



Path to prosperity

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy recaps accomplishments, outlines goals at State of the County address.

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Eating for education

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Brain Injury Awareness Month



Bart Goldstein, who suffered a traumatic brain injury as a teen, says he would like to increase awareness of brain injuries.

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The journey back

A traumatic brain injury robbed Delmar resident Bart Goldstein of his former life, but he and his family hope his road to recovery can show others the way

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Sticking to a schedule is important for Bart Goldstein.

His alarm is set each day for 8:15 a.m. He gets up, gets dressed, eats breakfast and takes his medicine.

Two days a week, Goldstein walks to his part-time job at Swifty's Restaurant and Pub in Delmar. There, he works for five hours each day helping unload the restaurant's delivery order and stocking it away. Other days he helps with the recycling or light cleaning. After his shift, Goldstein walks home and takes a nap.



Bart relies on his day planner to give structure to his day.

On days he doesn't have work, Goldstein will go out and spend time with a friend. Sometimes they go out to eat at the Four Corners Luncheonette, while other times they go see a movie at Spectrum or do some shopping at Crossgates Mall.

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\$100k in GTA funds missing

Guilderland police investigating, union member suspected

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Around \$100,000 appears to be missing from the Guilderland Teachers Association's funds, but no arrests have been made as police continue to investigate the incident.

GTA President Maceo Dubose filed a report with the Guilderland Police Department on Monday, March 3, claiming money was missing from the union's funds, according to Charles Tanner, an investigator with the police department. No formal charges have been filed yet. Tanner said on Thursday, March 13, that an arrest would likely be made in "the next couple of weeks."

"At this point we are still in the fact-gathering phase and looking into some things before we make an arrest," Tanner said.

Dubose said a union member is believed to have stolen the money and that person "no longer holds a position" in the union. He declined to elaborate further on the incident.

"I can't share any more information than is out there because I don't want to inhibit the police from doing their job," Dubose said.

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Town reviews rail safety procedures

Bethlehem doesn't issue resolution regarding trains transporting oil

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Although Bethlehem officials will continue to educate themselves on issues concerning the transportation of crude oil within Albany County and across the nation, they have decided to focus their efforts on increased

safety training for the town's fire and EMS personnel.

The Bethlehem Town Board had been weighing whether or not to issue a resolution, which would make it known they approved of further safety regulations when it came to transporting across the country. Late last month, 13 tank cars derailed at the Selkirk Rail Yard, but the cars remained upright and no crude oil was spilled. There were also no reported injuries.

"We decided not to do a resolution because one wasn't needed," said Supervisor John Clarkson. "I think there is a consensus between board members that the best thing the town can do is talk with state and national level officials and CSX to make sure emergency management plans and protocols are up to date and as good as we can make them."

Clarkson said in reality, a resolution by the board would have done little because trains and

railroads are mostly regulated at the federal level. With the recent increase in derailments, Gov. Andrew Cuomo has also called for additional inspections of rail tracks and cars throughout the state through an executive order.

Councilman Bill Reinhardt had begun attending meetings held in Albany after residents were concerned about the increased derailments and the possible plan to expand the

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McCoy touts progress, outlines year's agenda

State of the County lists accomplishments and continued goals

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Albany County Executive Dan McCoy is proud of his administration's accomplishments and believes the county is on a pathway to prosperity.

McCoy delivered his State of the County address Monday, March 10, with several county legislators and leaders, local officials and community leaders, listing a recap of accomplishments while laying out his agenda for this year. McCoy focused on making the county financially sound, spurring economic development, increasing private and public partnerships, enhancing programs serving the most vulnerable residents and pushing for the county to be the "greenest county in the state."

"I'm here in part to report on the progress we've made and on the successes we've achieved," McCoy said. "I'm also here tonight to call for action on some very important ideas and

initiatives and to ask for your support in moving them forward."

McCoy touted the county budget this year under the tax cap, but pointed to unfunded mandates as being a continued burden. He said reducing the county's annual short-term borrowing by more than \$4 million, from around \$15 million, during his first two year's has placed the county on more solid financial ground.

"My biggest challenge is to do more with less and lower taxes in the county," he said after his address. "We have to continue to look outside the box, and we need to strive to make county government more like a business ... to give relief to taxpayers I represent."

He acknowledged during his speech that those cuts have placed more strain on county employees.

"There is no question that the cuts we have made have required us to call on our employees to do more with less, and they have responded," he said. "The strength of any government lies in its workforce, and we are very fortunate to have a dedicated, hardworking

group of men and women."

County officials recently settled six union contracts through 2016, and McCoy said efforts to resolve remaining outstanding contracts is ongoing.

Many touted economic developments and initiatives were tied to the city of Albany, but later that week McCoy said redevelopment of the city helps the suburban communities. His belief is economic growth will stretch into outlying areas if the county has a strong core to build upon.

He also said there are too many Industrial Development Agencies in the county, with eight different bodies vying for individual communities. He said a more regional approach is needed to help place companies interested in moving to the county.

Progress will be continuing at Lawson Lake this year, which reopened last summer as a free camp for county children. McCoy said additional buildings would be opened later this year.

To help foster strong families, he is proposing



Albany County Executive Dan McCoy delivers his State of the County address Monday, March 10, to a gathering of local leaders and the media.

Photo by John Purcell/Spotlight

to give county employees four weeks paid leave after the birth or adoption of a child without tapping into accrued time.

He proposed continuing environmental efforts through establishing a new county Public Service Agency, which he would work with legislators to finalize.

"The agency will hold the authority to explore any and all options to reduce the energy carbon footprint of Albany County by developing and managing renewable energy projects at existing county facilities," he said. "And the agency will explore how to provide county residents with the opportunity to purchase excess power not being consumed by county facilities."

He touted his administration dedicating 372 acres for conservation and helping to restore four-and-a-half miles of the county's Rail Trail.

McCoy thanked former County Legislature Minority Leader Christine Benedict, now serving as deputy minority leader, during his opening remarks for fostering bipartisan support on several issues.

"Bipartisan support was needed on many occasions for the good of Albany County and, as minority leader, Ms. Benedict understood that," McCoy said.

Legislature Chairman Shawn Morse said there are "many hurdles" fellow legislators are facing, such as unfunded mandates, but he believes the county has moved in a positive direction. He also commended McCoy's vision for the county.

"That doesn't happen without some strong will, and sometimes it even takes people to bang heads to get things to happen, but over the last two years we've seen Albany County moving in a good direction," Morse said.

Rep. Paul Tonko shared brief remarks and said he would continue working with the county to help address infrastructure improvements, economic development and enhancing the quality of life for residents.

"Lets move forward together in a bipartisan spirit in way that gets work done and responds to the people's business. They have placed their trust in us, and we value that trust," Tonko said.

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Heroin abuse a growing concern

Forum highlight the impact addiction is having on Capital District communities

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Recent deaths and a growing number of overdoses in the Capital District prompted a recent forum at a local college to address rampant heroin and prescription drug abuse.

The Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences forum on Tuesday, March 11, was nearly a full house, with students, recovering addicts, parents of addicts and law enforcement officials eager to discuss the growing problem.

In recent months, the Capital District has seen numerous overdose deaths, with the most recent occurring in Averill Park last month. In another high-profile case in January, a 17-year-old Shenendehowa student was arrested for injecting heroin into a 15-year-old in the high school locker room.

But those are hardly isolated cases, and the suburbs aren't immune to this growing problem.

Law enforcement officials in Bethlehem, Guilderland and Colonie have all reported an uptick in heroin use and its associated crimes in their communities as well.

"We had three heroin overdoses last year alone," said Detective Sgt. Adam Hornick, of the Bethlehem Police Department.

Many police departments and drug abuse agencies said that people often first become addicted to opiates after trying prescription pills like oxycodone, a pharmaceutical drug that contains opiates, which are also found in heroin.

When prescriptions run out or the medication becomes too expensive and hard to find, users turn to heroin, which is can be cheaper and easier to find.

"The cost is very cheap for people to obtain, and with the pill epidemic, people are getting hooked because the pills contain opiates," said Hornick.

One of the speakers at the forum, a 16-year-old girl, said she started by stealing her mother's pain medication, and after she wasn't able to get any more, she began using heroin. She said she

began using when she was 14 years old.

Another recovering heroin addict, who has been sober for three years, said he started doing heroin in his late teens. His addictions caused him to turn to stealing to pay for his habit. After numerous arrests for stealing and burglary and many attempts at rehab, he was able to get help from the Addictions Care Center of Albany.

Lt. Robert Winn of the Colonie Police Department said those related crimes have kept his department on its toes.

"It's (heroin use) becoming more and more of a problem and leading to other problems that come with addiction, like larceny and burglary," said Winn.

He said that in the past six months to a year, the department has seen a marked increase in drug-related crimes, where criminals said they were stealing so they could buy drugs.

Winn also said rampant heroin use has also taken its toll on first responders, who have found themselves dealing with overdoses with increasing frequency.

To deal with this new concern, the department is in the process of training its officers in the application of naloxone, a drug that counteracts the effects of opiates on the central nervous system. In an overdose, opiates depress the central nervous system and the respiratory system so much they can stop working, which causes a person to stop breathing.

An Albany Medical Center doctor is training officers on how to properly administer naloxone, which is commonly found in the form of a nasal spray.

Capt. Curtis Cox from the Guilderland Police Department said his department has also seen an increase in heroin-related calls, and officers will begin training with naloxone in the near future.

"We don't have the training yet, but our medical program is going to be doing something with naloxone soon. It's a great program," said Cox.

Police and drug abuse counselors said one of the things making it difficult to combat the growing heroin problem is that it's not something that is being abused by just



Two students from the Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences Generation Rx Community Outreach Program discuss the effects of opiates on the human brain at a recent forum to address an increase in heroin use in the Capital District.

Billy DeLap/Spotlight

one demographic. The problem spans from inner cities to rural areas, and touches people of all ages.

"It's not just a law enforcement issue, it really is an issue that is going to take everybody collaboratively to engage in the process. It's an issue parents need to be cognizant of in their homes," said Albany County Sheriff Craig Apple at the March 11 forum. "If you think just because you live in a suburban middle class neighborhood, it doesn't affect you, well, I hate to say it, but we had an overdose in the town Westerlo last night.

In little old Westerlo, we had an overdose. It hits everywhere."

Director of outpatient programs at the Addictions Care Center of Albany Ed Corless said heroin addition crosses class lines.

"In my experience working with people addicted to heroin, the thing about heroin is, it doesn't discriminate," said Corless. "It's far reaching in terms of race and socioeconomic class, from someone living in the ghetto to someone living in a Park Avenue penthouse."

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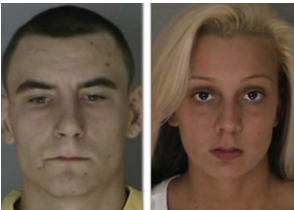
Police Blotter

Police: Pair stole \$13K in electronics at Crossgates

Police arrested a pair from Troy for allegedly stealing more than \$13,000 of electronics from two stores at Crossgates Mall on two separate occasions.

The Guilderland Police Department on Sunday, March 2, responded to an attempted theft of jewelry at Macy's in the mall and arrested Melissa Russell, 23, of 44 Campbell Ave. Apt. 1, and Scott T. Cleland, 26, of 100 Project Road, both in Troy. Both allegedly stole an iPad Air and a Mophie brand case that charges a smartphone from the Sprint store. Both items were worth \$760, according to police.

Further investigation revealed the pair also was involved in stealing \$12,292 worth of jewelry from JCPenney at the mall



Scott T. Cleland
Melissa Russell

on Feb. 25. Russell also allegedly possessed five oxycodone pills

Police charged Russell with grand larceny in the third degree, a felony, criminal possession of a controlled substance in the fifth degree and criminal possession of stolen property in the fifth degree.

Police charged Cleland with grand larceny in the third degree, a felony, criminal possession of stolen property in the

fifth degree and attempted grand larceny in the fourth degree.

Russell and Cleland were arraigned in Guilderland Town Court and remanded to the Albany County Jail without bail. Both were scheduled to reappear in Town Court on Thursday, March 6.

Other arrests

• Guilderland police arrested Kasha Leve Dabney, 22, of 308 3rd St., second floor, in Troy, around 11:45 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 3, on the strength of a bench warrant for the charges of grand larceny in the fourth degree, a felony, and assault in the third degree.

