free and begins at 1 p.m. at Town Hall. Either join us for the program only (no registration required) or consider lunch out with us at the Windowbox Café in Slingerlands before the program, cost on your own. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176 to arrange transportation.

A.A.R.P. Tax Counseling Service will be available at Town Hall on Wednesdays from Feb. 5 through April

9. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make an appointment.

Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bethlehem Senior Transportation Service provides rides to medical, dental, therapy, and clinic appointments, grocery stores, and a variety of social and recreational programs. The Bethlehem Food Pantry offers assistance to those in need and accepts donations of non-perishable food, as well as paper and household products. Come to the Senior Office in Town Hall for a copy of our newsletter or visit the Senior Services website at [townofbethlehem.org](http://townofbethlehem.org). You can also make an appointment for counseling on health insurance, housing issues, health and income related programs and heating costs support.

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

# AARP tax aide program begins Feb. 3

Beginning Monday, Feb. 3, through Monday, April 14, free income tax preparation and email filing will be provided Mondays and Saturdays at the Guilderland Library by the all-volunteer AARP Tax Aide Program.

Volunteers are trained and certified in cooperation with the IRS and prepare personal federal and state income tax returns for taxpayers of all ages with low and moderate incomes.

Appointments are necessary; a separate appointment is required for each taxpayer. Bring a

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copy of last year's return, Social Security cards, photo ID, all 2013 W-2's, 1099 statements, sold investments with purchase dates and cost basis and supporting documents if itemizing deductions. Also, if these apply, bring supporting documents for any gambling winnings, payments for any child care, payments for education, contributions to an IRA and estimated

tax payments you made during 2013.

Bring your checkbook if you want a direct deposit of your refund. Tax Aide volunteers can't do estate or partnership returns, returns with rental income or returns requiring Schedule C (business returns with a net loss, inventory, employees, or expenses over \$10,000.)

Both taxpayers must be present if filing a joint return, except in the case of illness or infirmity.

For appointments, please call 456-2400, ext. 2.

# Take your child to the library

This Saturday, Feb. 1, join families across the nation as they introduce their children to the riches of the library. Drop by Bethlehem Public Library anytime between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. for "Take Your Child to the Library Day." Enter a raffle, do special Creation Station activities, and come to Time Out for Tales at 11 a.m. Stay for our special event at 3 p.m. when The Puppet People will perform "The Pirate of Book Island."

"Take Your Child to the Library Day" is a Connecticut-grown grassroots project dreamed up in 2012 by Nadine Lipman, retired head of children's services at the Waterford Public Library. More than 120 participating libraries from 25 states participated that first year, with an estimated 15,000 attendees. More than twice as many libraries participated in 2013. Help make this year's event even bigger and better. You'll find the world at our library; join us.



secured over \$18 million in public and private funds for a broad range of clients. She holds a master's degree in library science and has worked as a grant administrator for the SUNY Research Foundation and the NYS Education Department.

## How to write a memoir

A reminder that the library is offering a memoir-writing workshop this Friday, Jan. 31, at 1 p.m. Author Mary Cuffe Perez will help participants focus on a single life event and develop it into a one-page story. The workshop is cosponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. and is open to senior citizens and other interested adults.

*Louise Grieco  
Public Information  
Specialist*

## Lego Club

Thursday, Feb. 6, 4 p.m. We supply the Legos; you supply the imagination. Try Lego challenges and build friendships. Kids and families.

## Pajama-Rama

Thursday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m. Bedtime stories and fun for children up to age 6 and families.

## Teen Advisory Group

Friday, Feb. 7, 3:30 p.m. TAG meets monthly to talk about teen programs and activities at the library. Grade 6-12.

**Paws to Read**  
Saturday, Feb. 8, 3-4 p.m. Drop in and read to Kitty, a gentle dog who loves stories. Grade 1-5.

## Writers and Friends: James Redwood

Sunday, Feb. 9, 2 p.m. Redwood will talk about his award-winning collection of short stories, "Love Beneath the Napalm." Redwood's short stories have appeared in The Kenyon Review, TriQuarterly, Notre Dame Review and elsewhere. Cosponsored by Friends of Bethlehem Public Library.

## Daybooks

Monday, Feb. 10, 1:30 p.m. "The Aviator's Wife" by Melanie Benjamin. New members welcome. Copies available at the information desk. Audio copies may also be available.

## Bethlehem Public Library Board

Monday, Feb. 10, 6:30 p.m. Open to the public.

## Young at Heart: YA Books for Adults

Monday, Feb. 10, 7 p.m. "The Raven Boys" by Maggie Stiefvater. New members welcome. Copies available at the information desk. Audio copies may also be available.

## Afterdinner Too

Tuesday, Feb. 11, 7 p.m. "How It All Began" by Penelope Lively. New members welcome. Copies available at the information desk. Audio copies may also be available.

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# Program celebrates Beatles

Fifty years ago, four young musicians from Liverpool arrived in the United States, and ... yeah, you know the rest. Or do you? Come to the Guilderland Public Library on Thursday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m., and get the cool details.

Using recorded material and film clips – some rare! – musicologist and Beatles scholar Gordon Thompson explores the impact of the British invasion, led by The Beatles in February 1964. He chronicles their historic concert at Shea Stadium, examines John Lennon’s emotional connection to New York City and discusses how the Beatles’ music continues to be an inspiration to composers and performing artists.

This program is co-sponsored by The Egg: Center for the Performing Arts, Empire State Plaza, Albany.

## Life-Sized Candy Land and so much more

Kids and families should make it a point to come to “Take Your Child to the Library Day” at GPL on Saturday, Feb. 1, from 1 to 4 p.m.

This fun-filled family program celebrates families and libraries through a variety of activities. Kids can design a bookmark for our contest and sign-up for their own library cards. We have fun activities for the whole



family such as a storywalk/scavenger hunt, and a life-sized Candy Land game. There’s no better way to beat the winter blahs than an afternoon of fun at your library! No registration required. Just show up and play.

## Have you seen the Birds?

We’re quite sure that viewers of a certain Alfred Hitchcock film take a second, wary look each time they see a murder of crows in a field, or a flight of pigeons arrayed along a wire, after they viewed Hitchcock’s “Birds.” We’re equally sure you’ll have the same reaction after you see this film at the Guilderland Public Library on Thursday, Jan. 30, at 6:30 p.m.

The plot is simple yet terrifying: A wealthy San Francisco socialite (Tippi Hedren) pursues a potential boyfriend (Rod Taylor) to a small Northern California town that slowly takes a turn for the bizarre when birds of all kinds suddenly begin to attack people in increasing numbers and viciousness. Suzanne Pleshette, Jessica Tandy, and Richard Deacon are just some of the marvelous supporting cast.

Just for fun: This film features a cameo appearance by director

Alfred Hitchcock. Watch for it.

## Anchors sing at library

The Singing Anchors – Jessica Layton, Jerry Gretzinger, and Benita Zahn – will bring their special brand of singing and banter to the Guilderland Public Library on Sunday, Feb. 9, at 2 p.m. as part of the library’s ever-popular Second Sunday Concert Series.

While the concert is free, concert-goers must RSVP for the event at <http://bit.ly/SingingAnchorsAtGPL>, or call the library at 456-2400, ext. 2.

WYNT (News Channel 13) anchors Benita Zahn and Jessica Layton, and former WRGB (CBS 6) anchor Jerry Gretzinger originally joined melodic forces with the Fort Salem Theater’s Jay Kerr to produce a fantastic evening of song and repartee. Since their debut at the Cabaret at Fort Salem Theater in November 2009, they have been successfully touring the area.

They’ve drawn capacity crowds at all sorts of venues, from the Saratoga Springs City Center on First Night to St. Mary’s Academy in Hoosick Falls to WAMC’s Linda Norris Auditorium.

Mark Curiale  
Public Information Officer

# Introduce your child to the library

This Saturday, Feb. 1, is Take Your Child to the Library Day. Introduce your child (and maybe yourself, too!) to all the library offers – you may be surprised! Stop by anytime between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Complete a scavenger hunt, play games, do a craft and sign up for a library card. You can take your library card home the same day if you bring proof of your residency (a driver’s license, rental agreement or postmarked piece of US mail).

Kids 8 to 12 may want join in our First Saturday program, Google Maps! Race a car through the streets of Ravena on one of our laptops, get a birds’ eye view of the landmarks of NYC and learn a little about geography and mapping along the way. Registration is preferred but not required.

Many studies show that reading to children early and often is strongly related to success in school. Give your child the best start possible with a library card!

## Acoustic Doorways

Next Friday, Feb. 7, brings Alegria and Maria Zemantowski to the Grace Methodist Church in Ravena at 7:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening of flamenco music performed by one of the world’s few female flamenco guitarists. Maria’s work is internationally known. She brings with her

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flamenco dancer Lisa Martinez and cellist Monica Wilson-Roach. Percussionist is the inimitable Brian Melick.

Alegria performed to great acclaim during Acoustic Doorways’ first season. Since then, Maria and Brian have collaborated on exciting new works with the Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company on stage and in schools. Subscription to three remaining concerts: adults, \$15; children and seniors, \$9. Single tickets: \$5. Tickets are available at the Library and at the door.

## Tax form update

Our most recent information from the tax agencies tells us that we will receive tax forms and booklets beginning at the end of January. Some items may arrive as late as mid-February. We will have them on display as soon as they arrive! Check the library website or Facebook for updates.

## Computer/tech classes at the library

Whether you are looking to develop new skills or solve longstanding problems, look to the library for guidance. Its weekly computer classes on a wide range of topics

address many needs. Class size is limited, so you will get your questions answered. All classes are free and take place in the library. Registration is required: call 756-2053, or email [info@rcscommunitylibrary.org](mailto:info@rcscommunitylibrary.org)

**Try Facebook:** Social media such as Facebook are being used by people of all generations. With Facebook, you can get in touch with old friends, children or colleagues online. This class is your opportunity to get up to speed in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, Feb. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

**Skype or Facetime – Free Video Chat:** Keep in touch with family and friends using video chat from Skype on Windows or Facetime on an Apple device. All you need is a computer device with a microphone, web camera and an Internet connection. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, Feb. 13, at 6:30 p.m.

**Email – Getting Started:** Want to know how email sites like Hotmail, Yahoo, and gmail work? Learn how to send messages, reply, forward and attach files. Please note: If you would like help to sign up for an email account prior to the class, come in during normal walk-in hours. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

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# Meet author James Preller

Local author James Preller will be making a personal visit to the Voorheesville Library on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 10:30 a.m.

Get ready for a fun-filled, scary morning when he presents an overview of his books and leads an open discussion of his series “Scary Tales.” Books will be available for purchase, and the author will be on hand for book signing.

While you’re here, be sure to fill out a raffle card for the Winter Reading Club drawing. You will be eligible to win signed copies of “Home Sweet Horror” and “I Scream, You Scream” by Preller. The drawing will take place at the end of the program.

**Kid’s book discussion**  
On Friday, Jan. 31, at 7 p.m., all students in grades two and three are invited to join us as we



discuss “Smasher” by Dick King-Smith. Smasher is a dog who’s always getting into trouble! Can farmer Buzzard find a way to save him, or is Smasher in the doghouse for good? Register and pick up a copy of the book at the library.

