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Bethlehem Cemetery's non-for-profit group is looking to step away and is asking the Town Hall for help

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Scores of Bethlehem residents descended upon Four Corners to watch the annual Memorial Day parade.

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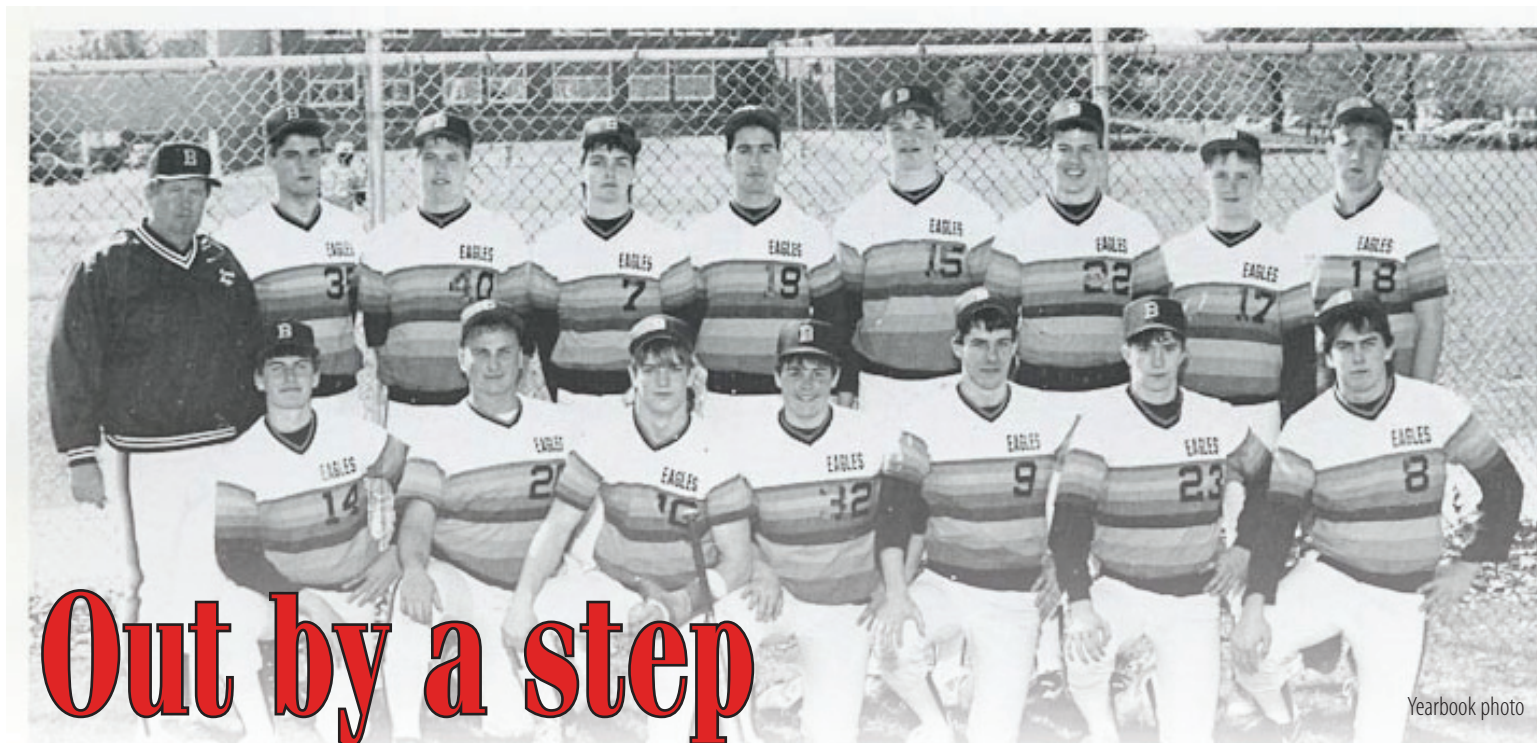
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## TOP STORY



Yearbook photo

A freak play in the state final 25 years ago ended Bethlehem's season short of a state championship

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"It's not like I'm playing the role of Bruce Springsteen and reliving 'Glory Days,'" said David Lorette, as a conversation starts about his baseball days at Bethlehem Central.

The Glenmont native invokes the name of New Jersey's favorite son, along with a reference to one of his many hits off "Born in the U.S.A." The song starts with the scene of two high school friends bumping into one another outside a bar, one of which a baseball player whose star fizzled out when he left school. The two walk back in to catch up, but the old ballplayer who once "could throw that speedball by you" can only talk about the "Glory Days."

Like the protagonist in Springsteen's story, Lorette's playing days are done. But, the 42-year-old has moved on, having married, two children, and a successful career as an attorney in New Jersey.

"Sometimes as I'm playing ball with the girls in the backyard," said Lorette, "I'll share with them, 'You know, your dad played ball in high school.' And, they say, 'Yeah, yeah, Dad.' And, then I will say, 'Yeah, and we played in the state championship, and almost won it all.'"

Lorette was a junior when he made Bethlehem Central's varsity team in 1990. It was a squad that had won three-consecutive Gold Division titles in the Suburban Council. But, that team in particular carried even higher expectations.

"The teams that were ahead of them were good," said Ken Hodge, Bethlehem Central's head coach that year. "[The 1990 team] was a team I thought could go a long ways. And, I think it ended up in the end ... one of the best teams to ever play at Bethlehem Central."

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## GOVERNMENT

# Bethlehem cemetery in trouble

Non-profit operators ask for help; developers discuss New Scotland Road project

By **MARCY VELTE**  
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### BETHLEHEM

— The operators of Bethlehem Cemetery have asked the town for help as they consider stepping away from the non-profit.

Supervisor John Clarkson made the announcement at the Town Board meeting on Wednesday, May 27. He said members of the Bethlehem Cemetery Association met with town officials earlier that week to discuss the possibility of abandoning the cemetery. This is when a non-profit ends operation of a cemetery, and maintenance is taken over by the local municipality.

“We have been in discussions because obviously the town would want to see the cemetery preserved for the beautiful community aspect that it is,” said Clarkson.

Bethlehem Cemetery has been in operation since 1865 and is the main cemetery in the center of town. Clarkson said it is financially viable, but the operators are getting older and wish to retire. Some options could be to find new members willing to join the association, or for another local cemetery to take it over. Discussions are still in the early stages.

Clarkson said the town has asked the Bethlehem Cemetery Association to hold an informational meeting for lot owners and members of the public. The meeting will be on Thursday, June 4, at 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

### New Scotland Road Hamlet

At the same meeting, a presentation was given by the Windsor Companies on the proposed second phase of the New Scotland Road Hamlet Development Project.

The project would be an extension of The Hamlet housing development already built on New Scotland Road last year. The next two phases of development would include mixed-use retail and commercial buildings below apartments and luxury residential units. The development would be built on the corner of New Scotland and Maher roads.

The town asked Windsor to present on the next phases of the project because Town Board members would need to approve either a new overlay zone in the area, or create a planned hamlet district. An area variance has already been approved by the town's Zoning Board because of the height of the project, while

the second phases is now under review by the town's Planning Board.

The first phase of The Hamlet, which has already been built, included 50 rental homes. The second phase would be four buildings, four stories high with 92 rental units and 7,000 square feet of rental

and commercial space on the bottom floor. The third phase would have an additional 250 rental units, an enclosed garage and 15,000 square feet of retail and commercial space. The entire development would include a pool for residents and about 7,000 square feet of flex space for meetings or those who may wish

to rent office space below their apartments.

The developers said rent for the retail space would be below market rates because they want to attract small businesses that are able to survive. The plans call for between six or 10 small shops to be included in the third phases, with suggestions like a cafe,

yoga studio and boutiques. The site will also have a pedestrian network for residents and shoppers to easily access the entire site, from Price Chopper Plaza to Maher Road.

Development of the third phase of the project would need future Town Board approval for a change of the area's zoning.



The proposed New Scotland Road Hamlet Development Project to be developed at the corner of New Scotland and Maher roads.

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## ■ COPS, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

# Police: Bank robber caught

Bethlehem police have arrested the alleged robber of the Pioneer Bank on Delaware Avenue from earlier this month, after he visited the bank.

Police have arrested Jesse Odum, 28, of Maryland on Tuesday, May 26. As a result of the arrest and investigation, Odum was found to be in possession of a robbery note. He was charged with two felony counts of attempted robbery in the third degree for his actions.

Police said around 9:38 a.m. the police department received a call from the Pioneer Bank at 184 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, reporting a suspicious person who had entered their bank and was dressed in a manner to disguise his identity. It was later reported the man had left the bank. Members of the Bethlehem Police Department arrived on the scene and located a subject matching the description given by bank employees,

exiting the Citizen's Bank in Delaware Plaza and walking towards a wooded area behind the plaza. Officials said the subject was immediately recognized by police as Odum.

