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Chinese program ends at Bethlehem

District can't find a certified teacher for the course; parents upset at timing

By MARCY VELTE
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The Bethlehem Central School District's Chinese language program is ending sooner than expected after the interview process for a new teacher was unsuccessful.

The Board of Education made its decision on Tuesday, July 1, following a recommendation from Superintendent

Tom Douglas and Assistant Superintendent for Educational Programs Jody Monroe. District officials said in April it was becoming difficult to continue with the program because of low student enrollment and the challenge of finding a certified teacher with the appropriate visas to work in the United States.

Monroe said over the course of the interview process, 13 people applied for the position and six were interviewed. Some were then asked to come in to teach

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a class as an example of their teaching style. Out of all the candidates, one was offered the job but then declined.

"At this time, there are none we would recommend moving forward with," said Monroe.

The program will continue to be phased out at the high school, with students taking online courses and a knowledgeable Mandarin speaker brought in to oversee the class and help out. The assistant can't teach the class because the person is not certified.

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Drama outside theater walls



Antonio Carpenter, Colleen Lovett, Alex Jones and Andy Volin in 'A Midsummer Night's Dream.'

Photo by Khalid Nixon/Special to the Spotlight

Eighth annual Helderberg Theater Festival features twist on classic, youth directors

By JOHN PURCELL
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Outside of a traditional theater setting, a righteous reimagining of Shakespeare will play out, and young directors will shine through bringing a classic children's character to life.

The Classic Theater Guild Inc. and Indian Ladder Farms are teaming up again for The 2014 Helderberg Theater Festival, which will be held outdoors at the farm from

July 17 to 27. This year's offerings are similar to last year, with a traditional family show, "Pinocchio," and a Shakespeare piece, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." All of the outdoor theater performances are free, and attendees are encouraged to bring their own chairs or blankets.

"We do this as a free festival dedicated to the public for some family entertainment," said Amanda Stankovich, President of the Classic Theater Guild. "It is a great chance for people to spend some time outdoors enjoying theater and the landscape of the area."

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Isabel Witzenberg and Ben Drzymala as Pinocchio and Gepetto in 'Pinocchio.'

Photo by Fran Drzymala/Special to the Spotlight

Selkirk sex offender charged

Police arrest McCoy following child pornography investigation

By MARCY VELTE
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Bethlehem Police have arrested a sex offender from Selkirk on child pornography charges.

Police said detectives received a report on Tuesday, July 8, that Robert McCoy, 55, of Locust Drive in Selkirk, was allegedly in possession of pornographic images that he took of children under the age of 11. Based on the investigation, detectives were granted search warrants for McCoy's residence and an abandoned camper off of Route 9W in Glenmont, where the photographs were allegedly taken.

Both locations were then searched, and McCoy was located during the process. Police said he was arrested as a result of the investigation.

"Some of the victims came forward," said Detective Sgt. Adam Hornick of how police learned of the situation. "Our investigation led to the fact he took the images himself, and he was using the child to make those images to manufacture child porn."

Hornick said McCoy has lived in the area for an extended period of time.

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Robert McCoy

Taking a bite into fighting crime

County Sheriff's Office initiatives presented to Capital Region Rotary Club

By JOHN PURCELL
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Rotarians got an up-close look into aspects of the Albany County Sheriff's Department, from a mine-resistant ambush-protected vehicle to a transmitter that helps find those who wander.

"A lot of people just think the Sheriff's Office runs the county jail or you've got a hilltown patrol," said county Sheriff Craig Apple. "We are one of a handful of Sheriff's Offices in the State of New York that are a fully accredited department, which means that we've reached the minimum standards and gone above and beyond."

The Capital Region Rotary Club partnered with the county Sheriff's Office to present "Fighting Crime with Sheriff Apple" on Wednesday, July 9, in the parking lot at the Italian American Community

Center in Guilderland. The free event aimed to highlight the department's efforts fighting crime and its community involvement.

"Our intention with this event is to spark an interest in our community's youth," said Jennifer Hendricks, past president of Capital Region Rotary Club, in a statement. "We need to start getting the younger generation involved with volunteering and giving back so that they know they can make a difference."

There were a few little ones there, but the area Rotary chapter focuses on attracting young professionals to give back to the community and network, according to Hendricks.

Hendricks' father was a past president of the Rotary's Colonie-Guilderland chapter, but she did not find a particular chapter or other organization that "resonated" with her. She decided to form the Capital Region chapter.

"A lot of Rotary clubs are old-boys clubs, and they

didn't really encourage the business networking aspect, which ironically enough that's how Rotary started," said Hendricks.

She said unlike most Rotary clubs, which meet weekly, the Capital Region club only meets monthly to help fit into the schedule of young professionals. There are about 30 members, with the youngest being 24 years old and the oldest being 57 years old.

"We are really looking to ingrain ourselves in the communities of the inner cities in Albany, Schenectady and Troy," said CRRP President Jim MacFawn. "Hopefully, moving forward, we can start working not only with Sheriff Apple but others in the community to do service and give back."

Heavy issue confronted

Looming at the event was the mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicle the county Sheriff's Office received through a federal government surplus program.

Apple touched on criticism the department received after obtaining the MRAP.

"A lot of people criticized us and boy did they ever because they said, 'My gosh, he is militarizing the police department,'" Apple said.

Apple said he filed a grant for a \$320,000 to purchase a BearCat, which is a wheeled, armored personnel carrier SWAT teams utilize. He said such a vehicle is needed for an active shooter situation to protect officers and help escort people from the scene.

While filing for the grant, Apple found out MRAPs were being distributed to law enforcement agencies, so he applied for it.

"To try and de-militarize it, we took the turret off," he said. "It's an armored beast, but the reason this is here is to make sure if there is an active shooter situation we can get your butts out of that place safely; as well get our staff in there and out of there safely."

Apple said the vehicle is not here to "take your guns or serve warrants," which drew some laughs. He said the vehicle was used once during an active shooter incident and credited it for helping to save lives.



Deputy Sheriff Joseph Martel demonstrates how Mo, an explosive detecting K-9, sweeps for an explosive device.

John Purcell/Spotlight

A mobile command vehicle the department uses was on display, which was given to the department through a Homeland Security grant. This serves as a communications outpost in emergency situations.

More than a jail

Albany County Correctional Facility is one of the larger jails in the state, Apple said, which holds up to about 1,050 inmates. There are typically more than 850 inmates housed daily.

In April of last year, the correctional facility

partnered with the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society to implement the STAR (Steps to Adoption Readiness) program. Inmates train homeless dogs for five weeks through the program, which aims to make the dogs better suited for adoption into a permanent home.

Dogs are taken from the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society's animal shelter in Menands and are placed the dorm, or cell, of three inmates.

"We have done 24 dogs, and I think a little over 20 of them have been adopted

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Local ballerinas are one step closer to their dreams

Three Capital District girls selected as understudies for New York City Ballet

By MARCY VELTE
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Dancing with the New York City Ballet is the dream of nearly every American ballerina, but few are given the opportunity prior to high school.

However, three local girls may still get their chance after they were selected as understudies while the New York City Ballet visits Saratoga Springs this summer. Ellie Whiteman of Slingerlands, Emily Rennells of Colonie and Riley McGee of Niskayuna were among those selected as understudies in this year's performance of "Circus Polka." All three of the girls are in middle school.

Dancers from local studios were once again invited to audition, and this year extra girls were needed for the coming production of "Circus Polka."

"For an aspiring dancer, this is a dream come true," said Michele Pigliavento, a ballet instructor at Orlando's School of Dance in Schenectady. "We're very fortunate that we've

had students from our school selected the past few years. I myself was selected as a child in the 1960s."

Pigliavento said auditions are held each year in the spring in anticipation of the ballet's visit to the Saratoga Performing Arts Center. Originally, Pigliavento recommended six girls tryout from the studio, but some knew they wouldn't be able to commit to the process. Four girls from Orlando's School of Dance auditioned this year, and three were selected.

"I generally know what they are looking for, and sometimes we'll be sent an age-range or a height cut-off, so that helps," Pigliavento said.

Pigliavento said the audition process was harder than in year's past because the New York City Ballet brought girls with them from the School of American Ballet to also tryout for the roles. Last year, some girls from her school were given actual parts. Whiteman was among those dancers.

"It was better last year because we got to perform with the quarter ballet," said 12-year-old Whiteman, who attends Voorheesville Middle School. "This year is exciting but stressful

because we have to learn the parts of up to four people or more, and the parts are all very different."

That's a lot of work for someone who most likely won't get any time on stage.

Ellie's father, Rob Whiteman, said auditioning for the SPAC series is a whole other level of commitment than their normal classes. If they are selected, they have to hold to a certain level of decorum and act professional. "Kids that young, it's an amazing testament to their fortitude," he said.

Practices are held multiples times a week, and each girl is taught the routines of several dancers so they can step in as needed. The patterns can sometimes be confusing, so the girls have to pay close attention so they don't get lost.

Emily Rennells said she's grateful for the opportunity to learn and practice alongside members of the New York City Ballet, even if nothing comes of it.

"We get to see some of the other New York City principal dancers dance while we are at rehearsal," she said. "They have so much emotion and expression when they

"For a young ballet dancer it is a great honor because this is the only venue they use students not from the School of American Ballet."

- Michele Pigliavento, instructor at Orlando's School of Dance

dance, and it's helpful to see them and try to (imitate) what they do."

Erin Rennells said she's proud of her daughter, who started dancing when she was three years old.

"It takes a lot of time and dedication, but she loves it," said Emily's mom, who also took dance lessons at Orlando's School of Dance when she was a kid. "It's so much fun to watch her dance, and I love to help her get ready and talk about the costumes hair and make-up. We also read all the stories at home, so she's familiar with them."

Pigliavento said she hopes more of her students will have similar chances in the future to dance with such established performers.



Ellie Whiteman of Slingerlands and Emily Rennells of Colonie were selected as understudies in this year's New York City Ballet performance of "Circus Polka."

Photo submitted

"For a young ballet dancer it is a great honor because this is the only venue they use students not from the School of American Ballet," said

Pigliavento. The New York City Ballet was at SPAC from Tuesday, July 8, to Saturday, July 12.

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Former Selkirk FD treasurer sentenced to 5 years probation

The former treasurer of the Selkirk Fire Department's House No. 3 has been sentenced following the theft of more than \$18,000 from a fire department savings/checking account.

Heather Burns, 39, of Selkirk, was sentenced to five years of felony probation on Thursday, July 10. She was ordered to pay full restitution to the Selkirk Fire Department in the amount of \$18,644.88 for thefts that took place between July 14, 2012, and Oct. 2, 2013, when Burns was acting as the department's treasurer.

She pleaded guilty on May 8 to one count of grand larceny.

Burns was arrested on Feb. 7, following an investigation by members of the Albany County Sheriff's Office Professional Standards Unit. As the former

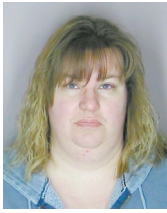
treasurer of Selkirk Fire Department's House No. 3, she was responsible for accounts from January 2012 to October 2013. Officials said the case originated when the fire department discovered unauthorized direct payments to a cellular telephone company from their checking/savings account.

Investigators conducted a three-month investigation, which led to the discovery of more than 40 unauthorized transactions from the fire department's checking/savings account over the past two years. The unauthorized transactions consisted of money transfers, checks written

to cash, checks written out to Heather Burns, cash withdrawals, direct web payments to credit cards, utility companies and insurance carriers.

