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# G'land project OK'd, conditionally

**Town sends Wolanin apartment** proposal to Planning Board

> By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

Several years after Wolanin Companies proposed rezoning property off Western Avenue for a luxury apartment complex, the request has been granted, conditionally. The contentious project still faces more hurdles before final approval.

The Guilderland Town Board on Tuesday, April 15, unanimously approved the rezone of 22 acres behind 1700 Apartments in the hamlet of Westmere from Single-Family Residential to Planned United Development District. The board's approval included several conditions, which the town Planning Board and developer must adhere to for the project to be approved. The project would come before the Town Board for final

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**Vincent Wolanin** talks to the Guilderland **Town Board** before his project received conditional rezoning approval on Tuesday, April 15.

John Purcell/ Spotlight

# Bethlehem reassessment 2014



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About 30 landowners of large property in the Town of Bethlehem staged a protest on Thursday, April 17, outside of Milestone Restaurant in Glenmont where town Democrats were holding their annual fundraiser.

# Landowners stage protest

**Group asks** town to delay implementing reassessment until open space tax credits are looked into

By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

protest last week to speak out against the recent townwide reassessments.

The protest was held Thursday, April 17, outside of Milestone Restaurant in Glenmont. The location and time was chosen to coincide with the Bethlehem Democratic

Committee's annual Jefferson-Jackson Day Fundraiser.

"We would like to send a message A number of large landowners that the community at large benefits in the Town of Bethlehem staged a from all of the green space and viewshed that the Town Board constantly talks about, and the jump in assessments on open land is just so sudden and so unfair," said resident Keith Wiggand, who was acting as spokesman for the group.

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# Revisions in store for charter

**Committee formed** to tackle review commission recommendations

> By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

Albany County legislators have formed a committee to evaluate what recommendations from the

Charter Review Commission's report should be implemented.

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introduced the resolution to form the committee, which legislators approved Monday, April 14. The resolution stated "the hard work that resulted in the report warrants that a special committee" should be formed to consider the proposed revisions, which number in the hundreds and include reducing the size of the legislature

The seven Democrats and two Republican legislators appointed

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# Clucking continues over chicken proposal

G'land zoning board to rule on resident's fowl request

By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

Uncertainty still looms over a Guilderland man's proposal to keep chickens behind his house, but it's clear opinions on both sides haven't swayed.

The Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, April 16, continued the public hearing on Dale Owen's request to keep up to 10 laying hens outside his family's home at 140 Mohawk Drive. Owen provided the board with the requested construction plans and answers to questions it had.

Some new residents, who couldn't attend the March 5 meeting, spoke out against the proposal. Supporters continued attempting to dispel fears of those opposed.

"I have never seen such detailed construction plans for a building in my life," said Board member Thomas Remmert, who is acting as chairman for the application. "I could probably build one myself following those plans, so we do appreciate (you) providing that."

Zoning board Chairman Peter Barber previously recused himself from discussions and casting a vote on the application because he lives within Owen's neighborhood.

Owen, who has four children,

previously said his family grows "a substantial amount" of their vegetables and most of his family is vegetarian. He also said they go through "a ton" of eggs and views keeping chickens as an opportunity to teach his children responsibility.

Owen said he has not "done anything" toward building the coop, which is unlike prior chicken requests. Both times, the residents requesting to keep chickens already had the fowl on their property.

Zoning board members contend the town code does not explicitly allow or disallow the keeping of chickens, so the members review requests on a case-by-case basis. Remmert stressed previous decisions did not set a precedent, and the board stated such when the approvals were given.

Unlike prior requests, Owens neighbors appear mostly opposed to the chickens joining the neighborhood.

Mary Toscano, of 120 Mohawk Drive, said when she was a child in a central Massachusetts city, she would visit her aunt's farm where there was "a flock of chicken" and two horses. Toscano said she clearly remembered the "odor of urine and feces" emanating from the chicken coop.

"These odors cannot be disguised ... and when the wind blows in the right direction, they are unmistakable," Toscano said.

- Justine Maier, of Averill Park.



Rosemary Centi, former town clerk of Guilderland, expressed her opposition toward Dale Owen's request to keep chickens behind his home during the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting.

John Purcell/ Spotlight

She further contended the chickens would bring predators to the area, which other residents have also claimed.

Owen is planning to make his chicken coop and adjoining run as predator proof as possible. He said he would use wield wire mesh around the perimeter of the coop and bury it one-foot in the ground, with the buried fence forming an "L" shape.

Rosemary Centi, former town clerk of Guilderland, who does not live in the neighborhood, expressed opposition to Owen's request. She contended there is "nothing to interpret."

"Raising of poultry as it stands is a permitted use only in an agricultural zone," Centi said. "It is not a permitted use in a residential zone. Therefore, those seeking to raise chickens in a residential zone are seeking a new zoning law, and it is the prerogative of the Town Board and Town Board only."

Remmert said the request for interpretation on chickens for an individual basis is within the board's purview and duties because of the unclear town code wording.

Sally Cummings, who doesn't live near Owen, was baffled there was a debate over keeping chickens. She said as long as chickens are properly cared for, there is no odor. Another resident also contended farms sometimes don't regularly clean chicken coops.

"I grew up in England, and

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my very most favorite thing to do was go to my cousin's because they had chickens. This was in London, and there were no problems with it," Cummings said. "I just can't believe that people would have any objections."

The zoning board closed the hearing and the four members are scheduled to make a ruling on Owen's request at its Wednesday, May 21, meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The town's Zoning Review Committee is in the process of rewriting the town code and one possible revision would allow chickens in residential zoning. The Town Board would approve any changes to the code based on recommendations from the committee.



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# **Volunteers spruce up Pine Bush Preserve**

### **Event continues Earth Day tradition** of public service

BY BILLY DeLAP delapb@spotlightnews.com

Nearly 100 volunteers showed up at the Albany Pine Bush Preserve on a warm, sunny day to lend a helping hand on a variety of important projects that help maintain the unique eco system.

On Earth Day Saturday, April 19, volunteers from across Albany County came to the preserve to help plant pitch pines, remove invasive plants and pick up trash that was hidden under the snow.

Originating in 1970, Earth Day was created as part of a movement that led to numerous acts to help protect the environment. The movement that brought attention to environmental problems paved the way for laws such as the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, **Endangered Species Act** and many others and is now a day celebrated in more than 140 countries.

"Earth Day is a day of environmental stewardship and thinking about the earth as a whole and doing environmental work. It's a day to be thankful for

rare and unique habitats like we have here in the preserve—a globally rare ecosystem," said Jesse Hoffman, a Preserve Steward at the Albany Pine Bush Preserve.

"Here, we're celebrating by getting volunteers involved to do things like trash clean up and cleaning up roads in the preserve because obviously you don't want trash all over the place. We're doing invasive species removal, so ripping out plants that are not native, and we're doing tree seedling planting. Some of our restoration sites are lacking pitch pine trees, which is one of the namesakes," said Hoffman.

Created in 1988, the preserve covers 3,300 acres and is one of only 20 similar ecosystems in the world. It is also home to the Karner Blue butterfly, which is considered an endangered species. The butterfly is a native species to the preserve and requires the unique habitat for its survival.

"One of the mission statements is to protect the Karner Blue butterfly," explained Ed McDonnell. who has been volunteering at the preserve for 11 years. McDonnell was on one of the teams that were ripping out honevsuckle. which is an invasive plant species that blocks out the sunlight required by lupin to grow. The Karner Blue butterfly depends on lupin as one of its main food sources.

Sarah Braken of Latham, who has been in Girl Scouts for eight years, was ripping up honeysuckle and volunteering at the preserve for her first time and said she was helping out because it was "fun and good for the environment and the Pine Bush.'

Sophomores from Bethlehem Central High School Evan Davis and David Kalmer were removing honeysuckle to fulfill an obligation to the Key Club. The club is an international organization that focuses on community service. They saw an advertisement in the paper and thought it would be a good project because they could help preserve the ecosystem at Pine Bush.

Many different groups of Cub Scouts and Daisy Scouts were out planting pitch pine seedlings in areas where the important flora was lacking. In some areas, the trees hadn't grown or they could have been removed by development



or by controlled burns.

Hoffman said one of the great things about the volunteers is that the when they come out and help, they learn about the preserve and then they want to help and come back. He said it's when volunteers show up, the employees like to bring them from "awareness to knowledge to action."

There are always opportunities to volunteer, and anyone who is interested can find more information at albanypinebush.org.



ABOVE: **Guilderland Girl** Scout Daisy's learn how to plant a pitch pine seedling at the Pine Bush Saturday, April 19.

**LEFT: Sophomores Evan Davis and** David Kalmer, members of the Key **Club at Bethlehem** High, remove honeysuckle, an invasive plant species at the Pine Bush.

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# Police Blotter

# Coxsackie man arrested following underage sex sting

A Coxsackie man was arrested last week after police said he allegedly made plans to meet with somone who he thought was a 14-year-old girl.

Ravena police arrested Ethan Call, 23, on Thursday, April 23. Police said Call had been in communication with a police investigator posing as a 14-year-old girl.

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**Ethan Call** 

allegedly made plans with the "girl" to meet and have sex. Call was arrested for felony

260 Osborne Road

attempted rape in the second degree, felony attempted criminal sex and a violation for unlawful possession of marijuana. Call was also arrested for an outstanding bench warrant for a domestic incident involving a girlfriend. As a result he was charged with felony aggravated family offense and misdemeanor assault in the third degree. Call was arraigned in Ravena

act in the second degree, Justice Court and sent to the Albany County jail without bail.

# **Speeding stop** leads to pot bust

Albany County sheriff's deputies stopped a Mechanicville woman for speeding on Route 9W in the Town of Coeymans and found a U.S. postal box in

> the vehicle containing marijuana.

Police stopped driver Meno Eason, 26, around 4:45 p.m., on Saturday, April 12, and

Ishaan I. Smith

allegedly observed a strong odor of marijuana emanating from the inside the vehicle. There were three passengers in the vehicle. Inside the vehicle was a U.S. postal box mailed from Nevada, which Ishaan I. Smith, 25, of Hudson, said belonged to him, according to police. All four individuals, including a

juvenile, were transported

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Sheriff's deputies found over 6.5 pounds of marijuana following a 9W traffic stop on Saturday, April 12.

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to the Albany County Sheriff's Public Safety Building.

Smith allegedly told police the postal box contained a microphone and three speakers. Police asked Smith if he would consent to the postal box being searched, but he denied the request. Police allegedly discovered Smith to have 20 grams of marijuana on him.

Police obtained a search warrant for the postal box and, with the assistance of a State Police canine, found six and a half pounds of marijuana

Smith was arrested and charged with criminal possession of marijuana in the second degree, a felony, criminal possession of marijuana in the firth degree, endangering the welfare of a child and unlawful possession of marijuana. He was arraigned New Scotland Town Court and remanded to the Albany County jail in lieu of \$40,000 bail.

Eason was arrested and charged with aggravated unlicensed of a motor vehicle in the third degree, unlawful possession of marijuana and speeding.

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# **Blotter**

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She was released on an appearance ticket.

Fellow passenger Casey M. Hayner, 23, of Mechanicville, was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana, and was released on an appearance

# Three stopped in stolen car

Guilderland police stopped a car for traveling 12 mph over the speed limit on Western Avenue and discovered the vehicle was reported stolen.

Police stopped David A. Curran, 17, of 2460 Western Ave., in Altamont, for speeding on Saturday, March 29, around 1:30 a.m., and discovered the 2009 Nissan Versa was reported stolen to the Watervliet Police Department on Thursday, March 27, morning. Curran allegedly gave police a false name and birth date.

Curran was arrested and charged with criminal possession of stolen property in the fourth degree, a felony, and criminal impersonation in the second degree. He was remanded to Albany County jail on \$5,000 bail.

Two passengers were also arrested, with one allegedly falsely identifying himself to police.

Police arrested Ernest M. Pinsonneault, 19, of 134 6th Ave. in Troy, and charged him with criminal possession of stolen property in the fourth degree, a felony, and criminal impersonation in the second degree. Police said Pinsonneault also had a warrant out of Rensselaer Court for violating his probation. He was remanded to Albany County jail on \$20,000 bail.

Police arrested Joshua K. Geier, 23, of 461 Route 146, Building 5, Apartment 205, in Altamont, and charged him with felony criminal possession of stolen property in the fourth degree.

# **Counterfeit bills** used at Walmart

An Albany man was arrested after several counterfeit \$50 bills were found to have been used at the Glenmont Walmart.

Bethlehem police said Dashawn Bobb, 24, of 158 North St., in Albany was arrested on Thursday, April 10. The counterfeit money was first found to have been used at several businesses throughout the Capital District in February.

Police said Bobb was later identified as a suspect and an officer interviewed him at Walmart in March. He was then asked to provide a statement detailing his alleged involvement in the case. Bobb was later arrested in April and charged with felony criminal possession of a forged instrument in the first degree and felony conspiracy in the fourth degree.

Bobb was remanded to Albany County Jail in lieu of \$7,500. The New York State Police, Guilderland Police and the United States Secret Service helped with this case.

# Other arrests

- Guilderland police arrested Jeffrey J. Davis, 21, of 650 Knox Cave Road in Knox, around 10:35 a.m. on Friday, March 28, and charged him with criminal contempt in the first degree, a felony, and harassment in the second degree. Police said Davis violated an order of protection through entering the victim's home. Inside the home, Davis got into an argument with the victim and allegedly punched them in the upper left arm, which caused bruising. The victim said he then struck his head several times with a bottle. Police arrived and said he then struck his head on a table numerous times. Police said he was not injured and was taken into custody without incident. He was remanded to Albany County jail without
- Albany County Sheriff's Office deputies

arrested Brendon S. Lazzaro, 31, of 88 3rd Ave. in Rensselaer, at 5:35 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, and charged him with criminal contempt in the first degree, a felony, and harassment in the second degree. Police received a complaint on Sunday, April 6, from the victim alleging Lazzaro violated their order of protection on him. He allegedly repeatedly kicked the victim's door and spit on them during the altercation. Lazzaro turned himself in to police and was remanded to Albany County jail on \$12,000 bail.

• Guilderland police arrested Andrew J. Scheer, 31, of 5 Dana Ave. in Albany, around 1:20 a.m. on Friday, March 28, and charged him with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree and speeding. Police said Scheer was traveling 10 mph over the speed limit westbound on Western Avenue, which radar verified. Scheer allegedly appeared confused when asked for his license and registration, along with not knowing where it was located. Police observed him to have dry mouth, cloudy and glassy eyes, and a nervous demeanor. A used crack pipe was allegedly found in the center console of the vehicle. Police said there was an open canvas bag with "several" blue pills marked "L050" and unmarked white pills. There was also allegedly a receipt for a prescription for another person found on the back seat. Police said he refused a chemical blood test.

- Guilderland police arrested Kevin J. Regan, 31, of 59F Knights Bridge in Guilderland, at 12:35 a.m. on Sunday, March 30, and charged him with DWI, improper left turn, improper passing on the right and speeding. Police stopped Regan in parking lot of Mobil on Western Avenue for the traffic infractions and he allegedly started to walk "briskly" towards the gas station. Police said Regan returned to his vehicle once instructed. Police said he had a strong odor of alcohol on his breath, impaired motor coordination and glassy eyes. A pre-screen device allegedly revealed he had a BAC of 0.11 percent, but he refused a chemical breath test after being transported for processing, according to police.
- Guilderland police arrested Brendan T. Rowland, 25, of 98A Vly Road in Albany, at 1:45 a.m. on Sunday, March 9, and charged him with DWI. Police stopped Rowland and allegedly observed him a strong odor of alcohol, droopy eyelids, slow response and bloodshot, watery eyes. He allegedly admitted to consuming alcohol. Police asked him to recite the alphabet from "e" to "x" while he was in his vehicle DWI and failure to keep to and he allegedly said he the right. Police stopped "could not do that right Pettibone for the alleged now." Police said a breath test revealed he had a BAC of 0.17 percent.
  - Guilderland police

arrested Ashlei K. Allen, 22. of 49 Gerardine Place in New City, around 4:50 a.m. on Sunday, March 9, and charged her with DWI and speeding. Police allegedly observed Allen driving 12 mph over the speed limit westbound on Western Avenue. Police said she had an odor of alcohol on her breath, glassy eyes and impaired motor coordination. After police returned to her vehicle following the initial interview she was chewing a "fresh piece of gum." A chemical breath test allegedly revealed she had a BAC of 0.1 percent.

- Guilderland police arrested Michael Burnett, 53, of 4015 Ryan Place in Schenectady, around 11:55 p.m. on Friday, March 7, and charged him with DWI, failure to stop at a stop sign and illegal signal. Police stopped Burnett and allegedly observed him to have watery eyes, impaired motor coordination and a combined odor of "peppermint type gum" and alcohol on his breath. He agreed to a chemical breath test, but the machine was unable to process the results due to an error. He then agreed to a blood test.
- Guilderland police arrested Ryan T. Pettibone, 26, of 146 Old Farm Circle in Williamsville, around 1 a.m. on Sunday, March 9, and charged him with traffic infraction and

said he had strong odor of alcohol on his breath. Police said he had to be told to put his vehicle in park before exiting it. After exiting his vehicle he allegedly fell against it. He allegedly failed standard field sobriety tests.