Odum is known to Bethlehem Police and was currently being sought on an active arrest warrant for his role in the May 2, bank robbery at the same Pioneer Bank. Odum was detained pursuant to the warrant. Bethlehem Police had previously identified Odum as being responsible for this robbery and a warrant for his arrest had been issued on May 8. Bethlehem police subsequently teamed with FBI agents from the Albany office and a Federal Arrest Warrant for Bank Robbery was issued for Odum.

Odum was arraigned in the Town of Bethlehem Court by the Honorable Judge Andrew Kirby. Odum was remanded to the Albany County Jail without bail. He was

scheduled to return to Town Court on May 29 at 9 a.m. for a preliminary hearing. The quick actions of bank employees and police response on today's date helped prevent further bank robberies in the Town of Bethlehem. The investigation is continuing by Bethlehem Police and the Albany FBI office. In the initial robbery investigation on May 2, Bethlehem Police were also assisted by the New York State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

### Coeymans body identified

Officials have identified the remains as those of Shelby Countermine, 24.

In December, Schenectady police asked for the public's help after Countermine was reported missing. She was last seen in December 2014.

Coeymans police said human remains were found earlier this month

by a jogger in Coeymans Hollow.

The man was said to be jogging in the early morning of Thursday, May 14, in a remote area off County Route 102, when he found what looked to be badly decomposed remains. Police said they were unable to tell an age, gender or identity.

Police said they are worked with the New York State Police Forensic Investigators unit and their Bureau of Criminal Investigation to determine the Countermine's identity. Police are now looking for anyone who may have knowledge of her death.

### Voorheesville body identified

The man found dead in a campfire pit early Memorial Day has been identified by officials as Anthony Donato, 57, of 64 Normanskill Road, Voorheesville.

Albany County Sheriff's said the man had been attending a party the Sunday prior and was last seen heavily intoxicated and sleeping in a chair by the fire. When other guests at the party woke up on Monday, they discovered the man's body in the fire.

Officials said Donato was identified last week by a partial fingerprint. Autopsy results indicating Donato's exact cause of death were not yet available and the incident remains under investigation.

### Other arrests:

• State Police arrested Erik T. Gregware, 38, of Troy, Saturday, May 23, and charged him with DWI. Police stopped Gregware for unsafely moving between lanes on I-90 in the City of Albany. It was determined that he had a BAC of 0.13 percent.

• State Police arrested John A. Peden, 60, of Dinddie, Va., Sunday, May

24, and charged him with DWI. Police stopped him for unsafely moving from a lane on State Route 7 in the Town of Colonie. It was determined that Peden had a BAC of 0.18 percent. He was remanded to Albany County Jail on \$800,000 bail and is scheduled to appear in the Town of Colonie Court Thursday, June 4, at 6 p.m.

• State Police arrested Elija C. Cooks, 21, of Colonie, Friday, May 29, and charged him with DWI. Police Cooks on Fuller Road in the Town of Guiderland early Friday morning for driving 72 mph in a 30 mph zone. During the interview, police detected an odor of alcohol on Cooks' breath. Following standard field sobriety tests, Cooks was arrested for DWI and processed at the State Police headquarters in Latham, where he was found to have a 0.11 percent BAC. He is due to appear in the Town of Guiderland Court Thursday, June 18.

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## GOVERNMENT

# Local officials propose consolidation

Report completed on efficiency plan, help save funds

By **EMILY DREW**  
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**ALBANY COUNTY** — Local government officials recently announced the completion of an efficiency plan spanning throughout Albany County that proposes collaboration between local governments in order to both help taxpayers and save millions annually.

The “Countywide Government Efficiency Plan” shows how Albany County and local governments and districts have been implementing efficiencies through shared services since 2012. The plan also details further efficiencies that can be implemented throughout the county.

According to local officials, the efficiency

plan was completed not only to save local governments money, but also as an attempt to lower property taxes. It was done in accordance with the property tax freeze credit law, a relief program to reimburse qualifying New York homeowners the increases in local taxes.

“We need to lower our property taxes, badly,” said City of Albany treasurer Darius Shahanifar at a press conference late last week.

According to the plan, prepared by Center for Research, Regional Education and Outreach out of SUNY New Paltz, the county and local governments will see \$15.8 million in annual savings from 2017-19. This six times more than \$2.4 million required by the freeze credit law.

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy said that 28 local officials have already signed on with the plan. He said the collaboration would provide

the ability and funds to focus on other issues.

The plan details the proposed consolidations, including merging staff and services between the towns of Bethlehem and Colonie, and extending as far the Village of Green Island.

Already, some of the reforms outlined in the plan have been enacted, like shared highway equipment and personnel. According to the report, reforms of the Albany County Nursing Home has already seen savings and is expected to result in \$3.1 million saved annually.

As well, Bethlehem and Colonie already saw a proposal last winter to collaborate with Albany County on snowplow routes and share personnel. Bethlehem also first saw a proposal to consolidate dispatching services over two years ago. The plan outlines possible consolidations between Bethlehem’s and the Town of Guilderland’s



Albany County Executive Dan McCoy introduces the completed Countywide Government Efficiency Plan that shows how local and county governments could save funds and help taxpayers through consolidation.

Emily Drew/Spotlight

dispatching services.

New proposals include purchasing joint insurance plans in the Village of Menands and consolidating communications, such as between Colonie and the City of Albany. That consolidation could result in \$125,000 each year after

2016, according to the plan.

“Consolidation is difficult,” said Bethlehem Supervisor John Clarkson. “Extremely so.” Clarkson has been on the advisory board for the efficiency plan, along with Altamont Mayor Jim Gaughan.

Clarkson said that while consolidation would mean real relief tax-wise, there are still things that need to be done before anything is implemented. For one, the county needs assistance from the state government.

“Without the state government, we are not going to make the progress we need,” said Clarkson.

The plan states that the property tax legislation could impede consolidation, as part of the legislation says that certain budget cuts would not count toward the state mandated tax cap.

“Therefore, layoffs, spending down reserves,

or deferring maintenance all count for the purposes of the cap, but transfers of functions which truly reduce recurring expenditures do not,” according to the plan.

“The state needs to remove barriers,” said Dr. Gerald Benjamin of SUNY New Paltz, who led the efficiency plan study. He said that “legislature that gets in the way of common sense” should be taken down.

While more still needs to be done to implement consolidation, Benjamin said that one place to start is creating a database of employees and services to start comparing where personnel or equipment could be shared in order to save.

The full text of the Countywide Government Efficiency Plan can be found at [www.albanycounty.com](http://www.albanycounty.com).

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## MEMORIAL DAY



### Memorial Day Honors

Delmar wasn't short of red, white and blue last Monday, as town residents paid respects to those who sacrificed their lives to defend our way of life. Various members of the community took part in the parade, including area Boy Scout troops and members of our area volunteer fire companies. The warm weather didn't seem the phase those in attendance, but those who did attend wondered if others were deterred by the gray skies above. A few sprinkles were felt, but there was no rain to damper any of the festivities.

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## BETHLEHEM GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Graduation Celebration is fast approaching and is to be held following graduation on June 26, 2015.

PLEASE READ BELOW FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT GRADUATION CELEBRATION:

### T-SHIRT SALE & ADMISSION

Graduation Celebration t-shirts will be available for purchase June 9-12 in the cafeteria foyer between 10 am & 2:30 pm.

The cost of the shirt is \$20 and serves as your "admission" ticket for graduation celebration.

T-shirts must be purchased prior to the event; they will not be available at the door.

Checks may be payable to 'Senior Celebration'. Contact 221-4016 with questions.

### GET YOUR PHOTOS IN BY JUNE 12TH

A tradition at Graduation Celebration is a class collage of photographs lining the halls of the high school.

This is a great way to commemorate graduation and the students love searching the walls for their photos!

Please enlarge and print photos on 8 x 11 letter size paper (no photo paper).

There will be a drop off box in the main office for Senior Wall Photos.

### VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to help out on ALL committees.

For more information, and to sign up to help, please contact 221-4016.

### DONATIONS

Donations can still be made to the 2015 Senior Celebration!

Checks can be made payable to:

"Senior Celebration", PO Box 152, Delmar, NY, 12054

If Graduation Celebration is going to continue in 2016 we need parents of Sophomore and Junior parents to sign up NOW to begin planning next years celebration!

Questions contact: [sueod21@gmail.com](mailto:sueod21@gmail.com) or call 221-4106.

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## COMMUNITY

# Getting the word out

It's possible you've noticed that the library has been using social media with increasing frequency to share information about upcoming programs and library news. You'll find us on Facebook and Twitter, as well as Instagram and Tumblr (the latter two focusing more on teen activities).

If you are not a social media enthusiast, you might not have noticed this, and that's OK, too. You don't have to worry that you will miss out on upcoming library events or important news simply because you don't "like" or "follow" us. Footnotes, which is published six times a year and goes to every home in the



Bethlehem school district, is still the primary source for all things library. If you're reading this column in *The Spotlight*, then you are also aware of one of the other ways we get the word out. You'll find our calendar listings and event updates in several other local publications as well.