The Selkirk Fire Department and Selkirk Fire District said the money was raised by the company and not taxpayer funds.

"The Selkirk Fire Department is a close-knit family, and we are all saddened by the actions of one individual. The impact of those actions not only affect the members of the department, but the members of the South Bethlehem Community," said Chairman Charles Wickham of the Selkirk Fire District at the time of Burns' arrest.



Heather Burns

Altamont man charged again

An Altamont man

allegedly assaulted a Guilderland police officer during a traffic stop and then another officer when police served a warrant for his arrest.

Michele G. Salerno, 54, of 707 State Route 156, allegedly assaulted a Guilderland police officer during a traffic stop Monday, June 30, on Western Avenue. Salerno was scheduled to appear in Town Court Thursday, July 3, for charges stemming from the alleged incident, but failed to appear in court. A bench warrant was then issued for his arrest.



Michael Salerno

Police attempted to serve the warrant on Monday, July 7, around 8:50 p.m. at Salerno's home. When police attempted to arrest Salerno, he allegedly resisted arrest and injured Sgt. Michael Minette's hand.

Minette was treated and released from an area hospital for his injury.

For the most recent

incident, Salerno was charged with assault in the second degree, a felony, and obstructing governmental administration in the second degree.

Salerno was arraigned Tuesday, July 8, and remanded to Albany County jail on \$15,000 bail.

During the traffic stop on June 30, Salerno, who was the passenger, exited the car and allegedly confronted officer Robert Bailey. Salerno allegedly refused to get back inside the car. Bailey then placed Salerno under arrest and attempted to handcuff him, but Salerno allegedly assaulted him.

Bailey's injuries allegedly included a bite on his right forearm, laceration to his left cheek, hairline fracture to his thumb and abrasion to his left knee. Police said his watch was also intentionally damaged.

Following the June 30 incident, Salerno was charged with criminal mischief in the third degree and assault in the second degree, both felonies, along with resisting arrest and obstructing governmental administration in the second degree.

Driver charged in fatal Thruway crash

A Coxsackie man is facing three felony charges for killing the two passengers in his car during a multi-vehicle crash on the thruway Friday, July 4, with police alleging he was intoxicated.

State Police arrested Tyler S. Pascuzzi, 24, on Tuesday, July 8, for the felony charges of a



Tyler Pascuzzi

aggravated vehicular homicide, vehicular manslaughter in the first degree and manslaughter in the second degree. He was also charged with DWI and reckless driving.

Pascuzzi was arraigned in Guilderland Town Court and bail was set at \$250,000 bond, which he posted. He will reappear in Albany County Court later this month, but a date had not been scheduled, according to police.

Police said preliminary investigation revealed Pascuzzi was driving a

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2004 Volkswagen GLI with two passengers in the center lane allegedly at “a high rate of speed.” Police claim Pascuzzi was allegedly intoxicated.

Pascuzzi then allegedly struck a 2003 Honda Civic driven by Brian T. Miller, 29, of Schenectady. Miller reportedly lost control of his car and hit the center guide rail and stopped.

Pascuzzi’s vehicle then started spinning in a westerly direction and hit an Old Dominion Freight Lines tractor-trailer. Upon impact with the trailer, the Volkswagen separated into two pieces.

The two passengers of the Volkswagen — Cody J. Veverka, 23, of South Cairo, and Alicia M. Tamboia, 24, of Wingdale — were ejected and pronounced dead at the scene, according to police.

Pascuzzi and Miller were transported to Albany Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries. The tractor-trailer driver was not injured.

Driveway paver pleads guilty to scam

A driveway paver scammed an elderly Guilderland couple. But thanks to an attentive bank employee, they will be getting their money back and the scammer could end up behind bars.

Michael Fink, a 28-year-old from Schenectady, pleaded guilty to grand larceny in the fourth degree, a felony, Wednesday, July 9, according to Albany County District Attorney David Soares.

Fink overcharged an elderly couple living

on Robinhood Road in a driveway paving scam between July 25 and Sept. 19 last year, according to the District Attorney’s Office. Fink took an additional \$14,300 from the couple for a paving job valued at \$2,500.

An employee at the victims’ bank notified Guilderland police of the suspicious activity, which led to Fink’s arrest.

“The unfortunate reality is that we live in a world where criminals prey on senior citizens, and in this case a diligent bank employee was able to contact law enforcement and do something about it,” Soares said in a prepared statement. “I thank this Trustco bank employee for their commitment to protecting our senior citizens, and I encourage the public to be aware of scams like this.”

Fink faces up to one-to-three years in prison when sentenced on Sept. 10. He must also pay restitution to the victims.

Vehicle catches fire in fatal crash near mall

State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred around 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 9, near the Crossgates Mall entrance ramp.

Police said Julie L. White, 41, of Albany, was traveling southbound on I-87 near the mall entrance

ramp and apparently attempted to change lanes in traffic before striking a guide rail near the ramp. The vehicle reportedly became airborne and landed on the driver’s side and stopped in the center lane.

Police said the vehicle caught on fire from a fuel leak, which local fire departments attempted to extinguish. White was the only person involved in the incident.

All southbound lanes of I-87 were closed south of the I-87/I-90 exchange Wednesday evening for several hours following the incident.

State Police are continuing to investigate the cause of the crash. Anyone who may have witnessed the crash or events leading up to it, who has not been interviewed, is asked to call police at 783-3224.

Truck driver trapped after crashing into power lines

A tractor-trailer driver was trapped inside their vehicle after allegedly attempting to make an illegal u-turn, according to police.

Around 12:45 p.m. on Monday, July 7, the tractor-trailer driver allegedly pulled into an abandoned gas station on Western Avenue next to the Crossgates Mall entrance. The truck driver ended up pulling down power



This tractor-trailer took down power lines on Western Avenue in Guilderland near the Crossgates Mall entrance Monday, July 7. The truck driver was trying to make a U-turn by using an abandoned gas station when the truck crashed into the lines.

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lines and transformers when attempting to exit the property.

A utility pole crashed on top of the vehicle’s cab.

The driver was trapped inside for a period of time because of electrical lines draped over the cab. The driver is reportedly facing

traffic citations. Westmere Fire Department and Guilderland Emergency Medical Service assisted at the scene.

Your Opinion in The Spotlight

Let the oil trains roll through

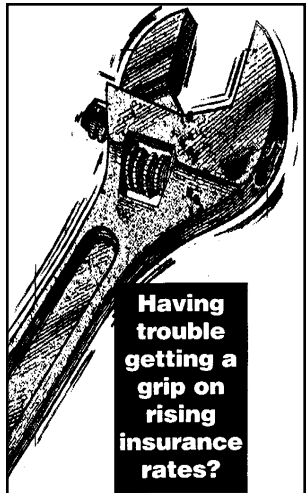
Editor, *The Spotlight*: This is my response to Move on Organization asking me to join last Sunday’s local oil train movement protest to The Port of Albany.

I believe your protest is wrong — shipping by rail makes much more sense than clogging the highways with dangerous

stuff. I worked at the Conrail freight yard as a clerk for over 20 years, and there was — to my knowledge — never a rupture, spill or problem with the many unit oil trains that passed through there. Please get a new project. I do not want to take part in stopping the health of the Port of Albany

or of the railroads. They are both an important part of keeping our area economically viable. Wind and solar power is not very reliable in the tree filled Northeast, with it’s cloudiness and ever changing weather. Think about it, please.

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From the Editor's Desk

The state of local businesses

This week's issue includes our Spotlight on Business summer update. This is your opportunity to read about how local businesses are faring as we head into the second half of 2014 and what they offer their customers that sets them apart from the pack.

A theme we noticed as we compiled our stories for this special section is how many of these local companies rely on a business model that involves treating each customer and project with care. They're not interested in simply doing a job for the money. They want their customers to get the best possible service, which includes getting the job done correctly the first time. That's something that has been forgotten by many larger corporations, which seemingly only care about their profit margins.

This is why we focus our Spotlight on Business sections on local businesses. It can be easy for people to overlook these businesses when they want to establish a bank account, have work done around their homes or get into shape. Small businesses don't

have the ability to advertise as much or as vividly as bigger companies, but they need to get the word out nonetheless.

That's where this section and our other two Spotlight on Business sections (in January and February) come in. By letting these local business owners tell their stories about their companies and what they offer, we hope that you will learn more about their services and consider hiring them to help you.

It's all about bringing our communities closer together and helping each other out. By hiring or shopping at a local business, you're pumping money into the Capital District economy and helping someone who lives near you make a living. In return, you receive one-on-one attention and a higher quality of service than you might find at a larger business.

After all, local business owners have a stake in our communities. They want to do the best job they can for their neighbors because they will

have constant reminders of their work as they drive around town and meet up with their customers at the market, at the post office and at community events. They know their reputations are at stake every time they are hired to fix a house or sell goods.

Even we at Spotlight Newspapers have a need to spread the word about what we have in the works. We also have an article in this Spotlight on Business section detailing our decision to upgrade the look of future special sections by using high-quality, magazine-style glossy and bright white paper. In our business, the look of our products is as important as what is contained on the pages. This is why we constantly look for ways to better present our content on the newsstands, and we feel making this switch for some of our upcoming special sections will achieve that goal.

So, please take the time to read Spotlight on Business this week. And then, please consider working with our local businesses. You'll be helping your communities in the process.

Guest Commentary

A different era

By MICHAEL HALLISEY

The author is a freelance writer and editor of UpstateLive.com. This is the first of a two-part series written in conjunction with Paul McCartney's show July 5 at the Times Union Center. Part two will appear next week.

There is little question as to how quickly news travels today. With the advent of smart phones, computers and 24-hour news services - the impact of the event is as immediate as its occurrence. But the collective experience is no longer as vivid, only because of the diversity by which we all receive the news; where one person my watch a transmission over television, another is viewing it from his iPhone. The shared memory isn't quite shared at all.

In 1964, television was the leading means of entertainment, and NBC's Ed Sullivan was the man to provide you that entertainment. Radio could no longer compete. And the home computer would not be conceptualized for another 20 years. Sullivan practically invented "prime time" television with his 8 p.m. telecasts.

But on Feb. 9, 1964, he not only entertained viewers — he created news. And in doing so, he had a hand in creating a memory.

Dr. Gordon Thompson is the department chair for Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs. He remembers that broadcast of The Beatles, as it seems everyone from his generation. It's a shared memory as vivid as that February night 50 years ago.

"In 1963-64, a generation of baby boomers sought to distinguish themselves, not only from their parents, but also from their older siblings," said Thompson. "As usual, they did this en masse, just as they always do, whether hippies, punks, gangstas, etc. They buy the same clothes and adopt the same jargon, all as a way to separate themselves from the others."

Thompson is a ethnomusicologist, or one who studies the relationship between music and culture. He is also respected as this area's leading expert on all things Beatles. Ironically, he almost didn't attend the Paul McCartney concert on July 5 on account of ticket prices (which, were going for as high as \$766.50 a week before the show).

When arena officials announced the event in April, news crackled across all mediums. The excitement seemed to overshadow the news of Ringo Starr performing at the smaller, more intimate Palace Theatre. Nonetheless, "Macca," the man behind many of the band's lyrics, has never been here. And though popular music has transformed since the four-man group took to the stage, their music is still as relevant as Bach.