- Guilderland police arrested Kelsey Lorraine Hunter, 23, of 614 Sunset St. in Schenectady, around 3:15 a.m. on Saturday, March 8, and charged her with DWI. Police saw Hunter in the parking lot at Five Guys located on Western Avenue and interviewed her. She was allegedly observed to have an odor of alcohol, glassy eyes and impaired motor coordination. Police said she admitted to consuming one drink, but then said she had three drinks. Police said a breath test revealed she had a BAC of 0.08 percent. • Bethlehem police
- arrested Oneil Lollis, 57, of 84 Delaware Ave., after police responded to several 911 calls because of an alleged fight. Officers spoke to those on the scene and found Lollis allegedly pulled a knife on another man in the hallway of their apartment building. Lossis was charged with felony criminal possession of a weapon with a previous conviction and menacing. He was also charged with a violation for possessing a small amount of marijuana. Lollis was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and released under supervision of probation.



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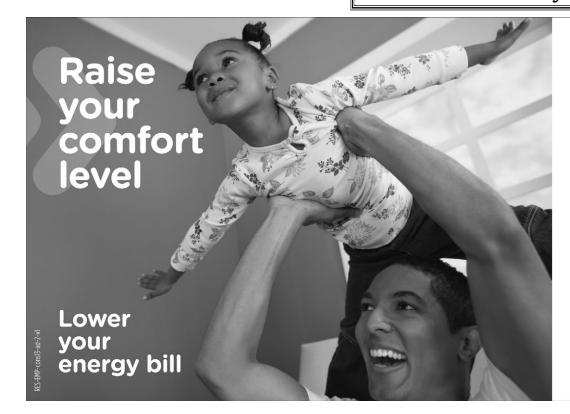
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# **From the Editor's Desk**

# SAFE Act doesn't make us feel safe

A law with the best of intentions doesn't make it a good law.

Such is the case with the SAFE Act, which took full effect Tuesday, April 15. From that day forward, New Yorkers may not purchase or sell "assault weapons and large capacity feeding devices." And if you already have such a weapon, you must register it or risk being in violation of the law.

The SAFE Act is essentially Gov. Andrew Cuomo's reaction to the mass shooting that took place on Dec. 14, 2012 at Sandy Hook Elementary School in neighboring Connecticut. And though we can't fault Cuomo for wanting to take strong measures to ensure that an event such as Sandy Hook doesn't happen here, this law - or any other law - isn't going to prevent it from happening. All it does is add another layer of government to regulate the sale of guns.

We certainly understand the motivation behind the SAFE Act. When one person armed with a semiautomatic rifle kills 20 elementary school students and six teachers, the natural reaction by politicians is to rush into action.

That is exactly what Cuomo did. He rushed to get a bill together within one month of Sandy Hook to put an end to the sale and distribution of those types of guns in New York. Then he got the state Legislature to approve it within 24 hours of its arrival at the Capital, likely before anyone had a chance to read and absorb everything that was printed on its pages.

Cuomo's rationalization was that he was doing this for the public's good. Therefore, no one could fault him for taking this step.

He was wrong, though. It wasn't long before the court challenges began, and several county sheriffs announced they wouldn't enforce the SAFE Act. The most recent challenge ended in state Supreme Court on April 10 when Justice Thomas McNamara ruled that the SAFE Act was constitutional, and the speed at which it was passed followed state law.

However, banning the sale and distribution of semi-automatic weapons in New York doesn't do anything to rid the public of the dangers these guns present. The guns still exist, and they can still wind up in the hands of people who mean to do harm to others. And it does nothing to prevent people from modifying their guns into semiautomatic weapons, if they so choose. All it does is eliminate the legal sale of these types of guns and forces their owners to register their weapons or else be in violation of the law, in effect, creating criminals where there weren't ones before.

In short, it's nothing more than a political grandstanding move by Cuomo. The SAFE Act is more about eliminating the weapon than eliminating the threat posed by some people who own these types of weapons. That doesn't make it a good law.

We all would like to live in a country where we feel safe. The SAFE Act won't make us feel any safer, though.

# **Guest Commentary County Charter needs updating**

By ANN BRANDON and JUDY WING

The writers are co-chairwomen of the League of Women's Voters' Charter Committee.

The League of Women Voters was begun to encourage the active and informed participation of citizens in government and increase understanding of major public policy issues. We take positions on issues after study, but do not endorse candidates. Thus, we would like to update Spotlight readers on progress in getting a revised home rule charter for Albany County.

After a thorough review of the current charter by the Charter Review Commission, county legislators have now appointed a committee to review the proposed charter. Our current charter desperately needs to be updated, and as the Charter Review Commission found, "No person in County Government can say, with certainty, what are the exact terms and provisions of the Charter.'

Since the last revision in 1992, the current charter has had many revisions and amendments, "ballooning into a poorly organized, difficult to read, ramshackle mess." (Charter Review Commission Report, January 2014, p. 4.) That is no way to run a government. This revision gives us an opportunity to obtain a more readable charter with improvements that will serve us well for many years.

If the legislature endorses the proposed charter, it will need to be passed by you as voters. We are urging the legislature to put it on the ballot for the November 2014 election.

The League has endorsed three major changes to Albany County's charter that are proposed by the Charter Review Commission:

1) Reducing the number of legislators from thirty-nine, the largest number in the state, to twenty-five. This reduction would make each legislator more visible, give each legislator more responsibility, enhance the accountability and efficiency of the legislature, and have the potential to save taxpayer money. The change, together with an independent, fair and equitable redistricting commission, would bring Albany County more in line with other counties in the state. This could be voted on now, but would not take effect until after the 2020 federal census is completed, thus giving the legislature time to adopt an equitable process for redistricting, as vital to reducing the size of the legislature.

2) Replacing Albany County's four part-time elected coroners with a single full-time Medical Examiner who would be a trained, experienced physician. A Medical Examiner, appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the Legislature, would sign death certificates, perform autopsies if needed, and have a staff to carry out other duties.

Currently, a physician is needed

for these duties, but they are done on a contractual basis. With a Medical Examiner, the work would be carried out under the auspices of one office. This change would also alleviate the need to have elections for coroners, and bring Albany County in line with other counties with trauma centers, including Erie, Monroe and Onondaga counties.

3) A housekeeping need in the proposed charter is an Administrative Code, with the County Clerk responsible for compiling, publishing, and updating all legislation, rules, and regulations of the County government. An Administrative Code is called for in the current charter, but was never funded. This code is imperative to make the charter understandable and easily accessible to all citizens of the county.

We consider these changes essential for the future of a strong Albany County government and a charter of which we can all be proud. We urge your readers to contact their legislator, urging him or her to work toward a final approval of the charter so it can be voted on in November.

For more information, go to lwvalbany.org where you can find further articles and commentary. The full text of the proposed charter is available at "Albany County Charter Review Commission."



# **Get to know ...**



# **Taryn Kane North Colonie Central Schools Communications Specialist**

• Hometown: Clifton Park

#### What are you listening to these days?

I like all kinds of music, from pop to classic rock. But lately, I've been listening to the Alternative Nation station on Sirius.

### What have you been reading?

I've loved to read since I first learned how. Mystery books are my favorite.

# What have you been watching on TV?

"Modern Family," "Homeland," "Breaking Bad" and "Revenge."

## What was the last movie you saw?

"American Hustle" and "12 Years a Slave."

# What would your dream vacation be?

This is a tough one. I absolutely love warm weather, so anywhere that has a beach is great. I've been to Hawaii with my husband twice. But we also love to ski, so one vacation which is on our bucket list is a ski trip out west.

# What are some of your hobbies?

I love skiing in the winter, running during the spring, summer and fall, and doing yoga.

# What would your last meal be?

Filet and lobster.

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

I would love to meet our current or a former U.S. President. Politics aside, I believe anyone who is elected President has one of the most challenging jobs there is. I spent six years working as a television reporter and had the opportunity to cover a few Presidential visits. But getting an actual interview is something only national TV networks usually have access to. If given the opportunity, I would love to ask a range of questions about everyday duties, international issues and home life.

### What is something you think most people would be surprised to learn about you?

I danced for 18 years and taught dance to students ages 6 through 9, as well as to college students. Dance was always a huge passion of mine and always will be.

"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.

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# Your Opinion in The Spotlight

# Go Green events set for this weekend

Editor, The Spotlight;

We wanted to invite you to two community events happening on Saturday, April 26 (rain or shine!).

Go Green Day 2014 and a Recycling Extravaganza, will be held 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Farnsworth Middle School in Guilderland.

A free pharmaceutical collection will take place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Elm Avenue Park n Bethlehem. The event is part of the DEA's National Take-Back Initiative, hosted by the Bethlehem Police and Sanitation Departments. Accepted items include prescription and over-the-counter medications in solid and liquid form.

Intravenous solutions, injectables and needles will not be accepted.

Go Green Day 2014 is an opportunity to get information on recycling, gardening, energy conservation, sustainability and more. We will host mini seminars on the half hour, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Find out about gardening in unusual containers; get information on Community Sponsored Agriculture (CSA's); increase your knowledge of food origins in a fun and unique way; "bee" educated on the troubling decline in the bee population; learn how to compost and the benefits of worms; hear important information on radon what it is, how it can affect you, and how to get rid of it; or pick up tips on how to green up your home. There will be more than 50 exhibitors and special activities for the kids, baby chicks to cuddle, and food vendors there as well. The Go Green Day 2014 event tent will be located in the front parking lot of the

Take advantage of the semi-annual Recycling Extravaganza sponsored by the Guilderland Central School District's Green Task Force. Local businesses and non-profits will be on hand to collect metal, plastics, bottles and cans, rags, bicycles, toiletry items, usable clothing, dishware, linens and household items, books, grocery and other plastic bags, and health and beauty containers and bottles. The Recycling Extravaganza is a drivethrough venue and will be located in the parking lot behind the school.

The Middle School Garage Sale will be in fullswing inside the school cafeteria. The proceeds benefit the school's Butterfly House.

Go Green Day 2014 is a cooperative effort of The Capital Region Recycling Partnership, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County, the Albany County Soil and Water Conservation District and the Guilderland Central School District. The event is sponsored by Hannaford, County Waste & Recycling, Big Top Tent Rental, A. Phillips Hardware, Price Chopper, Manfred Real Estate Learning Center, Inc., NYSERDA, UltrePET LLC, GreenFiber LLC, Dali Mamma Café, Empire Zero, Honest Weight Food Co-op, Infamous Graphics, Lyons Construction, Our Towne Bethlehem and Our Towne Guilderland, Natural Awakenings Magazine and Royal Flush Toilets. Media sponsor for the event is B95.5. For more detailed information about Go Green Day 2014 visit www.Gogreendayny.

Dan Rain, Bethlehem recycling coordinator Karen Finnessey, coordinator, Go Green Day

# Is Fahy for or against casino plans?

Editor, The Spotlight;

On June 27, 2013, speaking from the floor of the New York State Assembly, Assembly Member Patricia Fahy said, "...casino gambling was not my idea of economic development. I have many personal oppositions to this form of economic development and that in terms of the 109th district, the district I represent, if this bill were to impact the 109th district it would be a very, very easy no vote for me." Ms. Fahy then voted in favor of a bill to allow the proposal to expand casino gambling in New York to go to the voters in November-Proposition One.

How quickly things change.

As reported in the Times Union last month, ("Albany casino proposed," March 21, 2014), Ms. Fahy met with Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan regarding a proposed casino development off of Exit 23 of the Thruway. After that meeting, Ms. Fahy made positive comments regarding this proposal. Among other things, Ms. Fahy opined that the she favored the Exit 23 casino proposal over a competing proposal to build a casino in Saratoga Springs. Ms. Fahy's newfound affinity for a casino development project in the 109th Assembly District is a complete 180-degree pivot from her

adamant opposition to casino gambling that she expressed less than a year ago.

Bethlehem voters said "No" to casino gambling in a big way last November when 61% of us (throughout 26 of Bethlehem's 31 election districts) opposed Proposition One. Ms. Fahy appears to be brushing aside the concerns and the expressed will of her Bethlehem constituents. Support for the Exit 23 casino, something that will surely impact the Town of Bethlehem, a community in her district, seems to have become a very, very easy "Yes" vote for Ms. Fahy.

The development of a casino on our doorstep

will fray the fabric of the Bethlehem community for generations to come. The majority of Bethlehem voters oppose casino gambling development for a number of reasons, both philosophical and practical; from the social and economic cost on families affected by compulsive gambling to increased traffic and crime. We don't want it. And Ms. Fahy isn't listening.

Lets be clear — if the Exit 23 casino project goes forward, count us among those in the Bethlehem community from whom Ms. Fahy will have lost trust and confidence.

Carlton Gutman, Delmar Sean Raleigh, Bethlehem

# A giant thank you to spelling bee supporters

Editor, The Spotlight;

Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited (BOU) held Bethlehem's 2nd Annual Community Spelling Bee on April 4 at Bethlehem Central High School. The Spelling Bee is BOU's primary fundraiser for its grant programs, which promote healthy activities for the youth in our community.

BOU is happy to report that the second "Bee" brought out twenty teams from our community. The competition was tight with some difficult words stumping even these talented teams. The winner was Journey Lane, sponsored by Aidan and Keiran McNay, and second place went to The Spic 'N Span Spellers, staff from Slingerlands Elementary School, sponsored by Slingerlands

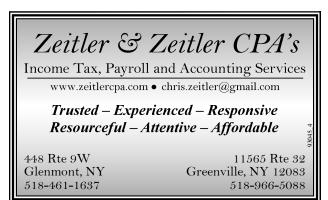
Elementary PTO.

BOU would like to thank our volunteers that helped make the event possible: Judges Andrew Baker, Scott Landry, Dave Norman and Dianna Reagan; Word pronouncer Paula Fishbein, Speech Pathologist with BCSD; and Master of Ceremonies, Hamagrael Elementary Principal Dave Ksanznak. We would also like to thank our community's businesses, schools and organizations that were participants, team and word sponsors, as well as those that donated food and other items. Our gratitude goes out to each of the following organizations and individuals who helped to make our event a success:

Aidan and Keiran McNay; BCUEA; Bethlehem Central Community Foundation; Bethlehem Central Community Organization; Bethlehem Central Teachers Association; Bethlehem Police Officers Union; Bethlehem Police Supervisors Union; Dr's. Bausback & McGarry dentists; Eagle Elementary PTA; Elsmere Elementary PTA; Football Boosters; Glenmont Elementary PTA; John & Connie Clarkson; Kinderhook Bank; Price Chopper; School's Out; Slingerlands Elementary PTO; Stewart's Shops; The Bethlehem Children's School; Thomas Pratt Jr & Associates; Word Sponsors; Farm Family Casualty

Insurance Company; Glenmont Dental – Michael Conte; and Realty USA-Judi Gabler; TL Roe, CPA. The following individuals and businesses made donations to the event: Andriano's Pizza; Balance Massage; Delmar Dental PC; I Love Books: Linda Miller: and Lou Bea's Pizza. The committee would also like to recognize: BCHS Custodial Staff; BCHS Office Staff; BCHS Student Help Desk; **BCSD Communications** Dept.; Bethlehem Youth Court Volunteers; Main Square Shoppes; and Nick Nealon. We look forward to working with all of you at our third "Bee" next Spring!

Jayne Deane-White President, BOU









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# **Celebrate library's 20th anniversary**

Support your library and enjoy an auction, raffles and refreshments as the Community Library celebrates its 20th anniversary from 2 to 6 p.m. Tickets for the raffle are now on sale at the circulation desk.

# Nanotech Night May 8

Can you imagine the world at Nanoscale level? That's the science behind our electronic devices, cosmetics, sporting goods - in fact, more areas of life today than you would suspect. Dr. J. Andre Melendez, a very entertaining speaker, will present an Introduction to Nanotechnology and SUNY CNSE at 7 p.m. Mark your calendars and treat your brain to a special night out.

# "Read Your Own" May 14

Are you writing work that you'd like others to hear? Prepare up to five minutes of material for an evening of sharing and mutual support. Then pick up a registration form in the library or email info@rcscommunitylibrary. org to let us know you plan to come.

# Survey for museum passes

Everyone loves a freebie. With your

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library card and one of the library's museum passes, you can get free admission to several local museums. Currently, we have passes to the Albany Institute of History and Art, MiSci (formerly the Schenectady Museum and Planetarium), MASSMoCA and the Eric Carle Museum. The Berkshire Botanical Garden pass may be used once the garden opens on May 1.

We will add a few new passes this year. Make your interests known. Take the annual Museum Pass Survey and choose museums that you would like to visit. We will make our choices based on the results. You can vote at the library circulation desk, or on our website (www.rcscommunitylibrary.org). The survey is open through May 31.

## **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

Download Library eBooks to Your Tablet, Smart Phone or Computer — Come and learn how to use the library catalog to borrow great titles for your Kindle, iPad, Nook or other eReader device. Bring your device to the class and get new titles. Wednesday, April 23, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, April 24, at 6:30 p.m.

1-on-1 Tech Coaching
— Get answers to your
technology questions
during a personal computer
class. Registration
required. One person

class. Registration required. One person may sign up per session. Wednesday, April 30, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, May 1, at 6:30 p.m.

MS Word: A Beginning — Learn to create quality documents like letters, business cards, agendas and more with tips and templates. You will become more comfortable with editing and sharing your written thoughts at home or at work. Wednesday, May 7, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, May 8, at 6:30 p.m.