Our website at [www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org](http://www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org) remains a treasure trove of information, resources and news. We've even added a Twitter feed on the home page that brings our social media updates to one convenient

spot. Elsewhere on the site you will find schedules for our trustees and Friends of the Library meetings.

When it comes to getting the word out about our great programs and resources, we want to make sure we have all of our bases covered. That's why you'll also see library staffers out in the community, doing outreach at our schools and local events like the Farmers Market and the upcoming Summer Solstice Festival on the Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail.

The bottom line is, we will use every available outlet to keep you informed about what's going on at the library; it's up to you pick the one that suits you best.

## STEM Community Night

Recent years have seen a surge in interest in science, technology, engineering and math—often referred to as STEM across the country. Corporate leaders are increasingly concerned that they are unable to fill critical positions in their companies that require these fundamental quantitative skills sets. These concerns are now extending from colleges and universities down into high schools, middle schools and even elementary schools.

Join us, along with With BCSD technology specialist Jennifer Gonyea and

STEM program backer Paul Wing, Thursday, June 4, at 7 p.m. to learn about the recent steps the library and the Bethlehem School District have taken to expose students to these fields.

## Upcoming events

### Friday, June 5 — Preschool Films

Join us in the Community Room for short films based on picture books. For children up to age 6 with family. 10-10:30 a.m.

### Friday, June 5 — Afternoon Music with Bob and Tom

Bob Altschuler, a banjo player, and Tom Thorpe, a traditional bluegrass

instrumentalist, play a mix of bluegrass, country, folk, blues and originals. They have been performing together for more than 30 years. 1-2 p.m.

### Saturday, June 6 — Time Out for Tales

Stories and fun for children up to age 6 and families. 11 a.m.

### Saturday, June 6 — Super Smash Afternoon

Join your friends for an afternoon of Super Smash Bros. Brawl on the Wii. For grade 6-12. 2:30-3:30 p.m.

### Monday, June 8 — Construction Storytime

Story and craft for children up to age 6 and families. 10 a.m.

— Kristen Roberts

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

### Delmar Farmer's Market celebrates 2015 season

**BETHLEHEM** — The Delmar Farmer's Market celebrated its seventh anniversary when it opened on May 30 for the start of the 2015 season.

There are more than 50 local vendors providing seasonal produce, prepared foods and crafts. Delmar Farmer's Market promotes sustainable farming, environmental awareness, and healthy foods to support local and fair trade businesses. Delmar Farmer's Market's goals are to provide healthy food options in a friendly atmosphere and to make their products as diverse as possible.

For more information of a list of vendors and performers for 2015, visit [www.delmarmarket.org](http://www.delmarmarket.org).

### Solstice committee seeks volunteers

**BETHLEHEM** — The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy seeks volunteers, vendors and sponsors for its annual Summer Solstice Festival,

which takes place June 20 on the Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail.

The festival will have extended hours this year, as well as a hike-a-thon involving guided hikes through four pre-selected MHLHC preserves. Hikers with pets are invited to join the Trails on the Rail Trail walk. All hikers receive a free Solstice Festival T-shirt.

The Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail is a nine-mile stretch of an old D&H rail line from Voorheesville to the Port of Albany.

For more information, visit [www.solsticecelebration.org](http://www.solsticecelebration.org).

### Explore the stories of Five Rivers

**BETHLEHEM** — Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, hosts its annual National Trails Day Trails From the Trails, starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 6.

Families can share and hear stories about what to do and what not to do when hiking from a veteran of hiking in the Adirondacks and families will

have the opportunity to share their own stories. Families will be able to take a walk on the Old Field Trail at 2 p.m. and can see several ponds.

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

### Kiwanis Club celebrates milestone year

**BETHLEHEM** — Kiwanis Club of Delmar is celebrating 75 years of service to the community this year.

The club sponsors several fundraising events during the year to raise money for its projects. One of the main events is its golf tournament Aug. 3 at Normanside Country Club. Money raised at this event goes to the neo-natal care unit at Albany Medical Center and to local community projects in southern Albany County.

Other Kiwanis events include its "Bells of Life" fall campaign and pancake breakfasts in the spring and fall. The club also sponsors a Little League team and sends two local youths to Kamp Kiwanis in the summer.

For information on joining the Kiwanis Club, contact Chris

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### Discover methods for eating lighter

**ALBANY** — Come to the Sidney Albert Albany JCC 340 Whitehall Rd. on Thursday, June 4, from 6-7:30 p.m. for a nutrition class on ways to make eating light easier.

The class will be taught by Janna Neitzel, Community Educator at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County. The class is free. Open to everyone. Limited to 25.

To reserve your space in the class, email [info@albanyjcc.org](mailto:info@albanyjcc.org).

### Exhibit opening and ice cream social

**BETHLEHEM** — The Bethlehem Historical Association opens its "Circa 1965" exhibit with an ice cream social Sunday, June 14, from 2-4 p.m., at the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse, 1003 River Road, in Selkirk.

"Circa 1965" looks back at the town during the era in which the BHA was founded. It features

photographs and memorabilia from around the town, as well as colorful posters from the Slingerlands Players.

In addition, there is "One Hundred Years Difference: Clothing from 1865 to 1965," which explores 100 years of changing styles. The adjacent Toll Gate building features "What's All the Buzz," a look at beekeeping.

The exhibits continue through Aug. 30. The museum is open Sunday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. Admission is free.

For more information, visit [BethlehemHistorical.org](http://BethlehemHistorical.org).

### Drivers needed for delivering meals

**GUILDERLAND** — Volunteers are needed for delivering meals to the homebound residents in Guilderland on Friday mornings from 10-11:30 a.m.

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## ■ COMMUNITY

# Y hosts Illini 4000 cyclists

The Bethlehem YMCA was closed on Memorial Day, but we still opened our doors for a special group of young people who are cycling across the country to open people's hearts and minds about the devastating impact that cancer has on families in our community.

A group of 29 students from the University of Illinois are cycling from New York to San Francisco to raise money for cancer research and raise awareness. They began their cross-country biking journey in Central Park in New York on Sunday, May 24, and arrived at the Bethlehem YMCA on Memorial Day for a barbecue dinner and some much-needed rest. But their stop had a much larger purpose than to



refuel and relax.

The cyclists gathered in the Y's conference room to hear from members of our community about how cancer has impacted their lives and the lives of their families. The group refers to these sessions as "portraits," a collection of narratives that illustrate how Americans respond to cancer. Each story reflects an individual's unique life experience. The Illini 4000 are collecting and sharing these portraits across the country to inspire people to rise together in the fight against cancer.

The group heard from Laurel McAdoo, who lost her 9-year-old son Myles, a fixture at the Bethlehem Y, to cancer three years ago. In his memory, Laurel formed the "Myles of Smiles" Foundation to provide

support for families facing life-threatening challenges. Alicia Ramos, a wellness and group exercise instructor at the Y, told the cyclists about her experience as a breast cancer survivor. Also speaking to the group was Alexandra Siy, who told them about her mother, who loved cycling and battled cancer.

The students train throughout the year and commit to raising \$3,500 each to fund cancer research as well as to provide support for cancer patients. Since 2006, the Illini 4000 has raised more than \$800,000. This year's goal is \$150,000.

Junior Alex Kott of Aurora, Ill., joined the Illini 4000 because several members of her family are cancer survivors. "Every morning we dedicate the day to a person, and when things get hard you just think about them (and what they went through)," Kott said. "Compared to that, giving up my summer is not that big of a deal."

The Capital District YMCA offers the LIVESTRONG program to help cancer survivors begin their journey toward recovery. Through this program, the Y provides adult cancer survivors with a safe, supportive environment where they can participate in physical and social activities that focus on strengthening the whole person, not the disease. This no-cost, 12-week program meets twice a week for 90 minutes, using traditional and holistic exercise methods to ease back into fitness and help people maintain a healthy lifestyle.

The team rides an average of 72 miles per day and relies on the charity of others for a place to stay, stopping at schools, community centers and churches along way. The Bethlehem YMCA was proud to help out these dedicated young people who have a big trip, a big goal, a big mission and even bigger hearts.

— Mark Hansen

# See 'Kinky Boots' June 18

Join us for "Kinky Boots" at Proctor's on Thursday, June 18, at 8 p.m. This popular Broadway musical is funny and inspirational. A real hit. The ticket price is \$51, check payable to Town of Bethlehem. Suggested van donation: \$10. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make your reservation.

Socialize and enjoy breakfast with other seniors at Tool's Restaurant on Delaware Avenue in Delmar on Wednesday, June 17, at 10 a.m.

Save the date for Elsie's Camp on Friday, Sept. 11, and Saturday, Sept. 12. Details to follow.