"I'm not sure exactly that we could call Bach 'popular,' but his music was important," said Thompson. "McCartney has said that they compared themselves to Bach because, just like him, they were chugging out music on a regular basis for a particular audience. His was the Lutheran church. Theirs was the baby-boom generation."

NBC newscaster Edwin Newman

was asked to report the details on "Beatle Mania" the following November. Newman, a respected journalist known for his candid interviews of foreign heads of state, was also a music aficionado. From 1965 to 1971, Newman was a Broadway drama critic. He had hosted summer Boston Symphony concerts from Tanglewood in Massachusetts. And he contributed to the work of the Religious Affairs Unit at NBC.

But, in 1964, it was evident that he was not a Beatle fan.

"It's anybody's guess why The Beatles emerged from its cellar night clubs to national prominence, but emerged they did," said Newman. In a career that would span over four decades, Newman was also known for his sense of humor. "The sound they make is called the Murrsey Sound, because Liverpool is on the Murrsey River. [Pause.] The quality of Murrsey is somewhat strained. One reason for The Beatles' popularity may be because it's almost impossible to hear them [over the screaming of fans]."

Newman's career as a journalist would span over four decades. But no one accused him of being a prognosticator.

"Trying to second-guess history is a tricky business," said Thompson. "Everything looks so inevitable to us, but was much less definite to contemporary players. If not for Felix Mendelssohn, we might not be paying attention to Bach. I'm not saying that Bach's music doesn't have much to commend it; but aesthetics are a social construct and social constructs by definition are constantly changing.

Get to know ...



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What are you listening to?

Yesterday (Thursday), I was out at a place and they had an oldies station on, and I started dancing to it. I like pop.

What have you been watching on TV?

It all depends. If he's home (her husband, Jim), he's a remote hog. I watch some of those reality shows ... "The Bachelor," I like "The Voice" and I do watch National Geographic and that kind of stuff.

What have you been reading?

(Author) James Patterson. I like a good, fast-moving story — something that moves well from beginning to end. I also like reading cookbooks.

What are your hobbies?

I like to paint. We like to boat. I like to cook, obviously. And I love to hang out with my two granddaughters.

What person would you like to meet, living or dead?

I would have liked to have a conversation with Maya Angelou.

What is your ideal vacation?

I've always wanted to go to a beer hall in Germany with my father and converse with the German people, but I can't do that anymore. My dad died.

What would your last meal be?

That's tough because there's not much I don't like. But if it were my last meal, it would have to be lamb chops.

What is one thing about you that would surprise people?

I went to my nephew's wedding two weeks ago in Auburn, and he was marrying a Hunter. One of the guests at the wedding was (Vice President) Joe Biden. So, I'm now related to Joe Biden by marriage — Uncle Joe.

"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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Science, tai chi on tap

Kids age 7-12 can still sign up for our “Kitchen Science” program this Friday, July 18, at 10 a.m. You’ll create a safe “foaming exothermic reaction”—an eruption that looks like it was squeezed from an elephant-sized toothpaste tube! Kids should be accompanied by a grownup; call 439-9314 to sign up. This program is presented by WMHT family learning coordinator Barbara Lukas.

Next Tuesday, July 22, at 2:30 p.m., families are invited to learn some “Seed Science” at the library. We’ll read about seeds and flowers, and then you’ll plant marigolds to take home. Just drop in for this one; no signup necessary.

Also next Tuesday at 7 p.m., join Lorraine Noval of the Asian Arts Group for some great and graceful family tai chi on the Green. This program is appropriate for children age 6 and up and families; wear loose clothing and comfortable shoes. No signup is necessary.

Who grew my soup?
The vegetable garden



grows a rainbow of ingredients for many different kinds of soup — hot and cold, creamy and chunky, refreshing and comforting and always healthy and delicious! On Thursday, July 31, at 2:30 p.m., Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners Virginia Dorwaldt and Ronnie Siegel will show you how to make a delicious summer soup called gazpacho. The program is designed for kids age 6-8 with an adult; call 439-9314 to sign up.

Assemblywoman Fahy is our guest today
A reminder that State Assemblywoman Patricia Fahy is our guest today at 1:30 p.m. for a special storytime in The Children’s Place. Just drop in and listen.

Let’s Drum
Thursday, July 24, at 10 a.m. Musician and educator Jonathan Duda uses musical games,

traditional rhythms and improvisation in a hands-on approach to learning rhythm, history and culture. Grade K-5.

Sketchup/3D Printing
Thursday, July 24, at 2 p.m. Learn how to use Sketchup to create a 3D model; print it on MakerBot, the library’s 3D printer. Grade 6-12; call 439-9314 to sign up.

Egg Candling: What’s Inside?
Friday, July 25, at 10 a.m. Environmental educator George Steele returns to shed some light on chick embryo development. Families.

Teen Sewcial
Monday, July 28, at 6:30 p.m. Use the library’s sewing machines to work on a project, or bring a hand-sewing project to work on. Some supplies provided; bring your own fabric. Grade 6-12.

— Louise Grieco
Public Information Specialist

Library announces winner

The drawing for the donated HD 7” Kindle Tablet was held at the Ice Cream Social on June 26 at the library. The lucky winner was announced by visiting NYS Assemblywoman Patricia A. Fahy. And our lucky winner was... Bruce Mance. Thank you all for participating and for attending the social. A special thanks to Stewarts Ice Cream Shops for their generous (and delicious) contribution that makes this community event possible.

Summertots
On Thursdays, July 17 and 24 at 10:15 a.m., children ages 0-36 months and their caregivers are invited to join Miss Amy for an early literacy program. After the short program, the children will have the opportunity to play with the age-appropriate toys and learning activities either indoors or outdoors. Water play activities will take place outside, so don’t forget to wear your sunscreen and bring a towel and an extra change of clothes.



How do elephants brush their teeth?
Find out on July 17 as we learn about the basic science principles of cause and effect and exothermic chemical reactions in a fun and educational hands-on experiment program. For ages 7-12 and their parents/caregivers; please register. Parent or caregiver must assist child.

Musical Storytime with Mrs. Laiosa
On Saturday, July 19, at 10:15 a.m., this very special musical storytime returns for toddlers through kindergarteners with an adult, featuring music and movement, stories, rhymes and fun activities. Although she has officially retired, Mrs. Laiosa has promised to offer the occasional special program at the library.

Rainforest Music and Movement
Dance Instructor Beth

Jacobs will lead children in kindergarten through grade 3 on a creative exploration of South American rainforests with a dynamic program that incorporates music, movement and books. Please register early and join us on July 21 at 2 p.m. for this unique and fun program.

Get ready for kindergarten
Starting kindergarten is a special time for parents and children. Join us on Tuesday, July 22, at 6:30 p.m. for a fun-filled and educational evening where soon-to-be-kindergarteners will hone their kindergarten skills at activity/learning centers. Let’s celebrate this important and exciting milestone. For children entering kindergarten and their parents or caregiver; please register.

Donations are now being accepted
The library is now accepting donations. You can drop off your used books, DVD’s and audiobooks at the library during regular business hours.

Now showing: ‘The Guilt Trip’

Movies: “The Guilt Trip” — Thursday, July 31, at 10:30 a.m. in the Town Hall Courtroom.

“After Andy Brewster invents a fabulous new organic cleaner, he goes on a cross-country road trip to promote it. His mother, Joyce, comes along for the ride but soon discovers that her son has an ulterior motive: fixing her up with a long-lost flame.” – NETFLIX.COM

Rated PG-13; 96 minutes. Please sign up by July 24.

Wednesday, July 16
Scheduled Shopping
10:30 a.m. Senior Fitness
10:30 a.m. Strong Bones +
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10:30 a.m. Medicare Presentation
11 a.m. Mac-Haydn

Theatre Trip
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Fizz, Boom, Read game show features magic

The Fizz, Boom, Read Game Show, featuring Magicman Chris LaBarge, will be held on Tuesday, July 22, at 2 p.m. ... and it's going to be a blast.

Magicman Chris blends the magic of science with the science of magic. Presented in a fun game-show format, you and your friends and other audience members will compete with each other while being amused and astounded.

Kids, teens, and adults will enjoy this energetic performance that will leave you all wondering: Is it science or is it magic?

No registration required; just be there.

Ink-ventions

Ink-ventions is a powerful and effective two-session creative writing program that will help you young teens unlock

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your bursting-to-get-out writing talents. The first session is on Tuesday, July 22, at 3 p.m.; the second is on Thursday, July 31, at 3 p.m.

If you're 13 through 16, this is the place to be. No pressure, just fun. You know you have an imagination; this program will encourage your creativity, inspire your imagination, and help you put your imaginings to paper. Does spelling count? No wey!

Guilderland: CSI

On Wednesday, July 23, at 6:45 p.m., the Guilderland Public Library's Helderberg Room is all about "Crime Lab Science," and if you're a teen and love science –

or are hooked on those "CSI" TV shows, you need to be here.

Presented by staff from miSci (Museum of Innovation and Science), this fascinating program will help you discover the technology used to uncover the world's criminal mysteries. You'll get to put your newly learned detective skills to work to help unravel a criminal case.

Please call 456-2400, ext. 4 to let us know if you're going to be part of the scene.

Genealogy on the Road

Guilderland's own genealogy enthusiasts will share some of their experiences using

travel to research family history. The first in a series of programs – taking place on Thursday evening, July 24, at 7 p.m., at the Guilderland Public Library – features travels made in the United States and parts of Canada. Hear tales of visits to town and county clerks' offices, cemeteries and famed genealogical libraries. Revel in a story of how informal discussions led to amazing, serendipitous discoveries.

There will be time for questions and comments. We are preparing a similar program on European locations on Aug. 14, with other specific countries to follow in the future. Please register by calling 456-2400, ext. 2, or visit the library website at www.guilpl.org and click on the calendar link.

The following people will tell their stories:

Larry and Suzanne Canell: Deerfield, Mass.

Michael Haley: Boston (New England Historic Genealogical Society); Salt Lake City, Utah (LDS Library)

Robin Millan: Westchester County – adoption records

David Nerrow: Connecticut

Anna Oles: Delaware County; Hartford, Conn.; Quebec

Warren Sheldon: National Archives, Washington D.C.; New London, Conn.; Norwich, Ledyard, Troy and Albany.

"Mad Scientist" Teddy Bear Sleepover

What happens after the Guilderland Public Library closes for the night, for instance, on Friday night, July 25? Is it a quiet place of resting

books, idle computers, and silent racks of DVDs and CDs, or is it a place of mischief, mayhem and madness?

Your teddy bear could tell you. But only after it spends a night in the library.

Join us for a Mad Scientist Teddy Bear sleepover, and leave your bear in our gentle care (we promise to make sure they're all safe) so that it can find out what goes on after the doors are locked, the lights are off ... and the library settles in for the night.

Drop your teddy – or any other adventurous furry friend – off by 3 p.m. on Friday, July 25. And then be sure to pick up your furry friend before 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 26. You'll be able to see pictures of their overnight adventures.

Library rewards regular readers

Summer is the time many of us get some extra time to do some pleasure reading. Why not get rewarded for it, too? Teens and adults are invited to enter a coupon in the Rewarding Readers weekly prize drawing. Each Friday, the library draws the name of a teen and adult winner. Prizes are awesome this summer, so be sure to enter.

Creative openings

Library programs for 8- to 14-year-olds can accommodate a few more people.