• Guilderland police arrested Bridget P. McGorry, 22, of 24 Knights Bridge Blvd. in Guilderland, at 3:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 1, and charged her with DWI and speeding. Police said she was driving 13 mph over the speed limit on Western Avenue. When



Glenmont fire

A Glenmont home was extensively damaged in a fire Tuesday, March 9. Fire crews responded to a call shortly before 6 p.m., and when they arrived at the Columbine Drive property, the fire was fully engaged. It was reported that the home was being renovated, and a contractor was able to get out safely.

Thomas Heffernan Sr./
Special to The Spotlight

Correction

The story "Fowl request spurs discontent" in last week's edition incorrectly said Dale Owen had met with his surrounding neighbors face-to-face before the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting. Owen had only met with one neighbor before the meeting and had planned to meet with another. *Spotlight News* regrets the error.

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stopped, police said she had an odor of alcohol on her breath and glassy eyes. She told police she was at a bar in Albany and one Bud Light beer with her friends before leaving to drive home. Police said she had a BAC of 0.09 percent.

Bethlehem police arrested Curtis Lamountain, 27, of 1893 US Rt. 9W, Selkirk on Friday Jan. 31 at 3:13 a.m. on charges of driving while intoxicated after an officer allegedly witnessed his car parked diagonally at the rear of Delaware Plaza. Police said Lamountain found shirtless and slumped over the steering wheel, breathing but

unresponsive. Police said they found they tried multiple times to raise the driver and he eventually identified himself. He was also said to have bloodshot eyes and smelled of alcohol. Police said Lamountain failed all field sobriety tests and was taken into custody where he was processed and released. He appeared in court at a later date.

Bethlehem police arrested Peter Decher, 57, of 7 Eastmount Drive, Slingerlands on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at 8:27 a.m. on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to keep right. Police said an officer witnessed Decher allegedly not following traffic signals and cross into oncoming traffic. Decher was then pulled

over at a safe location on Feura Bush Road. Police said Decher smelled of alcohol and had glassy eyes. He then failed several field sobriety tests and police said he was taken into custody, where he was processed and given a later court date.

Colonie police arrested Christos T. Sokaris, 48, of 49 Gadsen Court, Albany, on Friday, March 7, at 9 a.m. at the Colonie Police Station. Sokaris turned himself in on an indictment warrant for three counts of sexual performance of a child. Sokaris was charged with possessing a sexual performances by a child.

Colonie police arrested Janet M. Silas, 45, 21 First St., Troy at 4:14 p.m. on Monday, March 10, at the Target at 211

Wade Road Extension. An internal investigation at Target revealed that Silas, had allegedly stolen from the cash drawer numerous times while she was employed at Target in the amount of 1,492.29. Silas was charged with grand larceny.

Colonie police arrested Shaun J. Spencer, 33, of 1713 Ferguson St., Schenectady, at 12:44 a.m., Monday, March 10, at Central Avenue and Lishakill Road. Spencer was stopped for traffic violations and allegedly displayed signs of intoxication. He allegedly failed field sobriety test and tested positive on a prescreening device. Spencer was charged with aggravated DWI, and vehicle and traffic violations.

Your Opinion

Fix the roads first

Editor, *The Spotlight*: A few weeks ago I sent a letter to the Spotlight concerned about the condition of the roads (state own) in the town of Bethlehem having to pay \$400 for a blown out tire as a result of the potholes.

I called and e-mailed most of the state leaders that are responsible for allowing the roads to deteriorate to the condition they are today. None with the exception of Senator N. Breslin responded to me. The local DOT manager acknowledged that the roads were in bad shape but did not have the money to perform the replacement of the roads. Yet I read that the Town is getting \$1.7 million to beautify Delaware avenue that does not include a new road way.

The last Spotlight had an article about the bike path getting \$4.18 million in Federal funds through the Congestion and air

quality improvement fund.. The Times Union on February 27th had an article which states that Capital Region drivers pay the price in time,money and safety. The article further states it costs a Capital region driver \$1600 a year because of the bad roads. I guess that idling cars dealing with road conditions don't pollute which allows the government to provide funds for bike paths.

It seems that government workers cannot be trusted to bathe babies. They would probably throw out the baby and save the bath water. This is only one of many careless uses of tax payers money. It is the tax payers money not some flunky government workers to spend as he or she wants but rather the tax money should be to benefit most of the people not a few.

Norman J Morand, Slingerlands

Rail

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crude oil that is processed at the Port of Albany. Reinhardt said he was concerned because much of the oil coming into Albany first must come through the Selkirk Rail Yard.

"I think that most of the attention has centered around the port and the environmental issues and risks to the city if there was an accident," said Reinhardt. "But from my perspective, I wanted to know what the issues were for the town. I went for a drive around, and there are homes and industrial facilities very near the tracks in Selkirk, which would be affected if there was an accident."

Reinhardt gave a presentation to the town board listing his concerns, just two weeks before the Selkirk derailment.

"Our options as a town are very limited, from what I can tell," Reinhardt said. "It could be written into the town code (to) no longer allow development near the rail lines, or some people have talked about re-routing the shipments so they don't do through urban areas."

At the town board meeting held on Wednesday, March 12, Clarkson said following discussions with CSX Site Director Maurice O'Connell and their director of emergency management

at the end of February, the nation's major freight railroads joined with U.S. Transportation to announce voluntary changes to how crude oil is shipped across the country.

CSX was fined \$10,000 this month by the state following the Selkirk derailment and another that occurred in Kingston for failing to notify the Department of Transportation of the accidents fast enough.

Reinhardt said he liked many of the changes, such as lowering the speeds of trains carrying 20 or more cars filled with crude oil, new emergency brake systems, the use of better routing technology to better keep track of shipments and better emergency response planning. However, what was not addressed was the use of tank cars that many

in the industry consider to be unsafe for transporting crude oil.

"The rail cars (are) not designed for these highly volatile fuel oils," said Reinhardt in an earlier interview. "I think I learned they were originally designed for corn syrup. This is one of the things Sen. Chuck Schumer is speaking out about."

Members of the board did appreciate the recent announcement by County Executive Dan McCoy, which will place a moratorium on the amount of crude oil processed at the Port of Albany.

Included in the executive order was a measure that would review the county's emergency preparedness plans. The county also plans to examine the health risks of processing crude oil at the level that was proposed by Global

Companies if they were to expand at the port. Global Companies responded by threatening a lawsuit over the moratorium.

Clarkson said he would like to see if money can be found, perhaps through a grant, to provide additional training for the town fire and EMS personnel. Discussions will happen in the future to go over current procedures and talk of new tools that can maybe be of use.

Councilwoman Joann Dawson said she would like for the supervisor and Reinhardt to make sure officials at the county and state levels don't lose focus on the Selkirk Rail Yard because of the large spotlight on the Port of Albany.

"Just tap them on the shoulder and say we want to continue to watch and participate in any way the town can," Dawson said.

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Get to know ‘Get to Know’

You may have noticed a change to our editorial page lineup. If you haven't noticed, then let us be the first to introduce you to our new feature, "Get to Know."

The idea came from our Delmar reporter, Marcy Velte, who remembered reading a similar feature in her hometown newspaper growing up. The idea is to let you see a different side of our community and business leaders by asking them non-work-related questions such as "What are you reading?" and "What is your dream vacation?" Their answers may lead you to discover a common thread with someone who lives life in the public eye.

"Get to Know" replaces our "Word on the Street" feature, which ran on this page for about a year. "Word on the Street" allowed citizens living, working or visiting Delmar, Guilderland and Colonie to voice their opinions in print on a variety of topics, ranging from teacher layoffs to their favorite Thanksgiving tradition. It was a throwback to a time when reporters could stop people on the street and engage them in a discussion about the news of the day.

However, we quickly learned the idea was more of a relic than a throwback. We had a hard time finding people willing to answer the question of the week, and our reporters frequently commented that the people they approached would either flatly refuse or be reluctant to have their pictures taken. There were times when it took our reporters more than two hours to find three people to participate.

We were never quite certain why people were so reluctant to participate in "Word on the Street." There used to be a time when people were excited to answer a reporter's question, but it became obvious to us that this was no longer the case.

Perhaps people have become more distrustful of the media, or perhaps it was the element of being approached by someone they regarded as a random stranger with a camera that led them to avoid our reporters.

It's also possible that the way people communicate in a public forum has changed. It's no secret that the number of letters to the editor we receive has dramatically decreased over the years, and other newspapers are experiencing the same. This once-lively forum has

become an anemic representation of the community. Yet, if you go online, you will find comments on just about every news story, with some threads stretching across several pages. The difference? In a newspaper, your name is attached to your statement. Online, there is the comfort of anonymity. Perhaps that is where some of the reluctance to speak to a reporter comes from.

In any case, it made the task far more difficult than we envisioned when "Word on the Street" was created.

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In the meantime, we're happy to introduce "Get to Know" to you. We know everyone has a favorite musician or a favorite local memory they want to share. "Get to Know" gives them a chance to do just that. And please feel free to let us know if you think there's a particular public figure we should get to know.

Get to know ...



Jean Cataldo
Guilderland Town Clerk

- *Hometown:* Albany
- *Lived in town:* 30 years, the majority of my life

What are you listening to these days?

I love the "Phantom of the Opera" and so, of course, I bought a CD and I play that a lot. I also have the "Les Misérables" album.

What are you reading?

I'm reading the town clerk manual because that is what I need to read, learn and make my new best friend. The previous manual was from 1996, and so I am so lucky that they updated it; it's the 2013 version. I'm also reading "iPhone 5 For Dummies."

What are you watching?

I find "Arrow" very entertaining, and I just took a liking to it. I also like "Blue Bloods" with Tom Selleck; that is a great show. I like police dramas.

Describe what your dream vacation would be?

My dream vacation would be a cruise to Alaska. I always thought I would never, ever want to go to Alaska because I would think of it as a place that would be very cold, and I much prefer warmer weather. Everybody just raves about it.

Who would you most like to meet, dead or alive?

I would like to have known my grandparents on my mother's side, because they both died when I was very young. There are not a lot of pictures available of them so I don't really even get a flavor of what they were like.

What is your favorite local moment?

I loved the Guilderland's bicentennial parade in 2003. It ended up being a beautiful day and a lot of people participated in it. I participated in the parade (as receiver of taxes), and it was just so much fun. Seeing our town residents along the roadside of Western Avenue to come and show their pride and spirit was great.

What is something most people would be surprised to know about you?

I like decorating cakes, and I don't have a lot of artistic talent, but I was very pleased with some cakes that I've made over the years. Once I had to imitate an OTB ticket ... and I've made wedding cakes.

"Get to know" is a weekly feature where community members are asked questions that aren't necessarily related to their jobs. If you know of someone you think should be highlighted, email news@spotlightnews.com.

Guest Commentary

Jim's mission needs to continue

By Dr. TERESA THAYER SNYDER

The writer is superintendent at Voorheesville Central School District. Her husband, James Snyder, passed away Feb. 28. This article originally ran on the district's website.

I want to thank everyone in the community for their patience and for their support during these past few months as my husband endured a brutal, but mercifully brief battle with cancer. In his final illness, I have been frequently distracted, and I thank my administrative team and the faculty and staff for pulling together to keep this ship moving forward. I thank the Board for understanding that my mind was frequently elsewhere.

All that said, I wanted to talk to you a little bit about what I learned from forty years of being with my best friend. My husband, Jim, was a kind, gentle soul — a simple man who loved simple things: our family, his dogs, our neighbors and friends, and thousands of children and young adults whom he met while running first Big Brothers and Big Sisters and later the Siena Mentoring program, which matched Siena students to urban youngsters from Albany. He was involved for close to fifty years, beginning back in the Civil Rights era, working with Fr. Peter Young and Bishop Howard Hubbard, who was then known as the street priest in Albany. During this close

to half century, literally thousands of youngsters grew up in the program, which included a summer camp at Siena, staffed by the "Bigs" from the Siena community.

He was a quiet unassuming man, with a ready smile and a passion for justice and opportunity. Because of his relentless pursuit of opportunity, dozens and dozens of children matured through the program, obtained college degrees and careers and made lives better for themselves and their own families.

The response to his life's work was so obvious in the difficult days of his wake and funeral. Indeed, the amazing outpouring of gratitude and affection made those painful days bearable.

The essential message of my husband's life reverberates in our many discussions about education over the years. Children are saved one at a time. It is the relationships between caring adults and individual children which make all the difference.

As educators grapple with the Common Core and as political pundits excoriate public schools and their teachers, it is vital that we in the field do not lose sight of what really matters. We make a difference in children's lives not by judging and by critiquing, but by being there for them, encouraging them to reach new heights and building their resilience

when they fall down. I have lived my life stating that a child can never be reduced to a test score and that we must never put ceilings on a child's potential.