**Nimblefingers’ open house is here**  
Join the Nimblefingers on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 1 p.m., for an afternoon of demonstrations, refreshments and friendship. Meet people who love to talk about crafting and have lots of tips and experiences to share.  
If you can’t make it on Feb. 4 for the open house, be sure to stop by the library before Feb. 28 to see the wonderful exhibit these talented ladies have put together for your

enjoyment. Don’t forget to vote for your favorite design in the Nimblefingers Table Runner Challenge.

**Winter Reading Club is going strong**  
Don’t be left out of the fun! There’s still time to win! Joining is easy ... just leave a review on the library Winter Reading Club web page or drop off a handwritten review at the library, and you’ll be entered to win a prize. Three drawings will be held each month, so be sure you’re entered!

Attending a Winter Reading Club drawing program will also make you eligible for special prizes. Check the library website for special event dates. All prizes have been donated by the Friends of the Library.

**Best Friends Forever family storytime**  
Plenty of room, but you’ll need to register for this special storytime. On Saturday, Feb. 8, at 10:15 a.m., join Miss Amy for a Valentine’s Day celebration as she shares stories about the love special friends have. Books, rhymes, songs, an art activity and a snack are all part of this special holiday family storytime.

**Save the dates for February recess**  
Be sure to be at the library on Feb. 18 at 10:30 a.m. for Maple Sugaring with Anita Sanchez; Feb. 19 at 10:30 a.m. for A Visit from Author Coleen Balch; Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. for Chocolate Making for Teens; and all day on Feb. 21 for the Read-In.

# A lesson in brotherhood



“It seems to me that these YMCA’s play a part of the greatest consequence, not merely because of the great good they do in themselves, but because of the lesson of brotherhood that they teach all of us.”

Those words were spoken by President Theodore Roosevelt on May 1, 1903, and they still ring true 111 years later.

Roosevelt was a very strong supporter of the YMCA and spoke at the dedication of Y facilities all over the country because he believed the Y provided vital services and programs to help Americans of all ages, colors and ethnic backgrounds. That mission, the social responsibility of helping our neighbors that Roosevelt referred to as “the lesson of brotherhood,” is even stronger in 2014 and the need right here in Bethlehem is just as great.

The Bethlehem YMCA is currently conducting its 2014 Annual Campaign. No one is ever turned away from the Y because of their inability to pay. Our Annual Campaign is the way we can make, and keep, that commitment. The Annual Campaign is funded through the generosity of our members, staff, volunteers and people in the Bethlehem community. By donating

your resources to the Bethlehem YMCA’s Annual Campaign, you are giving the Y the resources to help people in our community who are very much in need of help.

Some people may not be aware that the Bethlehem area has a significant number of youth from low-income families. In fact, almost six percent of all students in the Bethlehem Central School District qualify for the free school lunch/breakfast program. Almost 1.4 percent qualify for a reduced-price lunch. That is seven percent of families in our school district that cannot afford to feed their children breakfast and lunch every day.

The number is even larger in the neighboring Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school district, with 35 percent of students qualifying for the free or reduced price meal program.

If these families cannot afford to provide food on the table for their children each day, they also cannot pay for their children to participate in the many YMCA programs that can have a positive impact on kids, such as:

youth leadership and educational programs; exercise and wellness programs like swimming to basketball to improve fitness; summer camp; child care and pre-school and many other programs that can have an enormous positive impact on a child.

Funds raised through our Annual Campaign are used to help people of all ages – teens who need positive activities and support outside of school; older adults who need special wellness programs to address health concerns from diabetes to Parkinson’s; and young children fighting cancer. Our Annual Campaign makes it possible for the Y to meet the needs of the people in our community.

Our goal is to raise more than \$100,000, and with your generous donations we can reach that goal. You can donate to the Annual Campaign at the Y front desk, by calling the Y at 439-4394, or online at cdyymca.org (click on give). Every dollar stays right in Bethlehem to help our neighbors and friends. Remember, the member dues pay expenses to operate the Y.

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- The Village Volunteers Fife & Drum Corps is planning its second annual open house. The public is urged to attend Friday evening (Jan. 31) at 8 p.m. at the Naval Reserve Center on Washington Avenue in Albany. The corps will be featured in its colorful Revolutionary War uniforms playing and marching in a style similar to that of days gone by.

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# New Scotland seeks to beef up commercial base

## Town Board member preparing to form Economic Development Advisory Committee

By JOHN PURCELL  
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With homeowners bearing 95 percent of the tax burden, New Scotland is looking to grow commercial properties within its borders, but a lack of infrastructure

cannot be easily remedied. Touted as “the jewel of Albany County,” the town spans 58 square miles, encompassing seven hamlets and a village, and is home to more than 8,500 residents. Noticeably missing from the rural landscape is commercial development, but town officials are developing a group to tackle the disparity.

“We want to have a mechanism (where) we can promote some economic development that is complementary to the makeup of the town,” Town Board member William Hennessy said. “We really want this to be in concert with the comprehensive planning that we have been doing over the past several years.”

Hennessy is spearheading an effort to establish a town Economic Development Advisory Committee, with hopes

**“I don’t think we have the population density to support a big box.”**

— Tom Dolin,  
New Scotland supervisor

of forming it during the “first half” of this year. He envisions the committee being a combination of commercial, residential and agricultural representatives, including people from as many hamlets as possible. The committee would be volunteer-based and provide recommendations to board members.

“We want to really focus on the entire town and not just certain regions of it,” Hennessy said. “We want to try to offset the tax burden as much as we can.”

Town Supervisor Tom Dolin said he welcomes the committee looking into expanding the commercial tax base.

“We certainly do have a large amount of undeveloped commercial property, and I would be interested to find out why it isn’t being developed,” Dolin said. “I suspect part of it is a lack of infrastructure. ... The lack of sewer and water is a big problem.”

Hennessy agreed the town “does not have real strong infrastructure” for water, sewer and utilities, which could deter certain businesses from eyeing the town. He still believes the town is a desirable area.

“Our location is promising for such use here because we are close to the City of Albany and the interstate (highway) system,” Hennessy said.

Commercial development in the town is limited in scale, too, after the board passed restrictions, commonly known as the “big box” law, two years ago.

The law applies to the Hamlet of New Scotland and Commercial Zoning District. The maximum size of retail stores cannot exceed 50,000 square feet of gross leasable area, with the limit increasing to 100,000 square feet for a group of retail stores.

Dolin and Hennessy do not believe the limitation on commercial developments is affecting the town’s ability to attract business.

“I don’t think we have the population density to support a big box,” Dolin said.

Hennessy said residents generally do not support such large-scale commercial developments.

“This community really would not welcome regional or destination activity as well as it would welcome local-based merchants or businesses,” Hennessy said. “I don’t see us going into a regional or destination use anytime soon. I don’t have any desire for any of that.”

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## Your Community in The Spotlight

### Thacher Nature Center offers weekend events

The Emma Treadwell Thacher Nature Center on 87 Nature Way, Voorheesville, is offering several programs over the next two weekends.

There is a snowshoe walk scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 1, at 10 a.m. at the nature center. The hike will follow a trail through the woods with a natural spring and a cedar swamp to Thompson's Lake State Park, where there is an ice fishing contest. Snowshoes are available to rent and may be reserved in advance.

"Behavior and Ecology of Carnivores in Suburbia" takes place on Sunday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. Dr. Daniel Bogan of the state Department of Conservation will talk about carnivore ecology and why some species are able to inhabit suburban landscapes.

Another snowshoe walk is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 8, at 10 a.m. This time, the walk will guide participants to High Point in Thacher State Park on the Fred Schroeder Memorial Trail. The 3-mile loop includes a pair of moderately steep slopes. Bring a snack along for a break at the cliff view point. Snowshoes are available for rent.

"Forgotten and Unknown Fish Biodiversity in New York" takes place Sunday, Feb. 9, at 2 p.m. Dr. Jeremy Wright, curator of fish at the New York State Museum in Albany, will discuss the history of biodiversity research on freshwater aquatic life and the potential for genetic studies to reveal unknown species-level biodiversity.

For more information on all of these programs, call 872-0800.

### Ice fishing contest at Thompson's Lake

Thompson's Lake State Park in East Berne will host its annual ice fishing contest on Saturday, Feb. 1.

Registration begins at 5:30 a.m., with fishing and fish measurement conducted from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. Prizes will be offered in three categories — perch, pickerel and trout.

In addition, people may bring their own skates and snowshoes if they wish to participate in either sport. Hot food and refreshments



### Ribbon cut on new health club

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting Thursday, Jan. 16, for Delmar Health and Fitness at 28 Hudson Ave. in Delmar. Owner Mike Mashuta (center, with scissors) was joined by Joann Gustafson (left) and Bethlehem Town Supervisor John Clarkson (right), along with friends, staff and representatives from the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce staff and board, including Monica Wagner from MetLife Financial Services; Charles Grizzaffi from Garden Bistro 24; Matt Ungerer from TACS Auto; Dave Taillon of Passero Associates; Marge Kanuk of Realty USA; Jon Phillips of Phillips Hardware; and Jennifer Kilcoyne from the Bethlehem Chamber.

*Submitted photo*

are available.

The registration fee is \$10 per person, and children under 12-years old fish free.

For information, call 872-1237.

### Blackbird Cafe returns Feb. 5

Voorheesville Central School District's Blackbird Cafe meals-to-go program returns Wednesday, Feb. 5. The meal is chicken parmesan with salad and bread.

The cost is \$8 for one meal, \$15 for two meals or \$25 for four meals (tax included). Meals may be picked up between 4 and 6:30 p.m.

Reservations must be made up to 24 hours prior to pick-up by emailing crivenburg@voorheesville.org or by calling 765-3313, ext. 109.

### Active Saturday at Five Rivers

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center is hosting three programs Saturday, Feb. 8.

The day kicks off with "Birding by Snowshoe" — part of Five Rivers' Watchable Wildlife series — at 9 a.m. Join Five Rivers staff and

birders from the Hudson Mohawk Bird Club and the Audubon Society of the Capital Region as they search for resident species and winter specialties. A briefing on how to snowshoe will precede the hike. If there is insufficient snow, we will go on foot.

Also at 9 a.m., there will be a workshop called "Growing Up Wild" for educators of children ages 3 to 7. The workshop uses a child's sense of wonder to encourage first-hand exploration of the natural world.

Finally, there will be a Family Fun program called "Under the Snow" at 2 p.m. Participants will venture out on snowshoes in search for signs of wildlife that find warmth and safety under a blanket of snow.

Space is limited for all three programs, and reservations must be made by Wednesday, Feb. 5.

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center is located at 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar. For more information, call 475-0291.

### V'ville Pre School open house

The Voorheesville Community Pre School is holding an open house and early registration event for its 2014-15 school year

Saturday, Feb. 1, from 9 a.m. to noon at the First United Methodist Church, 68 Maple Ave.

The open house is for the pre school's 3- and 4-year old programs. The school is located on the lower floor of the church.

For more information, call 765-3265 during school hours (9 to 11:30 a.m.) or email teacher/director Renee Crisafulli at ducky92@aol.com.

### Food and fellowship at New Baltimore Reformed Church

The Food and Fellowship luncheon program at the New Baltimore Reformed Church, located on the corner of Route 144 and Church Street, continues on Wednesday, Feb. 12, from noon to 2 p.m.