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Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.'s website is [bethlehemseniiorproject.org](http://bethlehemseniiorproject.org).

— Wilma DeLucco

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Expanding on its community role as Guilderland's Gathering Place, GPL is hosting a four-part series on beer. The series jumps off in June, features a mid-June beer tasting at the library and caps off with a tour of the Indian Ladder Farmstead Brewery in August. All are registered programs; you can register by calling 456-2400, ext. 2. To get tickets to the June 20 tasting, you need to come to the library.

"Homebrewing 101" opens the series on Saturday, June 6, at 2 p.m., with a fun and informative class for anyone interested in brewing their own beer.

Roger Savoy from the Homebrew Emporium in Rensselaer will demonstrate the process of beer making and show you everything you need to get started. Note: This is a demonstration event — no alcohol will be brewed or served.

"Guilderland's Early

Taverns and Hotels" — Part 2 of the series on Saturday, June 13, at 2 p.m. — is a fascinating and often amazing word-and-picture tour of Guilderland's original inns and taverns.

Utilizing the Guilderland Historical Society's extensive slide photo collection, Mary Ellen Johnson will discuss Guilderland's bygone watering holes, which offered travelers food, drink and respite on their journeys. These locations later became business and vacation destinations, and have been replaced by newer structures today. This before-and-after visual tour is not to be missed. The Guilderland Historical Society will have copies of "Old Hellebergh" and "The Town of Guilderland Tour Guide of Historic Sites

and Landmarks" available for purchase.

"Upper Hudson Valley Beer & Tasting," on Saturday, June 20, at 2 p.m., is, quite simply, unprecedented. Join local author Craig Gravina for a talk on the history of beer in our area. Then settle in for a library first — a tasting of various local beers.

Mr. Gravina will also have copies of his book — "Upper Hudson Valley Beer" — available for purchase and autographing. (FYI: Father's Day is the next day, June 21.)

How to get tickets the tasting: This is a free, ticketed event, and seats are limited. You may call the library at 456-2400, ext. 2, to reserve tickets, but you must come to GPL to pick them up in person; you will be asked to show an ID. Limit of two tickets

per person. Only people 21 years of age or older will be given tickets and allowed into the event.

"Local Hops and Tour," on Saturday, Aug. 15, at 2 p.m., begins at the library when Dietrich Gehring and Laura Ten Eyck of Indian Ladder Farmstead Brewery and Cidery will talk about growing heritage hops and barley at their farm in Altamont. The history of New York hops and Gehring and Ten Eyck's new beer and cider will be discussed and sampled.

This program will be followed by a special tour of the farm. At 3 p.m., everyone will drive themselves to the farm, arriving by 3:30 so the farm tour can begin. Then at 4:30 p.m., refreshments will be served; non-alcohol beverages will be provided for those under 21. The tour will end by 5 p.m. Tour happens rain or shine. Wear comfortable shoes.

— Mark Curiale

## ■ OBITUARY

## Mannheimer, Lois

DELMAR — Lois Mannheimer, 96, passed away on May 20, 2015, at Albany Medical Center in Albany.

Lois was born November 20, 1918 in New York City. She was the daughter of Elsie and Louis Mannheimer. Her family moved to Valatie in 1920, where her father established a pharmacy. Her mother taught music in Martin H. Glynn (Valatie) and Martin Van Buren (Kinderhook) schools.

Lois graduated from Martin Van Buren High School in 1936, earned a BA in 1941 and a MA in 1951 from New York State College for Teachers. She also attended Columbia

University, Colgate University, Syracuse University, Union College and Lawton College, Ottawa, Canada.

As a teacher of English and social studies, she worked at the Phelps Central School from 1941 to 1943. After thirty-eight years at Bethlehem Central School, she retired in 1981. She is remembered by her teaching colleagues and former students as a dedicated, nurturing, innovative and "iconic" educator. From 1983 to 2003, she was a weekly volunteer at the Hearing Center at Albany Medical Center.

Lois was a lover of great music. For over fifty years, she attended Saturday summer rehearsals of the Boston Symphony Orchestra at Tanglewood. In addition to actively entertaining her family and many friends, Lois enjoyed her window box flowers, HILL lectures and reading The Atlantic magazine.

Her brother, David Mannheimer, predeceased

her in 1986. Lois is survived by her niece, Diane Sobotta (Melvin Kaszupski), great nieces Jane Sobotta (Bryan Virts) and Jacqueline (Michael) Garren, great nephew Peter Sobotta (Vanessa) and great, great niece Phoebe Sobotta and great, great nephew Jacob Sobotta, and several Mannheimer cousins.

She requested that those who wish to remember her in a special way perform a random act of kindness for a friend, stranger, child or charitable organization.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held at a later date. Personal condolences and/or remembrances may be sent to Diane Sobotta at sobottadi@yahoo.com or to 817 First St., Northfield, NJ 08225.



Lois Mannheimer

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**A walk in the woods**  
 Local authors explore the Albany Rail Trail.  
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**PICK OF THE WEEK**



**N'orleans Jazz**  
 New Orleans trombonist, Glen David Andrews playing songs from his latest CD, "Redemption." Part of the "Made in the Shade of The Egg" concert series. June 10, noon, Empire State Plaza outdoor concourse, Albany. Free. Information: 473-1845.

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**LIVE MUSIC**



*It's open (festival) season on live music, everywhere*

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**  
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Any doubt that summer is here can be cast aside as music festival season has arrived. Some locales already fired up the amplifiers and electric guitars. Bethel, for one, hosted Mysterland, USA 2015 just two weeks ago. The Memorial Day weekend kicks things off.

Capital District music lovers have two festivals to choose from this coming weekend.

One of the largest Irish festivals in the United States takes place on Saturday, June 6, when the Saratoga County Fairgrounds plays host to Irish 2000 Music & Arts Festival. The one-day event promises arts and entertainment focused on an Irish heritage that, frankly, is quite prevalent in this area.

"I enjoy my family heritage," said Delmar resident Cyndy Fowles. "I love to listen to Irish music and watch Irish Step dancing. We usually attend as a family."

Farrell School of Irish Dance is scheduled to be on-hand, along with a slew of musicians throughout the day that include Brothers Flynn, Frank Jaklitsch, the McKrells, Get Up Jack and Emish.

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Gov't Mule (top) and Marco Benevento (right) are a few local acts who will take to Mountain Jam at Hunter Mountain this weekend. Irish 2000 Music & Arts Fest is this Saturday too.

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## FASHION

# Online bargains

The hunt for the best discounts will take you to the Internet, but where you buy all depends on how well you hunt

By **DENISE BENNETT**  
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Oh summer, prepping for you has been quite an expensive feat! Good thing I know a few tricks to save as much money as I can; as I find new espadrilles, maxi dresses and baubles.

While most people enjoy walking a cool mall while they hunt for their accessories, I am a strong proponent for online shopping.

Whilst it is true you can't touch or try on the item, you can get better deals overall. In addition, most online retailers with local brick and mortar establishments offer free returns in store. So if it doesn't work, you just have to make a quick trip.

Couponing is huge with my family. The general rule of thumb is, if I don't

have a coupon for it, I don't need it.

Now the opposite argument is a lot of places increase the cost to cover the discount of the coupon, and I am sure that is true to a certain extent, but when you can get items for free with a coupon, that seems like a win-win. So how can you get more coupons for the items you buy? Sign up for your favorite stores email or text alerts. Most stores I frequent that have a mall front have both types of communication. You will be alerted to the establishment's sales, but in addition, retailers include a coupon for in store or online use. You can also check out the store's social media feeds including Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. A lot of stores target their audience with secret or flash sales

with these networking gems.

Other ways to save include Living Social or Groupon. These are online based companies that offer discounts on popular items. Living Social promotes discounted things to do locally to your city. Groupon gives you daily deals on gift certificates from things like massages to restaurants. Both have websites as well as smart phone apps. Depending on where you live and your buying habits, these two may offer a lot for you.

I saved my favorite

for last: Retail Me Not. You can find a coupon for almost anything relating to an online retail or a brick and mortar store on Retail Me Not. This is the simplest, easiest and best way to score a coupon code

or bar code for in store scanning. Type in the name of the store you are looking for and within seconds, coupon codes will populate based on popularity and success. As I said, if I don't have a coupon for it, I don't need it. I need a lot of things. I will find a coupon.

My other favorite way to save is on the rebate side of things with programs such as Ebates, Mr. Rebates or Lucky Rewards. These are online programs that promote shopping based on a rebate program. Online retailers partner with one of these companies (or all three) and give a percentage back when you purchase through their link. For example, let's take HSN. HSN currently has a 3 percent rebate program through Ebates. What this

means for you is 3 percent of your purchase price (less shipping and handling and tax) is rebated to you in a quarterly check. So if you purchase a \$50 item, you are rebated \$1.50 amount. This accumulates over the quarter and you are issued a check or gift card (depending on the program). All of these programs will have fluctuating rebate amounts based on incentives and the retailers they work with. I have seen percentages from 1.5 percent all the way to 8 percent. All three sites offer coupon codes as well, so you can really get a good deal for your purchase.