Jim's "kids" reminded me of that so much during the past few weeks — messages from young adults stating things like "I don't know why you put up with me at camp all those years, but because you did, I am in college;" or from a young man who dropped out of college several years ago who wanted Jim to know that he had returned and is getting his degree in the spring; or from a mom who stated that her son — who is an honors student with a triple science major — became a serious student because of being surrounded by the love that permeated the mentoring program.

When we speak of college and career ready, we must not let the political verbiage puncture the mission. It is one child at a time, it is about the quality of the relationships with caring adults, it is about affirmation and challenge and it is about building resilience. I learned this from 40 years of watching children grow and thrive in the face of social obstacles and inordinate pressures. I learned this from countless conversations with children who were deemed at risk, but in whom my husband saw only hope.

It changed my life. Thank you, Jim.

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The Y: Home to sports innovation

Many people know that the sport of basketball was invented at the YMCA in Springfield, Mass., just an hour and a half away from Bethlehem. It was December 1891, at the International YMCA Training School in Springfield. Physical education teacher James Naismith was given two weeks to come up with a new indoor winter game to challenge a class of future Y directors. Naismith hung peach baskets to the bottom of a second-level running track and taught the men his new game of basketball.

Now more than 200 kids and 100 adults play in the Bethlehem Y's youth and men's basketball leagues. Thanks Dr. Naismith!

But did you know that volleyball was also invented at the YMCA just a few years after Dr. Naismith hung up his peach baskets? Y instructor William Morgan thought basketball was too strenuous for businessmen, so he blended elements of basketball, tennis and handball, and called his invention "mintonette." In 1896, at the Springfield Y, the name "volley ball" was first used to describe the back-and-forth manner in which the ball flew over the net.

At the Bethlehem Y, 20 people are participating



in our first-ever volleyball sessions at the Bethlehem YMCA and more than 100 will take volleyball lessons.

A few more "did you knows":

- The term "body building" was coined in 1881 at the Boston YMCA by a staffer who developed exercise classes that anticipated today's fitness workouts. This year, more than 200 Y members will take personal training sessions and some 5,000 will participate in one of our many wellness classes.

- The first group swimming lessons in our nation were held at the Detroit YMCA in 1909. George Corsan responded to the national Y's campaign to teach every man and boy in America to swim. His group lessons were considered radical, but he proved them to be successful by teaching 800 boys to swim in just four weeks. In later years, YMCA swim classes were expanded to include families and people with disabilities.

This year, the Bethlehem Y will give swimming lessons to more than 400 kids and

100 adults, and there are about 200 youths on the Bethlehem-area Y swim team.

- The first known summer camp program in America was held by the YMCA in 1885 at Camp Dudley in Orange County, N.Y. YMCA summer camps provide children with a positive developmental experience through making new friends, building confidence and growing self-reliance. That was the goal in 1885, and it's still the goal in 2014. Last year, more than 1,000 kids attended the Bethlehem YMCA's summer camp and sign-up has begun for Y camp this summer.

- In 1950, racquetball was invented by a YMCA volunteer in Greenwich, Conn., as an alternative to squash and handball. Okay, there are no racquetball courts at the Bethlehem Y. Maybe someday.

While it might be a stretch to say the YMCA invented fun, for more than a century the YMCA has provided countless opportunities for people of every age to have fun and live a healthy lifestyle and, at the Bethlehem Y, we are still committed to that goal every single day.

— Mark Hansen
Members, YMCA
Board of Advisors

Tween creativity lab

Kids in grades 3 through 6, come celebrate the release of the newest Muppet film by crafting your own lovable muppet puppet. On March 22 at 2 p.m., you can add teeth, nose, eyes, horns, hair or whatever to your moveable puppet. Unique or look-a-like, the puppet is yours to take home.

Cookbook potluck

On Sunday, March 23, at 2 p.m., you can share your passion for cooking. The library will be hosting a cookbook potluck, and you are invited.

Do you have an old family recipe that everyone raves about? A go-to casserole you've come to rely on? Whatever your forte, please come and share it with us. Prepare a favorite recipe, write up a few recipe cards (or just make copies at the library) and bring it all to the potluck luncheon.

Registration is requested for this delectable afternoon.

Sign up for The Bookworm
Beginning in June, The Bookworm will be posted at



www.voorheesvillelibrary.org. If you don't have Internet access, just give us a call at 765-2791, ask for Lynn and we will put you on the mailing list.

Friends of the Library spring bus trip

On Saturday, May 3, enjoy a lovely spring day in Boston and support the library at the same time.

Depart from Voorheesville Elementary School parking lot at 7 a.m. and arrive at the New England Aquarium around 10 a.m. Depart from New England Aquarium at 7 p.m. and arrive back at the elementary school parking lot at 10 p.m.

The cost of the bus is \$40 for Friends' members; \$45 for non-members. Paid reservations are accepted at the circulation desk. Payment in advance is required.

For more details, visit www.voorheesvillelibrary.org or call 765-2791 and ask for Gail Brown. And yes, there is complimentary WiFi on the bus.

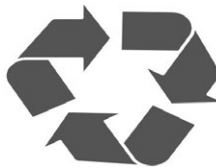
Beaded jewelry for beginners

Are you 14 or older? Looking for something fun to do? Why not stop in the library on Wednesday, April 9 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for a beaded jewelry program. You can learn some basic beading techniques to make necklaces, bracelets and earrings. There will be a small (up to \$3) materials fee, and you should call ahead at 765-2791 to register.

Welcome Spring family storytime

I think we can all agree that it has been a long and cold winter! On Saturday, April 5, at 10:15 a.m., join Miss Amy as she shares stories about warmer days, budding flowers, and all the things that spring brings.

— Lynn Kohler



Recycle this paper

Learn about Medicare April 3

Guilderland Senior Services will hold a Medicare program on Thursday, April 3, from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Town Hall boardroom. Please call 356-1980, ext. 1094 by March 27 to register.

Will you soon be 65? Are you already enrolled in Medicare but still have questions about your coverage options? There are Medicare counselors trained to help you understand your choices and options. Attend a presentation designed to provide you with an understanding of Medicare and the choices available to you.

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Thinking about changing your current Medicare coverage? This is a great time to get a better understanding of the whole picture.

Having trouble paying your Medicare premium or related medical expenses? Find out if you may qualify for Federal assistance with your medical expenses.

You're almost 65? Come learn about how Medicare

works. You'll probably be surprised by the number of choices available to you and all the factors that you should consider when making your choices.

Sing! Smile! Shine!

Come to the Senior Luncheon and Karaoke on Tuesday, April 29, at noon at Settles Hill Banquet House, 1123 Settles Hill Road, Altamont.

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Research your German and Palatine ancestors

If you're of German extraction and interested in determining where your ancestors lived before they immigrated, you should come to "Researching Your German and Palatine Ancestors" at GPL on Saturday, March 22, at 10:30 a.m.

Finding out when your ancestors immigrated can usually be determined using common research tools, but determining exactly where they came from is a bit more challenging. Joseph Lieby, Ed.D, an accomplished genealogist, will demonstrate how to do this using some new ways of using familiar sources, and introduce you to some new resources.

Dr. Lieby is a retired school district administrator and professional genealogist. He is a member of several genealogical organizations including the Orange County Genealogical Society in Goshen, NY, where he is First Vice President; the NY Chapter of Palatines to America where he is Past President and serves as newsletter editor; and President of National Palatines to America.

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'Boomers'
"Boomers" is the nickname of the 14 Ohio-class ballistic missile submarines currently patrolling the nation's waters; if these deterrent weapons fascinate you, then come to "The Missile Boats" program held at GPL on Tuesday, March 25, at 7 p.m.

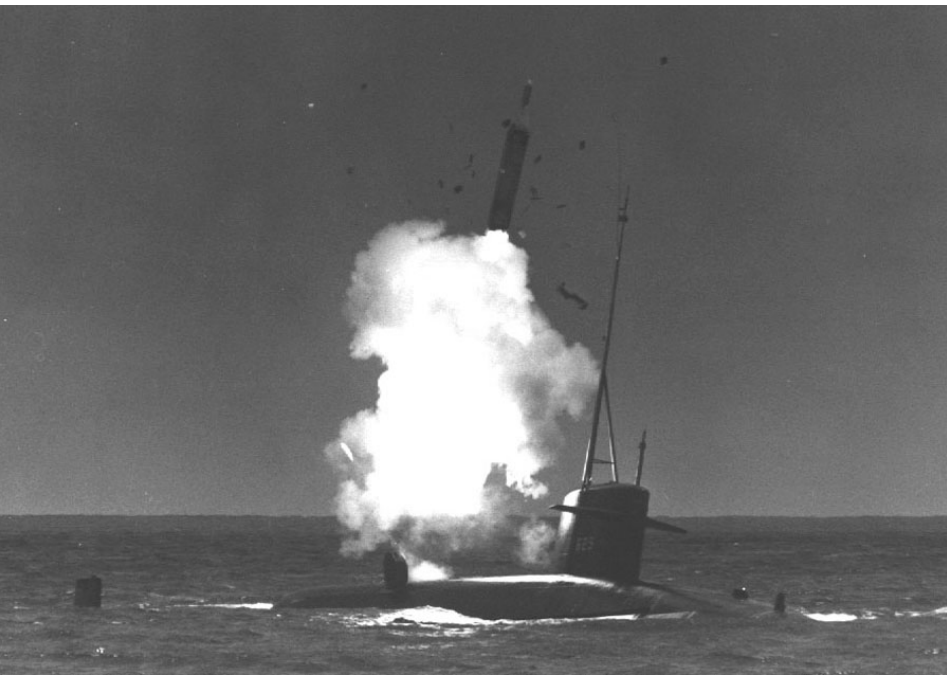
The development of these stealthy weapons platforms — and the missiles they fire — is a fascinating story. Starting at the very beginning with an examination of missile and submarine technology, the evening's class will end with a virtual tour of our current Ohio-class subs. Questions to be answered include: How does one live and work aboard a nuclear ballistic missile submarine? And how do you launch a missile from a submerged submarine?

The discussion will also include how these boats are being adapted to accommodate the very first female nuclear submariners.

The talk is dedicated to all the submariners who served aboard the "Boomers" and what future submarines might be like.

Remember to Recover
Don't forget the dinner-driven fundraiser benefitting the Library Foundation at the Recovery Sports Grill on Thursday, March 27. Every item you enjoy that evening between 5 and 9 p.m. means a donation to the Library Foundation. All you need to do is present a "Dining to Donate" coupon to your server when you order. You can pick up your coupon at the library's circulation desk.

Thinking of running for office?
If you're thinking of running for public office so you can make a difference in your community, here's your opportunity: Run for a seat as a library trustee! Three seats will



The USS Henry Clay, a Lafayette-class ballistic missile submarine, launches a Polaris missile. The Guilderland Library is offering a program called "The Missile Boats" on Tuesday, March 25, at 7 p.m.

be up for election on GPL's eleven-member Board of Trustees during the May 20 election; two are for full five-year terms, and one is up for a one-year term. It all starts by obtaining an informational packet at the library. Familiarize yourself with the packet's contents. It includes a

memo from the director, the library's bylaws, and a document titled "On Being a Board Member," which outlines the responsibilities and opportunities the position entails. There is also a two-page biographical information sheet that must be completed and returned to the library no

later than Tuesday, April 22; this information is used in the library's publicity pertaining to the election. Please call Tim Wiles, the library director, at 456-2400, ext. 113, or the school district clerk at 456-6200, if you have any questions about running for the board.

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Support the food pantry at concert

Enjoy Molasses Creek and help the Bethlehem Food Pantry. This award-winning band will perform their unique blend of traditional and contemporary music at a concert to benefit the food pantry. The concert will be on Saturday, March 22, at 7 p.m. at the Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Join us for lunch at Smokey Bones Bar and Fire Grill and a visit to Krause's Homemade Candy Shop on Tuesday, March 25, cost on your own. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176 to make your reservation. Suggested van donation: \$7.

The Caregiver's Support

Senior Action

Town of Bethlehem

Group will meet on March 26 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Bethlehem Town Hall. Join others who are caring for a loved one who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another dementia. Call Jane Sanders at 439-4955, ext. 1174.

Medicare Basics will be offered on March 27 from 10 a.m. to noon at Town Hall. Learn about Medicare and EPIC, the NYS Senior prescription plan. The program will

explain Medicare coverage, additional insurance options and Medicare Part D. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make an appointment.