The lunch includes meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, a vegetable, Parker House rolls and cherry cobbler for dessert. National Park ranger Dawn Olsen will present a program called "Abe Lincoln and other Presidents" on Lincoln's 205th birthday.

The luncheon is open to all members of the community, but space is limited to 60 seats. Reservations are encouraged. Call the church office at 756-8764

and leave your name, contact number and the number of people in your group. If you require transportation, please leave that information on your message, too.

Free will offerings are accepted to offset food costs.

### To Life! hosts ACA discussion

To Life! is hosting "The Future of Cancer: How the Affordable Care Act will Impact Delivery of Care and Treatment for Cancer Patients and Survivors" on Thursday, Feb. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the CDPHP Cafeteria, 500 Patroon Creek Blvd. in Albany.

Noted oncologist Dr. Michael Kolodziej and CDPHP Vice President of Pharmacy and Health Quality Eileen Wood will share their knowledge and perspective on this topic.

If you are one of the three million people in the United States living with a cancer diagnosis or a health professional currently working with cancer patients, you have an interest in the inter-relationship of the Affordable Care Act and the delivery of health care for cancer patients and survivors.

Check-in time begins at 5:30 p.m., and space is limited. Registrations can

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### NSHA schedules Five Rivers event

The New Scotland Historical Association presents "Five Rivers, the History of a Special Place" on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, Route 85 in New Salem.

RoseAnne Fogarty, past president of Five Rivers and lead author of the book of the same name as the event, will give a Power Point presentation about the history of Five Rivers from the exposed ancient rock along the Vlomankill trail to the remains of the Civilian Conservation Corps encampment and a new, state-of-the-art green building. Copies of her book will be available for purchase.

Fogarty is on the board of Friends of Five Rivers. She taught for the Peace Corps in Thailand and at Cossackie-Athens High School.

The program is free and open to the public. The museum will also be open at 7 p.m. for people to view its current exhibit, "Entertainment Before 1950 and TV."

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# Grant helps community organization create website

**Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation aim to increase visibility**

By MARCY VELTE  
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Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation members will soon be able to ramp up donations and public participation with the creation of a new website.

The group was recently the recipient of \$2,000 through the 2014 Growing the Grassroots Grant. The award was announced on Thursday, Jan. 9, by the Albany-based nonprofit, Parks and Trails New York.

Joan Gavrilik, Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation president, said the group specifically applied for the money with a website in mind.

"It's the next step for us," she said. "You don't seem like a legitimate organization if people can't find you online."

The group was formed in January of last year with an eight-member board. It then received its federal tax-exempt status in August.

The idea came out of the town's 2012 Citizen Budget Advisory Committee that worked to draft a list of savings in the town budget, including cuts to the parks department. One of the suggestions was to establish a "friends" group to help raise funds and provide additional

**"You don't seem like a legitimate organization if people can't find you online."**

- Joan Gavrilik, Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation president

maintenance of areas, pursue various grants and possibly enter into a shared services agreement with the Highway Department. Gavrilik was a member of that committee.

The group is working closely with Parks and Recreation Department Director Nan Lanahan, who said in the past she is thankful for the group's efforts and sees the organization as a long-term fixture of the town.

According to Gavrilik, the first year was spent trying to figure out how to do the paperwork to be a non-profit. "None of us were very experienced, but we got there eventually," she said.

The group's first activity was setting up a table at the anniversary celebration for Elm Avenue Park's pool last summer. They handed out pamphlets, sold T-shirts and sought donations.

Gavrilik said although people seemed interested, it was hard to really get people involved without a place to direct them

to for more information.

The new website will be developed by Last Detail Marketing and Web Design of Delmar. The thought is the website will provide more information about the group. It will accept online donations, have a newsletter and provide a sign-up sheet for volunteers. The group also wants to launch an online survey for the town's residents.

"It's a service we can do without spending a lot of money," said Gavrilik. "We want to figure out how we should concentrate our time and efforts."

Gavrilik said the town's demographics are changing, and with that are the ways residents may have used the town's parks in previous years. Soon, the group will focus on improving programs, equipment and increasing the use of town parks for all age groups.

"We want to know what it would take to bring people back to the parks," said Gavrilik. "We have beautiful parks in Bethlehem. A lot of people used to go when their kids were small, but haven't been there in years. We want to address that."

The goal is to have the new website operational by May 1. For now, Gavrilik said Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation can be contacted by going through the town's website.

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Students interested in playing a spring sport should pick up a sport sign-up packet from the high school nurses office and return the completed packet to the nurses office as soon as possible but no later than Feb. 25. The sport

packet includes three forms: the School and Sport Physical Form, the Athletic Form and the Health History Form—all of which are also available online at [www.guiderlandschools.org](http://www.guiderlandschools.org). Students will not be able to try out or participate in practices without a sports packet cleared by the nurses office.

Students needing sports physicals should make an appointment with the high school nurses office for either Monday, Feb 10, from 4 to 5:45 p.m. or Monday, Feb. 24, from 4 to 5:45 p.m.

### G'land Y preschool registration

The Guilderland YMCA preschool classrooms provide a warm and safe environment where children engage in a variety of activities including music, arts and crafts, centers play, creative movement, health and fitness and structured learning. The 2014-2015 school year registration opens Feb. 1.

The YMCA will offer the following classes: 2 Year Old: Tuesdays, Thursdays. 9-11 a.m. at Guilderland YMCA. 3 Year Old: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays. 9 a.m. - noon at Guilderland YMCA. 3 Year Old: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays. 8:30a.m. - 1 p.m. at Lynnwood Reformed Church. 4 year Old: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays. 8:30 am - 1 p.m. at Lynnwood Reformed Church.

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# Traffic report confirms residents' concerns

**Speeding is a problem in Haswell Farms and the Enclave**

By MARCY VELTE  
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The Town of Bethlehem plans to hold a public meeting for residents of Haswell Farms and the Enclave after receiving new information from the consultants hired to monitor traffic in the area.

Planning Director Rob Leslie first spoke about the issue at an October Town Board meeting, following complaints from residents over the summer who were concerned about speeding in the area. Officials eventually decided to implement a traffic calming initiative to help rectify the situation.

"With regards to speed, the (consultants) concluded that the residents' observations that speeding is an issue were confirmed," said Leslie.

Over the summer, a traffic officer was sent down to the location, along with a speed trailer. The police officer at that time agreed there was a traffic problem in the area of Hasgate and Forsten Drives. Police Chief Louis Corsi also said officers had been to the area a lot

over the past year.

Leslie, who is also the town representative on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, detailed a 10-month plan to implement and review solutions to the problem. The first step was to have a meeting with neighborhood representatives from the Enclave and Haswell Farms.

One of the major traffic problems for the area is the two neighborhoods have only one exit road. Leslie said more roads are planned, but development needs to continue. He said the planning board would never approve developments with only one access road because it could create a problem for emergency vehicles, but building out took longer then expected.

The town then contracted consultants to install Automatic Traffic Recorders to collect data on vehicle volume and speed. The data was collected from Nov. 4 through Nov. 13 at four points along Hasgate Drive, Forsten Drive and Harvest Ridge Road. Many were found to be speeding on Hasgate Drive between Barrington and Reynolds Court, with the highest speeds of 38

mph northbound and 36 mph southbound. The posted speed is 30 mph.

"Overall, the prevailing speeds are higher than would be expected or desirable for the width and residential character of these roadways," said the report.

Residents were concerned about the safety of their children playing outside. At the previous meeting, some had said drivers would pass other vehicles by driving onto people's lawns, while others said school buses had been passed and mailboxes hit.

The study found that the volume of traffic is "consistent with the levels that would be anticipated with the size of these neighborhoods and with the local street function." This means it is unlikely other vehicles are cutting through the neighborhood, and the majority of issues is likely being caused by neighborhood residents.

The town will now be having an additional meeting for residents on Tuesday, Feb. 25, at Town Hall from 7 to 9 p.m. The hope is those in the neighborhood will work together to identify further traffic calming improvements.

# Technology of tomorrow

**Congressman checks out Shaker students' robot project**

By BILLY DeLAP  
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Shaker High School students recently won a grant from NASA that they will use to enter a robot into a competition, and on Wednesday, Jan. 22, Congressman Paul Tonko dropped in to learn more about the project.

Tonko spent an hour at Shaker High School learning about the robot the students are building for a competition in March. The finished robot will be under 3 feet tall with six wheels and be operated by remote control. It is designed to be able to pick up a large ball and project it into a goal.

Tonko said he is pleased to see the students working at such an advanced level.

"I'm always amazed at the sophistication and the intellect of how advanced our students are when they're given the opportunity to be in contact with high-tech innovation opportunities," said Tonko. "It's a joy seeing this sort of investment being at our fingertips, being able to prepare more strongly the workforce of today and tomorrow."

Tonko is a supporter of the Science Technology Engineering



**SHS's robotics team is preparing their robot for the FIRST Tech Valley Regional Competition at RPI in March.**

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and Mathematics (STEM) careers and is co-sponsoring "The Educating Tomorrow's Engineers Act." The legislation would help boost STEM education programs in the nation's elementary, middle and high schools.

North Colonie is a veteran applicant of the NASA FIRST Robotics Sponsorship and has won the scholarship four times now. The award is given to high school students who are involved in school-related robotics clubs. The main intent of the clubs must be to inspire students to pursue careers in STEM related fields.

The team is preparing for the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Valley Regional Competition at RPI that takes place from March 13-15. All

FIRST Robotics Teams competing in the event have been assigned a game challenge with a manual of specifications, including design constraints.

The 37 students on the team were given six weeks to complete the robot. The team is in the early development stages of building their robot.

While students were showing Tonko around the shops where they are building parts for the robot, they were asked how it makes them feel to have a congressman see what they were up to.

"Pretty good, I guess, because we do a lot of stuff here and we've learned a lot and it would be really great to get more support and resources for other younger people to learn," said senior Allan Abraham.

Aside from being a great learning experience many of the students on the robotics team said the experience fosters a sense of teamwork and friendship. Over the course of the project, the students spend 20 hours a week together working on the robot. Many of the seniors have been on the robotics team since their freshmen year.

"This is pretty much my life, this is my sport. I was just trying to find my niche in life when I came into high school and I found it. These guys are like my family," said senior Anthony Cicchinelli.