Writing Workshop — The new flexible registration

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means that your child can start as late as July 30 and still have enough time to complete a writing project. Also, registered participants can drop in and work during any Workshop session, regardless of the dates they originally picked. The Workshop meets on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Video-making — Two afternoon video workshops have openings, although the other four have filled.

The project runs in cycles of three sessions each. The afternoon group beginning July 24 has space, as does the afternoon group beginning Aug. 7. These workshops meet on the Thursday – Tuesday – Thursday pattern at 12:30 p.m. Preregistration is needed – 756-2053 or info@rcscommunitylibrary.org.

Computer classes: learn the basics

Never got the hang of the computer? Do you struggle with email? Look to the library for guidance. Its weekly computer classes address many

needs. Class size is small, so your questions will get answered. All classes are free and take place in the library. Registration is required: call 756-2053, or email info@rcscommunitylibrary.org

Beginning Internet: Going Online for Beginners — Learn how to navigate the web in this beginner's class. Understand what the address bar is, how to type in a url, and add a page to your favorites. Mouse skills required. Wednesday, July 16, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m.

Seniors plan trip to ValleyCats game

"Take Me Out to the Ballgame" on Saturday evening, July 26, to see the Tri-City ValleyCats at Joseph L. Bruno Stadium and enjoy a picnic buffet sponsored by the Food Pantries for the Capital District, the Tri-City ValleyCats and Hannaford. The cost for the game, a souvenir cap and the picnic is \$20, payable to Town of Bethlehem. Bring a jar of peanut butter and a jar of jelly to help feed hungry children. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make your reservation. Suggested van donation: \$3.

Senior Action



Town of Bethlehem

It's summertime, and we are going to SPAC for lunch at the Hall of Springs, followed by the beautiful and always popular "Don Quixote," performed by the Bolshoi Ballet on Thursday, July 31. The cost for lunch and the ballet is \$68.50, payable to Town of Bethlehem. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to add your name to the wait list for this show.

The Caregiver's Support Group will meet on Wednesday, July 23, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Bethlehem Town Hall. Join others who are caring for a loved one who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another dementia. Call Jane Sanders at 439-4955, ext. 1174.

The farmers markets are open. Coupons for income eligible seniors may be available. Call 439-4955, ext. 1170, to inquire.

The 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 3:30 p.m.

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Photography talk

Meet the artists featured in The Albany Institute of History and Art's current exhibition "Summer Exposure: Photographic Works by Martin Benjamin, Carolyn Marks Blackwood, Tom Fels, Dana Hoey, and William Jaeger."

On Thursday, July 17, from 5-8 p.m., the photographers will talk about their individual exhibitions and share their inspirations and motivations behind their work. There will also be a reception to give guests the opportunity to mingle with the artists and other photography enthusiasts!

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 463-4478 or email information@albanyinstitute.org.



Coming attractions

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

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Dragons and damsels

Landis Arboretum program will take people on a dragonfly hunt

By DANIA BIANCHI
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The glittery, seemingly harmless dragonfly that we find swooping through the summer air may not seem to live up to its ferocious name, but that wasn't always the case.

Dragonflies the size of seagulls once ruled the air. That was 300 million years ago.

Fortunately, today's dragonflies are much smaller and not capable of catching prey the size of a squirrel. However, they put a dent in the mosquito population and may occasionally pinch the skin of a human.

"They are tremendous hunters of mosquitoes. They catch their prey on the wings of other insects," said Anne Donnelly, dragonfly surveyor for the New York State Natural Heritage Program. "They don't bite or sting, although I was showing kids how to handle them saying they don't bite, and I got bit."

Donnelly said the pinch was less than that of a horsefly and didn't even leave a mark.

"But, those kids certainly called me on it," Donnelly laughed.

Despite Donnelly's small pinch, she is a great admirer of dragonflies and its cousin, the damselfly. She will share her enthusiasm at what she calls a field trip at the Landis Arboretum in Esperance Saturday, July 19.

"We just went kayaking in the Adirondacks over the weekend at a small Adirondack lake. I was sitting in my kayak and one of my favorites, an Ebony Jewelwing, one of the larger damselflies with wings that are jet black and a body that is a brilliant iridescent



Discover a wide variety of dragonflies, like this twelve-spotted variety, at the July 19 "Dragonflies and Damselflies" event at Landis Arboretum in Esperance.

Photos by Bill Combs/Special to The Spotlight

green ... they were quite prevalent. I was just thrilled," Donnelly said.

In fact, if you spend time by a lake or stream during the month of July, Donnelly said you are likely to spot one of these glittery insects.

"The different species cycle through the summer. This is peak season, the end of July. There is a different cast of characters in the fall," she said. "The biggest and most spectacular is the Common Green Darner. It has a bright green thorax and is one of the largest of the dragonflies."

Donnelly is a retired biology professor at SUNY Cobleskill and regularly runs the field trips at the arboretum.

"For me, life is a field trip. It's just a lot of fun. Everywhere you go is fun," she said.

Donnelly began sharing her joy of dragonflies and damselflies in 2008.

"I retired and got very involved at the

IF YOU GO

- **What:** 'Dragonflies and Damselflies'
- **When:** Saturday, July 19, 1-3 p.m.
- **Where:** Landis Arboretum, 174 Lape Road in Esperance
- **How much:** \$5 per person/\$15 per family
- **Info:** 875-6935 or landisarboretum.org

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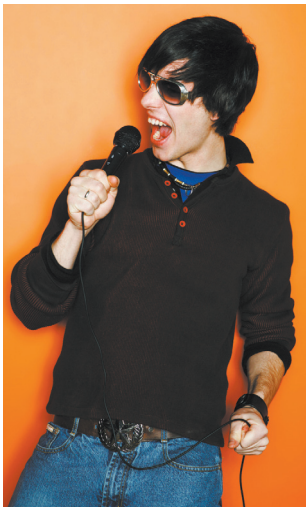
Capital Teen Idol auditions planned

Steamer No. 10 Theatre is looking for a few talented stand-outs. Come prepared to wow the judges as they search for the Capital Teen Idol on Friday, July 25, at 7 p.m. They are looking for groups – music, theater, dance – or individuals with talent.

Auditions for the Capital Teen Idol on Friday, July 18, at the theater at 500 Western Ave. in Albany. Sign-in starts at 6 p.m., and the auditions will run until everyone has had a chance to perform. There is a registration fee of \$7, which goes toward the cash prizes awarded at the event. There is a mandatory rehearsal for all chosen contestants on Monday, July 21, running from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Performers must be between the ages of 8 and 18, and their act must be under 4 minutes. If singing a song, you must have the sheet music in the correct key. A parent or guardian must be present to sign off on permission slip

For more information, contact Steamer No. 10 at info@steamer10theatre.org to schedule an audition by appointment, or a video audition.



Are you a Capital Teen Idol? Show off your skills at the July 18 auditions at Steamer No. 10 Theatre.

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Aladdin

Musical based on children’s tale. July 18, 19, 25 and 26. Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham. Shows: 10:30 a.m. Tickets: \$10. Tickets and information: 392-9292 or www.machaydntheatre.org.

Avenue Q

Family Players of Northeastern New York’s production of modern Broadway hit show. July 16-20. GE Theater at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Shows: 7:30 p.m. July 16-19, and 2 p.m. July 20. Tickets: \$15. Tickets and information: www.proctors.org.

Hands on a Hardbody

Musical based on 1997 documentary about 10 contestants on a quest to win a pickup truck. July 1-26. Park Playhouse, Washington Park Lakehouse, Albany. Shows: 8 p.m. Tickets: bleacher seats \$21-22, center seats \$15-16, side seats \$13-14, amphitheater seats free. Tickets and information: 434-0776 or www.parkplayhouse.com.

Much Ado About Nothing

Classic Shakespeare comedy presented by Troy Civic Theatre Co. July 18 and 19, Italian Community Center, 1450 5th Ave., Troy. Shows: 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15 general admission and \$13 students/seniors. Information: www.troycivic.org.

The REAL Desperate HOUSEWIVES of Columbia County

Carl Ritchie’s original satirical musical. July 28. Mac-Haydn Theatre,

Chatham. Shows: 8 p.m. Tickets: \$25. Tickets and information: 392-9292 or www.machaydntheatre.org.

The Outgoing Tide

Bruce Graham’s drama about a family at odds about how to ensure their future. July 11 through Aug. 2. Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham. Shows: Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets: \$23. Tickets and information: 877-7529 or www.curtaincalltheatre.com.

Smokey Joe’s Cafe

Musical tribute to early rock music composers Leiber and Stoller. Through Aug. 10. Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany. Shows: Tuesday through Sunday. Tickets: \$20-\$60. Tickets and information: 445-7469 or www.capitalrep.org.



Family Players of Northeastern New York will perform a production of the Tony Award-winning musical “Avenue Q” July 16-20 at GE Theater at Proctors in Schenectady. Submitted photo

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Americana and roots acoustic duo. 7 p.m., July 18, Emack and Bolio’s, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100.

Terry Gordon Quintet

Jazz ensemble performs at Sunday Concert Series. 7 p.m. July 20, Congress Park, Saratoga Springs. Information: 584-1531 or discoversaratoga.org.

COMEDY

Comedy Works

Chris Rich headlines. July 18 and 19, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. 500 Northern Blvd., Albany. Advance tickets \$15, day of show \$20. Dinner and show: advance tickets \$39.95, day of show \$44.95. Information, 275-6897 or www.thecomedyworks.com.

EXHIBITS

Brookside Museum

“Perspectives: Photography by Dona Ann McAdams, Carole Williams and Sharon Castro.” Through Aug. 29. 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa. Information: 885-4000. Official artist reception: July 22, 5 p.m.

Albany Public Library

“Homespun,” an exhibition of art in a variety of mediums from artists exploring notions of “home.” Through Sept. 27. Pine Hills Branch, 517 Western Ave., Albany. Hours: noon to 8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to

6 p.m. Tuesday, noon to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Albany Institute of History and Art

“Summer Exposure: Photographic Works by Martin Benjamin, Carolyn Marks Blackwood, Tom Fels, Dana Hoey and William Jaeger.” Through Sept. 7. 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 463-4478 or www.albanyinstitute.org.

Albany Center Gallery

“The Black and White Show,” featuring the works of eight regional artists. Through Aug. 22. 39 Columbia St., Albany. Information: 462-4775.

miSci

“Making Sense of Sound,” a hands-on exhibit from San Francisco’s Exploratorium. Through June 2015. “Grossology,” a look at the way the human body works. Through Sept. 1. Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information: 382-7890 or www.miSci.org.

Saratoga Arts Center

“David Miller: Mapping the Mind.” Through July 26. 320 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: www.saratoga-arts.org.

Schenectady Jewish Community Center

“Shadow Box Dioramas,” featuring the work of Charles Steckler. Through Aug. 31. 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna. Information: Irit Magnes 377-8803, ext. 235 or iritm@schenectadyjcc.org.