The Health and Wellness Program on Friday, March 28, will feature "Rise Up Singing" presented by William A. Vail, LCSW, Bethlehem Senior Services. The program is free and will begin at 1 p.m. at Town Hall. Either join us for the program only (no registration required) or consider lunch with us at the Windowbox Café in Slingerlands before the program.

Bethlehem Seniors staff members can provide advice on H.E.A.P., which helps individuals on fixed or low incomes with energy related bills and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance, formerly known as food stamps. Call 439-4955, ext. 1174.

A.A.R.P. Tax Counseling Service will be available at Town Hall on Wednesdays from through April 9. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make an appointment.

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Library program features FDR library restoration

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Library and Museum in Hyde Park, New York is a national treasure. Completed in 1943, it is the nation's first presidential library, and the only one designed and utilized by a sitting president. It attracts over 100,000 visitors annually and is listed on the National Historic Register.

Next Tuesday, March 25, at 7 p.m., preservation architects Arik Mathison and Christopher Tavener of the Albany firm EYP Architecture and Engineering will share insights and images of the nine years they partnered with the National Archives to preserve and renew the FDR Library. Not only did they need to incorporate new systems, accessibility and modern archival standards into a 72-year-old historic building; they also needed to preserve FDR's initial vision for the library.

Project director Arik Mathison has more than sixteen years of experience specializing in the restoration, repair, alteration, and expansion of historic buildings.



His hands-on expertise includes work with a variety of older building types, detailing and materials.

Historic preservation expert Christopher Tavener has nearly thirty years of experience evaluating and restoring masonry structures and historic interiors. His restoration work at City College of New York was featured in *Progressive Architecture*, *Building Renovation*, and the *New York Times*.

Book discussion rescheduled

AfterDinner Books, cancelled last week because of weather, is rescheduled to Wednesday, March 26, at 7 p.m. "Beautiful Ruins" by Jess Walter is up for discussion.

FDR Library tour

At press time, a few places were still open for an architect-led special tour of the FDR Library

on Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m. Participants are responsible for their own transportation and admission (\$9 for the library and museum, \$6 for visitors age 62 and older). The tour is limited to 30 people. Registration is required by Monday April 7; call 439-9314, ext. 3009.

Board candidate information

A reminder that packets containing information and petition forms for a seat on the library board are now available at the information desk. Petitions require 77 signatures (this number is a correction to the number published here last week) and are due in the office of the District Clerk by April 21 at 5 p.m.

Elections will be held for one seat on the library board of trustees, for a full term of five years. The election and budget vote will take place on May 20.

What Does the Fox Say?

Friday, March 28, 10:30 a.m. Storytime and a related craft for children up to age 6



The Bethlehem Public Library presents a program about the restoration of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library and Museum Tuesday, March 25, at 7 p.m. Submitted photo

with parent/caregiver.

Conversations about dementia

Wednesday, April 2, 7 p.m. Erica Salamida of the Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York

offers suggestions for beginning three difficult conversations with loved ones exhibiting signs of dementia.

Registration required; call the Alzheimer's Association at 867-4999, ext. 200.

Tabletop gaming night

Monday, April 7, 6:30 p.m. Drop in for games and snacks. Adults, teens age 16 and up.

— Louise Grieco
Public Information Specialist

This week in history in The Spotlight

Highlights from a half-century ago

From *The Spotlight*, March 19, 1964:

In his first report to the Bethlehem memorial Committee, Chariman William Johnston, Jr., said that contributions have been arriving on a gratifying rate.

The three-phase fundraising project the Committee set has brought good results in all three areas. The Larger Gifts Division has received donations; a half-dozen organized groups in the community have pledged their organizations to the program; and individuals have responded to the public appeal made through the press.

At the March 10 meeting of the Committee, it was decided the emphasis of this campaign is on the replacement of the existing wooden veterans' memorial. It was also decided that the plan for honoring the memories of the four individuals mainly responsible for the establishing of the memorial park be considered separately.

The Committee approved retired architect Max R. Simon's preliminary drawing of the memorial. This will be a stone monument of blue-gray granite, eight feet high by four feet wide. Approximately two-and-a-half feet thick, it will be mounted on a one-foot high platform of Helderberg bluestone.

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Funds

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Guilderland Superintendent of Schools Marie Wiles released a statement on Tuesday, March 11, after media coverage of the incident. Wiles said the person suspected of stealing the funds still works at the district, but has been moved from their position.

“Should criminal charges be filed against this individual in the days and weeks ahead, the district will respond

accordingly,” Wiles said in a statement. “In the meantime, the individual has been reassigned to duties that can be completed at the district office.”

The GTA is the largest union in the district, which has around 450 members including teachers, social workers, school counselors, psychologists, nurses and other positions. Those members pay dues to the union.

Wiles stressed the individual being investigated is not accused of stealing any school district funds.

She also said the district will not release the suspect’s name to allow for due process.

“This person did not have access to any district monies and was not responsible for any club or organization funds. In addition, the health and safety of our students was never at risk as a result of these accusations,” Wiles said in a statement. “Despite this unexpected development there will be no interruption in the delivery of educational services for (children).”

Make tracks to the library

We’re going on a bear hunt! We see all kinds of animal tracks in our yards and woods. Learn about them with your kids this Saturday, March 22, as they hunt down a variety of animals (stuffed, of course!) hidden throughout the library. The program will be a drop-in activity, between 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., so you can work it around whatever else you have planned for the day.

Library staff to get CPR training

The library will be closed from 3 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 25, while the staff is trained in CPR.

MiSci butterfly exhibit free with library pass

Use a library museum pass to find a little bit of spring at MiSci, for free! Formerly the Schenectady Museum, MiSci currently has an indoor butterfly house exhibit. Walk through the exhibit as butterflies fly about; learn about the life cycle of the butterfly and how to create a butterfly friendly environment around your home. For more about what MiSci has to offer, visit www.misci.org.

Adult borrowers who are residents of the RCS Community Library service area may check out a pass to the museum for one week. Admission includes the butterfly

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exhibit, planetarium and Fetch Lab. The pass provides free admission for two adults and all children in the family.

Computer/tech classes

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

Windows 8: Don’t Be Nervous — Get tips and tricks to help make Windows8 easier to use. Learn to find your apps, organize the new start menu and shutdown the easy way. Wednesday, March 19, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, March 20, at 6:30 p.m.

Windows 8: A little more — Find useful apps and fun games. Practice the basics and get more tips on getting comfortable with your new computer. Wednesday, March 26, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, March 27, at 6:30 p.m.

Facebook: Messages and Pictures — Get in

touch with old friends, children or colleagues online. This class is your opportunity to learn in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Wednesday, April 2, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, April 3, at 6:30 p.m.

OneDrive — Work on your documents anywhere: At no charge, view, edit and create real Microsoft Office documents, spreadsheet and PowerPoint presentations on any device that can access the internet. Wednesday, April 9, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m.

Windows 8: Making it your Own — Find the desktop, open the Charms Bar, change the background picture and find some new free and paid apps. Wednesday, April 16, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, April 17, at 6:30 p.m.

New early readers

“Attack of the Nindroids” by Tracey West

“Biscuit Loves the Library” by Alyssa Satin Capucilli

“Can You Spot a Jedi?” by Shari Last

“Lulu and the Rabbit Next Door” by Hilary McKay

“Princess Labelmaker to the Rescue” by Tom Angleberger

“Up in the Air at the Fair” by Rob Scotton

“Wolf-Pack Attack!” by Trey King

— Judith Felsten

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The buffet luncheon includes: assorted sandwiches, salad bar, cream of broccoli soup, chicken marsala, brownie and cookies, and tea, coffee or soft drink.

Our entertainment: “Karaoke Masters with Steve Buess.”

Cost is \$17 per person. Please make checks payable to Town of Guilderland. Drop off or mail to the Senior Office.

Transportation service is available upon request. Group table reservations always welcome.

Tickets available March 18 thru April 15.

Movie of the month

“Lee Daniels’ The Butler”

March 27 at 10:30 a.m.

“Lee Daniel’s The Butler” is a 2013 American historical fiction drama loosely based on the real life of Eugene Allen. The film stars Forest Whitaker as Cecil Ganes, an African-American who eyewitnesses notable events of the 20th century during his 34-year tenure serving as White House butler. Throughout his career while serving eight different Presidents, Cecil not only experiences, but lived through the civil rights movement, Vietnam and other major events that affect this man’s life, family and American society.

Also starring Oprah

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Wednesday, March 19

Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Cardio Circuit
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
No 10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness
1 p.m. Needlecraft
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones +

Thursday, March 20

Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Strong Bones +
9:30 a.m. Scheduled Legal Appts.
12:30 p.m. Mahjongg
1 p.m. Pinochle

Friday, March 21

Scheduled Shopping
10 a.m. Painting
No 10 a.m. Bridge
1 p.m. Quilting
1-3 p.m. Last Bridge Class

Monday, March 24

Scheduled Shopping
9 a.m. Aerobics
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
10:30 a.m. Senior Fitness
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones +

Tuesday, March 25

9 a.m. Strong Bones +
11:30 a.m. Luncheon: Hot Plate or Cold Plate
12:30 p.m. Bingo/ Rummikub

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Dolin: Realistic development key

New Scotland zoning regulations reform could help growth; affordable housing

By JOHN PURCELL
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New Scotland officials will soon release a request for individuals interested in joining the new Economic Development Advisory Committee, but there is some debate over the process.

Town Board member William Hennessey, who spearheaded the effort, said he plans to have a formal request urging people to apply for the committee posted to the town’s website before April. Hennessey, at the board’s meeting on Wednesday, March 12, said the committee could provide recommendations on how to attract economic development and foster existing businesses.

Resident Saul Abrams questioned how the board could appoint the committee before amendments to the town’s comprehensive plan were completed. Abrams, who read comments from his wife, Edith, said the plan would be the vision residents have for the town and “blueprint” to follow.

“Aren’t we putting the cart before the horse?” asked Abrams. “Shouldn’t we set up our criteria before we set up the committee?”

Hennessey said the committee could be part of the process of determining what would work best for the town, along with getting input from residents. He said the plan, as it exists, recommends forming the committee and believed there was one previously in the town.

“All of those things are all part of the public information process that we could bring into it to determine what elements would work, what we are looking for and what fits,” Hennessey said.

Town Supervisor Tom Dolin said the committee could help determine what business would be interested moving to the town.

“We need to know what is available,” Dolin

said. “We don’t really know if it’s realistic to have a certain kind of an enterprise. ... The population density is so low that apparently retail is not going to happen here any time soon.”

Dolin said if a “vision is not realistic” then “it’s a waste of time.” He said often times a vision for a municipality is created in “vacuum” and isn’t realistic of what the community would support or attract.

“We need more than a vision; we need the regulations,” he said.

Crafting the zoning laws for commercial zones to encourage certain uses, possibly deterring unwanted uses, could be a better way to spur development, according to Dolin.

“We’ve spent too much time on the comprehensive plan and not enough on the actual zoning for the districts,” he said.

Dolin admitted the town already has trouble competing with neighbors because sewer and water infrastructure is not widely available. He believes the committee could urge the town to build out infrastructure to attract development.

Before focusing on businesses, Dolin said attracting affordable housing, such as apartments, is needed to attract young families and individuals. He said several years ago, the town turned down a proposal for apartments deemed too dense.

“If we had more people, we could probably attract some retail, and also those people would contribute to the community,” he said.

Sharon Boehlke, a town resident, said the board has “only promoted half-million dollar houses” and was surprised by Dolin’s statement. She added apartment renters “do not contribute to the community” and “are transit at best.”

Boehlke urged the town to continue addressing industrial areas in town and improve its impression with the business community.

Survey: Health care costs loom

Annual studies show area’s business climate positive despite challenges

By JOHN PURCELL
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Capital District businesses fear how much health care could hemorrhage its bottom line, according to recent surveys, but the overall outlook foresees a bright future.

The 28th annual University at Albany School of Business and Marvin and Company “Business Climate Survey” released in late February revealed more than 90 percent of businesses plan to remain stable or expand during this year. More than 80 percent of respondents saw their business increase or remain stable during last year, with almost 70 percent viewing the Capital District economy as recovering or prospering.

Health care costs remained the top concern, though, which has occurred all but two of the last 19 years.

Kevin O’Leary, director of Marvin and Company, noted more than half of respondents expect the area’s economy to continue prospering during the next several years despite “ongoing concern regarding health care costs, taxes, the national economy and government regulations.”