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Notice of Formation Constance & Carob LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/11/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90217(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Ashima Enterprises LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/10/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90218(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Oaxaca Commissary, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/12/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90219(D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: STEPHENS POWER AND INFRASTRUCTURE ASSOCIATES, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/10/2013. 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 the process to the LLC c/o Michelle H. Wildgrube, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube PC., 2310 Nott St. E., STE 1, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 90220(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Publication Notice of Organization of Limited Liability Company  
FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is DICE-ROD, LLC. (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").  
SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the New York Secretary of State on December 11, 2013.  
THIRD: The County within New York State in which the office of the Company is to be located is ALBANY.  
FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is  
45 Carolanne Drive  
Delmar, New York 12054  
FIFTH: The purposes of the business of the Company is The Company's purpose is

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to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the New York Limited Liability Law. 90221(D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: KJG MOTORS-PORTS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, December 16, 2013. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. 90199(D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFFESIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: KINSELLA HOGGAN LLP. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/2/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLP, Suite 1440, 90 State Street, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of law. 90200(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of 15 East 26 EAT L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/11/13. 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 Avenue, New York, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 90202(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Spirit Master Funding VII, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/12/13. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/3/13. 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., New York, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. 90203(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of 71-11 MANSE STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/13/13. 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. 90204(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Prime Title Agency LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/9/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY design-

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nated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Lemery Greisler LLC, 60 Railroad Place, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Purpose: any lawful activity. 90205(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of LACHLAN LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/13/13. 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. 90222(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of CITCO INSURANCE SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/12/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 350 Park Avenue, 29th Fl., New York, NY 10022. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 90224(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Keywell Metals LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/13/13. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/21/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Avenue, Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12206. DE address of LLC: 1675 S State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 90225(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Muffi's Canine Goods LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/17/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 1183 Krunkill Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159-3710. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90034(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Just Jamie Scarves LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/18/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90035(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Black Label LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/16/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90036(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Mad Goat Media LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/16/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90037(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation CB Atelier LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/16/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 90038(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of formation ICPD Holdings, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/21/2013. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 43 British American Boulevard, Latham, New York 12110. Purpose: All legal purposes. 90039(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of CENTER FOR ADVANCEMENT OF CONTEMPORARY ART LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/16/13. 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. 90040(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of WESER AVENUE CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/18/13. 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. 90041(D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Italus Holdings, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on 12/20/13. Office location: Albany County. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 595 New Loudon Road, Suite 207, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. 90042(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Lamar Transit, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/16/13. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/3/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 1675 South State St., Ste.

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B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 90043(D) (January 29, 2014)

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TLCC CAPITAL, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/19/2013. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Scott S. Davidoff, 3 Atrium Dr., Ste. 210, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 89692(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of EMT & DC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Lemery Greisler LLC, 60 Railroad Place, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Purpose: any lawful activity. 89704(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Prime One Medical Services PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 12/20/2013. 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. 89705(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation Decent Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/23/2013 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 8 Barbara Drive, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632. Purpose: all lawful activities. 89706(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of CIRCUS EDIT, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/24/13. 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. 92257(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of JBR Equipment Services, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/24/13. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 12/19/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 13995 Diplomat Drive, Ste. 300, Farmers Branch, TX 75234. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Secy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 92259(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of De-Bootler, LLC. Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 7/16/13. Office location:

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Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 637 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92269(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Twins Assets Management LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/8/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 19C Trolley Square, Wilmington, DE 19806. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92270(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Orion96 Properties LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/8/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 19C Trolley Square, Wilmington, DE 19806. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92271(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Orion 15 Investing LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 7/17/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 19C Trolley Square, Wilmington, DE 19806. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92272(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Javesti Investing LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/8/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 19C Trolley Square, Wilmington, DE 19806. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92328(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Goldberg Holding LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/8/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 19C Trolley Square, Wilmington, DE 19806. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92329(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of Centria Investing LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 7/18/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 19C Trolley Square, Wilmington, DE 19806. Purpose: any lawful activities. 92330(D) (January 29, 2014)

LEGAL NOTICE

1. The name of the Professional Limited Liability Company is Copps DiPaola, PLLC.  
2. The Article of Organization were filed November 21, 2013.  
3. The office of the Professional Limited Liability Company is located in Albany County.  
4. The street address of the principal business location

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of the Professional Limited Liability Company is 126 State Street, 6th Floor, Albany, New York 12207.  
5. The Secretary of State has been designated as the agency of the Professional Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served.  
6. The purpose of the Professional Limited Liability Company is to practice the professions of attorney and counselor-at-law. 92333(D) (January 29, 2014)

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BSM CONSULTING LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/2/14. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o David Farley, Jr., 7034 Suzanne Ln., Schenectady, NY 12303. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 92340(D) (January 29, 2014)

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TERRA PESCE TARIAN INTERNATIONAL LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/2/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 11 Rafaillo Dr., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 92341(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation NERDMINER LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/2/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. 92342(D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of RoperFurley Enterprises LLC. Authority filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/29/2012. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in NV on 9/28/2012. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to 109 N 9TH St #3R Brooklyn NY 11249. Arts of Org filed with SS of NV at 204 N Carson St #4 Carson City NV 89701. PURPOSE: Any lawful act. 92343(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of THE SHIRE 12, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 12/24/13. 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. Ad# 35382 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Merchant Charles Street, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/30/13. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in California (CA) on 12/13/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. CA address of LLC: 7 Live Oak Way, Kentfield, CA 94904. Arts. of Org. filed with CA Secy. of State, 1500 11th St., Sacramento, CA

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95814. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad# 35475 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of formation of OHD-ROME III LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State(SSNY) on 12/13/2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: I. David Swawite, 40 Beaver St., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad # 35477 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of formation of OHD-LIBERTY GARDENS III LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State(SSNY) on 12/13/2012. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: I. David Swawite, 40 Beaver St., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad # 35478 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SHRINATH PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/10/2013. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC c/o Michelle H. Wildgrube, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube PC., 2310 Nott St. E., STE 1, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad # 35543 (D) (January 29, 2014)

LEGAL NOTICE

GREENWIL REALTY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/3/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 111 Court St., 2L, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad# 35544 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: FOX VISION DEVELOPMENT CENTER, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/6/2013, with a date of formation of 1/1/2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC c/o Michelle H. Wildgrube, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube PC., 2310 Nott St. E., STE 1, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad# 35545 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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1 Creek Place, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/07/14. Off. loc: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 1 Creek Place, Locust Valley, NY 11550. Purpose: General. Ad # 35550 (D) (January 29, 2014)



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Genesis Reception LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/12/13. Off. loc: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 15 Wellington Place, Hempstead, NY 11550. Purpose: General. Ad# 35551 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Bourbon Holdings Corp, LLC. Fictitious name in NY State: Bourbon Holdings, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 10/24/13. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Arizona (AZ) on 2/25/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. AZ address of LLC: 4400 North Scottsdale Road, Ste. 705, Scottsdale, AZ 85251. Arts. of Org. filed with AZ Corp Commission, 1300 West Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad# 35681(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of NY-SEG Solutions, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/31/13. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/19/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 1675 South State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad# 35686(D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Educational STEM Solutions, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/31/13. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in New Hampshire (NH) on 2/21/12. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o National Registered Agents, Inc., 111 8th Ave., New York, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. NH address of LLC: 373 South Willow St., Ste. 235, Manchester, NH 03103. Arts. of Org. filed with NH Dept. of State, 107 North Main St., Concord, NH 03301-4989. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad# 35693 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Qualification of Energetix DE, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/31/13. Office location: Albany County, LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/19/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 1675 South State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901.

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Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad# 35704 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of HAVILAH REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/6/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad# 35728 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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JENNY'S CORNER, LLC Articles of Organization of this Limited Liability Company (LLC) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 3, 2014. The LLC maintains its office in Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served to the LLC at: The LLC, c/o Young/Sommer, LLC, 5 Palisades Drive, Albany, New York 12205. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law. Ad# 35774 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: THE KINDLON LAW FIRM, PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/21/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The KINDLON LAW FIRM, PLLC, 74 Chapel Street, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: to practice the profession of law and any lawful activities. Ad# 35798 (D) (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: PCP CPark Associates, LLC (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with NY Dept. of State on January 13, 2014. Office location: Albany County. NY Secretary of State (SOS) is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to c/o Nigro Companies, Inc. 20 Corporate Woods, Albany, NY 12211. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad# 36081 (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: D&L UTILITY SERVICES LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 15, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 16 Hemlock Street, Latham, NY 12110. Ad# 36351 (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: ODU HOTEL INVESTORS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 16, 2013. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. Ad# 36683 (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: BETHLEHEM MANOR LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 10, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 20 Corporate Woods Boulevard, Albany, NY 12211. Ad# 36763 (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: DUMPSTER DRESS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 21, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to P.O. Box 990, Latham, NY 12110. Ad# 36803 (January 29, 2014)

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Notice of Formation of an LLC: PDCA, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 13,

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2014. Office location is in Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of Process to the LLC, at 894 Bridge Street, Ravena, NY 12143. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. Ad# 36876 (January 29, 2014)

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Phoenix Towers LLC is proposing the construction of a telecommunications facility project on the parcel known as 1319 New Scotland Road, Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York. The telecommunications installation will include the installation of a 140-foot monopole style tower at the address referenced above. Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any HISTORIC PROPERTY may do so by sending comments to: Project 168-117 c/o Infinigy Engineering PLLC, 1033 Watervliet Shaker Road, Albany, NY 12205. Ad# 36903 (January 29, 2014)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at 7:00 P.M., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, to take action on an application by Elaine Bell, 17 Forest Road, Delmar for an area variance under Article XIII, Section 128-100, Schedule of area yard and bulk requirements. Daniel W. Coffey Chairman Board of Appeals Ad# 36680 (January 29, 2014)

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT TAKE NOTICE, that I, Nancy Mendick, the undersigned Receiver of Taxes and Assessments for the Town of Bethlehem, have received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes and will receive payments thereon Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. and on Saturday, January 25 from 9-noon at the Bethlehem Town Hall,, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York for the properties assessed upon such roll. NO COLLECTION FEE DURING JANUARY. 1% collection fee during February, 2% collection fee during March, TAKE

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FURTHER NOTICE, that pursuant to the provisions of law the tax roll of the Town of Bethlehem will be returned to the County of Albany Director of Finance on April 1, 2014.

Dated January 1, 2014,  
Nancy Mendick, Town of Bethlehem,  
Receiver of Taxes & Assessments

Ad# 36833 (January 29, 2014)

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NY. Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board will conduct a Public Hearing as part of its regularly scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY, regarding a Subdivision Application submitted on behalf of TP Builders, as shown on drawing entitled: Preliminary Plat, The Grove, Bower Avenue, Pine Street & Grove Place, Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, last revised 01/14/2014; prepared by Ingalls & Associates, LLP, Schenectady, NY. The property is part of a subdivision, known as 3 Hills Terrace, which dates back to 1913. Documentation related to the application can be viewed in the Dept. of Economic Development & Planning, Town Hall, Rm 203, M-F, 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Notice of Public Hearing will be posted on the Town of Bethlehem website and mailed to Residents and/or Owners of properties within 200 feet of the proposed project. The notice will also be published in the Spotlight Newspaper and mailed to the Town of Guilderland – Town Clerk. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. Ad# 36824 (January 29, 2014)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for Rental of Portable Toilets. Bids will be received up to 3:30 p.m. on February 14, 2014 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Nanci Moquin, Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BIDDER AND SUBJECT OF THE BID. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted. Bid documents may be obtained at the Bethlehem Town Clerk's Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Bid documents may also be available for download from the Capital Region Purchasing Group through the Town of Bethlehem Website at www.townofbethlehem.org Purchasing Division. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Nanci Moquin  
TOWN CLERK  
Dated: January 29, 2014

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# Barn

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the proposed subdivision was granted sketch plan approval, but further development stalled. Town officials believe the recession played a role in the delay.

## Long struggle before barn visit

Mackay provided Spotlight News with a copy of the email he sent Barry Hollander, a co-owner of Country Club Partners, on Oct. 15, 2010, requesting to visit the barn.

“I’d like to get some photos of the interior post-and-beam construction and get an feel for potential obstacles and costs for potentially moving the structure,” Mackay said in the email. “Would you be comfortable with arranging a potential site visit for this purpose?”