Excel Clinic: Tables & Illustrations — Excel

is a great way to track your schedules or resources for work or things at home. This clinic with briefly review Excel basic skills and build your confidence in including Tables and Illustrations. Wednesday, May 14, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, May 15, at 6:30 p.m.

Presenting with Powerpoint — Learn the basics of Microsoft PowerPoint. Learn how to design slides for a presentation. Discover the effects available to add interest to your presentation. Tips for creating an effective slideshow will be discussed. Basic computer skills needed. Wednesday, May 21, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m.

### **New Adult Fiction**

"Blossom Street Brides" by Debbie Macomber

"Keep Quiet" by Lisa Scottoline

"The Lie" by Hesh Kestin "Miss Julia's Marvelous Makeover" by Ann B. Ross "Waiting for Wednesday" by Nikki French

### **New Adult Non-Fiction**

"Charles Schwab Guide to Finances after 50" by Carrie Schwab-Pomerantz

"Complete Outdoors Encyclopedia" by Vin T. Sparano

# Senior luncheon and karaoke April 29

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

The buffet luncheon includes: assorted sandwiches, salad bar, cream of broccoli soup, chicken marsala, brownies, 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.

#### 9/11 Memorial Museum Tour

Guilderland Senior Services is organizing a bus trip to the New York City 9/11 Memorial Museum for Tuesday, June 9.

The bus leaves 20 Mall at 6 a.m. and arrives at the museum at approximately 10:30 a.m. The bus leaves Manhattan at 2:30 p.m. and returns to 20 Mall around 7:30 p.m.

# Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

The registration deadline is May 6, and the cost is \$48, which includes round trip bus fare and admission to the museum and memorial. Checks should be made payable to the Town of Guilderland.

#### Wednesday, April 23

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

# Thursday, April 24

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

#### Friday, April 25

Scheduled Shopping 10 a.m. Painting 10 a.m. Bridge 1 p.m. Quilting

## Monday, April 28

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



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# **Diabetes prevention program**

What do actress Mary Tyler Moore, musician Bryan Adams and Supreme Court Justice Sonya Sotomayor have in common? None are members of the Bethlehem YMCA, but all of them have diabetes.

Diabetes is a serious health condition that can lead to heart disease, stroke, kidney failure, high blood pressure and blindness. Prediabetes is a potentially reversible condition that often leads to type 2 diabetes, and 79 million people in the United States are estimated to have it.

Mary Tyler Moore said, "Diabetes is a an alltoo personal time bomb which can go off today, tomorrow, next year or 10 years from now; a time bomb affecting millions of people like me."

Bryan Adams said, "Trying to manage diabetes is hard because if you don't, there are consequences you'll have to deal with later in life."

Sonya Sotomayor said, "My diabetes is such a central part of my life. It did teach me discipline. It also taught me about moderation. I've trained myself to be super-vigilant, because I feel better when I am in control."

If you have been diagnosed with prediabetes or believe you may be at risk for developing the disease, the Bethlehem YMCA's Diabetes Prevention Program can help you develop a healthier lifestyle and work with you to reduce the risks this condition can pose to your health.

Based on effective



efforts researched by the National Institutes of Health, the YMCA s Diabetes Prevention Program will help you learn about and adopt the healthy eating and physical activity habits that have been proven to reduce the risk of developing type 2 diabetes.

Through the program you will receive support and encouragement from both a trained lifestyle coach and fellow classmates as you develop a plan for improving and maintaining your overall well-being.

Nancy Moorby of Delmar is a member of the Y and shared her experience with the program:

"I enjoy the weekly sessions that focused on strategies to keep me more healthy. Writing daily food diaries was difficult, but very effective. I learned quickly which foods were high in fat grams. Then I was able to find lower fat alternatives to include in my meals. Eating smaller portions, more fruits and vegetables, and drinking more water soon also

became part of my regular habits.

"The weekly meetings provided a time for the group members to share personal successes and difficulties. This helped us to encourage and support each other so that we could make progress toward our goals. As friends, we talked about recipes and exercise classes that were helpful to us.

"I learned that to stay healthy, I needed to increase the minutes of exercise each day. By writing down the activities for each day, I found that for me the classes at the Y are very helpful. I took a water aerobics class and zumba gold each twice a week. I also started taking the Silver Sneakers Cardio Circuit class. Now that I am more physically active and eating healthier, I have met my goal of losing twenty pounds. The YMCA Diabetes Prevention Program has really helped me to change my life and I feel great!"

If you are interested in joining the Diabetes Prevention Program at the Bethlehem Y, contact Shawn St. James at 439-4394. It's a call that could change your life for the better.

— Mark Hansen Member, Bethlehem YMCA Board of Advisors



# Lots of choices in senior classes

Our town offers many classes well suited to seniors from May through August. Highlights include Active Aging at Town Hall Auditorium on Thursdays, Seniors in Motion at Town Hall Auditorium on Tuesdays and Fridays, Osteo Busters at Elm Avenue Park Offices on Mondays and Thursdays, and Yoga 50 Plus at Town Hall Auditorium on Tuesdays.

Call 439-4955, option 3, ext. 4, for more information or go to www. townofbethlehem.org

Here's an easy and safe way to get rid of expired or unwanted prescription and over the counter medications, as well as health and beauty products. On Saturday, April 26, a free pharmaceutical collection event will be held at the Bethlehem Elm Avenue Town Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is a good way to prevent medications



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from falling into the wrong hands, or from polluting our water supplies and the environment. Call Recycling Coordinator Dan Rain at 439-4955, ext. 1510, for information.

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

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

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

> — Wilma DeLucco Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. Board Member

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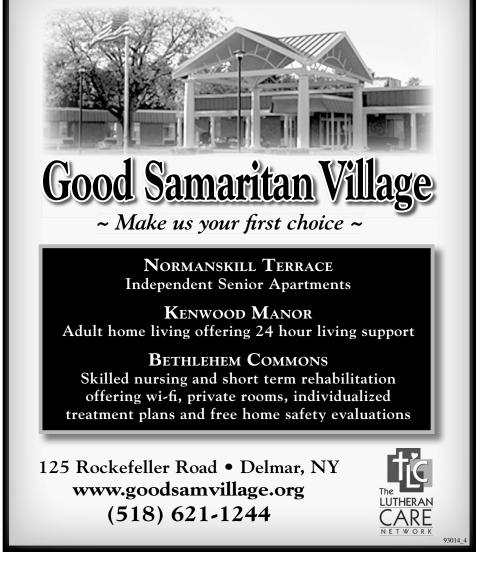
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# Your Community in The Spotlight

# **Spring Fling Sale** at Lynnwood

Lynnwood Reformed Church is hosting a Spring Fling Sale Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 3714 Carman Road in Guilderland.

All kinds of household items will be for sale including furniture, linens, tools, toys, china, costume jewelry, books and more. Lunch will also be served with sandwiches and homemade soups, and there will be a baked goods sale.

For more information, call the church office at 356-4327.

# **Discovery Center** hosts migration celebration

The Albany Pine Bush Discovery Center on New Karner Road in Colonie will host its annual Migration Celebration from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3.

The event celebrates International Migratory Bird Day and features some of the area's premiere bird experts, a demonstration with live birds of prey, the "Migration Challenge," crafts, lectures and more.

The day begins with a pre-event bird walk and banding demonstration at 7:30 a.m. The Albany Pine Bush Preserve's Conservation Director Neil Gifford will offer a bird banding demonstration and an opportunity to see how birds influence preserve management. Space is limited, and preregistration is required.

Following a welcoming ceremony at 10 a.m., Beth Bidwell from Wild Things **Environmental Education** will allow visitors to come face to face with some of the hawks, owls and falcons that live in the region and teach them about how these birds adapt. Keynote speaker Rich Guthrie will present "My How You've Changed — A Half Century of Changes in the Bird Life in New York" at noon.

the chance to learn from 1520 New Scotland numerous bird experts in Slingerlands. and take the "Migration Challenge" — a series of six stations set up to give them the experience of challenges faced by migratory birds. There will also be craft stations.

more information, call 456-0655 or visit www. albanypinebush.org.



# Ronald McDonald House Charities opens new kitchen

Michael Horgan, M.D., division head of neonatology at the Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center (left), and Dan Burns, board president of the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Capital Region (right), look on as Molly Tarleton, community relations specialist for Hannaford Supermarkets, prepares a meal in the new kitchen within the organization's Family Suite at the Children's Hospital on Wednesday, April 16. The kitchen was made possible by a \$200,000 gift commitment from the Hannaford Charitable Foundation. It will serve families with infants in the Patient Pavilion's new neonatal intensive care unit. Submitted photo

# **Water safety** instructor training

The Guilderland YMCA is hosting a month-long water safety instructor training course from April 26 through May 18.

Classes are held Fridays from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. The course includes American Red Cross certification and is open to those ages 16 and older. The cost is \$350 for full YMCA members and \$375 for community members.

For more information, call the Guilderland YMCA at 456-3634.

# **After Easter Easter-Egg Hunt**

The Slingerlands Fire Department is sponsoring an after Easter Easter-egg hunt Saturday, April 26, at Attendees will have 11 a.m. at Fireman's Park, Road

# Altamont VFW **Post offers** chicken dinner

The Boys Hilton VFW The event is free. For Post on Mill Street in Altamont is holding a chicken and biscuits dinner Saturday, April 26, from 4 to 7 p.m.

The meal also includes mashed potatoes, a vegetable, cranberry sauce, coffee and tea and a variety of pies.

Meals are available to eat in or take out and cost \$10 per person.

For more information, call 861-8323 or 470-7310.

# Troop 58 holds car wash

Boy Scout Troop 58 is holding a car wash on Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the American Legion Post on Poplar Drive in Delmar. The cost is \$5

# **Healthy Kids Day** at G'land YMCA

Please join the Guilderland YMCA at Adventure Camp for Healthy Kids Day Saturday, April 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This is a special day of fun activities meant to help build on the potential inside every child. The Guilderland Police, Fire and EMS departments will be on hand, as will Price Chopper, the Albany Pine Bush Preserve and more. There will also be face painting, healthy snacks, an inflatable obstacle course, Mad Science,

family Zumba and an art show, among other activities.

For more information, call 456-3634.

# **Zumba for MS** fundraiser

Come Zumba for Multiple Sclerosis on Saturday, April 26, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave. in Delmar.

There is a \$15 donation to participate, and checks should be made payable to the National MS Society.

The event is organized by Team Docous and P&C Promotional Printing.

# **Library hosts** teachers meeting

The Albany Area Retired Teachers' Association will hold a meeting from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, at the Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue.

Barbara Mento of the ATA Consulting Group and Apple Computers will present a seminar entitled "What to do When Left to Your Own Devices." Bring your iPad, iPod Touch or iPhone and learn how to customize, maximize and capitalize on all of your "toys."

# **Herps Alive! at Thacher Center**

The Thacher Park and Nature Center is offering an amphibian and reptile program called "Herps Alive!" on Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m.

Meet some cool, coldblooded animals in the care of wildlife rehabilitator Dee Strnisa. The program is free.

For more information, call 872-0800.

# Bird walks at **Five Rivers**

A series of five early morning bird walks will take place at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar, at 7:30 a.m. on successive Thursdays in May beginning May 1.

Five Rivers naturalists will lead participants along the center's trails to look for seasonal specialities, as residents. The long-term data collected on these outings will help monitor bird trends such as response to changing land use, climate change and other environmental influences.

The walks are free, and participants are asked to dress for outdoor activity. Binoculars are helpful.

# **Post your** events to our online calendar

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but not necessary. In case of inclement weather, the walks will be cancelled.

For more information, call Five Rivers at 475-0291.

# **Brooks BBQ at McKownville**

The McKownville United Methodist Church is hosting a Brooks Barbecue from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at 1565 Western Ave. in Guilderland.

Adult dinners are available for take out or to eat in. Children's dinners are eat-in only, and chicken only orders are available for take out.

Additionally, there will be a vendor fair featuring personal, home and gift items from local craftspeople.

# **Lifeguard training** at YMCA

The Capital District YMCA and the American Red Cross is offering lifeguard training May 5-20 at the Guilderland YMCA, Winding Brook Drive in Guilderland.

The 30-hour class takes place on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Certification includes first aid and CPR for professional lifeguards with AED.

A pre-test of swimming skills and endurance is administered the first day well as year-round avian of class. The YMCA will provide equipment and textbooks. To complete the training, participants must attend all of the classes.

> The lifeguard training program is open to those ages 15 and older. The cost is \$400 for members and \$450 for community members.

For more information. call 456-3634.



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# Learn to fish through the Guilderland Library

"Go fish!" Really. You can now go fishing with the help of fishing poles now available for loan – just like a book, DVD, Playaway, eReader, or anything else you can borrow - from the Guilderland Public

It's simple. You can borrow a pole – or poles! - for two weeks. Each pole comes with a basic kit of things you need for fishing: hooks, a bobber, some fake wormy things and a little brochure that lists some places you can try your luck. There are adult-sized poles, and kid-sized poles, too. Guilderland patrons can call ahead to the library - 456-2400, ext. 3 - to make sure some poles are available; give us your name and we'll put them aside for an hour for you.

program is reserved for Guilderland School District residents who hold Guilderland Public Library cards, Altamont Free Library cards and for GPL card holders who have paid the out-of-county

This fishing pole

While you're at the library getting geared-up, take a moment to stop in the stacks and pick up a book to read while you're waiting for the fish to bite. Or if you're just looking **GUILDERLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY** www.guilpl.org

to relax, remember the words of Washington Irving, "There is certainly something in angling that tends to produce a serenity of the mind."

### Wii "Just Dance" **Parties**

GPL is hosting two "Dance Parties" on Friday, April 25. The first one at 3:30 p.m. - is for kids in grades K through 2 who are invited to this dance party using the popular Wii Just Dance game for younger kids ... and it'll be on the big screen. While you wait your turn to dance, create cool crafts and color when you need to rest your dancing feet. We've got balloons, hulahoops and fun crafts. All we need is you.

The second party is for tweens – a "Twiin Dance Party" – and it starts at 6:30 p.m. It's the same amount of fun, but with an older crowd, kids in grades 3 through 6. We supply the hulahoops, party lights, a fun craft and freeze pops. You need to bring your moves.

If you want to attend, please give us a call at

456-2400, ext. 4 and let us know you're coming. You can also register online at www.guilpl.org, going to the "Events & Registration Calendar," and clicking on the April 25 Dance Party you want to attend.

### **Danny Kaye** vs. Antic Corruption

Danny Kaye is in particularly eccentric and entertaining form as a medicine-show con artist who is mistaken by a town's corrupt officials as being an inspector general; it's this month's Classic Film. It starts at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 24.

# **About the Library**

The Guilderland Public Library is located at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Visit the library's website at www.guilpl.org. Check out the "unofficial" library updates at facebook. com/Guilderland. Library and follow the library on Twitter (@ GuilderlandLib).

> — Mark Curiale Public Information Officer



**Guilderland Library** patron discovers the fishing poles available for loan. Fishing poles can be loaned for two weeks and come with all the accessories including hooks, bobbers, lures and a brochure. The program is for Guilderland Central School **District residents** who hold GPL cards, Altamont Free Library cards and for GPL card holders who have paid the out-ofcounty fee.

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# **Make It and Take It Mother's Day Project**

Tweens grades 4 thru 6, bring your mom on Sunday, May 4, at 1 p.m. to the library to do a project together. Use colorful felt and buttons to create something you can keep or give on Mother's Day. We've got all the materials; you supply the creativity. Please register.

#### Family Storytime

It is National Children's Book Week! Join Miss Amy on Saturday, May 17, at 10:15 a.m. for a fun and engaging morning as she shares her favorite children's books.

# Road trip, anyone?

Looking to get out of the house for the day? Look no further than your local library.

We have free passes to several area galleries and museums, such as: Norman Rockwell, Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute, Mass MoCa, The Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, Berkshire Botannical and The Bennington Museum. All of these sites offer an opportunity for great family outings. Passes are available



to anyone with a valid library card on a first come, first serve basis. To find out if a pass is available, just give us a call at 765-2791. Passes are checked out for three days with no renewals, and there is a late fee if they are not returned on time. Be sure to check the museum hours of operation before heading out.

## **Tween advisory board**

The library has formed a tween advisory board (TAB) to discuss programming and library services for tweens. On May 9 at 4 p.m., TAB members and tweens will meet with librarian Debbie Sternklar to discuss fall programming. If you're a tween interested in helping plan for the future, please stop by the library and let your voice be heard.

### 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 and we will put you on the mailing list.

# Middle School Book Club

This spring, librarian Debbie Sternklar will hold Middle School Book Club meetings at 2:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month. Books can be picked up and registration completed at the public library or the high school library where the club meets. Refreshments will be served. We will be discussing "Life As We Knew It" by Susan Beth Pfeffer on May 22.

# **Video game donations**

The Voorheesville Public Library is starting a videogame collection for children and tweens. If you'd like to help get this project off the ground, we will be accepting donations of console videogames that you've outgrown or beaten. Games not added to the library collection will be traded into purchase needed titles. Donation receipts are available on request.