Happy shopping!

Denise Bennett maintains a fashion blog on [Perfect20.co](http://Perfect20.co) and is a regular contributor to *SpotlightNews* on *Living*.



Savvy shoppers take to the Internet to find the best bargains when it comes to shopping consumer goods, but it's not always the ultimate destination once money exchanges hands. To find the best prices, you have to put your detective's cap on and do more than compare prices. You need to know where to find coupons.



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## LIVE MUSIC

# Churning out the music in Troy

Native son sheds light on Troy's bustling live music scene

By **VITO CICCARELLI**  
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Over the last 13 years, Troy has become the place to be in the summer.

Events like Troy Pig Out, River Street Festival, Troy Chowder Fest, Rockin on the River, and the Powers Park Concert Series have created much needed, positive buzz about Albany's little sister across the river.

Rockin on the River kicks the season off on June 10. Some of the nation's top tribute bands, mixed with some of the Capital District's best, will be headlining this event each and every Wednesday evening through August 12.

Staged along the historic Hudson River, showtimes are at 5 p.m. each evening.

6/10 – BstreetBand (Springsteen Tribute), with Rich Ortiz

6/17 – Who's Bad (Michael Jackson Tribute), with The Late Shift

6/24 – Skeeter Creek, with the Troy Music Academy All-Stars

7/01 – Almost Queen, with Yellowdog

7/03 – East Bound Jesus, with The Hawbuckees

7/08 – Super 400, with Blue Hand Luke

7/15 – Big Eyed Fish (Dave Matthews Tribute), with Flakjacket

7/22 – WEQX Presents the Rustic Overtones, with Mirk

7/29 – Natural Wonder (Stevie Wonder Tribute), with the Beat Shot

8/05 – Blues for Breakfast (Grateful Dead Tribute)

8/12 – Zoso (Led Zeppelin Tribute), with WVCR 'Play to Play' Contest winner.

River Street Arts Fest is the longest running Troy event. Over the past 15 years, the combination of arts and crafts, festival foods, and live music brings thousands to the Collar City. This year's entry happens on June 20.

11:30 a.m. – Carl Daniels

1:30 p.m. -- Hard Soul

3:30 p.m. ---Troy Blues

5:30 p.m. -- Albert Cummings

The Powers Park Concert Series will be kicking off its 12 season on Saturday, July 11. This community happening has evolved over the years into Lansingburgh's most anticipated event. Each week, different genres of musical styles are showcased, featuring some of the top acts in the Northeast.

7/11 – Jimi Graham //

Jimi Hendrix Bluesography – 6 p.m.

7/18 –The Getdown // Funk n Soul Night –6 p.m.

7/25 –Al Bruno // Oldies Night –6 p.m.

8/01 –Chris Dukes Band //Indie Rock Night –6 p.m.

8/08 –Emerald City // Classic Rock Night –6 p.m.

8/15 –Refrigerators // Dance Party –6 p.m.

8/22 –Lady Strange // 80's & 90's Rock Night –6 p.m.

8/29 –Courtney Shayne & the Patsy Cline Experience – 4 p.m. Big Sky Country – 6 p.m. // Country Fest

My next entry will contain info on Troy Pig Out, and Troy Chowder Fest. So make sure you keep picking up your copy of the Spotlight, or tune in to my show on Friday nights on WVCR, 88.3 The Saint, from 6 – 9 p.m. Visit us at, troyny.gov, or downtowntroy.org for additional information. Or feel free to call me at, 279-7162.

*Vito Ciccarelli is Troy's Special Events Coordinator by day and WVCR radio disc jockey by night. He will share news on all the great events happening at the home of Uncle Sam – one of the top event cities in the State of New York.*



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Bob Cook, right, helped lend historical perspective to Alan and Barbara Via as they walked along the New Scotland portion of the Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail.

Submitted Photo

## ■ WALKING

# A walk in the woods

A jaunt through the Albany County-Helderberg Rail Trail

By **ALAN VIA & BARBARA VIA**

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Imagine an early morning walk on a beautiful day, the silence is only broken by the delightful sounds of songbirds.

It's a wonderful way to enjoy the quiet that only early morning brings. In late spring, one might see movement ahead, a doe with her twin fawns stepping out onto the trail ahead. Mom flicks her large ears, flashes her flag, and the spotted fawns bound off behind. Our dog looks up at us with a 'did you see that' expression.

On a winter day, large snowflakes might be floating down, the kind that land on eyelashes, coating the ground and silencing steps. In autumn, that special light, with the sun disappearing over the Helderbergs, setting the leaves ablaze. We had the rare experience of seeing an elusive fisher, the largest member of the weasel family, jump onto the trail, take a quick look at us, and then dematerialize back into the woods on the other side of the trail.

Where is this wonderful trail located? It is right here in our backyard on the New Scotland section of the 9.1 mile Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail

trail. Although people have been walking the old rail line for years, the 2.5 mile section from Upper Font Grove Road to its terminus at Grove Street in Voorheesville has been cleared and widened by volunteers, and fencing installed where it passes over Route 155 and Vly Creek near Voorheesville.

Other than passing near a few backyards and crossing Hilton Road, most of the trail passes through forest, open woodlands, and fields. If you enjoy walking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, trail running, or any other outdoor activity, be sure to head to the recently opened New Scotland section of the Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail.

In 2004, the rails were removed from the 9.1 mile rail bed from downtown Albany to Voorheesville. In 2010, Albany county purchased the rail bed from the Canadian Pacific Railway and the birth of the Helderberg - Hudson Rail Trail. In June 2011, Albany County and the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy teamed up to open the first section of the trail, 1.9 miles from Veteran's Park in Delmar to New Scotland Road, Slingerlands. Since that time the trail has been cleared from Lower Font Grove Road to Voorheesville.

I recently had the privilege of walking part of the New Scotland section of the trail with 88-year-old Bob Cook, of Font Grove Farm. Before he retired, Bob worked for what used to be called the New York State Conservation Dept, as Director of Engineering. Born in 1926, Bob has lived for most of his life next to what was the rail bed and now one of the most interesting sections of the developing trail. Bob has seen a lot of history pass along the old railroad line. The original Font Grove Farm was several hundred acres, originally owned by a Colonel Hendricks, dating back to the 1860s. It was located near the intersection of the trail and Upper Font Grove Road. Near where Upper Font Grove Road intersects with the trail, there was a small park that had a track for trotting horses. Though the track disappeared almost 75 years ago, Bob pointed out where it was located.

It was a pleasure to take a walk back in history with Bob as we walked the trail. For much of its existence, the railroad was used mostly to haul freight, and ran once a day from Albany to Binghamton. At some point it became a commuter line from Altamont, making stops at

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## ■ CULINARY ARTS

# Weight loss is habitual

By **STACEY MORRIS**  
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Six years ago, I embarked on a new way of living and being.

After battling the scale for most of my life, I finally decided to accept the unattractive truth that diets only encouraged weight gain. I'd been on them in one form or another since the age of 10, when my well-meaning father drove me from our home in Lake George to Albany for an appointment at the stately Madison Avenue offices of "The Diet Doctor." I'll spare you the details with this simple spoiler alert: the food plan was so strict, the Marquis de Sade would have been proud. The end result: it made me more obsessed with food ... which caused more weight gain ... which fueled self-loathing.

Not exactly ideal circumstances in which to spend adolescence.

So by the time I stepped on the scale that fateful day of January 5, 2009, and watched in horror as the digits registered 345, I knew it was time to take some action. I also knew it could not in any way resemble a diet. Instead, I embarked on a self-devised prescription that included tuning into to my hunger cues, paying attention to feelings (something every emotional eater must do), and being more aware of the nutrients that went into my body. I was also very careful not to let things get too out of hand in terms of severity. I

wanted habits that could be lived with long term, so pleasure was an immutable part of the deal. When I really want something decadent (and I'm not misusing it as an escape) I have it in moderation, enjoy it thoroughly, and then move on.

For those treats that I eat on a more frequent basis, the solution is simple: make over the ingredients into something cleaner, less caloric, and more nutritional. Take the banana ice cream in my cookbook, "Clean Comfort," for example. It's so simple in composition, when I first was introduced to it, I disbelieved that it would resemble ice cream in any way.

A good friend of mine who eats clean gushed to me how good banana-based ice cream was, but I had no desire to try something that sounded so boring. Last summer, I decided to give it a whirl. Call it the effects of being crazy from a heatwave, but I found myself fantasizing about walking up to the window of my neighborhood soft-serve and ordering a giant ... oh, never mind. You get where I'm going. They were quite crafty, these invisible, whispering demons that beckoned me to the land of sugar cones capped with puffy white frozen vanilla cream. That's when I knew it was time to throw a few bananas in the freezer and prime my food processor. That's really the only other key ingredient you'll need for this concoction. If

you're craving a chocolate version, baking cocoa powder works fine. That's it ... no sugar, no cream, no emulsifiers ... nothing but bananas.