O’Leary added more than 40 percent of regional businesses said the growing technology industry has had a significant or moderate positive impact.

“The technology sector of the Capital Region continues to help the other businesses in our economy,” O’Leary said in a statement.

Almost 65 percent of businesses

credit the Affordable Care Act (ACA) for increasing costs to the company or its employees, and 22 percent said the law required significant changes to health insurance coverage.

“Capital Region firms continue to prosper, despite significant concerns about the rising cost of health care,” Donald Siegel, dean of UAlbany’s School of Business, said in a statement. “The results showcase the resiliency of area businesses, stimulated by regional and federal investment in high technology, innovation and entrepreneurship.”

Before UAlbany’s results were released, Siena College Research Institute released similar findings in its seventh annual Upstate New York Business Leader Survey.

Approximately 80 percent of Siena’s survey respondents were concerned about health care costs, with nearly 70 percent believing the ACA will negatively impact their business. Almost a third of the companies surveyed said benefits had already been decreased to cut costs. There has also been an increase in hiring part-time employees and 18 percent had reduced hours of existing employees.

“While cautiously upbeat, CEOs in most of Upstate remain realistic and know that despite current growth and anticipated future progress, they ‘won’t be fooled again,’” Siena College Research Institute Director Don Levy said in a statement. “Two years ago they thought the dam of prosperity was about to open, but after a disappointing 2012 and an improving 2013, they believe the cash register will ring, but not roar in 2014.”

Levy also said business leaders

remain committed to New York, but around two-thirds said they would locate their business outside of the state if they had to do it all over again.

Siena’s survey included interviews from 651 business leaders from the Albany, Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse areas. UAlbany’s study was conducted through area chamber of commerce organizations and included Albany-Colonie, Bethlehem, Colonie, Guilderland, Adirondack, Columbia, Rensselaer County, Saratoga County, Southern Saratoga County and Schenectady County.

Business Climate Survey results were also broken down into each chamber, which did reveal some differences to questions.

The Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber has almost 59 percent of respondents claiming overall business increased last year, but only 38.5 percent of Bethlehem respondents said business increased. Guilderland Chamber reported even lower at 29.4 percent. Locally, the Colonie Chamber led at 64.3 seeing an increase.

Similar results were also seen when chamber respondents were questioned if they saw their business increasing, remaining stable or decreasing this year.

Albany-Colonie Chamber respondents were the most optimistic with almost 64 percent predicting an increase in business this year. The Colonie Chamber had almost 47 percent foreseeing an increase. Guilderland Chamber results were slightly ahead of Bethlehem with 29.4 percent to 23.1 percent, respectively.

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Fischer kicks off campaign to topple Tonko

GOP hopeful attacks big government and ACA

By JOHN PURCELL
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Area Republicans rallied behind congressional hopeful Jim Fischer during a campaign kickoff jokingly referred to as the end of an era for Rep. Paul Tonko.

“I hope you all understand why you’re here. ... This is the planning group for Paul Tonko’s retirement party,” Jim Buhrmaster, chairman of the Schenectady County Republican Committee, said, which drew laughter and applause from those in attendance.

Fischer, a Ballston Spa resident, was joined by his wife and four children for his formal campaign kickoff Tuesday, March 11. He has already secured endorsements from all the county GOP committees within the congressional district.

Fischer said he was “tremendously grateful” and humbled to announce his candidacy.

“I’ve decided that I need to shake off the apathy and cynicism that has kept me from getting politically involved before now and to have faith that one person can make a difference,” Fischer said. “I’m asking you to have that same faith that you can make a difference and that together, we can make a change for our country and for our friends and neighbors back at home.”

Most of Tonko’s previous challengers were gathered at the event, with Buhrmaster having made a run against Tonko in 2008 for the then-open seat. Ted Danz ran against Tonko two years later, and the most recent challenger was Bob Dieterich. Republicans are hoping the votes will swing in their favor during the party’s fourth run against the Democratic congressman.

Fischer said the “big government agenda” in recent years has “stifled the economic recovery, undermined opportunity for working people to get good paying jobs and restricted constitutional freedoms to all Americans.”

He added the “political pendulum” has gone too far to the left and must be brought back to the center.

“It is important that we have a representative in Congress that will be able to see things from different perspectives and not just vote straight down the party line,” Fischer said. “Unfortunately, over the last five years, we’ve been represented by someone who has chosen to take a partisan approach in representing this district.”

Fischer rallied against the Affordable Care Act, dubbed “Obamacare,” and said the law was increasing health insurance costs and making it unaffordable for some families. He claimed some seniors have to choose between buying medication or food because of higher deductibles and co-pays associated with the ACA.

“I’m running as a citizen legislator to give a voice to those whose voices aren’t being heard in Washington,” Fischer said.

Fischer was raised in Schenectady and graduated from Niskayuna High School in 1979. He then

earned his bachelor’s degree in economics, with an American history minor, at SUNY Cortland. He founded his own business, Crystal Clear Communications, in 1990, which was originally named Northeast Radio Spectrum.

He has held various leadership positions at the East Glenville Community Church from 2011 to 2013 and was a member of the Spa Christian School Board in Ballston Spa from 2006-10. He founded and organized the annual Bill Swanker Memorial Golf Tournament, which benefits the New York State Trooper Foundation. He is also a member of the National Rifle Association.

Fischer might be a fresh face for most voters, but he isn’t entirely new to the political scene. He volunteered for the 2010 and 2012 GOP congressional campaigns for the 20th Congressional District, which involved phone calls and door-to-door campaigning.

Reflecting the national GOP narrative, Fischer said the party is often known as “the party of



Republican Jim Fischer formally announces his bid against Democrat incumbent Paul Tonko for the 20th Congressional District on Tuesday, March 11.
Photo by John Purcell/Spotlight

no” but he plans to focus on what he supports while campaigning.

“People seem to identify us more by what we are against than what we are for,” he said. “I will lay out a positive agenda that focuses on restoring America through common sense leadership, and I will tell the voters what I am for.”

Fischer said he stands for “freedom, opportunity and responsibility,” which he said are the principles the country was founded on.

The day after Fischer’s campaign kickoff, Tonko’s campaign sent out an email blast asking supporters for donations.

“We’ve always fought for what’s right, rather than what’s popular, and the progress we’ve championed through the years is, in all likelihood, about to go through an election season of misinformation and smear ads,” the email from Paul Tonko for Congress said. “It’s only a matter of time before special interest dollars distort the real story behind the progressive victories we’ve won around affordable health care, clean energy and the jobs we’re creating at home.”

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The Ad Council logo, featuring the word "Ad" in a red square and "Council" below it.

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Milestones

Ferrari, Barbara Ann

DELMAR- Barbara Ann Ferrari, 80, died peacefully on March 5, 2014 after a brief illness. Born in Hamilton, Ontario, Mrs. Ferrari grew up in Cayuga, Ontario and was the only child of the late Earl Gruer Bennett and Iva Jane (Kingsley) Bennett. She graduated in 1956 from the Macdonald Institute (now the University of Guelph) in Canada, then received a master of science degree in foods and nutrition from Pennsylvania State University in 1958.

She married Richard Alan Ferrari in 1958 and was a resident of Delmar, New York for over 50 years. Mrs. Ferrari became a naturalized U.S. citizen in



1968. She taught nutrition at the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing and then served as a dietitian at the Veteran's Administration hospital in Albany for 20 years.

Mrs. Ferrari was preceded in death by her husband of nearly 40 years, Richard Alan Ferrari, in 1998. She is survived by her three children: Margot Fry (David) of Greensboro, NC, Jim Ferrari (Theresa) of Macon, GA, and Cindy Ferrari (Bryan Thomas) of Delmar, as well as her six granddaughters, Abby and Rachel Fry, Eliza and Laurel Ferrari, and Zoe and Maya Thomas.

Mrs. Ferrari was a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Albany, NY and the Progress Club of Delmar. She was an avid reader who also enjoyed sewing, needlework, bridge,

cooking, travel, and chocolate in all forms. Her family will remember her as a kind and gracious woman whose quiet sense of humor was revealed by the twinkle in her eye.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the staff of Good Samaritan Nursing Home of Delmar and to staff and volunteers of The Community Hospice for their gentle care.

Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar. A short service of remembrance was held Saturday, March 15. Interment, held privately, was at St. Peter's Episcopal Church columbarium in Albany.

Those who wish may make memorial contributions to the Bethlehem Public Library or to the hospice program of their choice.

Dean's list announcements

- Lindsay Decker, of Delmar, was named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Canisius College.
- Tyler Moore, of Voorheesville, was named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Morrisville State College.
- Edward Buckley, of Delmar, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's lists at Penn State Wilkes-Barre.
- Alexander Benninger, of Altamont, was named to the fall 2013 dean's list at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Arizona State University.
- Austin Malerba of Altamont, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Eric Pareis of Altamont, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Matthew Seita of Guilderland, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Joshua Banach of Delmar, N.Y., has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Gregory Dias of Glenmont, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Henry Hellbusch of Delmar, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Christopher Jones of Slingerlands, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Sydney Macmillan of Slingerlands, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Morgan Moak of Feura Bush, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.
- Emily Rosenthal of Glenmont, has been named to the fall 2013 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.

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Submissions can be emailed to news@spotlightnews.com with "community news" in the subject line.


The deadline for all announcements is noon Friday prior to publication.



United in fun

Altamont fifth-graders held their annual Celebrate America carnival Friday, March 14, at Altamont Elementary School. The event, which raises money for the fifth-grade trip, featured games, face painting food and raffle prizes.

Photos by Kristen Roberts/Spotlight



Spotlight on YOUTH KIDS' RACES

Sunday, April 6th

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Your Community in The Spotlight

Molasses Creek comes to Delmar

Folk band Molasses Creek is performing at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22, at Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The concert is free, but a free will donation will be taken for the benefit of the Bethlehem Food Pantry.

Molasses Creek – Gary Mitchell (guitar/vocals), Dave Tweedie (fiddle/vocals), Lou Castro (dobro/bass/vocals), Marcy Brenner (mandolin/banjolin/bass/vocals) and Gerald Hampton (mandolin, upright bass) – has performed across the country and earned an award from Garrison Keillor’s “Prairie Home Companion.” The band’s most recent album, 2012’s “An Island Out of Time,” reached No. 4 on the national folk radio DJ charts.

For more information about the band, visit molassescreek.com.

Family music jam March 29

The Helderberg Music Together Family Jam takes place Saturday, March 29, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Families are asked to bring instruments or drums to play, and there also will be some at the church to play. Participating musicians include Cathy Winter, Andy Morse, Brenda Fisher, Terri Lukacko, John Rice, Deb Cavanaugh and more.

The admission price is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 12-18 and free for children under 12. All proceeds benefit the scholarship fund for Helderberg Music Together.

Chamber displays local artists

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is exhibiting original artwork by Bethlehem Art Association members through the end of April.

This is part of a series of revolving art shows at the chamber. Every two months, there will be a new show exhibiting the work of a different group of artists.

The Bethlehem Chamber of commerce office is in the Main Square Shoppes at 318 Delaware Ave., Suite 11. It’s open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Bethlehem Art Association was formed in 1966 to serve as a focal point for art activities in the town. For more information, visit www.bethlehemartassociation.com.

Community spelling bee

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited is sponsoring its annual Community Spelling Bee at 7 p.m. Friday, April 4, at Bethlehem Central High School.

Teams of three to five members will compete for prizes and the honor of being recorded as Bethlehem’s spelling champions. Competitors must be at least 14 years old to enter.

Last year’s inaugural spelling bee attracted nearly 20 teams from the community and the school district, and families also competed. This year’s teams are expected to come from area elementary school staffs, the middle and high schools, Price Chopper and Kinderhook Bank.

Team registrations will be accepted through March 29, with space-available registrations accepted after that. The cost is \$100 per team, but there are sponsorships available from area businesses and community organizers. Registration and sponsorship forms are available at bethlehemschools.org.

Admission to the spelling bee is \$3 for students, senior citizens and veterans; \$5 for adults; and \$10 per family.

Dementia subject of library talk

Erica Salamida of the Alzheimer’s Association of Northeastern New York will present “Conversations About Dementia” at Bethlehem Public Library Wednesday, April 2, at 7 p.m. She will offer suggestions for beginning three difficult conversations with a loved one exhibiting signs of dementia: seeking a diagnosis, deciding when to stop driving, and making legal and financial decisions.