# **Library teens model their creations**

Eat your heart out, Ralph Lauren! Everyone's invited to see the new Library Teens Fashion Line inspired by our designers' favorite books at our own Project Runway this Saturday, April 26, at 3:30 p.m. Our teens have been hard at work for two months, designing, cutting and sewing original clothing, which they and their friends will model with strut and style. Some of the work has been done on sewing machines the library owns, as part of our ongoing "makerspace" offerings.

# Lyme disease prevention

Lyme disease is a bacterial infection caused by the bite of an infected tick. This disease is rampant in the Capital Region. It is important to know and practice prevention techniques to reduce the risk.

Come to the library



next Tuesday, April 29, at 7 p.m. to learn how Lyme disease is transmitted, when and where exposure is likely, and how to properly remove a tick.

Presenter Sara Lyons is a public health educator with the Albany County Department of Health. She holds a Master's degree in public health from UAlbany and is a certified health education specialist.

Registration is required for this program; call the library information desk, 439-9314, ext. 3009

# May the Fourth be with You

Sunday, May 4, at 2 p.m. Transport yourself to Jabba's palace for an intergalactic feast. Star Wars snacks, costume

contest, trivia, crafts, more. Grade K-7 and families; call 439-9314 for more info and to sign up.

### Young at Heart: YA Books for Teens and Adults

Monday, May 5, at 7 p.m. "Graceling" by Kristin Cashore. New members welcome. Copies available at the information desk. Audio copies may also be available.

## Pajama-rama: Llamas Live

Tuesday, May 6, at 7 p.m. A genuine pajamallama storytime. All ages.

# Lego Club

Wednesday, May 7, at 4 p.m. We supply the Legos; you supply the imagination. Try Lego challenges and build friendships. Kids and families.

— Louise Grieco

# This week in history in The Spotlight

Highlights from a half-century ago

From *The Spotlight*, April 23, 1964:

• Tommy Atkins and her little pal, "Cookie" will entertain with a program of magic and puppets at the Mother-Daughter Banquet at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar, on Wednesday, April 29, at 6 p.m.

An original "toast" to the mothers will be

played and sung by Suzi Flandreau and Barb Devio.

Tommy and "Cookie" have traveled extensively to major cities across the country, starring at trade shows, sales meetings and television. A graduate of Syracuse University, Miss Atkins resides in Scotia. She is New York state representative of the International Brotherhood

of Magicians and a member of the Puppeteers of America and the International Brotherhood of Ventriloquists.

• A reminder that the new \$75 Series E United States Savings Bond, bearing the portrait of the late President Kennedy, will go on sale May 1 came today from Mr. Frederick W. Stolz, County Savings Bond Chairman.

Mr. Stolz said that beneath the portrait of Mr. Kennedy are carried the words from his inaugural address: "Ask not what your country can do for you — ask what can you do for your country."





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# Charter

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to the Charter Review Committee are Democrats Sean Ward, Thomas Cotrofeld, Justin Corcoran, Michael Mackey, Timothy Nichols, William Clay and Robert Beston, along with Republicans Lee Carman and Christine Benedict.

Cotrofeld said forming the review committee is a good way for the legislature to review proposed revisions.

"I think the committee is probably going to go through each suggestion with hopefully a fine-tooth comb," Cotrofeld said, "and make sure it has the best interest of the county and taxpayers at hand.'

 $\begin{array}{ccc} M \ a \ c \ k \ e \ y \ , & w \ h \ o \\ Morse \ selected \ to \ be \end{array}$ committee chairman, said there are already a few recommendations he believes need to be tweaked.

"Most of what they did was very good, but a few issues here and there are some clear defects,' Mackey said.

Mackey pointed to the section addressing how vacancies for the elected positions of comptroller, county clerk, district attorney and sheriff would be filled. The revised charter has the county executive making those appointments, which county legislators would then have to approve.

"I don't know why they did that, but it clearly is illegal," he said.

Another revision he balked at was the proposal to codify every local law and resolution the legislature has ever passed. He said this level of codification could cost around \$1 million. For local laws, he said, the recommendation makes sense.

Benedict, while appointed to the committee, voted against its formation. She said it was an unnecessary measure.

"Idon't think it is needed," Benedict said. "We had a Charter Review Commission that we put together, and they brought down excellent recommendations. I think we definitely should take their recommendations and go with it."

Benedict said she wasn't surprised to see the committee formed and didn't believe Democrats would approve all proposed revisions.

"This is the majority's way of picking and choosing what they want," she said.

Morse could not be reached for comment before Spotlight News went to press.

Mackey contended the committee process would allow all voices to be heard, with legislators given time to comment on the committee's proposals before adoption.

"I think the document really reflects maybe the leadership's view on various issues," he said, "but this will give an opportunity for rank-and-file members to have their input taken into account and vote on any issues of interest to them."

Any changes approved by the legislature would require public voter approval. The legislature must submit approved revision to the state Board of Elections by Sept. 30 to be placed on the Nov. 4 ballot.

The public could get to vote on reducing the size of the legislature if lawmakers approve a reduction to its members.

Mackey and Benedict agreed there are positives and negatives to reducing the 39-member legislature.

"I personally think it should be reduced in size," Mackey said. "I think 39 is too big for a county this size."

Mackey did not believe there was a "magic number" for the size of the legislature, but said "somewhere in the 20s would be good.

Benedict said she understands the concern that legislators could end up representing too many people after downsizing so the connection smaller districts allow for could be

Benedict said downsizing, if done correctly, could save taxpayers money. She said criteria needs to be established so the remaining legislators do not absorb the savings, such as through increasing office staff.

The first meeting of the Special Charter Review Committee will be held on Tuesday, April 22, at 5:30 p.m. in the 12th Floor Caucus Room.

# **Protest**

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The Town Board opted to do a full reassessment last spring to ensure all property was assessed at full market value. The last reassessment was done in 2006, and although they are not required, the state recommends one is done every four years.

Preliminary assessments were sent out in March. A number of residents are now going through preliminary hearings with the firm that did the work, GAR Associates, to possibly get their assessments lowered before going to Grievance Day, which is scheduled for May

Town Supervisor John Clarkson said the project wasn't done to bring the town more revenue but to shift some of what residents are paying onto commercial property owners. He said the assessment will benefit the vast majority of homeowners, who should see their taxes stay the same or decrease.

Acting Town Assessor Laurie Lamberstan said she recently found out vacant land was not reassessed in 2006, which was not in compliance with state requirements.

Wiggand said the group of landowners decided to hold the protest because they did not feel their concerns were heard at the last Town Board meeting.

"Some parcels' assessments are going up over 1,000 percent," said Wiggand. "How are those people going to pay their taxes when the time comes?

Some landowners said they were mad the town didn't do more to reach out to them about the assessments before they were mailed out. Others were unhappy

with the whole process.

Resident Glenn Lasher, who owns about 75 acres east of Route 9W, said his assessment increased by more than 200 percent.

"About 25 acres is steep slope, gullies, ravines and flood plains,' Lasher said. "GAR just took a flat map and decided everything was going to be taxed the same.'

Lasher said he wished a representative had walked his land before the preliminary assessment was mailed. GAR representatives said not every piece of property was walked because of time.

"You can't just assess land looking at it from the road or a regular map. This company is supposed to be one that does assessments all the time for municipalities, and they didn't have the wherewithal to get a topographical map or look at satellite images," Lasher claimed. "I found it relatively easy to go to Cornell Cooperative Extension to their Soil and Water Conservation Office, and in 15 minutes, I walked out of there with the maps I needed."

Lasher said he went through the preliminary hearing process with GAR Associates and is now waiting for the results.

Town officials are encouraging residents to go through the preliminary hearing and grievance process if they feel it is warranted.

"We certainly heard a lot of these same people's comments at the Town Board meeting," said Town Board member and Democratic Chairman Jeffrey Kuhn. "We tried to talk through the process, explain the process and listen to their concerns. We tried to address the problem and learn about what tools were at our disposal to help."

Kuhn said he sympathizes with residents, but it was unfortunate they chose to protest the Democratic event because the

assessments weren't suppose to be a political issue. He did not feel the assessments had anything to do with the Democratic Party per se.

"A more appropriate forum to have these discussions is at the Town Board," said Kuhn.

Wiggand said the landowner group wants the town to hold off on implementing the reassessment for one year. He said this could possibly give the town time to come up with a vacant land tax credit, similar to the one in Clifton Park.

Apossible tax deduction for vacant land was recently suggested by the Open Space Technical Advisory Group, if private landowners were willing to conserve open space for a determined number of years and were not eligible for other deductions. At the time, some residents had expressed concerns that if deductions were granted or land trusts created, some would not be paying their fair share.

Both Kuhn and Clarkson said they would be willing to look into the tax credits, but a decision would need to be made by the Town

"Right now, all of my land is up for sale," said Wiggand. "It's up for sale, and I plan to log every piece I can before it's sold, which is a shame because it will be the community's loss."

Clarkson said most agricultural property used for farming will not be seeing any tax increase because of agricultural exemptions.

"Vacant land held for investment must be taxed at value in-use, and that is going to cause some increases, but right now we have no other alternative legally," said Clarkson. "In virtually every case, that land is being assessed at a value far below what it would sell for on the open market. That's because we don't tax it like it will be subdivided, but tax it as what it is.'



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# **☐** G'land

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approval after Planning Board approves the final site plan.

"We've probably stretched the patience of the residents in the amount of input that we've requested, but we needed to ... get the neighbors' opinions. As I read through all the materials I had, it seemed there were several issues that just struck home," Town Supervisor Ken Runion said. "We have to ... trust our Planning Board to use their best efforts to ensure that all the other issues stormwater, drainage and traffic — are appropriately dealt with.'

Runion believed the conditions the board imposed would result

in "minimal" impact on surrounding residents. The main areas of concerns included traffic impact, visual effect and the density of the development.

Neighborhood residents were also concerned about stormwater runoff and their basements flooding, which is already a problem.

The developer is legally required to not increase runoff, and any disturbed wetlands have to be recreated. The project does include 65 percent of green space, which is unusual for this type of development, according to local officials.

"Generally these things are engineered to improve," Runion said.

Town board member Pastore said the developer has "expressed a willingness" to address concerns about the project and make modifications.

"This is not an easy decision, and maybe that statement is not the most politically correct statement to make in relation to those who feel inside strongly one way or the other," Pastore said. "There are many individuals who have raised their concerns and voiced their opposition to the project; and likewise there are many who have voiced and expressed their approval and desire for the project."

Pastore said he was "not convinced" of a Harvard study previously cited that claims an apartment complex could increase the value of homes in adjoining neighborhoods. Conversely, he also was "not convinced" of testimony claiming the

project would diminish the value of neighboring homes.

No comments were shared during the public comment period at the April 15 meeting. Several people though spoke about the project at the Town Board's previous meeting and also submitted comments after that meeting, according to Runion.

Yu-Jen Fan, who lives at the end of Newman Road, did raise concerns over the buffer only being 100 feet from his home and not the 200 feet similar to surrounding neighbors.

Runion paused for several seconds when Fan asked why it was not 200 feet and said, "It was the way the map was drawn." Runion added there was a narrow portion the buffer dropped to 100 feet along another portion of the property.

Vincent Wolanin, chairman and founder of Wolanin Companies LTD, said the standard requirement is only a 50-foot buffer for the area at Fan's property. Wolanin said there are 100-foot tall trees, which he would not

disturb.

"The plan is set and the requirement is only 50 feet there, and it is 100 feet. Plus the trees and the buffers there are huge," Wolanin said. "Also, those are lower-scale buildings compared to the other ones. If you wanted to see more trees I'll put more trees there, but that's about all I can do now."

The majority of residents neighboring the project appeared to be opposed, with a petition in opposition submitted to the town that includes more than 80 signatures. There were fewer comments in favor received at the Town Clerk's Office as of Thursday, April 17, according to documents Spotlight News received through a Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request.

Comments supporting the project, while largely coming from the business community, said the project would increase the tax base, add little strain to the already stressed school district and create in-demand modern apartments.

# **Conditions for approval**

- The maximum allowable density for the project is 210 units.
- There will be no exit or entrance from the project to Patricia Lane or Newman Road.
- •There will be no exit or entrance for traffic through Westmere Elementary School.
- The occupants of 1700 Apartments shall able to enter or exit the project or the Price Chopper's Johnston Road exit.
- The circular road serving as an entrance to the clubhouse shall be reconfigured to not fall within the 100foot setback of homes along Joseph Terrace and Patricia Lane.
- The clubhouse and pool shall be "significantly buffered" to prevent noise to adjoining neighborhood, along with providing a visual screen.
- A 200-foot buffer above what a PUD zoning requires shall be implemented and there shall be no building or structure within the buffer.
- The Planning Board shall have a minimum of one public hearing on the final site plan and notify property owners from Church Road west to Johnston Road.
- The Planning Board is requested as part of their review to have the developer contact the state Department of Transportation regarding the timing of the light at Johnston Road and Western Avenue. (Increasing the time was suggested as a way to help the neighborhood turn onto Route 20.)
- Somewhere within the project there will be a CDTA Bus stop. (The state DOT has control over where it's placed within the property.)

# Milestones

# Matarrese Jr., Dominick

FLORIDA - Dominick Matarrese Jr. passed away peacefully on Friday, April 11th, 2014 in Cape Coral, FL surrounded by his family. Interestingly, it



was the early m o r n i n g of his 73rd birthday.

He was born to the late

Dominick Matarrese Sr. and Anna Maria Yourno, April 11, 1941 in Cohoes, NY. Dominick graduated from Catholic Central High School in Troy, NY in 1958 and received a BS in Pharmacy from the Albany College of Pharmacy in Albany, NY in 1962.

Dominick first served as a medic in the Army National Guard. He then went on to build his career as a pharmacist and entrepreneur. He was the owner and operator of the following businesses: Mullen's Pharmacy,

The Paper Mill, Kara's Hallmark, McBoogle's Leisure Time Emporium, Pizza Express, and The Poolside Pub and Fountain Grille. He was a pharmacist at Mullen's Pharmacy and CVS Pharmacy. Dominick was president of the Delaware Plaza Merchant's Association, president of the Bethlehem Soccer Club and president of the Capital District Youth Soccer League.

Dominick's casual, easy going persona made him a very likable guy. It didn't matter if you were looking for kind, fair, honest advice, or just simply looking to "shoot the breeze," he was your man. A real "look you in the eyes" kind of a guy. He was a people person and loved to chat with literally anyone. His contagious smile brought a sense of calmness into any room he entered.

Dominick's sense of humor and outlook on life will never be forgotten

by those who had the pleasure of meeting him. One of his favorite things to do was boating, whether on Lake George in Upstate New York, or the Gulf of Mexico in SW Florida. He would drive or even fly to simply support his children in any way he could, never missing the game or a chance to be with them. His friends and family will continue to hold sacred the decades of love, support and genuine "coolness" that Dominick freely shared with them every single day...

Dominick is survived by his wife Jodi Michele Matarrese and four children including Kara Matarrese (Saturnino Fernandez Fernandez), Dominick "Nick" Matarrese (Amanda Holmer), Kirsten Matarrese (Adam Bryan), and Gabriella Woods (David Woods). He is also survived by two sisters including Ann Marie Bradley and Marguerite Grego (John Grego), and five nieces and nephews including Anthony Grego (Millie Figueroa), John Grego (Laurie Grego), Maria Decore (Patrick Decore), Annemarie Bradley and Timothy Bradley. Dominick was also blessed with two beautiful grandchildren. Kaylan Marie Matarrese and Mateo Fernandez Matarrese.

The family will be celebrating his 73 years privately. If you wish to make a donation, please do so to your local Hospice. Please visit www. fullermetz.com to leave the family a condolence.

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# Slingerlands church to close its doors

Community United Methodist a local landmark but faced declining membership in recent years

By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

Parishioners of Community United Methodist Church are bidding their final farewells, as the Slingerlands church is set to close its doors this summer.

The church has faced financial difficulties in recent years due to low membership and high maintenance costs. The final service will be held at the end of June.

"In the past, churches could operate like old mom-and-pop, corner store businesses," said the Rev. Laurel Phillips. "Now, you have to pay for insurance, and there's the added expense for upkeep of an old building."

According to Town Historian Susan Leath, the church was originally established in 1871 after the town's Methodists split into two groups following an argument over where to build their new church. Land and building material was eventually donated by Albert I. Slingerland to the splinter group, and the new church building was dedicated that December. Slingerland also built the patronage next door a year later.

"Most of the people living in Slingerlands now are younger people who aren't necessarily looking for a church."

- Rev. Laurel Phillips

Phillips has only been with the church for four years, but said membership has declined and there aren't enough younger members to make up for the work being done by the church's older congregants.

Ten years ago, about 90 people were attending services in Slingerlands each Sunday. Phillips said when she started in 2010, membership was at about 50 people. Now, she said 25 people at best attend services.

"We've been in a financial decline for the last few years," said Phillips. "We've been sustaining ourselves with endowment money, since we had to start using that to pay for general expenses."

Phillips said the membership has changed because the town's demographics have changed. A similar problem is being faced by churches across the country.

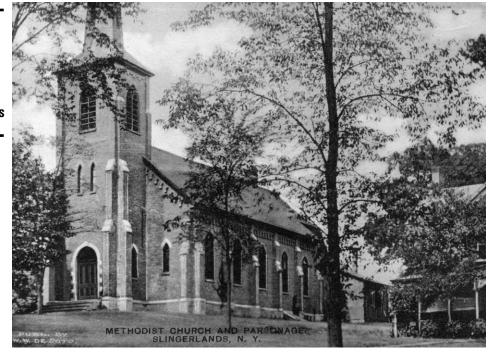
"Most of the people living in Slingerlands now are younger people who aren't necessarily looking for a church," said Phillips. "Organized religion isn't as popular with younger people with busy families. We didn't have what was needed to attract younger people, which is other younger people."