Did I like it? Well, I actually ended up loving it. The taste and texture of this dessert are superb. But I won't toy with you and say it's JUST like ice cream. No cream means a cleaner, lighter taste. The absence of fat is noticeable in terms of how it sits in your stomach. There's no, "must rest and regroup now" feeling that comes from downing a pile of cold cream, but that's OK ... it's an easy feeling to get used to.

*Stacey Morris is a Loudonville resident, cookbook author, and wellness blogger who has maintained a 180-pound weight loss for more than five years. Her website is [www.staceymorris.com](http://www.staceymorris.com).*



### Banana Ice Cream

Stacey Morris supplies us with a recipe for a favorite summertime treat, with a weight-conscious twist.

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Stacey Morris has found a way to lose weight while not putting herself through a love-hate relationship with food.

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## ■ ARTS

# Proctors to get Kinky

Tony Award winning musical opens June 16

"Kinky Boots," the hit musical that brings together four-time Tony Award-winner Harvey Fierstein and Grammy Award-winning rock icon Cyndi Lauper comes to Proctors, June 16-21.

Directed and choreographed by Tony Award-winner Jerry Mitchell, "Kinky Boots" opened

on Broadway April 4, 2013 and continues to play to standing-room-only crowds nightly. The show, which has broken all box office records at the Hirschfeld Theatre, recouped its costs in October 2013, after just 30 weeks on Broadway.

"Kinky Boots" took home six 2013 Tony Awards, the most of any show in the season, including Best Musical, Best Score (Cyndi Lauper), Best Choreography (Jerry Mitchell), Best Orchestrations (Stephen Oremus)

and Best Sound Design (John Shivers). The show also received the Drama League, Outer Critics Circle and Broadway.com Awards for Best Musical and the Grammy Award for Best Musical Album, along with many other accolades.

Inspired by true events, "Kinky Boots" takes you from a gentlemen's shoe factory in

Northampton to the glamorous catwalks of Milan.

Charlie Price is struggling to live up to his father's expectations and continue the family business of Price & Son. With the factory's future hanging in the balance, help arrives in the unlikely but spectacular form of Lola, a fabulous performer in need of some sturdy new stilettos.

"Kinky Boots" will play at Proctors, 432 State Street, Schenectady, Tuesday through Sunday, June 16-21.

The performance schedule is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; 1:30 and 8 p.m. Thursday; 8 p.m. Friday; 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday; and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets for "Kinky Boots" begin at \$25 and are available at the Box Office at Proctors, 432 State Street, Schenectady; by phone at 346-6204; and online at [www.proctors.org](http://www.proctors.org).

"Kinky Boots" at Proctors is part of the Key Private Bank Broadway Series, with sub-sponsors David Phaff & Associates at Realty USA, TEC Protective Coatings, Desmond Hotel and Conference Center, Logical Net, Pepsi Beverages Company and Hill & Markes.

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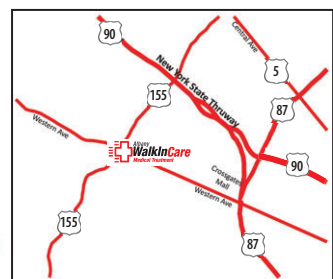
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## Rideout to steer CapREP's actors workshop

Actor-musician Leenya Rideout will take the helm of Capital Repertory Theatre's 2015 Acting Intensive workshop this summer, Aug 17 to 21.

Rideout returns to the Capital Region to steer the one-week training workshop for teen actors who want to improve skills in acting, movement and vocal production.

Acting Intensive classes run 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 17-21 at Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 N. Pearl Street, Albany.

Deadline to enroll is Aug. 7. Tuition is \$250, and scholarship applications are available upon request. For enrollment or more information visit [www.capitalrep.org](http://www.capitalrep.org) or contact Education Program Manager Katherine Stephens [atkstephens@proctors.org](mailto:atkstephens@proctors.org) or 518.382.3884 x168.



# FILM

## Movie fest kicks off PRIDE

Three-day film festival draws attention to bullying and harassment

The Palace Theatre announced the 2015 Palace PRIDE Film Series.

Taking place over three days leading up to Albany's Annual PRIDE Festival—this series of movies and events highlights various aspects of the modern day LGBT experience.

Each night we will pair a feature film with a special guest speaker or performer.

A portion of all tickets sales will be donated to the Pride Center of the Capital Region.

The 2015 PRIDE Film Series features the Oscar nominated film "Transamerica" on Wednesday, June 10, at 7 p.m., the new documentary "Matt Shepard is a Friend of Mine" on Thursday, June 11, at 7 p.m., and Guest House Films' murder mystery "Out to Kill" on Friday, June 12, at 7 p.m.

Calpernia Addams, (pictured below) actress and transgender activist featured in the "Transamerica" and subject of Showtime's "Soldier's Girl" to speak on

the current fight for Transgender rights.

Following "Matt Shepard is a Friend of Mine," James Clementi, Spokesperson for the Tyler Clementi Foundation, LGBT activist and brother of the late Tyler Clementi, will be on hand to speak on the effects of cyber bullying and harassment on LGBT youth.

Independent singer/songwriter Tom Goss, star of "Out to Kill" and writer/singer of the viral hit "Bears," will perform immediately after the screening of the movie. An avid activist himself, Goss uses his music and lyrics to highlight the LGBT experience.

As part of its commitment to raising awareness of the dangers of cyber-bullying, AT&T will host Thursday night's showing of "Matt Shepard is a Friend of Mine."

"AT&T is proud to partner with the Palace Performing Arts Center in presenting the PRIDE Film Series and welcoming James Clementi as the

special guest speaker for Thursday night's showing of the powerful movie," said Marissa Shorenstein, president of AT&T New York.

Tickets are on sale at the Palace Theatre Box Office located at 19 Clinton Ave. Box Office hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tickets are also available for purchase

through the Palace Theatre Charge-By-Phone at 518-465-4663, Ticketmaster Charge-by-Phone at 800-745-3000 and All Ticketmaster outlets or online at ticketmaster.com

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### SCHEDULE

• **Transamerica (2005):**  
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• **Out To Kill (2014):**  
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## BOOKS

# Wild and crazy stuff about animals

Local author to sign books at Stuyvesant Plaza

By MICHAEL HALLISEY  
halliseym@spotlightnews.com

**D**id you know a female kangaroo is called a flyer?

It's right there on the cover of Jessica Loy's newest children's book, "Weird & Wild Animal Facts."

This is the third children's book for the Delmar author, who has a particular interest in inspiring children to learn new things.

"I enjoy working with kids," said Loy, who is a professor at the Center for Art and Design at the College of Saint Rose, where she teaches graphic design. "Kids are so naturally curious, and they are eager and interested in learning new things."

It's easier to get them involved."

The 40-page, hardcover book has a similar layout to the infographics one would see out of a newspaper. A sophisticated step above any picture book. The recommended audience ranges between 4- and 8-years-old. Many of the pictures are taken from Loy, and laid out with fascinating facts about each animal, from the Panamanian Golden Frog to the vulture. There's also underwater, and subterranean creatures to learn about, such as the Giant Pacific Octopus and the naked mole rat, respectively.

There is little about the naked mole rat that makes it photogenic. For one, it's naked. As are

most creatures for that matter, but for this mole rat in particular, it is nearly devoid of hair, is full of rolls, and has the distinct characteristic of large, yellow teeth.

Nonetheless, it seems popular enough with kids, said Loy.

"I knew when I was at the zoo, I was on the right track because all the kids were surrounding the naked mole rat display. I couldn't get close to them."

There are 14 animals highlighted in all, representing a piece of work that took more than a year to complete, said Loy.

"I have to say I really love the research part," she said. "Taking the photos and talking to the people who take care of these animals. ... It's a process of learning what they do."

After which, Loy takes to her expertise in graphic design to layout the artwork and information in a format that's engaging to children. "There's an opportunity to be creative with imagery, layout and design."

Loy, whose other titles include "When I Grow Up: A Young Person's Guide to Interesting and Unusual Occupations," and "Follow the Trail: A Young Person's Guide to the Great Outdoors," said she hopes children will gain an appreciation for animals that will continue to grow as they do.

"I like the idea of inspiring children to learn more about the Animal Kingdom," she said. "I hope as they grow older they learn to be careful, and be sensitive to the environment. Learn to be conservative and understand their place in the animal world."

Loy will appear at The Book House at Stuyvesant Plaza on Saturday, June 13 from 3 to 4:30 p.m., to sign books, give away free bookmarks and offering a free activity for all children.