The program is free, but registration is required;



A tasty Pi Day at Glenmont Job Corps

Glenmont Job Corps Center culinary arts students Kadesha Floyd and Miguel Quirindongo present the pies they made to celebrate National Pi Day on Friday, March 14. Homemade pies were only part of the celebration centering around the Greek symbol Pi, which is used in mathematics to represent a constant — the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter, approximately 3.14159. The center also had its students participate in several math-related activities and challenges.

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call the Alzheimer’s Association at 867-4999, ext. 200. The program is cosponsored by the Alzheimer’s Association of Northeastern New York. The library is located at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Damn Yankees at high school

Bethlehem Central High School’s theater department presents the Broadway classic “Damn Yankees!” March 27-30 at the high school auditorium.

Middle-aged baseball fanatic Joe Boyd trades his soul to the devil for a chance to lead his favorite team to victory in the pennant race against the New York Yankees. As young baseball sensation Joe Hardy, Boyd transforms the hapless Washington Senators into a winning team, only to realize the true worth of the life he’s left behind.

Can Boyd outsmart the devil and finish the job he started as Hardy?

James Yeara directs the musical, which is based on the novel “The Year the Yankees Lost the Pennant” by Douglass Wallop. Jason Dashew is the musical director, and Lindsey Packard Dashew is the choreographer.

Showstake place at 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for senior citizens, students and military personnel. Tickets may be purchased now through March 23 at www.stage700.org. Tickets are also available Thursday, March 20, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the district’s Choral Festival, as well as Saturday, March 22, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Monday, March 24, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the high school foyer.

Day of performance ticket sales begin at 5:30 p.m. for the evening performances and 12:30 p.m. for the Sunday matinee.

Dance Flurry sponsors events

The Dance Flurry Organization is hosting two community dances the weekend of April 5 and 6.

The first dance is Saturday, April 5, at 7 p.m. at Old Songs Community Arts Center, 37 South Main St. in Voorheesville. Flurry Festival favorites The Tinkle Tones (John Guay, Vonnie Estes and Steve Fry) provide the music, and Gail Griffith is the caller.

The second dance is Sunday, April 6, at 4 p.m. at Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. String band Tame Rutabaga will perform, and Paul Rosenberg is the caller.

Both events feature contra dancing, square dancing and international folk dancing. All dances are taught, and no experience or partner is needed.

Post your events to our online calendar

To submit an event to run in our online calendar, simply go to www.spotlightnews.com/events/submit/, become a registered user and fill out your event’s information in the provided form.

Submissions are subject to approval and may take up to 24 hours to be approved.

* News briefs for our community page must be sent via email to news@spotlightnews.com and may not appear online.

The cost for the April 5 dance is \$8 for adults and free for children age 12 and under. A \$5 donation is requested for the April 6 dance at Delmar Reformed Church, and \$1 for children age 6-12.

For more information, call 482-9255 or visit www.danceflurry.org.

Five Rivers hosts two events

Two classes take place Saturday, April 5, at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar.

The center is offering a free map and compass clinic at 10 a.m. Forest ranger Karen Glesmann will demonstrate how to read and understand a map and use a compass for direction, distance, scale and detail. Participants will then practice finding their way outdoors along the center’s trails.

The center is also offering a Project WET (Water Education for Teachers) workshop from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Project WET uses activity-based learning to instruct children about the importance, properties and effects of water in the world around us. Activities are suitable for use in classrooms, Scouting and after-school programs, and summer camps. Participants should dress for outdoor activity.

Both programs are free but require pre-registration by Wednesday, April 2. For the map and compass clinic, call 475-0291. For Project WET, call 402-8015 or email projWET@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: 144 STATE STREET MANAGING MEMBER LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, March 4, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. Ad#40994

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: 144 STATE STREET MASTER TENANT LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, March 4, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. Ad# 40992

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of 147 GEORGE REALTY LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/6/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 903, Syosset, NY 11791. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40601

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY156 S Swan, LLC (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 24, 2014. New York office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as an agent upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it is 385 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose of the LLC is any purpose for which a limited liability company may be organized under applicable law. Ad#40500

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 2051 86 St. Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/4/2014 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. Ad#40737

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 2053 86 St. Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/4/2014 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. Ad#40736

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 2057 86 St. Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/4/2014 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. Ad#40734

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 212BLUE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/31/2014 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. 38019

LEGAL NOTICE

226 Seventh LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/13/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 228 Seventh Ave., New York, NY 10011. Purpose: General. Ad# 39749

LEGAL NOTICE

228 Seventh LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/13/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 228 Seventh Ave., New York, NY 10011. Purpose: General. Ad# 39752

LEGAL NOTICE

305 West 16 Street, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/28/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2 Rector St., Ste. 1202, NY, NY 10006. General Purposes. Ad#41438

LEGAL NOTICE 38381

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: 356 TROY-SCHENECTADY ROAD, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on October 24, 2005. Office Location: County of Albany. 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: 356 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: For any lawful activity.

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 405 SIXTH AVENUE MECHANICVILLE LLC Under Section 203 of the New York State Limited Liability Company Law FIRST:The name of the limited liability company is: 405 SIXTH AVENUE MECHANICVILLE LLC. SECOND:The county, within this state, in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Albany. THIRD:The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is:405 SIXTH AVENUE MECHANICVILLE LLC210 Morris RoadSuite ASchenectady, New York 12303 FOURTH:The limited lia-

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bility company is to be managed by: One or More Managers.I certify that I have read the above statements, I am authorized to sign this Articles of Organization, that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that my signature typed below constitutes my signature.Dated: February 7, 2014 Albany, New York Alexander Powhida, Organizer Law Office of Alexander Powhida 90 State Street, Suite 700 Albany, New York 12207 Ad# 39457

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of SAM ARTIST MANAGEMENT & EVENT PROMOTION LLC. Art. ofOrg. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/10/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process.SSNY shall mail process to: 142-03 Oak Ave., Flushing, NY 11355.Purpose: Any lawful activity.- 38403

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: 60 Colvin, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 3/12/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to P. O. Box 6381, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#41377

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 791 MCDONALD LLC. Art. ofOrg. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/9/14. Office location:Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process.SSNY shall mail process to: 1181 44 St., Bklyn, NY 11219.Purpose: Any lawful activity.- 38407

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (L.P.)The name of the LP is 892 New Loudon of Albany, L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 3, 2014. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served to the LP at: The Partnership, 596 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110. Ad# 38826

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Aisling P. O'Connor, D.D.S. PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 2/18/2014. 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. Ad# 39730

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation-AKCHA REALTY LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/6/2014 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. Ad# 38713

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Notice of formation of ALL BRAND CLEANERS AND SEWING CENTER, LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on January 7, 2014. Office location: Schenectady County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, at 853 State Route 443, Schoharie, New York 12157. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful purposes. Ad# 39181

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Allison Caprio Accounting Services, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/24/2014 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. Ad# 39721

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AmeriPride Home Care, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 1/30/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Missouri (MO) on 11/26/12. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the MO address of LLC: 1901 E. Meadowmere St., Springfield, MO 65804. Arts. of Org. filed with MO Secy. of State, 600 West Main St., Jefferson City, MO 65101. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad# 39758

LEGAL NOTICE

APPLE TREE FORT, LLC- Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Apple Tree Fort, LLC (the "LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on November 12, 2013. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process c/o the LLC, 219 Forts Ferry Road, Latham, NY 12110. The LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn,LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110 Ad#40490

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of AREC 20, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/6/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 2/24/14. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. Principal office of LLC: 2727 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85004. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, 202 N. Carson, Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad#41443

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Band of Real Estate Investors, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Incorp Services, Inc., One Com-

merce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805-A, Albany, NY 12210. Purpose: real estate investments and any lawful purpose. Ad#38839

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FIRST: The name of the Professional Limited Liability Company is BARBARA F. PATS, PHD, PSYCHOLOGIST, PLLC. (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the New York Secretary of State on February 3, 2014.

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 413 Kenwood Avenue Delmar, New York 12054 FIFTH: The purposes of the business of the company is to engage in the profession of psychology. Ad# 39347

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bimbo Foods Bakeries Distribution, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/6/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/20/1998. 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., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad#41442

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of BIOSCIENCE EDITING SOLUTIONS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/23/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 909 3rd Ave. #6203, NY, NY 10150. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40130

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Brookens Properties, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/18/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Incorp Services, Inc., One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Ste. 805-A, Albany, NY 12210, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Ad# 39763

LEGAL NOTICE

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: Cancer Prevention Lifestyle, LLC Articles of Organization filed by the Department of State of New York on: 01/31/2014 Office location: County of Saratoga Purpose: any and all lawful activities. Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY

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shall mail a copy of process to:100 Great Oaks Blvd., Suite 121 Albany, NY 12203 Principal Business location: 486 Stage Road Ballston Lake, NY 12019 Ad# 40199

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Notice of Formation Carolina K Collective LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/4/2014 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. Ad#40740

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CASEY'S PAINTING & CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/31/14. 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# 38952

LEGAL NOTICE

CellSmart POS Intl. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/21/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 139-79 85th Dr., Apt. 1C, Jamaica, NY 11435. General Purposes. Ad#41437

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF CHRISTINE HEALEY LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/20/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 435 E. 117 St. #3, NY, NY 10035. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40604

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: City Placements LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to S. Hansen, 5 Saint Marks Place, #9, New York, New York 10003. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.- 38385

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: COEYMANS' MARINE TOWING LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/31/2013.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 process to the LLC, 2170 River Road, PO Box 890, Coeymans, NY 12045. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. City: Coeymans Ad# 39569

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of COWBOY ASTRONAUT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207.

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The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad# 39176

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: CROSSINGS PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, December 13, 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# 39216

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Cyan Too LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/20/2014 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. Ad# 39727

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ADOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is Danielle Fitzgerald LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 22, 2014. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. 38141

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Notice of Formation-DUMBO FRO YO, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/31/2014 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. 38009

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Notice of Formation EFLUENT LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/27/2014 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. Ad#40329

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of EL LUREY NEW YORK LLC. Art. ofOrg. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/3/14. Office location:Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process.SSNY shall mail process to: 1111 Sheepshead Bay Rd #2F, Bklyn, NY 11229.Purpose: Any lawful activity. 38395

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of EMBEDDED CREATIONS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/11/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 504 E. 63 St. #4T, NY, NY 10065. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40603

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of EVENTUM ENTERTAINMENT LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 16 E. 18 St. 9 Fl., NY, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40606

LEGAL NOTICE

FAB Property Development, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/30/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 11 Danton Lane, Lattingtown, NY 11560. Purpose: General. Ad# 39097

LEGAL NOTICE

FARMAN LAB LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/10/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Corporate Service Bureau, Inc., 283 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12206, which is also the registered agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. Purpose : Any lawful purpose. Ad# 41348

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Farmland Renewal, LLC (the "LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on October 31, 2013. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, c/o Lavelle & Finn, LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110 Ad#40995

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation-Floating Point, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/26/2014 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. Ad#40329

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of FormationRF FRO YO, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/31/2014 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. 38013

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of GENIUS ORGANIZING NEW YORK LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/24/14. 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# 39955

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Notice of Formation GN FRO YO, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/31/2014 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. 38016

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of HAMPTON DRY GOODS, LLC. Art. ofOrg. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/15/14. Office location:Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process.SSNY shall mail process to: 107 Potunk Ln., West-hampton Beach, NY 11978.Purpose: Any lawful activity.- 38410

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Herion Productions, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/3/2014 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. Ad#40746

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of HICKS DESIGN, LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 202 W. 40 St. #402, NY, NY 10018. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad# 40139

LEGAL NOTICE

HUDSON CALVERTON SOLAR 1, LLC Foreign LLC Notice of NY Publication Pursuant to Section 802 of the Limited Liability Company Law Hudson Calverton Solar 1, LLC App. For Auth. filed NY Dept of State on 11/05/13. Juris and date of org: DE 11/01/13. County of loc: Albany Cty. Princ. bus. loc. Executive Woods, 5 Palisades Dr., Ste. 300, Albany, NY 12205. Sec. of State designated as agent of foreign LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Sec. of State shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, Executive Woods, 5 Palisades Dr., Ste. 300, Albany, NY 12205. Addr. of Foreign LLC in DE is 615 South DuPont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Auth. Officer in DE where Cert of Form. filed: Jeffrey W. Bullock, Sec. of State of the State of DE, Division of Corporations, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn, LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110 Ad#40496