Phillips credited the current congregation for working twice as hard in recent years to make sure the church could stay open for just a bit longer.

"I think we have some of the most hard-working and active people in their 70s and 80s keeping everything going, but when we don't have people in the 30s and 40s coming behind them, we don't have the critical mass to keep going," said Phillips.

The church is a local landmark and is within the Slingerlands Historical District that was dedicated last year.

Phillips said the church also got some grants from the Methodist Conference, but the larger institution is also having financial troubles, so they couldn't ask for more money. The building is held in trust by the Conference. It's unlikely another Methodist congregation would want the building because many are now



The Community United Methodist Church in Slingerlands is closing its doors this summer after more than 140 years.

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renting space to hold services so as not to be tied down to a building. They can then also spend money to do more mission work or community service.

"Many people love our church and our building, and stop by if we're doing fundraisers, but that kind of support is no longer enough to keep a church going," said Phillips.

The plans are for the conference to sell the building, but they are governed by certain guidelines for a preferred buyer. The first preference is for another Methodist congregation to want it, but

that is unlikely. The second if for anther Christian church to purchase the building, and last is for it to go on the open market.

Church officials thought about merging their congregation with another church, or possibly renting a new space, but Phillips said many felt if the congregation couldn't stay together in their old building, it was best to free other members to go where they wanted.

"When you leave a church after 30 years or so, you're a different person," said Phillips. "So, a positive spin is they now have the time to reevaluate what they need spiritually."

Phillips said some might go to the First United Methodist Church in Delmar, while others might go to Delmar Reformed Church where their former music director now plays. The former pastor of Slingerlands Methodist is at a church in the City of Albany, while they also already have an established partnership with Delmar Presbyterian.

"I think people could go to a variety of places. It all depends on what they're looking for," said Phillips.

The church plans to hold an event sometime in June as a thank you to the community.



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# Fundraising for a friend helps the birds

**Guilderland girl's bluebird** nesting houses supporting **Tour de Cure team** 

> By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

Many have taken part in fundraisers before, but one local sixth-grade girl is going the extra mile and helping two causes with each birdhouse.

Guilderland resident Alyssa Landry, who attends Farnsworth Middle School, has previously helped her friend Sydney Steinhardt raise money for the "Sydney's Spinners" team in the Saratoga Tour de

For this year's race, which kicks off on June 1, Landry decided to take a different approach to raising funds. She is making bluebird nesting houses after she thoroughly researched the design and species.

Landry's mother, Annette, said her daughter started out raising funds through a lemonade stand with her friends. Alyssa Landry said she raised money many different ways and doesn't like doing the same thing year after year.

"This is definitely a lot easier then doing lemonade stands," Alyssa Landry said. "It has been a learning experience. ... I hardly even knew what a hammer was."

She knows her way around a hammer now, though, and has the goal of selling 50 bluebird nesting houses before the race. She has already on her way towards reaching the goal, with well-above half of those orders

The sales have just been through word-of-mouth. She sells the houses for \$20 each, and one takes a little under an hour to make.

"It was cool learning about something because I don't know



Alyssa Landry, of Guilderland, holds one of the bluebird nesting boxes she made as part of her fundraising effort to support her friend Sydney Steinhardt's team in the Saratoga Tour de Cure. Steinhardt was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes four years ago. Landry is aiming to make and sell 50 nesting boxes.

Submitted photos

much about them," Alyssa said.

She researched the birds and learned the particularities to building a bluebird nesting box through information from the North American Bluebird Society's websites. The eastern bluebird is also designated the state bird of New York.

In an attached note she includes with the boxes, Landry tells how the eastern bluebird was once the most prevalent songbird until the species population diminished due to less tree cavities being available.

"Cavities aren't black dots vou find in your teeth; they're the ugly looking holes you find in your backyard tree," Landry's note says. "The bluebird is very picky about where they live, the male goes searching and then the female comes to check out the cavity to see if it's suitable for her young."

An added bonus to making the houses, Alyssa Landry said, is getting to spend more time with her uncle, who has helped her craft the homes. Annette Landry said Alyssa even learned how to burn the back of the wood to put her signature from her uncle.

"I definitely want to learn more about them and do it in the next couple of years," Alyssa

Annette said her daughter has always been "the kind of kid that likes to put things together" and be creative. She said the family also is fond of birds, which might have helped spur her interest.

For Alyssa, though, making the nesting boxes comes back to helping out her friend and trying to raise awareness about



Type 1 diabetes.

Sydney Steinhardt, also of Guilderland, was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes during the week of Halloween when she was 8 years old. It's been four years since she was diagnosed, and she is preparing for her fourth year riding in the American Diabetes Association's Tour de

'We actually gave one to Sydney's family, and they were really impressed by it," Alyssa

said. "They were really thankful, and they thought it was really cool, too."

Sydney's mother, Sandy, said the unique project Alyssa has undertaken on behalf of her daughter has touched her. Last year, "Sydney's Spinners" had 74 participants and raised more than \$25,000 for the American Diabetes Association.

"She's a special friend who is trying to help a make difference in Sydney's future," Sandy said.



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Ad#44928

100 West 58 Street, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed 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 Purpos-

Ad#41440 LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of WEST STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/14/14. 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, NÝ 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#41968

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is 132 State Street Properties I LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 5, 2014. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. 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 The address to served. which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New 12203 Ad#42296

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is 136 State Street Properties I LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 5, 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 Coun-The Secretary of ty. 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York Albany, 12203. Ad#42297

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI-COMPANY ABII ITY (LLC)The name of the LC is 140 State Street Properties I LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 5, 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 LEGALS

the agent of the LLC whom process upon 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New 12203 Ad#42299

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of 15th Street 1996 LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York "SSNY") on January 13, 2004, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at P.O. Box 11179, Loudonville, New York 12211. The principal business location of the LLC is 15 Imperial Drive, Loudonville, New York 12211. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be orgaunder the NYS Limited Liability Compa-Ad#42343

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 1887 TROUTMAN STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may 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#43330

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of LLC. Name: 1st Choice Inspections of Albany LLC, filed with the SSNY on 1/23/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom proagainst the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 1 Ninth Avenue Watervliet, NY 12189. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose Ad#43923

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANYArticles of Organization of 28 Hamp-ton LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York State of New York ("SSNY") on December 6, 2004, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at P.O. Box 11179, Loudonville, New York 12211. The principal business location of the LLC is 15 Imperial Drive, Loudonville, New York 12211. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Compa-Ad#44480

LEGAL NOTICE

300 SMITH RD REALTY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/7/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be SSNY shall mail served. copy of process to 32-56 46th St., Astoria, NY 11103. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. PrinciLEGALS

business location: 300 Smith Rd., Rensse laerville, Albany, NY 12469. Ad#44106

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. 1202, NY, NY 10006. General Purpos-Ad#41438

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 4115 48 St Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/8/2014 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#43980

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 43 North Haven, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSŃY) on 4/15/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System. 111 8th Ave., New York, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful purposes

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 7, Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:10 PM., at the Offices, Delaware Avenue, Del-mar, New York, to take action on an application by Matt Nissen of Passero Associates on behalf of South Albany Airport Corporation for area variances under Article 128-39. D (4). Applicant wishes to upgrade the fuel farm and pave the existing aircraft tie-down area at 6 Old School Road, Selkirk,

Daniel W. Coffey Chairman Board of Appeals Ad#44920

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILI-TY COMPANY Name: 60 Colvin, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 3/12/14. Office loca-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, Purpose: NY 12260. Any lawful act or activity. Ad#41377

LEGAL NOTICE

69 St. Marks Place LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/09/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Robinson Brog, et al. Attn: Leonard B. Alth: Leonard B. Nathanson, Esq., 875 Third Ave., 9th Fl., New York, NY 10022. Purpose: General. . Ad#44581

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 7801 17TH AVENUE LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/11/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LEGALS

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#41962

LEGAL NOTICE

79 North Captains Neck Lane LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/05/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Robinson Brog, et al., Leonard Nathanson, 875 Third Ave., 9th Fl., New York, NY 10022. Purpose: General. Ad#43516

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of AH 783-787, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/25/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom proagainst 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#42920

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company. Name: Alex Real Estate Holdings, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/10/14. 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 the LLC, P.O. Box 109 Voorheesville, Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#44115

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Amari Properties, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/25/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Investment Property Exchange Services, Inc. 10 S. LaSalle St., Ste. Chicago, 60603. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad#42906

NOTICE VOORHEESVILLE CEN-TRAL SCHOOL DIS-TRICT NOTICE OF PUB-LIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE, AND ELECTION-NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV-EN THAT a public hearing of the qualified vot-Central School District, County of Albany, State of New York will be held on May 12, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Large Group Instruction Room of the Voorheesville Middle School/Clayton A. Bouton High School in said district for the presentation of a budget for the school year 2014 2015.AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Annual District Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 in the Voorheesville Middle School Foyer. The polls will open at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving Time and voting will proceed until 9:00 p.m. on the following:1.To elect two members of the Board of Education for a 4-year term terminating June 30, 2018, to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the terms of Kristine L. Gravino and Cynthia M. Monaghan.2. To vote on

the Annual School Bud-

get and the appropria-

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tion of the necessary

funds to meet the esti-

mate of expenditures.

and to authorize the levy

of taxes for this purpose.AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that at said

Annual District Election

and Budget Vote to be

held on May 20, 2014,

the following proposi-

TION #1: PURCHASE OF

BUSES:RESOLVED, that

the Board of Education

of the Voorheesville Central School District is

hereby authorized to pay

tions will submitted:PROPOSI-

the cost of the purchase of school buses, including incidental expenses, at a maximum estimated cost of \$220,000, and that said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued PLFASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the following proposition shall also appear on the ballot for the voters? consideration at the annual meeting:PROPOSI-TION #2: CAPITAL IM-PROVEMENTSShall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:RE-SOLVED, that the Board Education of the Voorheesville Central School District, is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of addition to, construction and reconstruction of certain exterior doors and interior fire doors at the Voorheesville MS/HS and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$99,800, and to appropriate, encumber, and expend existing and unexpended funds from Repair Reserve Fund, less any state aid received, therefor.NO-TICE IS HEREBY FUR-THER GIVEN that the text of the foresaid proposition may appear on the ballot labels in the following abbreviated form: PROPOSITION-Shall the proposition set forth in the legal notice of this special voter meeting, authorizing addition to, construction, reconstruction of doors at the Voorheesville MS/HS all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$99,800 to be appropriated, encumexpended bered, and from the repair reserve fund, less any state aid received, therefor all as more fully described in said notice, be approved The School District, acting as lead agency to the extent necessary for this purpose under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on March 24, 2014, has duly determined and found the purpose to be a type II action which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to any further environmental review under SEQRA. AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the state-ment of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, may be obtained by any taxpayer in the district during the fourteen days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, except Satur-day, Sunday or holiday, at the following schoolhouses in which school

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designated:Schoolhous-Voorheesville Elees mentary SchoolClayton A. Bouton High School-Hours 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the district not later than the close of business on April 21, 2014. Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the district, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the district, must state the name and residence of the candidate and must describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated including at least the length of the term of office and the name of the last incumbent.AND NO-TICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a public hearing of the qualified voters of Voorheesville Central School District, County of Albany, State of New York will be held on May 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the Voorheesville Public Library for the presentation of the Public Library budget for the year 2014 2015.AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that, as part of and contemporaneous with the Annual District Meeting, a vote will be held for the Voorheesville Public Library on the following:1. To vote on the annual Public Library budget and the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimate of expenditures, and to authorize the levy of taxes this purpose.AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that letters requesting application for absentee ballots may be received by the District Clerk not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the seventh (7th) day before the election. Requests should be addressed to: Clerk, Board Education-Voorheesville Central School District P.O. Box 498 Voorheesville, NY 12186 Dated: April 2, 2014-Dorothea Pfleiderer District Clerk

Ad#42846 LEGAL NOTICE

AR-RAFAI (USA) Realty LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 04/03/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process process be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, c/o Sheikh & Company Muhammad Padela, 25 New Bridge Hicksville. 11801. General Purpos-

es. Ad#44620 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Qualification of 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 ARGENTUM PARTNERS, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/21/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State **LEGALS** 

St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#42636

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BARWON LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/15/14. Office location: Albany County. designated 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#44572

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ADOMESTIC LIMIT-ED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is BBL Executives III LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 12, 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 302 Washington Avenue Ex-tension, Albany, New tension, Al York 12203. Ad#42044

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV-EN, that sealed proposals are sought and requested by the Bethle-hem Central School District (BCSD) for Work of Multiple Contracts consisting of Additions and Alterations to all District Buildings in accordance with Drawings, Specifications, and other Bidding and Contract Documents prepared by Ash-ley McGraw Architects, 500 South Salina Street, Syracuse, New York 13202.Bids are request-ed for the following Prime Contracts: 101 Site Work 102 Roofing Work 103 General Construction Work

104 HVAC Work

105 Plumbing Work 106 Electrical Work 107 Technology Work Two copies of Sealed Bids will be received until 2:30 pm, local time on Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at the O&M (Operations and Maintenance) Department, at 65 Elm Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bid packages must be clearly marked with the contract being bid. The bids will be opened publicly and read aloud at the Bethlehem High\_ School Auditorium (700 Delaware Ave.), at 3:00 pm. Bids received after 2:30 pm will not be accepted. The Documents Bidding shall be available beginning Wednesday, April 23, 2014, and may also be examined at the following locations:Associated Building Contractors of the Triple Cities, Inc. 15 Belden Street-Binghamton, NY 13903 www.abcofthetriplecities.com-

Builders Exchange of Rochester, Inc.180 Lin-Oaks, Suite 100Rochester, N 14625www.robex.com Construction Exchange of Buffalo & Western New York, Inc. 2660 William Street Cheektowaga, NY 14227 www.conexbuff.com Eastern Contractors Association, Inc.6 Airline Drive Albany, NY 12205 www.ecainc.org Mo-hawk Valley Builders Exchange, Inc.728 Court

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pre-bid Conference is

scheduled at 3:00 pm, Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at the High School

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is to collect any additional project questions and to further familiarize prospective bidders with the project scope and conditions. END OF SECTION 00

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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: County. Albany formed in Delaware (DE) 9/20/1996. SŠNÝ 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 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 Bold Compass Films. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/31/14. Of-Íocation: Albany fice County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 58 Bushwick Ave., #3C, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#43882

LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE OF PUB-LIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION-NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV-EN, that a Public Hearing on the proposed 2014-2015 Budget for the Bethlehem Central School District shall be held at the Bethlehem Central High School located at 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, Albany County, New York, on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., Pre-vailing Time. The budget will be available for review commencing on April 30, 2014 at the Bethlehem Central High School, Business Office, 700 Delaware Avenue Delmar, New York, and the offices of each Elementary School, the Middle School and the High School of the Dis-NOTICE FURTHER GIVEN that the election of candidates to the Bethlehem Central School Board of Education and the budget vote will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the upper gymnasium of the Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, Albany New York, at ne the nolle be opened to vote by voting machine on the following items:PROPO-SITION #1 To adopt the annual budget of the Bethlehem Central School District for the fiscal year 2014-2015 and to authorize the requisite portion therefore to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.PROPOSI-TION #2 To elect three (3) members of the Board of Education as follows: one to a three (3) year term commencing on July 1, 2014 and expiring on June 30, 2017 to succeed the seat formerly held by Ms. Laura Bierman, and two to a three (3) year term commencing on July 1, 2014 and expiring on June 30, 2017 for the seats held by Mr. Matthew Downey and Dr. Caitrin Navarro, whose terms expire on June 30, 2014.PROPO-SITION #3Resolved, that

the Board of Trustees of

the Bethlehem Public Li-

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tary School, the Middle

School, the High School

School District Website

and the Bethlehem Pub-

lic Library between the

hours of 8:30 a.m. and

4:00 p.m., prevailing

time and also at said

District Election.AND FURTHER NOTICE IS

HEREBY GIVEN that pe-

titions nominating can-

didates for the office of

member of the Board of

Education and for the of-

fice of Trustee of the

BethlehemPublic Library

shall be filed with the

District Clerk at the Dis-

trict Clerk's office at the

Bethlehem Central High

School, Superintenden-t's Office, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New

York, not later than April

21, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Each petition must be

directed to the District

Clerk, must be signed by

at least seventy-seven

(77) qualified voters of the District and must

state the name and resi-

dence of the candidate.