Hollander replied on Oct. 19, 2010, and declined his request until further town approvals were received.

“An inspection of the barn at this time is premature,” Hollander said in the email. “After subdivision approval, we will be in position to build a new maintenance facility.”

Mackay said Hollander recently granted him access to the barn, despite subdivision approval still pending, after several attempts over the years to visit the property, according to Mackay.

“I finally had a site visit on Dec. 18, 2013 — three years later,” Mackay said at the board’s Jan. 15 meeting. “That is time I would have put to good use in terms of assessing funding opportunities,

local grants ... and creative local fundraising. We are now, in a sense, under a deadline here. The developer is eager to move forward with his plans on the site.”

Believing this was his “one chance” to visit the barn, Mackay said he invited several people to join him, including fellow board member William Hennessy, town Planning Board member Kurt Anderson, Town Historian Robert Parmenter, town Building Inspector Jeremy Cramer and “a number of other parties.”

“The excuse given for delaying site access is that the golf course continues to utilize the property for maintenance, storage and various activities,” Mackay said. “We had site access last month, and all of those activities continued to exist on that site so that seems to not really have been the excuse.”

*Spotlight News* emailed several questions to the owners of the property but only received a general statement regarding the issue. The owners of Country Club Partners contend they cooperated with town officials throughout the process.

“From the beginning of the process, we have cooperated with the town on every request they have made,” Country Club Partners said in a statement to *Spotlight News*. “Our intention is to continue to cooperate in any way necessary to complete the project in a manner that will be most beneficial to the town. We have an extremely good working relationship with the board and would never do anything that would jeopardize it.”

Minutes from the town planning board’s May 3, 2011, show a representative of the

property saying the barn is going to be offered to “a historical organization, or someone who would be interested in taking it.”

## Conditional approval eyed

Mackay said since owners did not accommodate his prior requests for access, he believes the Town Board or Planning Board could be allowed to attach some conditions to the final approvals needed. These conditions could require the barn to remain on site and accessible for a certain amount of time while development begins on other areas.

“What I am proposing is not unrealistic or any type of particular hardship, and the structure is of such significance and style it is worth that,” Mackay said. “If we had the last three years to do the proper planning, we would not have to ask for time.”

There were also two landowners possibly interested in having the structure relocated to their property that joined the barn visit. Mackay would not disclose who those people were, or anyone else interested in the barn, because of talks only being preliminary.

“The intent here would be to see the building reused in the Town of New Scotland and there seems to be legitimate potential for making that happen,” Mackay said.

He also said he would like to see the barn reused in some agricultural context to fit with the barn’s history.

William Krattinger, historic preservation program analyst at the state Division for Historic Preservation, also joined the

December tour of the barn. Krattinger, whom Mackay described as a “barn expert,” assessed the structure to be National Historic Register eligible, according to Mackay.

“There is value in exploring deconstruction and relocating,” Mackay said.

Mackay said he hopes to set up a second site visit to have an expert on barn relocations put a price tag on what moving the structure would cost.

“Without that number, I think it is a speculative conversation, more idealistic than practical. I need a number to figure out how to get practical about this,” Mackay said. “I do think it is going to take some cooperation between Town Board, Planning Board and the developer to grant us the time, at least some time, to pursue that type of campaign.”

Mackay said he would “love to see” a 12-to-15-month window for the barn to be relocated, or any other solution.

“I found it an awe-inspiring structure, and I would like to see ... some attempt made to get real creative about how to save that barn,” he said. “I understand at a certain point maybe time runs out and maybe the save doesn’t happen.”

## Local ties to barn’s history

Voorheesville Historian Dennis Sullivan, who has researched several barns in New Scotland, provided insight into how the 60-foot wide, 120-foot long and 60-foot tall barn was erected.

The barn was built in 1898 near the former LeVie’s farm

stand along Route 85A, which is how it became known as the “LeVie barn.” A more proper name historically though would be the “Hilton barn,” because it was built when Captain Hilton was raising “some of the finest strains of Devon cattle” on his farm, according to Sullivan. The barn standing today was built to replace Hilton’s barn that burned down, Sullivan said.

“When it was built, it became the largest barn in Albany County,” Sullivan said.

The man who built the barn, Frank Osterhout, was also a well-known carpenter of his time and built two other barns within the town, along with the former Odd Fellows Hall in Voorheesville, the former village firehouse now serving as Voorheesville Village Hall and three houses within the town.

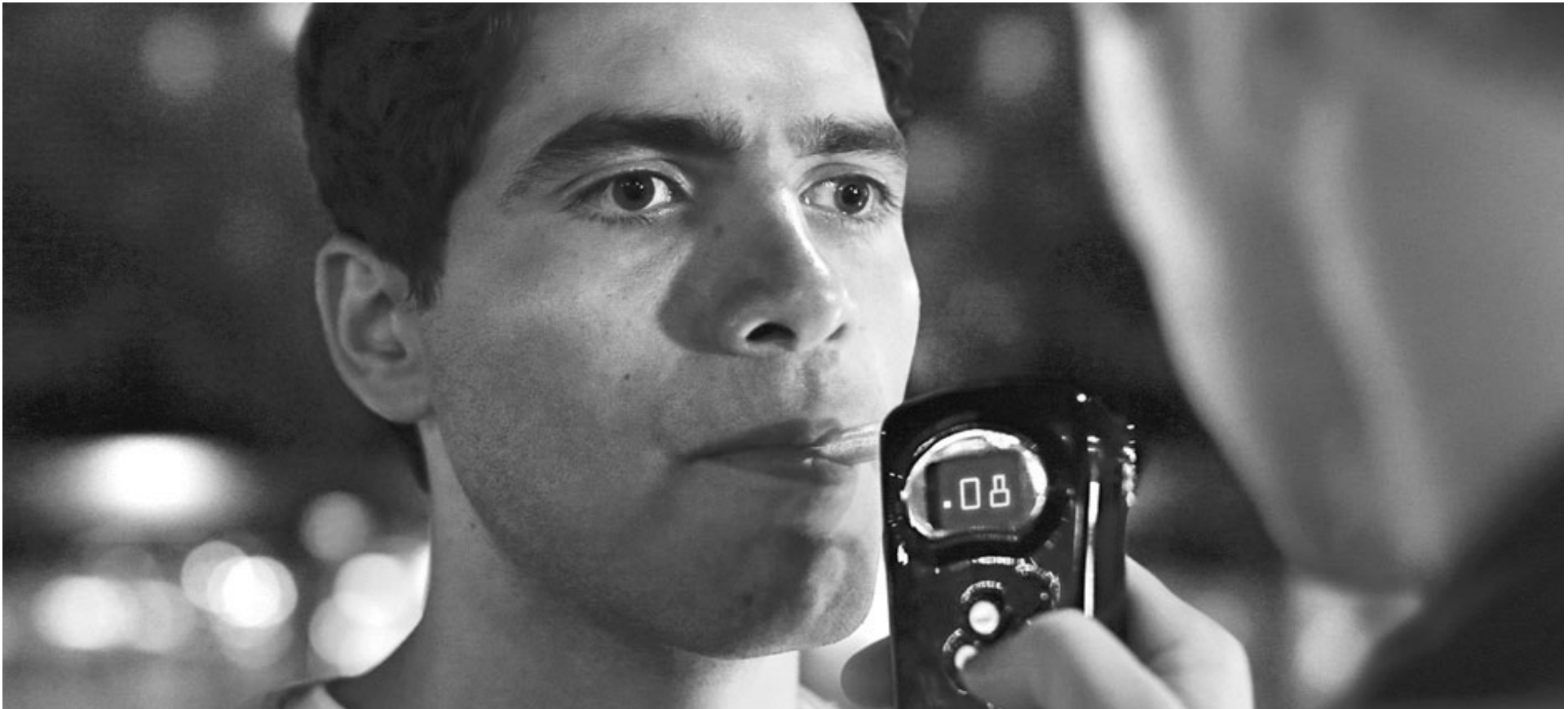
“It was said by people that because Frank was such a great carpenter, they didn’t have to cut a single piece a second time,” Sullivan said.

A brain-raising bee was held on Saturday, March 25, 1898, and 160 volunteers turned out. Since the barn was “so huge,” volunteers had to return on Monday and Tuesday to complete the job.

“It is a beautiful structure, just beautiful,” Sullivan said. “It reflects the history of Albany County agriculture.”

He said having the barn still standing keeps the memory of Osterhout alive and is a connection to history that can’t be replaced.

“Every time I ride by, I look at that barn in amazement,” he said. “People go to Paris to see Notre Dame, and to me it is like going into a cathedral.”



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## Luge

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incoming students. Kelly said he would be delighted to email and video chat with her class when school began again in the fall.

Davis' son, Robert, is in the fourth grade at Elsmere, and the two classes began meeting together when the time came to begin their correspondence with the luger. Robert looked up to Kelly, Davis said, and he wanted share the experience her students would be having with his own classmates. To start, each fourth-grader was given a kindergarten buddy to sit with and help during those times. Davis said she also wanted to explain what luge was – a winter sport where participants sled face-up at speeds of up to 87 mph – for those who didn't know.

At first the meetings were simple, with the students asking questions and Kelly answering by email or video.

"It's been great talking with the kids," said Kelly in an interview via email. "I look forward to their questions each week, and I know Nancy worries that they're bothering me or interfering with my training. To be honest, I think I get as much out of it as they do. I love to see enthusiasm about luge, especially from such young kids, and I'd like to say a lot of them will end up trying it in the future."

The students have asked him questions about how he got into luge to what color his uniform is.

"It was nice getting asked different questions than I usually get in interviews, so the questions they came up with were a nice change of pace," Kelly said.

When one student asked about bullying, Kelly decided to give them an honest answer.

"I think many of them were surprised that I was bullied growing up, but if anything, I think it just fueled my passion for luge," he said. "It got me out of my town, and I wanted the kids to know that if you are bullied or harassed, you just need to ignore it and find what really makes you happy, no matter what other people say. I mean I've even been bullied for doing luge ... and now I'm going to the Olympics, so who's laughing now?"

The students kept in contact with Kelly as

he finished 6th in the Junior World Cup in Lillehammer, Norway, and as he became a Norton Junior National Champion. They also watched as he didn't make the original cut for the team when racing in Lake Placid and eventually had to pay his own way in order to continue qualification rounds with the rest of Team USA. And they saw how he got distracted by a fan ringing a bell and crashed in Park City, Utah.

"It's good that the students have been able to see him lose too," said Davis. "At first they didn't understand why he wasn't winning all of the time."

Davis talks about Kelly like a proud mother. She said she is happy with all of the life lessons Kelly is helping to instill in the students, and she is amazed by how well he's taken some of the disappointing moments he's faced during this season.

"I think he just feels blessed to have this shot," she said.

Kelly, a Long Island native, talked to the kids about never giving up when trying to reach their goals, and to do their best. He also gave them a car analogy that has stuck with many of the boys.

"He said, 'You glance in your review mirror and see the mistakes you've made, try to fix them and then move on.' If you keep looking back, you could crash," explained Davis.

Later, as the kids developed a better understanding of the sport, Davis would show them videos of Kelly and asked them for analysis of what he did right or wrong.