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HUDSON GENERATION 1, LLC Foreign LLC Notice of NY Publication Pursuant to Section 802 of the Limited Liability Company Law Hudson Generation 1, LLC App. For Auth. filed NY Dept of State on 11/05/13. Juris and date of org: DE 11/01/13. County of loc: Albany Cty. Princ. bus. loc. Executive Woods, 5 Palisades Dr., Ste. 300, Albany, NY 12205. Sec. of State designated as agent of foreign LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Sec. of State shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, Executive Woods, 5 Palisades Dr., Ste. 300, Albany, NY 12205. Addr. of Foreign LLC in DE is 615 South DuPont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901. Auth. Officer in

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DE where Cert of Form. filed: Jeffrey W. Bullock, Sec. of State of the State of DE, Division of Corporations, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn, LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110 Ad#40497

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of I-PLUS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/31/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 153 E. 110 St. PO Box 726, NY, NY 10029. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad# 40136

LEGAL NOTICE

JAMAICA INN, LLC Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Jamaica Inn, LLC (the "LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on November 12, 2013. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process c/o the LLC, 219 Forts Ferry Road, Latham, NY 12110. The LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn,LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110 Ad#40494

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JDL ICON ASSOCIATES, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/5/14. 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# 39177

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is JGC TWO ASSOCIATES, 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 January 24, 2014.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 8 Airline Drive, Suite 104 Albany, New York 12205 FIFTH: The purposes of the business of the Company is The Company's purpose is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the New York Limited Liability Law. 38149

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation-Jonathan Landscape & Design LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/3/2014 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. Ad#40749

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NOTICE OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF KAYLA'S ENTERPRISE OF ALBANY, LLC The name of the limited liability company is OF KAYLA'S ENTERPRISE OF ALBANY, LLC (the "LLC"); The Articles of Organization for the LLC were filed with the Secretary of State's Office on January 23, 2014; The office of the LLC is to be located in the County of Albany, State of New York; The Secretary of State is designated as an agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address in the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is:123 North Reineman Street, Albany, NY 12203; The duration of the LLC is perpetual; The character and purpose of the business of the LLC shall be to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of New York, including the ownership of real property. Ad# 39975

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of KIRKLAND HOLDINGS, LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 166 W. 18 St. #8C, NY, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40138

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Notice of Formation of LAHIJANI REAL ESTATE GROUP, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/3/14.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# 39175

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Notice of Formation of LEIGH LEIGH LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/11/14. 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# 39336

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Notice of formation of LIBERTY GARDENS ASSOCIATES III, L.P. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State(SSNY) on 2/26/2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Liberty Gardens Associates III, L.P., c/o Omni Housing Development LLC, 40 Beaver St.,5th Fl., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#41447

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umera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad# 39724

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Luxury Homes Florida Realty LLC Articles of Organization of this Limited Liability Company (LLC) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 19, 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 952 Troy-Schenectady Road, Suite 112, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law. Ad# 39800

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Maple Payments, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 01/30/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 132 W 36th St., 3rd Fl., NY, NY 10018. General Purposes. Ad#38958

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Notice of Formation of MBRR EQUITY, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/26/14. 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, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. 37866

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to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad# 39943

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of MYGUEST, LLC. Art. of Org. filedw/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/20/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 246 Ontario St., Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40131

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Notice of Formation of NAI CONTEMPORARY LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 2/20/14. 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# 39954

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of OFAS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/28/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 885 Preston Rd., E. Meadow, NY 11554. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40608

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of OLIVER SYSTEMS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/6/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 366 6th St. #2, Bklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40602

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Notice of Formation P & P Consulting LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/12/2014 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. Ad# 38836

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PAL SERVICES LLC, Arts of Org filed with SSNY on 01/28/14. Office Loc.: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 39 Utica Ave., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act. 38021

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Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization of Pierlane, LLC (the "LLC") were filed with the Department of State of New York ("SSNY") on March 5, 2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process c/o the LLC, 78 Mordella Road, Albany, NY 12205. The LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn, LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110 Ad#41341

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NOTICE OF FILING OF AN LLC On the 10th day of February, 2014, Premier Cheer Athletics LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State. Its office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to Premier Cheer Athletics LLC c/o Jamie Harrigan, at the street address of the principal business location, 30 Perry Avenue, Latham, NY 12110. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. Ad#41197

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Quick Strike Technologies, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 2/25/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to One Mustang Drive, Cohoes, NY 12047. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad# 39957

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Notice of Formation of RABBIT HOLE PROMOTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/21/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#41000

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of RACHEL RUTH DESIGNS LLC. Art. of Org. filedw/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 340 W. 23 St. #2F, NY, NY 10011. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40133

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of RAVENSPUR LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/30/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 301 W. 110 St. #17H, NY, NY 10026. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40134

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of RESTORE CLOTHING, LLC. Art. ofOrg. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/10/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process.SSNY shall mail process to: 525 W. 49 St #6L, NY, NY 10019.Purpose: Any lawful activity. - 38394

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Notice of Qualification of RETHINK REAL ESTATE CAPITAL LLC. Authority filed with Secy. Of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 2/4/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 1/27/14. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o USA Corporate Services Inc., 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE address of LLC: c/o USA Corporate Services

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Notice of Formation Siri Sejal Holdings LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/5/2014 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. Ad#41000

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of SPARK SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT LLC. Art. of Org. filedw/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 1078 Dobbs Ferry Rd., Dobbs Ferry, NY 10607. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#40605

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of SSW TOMAS, LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of pro-

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turns into those with TBI being labeled as people we do not want to be with,” said Avner. “Being lethargic can be labeled as lazy. All of that makes it very difficult for individuals to live independently.”

And living an independent life is not only what Bart Goldstein wants, it’s what his parents want for their son.

“In terms of Bart, the goal has always been, and will always be, independence,” said Joel Goldstein. “We hope he continues to recover, and with that live a normal, happy life. That would be the goal.”

Avner said building relationships can be difficult for those with TBI. Isolation is often a problem from both ends. Survivors can sometimes feel different and isolate themselves, while, more often, those suffering from TBI lose former friends and have trouble making new ones.

Bart Goldstein said he hasn’t stayed in touch with many of his old friends because they have gone on with their lives while he needed to take extra time to recover. Most also still live in New Paltz or have moved away, and he now lives in Delmar.

“For a few months after, my friends were pretty cool, but nowadays I don’t even talk to them,” he said. “They have their own prerogatives in life, and you know what, if I’m going to slow them down, then screw them. I don’t need to talk to them anymore.”

Avner said adjusting to life with TBI can be more difficult for adolescents.

“The last thing people want to do is be different from their peer group, and friends just want their old friend back,” Avner said. “Many (with TBI) can’t drive, and in this state, if you don’t have a car, it’s very difficult just to get the basics or entertainment. Public transportation is not convenient, and dealing with all that can also harm how easy it is fitting into the fabric of society.”

Bart Goldstein said he believes location is key for someone with

TBI. He likes living in Delmar because it’s a walkable town, and he has a full support system around him.

Independent living

For some time, Bart was living in Rotterdam at a residence connected with a local agency that specializes in working with adults who have TBI. But the 20-something felt the living situation was very close to feeling like an institution. He also felt constrained by his surroundings and his inability to get around town.

“There was nothing to do there,” said Goldstein. “I needed to be somewhere different.”

He has now been living in Delmar nearly four years and is much happier. Goldstein said one of his greatest joys is his job at Swifty’s. It’s not only his place of work, but also his favorite place to hang out.

Dave Swift, the owner of Swifty’s, said it was Joel Goldstein who first approached him about hiring Bart.

“He thought it would be good for him,” said Swift. “He was a customer already so we gave him some hours.”

Swift said he loves having Goldstein at the bar. He has a light and positive disposition, and he knows how to cheer up the other employees when they’re having a bad day. He also thinks the job has been good for Goldstein.

“I think it’s a great social outlet for him and everyone here knows him,” said Swift. “It’s great for his confidence and makes him feel good. He has a lot of friends at Swifty’s.”

On days off, Goldstein heads out once or twice a week with his friend Bryan Roman, who is also an employee of the assisted living residence and agency where Goldstein used to live. The two go to a movie, lunch or shopping.

Roman said he thinks Goldstein is thriving in Delmar. The residents have been friendly to him, and he has a much better social life.

“I think the community means everything to him,” said Roman.



Bart Goldstein sits in front of his computer at his Bethlehem apartment, which is on the webpage of Dateline NBC’s coverage of an alternative therapy he previously was undergoing.

John Purcell/
Spotlight

“It’s the difference between living a normal life and being a miserable person. If he was removed from the situation, it would be terrible.”

Goldstein said he is now working on taking up new hobbies. About six months ago, he began taking guitar lessons at Blue Sky Music Studios with instructor Mitch Elrod. His goal is to learn to play some of his favorite rock songs, but the process takes longer than it would for the average person.

“I’m terrible right now,” he said.

Elrod said Goldstein is doing well for someone with a brain injury.

“Teaching has taught me that one of the most interesting parts of this endeavor is seeing how other people learn, and I love that aspect of it,” said Elrod. “I think people a lot of times see the music or hear it, and thinks it’s hard. My job is to convince them it is hard, but that’s just because they haven’t learned yet.”

Elrod said it might sound cliché, but playing music or creating any form of art can be therapeutic.

“Bart has such a great love of music. I think that will carry him forward as he continues to learn,” he said. “He’s such a happy guy, with a great sense of humor. He’s really a joy to work with.”

Joel Goldstein said he would

eventually like to see his son settle down and get married one day. Goldstein’s parents continue to work with him about being more self-sufficient, but they believe his life will be better if he can find someone to share it with.

“I think he’s probably best off being with another survivor,” said Joel Goldstein. “He wouldn’t have to explain a lot, and his partner would understand the things he is going through. We want a full life for him.”

Advocacy and moving on

Bart Goldstein said he owes a lot to his family.

He doesn’t know what he would have done without their care and support. Goldstein also credits his Christian faith and having a good sense of humor as the main reasons he kept going.

“If you really want something, you have to go get it and practice, practice, practice,” said Bart.

The accident was hard not just on him, but his entire family. Joel Goldstein said his wife has a sort of post-traumatic stress that she suffers when she rides in the car. His sister, Cassidy, threw herself into school and work.

“That’s something that’s very hard for an 11-year-old to deal with,” said Joel Goldstein. “Our daughter lost the brother that she knew. We’re lucky he

survived, but the person we knew didn’t survive.”

Joel Goldstein said he suffers from insomnia.

“I don’t think I had a good night’s sleep since (Bart) was hurt,” he said.

If the accident had never happened, Goldstein said the entire family dynamic would be different. Bart would have graduated from college long ago, and he would probably have a full-time job instead of subsisting on state benefits and what he gets from his parents. Joel Goldstein said he would have retired before now.

“Caring for someone with TBI isn’t cheap,” he said. “Not that I’m complaining, it’s just on top of all of the other heartbreak ... we’ve all had to give up things we love. You just have to see what is fundamentally important and focus on that. You have to focus on your injured child. It becomes the new core of the family.”

Both Bart and Joel Goldstein have been working with Brain Injury Association of New York as advocates of the disability. Bart said he likes talking about his experiences and hopes it can help others. Joel has other goals.

“I would like to live long enough to see TBI, which is emerging from the shadows, be made as well known as autism,” he said. “I think it can be done.”

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Sage lacrosse helps foodbank

Members of the Sage College women's lacrosse team volunteered their time to help the Regional Foodbank of Northeastern New York last week. The players helped sort and organize donations as part of the team's annual community service project during the school's spring break. The Gators returned to action Tuesday against Bard College at Frank Bailey Field.



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Weekly poll

What was the top story of the winter sports season?

- V'ville win streak/title
- Zemering's pool exploits
- G'land reaching finals
- Smith's state high jump title
- BC's Giacone sisters

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Previous poll results:

With this year's Class AA boys basketball playoff results, has the Suburban Council become the new Section II power?

- Yes 67%
- No 22%
- Wait and see 11%



A look back

Voorheesville's run to Sectional title makes it area's top winter team

By ROB JONAS
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With two weeks remaining before the start of the spring sports season, it's time to take a glance back at the recently completed winter season.

Team of the winter: Voorheesville boys basketball

After beginning the season with a win and a loss, the Blackbirds embarked on an impressive 20-game winning streak that included the Section II Class B title — their first under head coach and Voorheesville alumnae David Burch.

The lone regular season loss came Dec. 13 when the Blackbirds lost to defending state Class B champion Watervliet 77-63. There could have been several more, though, according to Burch.