A copy of such petitions

may be obtained at the Office of District Clerk in

not received at least 60

days prior to the annual

meeting. Date: April 2, 2014

School District during regular hours.AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV-EN that applications for absentee ballots will be p.m. holidays, from the Dis-trict Clerk. Completed applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the vote if to the voter, or the day be received by the Dis-5:00 p.m. on May 20, 2014.A list of all persons sued will be available in til 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on each of the five on the day set for the election. Any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list, by making his/her challenge and reasons Chief Election Inspector polls.AND FURTHER NOthat the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote in said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) resident with the School District for a period of election. persons offering to vote form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law section 2018-c. driver's license, a nondriver identification card. a utility bill, or a voter offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all perprovide their signature, printed name and ad-**FURTHER** HFRFRY pursuant to a policy Education in accordance with Sections 2035 and law, any referenda or propositions to amend to be submitted for voting at said vote and electhe Board of Education at the Rethlehem Centra School on or before April 21, 2014 at 5:00 p.m., prevailing time; must be typed or printed must be directed to the Clerk of the School District; must be signed by the qualified voters of dence of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain or place before the voters any proposition if its purpose is beyond the illegal, or any proposi-tion requiring the expenfails to include specific appropriations for all

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the Bethlehem Central schoo **FURTHER** obtainable between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and Monday through Friday, except the ballot is to be mailed before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must trict Clerk not later than to whom absentee ballots shall have been isthe office of the District Clerk from 8:30 a.m. undays prior to the day of the election, except Sat-urday, May 17 and Sun-day, May 18, 2014, and therefore known to the before the close of the TICE IS HEREBY GIVEN thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and The School District may require all at the budget vote and election to provide one Such form may include a registration card. Upon sons offering to vote to dress as per School Dis-trict Policy 2120.2.AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that adopted by the Board of 2008 of the Education the budget, or otherwise tion, must be filed with in the English language; at least One Hundred Ninety Three (193) of the District; and must state the name and resipower of the voters or is diture of moneys which such expenditures required by the proposition or any proposition which must be included in this notice of the annual meeting and was

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Delmar, New York Brittany L. Barrett District Clerk, Bethlehem Central School District Ad#42780 LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of C.C.S.M. PROPERTIES L.L.C.. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on filed with SSNY on 3/20/14. 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#42634

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CARBON XPRINT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/25/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designatagent of LLC ed as 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#42918

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CATCH ALL, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/03/14. Office location: Albany County. 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#43981

LEGAL NOTICE

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

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: CLARITAS ENERGY AD-VISORS, LLC. Articles of Organization were with the Secretary of New York State of New York (SSNY) on 01/13/2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC,677 Broadway, 11th Floor, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#43215

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of FormationUnique Construction Cubed, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/24/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be SSNY shall mail served. process to: c/o the LLC, 14 Corning Street, Apt. B, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: all lawful activ-

Ad#42644 LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CWITSLAND LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 3/3/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 84 Woodside Gloversville, NY 12078. Purpose: any lawful activities. **LEGALS** 

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Dark Horse Racing Stable LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 3/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 22 E. Wiggand Dr., Glenmont, 12077. Purpose: any

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lawful activities.

Ad#41646

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DIL-LON AND POWHIDA AD-VISORS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York SSNY) on 04/03/2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC c/o Lynn M. Coles, Esq., Cioffi Slezak Wildgrube P.C., 2310 Nott St. E., STE 1, Niskayuna, New York 12309. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#43830

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Directors of Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Rt. 85, New Salem, will hold a Directors Meeting on Thursday May 1, 2014, at 11 A.M. at the home of H. W. Reilly, 22 Voorheesville Voorheesville, Ave. NY.All Directors and lot owners are invited to attend. Herbert W. Reilly President

Ad#44579 LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ADOMESTIC LIMIT-ED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is DRL Develop-ment LLC. The Articles Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on March 11, 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. Ad#42041

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ELSY INDUSTRIAL SYS-TEMS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/17/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of whom process nainet may erved 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#42916

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of EMVMANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/11/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of 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#41964

LEGAL NOTICE

FARMAN LAB LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 3/10/2014. Office in AlLEGALS

bany Co. SSNY desig. agent LLC upon process may be . SSNY shall mail whom served. 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. : Any lawful Purpose purpose. Ad# 41348

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI-COMPANY **ABILITY** (LLC). Name: PROMONTORY CAPITAL LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, April 10, Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to Francis M. McCloskey, 18 Locust Street, Albany NY Ad#44199

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Notice of Formation of

FULLY DETAILED SER-VICES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/14/14. 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#41967

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of FUTURE CAPTURE, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/20/14. 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#42632

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANI-7ATION OF HDM Services LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law-FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is HDM Services LLC-SECOND: The county, within this state, in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is: Al-

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 Company served upon him or her is:Steven E. Goessler1 Is:Steven E. Guessier Lapham Drive Albany, NY 12205 Steven E. Goessler, Organizer (signature)Steven E. Goessler, ORGANIZER 1 Lapham Drive Albany, NY 12205 Ad#42531

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF

THE ARTICLES OF OR-GANIZATION OF HIGH-POWER RESTORATION AND CONSTRUCTION, LLC UNDER LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 206 The name of the limited liability company (LLC) is: HIGHPOWER RESTORA-TION AND CONSTRUC-TION. LLC. Articles of organization were filed on March 14, 2014 with the Secretary of State (SS). The office of the LLC is in Albany County, N.Y. The LLC shall dissolve on December 31,

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2064. The SS of NY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SS shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him is the LLC, 20 Collins Place, Albany, New York 12208. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed, both within and without NY Ad#42908

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company: Name: Hot Stuff Deals LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/10/2014. Office loca-Albany County. tion: SSNY designed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Hot Stuff Deals LLC, 44 Stuff Deals LLC, 44 Brent St Albany, NY 12205 For any lawful purpose Ad#43325

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HTROI LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/7/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of whom 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#41965

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of International Distribution & Management, LLC App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/3/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in North Carolina (NC) on 4/19/05. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. NC address of LLC: 701 S. Battleground Ave., Grover, NC 28073. Arts. of Org. filed with NC Secy. of State, 2 S. Salisbury St., Raleigh, NC 27601. Purpose: lawful activity. Ad#43983

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Janus International Group, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of of NY State (SSNY) 3/24/14. Office location Albany County. 110 formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/25/13. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity Ad#42903

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation-Jules Wood Fashion LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/21/2014 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#42629

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NOTICE OF FORMATION LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is KELLEHER HERKENHAM LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 13, 2010. 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 17 British American Boulevard. Latham. New York Ad#43679

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Kendall Law Firm, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 3/25/2014. 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#43240

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ADOMESTIC LIMIT-ED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is LD Exec LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 28, 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 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. Ad#42046

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of LIBERTY GARDENS AS-SOCIATES 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 Albany NY 12207 Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

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Notice of Formation Org. filed with SSNY on 3/25/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Acc-umera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#42904

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICA-TION FORMATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILI-TY COMPANY LAW SEC-TION 206 The name of the limited liability company: LTW HOMES, LL-C.The date of filing of the articles of organization with the Secretary of State wasDECEMBER 10, 2013.The county in New York in which the office of the company is located is SCHENEC-TADY.The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the com-

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agent is: USA Corporate

Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose:

Notice of Formation of a

Limited Liability Compa-

SCHUYLER HOMES LLC,

Articles of Organization

filed with the Secretary of State of New York

(SSNY) on 02/12/2014.

County SSNY has been

designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall

mail a copy of process

to: C/O SCHUYLER HOMES LLC, 65 Rifle

Rd,

Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is

to dissolve: No specific

Albany,

Purpose: Any

location: Albany

all lawful activities.

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pany upon whom process may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against company served upon him or her to 1512 Giffords Church Road,

Princetown, NY 12306The name and address in New York of the company?s registered agent upon whom process against the company may be served is Lar-Wilkins, 1512 Giffords Church Road, Princetown, business

12306.The nurpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New Ad#43691

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL LIM-ITED LIABILITY COMPA-NY (PLLC)The name of the PLLC is MACK & AS-SOCIATES, PLLC. The Articles of Organization were filed on March 18, The purpose of the PLLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the PLLC is to be located in Albany The Secretary of State is the designated agent of the PLLC upon whom process against the PLLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process is 270 Mount Hope Drive, Al-bany, New York 12202. Ad#42649

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI-COMPANY ABILITY (LLC).Name: MCD ME-CHANICAL LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, March 18, 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 138 Sicker Road. Latham, 12110.

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Notice of Formation of STATE MFRCFR HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/6/14. Office location: Albany County. designated 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#41961

# LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of MIKE GELDNER & SONS LAWN CARE AND LAND-SCAPING, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/2014. 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 process to: 424 Fox Creek Road, Medusa NY 12120 and the reg. agent at that address is Michael Geldner. Purpose: any lawful act. Ad# 41971

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PRODUC-MIMESIS TIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 1/22/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of 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#42640

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LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of MJL Partners, LLC. Arts. Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/24/14. Office loca-Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation Svstem, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful pur-

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Notice of Formation of MOGGIO, LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/8/14. 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, State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#44478

# LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation-MONU LLC Arts. of Org. with SSNY 3/28/2014 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#43206

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/25/14. 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#42919

# LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Organization of Nani's Iced Tea LLC ON MARCH 13, 2014, NANI'S ICED TEA LLC (THE "LLC") FILED AR-TICLES OF ORGANIZA-TION WITH THE NYS DEPARTMENT STATE. THE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS LOCATION OF THE LLC IS P.O. BOX 251, DELMAR, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK. THE NEW YORK SECRE-TARY OF STATE IS DES-IGNATED AS AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS AGAINST THE LLC MAY BE SERVED THE POST OFFICE AD-DRESS TO WHICH THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL MAIL A COPY OF AGAINST THE LLC IS P.O. BOX 251, DELMAR, NY 12054. THE LLC IS ORGANIZED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANY AND ALL LAWFUL BUSI-Ad#43196

# LEGAL NOTICE

Ocean Mamo LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 04/09/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 3049 Ocean Pkwy, Ste 303, Brook-lyn, NY 11235. General Purposes. Ad#44619

# LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Otsego Holdings, LLC. Fictitious name in NY State: Otsego NY Holdings, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/8/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/16/13. SSNY designat-

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ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 1675 South State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad#44741

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Phoenix Rising Healed LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 3/20/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Thea J. Kerman, Esq., 10 Roxbury Road, Port Washington, NY 11050. Purpose: any lawful ac-Ad#42905

# LEGAL NOTICE

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. Of-fice 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 Albany, NY The LLC does 1220Ś. not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Lavelle & Finn, LLP, 29 British American Blvd., Latham, NY 12110

#### Ad#41341 LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICA-TION FORMATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LI-COMPANY ABILITY PURSUANT TO NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILI-TY COMPANY LAW SEC-TION 206

1.The name of the limited liability company INNOVÁ-TIONS, LLC

2.The date of filing of the articles of organization with the Secretary of State wasFEBRUARY 26, 2014.

3.The county in New York in which the office of the company is located in ALBANY

4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company whom process upon may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the company served upon him or her to 3275 Marilyn Street, Schenectady, ŃY 12303

5. The name and address in New York of the company's registered agent upon whom process against the company may be served is Adrienne Kleiber, 3275 Mari-lyn Street, Schenectady,

6.The business purpose of the company is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under the laws of the State of New York. Ad#42928

# LEGAL NOTICE

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 pro-cess 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,

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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

ARTICLES OF ORGANI-

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ES, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Lia-Company Law-FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Premier Property Enterprises, 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 liabilcompany served upon him or her is:c/o James Haslam 80 Collabeck Road Feura Bush, NY 12067 FOURTH: Purpose of company. The purpose for which the company is formed is to engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may formed under Section 203 of the limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.SUB-SCRIBED this 14th day of March, 2014.

Ad#42910

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Notice of Qualification of

Quest Events New York,

LLC. App. for Auth. filed

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cation: Albany County.

LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 3/13/14. SSNY

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of LLC: 2591 Dallas Parkway, Ste. 201,

Parkway, Ste. 201, Frisco, TX 75034. Arts.

of Org. filed with TX Se-

cy. of State, 1019 Brazos, Austin, TX 78701.

Purpose: any lawful act

Notice of Formation of REDMOORE VENTURES

LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on

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Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of

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St., Albany, NY 12207.

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USA Corporate Services

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STATE OF NEW YORK-SUPREME SUMMONS David R. Green, Organiz-

TRUSTEEFOR GAGE LENDERS NET-WORK HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 1999-1,

Plaintiff BEULAH

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tiff 700 Crossroads Building 2 State Street Rochester, New York 14614 Ad#42935 LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:00 PM., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Del-mar, New York, to take action on an application by Bohler Engineering on behalf of Hospitality Syracuse Inc. for area

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BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: March 27, 2014

The foregoing summons

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Richard M. Platkin, Jus-

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LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of Select Title Agency LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/22/14. Office location: Albany County SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY sháll mail process to: c/o Lemery Greisler LLC, 60 Railroad Place, Ste. 502, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#43982

#### LEGAL NOTICE

COURT COUNTY OF ALBANY Index No. 2349-13
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(6) inches in front and rear and One Hundred (100) feet in depth, and are part of the same conveyed by Matthias Klapp and wife Henrietta Pflantz by deed bearing date January 26th, 1869 recorded January 26th, 1869 in Book 219 of Deeds, page 452.TO-GETHÉR with the privilege of drainage through the remainder of Lot Number Two and through Lot Number One (1) on the north of said Lot Number Two (2). These premises are also known as 7 Stephen Street, Albany NY, 12202.Yimell M. Suarez Abreu, Esq.-Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Attorneys for Plaindants:You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the plaintiff's attorneys within thirty days after the service of this summons, exclusive

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variances under Article Section 128-56, (H) off street parking and Loading and Article VI. Section 128-99, J Signs in Shopping Centers & Malls. Applicant wishes to construct a Taco Bell located at 241 Route 9W Glenmont Daniel W. Coffey Chairman Board of Appeals Ad#44918

#### LEGAL NOTICE

TEHINOCH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/18/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1102 E 26th St., Brooklyn, NY 11210. General Purposes. Ad#44201

#### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of THE JAMES INDUS-TRIAL CLEANING LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/3/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 2009 Lexington Ave., NY, 10035. Purpose: lawful activity. Ad#42913

NOTICE 0F FORMA-TIONOF A LIMITED LIA-BILIY COMPANY LAW. 1.The name of the limited liability company is TINTSTAR, LLC. 2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the

Secretary of State on January 10, 2014.
3.The office of the limited liability company is to be located in Albany

County. 4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is hereby designated as agent of the limited liability company on whom all process of any action or proceeding against the limited liability company may be served, and the address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of such process: TINTSTAR, LLC, 22 Pinewood Avenue, Albany, New York

The limited liability company is formed to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the laws of the State of New York. Ad#42317

LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE Trinity Plus LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 04/11/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt, upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 401 Broadway, Ste 1108, NY, NY 10013. General Purpos-

# Ad#44621

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Qualification of UHIL 20, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 3/6/14. Office location: County. Albany 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#41444

# LEGAL NOTICE

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shall mail process to: c/o Investment Property Exchange Services, Inc 10 S. LaSalle St., Ste. Chicago, 3100, 60603. Purpose: all lawful nurnoses.

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Notice of Formation of URBAN ANIMAL FIT-NESS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/11/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of 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#41963

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Notice of Formation of VILLAIN WORKS LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 3/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of 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#43331

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Notice of Formation-Vivire' LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/28/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Acc-umera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#43205

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Notice of Formation VP Williams Trans LLC Arts of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/8/2014 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#43979

# LEGAL NOTICE

Please take notice that the limited liability company known as HAŔTMAN CONSULT-LLC ING, formed and that its Artiof Organization cles were filed with the New York State Secretary of State on March The office of the limited liability company is to be located in Schenectady County and the tary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is Cartwheel Drive, Sco New York 12302. The purpose of the business is to engage in any business or any other lawful purpose, act or activity for which limited liability companies may be orga-nized. The limited liability company shall continue indefinitely until dissolution by mutual agreement of all members. Ad#43195

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ADOMESTIC LIMIT-ED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is Wellington Garage Associates II LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 14, 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

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# Bethlehem is going green

### Volunteers begin planting project in Elsmere

By MARCY VELTE veltem@spotlightnews.com

Beginning this spring, Bethlehem residents may see the town turning a bit more green.

Town officials and community volunteers will be planting trees and shrubbery, beginning in Elsmere. The new initiative is an idea from the recently created Delaware Avenue Improvement Group.

"We're going to start slow to see how this works out," said Town "We will be able to better determine the best types of tree and shrubs once the specific areas are identified."

-Louise Kavanaugh, president of Bethlehem Garden Club

Supervisor John Clarkson. "We have to work with the Department of Public Works to make sure there aren't any utilities in the way, and we won't put them where people don't want them."

The town was awarded a \$1.2 million grant in January as part of the state's Bicycle, Pedestrian and Multiuse Enhancement Projects initiative. The grant is through the federal Department

of Transportation's Transportation's Transportation Enhancement Program, and the funds are expected to be used to turn the town's Delaware Avenue Hamlet Enhancement Study into reality.

The entire project is estimated to cost around \$3.1 million. The TEP grant is for \$1.2 million, so the town will need to make up the remainder of the cost unless additional funding can be found through grants or fundraising. Construction

is not expected to begin until 2015.

Until then, members of the group were tasked with coming up with low-cost beautification projects that could be started beforehand.

Louise Kavanaugh, president of Bethlehem Garden Club, said all of the trees and plantings will be donated by the club. The area to be focused on is Elsmere to the City line.

"We haven't really discussed how much we are donating because we are still in the initial stages," Kavanaugh said. "We will be able to better determine the best types of tree and shrubs once the specific areas are identified. We have no idea how many trees what

area will warrant."

Garden Club members plan to plant trees and shrubs that will be sustainable to the area and last year-round. They also want to select attractive plants to help with curbappeal.