Unfortunately, because of the time difference, Davis said she does not believe the students will be able to watch Kelly's attempts at an Olympic medal live in Sochi, Russia. The first Men's Luge competition will air on Saturday, Feb. 8, on NBC between midnight and 1 a.m. She hopes she will eventually be able to find videos of Kelly's runs online to show the kids.

"Really, I just hope the kids can learn something from my life experiences," said Kelly. "I think I've experienced more in the past six years of doing luge than many people will in 20. I hope they can see that patience is a virtue and especially that life goes on, so you can't take it so seriously."

## House

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The cost to build the innovative house was funded through a \$650,000 grant from the state, with Sen. Neil Breslin securing the funding. Private funding was also used to integrate technology into the building, which BBL Construction Services designed and built.

The home features a universally accessible, energy-efficient design, along with advanced technology integrated into the building to assist with everyday tasks such as lowering or raising the blinds via iPad. Six individuals will be moving into the house, which is hooked up to solar panels on site providing electricity and hot water.

"A house like this gives them so much control over their environment," CEO of Living Resources Fredrick Erlich said. "It is a wonderful thing to not depend on staff for everything."

Hannaford Supermarket provided \$50,000 toward the kitchen, which features self-closing cabinets and drawers, an induction stovetop that's never hot to the touch, special cookware to heat food safely and LED lighting with sensor capabilities. All counters and cabinets are compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.

Residents can also research recipes in the kitchen and receive step-by-step audio instructions from an iPad while preparing a meal. The iPad, which utilizes AbleLink technology, allows residents to control entertainment systems and video monitoring.

"We commend Living Resources for their extraordinary vision and commitment to building sustainable, green homes in the Capital District, which truly enhances the lives of individuals with disabilities and the elderly," Molly Tarleton, a spokeswoman for Hannaford, said in a statement.

Breslin said he hopes the Smart House will help lead to a time when people can't imagine living in anything less than technologically savvy home.

There are many technology features, but the core design of the house is all about accessibility. The home features an open, single-level floor plan using natural lighting and automatic lighting in some areas. Expanded bathrooms also allow for better mobility. Medical



David Putnam, of Living Resources, holds an iPad for Deanna Bandy, 47, as he demonstrates to her how she can use the device to control her environment, such as dimming the lights or controlling the television.

John Purcell/Spotlight

supports for tracking medications and vital signs run through the Internet.

Erlich views the home as a starting point for the nonprofit and other organizations to build more homes throughout the state.

"We see this as a start ... to look at ways that agencies like Living Resources and technology that is already out there in the market place could be brought together, and we can work at ways of helping people to remain independent," Erlich said, "whether they are intellectually and developmentally disabled, have a brain injury, or just got older and want to

remain independent."

Living Resources, a nonprofit, houses 36 individuals in homes no longer meeting the needs of residents. There are an additional 31 people on a waiting list for upgraded barrier-free housing. People may experience difficulties with mobility, memory, vision, hearing and heart conditions as they get older, but these problems could be compounded if someone also suffers from cognitive disabilities.

Erlich said the organization projects up to a third of its group home residents would reach the age of 60 over

the next decade, which will increase the demand for independent living facilities.

"The combination of emerging health issues among the aging population and the structural limitations of housing that no longer accommodates the needs of consumers can no longer be tolerated," Erlich said. "Building more homes with advanced technology and capabilities is a critical step in the search to find compassionate solutions to the challenges of caring for one of the more vulnerable segments of our population."

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# Wagner lands Bethlehem's top running back



Bethlehem's Jason Clas — shown in action during a Sept. 6, 2013 game against Christian Brothers Academy — has accepted a full scholarship to play football at Wagner University. *Spotlight file photo*

## Clas receives full scholarship to DI FCS school

By ROB JONAS  
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Jason Clas is taking his football talents to Staten Island.

The Bethlehem Central High School senior halfback accepted a full scholarship Friday to play for Wagner University, a member of the Northeast Conference in the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision.

"It's a lot of emotions, I guess," said Clas. "I feel happiness, and I feel a little bit of relief because it's over and I can focus on everything else again."

Clas recently visited the Wagner campus, and he knew it was where he wanted to be.

"The campus was great, and the people were great," said Clas.

Wagner was only one of two Division I FCS schools to show interest in Clas. He said he received a call from retiring University at Albany head coach Bob Ford at one point, but that was it. The remaining schools on Clas' list were Division III programs.

"The first time I talked to (Wagner), they said they were pretty much going to offer me (a scholarship)," said Clas.

Clas had a solid

season for the Bethlehem football team this past fall, as he rushed for more than 800 yards and nine touchdowns. He also was a steady contributor at defensive end for the Eagles, who finished with a 3-6 record.

Clas, who was also used as a tight end during his high school career, said he will be playing a variety of roles for Wagner.

"I was used pretty much all over the place in high school, and I expect that to happen in college, too," said Clas. "I'll play at tight end, but I'll also be moving around to halfback."

Shaker offensive lineman Nick Griffin also received a full scholarship to Wagner over the weekend, which means the two former Section II Class AA rivals will be teammates.

"He could be blocking with me, and he could be blocking for me," said Clas.

Clas still has to finish his senior season with the Bethlehem boys basketball team, which is sitting in fourth place in the Suburban Council South Division with a 4-7 record (5-8 overall). After that, he said he plans to prepare for his first FCS season with Wagner.

"I think the competition is going to be great — both the competition on the team (for starting positions) and the competition within the league," said Clas.

## Dutch

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Richmondville 47-37 Friday.

The Blackbirds struggled in the second quarter, as Cobleskill (0-10, 1-13) went on a 14-2 run to take a 23-14 halftime lead. But Voorheesville roared to life in the second half and out-scored the

Bulldogs 33-14 to pull out the road win.

Logan Hotaling had 16 points, and Noah Crawford contributed 14 points for Voorheesville. Brad Koeberle's 11 points paced Cobleskill.

Friday's game was Voorheesville's fourth in a six-day span. The Blackbirds took two games from Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at the beginning of the week, as they beat the

Indians 67-56 last Sunday and 64-58 last Tuesday. Then, they hit five free throws in the final minute to edge Cohoes 65-60 last Thursday.

Crawford had 20 points, and Joseph Vogel added 14 points for Voorheesville in last Thursday's victory over Cohoes (9-1, 12-2).

Ravena (6-5, 7-6) rebounded from its two losses to Voorheesville to knock off Colonial Council

rival Ichabod Crane 55-43 Friday and Greenville 61-37 Saturday at the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic at The College of Saint Rose in Albany.

Josh Hall netted 13 points to lead a balanced Ravena attack in Friday's league win against Ichabod Crane, while Matt Ferriero was the shooting star in Saturday's victory over Greenville with a game-high 22 points.

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# Sophomores lead Voorheesville girls to victory

**Pettograsso scores 10 of her 12 points in the second half to lead Blackbirds**

By ROB JONAS  
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When your varsity basketball team is loaded with sophomores, there is going to be a learning curve.

Such is the case with this year's Voorheesville girls basketball team. In Friday's 51-41 Colonial Council home victory over Cobleskill-Richmondville, the Blackbirds (5-7 league, 7-7 overall) needed every ounce of offense they could get from their sophomores to fend off the hard-charging Bulldogs (0-13).

**FINAL SCORE**

- Voorheesville Blackbirds, 51
- Cobleskill Bulldogs, 41

Baron used an all-sophomore starting lineup because two of his three seniors, Rebecca Bogart and Katina Wallace, were out with injuries. Though there were times where their inexperience showed, such as a scoring drought in the third quarter that nearly cost Voorheesville the lead, the sophomores rallied themselves to pull away from Cobleskill in the fourth quarter.

"I was very pleased with our effort tonight," said Baron.

Cobleskill remained within striking distance most of the evening by playing aggressively at the offensive end, which led to several fouls against Voorheesville.

The Bulldogs were in the double bonus after the Blackbirds committed their 10th team foul early in the fourth quarter.

"We got ourselves in foul trouble the whole night," said Baron. "We have a tendency to put our hands on people, and we need to stop doing that."

The one saving grace for Voorheesville was Cobleskill's inability to hit free throws. The Bulldogs made seven of their 18 foul shots, which made it difficult for them to close the gap.

Still, Cobleskill was within three points of Voorheesville late in the third quarter. That's when the Blackbirds started getting the ball inside to forward Jordan Pettograsso. The sophomore scored 10 of her 12 points over the final 10 minutes to help Voorheesville pull away.

"We played the pick and roll (with Pettograsso finishing the plays) pretty well," said Baron. "And when we weren't fouling them, we played pretty good defense, too."

Sophomore guard Rachel Blow also scored 12 points in her first start of the season. Blow replaced Bogart in the lineup.

"She plays a good, aggressive game," Baron said of Blow.

Dani Rappleyea had 11 points to lead Cobleskill, while Maya Nichols and Erin Pacatte each added seven points.

Voorheesville has four games left in the regular season to get ready for the Section II Class B playoffs, and Baron said all he wants to see now is progress from his young team.

"As long as they're making the commitment to improving every game and playing hard, then I'm good with that. I'm a patient man," said Baron.



Voorheesville's Jordan Pettograsso goes in for a layup during the fourth quarter of Friday's Colonial Council game against Cobleskill-Richmondville.  
Rob Jonas/Spotlight

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also nearly had a winning relay team, as they finished second to Colonie by .16 seconds in the 800-meter relay.

Samantha Taillon was third in the 300-meter dash with a time of 43.46 seconds, and Gabriella Ferrera placed third in the long jump with a distance of 15 feet, 4 inches for Bethlehem.

On the boys' side, Bethlehem took fourth place in the team standings with 58 points, despite not having three of its top runners at the league meet. Gunderland was sixth with 25.5 points.

Bethlehem's Noah Bell, Stephen Booker and Alex Carlson were at the New Balance Games Saturday in New York City, where they

all excelled. Bell won the boys 1-mile steeplechase invitational with a time of 4:55.68, while Booker qualified for the Millrose Mile with a second-place finish in a time of 4:19.06. Carlson was 10th in the 1,000-meter varsity race with a time of 2:36.21.

Back at UAlbany, Bethlehem kicked off the meet by winning the 800-meter relay with a time of 1:38.29. Ben Young, Ethan Strauss, Connor Kimmey and Peter Wilkins comprised the Eagles' sprint relay.

Scott Mistler-Ferguson and Brian Greenberg won individual titles for Bethlehem. Mistler-Ferguson sprinted past the competition to win

the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 8.47 seconds, while Greenberg took first place in the triple jump with a distance of 45 feet, 6 inches.

Guilderland's Harrison Bickmore denied Bethlehem's Liam Martens a victory in the high jump by winning the jump-off. Both Bickmore and Martens cleared the bar at 6 feet to force the jump-off. Bickmore was also sixth in the triple jump with a distance of 40 feet, 9.5 inches.

Bethlehem's Luke Dutcher was third in the pole vault with a cleared height of 12 feet, while teammate Devan Baranski finished fifth with a cleared height of 10 feet, 6 inches

## Jets tame Eagles on the road

Shaker/Colonie built a 4-0 lead and cruised to a 5-1 victory over Bethlehem in Friday's Capital District High School Hockey League game at the Bethlehem Area YMCA.

Andrue Caruso and Brendon Closs each scored a pair of goals to lead the Jets (4-3-0 league, 8-6-0 overall). Both of Closs' goals came in the second period, which helped Shaker/Colonie break open a close game.