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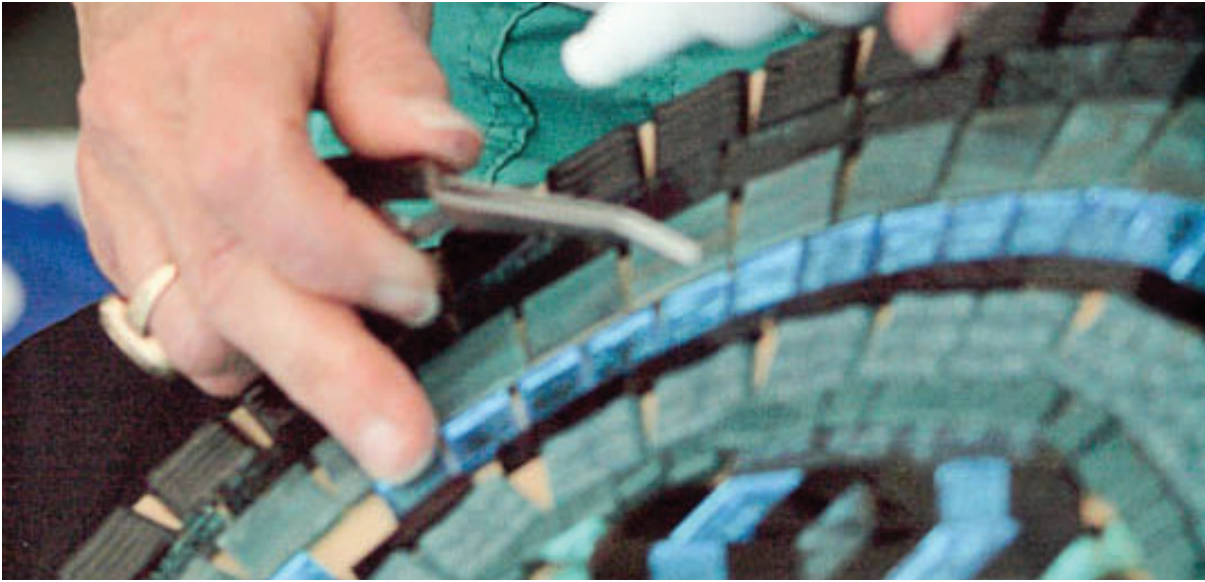
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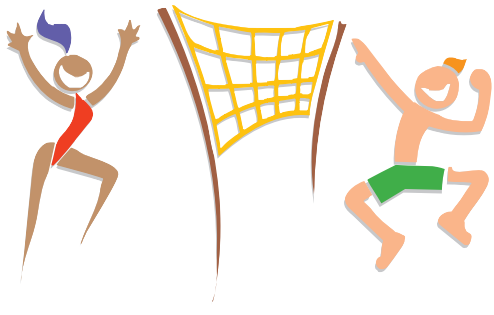
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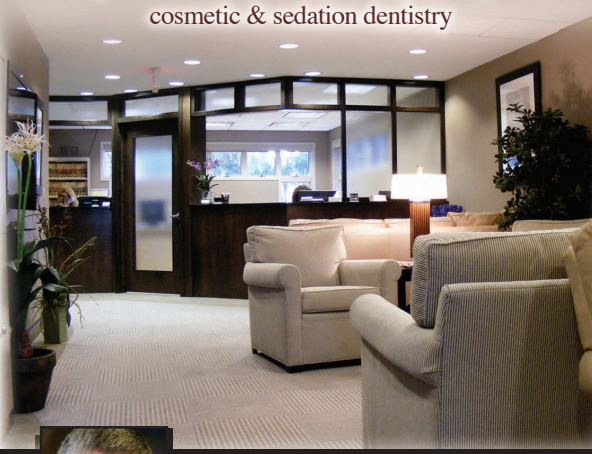
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## From page B1 ... Long live Rock

On the opposite side of the Capital District, music fans will be heading south on the Taconic Parkway for the 11th annual Mountain Jam Music Festival at Hunter Mountain starting Thursday, June 4.

Mountain Jam is a four-day, multi-stage event, that annually features forty bands on three stages in what many consider one of the best natural amphitheaters on the East Coast. Legendary rock artist Robert Plant headlines this year's

event. The Led Zeppelin frontman now sings leads for Robert Plant and the Sensational Space Shifters. The list of acts also include Alabama Shakes, Grace Potter and the Nocturnals, Michael Franti & Spearhead, Rebelution, Joe Russo's Almost Dead, Railroad Earth, Lake Street Dive, Trigger Hippy, Benjamin Booker and The Wailers, Rusted Root, Nicki Bluhm & The Gramblers, Shakey Graves, Jon Cleary, The Budos Band, Dopapod, Amy

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"I'm crossing off major acts on my bucket list," said Susan Rice of Albany. "The Black Keys, Alabama Shakes, Robert Plant, Lark Street Dive and JRAD (Joe Russo's Almost Dead) are my top thrills."

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Despite the accommodations and big names headlining the shows, not all festival regulars are sold on Mountain Jam's upcoming weekend.

I'm not going for the first time in six years, said Howell, N.J. resident Christine Locklear. "Prices and sections of camping are completely ridiculous. I'm sad, but it's not the fest it used to be. I'll be streaming in my driveway, with a fire in the fire pit instead."

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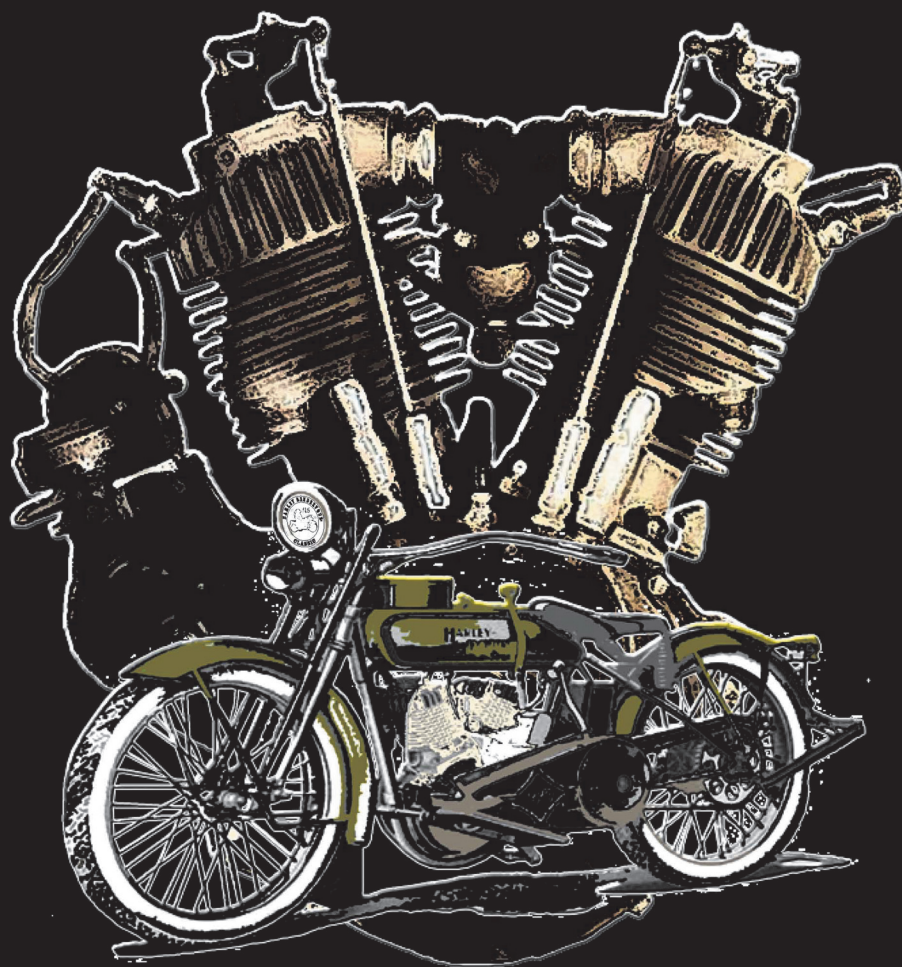
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## From page B4 ... A walk in the woods

crossings in Voorheesville, Hilton Crossing, Font Grove, Slingerlands, Delmar, and beyond. Bob's brother used to pick up the train from Font Grove to Slingerlands for a nickel fare every morning to go school. Bob described a ride he once took on the train from Binghamton to Slingerlands.

The rail bed is elevated as you walk from Upper Font Grove Road towards Hilton Road. Because the rail grade toward

Voorheesville is uphill, the track builders dredged dirt from the sides of the rail line to build up the track bed, resulting in the drop off and wetlands that we now see. As a result, the rail line right of way is 40-feet wide on one side and 100-feet on the other.