"There was the first Schalmont game (Jan. 10) where we needed a last-second three-pointer to send the game into overtime," said Burch. "There was the Mechanicville game (Jan. 3) where we won at the end. There was also the Cohoes game (Jan. 23) where we pulled that one out at the end."

"There were a lot of games that we could have lost. It was just the drive and desire of these guys ... just refused to lose."

Voorheesville used a variety of

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Left: Bethlehem's Gunnar Zemering dives into the 50-yard freestyle qualifier at February's Section II Division I boys swimming and diving meet at the Shenendehowa Aquatic Center. Above: Voorheesville's Noah Crawford soars past a Broadalbin-Perth defender during the March 1 Section II Class B championship game at the Glens Falls Civic Center. *Spotlight file photos*

Federation tourney gets local boost

For years, the knock against the New York State Federation Basketball Championships being staged in the Capital District was no one would come to the games because it was too far for most of the participating schools — many of which came from New York City.

So, tournament organizers had to be doing cartwheels when Scotia-Glenville claimed the state's public school Class A boys basketball title with Sunday's 66-44 victory over Rochester East. The victory sets up a Federation semifinal between the undefeated Tartans and last year's champions, Albany Academy, at the Times Union Center.

Two Capital District teams playing in their backyard with a berth in the Federation final on the line. How can that not set a new one-game attendance record, especially given how well Scotia-Glenville fans travel?

"Scotia, from what I'm gathering, the whole town comes (to the games)," said Guilderland coach Ron Osinski. "And, Academy will draw a crowd."

Tournament organizers created a doubleheader for area basketball fans Friday evening. The Albany Academy-Scotia-Glenville game is at 8:30 p.m., which follows the Class AA semifinal between Long Island Lutheran and Green Tech.

Osinski knows a lot about one of the two teams in this game: Albany Academy. Guilderland played the Cadets twice during the regular season, winning at home 70-65 Dec. 14 at home and losing 92-77 Jan. 28 at Academy.

"They're a good team. I think they're well

rounded," said Osinski. "They've got size, they've got guys who can take you off the dribble and they've got guys who can shoot from the perimeter."

Osinski isn't as familiar with Scotia-Glenville as he is with Albany Academy, but his Guilderland players had a chance to play against some of those players during the local summer league season. And from what he's seen of the Tartans, Osinski said Academy is in for a major challenge against the state's top-ranked Class A team.

"I think that Academy is going to have to come out and penetrate their zone because I think the zone defense is a big thing for Scotia," said Osinski. "They're going to have to penetrate the zone and then kick (the ball) out to their perimeter shooters. But, they're going to have to make their shots. Otherwise, I think Scotia will just pack it in (close to the basket) and deny their penetration."

Albany Academy gained entry into this year's Federation Tournament as the Association of Independent Schools (AIS) representative. By doing so, Academy

avoided playing during the four-week Sectional and state playoffs. That route didn't bother the Cadets last year, as they edged Nazareth 43-40 in the Federation semifinals and knocked off John Adams 50-34 in the championship game to claim the title.

"I would be worried about not playing for five weeks," said Osinski. "Also, I think Scotia has a ton of confidence because they've played together for so long. But, I think Academy is a good team."

Whatever the outcome of Friday's Class A semifinal, Federation Tournament officials are guaranteed of having a local team playing in Saturday's championship game. That alone should give them hope of a second large crowd at the Times Union Center.

It's been a good winter overall for Section II boys basketball. Besides Scotia-Glenville, this region produced state champions in Class AA (Green Tech) and Class C (Hoosic Valley), making it the second year in a row Section II won three boys titles. Argyle (Class D), Lake George (Class C) and Watervliet (Class B) earned state titles in 2013, and factoring in Albany Academy's Federation title, this region had four champions.

Osinski said Section II's success at the state tournament the past two years owes a lot to the parity that is happening at the public school level.

"I guess it's getting to the point where in any (state) game, any team can beat anyone," said Osinski.

From the

Sports Desk

Rob Jonas

**Pick
of the
week**



In good taste

On Thursday, March 27, the International Center of the Capital Region in collaboration with WAMC will hold "Tastes of the World," an international food-tasting event entitled at the Linda, WAMC's Performing Arts Center, 339 Central Ave.

Area restaurants will provide sample-sized world cuisine, with food ranging from French and Indonesian, to Middle Eastern and Mediterranean. Many fine restaurants, area chefs and cultural/affinity groups will be participating.

Tickets are available prior to March 27 for \$50 by calling 708-7608 and at the door on the day of the event for \$60. Proceeds from the event to benefit the International Center.



**Coming
attractions**

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

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'The Understudy' gets top billing

Cristine M. Loffredo and Joel A. Bramer rehearse a scene for Schenectady Civic Players' upcoming production of "The Understudy."

*Photo by
Tom Killips*



**Comedy turns the spotlight
on behind-the-scenes
shenanigans**

"The Understudy," Theresa Rebeck's clever indictment of contemporary theater, opens Friday, March 21, and runs through Sunday, March 30, at Schenectady Civic Players' 12 S. Church St. playhouse in Schenectady's historic Stockade district.

The play, directed by Mark Stephens, is the fourth main-stage production of Schenectady Civic Player's

86th season. Stephens played the impish elf in Schenectady Civic's hit one-man show, "The Santaland Diaries," earlier this season.

In this witty and entertaining comedy, the lights of Broadway cast an affectionate glow on one of the most notorious roles in the theater: the understudy.

Personal and professional lives collide when Roxanne, charged with running the understudy rehearsal for a new play, finds out that her

□ Theater Page B8

IF YOU GO

- **What:** "The Understudy"
- **When:** March 21-30
- **Where:** Schenectady Civic Player's playhouse, 12 S. Church St., Schenectady
- **How much:** \$17
- **Info:** www.civicplayers.org or call 382-2081

Local flavor

**Taste of Ballston Spa is
a palate-pleaser and a major
fundraiser for school foundation**

By DANIA BIANCHI
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When school budgets aren't enough, the key to filling the gap is apparently through the stomach. Specialty foods and drinks seem to be all the rage as a way of raising money these days, and tasting events are high on the list of avenues to do that. It was about 10 years ago when members of the Ballston Spa Education Foundation (BSEF) realized the popularity of such gatherings and put together "A Taste of Ballston Spa."

"The idea is to give a taste of each of the different restaurants," said Ellen Mottola, BSEF secretary.

With the growing number of food establishments in the Village of Ballston Spa and nearby Malta, those looking for a good bite need not look far. The hardest part however is deciding which to try first, Mottola said.

BSEF has that covered with a wide range of samples from area restaurants all in one place.

"Each place has one or two entrees," Mottola said. "They also bring menus."

The event, which began as a small gathering in the town's high school has now become an eagerly awaited event each year, and in recent years, has taken place at Malta's TEC-SMART campus, the facility that houses the Clean Technologies and Sustainable Industries



IF YOU GO

- **What:** Taste of Ballston Spa
- **When:** March 24, from 6-8 p.m.
- **Where:** HVCC TEC SMART Campus, 35 Hermes Road, Malta
- **How much:** \$30 per person, \$50 per couple
- **Info:** www.ballstonspaeducationfoundation.com



More than 14 restaurants will be participating in this year's event, including 50 South, Ripe Tomato, Sunset Cafe, LaBella's, Front Street Deli, Augie's, Crystal Rock, Bear's Cafe, Village Sweet Shoppe and Pellegrino Imports.

Submitted photos

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Gypsy: A Musical Fable

Classic Broadway musical about an aspiring actress and her pushy stage mom. March 18 through April 13, Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany. Shows: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$20-\$65. Tickets and information: 445-7469 or www.steamer10theatre.org.

Robin Hood and the Good (and Bad) Fairies of Nottingham

A different take on the classic story about a man who steals from the rich to give to the poor. March 22-23 and 29-30, Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany. Shows: 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tickets: \$15. Tickets and information: 438-5503 or www.capitalrep.org.

The Understudy

Theresa Rebeck’s clever indictment of contemporary theater. March 21-23 and 26-30, 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: 346-6204 or www.civicplayers.org.

MUSIC

Paul McKenna Band

Folk band vocals, driving guitar and bouzouki, intense fiddle playing

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Saint Rose Music Department

Masterworks Chorale and Madrigals Ensemble perform with the Saint Rose Chamber Orchestra. March 22, 8 p.m., Kathleen McManus Picotte Recital Hall, Massry Center for the Arts, 1002 Madison Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 454-5178 or www.strose.edu/music.

Albany Symphony Orchestra

Family show featuring music by Tchaikovsky, Sousa, Britten and more. March 23, 2 p.m., Palace Theatre, corner of Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany. Tickets: adults \$18, children free. Tickets and information: 694-3300.

Syracuse Children’s Chorus

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DANCE

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Welcome spring with the return of Singles Outreach Service’s Friday night dance party. March 28, 8 p.m., Michael’s Banquet House, 1019 New Loudon Road, Latham. \$15 per person. Information: 250-7566, ext. 115, or DanceSF@sosactivities.com.

Rhythm of the Dance

Featuring the National Dance Company of Ireland and The Young Irish Tenors. March 27, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$20-\$50. Tickets and information: 346-6204 or proctors.org.

LECTURE

Robert Storr

Artist, critic and dean of the Yale University School of Art. March 27, 7 p.m., Saint Joseph Hall Auditorium, The College of Saint Rose, 985 Madison Ave., Albany. Free. Information: www.saintrose.edu.

COMEDY

Mop and Bucket Company

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EXHIBITS

First Unitarian Universalist Society of Albany

Delaware County artist Milton McPherson’s acrylic works will be featured in this exhibit. March 9 through the middle of April. 405 Washington Ave., Albany. Exhibit hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon Sunday. Free admission. Information: 463-7135 or www.albanyuu.org. Artist reception: Sunday, March 16, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Brookside Museum

“The Creative Mind,” featuring the work of Karin Vollkommer, March 7 through April 25. 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa. Information: 885-4000. Opening reception: March 7, 5 p.m.

University Art Museum

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

Arts Center of the Capital Region

“Ju money 2014: Sang Wook Lee,” through March 30. 265 River St., Troy. Information: 273-0552 or www.artscenteronline.org.

Oakroom Artists Gallery

Original works by Hanan Panek and Steve Kowalski, March 1-31, Universal Universalist Society, 1221 Wendell Ave., Schenectady. Opening reception: Sunday, March 9, from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Sorelle Gallery

“Contemplations,” featuring artwork by Chester DeWitt Rose. March 21 through April 3. Stuyvesant Plaza, 1475 Western Ave., Albany. Information: 482-2000 or www.sorellegallery.com. Artist reception: March 21, 5 to 8 p.m.

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- 5 Donkey
- 8 Telephones
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- 14 Money: Ger.
- 16 Maxim
- 17 “___ a song go out of my heart ...”
- 18 Apartments in a harem
- 19 Alcott topic
- 20 Marketing studies
- 23 Fleming or McShane
- 24 Financial letters for your future
- 25 Mineo
- 28 Building contractor’s papers
- 32 Informal, unofficial poll
- 35 Form of security
- 37 Soc. Security status
- 38 *Hamlet* part
- 39 Nothing to do
- 40 Spice
- 42 Half of Cato’s CVI
- 43 Neat
- 44 Ex-76ers coach
- 45 John ___ Mill
- 47 Retail and supermarket

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- 50 Bobbery
- 51 HUD part
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- 53 Article
- 55 Use indicator
- 61 Floral bit
- 64 Prison sector
- 65 Scent
- 66 Sheer fabric
- 67 Editorial mark
- 68 Family rooms
- 69 Helpers
- 70 Draft letters
- 71 Venetian noble

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- 2 Ready and willing
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- 4 Stutz, for one
- 5 Marketplace
- 6 Cars with four doors
- 7 Kind of stick?
- 8 Cry of the Rook
- 9 Stirs
- 10 Something to take it on
- 11 Sweater size: abbr.
- 12 Dole or Byrd title
- 15 Popular summer wear
- 21 Drift

- 22 Decrees of a sultan
- 25 Pleasant event
- 26 Dress
- 27 Biblical worker in a tabernacle
- 28 TV series
- 29 Names for some senors
- 30 Municipal borough west of London
- 31 Kadiddlehoffer’s name-sakes
- 33 One who essays
- 34 What one wants for one’s money
- 36 Neighbor of Carthage
- 41 Doctrine of axioms
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9	3	6	2	1	4	5	7	8
4	2	5	8	6	7	9	1	3
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