University at Albany Art Museum

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ACROSS

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6 Glasgow headgear
9 Candlenut tree
12 Quickly
13 Idle
16 California peak
17 Empowers
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19 Diatribe
21 Sea eagle
22 Tithe
24 Wood sorrels
25 Italian family
26 Equine
28 Civet
29 Yegg’s piece
32 Religieuses
33 Eclipse bonus
36 Payment for pleasures past
38 English ____
39 Modest
40 Dutch coin
41 Greek letter
42 Snake pose
43 Eraser’s mate
45 Water carrier
47 Insignificant

- 48 Flower part
52 Blackbird
53 Leave off
55 Storage structure
56 Repeated
58 Lessens
60 Embellish
61 Trials
62 Bothersome tape
63 Stripling
64 Concerning

DOWN

- 1 Fruit
2 Turpentine distillate
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4 Dined
5 Long ____
6 Casks
7 Temper
8 Chess coups
9 Siamese coin
10 Significant event
11 Turn aside
12 Municipal map
14 Spanish hero
15 Anglo-Saxon slave
20 Trite
23 Academic awards
25 Merit
27 Mystical writing

- 28 Mexican raccoons
29 Flitter
30 Cakes and ____
31 Clock or watch
33 Stylish
34 Profit
35 Winglike part
37 Reflective
38 Geometric solids
40 Mocked
43 Madrid money
44 He wrote *Gil Blas*
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46 Bury
47 Smelter’s product, e.g.
49 Iron peg
50 On the beam
51 Setback
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54 Irish hill
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Dragon
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arboretum and had a chance to participate in the New York State National Heritage Survey project. I was trained for the dragonfly and damselfly portion of it," she said.

At the field trips, Donnelly said she begins with explaining the difference between

dragonflies and damselflies, talks about their life cycle and their anatomy.

"And then, we go out all around the arboretum. We have several different ponds and habitats. I have to tell you, I am not very good at catching dragonflies and damselflies, so I love having kids in my classes. They are so quick and competitive," Donnelly said.

She adds that one of the ways she enjoys dragonflies and damselflies is with binoculars.

"Many of the new binoculars have quite a short focus, so even someone who can't net them can really enjoy them, too," she said.

The Landis Arboretum is a public garden comprising hundreds of acres overlooking historic Schoharie Valley.

"In the arboretum, we have several different species of damselflies," said Donnelly. "Sometimes, there are seven to 10 different species at the pond."

On the field trip, you will learn what to look for, how to tell dragonflies from damselflies and how to capture and identify the insects using a field guide. Donnelly said dragonflies and damselflies look very similar, but the easiest way to tell the difference

is to watch them at rest. A dragonfly holds its wings horizontally, while damselflies rest their wings behind them.

"They have the same general body, but they are weaker fliers and they fold their wings rather than hold them stiffly out to the side all the time," she said.

Donnelly said people of all ages are just intrigued by these creatures.

"My classes have white hair and little

kids," she laughed. "A lot of grandparents bring their grandchildren. It's wonderful to have the mix, and the kids are great participants."

See these magnificent insects up close on Donnelly's field trip, "Dragonflies and Damselflies" on Saturday, July 19, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Landis Arboretum, 174 Lape Road in Esperance. For more information, call 875-6935 or visit landisarboretum.org.



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Tips for managing a financial windfall

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People come into money in various ways, from happy winnings to uncomfortable settlements. Regardless, whether your windfall comes from a legal settlement, insurance claim, inheritance or lottery prize, the burden of an unexpected lump sum of cash will likely be heavier than you realize. The reason: most people treat windfalls different than earned money, and the resulting outcome too often is a loss of wealth, strained relationships and increased financial and mental stress.

The issue most people face when they come into money is they don't know what to do with it. Unlike the income we earn, we don't have a plan for windfalls. It's not part of our budget, so it's easy to think of it outside the scope of our day-to-day expenses and long-term financial goals. This is the mistake. When newfound money is not part of our plan, it's easy to spend. It's also easy to overestimate its true value.

Press pause on the payout... and plan

The best "first" thing you can do with a financial windfall is nothing. Exercise financial discipline. Put the money into a savings account or money market

fund until you develop a plan for what you want to do with it. This will allow you easy access to the funds if needed. Another option is to set up a short-term CD.

The next thing you should do is assemble a financial team who can help you minimize tax liability and coordinate the construction of an investment portfolio that integrates with your short- and long-term financial goals. This team should consist of a certified financial planner, certified public accountant, estate planning attorney and an insurance professional. Their primary role is to help you make informed financial decisions. It is important that you take the time to interview your team and be comfortable they are a fit. Remember, they will be working for you.

While each individual situation is unique, there are some guidelines you should consider.

- Five for fun. It is a windfall, after all, so splurge—but only a little. Limiting yourself to spending less than 5 percent of your windfall will protect you



Frances M. O'Rourke

from reckless financial decisions that can have serious long-term ramifications. Any niceties beyond that initial 5 percent should fit into your strategic financial plan.

- Don't check out. As strong as your desire may be to quit your job, carefully think it through. Is the windfall really enough to replace the lost income, Social Security and possible health

benefits you'll be walking away from?

- Pay off debt prudently. It will be tempting to use your windfall to pay off your mortgage or your child's student loan, but it shouldn't be your priority. Your overall financial health should come first. Repayment of debt obligations, including credit cards, should be accounted for in your financial plan. Also, before you start paying off your debt, set aside a six-month emergency fund.

- Prioritize long-term security. Define your life goals. Maybe you

can't call it a career, but perhaps you can be happier and make more money by changing careers. Investing in more education could provide you with a good return. Also, goals establish benchmarks for evaluating the performance of your investment portfolio. Looking ahead also helps you define and mitigate risk based upon your desired outcomes.

A helpful exercise you can undertake is to create a spreadsheet of how you might like to allocate your windfall. Include categories such as retirement, long-term savings, short-term savings, emergencies, fun, charities, etc. It's a process that will help you think about your windfall more responsibly and will provide your financial team with a good overview of your values and goals.

Execute your plan

Financial windfall or not, the key to financial security is to develop a plan and execute it. A financial windfall definitely presents you with more opportunities, but leveraging it for financial independence is not without pitfalls and does not provide a guaranteed outcome. That's why it is important to work with your financial team to develop a plan

you can live with. With their help, the decisions you make regarding your career, retirement, real estate transactions, charitable giving and estate planning will be sound and informed.

As you move forward through life, it's important to understand that your plan is not static. It needs to be a living, breathing strategy that evolves as you grow. It also needs to adapt with and adjust to the demands of future market conditions. Your financial team should meet with you at least annually to ensure your goals are still being met.

At the end of the day, a financial windfall is a blessing. Whether it's \$10,000, \$500,000 or \$10 million, it should not be the curse that too often it becomes. It's an opportunity, and proper planning—aided by a skilled financial team—can help you leverage the opportunity into something that improves the overall well-being of you, those you love and even the causes you care most about.

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Who should be on your financial team — and what they should do

For most people, the expertise and experience required to successfully navigate the financial and legal challenges that come with a financial windfall are not in their toolbox. This is why nearly every financial professional and attorney will offer up the same advice to anyone who comes into a large sum of money: don't do anything until you can assemble a strong team to guide you. At minimum, your team should consist of an attorney, accountant, and financial planner. Here's the role each should play:

1. Attorney: Attorneys aren't just for people who come into money. In general, anyone who has an estate that exceeds what can be distributed to their heirs without penalty would be well advised to have an attorney. The attorney will help to organize asset protection around three areas: lawsuits, income taxes and estate and retirement planning. You will want an attorney with estate planning experience. You don't go to a heart surgeon for brain surgery. Attorneys specialize as well.

2. Accountant: A comprehensive, integrated tax management plan is critical to the development of your overall wealth strategy and the achievement of your financial objectives. Taxes can be imposed at the individual, trust, estate and business-entity levels, impacting almost all aspects of your financial life, from business and investment income to wealth transfer and estate planning techniques. Licensed accountants, known

as certified public accountants (CPAs), can work with your financial team to develop an in-depth understanding of your individual tax exposures and reduce your tax liabilities. CPAs are required to complete regular continuing education and conduct their business according to specific industry standards.

3. Financial planner: Financial planning is a process that results in a customized financial plan. It includes recommendations and strategies for asset allocation, risk management, retirement planning, estate planning and, if your needs require, education planning and business planning. Your financial planner guides you through this process. In many instances, financial planners are the team lead, ensuring that your personal plan to grow, protect and preserve your wealth is executed and carried through to success. Look to work with a certified financial planner (CFP). The CFP designation is difficult to earn and indicates technical proficiency in all aspects of financial planning. You also want to work with a planner who has a track record of success, can provide referrals and demonstrates an understanding of your values and individualized goals.

The team can also include an insurance professional and your banker. Ultimately, the goal is to combine the skills of these professionals to effectively deal with any financial and legal issues you may encounter.



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Milestones

Matarrese, Jr., Dominick

FLORIDA - Dominick Matarrese, Jr. passed away peacefully on Friday, April 11, 2014 in Cape Coral, surrounded by his family. Interestingly, it was the early morning of his 73rd birthday.

He was born to the late Dominick Matarrese Sr. and Anna Maria Yourno on April 11, 1941 in Cohoes. Dominick graduated from Catholic Central High School in Troy in 1958 and received a B.S. in pharmacy from the Albany College of Pharmacy in Albany 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 southwest 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.

Relatives and friends are invited to call on Saturday, July 19th from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany, 445 New Karner Rd., Albany, NY 12205.

Dean's list announcements

- Alexandra P. Jureller, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Northeastern University
- Alexandra R. Singh, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Northeastern University
- Michael R. Deitz, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Northeastern University
- Jacob S. Wolfsberg, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Northeastern University
- Jonathan R. Malsan, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Northeastern University
- Alexander Peebles, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Roger Williams University
- Abigail Scro, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Roger Williams University
- Raelynn Janicke, of Selkirk, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Timothy Dickson, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 president's list at SUNY Canton
- Leah Giacchetta, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 president's list at SUNY Canton
- Hillary Vandyke-Restifo, of Voorheesville, was named to the spring 2014 president's list at SUNY Canton
- Alexandra Godlewski, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Endicott College
- Kevin Rudolph, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Endicott College
- Margaret Kuchinski, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Castleton State College
- Makenzie Robichaud, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Castleton State College
- Joshua Banach, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Kyle Bossung, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Joseph Cronin, of Feura Bush, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- William Dougherty, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Emily Kvale, of Selkirk, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Austin Malerba, of Altamont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Santiago Murcia Montoya, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Eric Pareis, of Altamont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Ian Richardson, of Altamont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Emily Rosenthal, of Glenmont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Alexa Seidner, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Kevin Tesch, of Altamont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology

- Scott Vincent, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Margaret Kuchinski, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Castleton State College
- Makenzie Robichaud of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Castleton State College
- Sarah Bearor, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY Buffalo State
- Traci Bologna-Jill, of Altamont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Michael DeRuve, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Tracey Koch, of Glenmont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Mallory Kuchis, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Derek Rexford, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Carly Drislane, of Guilderland, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Helen Merkley, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Delaney Shepardson, of Delmar was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Kelsey Wegener, of Voorheesville, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Hartwick College
- Abigail E. Seymour, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Virginia Tech
- Ian T. Seymour, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at Virginia Tech

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Dean’s list announcements (cont.)