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# Spotlight on Sports

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## Sophomores lead the way

The Voorheesville girls basket-ball team started five sophomores in last Friday's 51-41 Colonial Council win against Cobleskill-Richmondville. Jordan Pettograsso and Rachel Blow each scored 12 points for the Blackbirds, who are going through a rebuilding year.

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## Weekly poll

Who is the Suburban Council's midseason MVP in girls basketball?

- Jenni Barra (Shaker)
- Carly Boland (Shen)
- Kelly Donnelly (Averill Park)
- Jenna Giacone (Bethlehem)
- Nicole Riddick (Colonie)

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## Previous poll results:

Who is the Suburban Council's midseason MVP in boys basketball?

- Jahlil Nails 47%
- Andrew Platek 34%
- Connor Morelli 17%
- Austin Nydegger 1%
- Nolan Smith 0%

# Late surge pays off

Robinson passes a Saratoga trio to win at league championships

By ROB JONAS  
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Jenna Robinson surged when others might have faded.

The Guilderland senior waited until the final lap and then passed three Saratoga runners to win the girls 3,000-meter race at Saturday's Suburban Council Indoor Track and Field Championships at the University at Albany's SEFCU Arena.

"That was an awesome race," said Guilderland coach Dave Kosier. "I'm so proud of her."

"Definitely didn't think it was possible beforehand," said Robinson.

Robinson started near the middle of the pack and slowly gained ground until she ran up on the heels of Saratoga's trio of Sarah Morin, Carley Vetter and Peyton Engborg, who formed a tight pack in front. At times, Morin, Vetter and Engborg ran side by side as they tried to lock down the top three places.

"The way they run is they go out hard and try to maintain that pace," said Robinson.

Undaunted, Robinson stayed with Morin, Vetter and Engborg through several late laps and looked for an opening.

"Mentally it's tough, and a lot of people when they see Saratoga, they tend to put them on a pedestal. But (Robinson is) not one to back down," said Kosier. "She stayed with them and kept contact with them so she'd have a shot at the end."

Robinson made her move when the signal for the final lap was given. She passed Engborg first



Guilderland's Jenna Robinson stays close to a Saratoga runner during the girls 3,000-meter race at Saturday's Suburban Council Indoor Track and Field Championships at the University at Albany. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

and then surged past Vetter before catching Morin in the final strides to take first place with a time of 10:44.15. Morin placed second with a time of 10:44.21.

"Halfway through the race, I felt that if I kept holding out, I could get them at the end because I knew I had a strong finishing kick," said Robinson.

Robinson's performance was the highlight for the Guilderland girls team at the league meet. The Lady Dutch placed seventh with 26 points, well behind Saratoga's first-place total of 119.75 points.

Abigail Marco contributed a second-place finish in the 55-meter hurdles finals with a time of 9.12 seconds, and Sydney Campbell placed fourth in the pole vault after clearing the bar at 8 feet. Emily Burns was fifth in the 1,600-meter race with a time of 5:01.74.

Bethlehem fared better than Guilderland, as it finished fourth with 41 points. The Lady Eagles had their own individual champion in Grace Smith, who took first place in the high jump by clearing the bar at 5 feet, 4 inches. They

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# Dutch bounce back

Four players reach double digits in Guilderland win

By SPORTS STAFF  
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The Guilderland boys basketball team bounced back from last Tuesday's 53-40 loss to Shenendehowa by beating Bethlehem 76-50 in Friday's Suburban Council South Division game in Guilderland.

The game was close until the second half when the Dutchmen (11-1 league, 12-1 overall) outscored the Eagles (4-7, 5-8) 44-25.

## FINAL SCORE

- Guilderland Dutchmen, 66
- Bethlehem Eagles, 49

Four Guilderland players reached double figures in scoring, led by Marc DuMoulin's 19 points. Andrew Platek had 15 points, while Matt Cerutti contributed 14 points and Billy Floyd added 10 points.

Connor Morelli netted 16 points, and John Riker chipped in with 11 points for Bethlehem.

In Colonial Council boys basketball action, Voorheesville (10-1, 14-1) capped a busy week by beating Cobleskill-

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# Spartans swim past Guilderville

Collison wins two individual events and anchors two first-place relay teams

By SPORTS STAFF  
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The Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake swim team defeated Guilderville 100-74 in last Thursday's Suburban Council dual meet at Voorheesville High School.

Zach Arras and Brandon Beaudoin each won two events for the Spartans. Arras finished first in the 200- and 500-yard freestyles, while Beaudoin took first place in the 200 individual medley and the 100 backstroke.

Jeremy Collison was Guilderville's top swimmer. Collison won the 100-yard freestyle and the 100 breaststroke, and he anchored Guilderville victories in the 200 and 400 freestyle relays.

In other dual meet action Thursday, Shaker defeated Bethlehem 111-75. Gunnar Zemering earned victories in the 50 and 100 freestyles for Bethlehem.



Guilderville's Jeremy Collison swims to the lead in the 100-yard breaststroke during last Thursday's Suburban Council meet against Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake. Diane Deyoe/Special to the Spotlight



**Pick  
of the  
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## Way to go, Joe!

G.I. Joe, the classic military action figure, turns 50 this year and the New York State Military Museum, 61 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs, marks that anniversary on Saturday Feb. 8.

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G.I. Joe came on the market in 1964 when Hasbro introduced the 12-inch "action figure" for boys. The G.I. Joe has been on and off the shelves in different forms since then and has morphed from a kid's toy to a collectible for adults.

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The Spotlight arts calendar highlights happenings all over the Capital District.

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# The write stuff

## Visiting Writer's Series lets authors and their audiences mingle

By DANIA BIANCHI  
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**A** local blogger has just reported a serial killer is on the loose in the city of Albany. The first two victims were local young women without any apparent connection, and the third is a Broadway actress known as "The Red Queen."

No, this isn't an actual headline pulled from the 5 o'clock news, but rather the latest creation from author and University at Albany criminal justice professor, Frankie Y. Bailey, one of the writers who will take part in the upcoming New York State Writers Institute's Visiting Writers Series.

"It is set in a place that looks a lot like Albany ... a parallel universe," Bailey said. "I used a lot of the social issues in the world as we know it, but I use Albany in the past ... Albany's history and geography." Bailey's novel "Red Queen

"Dies" is the first novel in a "near-future" police procedural series. Bailey is the author of five books in the "Silver Dagger" mystery series, as well as non-fiction titles that explore crime, history and popular culture.

The professor said her work as a criminal justice professor and novelist tends to overlap.

"I can't really separate the two. I have always been feeding into that other part of my life and drawing from that life," she said.

Bailey will appear at the University at Albany as part of the writers series that runs from Thursday, Jan. 30, through Friday, May 2.

The series will feature seminars and readings from award-winning writers from all over the world.

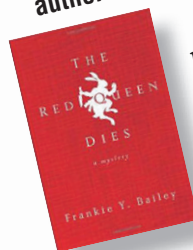
"In the past we have had 12 or 13 Pulitzer prize winners," said Donald Faulkner, director of the New York State Writers Institute. "And it's all free and open to the public."

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**"It's always a great opportunity for a writer to interact with people who are reading his or her book or will read his or her book."**

— Frankie Y. Bailey, author



# Poet starts event with a slam

The 2014 "Frequency North" readings at The College of Saint Rose start with a slam with 2013 Boston Poetry Slam Team member Jade Sylvan.

Sylvan will read Thursday, Jan. 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the Saint Rose Events and Athletics Center (Standish Rooms, Second Floor), 420 Western Ave., Albany. The program is free

and open to the public. Copies of Sylvan's most recent work will be available for purchase and signing.

Sylvan is an award-winning poet and nonfiction writer whose poetry and essays have been published in more than 20 journals, websites and magazines. Her most recent book is "Kissing Oscar Wilde" (Write Bloody Press, 2012). Sylvan won the 2011

Bayou Poetry Prize and was a finalist in the 2012 Bunchgrass Poetry Prize and the 2012 Write Bloody Book Competition. She has received artist grants from The Foundation for Contemporary Arts, Vermont Studio Center and Amethyst Arsenic (an online publisher of art, poetry and

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Faulkner said the series is an opportunity for students, writers and the community to get advice or to discuss a book the authors have written.

"It's really done in kind of a conversation," Faulkner said. "In the evening, it's more of a traditional reading from the book at hand – the most recent publication the author has had. There is also time for a question-and-answer session after the reading, and we have booksellers on hand with copies available for purchase and signature."

Though this is Bailey's first time joining the series, she said the interaction with the readers benefits her work tremendously.

"It's always a great opportunity for a writer to interact with people who are reading his or her book or will read his or her book," she said. "I love talking to people who read the book. They tell me things that I didn't realize when I was writing it. The whole process of moving the book from the writer's mind to those reading it and reacting to it, and bringing to it something that I, as a writer, can't imagine."

Bailey said the input from readers is priceless.

"With my other series of five books ... with each book they told me what they expected of the characters and the people I created. It's always informative to me as a writer," she said.

James Redwood, a professor at Albany Law School and author of a collection of stories based

***“Our mission is to promote literature and create a place for writers to talk about writing and to share with as many people as possible.”***

— Donald Faulkner,  
director of the New York State  
Writers Institute

on Redwood's experience as an English teacher in Vietnam, "Love Beneath the Napalm," will also appear at the event.

Redwood said his stories are all fiction, but they are based on photos, facts or true events from the Vietnam era.

“A picture of a young woman playing a guitar, a young Vietnamese youth unfortunately killed the following day. That photo moved me and prompted the first story in the collection, ‘The Photograph,’” he said.

Redwood likes to think that retelling these stories can help the present day.

"It's like the old adage, 'Those who do not learn the lessons of history are doomed to repeat them,'" he said.

Redwood said he didn't actually begin writing the stories until the late 1980s when his life settled down a bit.

"I think, to a certain extent, the stories had a chance to percolate," he said. "After leaving Vietnam, I got involved in teaching English and French in Southern California

and going to law school. I actually didn't start writing until 1987. The first story was published in 1993."

Redwood said as a writer “you are constantly hitting your stride and then getting off and then back on.”

Bailey said it can be difficult for a writer to stay motivated when life is going on around him or her, and she finds support in other writers.

"There are writers groups in the Albany area. I'm a member of Sisters in Crime and Mystery Writers of America," she said.

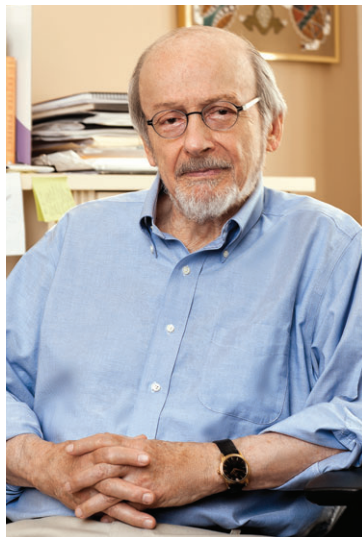
Bailey said joining the writers group gave her a place to tell people what she was writing and where she was held her accountable for her work.

Redwood said it can be tough to find the time everyday, but knowing that there are others out there in the same position can help.