Bethlehem Town Board members approved the plan at the Wednesday, April 9, meeting.

Planning Director Rob Leslie said the town is waiting on a permit from the state Department of Transportation. The plan is to start identifying specific locations in early May.

Clarkson said the group will be speaking with property owners before anything is planted to make sure they don't mind having trees or shrubs planted outside their homes. The goal is to extend the tree-lined, village feel of Delmar farther down Delaware Avenue.

"There's a lot of excitement in the group, so we wanted to start the project right away," Clarkson said.

The Garden Club and Highway Department employees already planted some shrubs along Route 85 in the fall. The hope is to eventually extend this type of work throughout the town.

"We also think the extra trees and plants could work as a traffic calming mechanism, since that has been an issue," said Clarkson.

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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 50 Chapel Street, Albany, New York 12207. Ad#42045

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Notice of organization of WellNest Studios - Fitness & Wellness, LtGilled with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/10/14. Office location, County of Albany, SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom pro-

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cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to William G Laznovsky, 46A Quarry Drive, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful act.

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Notice of Formation of WESTSIDE DONUT 1178 VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. was filed with SSNY on 4/8/14. 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,

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46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#44477

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NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANI-ZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILETY COMPANY Name: Wildwood Cloud Services, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 3/31/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as

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agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 2995 Curry Road Extension, Schenectady, NY 12303. Purpose: Hold certain real and personal property for sole member, Wildwood Programs, Inc. Ad#43452



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# seek variances

**Proposed Glenmont** restaurant is slated for Bethlehem Town **Center plaza** 

Developers of a proposed Taco Bell in Glenmont are seeking variances for parking and facade signs from the Bethlehem Zoning Board of Appeals.

The project is being developed by Hospitality Syracuse Inc., for the Bethlehem Town Center shopping plaza at 241 Route 9W. The project calls for the construction of a 2,595-square-foot restaurant with drivethru, and will be placed near the current Panera

The parking variance is being sought because construction of the building will remove 25 parking spaces, which will not be replaced. The developers said parking should not be an issue because "approximately

70 percent of the proposed customers are said to use the drive-thru."

The building is being proposed for that space because of it's location to other fast food restaurants, and because developers believe the parking area to be "underutilized."

A new, freestanding sign is not being proposed in order to go through the process with the least amount of variances needed. Instead the restaurant would look like the Wendy's across the plaza, with signs on all four facades of the building.

Chairman Dan Coffey said the project needs to go through the Albany County Planning Board before a final determination can be made.

The public hearing for the project will be held on Wednesday, May 7, at 7 p.m.

— Marcy Velte

# Taco Bell builders V'ville plans to exceed tax cap

**Village Board** finalizes \$2.05M budget, 4.5 percent tax levy hike

By JOHN PURCELL purcellj@spotlightnews.com

No residents on Monday, April 7, spoke during a low-key public hearing on Voorheesville proposed budget. Local officials, while not advertising the move, are looking to exceed the

Back in late January, the board rather quietly held a public hearing before its regular meeting on a local law to exceed its state-imposed property tax levy cap. The board has previously taken the same measure, which is required if it opts to exceed the tax cap, but stayed within its allowable

This year's nearly \$2.049 million turned out a little differently.

Village Mayor Robert Conway at the public hearing told Spotlight News the board had "no intention" of exceeding its allowable limit, with similar comments reflected in the minutes of the public hearing. Conway pitted the move as "precautionary." A look at the final proposed budget revealed property taxes are increasing 4.5 percent, which is above its limit.

Conway on Friday, April 18, said he was not surprised the village is looking to exceed its tax cap.

"Anyone that has been dealing with municipal budgets over the last few years realizes it has been putting a squeeze on the municipalities," Conway said. "Obviously, some people will not be happy about it, but I think for the most part, people see the value they are getting for their tax dollars in the village."

Total appropriations are actually decreasing around \$74,000, which represents a decrease of about 3.5 percent. The village did recently

dissolve its court, which partially accounts for the decrease.

Conway said the increasing cost for electricity in next year's budget exceeds what it could raise in taxes. Dissolving the court also lowered its levy limit.

Elected officials and village employees are budgeted to receive a 2 percent salary increase. A 2 percent increase was also given in the current budget excluding the mayor.

The Village Board of Trustees was scheduled to vote on the 2014-15 budget on Tuesday, April 22, after Spotlight News went to press.

# **Got news?**

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All events must be open to the public and announcements should contain the date, time, location and cost, along with contact information.

Announcements are published space and time permitting.

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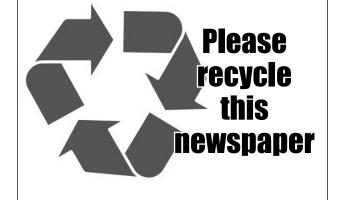
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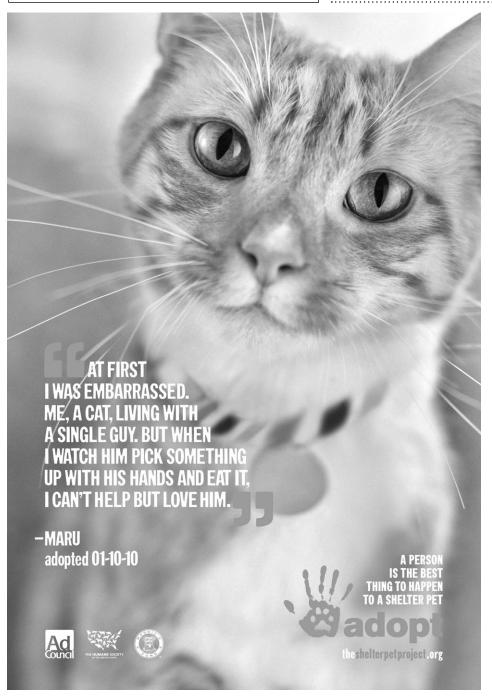
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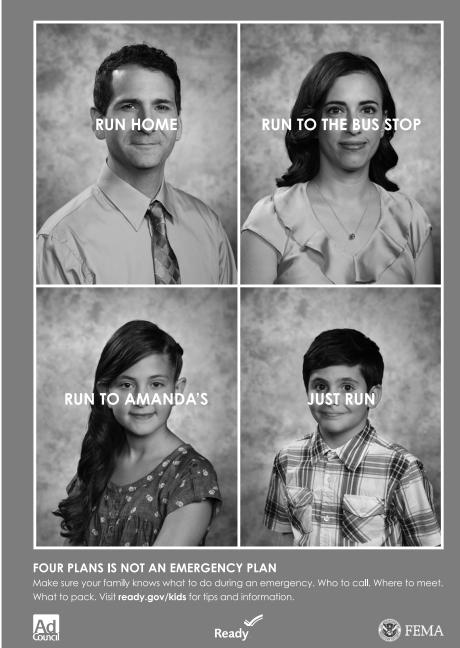
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# Local children brighten up CDTA buses

**Artwork promotes** authority's safety program

> BY BILLY DeLAP delapb@spotlightnews.com

CDTA and the Music Mobile came together to promote the CDTA's safety program by displaying artwork created by children in the Capital District on buses

At the Capital District Transit Authority office Friday morning, April 18, CDTA and the Music Mobile presented artwork made by children that will posted on buses reminding bus riders to be safe, courteous and respectful to other passengers.

For the project, the children were in small groups of two to four students, and they were given slogans like "stay behind the yellow line," "for safety's sake no running in the aisles," and "please remember to fold strollers and carts." The kids then created artwork for the slogans that will hang inside the buses.

Chief Executive Officer of CDTA Carm Basile thanked the children who participated and

also Ruth Pelham, founder of the Music Mobile, for all the work she has done.

"We've been partners with Ruth and the Music Mobile for a long, long time, and this idea is really Ruth's — to get the kids involved in safety and understanding what that means, and talking about safety from their perspective," said

"When we talk about safety first, I think they understand it better than we do," added Basile.

Pelham founded the Music Mobile in 1977 "to bring learning and love to the neighborhoods of Albany," according to the Music Mobile's website. Pelham goes to neighborhoods to teach children to be contributing, respectful members of their community.

"CDTA and the Music Mobile have partnered on several projects over the past three years. Last summer, we decided to do a poster project where children who come to Music Mobile educational programs would become spokespeople and artists to communicate to the public the need to be respectful and caring



citizens," said Pelham.

Pelham came up with the idea and said over the course of the last year or so, she had numerous meetings with CDTA officials that had an idea of what sort of things they wanted bus riders to be aware of.

"What could be better than having children's artwork and children's voices being posted right on the buses where people can look at them every time they ride? One of our goals is for children to feel that they are needed and have a role in

creating positive communities," said Pelham.

"So by doing this project with children who often don't have an opportunity to have their voices heard, this was a great opportunity for them to learn about bus safety (and) understand that respect and compassion happen not only at home and at school, but (also) in public places like buses. They are the ones that have the power to teach all of us those kind of important lessons about what it means to be a caring human

Billy DeLap/ Spotlight

bus safety.

**Harish Kumar of** 

Albany sits on a

CDTA bus with his

children Sanjana, 9,

display the artwork

created to support

and Akshay, 8 as they

being," added Pelham. The students involved in the project seemed to take a great deal of pride in the fact that they were going to be helping others and doing something for the community.

"I'm proud that I would be able to show people the importance of bus safety," said Sanjana Kumar, a 9-year-old girl from Albany.

Kumar said that if she could make another poster it would say, "Be respectful to others because sometimes disrespect can lead to unexpected consequences."

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# Eagles

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clearing the bar at 5 feet, 4 inches.

Guilderland's Emily Burns won the 2,000-meter steeplechase with a meet-record time of 7:15.07, and Holy Names' Leah Triller – a Glenmont resident – earned a victory in the 1,000-meter race with a time of 2:56.82.

Kiersten Kaminski led Colonie with a victory in the 600-meter run in a time of 1:38.38, while teammate Amanda Chambers won the 3,000-meter race with a time of 10:44.78. Ronke Osipitan took first place in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 47.44 seconds.

Shaker had two individual champions in the varsity division. Nia Joyner won the triple jump with a distance of 33 feet,

8.5 inchers, and Becky Rossier finished first in the discus with a throw of 104 feet, 9.75 inches.

Albany Academy claimed the varsity small school division team title with 52 points, and Guilderland earned the freshman/sophomore team championship with 116.5 points.

Bethlehem's Samantha Gifford was the top individual performer in the freshman/sophomore division. Gifford took first place in three events—the 100-meter hurdles, the long jump and the triple jump.

Guilderland's Liana Alford earned an indivdual victory and was part of a winning relay. Alford claimed the freshman/sophomore 100-meter dash title, and she ran the first leg on the Lady Dutch's 400-meter relay.



Glenmont resident Leah Triller, right, a senior at Academy of Holy Names, and Bethlehem's Danika Jensen set themselves at the starting line of the 1,000-meter race at the Fleet Feet Lady Eagles Invitational Saturday, April 19. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

# G'land's struggles continue

# Loss to BH-BL is Guilderland's fourth in as many games

By SPORTS STAFF news@spotlightnews.com

After starting the season with three consecutive wins, the Guilderland boys lacrosse team has stumbled with four straight losses.

The Dutchmen's latest setback came with an 11-10 Suburban Council loss to Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Thursday, April 17. The Spartans rallied from a 5-3 halftime deficit to pull out the one-goal victory.

Austin Clark had four goals and two assists, and Will Clark contributed a hat trick for Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake (2-3 league, 3-3 overall). Bradley Johnston paced Guilderland (2-4, 3-4) with five goals, and Jake Smith added two goals and three assists.

Guilderland's loss to Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake came less than 24 hours after suffering a 16-4 setback against Suburban Council South Division leader Shaker Wednesday, April 16, at Siena College. The Blue Bison (4-2, 5-2) broke open a close game by scoring six goals in the third quarter, and they added four goals over the final 12 minutes to seal their victory.

Liam King had six goals, Jake Quay chipped in with five goals and two assists and two goaltenders combined for eight saves to lead Shaker. Jeff Easley tallied twice, and goaltender Sam DiPace stopped nine shots for Guilderland.

The Dutchmen looked to end their losing streak when they hosted Suburban Council rival Ballston Spa Tuesday, April 22. Elsewhere in the Suburban Council, Bethlehem (0-5, 2-5) lost its lone game of April vacation week with a 17-1 setback against Niskayuna (5-0, 6-1) Thursday, April 17.

Michael D'Amario scored six goals and added three assists for the Silver Warriors, who have seven NCAA Division I recruits on their roster. Aidan O'Brien contributed three goals and four assists, and Lucas Quinn added a hat trick.

John Fredette tallied Bethlehem's lone goal, and goaltender Dan Comber made 11 saves.

The Eagles hosted Suburban Council rival Saratoga Springs Tuesday, April 22.



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last week, as it lost a Suburban Council game to Niskayuna 16-8 Thursday, April 17, and a non-league contest to John Jay 9-2 Saturday, April 19.

The Lady Eagles were within striking distance of Niskayuna (4-2, 5-2) at halftime before the Silver

Warriors pulled away with an 8-2 run in the second half. Catherine Sexton, Brianna Sacks and Jillian Macri all tallied four times for Niskayuna.

Emily Conway and Kimberly Granito each had hat tricks, and goaltender Mary Kate McDonough made 13 saves for Bethlehem.

A similar fate befell Bethlehem against John Jay Saturday. The Lady Eagles trailed 4-2 at halftime, but John Jay pulled away with a fivegoal second half.

Conway and Kaylee Rickert scored Bethlehem's goals in the first half, and McDonough and Siena Marcelle combined to make nine saves.

Bethlehem traveled to Saratoga Springs Tuesday, April 22.

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# Two tough losses for Guilderland

The Guilderland boys lacrosse team saw its losing streak grow to four games following setbacks against Shaker and Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake in a 24-hour period last week. The tougher loss was against BH-BL, as the Dutchmen fell 11-10 Thursday, April 17.

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# Weekly poll

Which baseball team will have the best record in the Suburban Council this season?

- Columbia
- Guilderland
- Niskayuna
- Shaker
- Shenendehowa

Go to spotlightnews.com and click on "Sports" to cast your vote.

# **Previous** poll results:

Which girls lacrosse team will win the **Suburban Council this** season?

- Bethlehem 45%
- Shaker 32%
- Guilderland 14%
- Niskayuna 5%
- Shenendehowa 5%



Bethlehem's Julia Nugent competes in the 100-meter hurdles semifinals at the Fleet Feet Lady Eagles Invitational Saturday, April 19. Nugent went on to win the event with a time of 17.13 seconds in the finals. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

# Three Eagles soar at invy

**BC** finishes second to Shenendehowa in varsity team standings

> By SPORTS STAFF news@spotlightnews.com

Shenendehowa eased past the competition at Saturday's Fleet Feet Lady Eagles girls track invitational at Bethlehem Central High School.

The Plainsmen finished with

121 points to win the varsity large schools division title. Host Bethlehem was second with 90 points, Colonie placed third with 88 points and Guilderland finished fourth with 79.5 points.

Sprinters Alex Jacques and Alexandra Tudor led Shen. Jacques won the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.01 seconds, and Tudor set a meet record time of 25.25 seconds in winning the 200-meter dash. Jacques and Tudor also teamed up with Julianna Klein and Caroline Rusch to claim the sprint medley relay title with a time of 4:20.52.

Natalie Muller, Julia Nugent and Grace Smith earned victories for Bethlehem. Muller won the 1,500-meter race with a time of 4:56.31, Nugent took first place in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 17.13 seconds and Smith finished first in the high jump by

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# Rally sparks victory

Cahill's two hits helps Bethlehem win non-league game

By SPORTS STAFF news@spotlightnews.com

The Bethlehem baseball team scored three times in the bottom of the third inning and held on for a 4-3 non-league victory over Queensbury Saturday, April 19.

The Eagles (1-3 league, 4-3 overall) fell behind 2-0 and 3-1 before pulling ahead in the home half of the third inning. Kevin Cahill had two hits to lead Bethlehem's offense.

In other non-league baseball action Saturday, Guilderland used a fourrun second inning to defeat Long Island power Massapequa 5-3.

Jacob Sturn singled, walked twice and had an RBI to lead Guilderland's offense. Ryan Curry drove in a run and scored another, and Chris Czekay pitched four hitless innings of relief for the Dutchmen.

Voorheesville finished second in its own Blackbird Classic tournament following a 14-3 loss to Catskill in the championship game Saturday afternoon. Joe Huerette doubled and singled, and Alex Minnick contributed a pair of hits for Voorheesville.

# Lady Dutch bounce back again

**Guilderland defeats Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake** after OT loss to Shaker

> By SPORTS STAFF news@spotlightnews.com

The Guilderland girls lacrosse team bounced back from another one-goal loss by beating Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake 15-12 in a Suburban Council

April 17.

**FINAL SCORE** 

 Guilderland Lady Dutch, 15 • BH-BL

Spartans, 12

The Lady Dutch (3-3 league, 4-3 overall) built a 9-7 halftime lead on the Spartans (5-2,

game Thursday,

6-2) and held on in the second half to get back into the win column following a 12-11 overtime loss to league-leading

Morgan Hardt had four goals, and Cara Quimby contributed

Shaker one day earlier.

a hat trick and three assists for Guilderland, Shannon Mackesey also scored three goals as part of a balanced attack.