The following students have been named to the spring 2014 dean’s list at The College of Saint Rose:

- Simone Arrington of Selkirk
- Joseph Atwood of Schenectady
- Elissa Ebersold of Slingerlands
- Ryan Kilgallon of Glenmont
- Leticia Monroe of Delmar
- Mark Mullens of Feura Bush
- Jason Neal of Schenectady
- Rachel Newman of Schenectady
- Sean Obach of Schenectady
- Valeriya Ponomarova of Delmar
- Kristina Ranalli of Schenectady
- Jessica Serfilippi of Delmar
- Robert Stoddard of Schenectady
- Alison Wilkes of Altamont
- Lauren Burgasser of Slingerlands
- Lauren Febraio of Schenectady
- Nicholas Iuorno of Schenectady
- John Kowalski of Altamont
- Caitlyn Moss of Slingerlands
- Andrew Pugliese of Schenectady
- Christopher Stillman of Guilderland
- Andrea Bollentin of Voorheesville
- Callie Bryant of Delmar
- Hannah Conroy of Altamont
- Brittany Countryman of Schenectady
- Kelsey Filipello of Selkirk
- Serena Kearney Denofio of Schenectady
- Caroline Kuligowski of Schenectady
- Rebecca Languish of Delmar
- Erin O'Donnell of Delmar
- Lindsay Reohr of Voorheesville
- Alexandria Busch of Guilderland Center
- Kirsten Carroll of Voorheesville
- Jessica Cirillo of Delmar
- Cerisa Conway of Delmar
- Sharon Denman of Delmar
- Michael Hitt of Altamont
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Thursday shows at town park

Bring a picnic and blanket and join the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department on Thursday evenings at Elm Avenue Park for live children's entertainment.

The series begins at 7 p.m. July 17 with the Zucchini Brothers. Often called "The Beatles of kid's music," the zany trio will present a show, which will keep you on your feet and dancing.

Merry Go Round Theater presents "Alice in Wonderland" on July 24 at 7 p.m. This youth theater group will perform this children's classic.

The series concludes July 31 with Professor Klutzo's Comedy and Magic Show. Professor Klutzo will bring the laughs as he navigates a show filled with music, magic, ventriloquism and juggling.

The shows will be held on the special events lawn next to the pool entrance. In case of rain, performances will be relocated to the large pavilion at the back of the park. All shows are free.

For more information, call 439-4955, ext. 1604 or visit www.townofbethlehem.org.

Freezing and drying class

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County is hosting a class on freezing and drying foods Tuesday, July 22, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the extension office, 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville.

The class will cover ways to freeze foods for best quality and how to dry fruit, vegetables and meat. Samples of dried foods will be available for tasting. All materials will be provided.

The program fee is \$15, and pre-registration is required by July 18. Call Sandra at 765-3554 to pre-register.

Several more classes on food preservation are scheduled at Cornell Cooperative Extension this summer and fall. On Aug. 5, Quick and Easy Pickles will provide an introduction to pickling vegetables and fruit. Tomatoes 101 is offered on Aug. 21, and a class on Beginning Fermentation will be held Sept. 18. The final class on Sept. 30 is an introduction to pressure canning.



Guilderland Public Library swears in new board

Guilderland Public Library Board President Christopher Aldrich (left) had the honor of swearing in four members of the Library's Board of Trustees on Thursday, July 10. From left, Barbara Fraterrigo, Carolyn Williams, Karen Carpenter Palumbo and Robert Feller take the oath of office. Williams and Palumbo are new to the board, while Fraterrigo and Feller are incumbents.

Submitted photo

Pond hopping at Five Rivers

Eleven ponds dot the property at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center at 56 Game Farm Road in Bethlehem. They are home to a myriad of creatures from geese and ducks to muskrats, beavers, turtles, frogs, dragonflies and more.

Visitors are invited to join a Five Rivers naturalist Saturday, July 19, at 2 p.m. to visit the ponds and watch for wildlife signs and activity.

For more information, call the center at 475-0291.

Salamanders and frogs

Thacher Park and Nature Center is holding two programs Saturday, July 19.

Salamanders and Frogs in Thacher Park begins at 10 a.m. Join a search for amphibians in woodland pools and streams with Dr. Mary Beth Kolozsvary, a biologist at Siena College. Learn about the species we find and where they live. The program is limited to 15 people, and all ages are welcome.

At 6:30 p.m., there will be a campfire storytelling program at Thacher Nature Center. Gather around the campfire ring for "Summery Tales from My Backyard and Beyond" by storyteller Claire

Nolan. Make a s'more to snack on and bring your own camp chair. There is a \$1 supply fee.

To register for either event, call 872-0800.

Cuts for a Cause Sunday, July 20

Mariposa Studio and Team CJ have joined together to bring you the fourth annual Cystic Fibrosis Cuts for a Cause Sunday, July 20, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the hair salon located in Kimberly Square, 475 Albany Shaker Road in Loudonville.

Proceeds from the day-long event will be donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in Team CJ's name. Participants will be entered into a drawing for a door prize, and there will be more drawings during the day.

Men's and children's hair cuts are \$10, and women's hair cuts are \$20. Appointments are suggested, but walk-ins are also welcome.

For more information, call Tracy Van Hattum at 330-0119.

Run the Ridge Saturday

The third annual Run the Ridge takes place Saturday, July 19, at Maple Ski Ridge in Rotterdam.

The 5-kilometer mud run is designed by local

military mud runners and features some untouched terrain and obstacles built by some diabolical minds.

Registration and check-in goes from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. The event begins at 8:45 a.m. with the Fast and Furious division and continues with heats at 10 and 11 a.m. and a 2-kilometer family mud run at 1 p.m.

The cost for the 5k race is \$45 in advance and \$50 the day of the race. The entry fee for the family 2k race is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children.

For more information, call 381-4700.

Food bank needs volunteers

The Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York in Latham is in need of groups of volunteers to help sort and repack donations this summer.

During the school year, regular volunteer groups help the organization keep up with incoming donations, but throughout the summer months the volunteer numbers decline significantly while the workload remains the same.

The Food Bank is looking for groups of 10 to 30 people to donate two hours of time. If you are a part of a community organization or business and are looking for ways

to bring the group closer together, have some fun and help your community, this is a perfect opportunity for you.

For more information, call 786-3691, ext. 268 or email volunteers@regionalfoodbank.net.

Lazerson talks at AJCC series

The Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road in Albany, concludes its 2014 Jules and Paula Stein Live and Learn Lecture-Lunch Series Thursday, July 24, with a talk by David Lazerson based on his book, "Skullcaps 'N Switchblades: Survival Stories of an Orthodox Jew Teaching in the Inner City."

Lazerson's imaginative application of Talmudic precepts applied to inner-city educational problems in Buffalo helped him develop an innovative approach to learning disabilities, which has been acclaimed worldwide. He describes how he and his students overcome their reservations about each other and develop a singular relationship of mutual trust and regard.

Lazerson won the 2007 Arts Teacher of the Year award for the Broward County Public Schools and Teacher of the Year in New York in 1981. In 2008, he was one of five teachers

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in the United States to be inducted into the National Teachers Hall of Fame.

The program is open to the community. Tickets are \$13 for AJCC members and \$14 for non-members. A kosher lunch and book sale and signing follows the talk.

For reservations or more information, call 438-6651, ext. 112 or email claires@saaajcc.org.

Trinity Church hosts chicken BBQ

There will be a chicken barbecue Saturday, July 26, from 4 p.m. until the meals are sold out at Trinity United Methodist Church, Route 143 in Coeymans Hollow.

Meals include a half chicken, baked potato, corn on the cob, roll and dessert. Meals are for take out only.

The cost is \$11 for adults and \$5.50 for children. To place an order, call 756-2091.

Tech Valley charity golf event

The sixth annual Tech Valley Charity Golf Tournament takes place July 16 at the Saratoga National Golf Club in Saratoga Springs.

More than 300 golfers will participate in the day-long event, which raises money for Make-A-Wish Northeast New York and other area charities. Approximately \$660,000 has been raised in the first five years of this event. The goal this year is to break the \$800,000 mark.

The event concludes with an evening reception.

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G'land schools drops construction manager

Turner Construction Company selected to oversee \$17M improvements project

By JOHN PURCELL
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The Guilderland Central School District ended its contract with a familiar company from overseeing construction of an improvements project after expectations were not met.

During a special meeting Friday, July 11, the Guilderland Board of Education voted to dissolve its contract with Sano-Rubin Construction Services LLC to serve as construction manager for its \$17.32 million facilities upgrades and renovations project. Board members then approved contracting with Turner Construction Company for the service. District administrators recommended the change after claiming expectations were not being met.

"We assumed some things this time around were going to work the same as they had in the past," said Guilderland Assistant Superintendent for Business Neil Sanders. "We felt at this time it was better to switch companies."

Sanders declined detailing what "expectations" were not being adequately met. He said the district could have more clearly communicated

what it expected from Sano-Rubin.

Board President Barbara Fraterrigo said project benchmarks were not being met "efficiently."

"Neal is very astute and very much on top of things and just was not comfortable with the progress being made," said Fraterrigo.

A representative from Sano-Rubin could not be reached for comment before Spotlight News went to press.

Sano-Rubin changed ownership earlier this year. Sanders said the school district needed to develop its relationship with the company's new leadership.

The company previously worked with the district, which includes serving as construction manager for a \$29.6 million district-wide project. This included a 10-classroom addition at the high school, renovating classroom space for district offices and improvements to the five elementary schools, along with technology and security upgrades.

The switch will end up costing the district slightly more, with Sano-Rubin contracted for about \$737,500 and Turner Construction for around \$755,000, according to Sanders. The district will pay Sano-Rubin around \$10,000 of its contracted amount for work done to

date, said Sanders.

Turner Construction was one of the applicants the district's Business Practices Committee reviewed for the service. Fraterrigo said Turner was considered "on-par" with Sano-Rubin.

"I think you tend towards the more familiar where you have had a great experience," Fraterrigo said.

She said Turner is a national company with a "phenomenal" reputation.

Sanders said construction would not start until next spring. The district is going through the design process and must seek state Education Department approval.

The project includes infrastructure upgrades, safety and security improvements, and district-wide technology upgrades.

How facilities improvements will proceed must still be determined because if the district were to close an elementary school, then some renovations could be unnecessary.

Before district voters approved the \$17.32 million project, district leaders said the then-uncompleted building capacity study could lead to some improvements not being completed.

"Some of the work needs to be done regardless just to protect the integrity of the buildings," said Sanders.



Junkyard dogs

Colonie Landfill tollbooth worker Katherine McLaughlin and her grandson Damien say hello to Jax, a 2-year-old beagle mix, at a hazardous waste collection fundraiser for the Humane Society Saturday, July 12, hosted by the landfill.

Billy DeLap/Spotlight

IN BRIEF

Basket weaving workshop

The Albany Jewish Community Center will offer a basket weaving workshop in the Albany JCC's Massry Senior Center, 340 Whitehall Road on Tuesdays, Aug. 12 and Aug. 19, 1-4 p.m. Professional basketmaker, Joyce Flower, will teach participants to weave a large rectangular basket

with handles. Prepaid registration is \$50 plus a \$25 supplies fee. Contact the Albany JCC's senior adult office for information, 438-6651, ext. 112.

Book Mavens meet July 16

The Albany Jewish Community Center is hosting a Book Mavens meeting on Wednesday, July 16, from 3 to 4:30

p.m. in the Massry Senior Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany.

Irene Rosenthal, Associate Professor of Literacy at the College of Saint Rose, will review "Stars of David: Prominent Jews Talk About Being Jewish" by Abigail Pogrebin. Sixty-plus dining is available following the book talk at 5 p.m. For more information, call 438-6651, ext. 112.