“While still teaching law full time, preparing classes, working with students and other commitments, it’s hard for me to find the time,” he said. “One thing that happens as a writer is you work a lot in isolation, and it’s easy to get the feeling that you are struggling. I think everyone goes through the same process”

Among the other top names scheduled for a seminar and reading is Walter Mosley, bestselling author of more than 40 books; Walter Kirn, a journalist and fiction writer; Akhil Sharma, an Indian-American fiction writer; and fiction writer E.L. Doctorow.

“Look at programs in New York City where writers may be speaking at, and they charge \$25-\$30 a ticket,” Faulkner said. “Our



**Among the writers to speak at the Visiting Writers Series at the University at Albany are, clockwise from top left, E.L. Doctorow, Julia Glass and Dinaw Mengestu.**

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mission is to promote literature and create a place for writers and talk about writing and to share with as many people as possible."

Faulker said the events are also videotaped.

“Gradually we have amassed a huge library of this and lot of the stuff is up on YouTube. We will put more and more up and even

create a virtual digital library," Faulkner said. "There is a link off the writers institute home page where there are over 300 videos now."

For more information about the series, contact the New York State Writers Institute at 442-5620 or visit [www.albany.edu/writers-inst](http://www.albany.edu/writers-inst).

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Jade Sylvan

Poetry

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music), and in 2013 was nominated “Best Poet” by The Phoenix of Boston. Sylvan also is a Kripalu-certified yoga teacher; her other passions include tattoos, feminism, queer rights, craft-brewed beers and home-cooked meals.

The remaining Frequency North schedule follows. All readings are free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.FrequencyNorth.com](http://www.FrequencyNorth.com) or follow on Twitter @frequencynorth.

• Thursday, March 13, at 7:30 p.m.: Sean Thomas Dougherty and January Gill O’Neil – Standish Rooms, Events and Athletics Center (Second Floor), 420 Western Ave., Albany

• Thursday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m.: Jonah Winter and Sharon Mesmer – Standish Rooms, Events and Athletics Center (Second Floor), 420 Western Ave., Albany.

This event is funded in part by Poets & Writers Inc. with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Gov. Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

Bel Canto Series continues with ‘Carmen’

The University at Albany Department of Music will present Hubbard Hall Opera Theatre (HHOT) in a condensed piano production of “Carmen” on Sunday, Feb. 2, at 3 p.m. as part of the 2013-14 Bel Canto Series at the UAlbany Performing Arts Center on the uptown campus. HHOT opened the series in September with a program of popular Neapolitan arts songs and arias entitled *Serenata Italiana*.

Thrilling but dangerous, the captivating “Carmen” is one of the most vivid characters in all of opera. Bizet’s *Carmen* tells the story of a beguiling gypsy who sets her sights on a naïve but passionate young corporal, tracing a tale of seduction, obsession and deadly betrayal.

Fully costumed and staged, the production features mezzo-soprano Kara Cornell as the title character. Directed by Jason Dolmetsch and sung in French with supertitles, the remainder of the cast includes Alvaro Rodriguez as Don Jose, Charles Martin as Escamillo, Alexis Rodda as Micaela and Patrick McNally as Zuniga. Elizabeth Bonomo provides musical direction as well as piano accompaniment. The UAlbany show is preceded by two other local performances. HHOT will present “Carmen” on Jan. 30



The University at Albany Department of Music will present a fully costumed and staged condensed version of “Carmen.” Kara Cornell, pictured right, is the title character.

Submitted photos

at Hubbard Hall and Feb. 1 at Dorset Playhouse.

Cornell is an operatically trained cross-over artist from Fuera Bush who is known for her rich, easily produced voice and engaging dramatics. Recent operatic roles include Orfeo in *Orfeo ed Euridice*, Cherubino in *Le Nozze di Figaro*, Dinah in *Trouble in Tahiti*, Rosina in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*, Maddalena in *Rigoletto* and Jo in Mark Adamo’s *Little Women*. Most recently she has performed leading roles with Union Avenue Opera in St. Louis, Opera Theater of Pittsburgh, St. Petersburg Opera in Florida, Center City Opera in Philadelphia and in New York with Mosaic-

Arts, Capital Opera, Capital Concert Opera, Northport Opera, Smithtown Center for the Performing Arts, Stony Brook Opera, Mosaic Concert Series, Metropolis Opera and Long Island Opera.

Hubbard Hall Opera Theater is led by Artistic Director Alix Jones and is based at Hubbard Hall, an historic opera house located in Cambridge. The organization strives to give young artists opportunities to perform key operatic roles in a nurturing environment alongside seasoned professionals through main stage productions, the conservatory student training program and



outreach performances. It also engages and builds rural audiences for opera through offering affordable, intimate high-quality musical and theatrical performances.

Tickets are \$10 for the general public and \$5 for students, seniors & UAlbany faculty/staff and may be purchased through the Performing Arts Center Box Office. For further information, contact the Box Office at 442-3997 or visit the Performing Arts Center website at [www.albany.edu/pac](http://www.albany.edu/pac).

The final concert in the Bel Canto Series will feature Amanda Boyd on April 27 and will be preceded by a master class and meet-the-artist session with the soprano on April 26.

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### Good People

Regional debut of Pulitzer Prize-winning David Lindsay-Abaire's play bout the consequences of holding onto the past or leaving it all behind. Through Feb. 8, Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham. Shows: Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets: \$23. Tickets and information: 877-7529 or [www.curtaincalltheatre.com](http://www.curtaincalltheatre.com).

### Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure

Based on original 1899 William Gillette/Sir Arthur Conan Doyle play. Jan. 29 through Feb. 2, Schenectady Civic Players, Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady. Shows: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$17. Tickets and information: 382-2081 or [www.civicplayers.org](http://www.civicplayers.org).

### The Mountaintop

Katori Hall's drama about the final night of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and the unexpected visit from a feisty, young hotel maid in his Memphis hotel room. Presented by Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany. Jan. 21 through Feb. 9 with previews starting Jan. 17. Shows: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. matinee Saturday and 2 p.m. matinee Sunday. Tickets start at \$20. Tickets and information: 445-SHOW or [www.capitalrep.org](http://www.capitalrep.org).

### Mayarhythms

A celebration of Maya Angelou's life through dance, drama, poetry and song. Feb. 1, 7:30 p.m., Saint Joseph Hall Auditorium, The College of Saint Rose, 985 Madison Ave., Albany. Free.

## MUSIC

### Parker Quartet

Grammy Award-winning group performs works by Shostakovich, Ades and Mendelssohn. Feb. 1, 7 p.m., Kiggins Hall, Emma Willard School, 285 Pawling Ave., Troy. Presented by Friends of Chamber Music. Tickets: adults \$25, students \$15. Tickets and information: 273-4843.

### Betty & The Baby Boomers

Folk quintet that sprang from Pete Seeger's sloop Clearwater community, with special guest Lynn Saoirse. Feb. 1, 7:30 p.m., Eighth Step at Proctors (Underground), 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: advance \$18, door price \$20, Gold Circle \$35. Tickets and information: 346-6204, 434-1703 or The Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany.

### Kathy Mattea

Country singer-songwriter performs her hits and selections from new album, "Calling Me Home." Feb. 1, 8 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$20-\$29, \$3 student discount. Tickets and information: 273-0038.

## DANCE

### First Friday Swing Dance

With music by The Gals who Play Jazz Featuring Patti Melita. Feb. 7, 8:30 p.m., Albany Elks Lodge, 25 South Allen St., Albany. Free beginner lesson at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: general admission \$15, Dance Flurry members \$12, students/seniors/limited income \$10. Information: [www.danceflurry.org/swing](http://www.danceflurry.org/swing).

## POETRY

### Shira Dentz and Andrew Sullivan

Two locally-based poets share their work. Indie film "Life on the Run" will also be shown, and an open reading will follow. Feb. 5, 7 p.m., Caffé Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. Tickets: \$5. Information: 583-0022 or [www.caffelena.org](http://www.caffelena.org).

### Carolyn Forché

2013 winner of the Academy of American Poets Fellowship for "distinguished poetic achievement" reads from a new anthology. Jan. 30, 8 p.m., Performing Arts Center, University at Albany uptown campus, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany. Free admission. Sponsored by the New York State Writers Institute. Information: 442-5620 or [www.albany.edu/writers-inst](http://www.albany.edu/writers-inst).

## FILM

### "Hava Nagila (The Movie)"

A look at the history of the Jewish folk dance and song. Part of the Schenectady Jewish Community Center Film Festival. Feb. 1, 7:30 p.m., JCC of Schenectady, 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna. Tickets: general admission \$9, JCC members \$5, students \$3. Information: 377-8803, ext. 235 or [iritm@schenectadyjcc.org](mailto:iritm@schenectadyjcc.org).

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**Betty & The Baby Boomers will perform Saturday, Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Eighth Step at Proctors (Underground), 432 State St. in Schenectady.**  
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tale of a bicycle-taxi driver who gets caught up in a world of drugs and crime. Jan. 31, 7:30 p.m., Page Hall, 135 Western Ave., University at Albany downtown campus. Free. Information: 442-5620 or [www.albany.edu/writers-inst](http://www.albany.edu/writers-inst).

## COMEDY

### Mop and Bucket Company

"Theatresports," a weekly show of improv comedy and music, Jan. 31, 8 p.m., Underground at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$14, students and seniors \$6. Information, 346-6204 or [www.proctors.org](http://www.proctors.org).

### Comedy Works

Mike Hanley and Ray Harrington co-headline. Performing Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. 500 Northern Blvd., Albany. Advance tickets \$15, day of show \$20, dinner packages \$39.95 in advance, \$44.95 day of show. Information, 275-6897. [www.thecomedy-works.com](http://www.thecomedy-works.com).

## EXHIBITS

### 2014 Mohawk Hudson Regional Invitational

Featuring works by Mary Anne Erickson, Scott Nelson Foster and Michael McKay. Albany Center Gallery, 39 Columbia St., Albany. Feb. 4 through March 1. Opening reception: Feb. 7, 5 p.m. Information: 462-4775.

### University Art Museum

"Blue Plastic Bubbles: Paintings by Lamar Peterson" and "American Playlist: Selections from the University at Albany Art Collections," Feb. 4 through April 5. UAlbany uptown campus, 1400 Washington Ave. Information: 442-4038.

### Oakroom Artists Annual Show

Featuring paintings by regional artists. Unitarian Universalist Society of Schenectady, 1221 Wendell Ave., Schenectady, Jan. 26 through Feb. 25. Opening reception: Jan. 26, 1 p.m.

### Esther Massry Gallery

Presenting "My Land/Patti Smith and Other Things/Photographs by Judy Linn," through Feb. 28, Massry Center for the Arts, The College of Saint Rose, 1002 Madison Ave., Albany. Hours: noon to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Friday; noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Information: 454-5102.

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- 44 Chanteuse Peggy
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- 12 TV's Arledge
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- 20 Smudge
- 21 With Bob Barker
- 22 \_\_\_\_ Romeo
- 23 Nez \_\_\_\_ Indian
- 24 Direct
- 28 Up for bids
- 31 Gifts
- 32 Catch

- 33 Steptoe's \_\_\_\_ feet
- 34 Fingertips
- 35 Atlantic fishhawks
- 39 Show Ford
- 41 Belgrade tongue
- 42 Nevada city
- 46 Keats, for one
- 47 Count in music
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