Nicole Beardsley tallied five times and added two assists for Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake.

Against Shaker, Guilderland had a two-goal lead in the final minute of regulation before the Blue Bison (7-0, 7-0) rallied to tie the score at 10-10. Shaker then got the game winner in the final minute of the five-minute overtime period after each team scored a goal.

Julia Lennon led Shaker with six goals and an assist, and goaltender Julia Maloney made 15 saves. Rebecca Golderman and Kaitlyn Becker each recorded hat tricks for Guilderland.

The Lady Dutch traveled to Ballston Spa Tuesday, April 22.

Bethlehem (4-3, 4-4) struggled ☐ Dutch Page 23



Guilderland's Shannon Mackesey is guarded by a Shaker player during an April 16 Suburban Council game. Diane Deyoe/Special to the Spotlight

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Pick of the week



# **Hidden history**

The Rensselaer County Historical Society (RCHS) is presenting a Hidden History tour on Tuesday, April 29, at 4:30 p.m. of Footsy Magoos and the Knox-Mead Building located at 13 and 17 First St. in Troy.

RCHS staff will take the public into these historic buildings to explore their hidden history. Admission is \$15 per person, \$12 for RCHS members.

The buildings are located along a stretch of First Street known historically as Troy's Banker's Row because of the proliferation of banks that were once in residence on the street. The tour will begin at 4:30 p.m. at the corner of First and State Street.. For more information call 518-272-7232 or visit www.rchsonline.org.



# Coming attractions

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

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# Ladies night

Saratoga Mom Prom lets women relive those magic moments of proms past while raising money for charity

By DANIA BIANCHI bianchid@spotlightnews.com



hile teens all over the Capital District are preparing for their high school proms, women of all ages have found a reason to relive their own prom memories and squeeze into their old satin and sequin-covered dresses for charity.

"It's an idea that is taking off," said Gait Veitch, one of the seven women who are planning the April 26 event called the Saratoga Mom Prom. "You can relive or rewrite your prom."

The idea, which was created eight years ago by a woman in Michigan as an excuse to wear her puffy pink prom dress one more time, is

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# IF YOU GO

- What: Saratoga Mom Prom
- When: Saturday, April 26, 7-11 p.m.
- Where: Saratoga Hilton, 534 N. Broadway, Saratoga Springs
- How much: \$55, must be 21 and older
- Info: www. saratogamom prom.org



# Museum holds racing countdown event

## Area experts on hand at free event; gift shop giveaways planned

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame will present its annual Countdown to the Triple Crown program on Saturday, April 26, at 1 p.m. in the Museum's Hall of Fame Gallery. The program is open to the public and free to attend

Racing experts Tom Amello, Jeff Carle and Michael Veitch will be on hand to offer analysis and predictions for the 140th running of the Kentucky Derby and answer questions from the audience about the Triple Crown series.

There will be giveaways from the museum's gift shop, as well as men's and women's track packs from Embrace the Race, The Apparel for the Horseracing Lifestyle. Guests will also receive a complimentary issue of the Triple Crown preview edition of "The Blood-Horse," featuring past performances.

Amello has produced the "Trackfacts" selection sheet at Saratoga Race Course since 1988. In April of 1992, he began production of a television version of Trackfacts for Capital OTB TV. Amello later developed a second show for Capital OTB, Trackfacts Live, a 90-minute

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# IF YOU GO

• What: Countdown to the

Triple Crown
• When: Saturday,
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# **WHAT'S COOKING?**

# Mom's decadent dessert gets a bite-size update

y mom makes an incredible cherry cream pie for dessert that is absolutely delicious. When I was growing up, I often asked for it as my birthday dessert instead a cake. And, because it's one of my faves, it's a commonly found delicacy at the holiday dessert table in my home, as well as when company visits.

Throughout the years, I've adapted my mom's recipe and turned it into smaller bites and used lower fat items in the mix. Here's my adapted and equally delicious version that's super easy and fast to make.

Jodie Fitz is a Capital District wife and mother of three, who juggles food, family and chaos one recipe at a time. She is also the creator of the Price Chopper Kids Cooking Club. Her cookbook will be released this fall. Join her at www.jodiefitz.com for the latest in her kitchen.



Jodie Fitz's cherry cream bites are a lighter version of a favorite dessert that her mother makes.

Submitted photo

# **Cherry Cream Bites**

14 ounces fat free sweetened condensed milk
8 ounces light whipped topping
1/2 cup lemon juice
1 teaspoon almond extract
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Dark cherries (frozen, pitted and fresh — no sugar added)
Almonds, slivered
Fillo dough, uncooked
Canola oil

Non-stick cooking spray

Pre-heat the oven to 375 degrees. Spray a muffin pan with the non-stick cooking spray. Cut approximately 3 sheets of fillo dough so that you can gently lay a strip in a muffin tin and then cut several layers to fit crisscrossed on top so that in the end you fill the muffin tin. Repeat this process until you have filled all 12 cups. Baste the fillo dough with a very light layer of canola oil. Bake the cups for

approximately 5-7 minutes. They will be lightly browned. Removed the pan and let the cups cool completely before removing them from the pan.

Fold the sweetened condensed milk, lemon juice and extracts together until all of the ingredients are mixed thoroughly. Fold in the cream. Let the cream mixture set for at least an hour in the refrigerator.

Remove the fillo cups from the pan and place them on serving dishes. Fill each cup with a scoop of the cream mixture (I used an ice cream scoop). Top them with the thawed cherries and a little bit of the cherry juice and then top with some slivered almonds.

Note: The cherries should be completely thawed before serving.

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taking off across the country as a way to fund raise for charity.

"A couple of the ladies in my group went to a mom prom two years ago in Schenectady and had so much fun that we decided to have one Saratoga," Veitch said.

Last year's Saratoga event, which took place at the McGregor Country Club in Wilton, was such a success that the group has planned a second prom this year on Saturday, April 26, at the Saratoga Hilton.

No men are allowed besides the male cardboard cutouts scattered throughout the room. The event is described as a ladies night out for charity. Women deck themselves out in their old prom gowns, bridesmaids dresses or wedding gowns and dance the night away.

Veitch said she found her dress for this year's event at a local consignment shop.

"It cost me \$8.55. I had to do some alterations on it. My friend and I bought matching dresses. We wanted to relive the horrifying event that someone shows up at the prom in your dress," Veitch laughed. "They must have been bridesmaid dresses because there were a lot of them."

Veitch said for some it's an excuse to use the dress they've been saving in their closet all those years.

"It's a time to put those crazy

dresses on and go out with your girlfriends have a great time," Veitch said. "Some folks have a dress in their closet they've always wanted to wear again. We had one woman last year who wore her wedding gown. Some women didn't go to their prom and would like to go to some prom and have fun. We had a few that came from different countries last year and didn't have the tradition of a prom

Veitch said some women get creative with the alterations in order to make them fit.

"There has been some incidences where people have altered their dresses in quite a funny way. Some have just slit the side down and put a matching piece of fabric," she said. "We had one woman who had a very beautiful princess dress, white and lovely except when she turned around it was not zipped all the way up and she had on a fabulous looking bra ... it's all women."

Veitch said going to the consignment shop to find a dress is one of the highlights of the event for some people.

"You and your girlfriend just die laughing at the dresses you pick up. Then say to yourself, 'It's perfect for the mom prom. Crazy for anything else, but perfect for the mom prom."

Though Veitch said the majority of the dresses are pretty tacky, she doesn't want that to discourage people who wouldn't dress that way.

"There are some folks that wear very nice dresses," she



that yell "prom." From the decorations to the contests, it's

as can be. We have a photo area to have your picture taken with a gaudy flower arrangement," she laughed. "It's all dancing, a queen and we also have the tackiest dress contest. We have a dance contest and all the prom traditions."

Veitch said the DJ will play music from all eras — from the 1960s on — in order to satisfy the large age range that attend.

"We see all ages," she said. "We had women from 21 to 90 at last year's prom. We had a table of 80-year-olds."

County EOC, Early Intervention, Domestic Violence Services, Saratoga Mentoring, Center for the Family as well as the Empty Stocking Project.

"Each year, we decided we would pick either a women's or children's charity. Last year was the Saratoga Breast Health Venture. They wanted women nervous about getting tests for breast cancer. We raised \$7,500 to cover the chair and some other things they wanted for the center," Veitch said. "It was a very successful event, but we had to limit the number because of the space. This year we are having it at the Saratoga Hilton and can

fast. The Saratoga Mom Prom will take place on Saturday, April 26, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Saratoga Hilton, 534 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Must be 21 to attend. Tickets are \$55. For more information and to buy tickets, visit saratogamomprom.com



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# **Kurt Pelton at the Open Door**

The Open Door Bookstore and Gift Gallery will host Kurt Pelton, the author of "What's For Dinner? Delectable Meals, Easily Mastered," for a signing of his book on Sunday, May 4, from 11-12:30 p.m. Tasting samples will be available.

Kurt Pelton's cooking style is simple and delicious. The recipes are presented as complete meals – main course, vegetable and starch – on each spread of the book. This book has something for cooks of any caliber. For those who have only cooked a

little, the recipes are written to build confidence and ability. Simply prepare one menu each week and have a new set of skills and a whole new repertoire in six months. Pelton writes: "I avoid processed food ingredients and use natural/ organic/local ingredients whenever possible. All except two ingredients are available in any well-stocked grocery store."

These are the foods likely to be available for tasting at the Open Door Bookstore on May 4: chilies, soups, and appetizers. Join us and share the culinary delights!

Kurt Pelton is an awardwinning chef, having received Best-of-Show recognition at the Gourmet Gala held annually at The Desmond in Albany, New

York. He also provides a full set of marketing services to clients involved in tourism, agriculture, finance, and higher education.



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program which aired on Capital OTB TV through 2012. He has also served on numerous panels at the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame and hosted racing education seminars.

Carle was the leading apprentice jockey at the Belmont Park spring and fall meets in 1989, as well as that year's Saratoga meet. He won 290 races during his career and had purse earnings in excess of \$5.3 million. After his riding career ended because of injuries, Carle turned to training. He operated a public stable for 10 years and won

several stakes races. Carle has appeared on a variety of OTB programs and produced several news and feature stories for the network. He is also the host of the popular Hall of Fame Legends series at the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame.

Veitch has been covering horse racing for The Saratogian and its racing supplement, The Pink Sheet, since 1979. A member of the Saratoga 150 Committee, Veitch is a trustee of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame and serves on the Museum's Hall of Fame Nominating Committee, Historic Review Committee and Pillars of the Turf Committee. He is a former host of "Down the Stretch"

on Capital OTB and his writing has appeared in a variety of media outlets, including Daily Racing Form. Veitch is the author of two books on Saratoga racing: "Summit of Champions" and "Foundations of Fame." He was inducted into the Saratoga Springs History Museum Hall of Fame in 2013 and is a member of the nominating committee of the thoroughbred division of the Canadian Racing Hall of Fame.

Brien Bouyea, the communications officer at the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame, will serve as the program's moderator.

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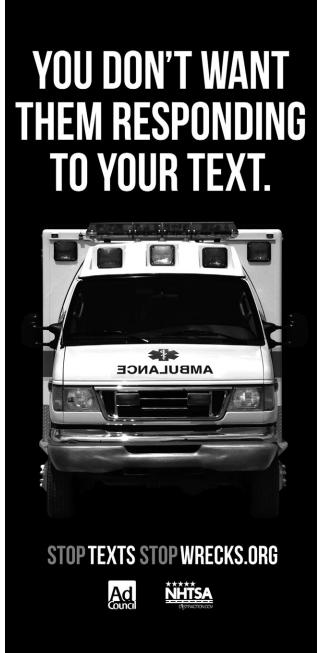
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Classic comedy about a Broadway producer who needs a hit play. May 2-4 and 7-11, Schenectady Civic Players, Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady. Shows: Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets: \$17. Tickets and information: 346-6204 or www.civicplayers.org.

## **Boeing Boeing**

Comedy about a bachelor whose three fiancees show up in the same city at the same time. April 18 through May 4, Home Made Theater, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs. Shows: 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$23-\$26. Tickets and information: 587-4427 or wwww.homemadetheater.org.

#### The God Game

Suzanne Bradbeer's play about a Senator who must balance his views on religion with being the running mate for a more conservative Presidential candidate. May 6-25, Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany. Shows: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday, 3 and 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Special 2 p.m. show May 14. Tickets: \$20-\$60. Tickets and information: 445-SHOW or www.capitalrep.org.

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#### p.m., Putnam Den, Saratoga Springs. Tickets: advance \$12, day of show \$15. Information: putnamden.com

#### Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas

Scotland's premier fiddle ambassador and a California cellist present a program of Celtic music. April 25, 8 p.m., Old Songs Community Arts Center, 37 South Main St., Voorheesville. Tickets: \$25. Tickets and information: 765-2815 or oldsongs.org.

#### **Albany Symphony Orchestra**

Presents "Cirque de la Symphonie," a concert featuring acrobats, aerial flyers, jugglers 7:30 p.m., Palace Theatre, corner of Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany, Tickets and information: 694-3300 or www.albanysymphony.com



and contortionists. April 26, Capital District soprano Amanda Boyd will perform as part of the University at Albany's Bel Canto concert series at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 27, at the UAlbany Performing Arts Center.

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## Philip Kwoka

Pianist performs works by Bach, Beethoven and Chopin. April 26, 2 p.m., Niskayuna Branch Library, 2400 Nott Street East, Niskayuna. Free. Presented by Young Musicians Forum.

#### The Armenian Piano Concert

Classical performance featuring Marina Abrahamyan and Susanna Kirakosyan. April 26, 4:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$25 with discounts for students, senior citizens and groups of 20 or more. Tickets and information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

#### The Gibson Brothers

Two-time IBMA Entertainers of the Year award winners who hail from the North Country. April 27, 7 p.m., Lillian's, 408 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Tickets: \$25. Tickets and information: 581-1603. Tickets are also available at Saratoga Guitar, 492 Broadway, Saratoga Springs.

# Amanda Boyd

Capital District soprano performs a program entitled "Elizabethan to Romantic: Forgotten Songs," featuring works by Prucell, Schubert, Wolf, Debussy, Quilter and Argento. April 27, 7 p.m., University at Albany Performing Arts Center, uptown campus, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany. Tickets: general public \$10, students/seniors/ UAlbany faculty and staff \$5. Tickets and information: 442-3997 or www.albany.edu/pac.

# **JITERARY**

# Guillermo Fesser

Spanish journalist and author of "One Hundred Miles from Manhattan" will discuss his book and sign copies of it. April 24, 7 p.m., Northshire Bookstore, Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 682-4200 or www. northshire.com.

# Barbara Stewart

Author of "The In-Between" will sign copies of her book. April 26, 1-2:30 p.m., The Open Door Bookstore and Gift Shop, 128 Jay St., Schenectady.

# **DANCE**

# First Friday Capital Swing Dance

Featuring music by Jan Marie & the Mean Reds. May 2, 8:30-11:30 p.m., Albany Elks Lodge, 25 South Allen St., Albany. Free beginner lesson at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: general admission \$15, Dance Flurry members \$12, seniors/ students/limited income \$10. Information: www.danceflurry.org/swing

# COMEDY

#### Mop and Bucket Company

"Theatresports," a weekly show of improv comedy and music, April 25, 8 p.m., Underground at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$14, students and seniors \$6. Information, 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

#### Comedy Works

Comedic hypnotist Flip Orley headlines. Performing April 25 and 26 at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. 500 Northern Blvd., Albany. Advance tickets \$15, day of show \$20, dinner packages \$50 in advance, \$55 day of show. Information, 275-6897, www.thecomedyworks.com.

# **EXHIBITS**

#### **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.

#### Sorelle Gallery

"Quiet," featuring works by Rita DiCaprio, April 18-24. Stuyvesant Plaza, 1475 Western Ave., Albany. Information: 482-2000 or www.

# CALL FOR ARTISTS

#### Saratoga Children's Theatre

Holding auditions for its production of "The Wizard of Oz," April 25 and May 10, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saratoga Senior Center, 5 Williams St., Saratoga Springs. Open to children entering grades four through 10. Actors should come with a prepared musical theater song and sheet music. An accompanist will be provided.

# Home Made Theater

Holding open auditions for its production of "The Addams Family," May 5, 7-9 p.m. and May 6, 6;7:30 p.m., Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park. Roles for men and women ages 18 and older, as well as one boy age 10-14. Actors should prepare a 16-bar excerpt from a song of their choice and bring their own sheet music. Upbeat songs only. Information: 587-4427 or homemadetheater.org.

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- **Doctors & Specialists**
- **Dentists**
- Eve Care
- Golf/Tennis Clubs
- Health Food & Vitamins
   Sporting Goods
- Summer Educational Classes
- Gardening & Landscaping

- Health Clubs & **Personal Trainers**
- Cosmetic Surgery
- Camping & **Hiking Areas**
- Amusement Parks
- Summer Clothing Retail
- Guided Tours & **Weekend Getaways**

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- Wide Distribution Area Summer Health will be distributed into the full run of Spotlight Newspapers which allows your ad an opportunity to sell to a larger audience.
- Incredible Value Maximizes your investment and stretches your advertising budget.
- Long Shelf Life Your advertising message will have the opportunity to attract business for a longer period of time, maximizing your exposure.
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