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I N PAN LLC, Arts of Org filed with SSNY on 06/19/14. Office Loc.: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC, 9 Egmont Ct., Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act.
Ad#52776

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of IMMACULATE DISSECTION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/16/14. 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#51781

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation INAFER LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/12/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#51865

LEGAL NOTICE

Jalsa Realty, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/04/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 201(B) Cove Road, Oyster Bay, NY 11771. Purpose: General.
Ad#49980

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Kenwood Development Group, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 6/3/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to P. O. Box 330, Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.
Ad#49979

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Kenwood Ventures LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 6/20/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to P. O. Box 330, Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.
Ad#51748

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of KOLCH PARK LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/27/14. 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#51782

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Krav Maga Experts LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/18/2014 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#51851

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LAC FILM SERVICES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/11/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#51769

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LCP Flushing LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/19/14. 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 Lane Capital Partners, 152 W. 57th St., 22nd Fl., NY, NY 10019. Purpose: any lawful activity.
Ad#52153

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LIA'S AESTHETIC SKIN THERAPY, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/2/14. 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#51759

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of LIGHTSYNC, LLC, Articles of Organization filed with the Sec'y of New York (SSNY) on 03/18/2014. 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: C/O LIGHTSYNC, LLC, 135 Font Grove Rd. Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.
Ad#52899

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Lilly Shopping Spree LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Office of Sam J. Nole, CPA, 350 Fifth Ave., Ste. 7412, NY, NY 10118. Purpose: any lawful activity.
Ad#50055

LEGAL NOTICE

LILU Comprehensive Medical PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/19/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. S/SNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 42-66 Kissena Blvd., 1/F, Flushing, NY 11355. Purpose: Medicine.
Ad#53203

LEGAL NOTICE

LIZA MANDELUP LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/23/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Pryor & Mandelup, L.L.P., 675 Old Country Rd., Westbury, NY 11590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
Ad#52033

LEGAL NOTICE

Long Island Raw Bar, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/19/14. Off. loc: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 19 - 17th Street, Bayville, NY 11709. Purpose: General.
Ad#53178

LEGAL NOTICE

LouRos Properties, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/21/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process

to Anna Evangelista, 169-24 25th Avenue, Whitestone, NY 11357. Purpose: General.
Ad#50259

LEGAL NOTICE

LUVISOL, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/10/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 448 W. 37th St., #PHC, NY, NY 10018. General Purposes.
Ad#51750

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation-M.L.S. Professional Solutions, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/23/2014 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#52449

LEGAL NOTICE

MACKKEY POOL CONSULTING, LLC.Articles of Organization were filed on the 18th day of April 2012. The office is to be located in the County of Albany with a street address of 4154 Albany Street, Albany, New York 12205. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent for service of process and shall mail such process to Kenneth William Mackey, 4154 Albany Street, Albany, New York 12205. This LLC is formed for every legal purpose.
Ad#52780

LEGAL NOTICE

MAMANI 17 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/30/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 425 Park Ave., 6th Flr., NY, NY 10022. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
Ad#52483

LEGAL NOTICE

Manhattan Optometry and Ophthalmic Dispensing PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/20/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. S/SNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 330 W. 42 St., NY, NY 10036. Purpose: Optometry and Ophthalmic Dispensing.
Ad#53199

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation MANI VASCULAR SURGERY PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/30/2014. 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#49976

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of McGregor Saratoga LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/20/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, c/o Burns Management, 1732 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: any lawful activity.
Ad#52474

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is Mercer Properties LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 16, 2014. The pur-

pose 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#49968

LEGAL NOTICE

Metro Vision Express LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/29/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 95-19 63rd Dr., Rego Park, NY 11374. General Purposes.
Ad#50868

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: MM MHP I LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 4, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to Francis M. McCloskey, 18 Locust Street, Albany NY 12203
Ad#50451

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: MM MHP II LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 4, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to William K. Mafriaci, 18 Locust Street, Albany NY 12203.
Ad#50457

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of NDL Contracting Northeast LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/20/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/24/14. 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#52154

LEGAL NOTICE

Networked Insurance Agents LLC, DBA Networked Insurance Agency LLC LLC was filed with the SSNY on . Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: George Biancardi, Networked Insurance Agents LLC, 443 Crown Point Circle, Ste. A, Grass Valley, CA 95945. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
Ad#53111

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Nottingham Surgical Services, LLC. Fictitious name in NY State: Nottingham Services NY, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/29/14. Office location: Albany County.

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LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 4/18/08. 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. Principal office of LLC: 6339 East Speedway Blvd., Ste. 201, Tucson, AZ 85710. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, 101 North Carson St., Ste. 3, Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: all lawful purposes.
Ad#50057

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: OLD DAWG CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/06/14. 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, c/o Pastel & Rosen, LLP, 130 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.
Ad#50887

LEGAL NOTICE

Paige Patrick LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/24/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, c/o Kanen Law Firm, 90 Park Ave., 18th Fl., NY, NY 10016. General Purposes.
Ad#53208

LEGAL NOTICE

PRAFIX LLC Notice of formation of Prafix LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 6/2/14. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 35 Summit Avenue, Albany, New York 12209. Purposes: any lawful activity.
Ad#49932

LEGAL NOTICE

Pawn & Buy LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/30/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2716 Church Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11226. General Purposes.
Ad#50872

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PITMASTER-PRO, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/23/2014. Office location: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PITMASTER-PRO 36 Countryman Rd., Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: Any lawful activities.
Ad#52727

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation-POZHIDAEV LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/25/2014 under the name POZHIDDAEV LLC. 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#52733

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation PRIVATE SOURCE BY MIN-DI LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/9/2014 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#50554

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PSYVIP EXECUTIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES PLLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/20/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 832, E. Quogue, NY 11942. Purpose: Psychology.
Ad#50859

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Railroad Place TH, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 6/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to c/o Teal, Becker & Chiaramonte, CPAs, PC, 7 Washington Square, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.
Ad#52885

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of RAVI MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/27/14. 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#49638

LEGAL NOTICE

Resolution No. 2014-26 RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 9th day of July 2014, duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution as follows:WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is necessary to fund the replacement of the Salt Shed Roof, andWHEREAS, it is estimated that the costs of said work will not exceed \$60,000; andWHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purpose are in the General Fund Capital Reserve Fund; and,NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete the purchase of the replacement of the salt shed roof as described above; andBE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of the reserve moneys to fund this project up to a maximum amount of \$60,000 and,BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the General Fund Capital Reserve Fund the funds necessary up to \$60,000 in said reserve fund; andThis resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law.The foregoing resolution was presented for adoption by Ayes - Supervisor Clarkson, Councilwoman Dawson, Councilman Kuhn, Councilman Reinhardt, Councilwoman Sasso Nays – none
Absent – none
Ad#53532

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation: RGZ PARTNERS LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/2/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 77 Spruce Street, Suite 201 Cedarhurst, NY 11516 Purpose: Any lawful act.
Ad#53169

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ROBLES PREMISES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/6/14. 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#51772

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation RS Realty Services LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/18/2014 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#51854

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of S. Kraut, LLC. Arts of Org filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/15/14. Office location:

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Kuhn, Councilman Reinhardt, Councilwoman Sasso Nays – none
Absent – none
Ad#53529

LEGAL NOTICE

Resolution No. 2014-28 RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 9th day of July 2014, duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution as follows:WHEREAS, the Town's current compacting trailer has failed inspection, andWHEREAS, the compacting trailer is used for disposal of waste at the transfer station, andWHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined to continue operations at the transfers station, andWHEREAS, it is estimated that the costs of said work will not exceed \$85,000; andWHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purpose are in the General Fund Capital Reserve Fund; and,NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete the purchase of the compacting trailer as described above; andBE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of the reserve moneys to fund this project up to a maximum amount of \$85,000 and,BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the General Fund Capital Reserve Fund the funds necessary up to \$85,000 in said reserve fund; andThis resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law.The foregoing resolution was presented for adoption by Ayes - Supervisor Clarkson, Councilwoman Dawson, Councilman Kuhn, Councilman Reinhardt, Councilwoman Sasso Nays – none
Absent – none
Ad#53532

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation: RGZ PARTNERS LLC. Arts of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/2/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 77 Spruce Street, Suite 201 Cedarhurst, NY 11516 Purpose: Any lawful act.
Ad#53169

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of ROBLES PREMISES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/6/14. 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#51772

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation RS Realty Services LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/18/2014 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#51854

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of S. Kraut, LLC. Arts of Org filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/15/14. Office location:

New policy affects town employee pensions

Bethlehem will no longer count extra hours worked for outside vendors

By MARCY VELTE
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A new policy in the Town of Bethlehem will limit the amount of overtime employees work with outside vendors.

The policy was enacted on Wednesday, July 2, following a vote from the Bethlehem Town Board. The change will not save the town any money, but is meant to comply with state regulation and save New York taxpayers money by no longer counting those hours in the accrued time of employee pensions.

Town Supervisor John Clarkson said the policy impacts the town’s police department the most, since officers sometime work overtime at outside events for security purposes. The outside vendor then pays back the town for salary and benefits, but the town had been counting the overtime hours toward employee pensions.

“I called the state and they said we weren’t supposed to count it, so I said we wouldn’t do it any more,” said Clarkson.

The supervisor said the issue first came to his attention after a local business had construction equipment stolen off their lot, and officers were paid overtime to work security

to prevent additional thefts. The company paid the town about \$71,000 for the overtime and benefits, which was one of the largest overtime payments from an outside vendor the town had seen.

Human Resources Director Mary Tremblay-Glassman called the situation “an anomaly.” She said most outside vendor overtime with is with the school district or police working community events. However, it did lead them to ask questions.

Tremblay-Glassman said their concerns were confirmed after having a meeting with the Town of Guilderland officials this year. Guilderland had a lot of outside vendor overtime, but records it as separate line items. When Tremblay-Glassman asked why, that’s when Bethlehem officials called the state.

Clarkson said under the new policy, police can still work overtime for with the school district and have those hours count towards their pension because it’s all public work. All other outside work will be limited.

“We spoke with the unions, and they agreed to the policy change as long as they could still work the road races,” said Clarkson.

Tremblay-Glassman said its a requirement that road races can only be held if police work as security. The town agreed to pay the money so police could

continue to work those events, which only costs about \$7,000 a year.

The policy states “that private duty overtime should be avoided.”

“It is also the policy of the Town of Bethlehem that all work assigned by the Police Department should be eligible for pension credit and therefore the town will make efforts to avoid assigning overtime that may be deemed by the State Comptroller’s Office to be ineligible for pension credit,” it reads.

Councilwoman Joann Dawson said she was concerned the new policy would take away the police chief’s ability to respond to issues of public safety. The Board said that would not be the case, because anything deemed a safety issue would be deemed a matter for the police to handle and be paid by the town.

A new line was added to stipulate the policy “is not intended to limit the discretion of the chief of police or police department in discharging the police department’s normal public safety or community policing functions.”

Councilman Jeffrey Kuhn said he was happy with the new policy because he was unaware private companies sometimes paid police officers for overtime work.

“They should really be hiring their own security if it’s needed,” he said.

Voorheesville set to harness solar power

Village signs contract with Monolith Solar for panels at two sites

By JOHN PURCELL
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Voorheesville is the latest municipality to enter a Power Purchase Agreement to reap guaranteed solar power savings as rebates making such proposals more appealing are dwindling.

The Village Board of Trustees approved signing a contract with Monolith Solar to install and maintain photovoltaic panels at two sites during its workshop meeting Wednesday, July 9. There is a contract for each site, with one on the Voorheesville Fire Department’s roof and the other on roof of the village’s Public Works garage.

The 20-year agreement holds a 25 percent discount from the fire department’s electricity usage costs and a 20 percent district for the village’s garage. Through the Power Purchase Agreement

(PPA), Monolith would sell electricity produced on sites to the village at a reduced rate.

There is a 2.25 percent annual increase on the fixed price the village pays Monolith for electricity.

Village Attorney Richard Reilly negotiated extending Monolith’s warranty on the solar panels from six months to one year.

Village Mayor Robert Conway said a firefighter approached the town about the possibility of installing solar panels at the department’s building. Monolith previously gave a presentation to village board members about the proposal.

“With no investment on our part, they would be able to reduce energy costs by 20 to 25 percent,” said Conway.

The installation on the firehouse would be a 32,400-watt net metered, roof-mounted system. The system is estimated to produce 36,982 kWh annually, which is more than 100 percent of the building’s historical usage.

Exact specifications for the garage system were not readily available before

Spotlight News went to press, but the system is similar in size to the firehouse.

Conway said the village did not look into what any other companies providing PPAs would offer, but said Monolith has worked with several municipalities.

Rebates from New York State Energy Research Development Authority for installing solar are continually declining, which has led to a rise in solar companies approaching municipalities. How much a company pays to install the system affects what the municipality is charged for energy.

Monolith Solar also recently approached New Scotland Town Board members about entering into a PPA, which included the possibility of installing solar panels across three town-owned sites.

The Guilderland Town Board in January contracted with Solomon Energy Inc. for consulting services on studying the feasibility of installing a photovoltaic system across town-owned buildings and property.



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Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 555 Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#50892 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of SCOTTO PREMISES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/6/14. 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#51768 LEGAL NOTICE SHEEHY MANOR REALTY, LLC Notice of formation of Sheehy Manor Realty, LLC, a limited liability company (the"LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 5/16/14. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12205. Purposes: any lawful activity. Ad#49636	LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Qualification of Silo Ridge Ventures Property A Holdings, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/19/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/13/14. 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, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St. Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad#52149 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Qualification of Silo Ridge Ventures Property A Investors, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/19/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 6/13/14. 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, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of	State, 401 Federal St. Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad#52150 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of SLK LAND, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/11/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#51757 LEGAL NOTICE Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: Spectra Learning, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on May 22, 2014. 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Hoffman's Playland set to take its final ride

Town's amusement park will close in September

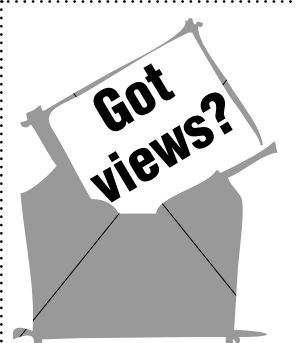
BY BILLY DeLAP
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After 62 years, one of area's best-known amusement parks is set shut down the rides for good at the end of the summer as the owners look to enjoy the rewards from decades of hard work.

After running Hoffman's Playland for 40 years, David Hoffman and his wife, Ruth, are ready to retire and develop their land, spend time visiting their children out west and hit the golf course.

The decision to retire was not an easy one, but a decision that had to be made as the Hoffmans look to the future and what is best for them at this point in their life.

"It's something we started thinking about several years ago, and we realized that if you don't plan ahead, it is not a business you can easily exit from. It's a unique set of circumstances," said Dave Hoffman. "But my wife and I have been running the park for 40 years and started to feel that the time was right for us to step down. We announced, sort of reluctantly, that we were



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On Friday, July 11, people took advantage of the weather to enjoy the limited time left at Hoffman's Playland that is set to close September 14.

Photos by Billy DeLap/Spotlight

going to retire last June."

The plan is to sell the equipment and develop the property with a mixed commercial and residential development, similar to the \$50 million project that is underway on the adjacent lot. Originally, the Hoffmans wanted to sell the park, but developments around the park have left little room for that. The decision to close has not come easily.

"It's going to be sad, and I'm going to miss it. All the years of relationships with employees that have become more or less like family. Many of our employees have met their future husband or wife here. I met my wife here," said Hoffman. "It's been a magical place where lifelong relationships have been forged not only with our customers, but our employees. I think that's what made this place so

special the relationships and memories," added Hoffman.

The park has been a staple in the Town of Colonie since 1952 and Supervisor Paula Mahan said it would be missed.

"We certainly would love to see Hoffman's Playland be here forever, unfortunately we know that's not realistic. The Hoffmans are great people, great people to work with. They want to retire and do something different with their land," said Mahan.

"We're very fortunate to have had the Hoffman's Playland for all these years. There are many wonderful memories created there by people all across the Capital District. We will definitely miss the playland and we wish the Hoffmans much success in the future...They deserve their retirement," said Mahan.



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singled in Dave Vaccaro in the bottom half of the third inning, but that was all Albany could muster.

Amsterdam relievers John McCarren and Zach Breen held Albany hitless over the last four innings to preserve the Mohawks' victory. Albany starter Spencer Hotaling was the hard-luck losing pitcher, as he allowed two runs on six hits in seven innings of work.

Albany entered its modified doubleheader against Amsterdam on a high note, as the Dutchmen swept Adirondack 6-3 and 8-3 in a July 10 doubleheader in Boonville.

Albany jumped out to a

2-0 lead in the first inning on Aspinall's RBI double and Cameron Miller's subsequent RBI single. Adirondack got a run in the bottom of the second inning, but Aspinall's two-run single in the top of the fifth put the Dutchmen ahead 4-1. The Trail Blazers plated two runs in the bottom half of the fifth before Albany pulled away in the seventh on Miller's two-run homer.

The nightcap was no contest, as the Dutchmen scored seven runs in the top of the second inning to take control. Webb and Aspinall each belted two-run doubles during the deciding frame.

Pitcher Jake Welch was sharp in his first start since the middle of June. Welch allowed one run and struck out four in 4.2 innings of

work to pick up his third win of the season.

Albany had hoped to get back into the win column Sunday, July 13, but its home game against Elmira was postponed by rain. The Dutchmen's next scheduled game was Monday, July 14, at Glens Falls.

Monday's contest at Glens Falls preceded Tuesday's PGCBL All-Star Game in Elmira. Five Albany Dutchmen were selected for the game – Miller, Aspinall, Webb, Zurak and pitcher Drew Tolson. Nick Jewett competed in the Home Run Derby.

The Dutchmen return to action Thursday, July 17, with a trip to Amsterdam. They return to Bellizzi Field Friday, July 18, to face Glens Falls in a doubleheader.

Bluehawks, Athletics lead ATL

Nationals nipping at Blue Slate's heels in Tholl Division

Defending Albany Twilight League champion Blue Slate Bluehawks owned the best record in the league entering the final nine days of the regular season, but they can't rest easy.

The Bluehawks entered Monday's action with a 16-2 record, but Tholl Division rival Waterford closed the gap by winning twice in the past week to improve its record to 15-5.

Waterford's most recent win came Sunday, July 13, with a 3-0 victory over Lids Team Sports. Bill

Kelts drove in two of the Nationals' three runs on a pair of hits, and Ryan Ensel tossed a complete-game shutout. Ensel allowed six hits and struck out four in seven innings of work.

The Bluehawks had a chance to maintain their lead over Waterford, but their Sunday game against Capital City was suspended in the third inning by rain with the score tied at 6-6.

Blue Slate is in the middle of an eight-game winning streak dating back to a 2-1 victory over the Albany Athletics June 12. The Bluehawks also had an eight-game winning streak from May 8 through June 9.

The Athletics entered the final nine days of the regular season with a 12-6 record, which gave them the lead in the Haack Division.

The Athletics have been off since sweeping a July 8 doubleheader against the Troy Haymakers. They were set to resume their season Monday with a doubleheader against Capital City at Guilderland's Keenholz Park, weather permitting.

The Athletics and Blue Slate are scheduled to meet Wednesday, July 16, at Albany's Bleecker Stadium. The Athletics and Bluehawks have split their previous two games.



Albany's Danny Hrbek takes a swing during the second game of a modified doubleheader against the Amsterdam Mohawks Friday, July 11, at Bob Bellizzi Field. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

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Dutchmen Player of the Week

Justin Curry was named the Albany Dutchmen's fifth Spotlight Player of the Week. The Heartland Community College pitcher tossed two scoreless innings in relief to extend his streak to 11 innings without an earned run. Curry didn't make his first appearance for Albany until the second game of a June 29 doubleheader against the Adirondack Trail Blazers.



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- 1-5
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- UAlbany's Thompsons 9%
- UAlbany basketball 18%
- Scotia-Glenville state title 0%
- Schalmont baseball 0%
- Siena's CBI title 0%



Dave Vaccaro led off Albany's half of the third inning with a bunt single during a July 11 home game against league-leading Amsterdam at Bob Bellizzi Field. Vaccaro scored the Dutchmen's lone run in a 2-1 loss to the Mohawks. Rob Jonas/Spotlight

Dutch get one over on Mohawks

Albany wins completion of suspended game against league leaders

By ROB JONAS
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The Albany Dutchmen got one victory over the first-place Amsterdam Mohawks, but they also lost to the two-time Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League champions three times last week.

Albany (15-15) defeated Amsterdam 5-2 in the completion of a suspended game Friday, July 11, at Bob Bellizzi Field, but the Mohawks (23-8) came back to edge the Dutchmen 2-1 in that evening's regularly-scheduled contest.

The first game – itself part of a July 7 doubleheader at Bellizzi Field suspended by rain – was picked up in the top of the fifth inning with the score tied at 2-2. Albany pitcher Austin Goeke entered with pinch runner Jonathan Dwyer standing on first base with two outs. Dwyer stole second base and advanced to third on a wild pitch, but Goeke struck out John Razzino to end Amsterdam's threat.

Albany grabbed the lead in the bottom half of the fifth inning. Danny Hrbek singled, reached third when Amsterdam catcher Blake Logan overthrew second base on a steal and scored on Adam Lee's double to left field.

Lee moved to third on a Sean

Aspinall groundout and scored on a wild pitch to make it 4-2.

Amsterdam threatened again in the top of the sixth inning. The Mohawks put two runners on base with two outs, but Goeke got the last batter on another strikeout to preserve Albany's two-run lead.

Catcher Demetrius Webb gave the Dutchmen an insurance run in the bottom of the sixth. He doubled with one out, reached third on a fly out and scored on a wild pitch.

Closer Kyle Zurak took care of Amsterdam in the seventh inning, allowing only a one-out single and striking out two batters to give head coach Nick

Davey his 100th career win with the Dutchmen.

Amsterdam got its revenge against Albany in the nightcap of the modified doubleheader. The Mohawks pushed across single runs in the second and third innings, and starting pitcher Ryan Clark limited the Dutchmen to one run on six hits in 5.1 innings pitched to pick up his second victory of the season.

Alex DeBellis drove in Amsterdam's first run with a two-out RBI single in the top of the second inning. Josh Gardiner then plated the eventual game-winning run with an RBI single in the top of the third. Aspinall

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Guilderland All-Stars claim district championship



The Guilderland Little League 9-year-old All-Stars won the District 13 tournament with a 7-0 record. The team is, from left, (bottom) Jackson Lilley, Brendan Curry, Derek Griffin, Jacob Palmer and Giovanni Simeone; (middle) Liam Teague, Evan Schreivogl, Matt Wilkes, Will Baumann, John O'Brien, Danny Keaney and Nicky Plue; and (top) coaches Josh Plue, Derek Griffin, Brian Wilkes and Mike Baumann. Submitted photos