The farm fields on the south side of the trail used to be Bender's Melon Farm. Common belief was that the piece of railroad roundhouse that served as a bridge was erected so

cattle could safely cross the tracks. Bob doesn't think Bender had cows and believes the bridge was put in place so Bender could use it so his hay wagons could access both sides of the rail bed. Bob doesn't know when the bridge was put in, but it's been there his entire life. Between Hilton Road and Route 155, there is an old stone tunnel under the rail line and that was the cattle crossing.

Bob had a twinkle in his eye when he told a story of the filming of the movie, *Ironweed*. The producers constructed a fake locomotive steam

engine around a box car. The locomotive was backed up the tracks from Slingerlands and then filmed from the bridge. The scene ended up on the cutting room floor but it made an appearance in a scene involving a raid on a shantytown near Albany.

The railroad was also used to transport the circus from Binghamton to Albany. If you happened to be out and about when the train passed you'd get to see the animals.

When Bob was young, there were many dairy farms in the area of the trail, and some of the largest were along Font

Grove Road on the way to Voorheesville. Over time, farming became uneconomical and ceased operation. When the farms disappeared, the need to bring in carloads of grain ceased as well.

Oil became popular and plentiful after World War II, replacing anthracite for heating. When the coal dealers went out of business, it was another reason the rail line became less economically necessary. The industrial park in Guilderland Center used to be an Army depot and the railroad was used to ship materiel and supplies during the war; one more

need for rail.

There is a small building right next to the trail on Kenwood Avenue near New Scotland Road. Before walking with Bob, I shared the belief with many that this had been the Slingerlands rail station. Bob says it was actually the railroad freight house. The old Slingerlands fire house was the station.

The time I spent with Bob Cook gave me an even greater appreciation of the rail trail and its history.

*Alan Via is a local author who most recently published the book, The Catskill 67.*



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### ■ DUTCHMEN PLAYER TO WATCH



#### SEAN ASPINALL

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his second season with the  
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was the Dutchmen's Most  
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### ■ INSIDE



#### New heights

Bethlehem's Tedi DeMaria  
(above) and Grace Smith  
each won individual titles  
at the Section 2 Group 1  
Track and Field  
Championships May 31.

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### ■ ALBANY DUTCHMEN PREVIEW



Albany Dutchmen manager Nick Davey talks to the pitching staff during a team practice Sunday, May 31, at All Stars Academy in Latham. The Dutchmen had only a couple of days to prepare for their June 2 home opener against Elmira.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

## Seeking something more

Dutchmen want to challenge for PGCBL title

By **ROB JONAS**  
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**ALBANY** — A great start to the season is one thing.  
Maintaining that momentum is another.

That's the challenge at hand for the Albany Dutchmen  
as they prepare for the upcoming Perfect Game Collegiate  
Baseball League season.

"We've had great starts the last two years. We went 9-0  
and 8-1," said manager Nick Davey. "One of the things  
I put a lot of effort into this year is, who do we get more  
consistent the rest of the season?"

Albany has parlayed those hot starts to two straight  
playoff appearances, but the Dutchmen have barely made  
the postseason as the No. 3 seed in the five-team Eastern  
Division each time, as injuries and losses mounted.

"Players were getting hurt, and players were leaving  
to go to summer school (last year)," said outfielder Sean  
Aspinall, one of three returning players. "I was pleased with  
how our season went. Our pitchers never gave up and kept  
throwing strikes, and we kept getting the runs we needed  
when we needed them."

Aspinall was one of Albany's most consistent hitters last  
season. The California native led the Dutchmen in batting  
average (.336), hits (50), doubles (12), RBI (26) and games  
played (43) on his way to being selected for the PGCBL  
All-Star Game and earning the team's Player of the Year  
award.

"I'm coming back with a vengeance. I'm going to win  
the PGCBL title with the Albany Dutchmen and have the



Bethlehem's Eric Mueller is one of four Section 2 graduates on this  
year's Albany Dutchmen roster.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight

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## Seeking something more

best season that I can," said Aspinall.

"The best thing is he's a great kid," said Davey. "He has high expectations for himself. He had some injuries during the school year, and I don't think he felt that he had that good of a year (for Azusa Pacific) because of it. I think he's looking forward to getting back on the field and getting back after it."

The rest of Albany's lineup will feature a group of newcomers who can pull the ball – something Davey said he focused on during his off-season recruiting.

"I think we have more power than we've had. In past years, we needed to string three or four hits together in order to score runs, but this year we have guys who can drive the ball," said Davey.

One of the offensive players Davey landed is Bethlehem Central High School graduate Eric Mueller. The University at Albany sophomore outfielder was third on the team in batting average this season (.279) and led the

Great Danes in RBI (22).

"I think it's a great opportunity," said Mueller, who is playing his first season of collegiate league summer baseball. "I like it because it's local."

Mueller said he was disappointed with his stat line after batting .435 with Hudson Valley Community College in 2014 as a freshman, and he's looking to get his swing back with the Dutchmen.

"Just get better in every facet of the game. I had a bit of a down year at UAlbany, so I want to get better," said Mueller.

"I thought he had a pretty good year at SUNY, and I'm glad to hear that he has high expectations of himself," said Davey.

Section 2 talent dots Albany's roster once again. Besides Mueller, the Dutchmen have Niskayuna's Chase Crawford, Rotterdam's Chris Amorosi and Averill Park's Nick Cioffi, who is pitching for his third collegiate league summer baseball team.

"I played in the PGCBL

with Oneonta (in 2012) and in the New England Collegiate League with Saratoga (in 2013)," said Cioffi. "I took last year off because I had a sore arm."

Davey tabbed Cioffi to be his opening day starter when the Dutchmen hosted Elmira Tuesday, June 2, at Bob Bellizzi Field.

"As one of the older players on the team, we're going to lean on him to be not necessarily a captain, but as a leader on this pitching staff," said Davey.

Cioffi said his goal is to help his fellow pitchers improve as the season goes on.

"You just pick things up in summer ball because it is a grind. You don't have classes to break up your day. You're either playing or practicing," said Cioffi. "You have to keep your arm healthy, and you have to get your work in."

Other players to watch this season include Jack Weiller, who Perfect Game ranked as New York's top collegiate shortstop prospect; Tristan Rojas, who was Perfect Game's No. 1-ranked outfielder prospect in 2014; Dominic DiCaprio, who is considered to be the top catch-and-throw catcher in Florida; and

Mike Reticheck, who was a first team All-Ivy League pitcher this season at Pennsylvania after posting a 1.72 earned run average over 57.2 innings.

"I think it's a great group; I think it's a complete group," said Davey. "In past years, I've said maybe we're a little more pitcher heavy ... but once everybody is in town – we still have some people playing in NCAA regionals right now – we should have a complete group."

## Dutchmen notes

One of the early highlights for Albany this season is a June 17 exhibition game against the Tri-City ValleyCats of the professional New York-Penn League at Joe Bruno Stadium in Troy. It's the first time the Dutchmen and the ValleyCats will meet.

"It speaks volumes of us as an organization that they think that highly of us where they think we can provide the level of entertainment they're looking for," said Davey. "It's a good day for us to show (our players) what being a professional player is like. We're really excited to have the opportunity to do that."

## ■ TRACK AND FIELD

## Smith, DeMaria win

Forman, Carey pace Guilderland at Sectionals

By ROB JONAS  
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**CLIFTON PARK** — Grace Smith and Tedi DeMaria each won individual events to lead the Bethlehem girls track and field team to a fourth-place finish at the Section 2 Group 1 Championships Sunday, May 31, at Shenendehowa High School.

Smith defended her high jump title by clearing the bar at 5 feet, 4 inches, while DeMaria won her first pole vault championship by clearing the bar at 11 feet, 6 inches. DeMaria was also fourth in the triple jump with a distance of 33 feet, 6.75 inches.

The Lady Eagles finished with 48 points in a meet dominated by Shenendehowa and Saratoga Springs. Shen claimed the Sectional team title with 181 points, while Saratoga finished second with 164 points.

Guilderland was fifth in the girls team standings with 41 points. Sarah Forman led the Lady Dutch with a victory in the 800-meter race in a time of 2:17.15.

On the boys' side, Guilderland was third in the team standings with 82 points, while Bethlehem finished sixth with 41 points.

Noah Carey was Guilderland's top performer at the Group 1 meet. The sophomore won the 1,600-meter race with a time of 4:16.42, and he finished second in the 3,200-meter race with a time of 9:36.29.

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## From page 1 ... Out by a step

A top the mound stood the four pitchers representing Bethlehem Central's pitching corps for the upcoming season. Shoulder to shoulder, each with a baseball in his throwing hand, gestured towards a photographer who was inspired by the Atlanta Braves "Four Aces" of that year. Instead of names like Maddux, Smoltz, Glavine and Avery, it was Jamie Mizener, Alex Hackman, Kevin Keparutis and Scott Fish. Each just high school kids playing amateur baseball, but the expectations placed upon the Eagles was just as high. Every school in the Suburban Council would envy having only one of those arms on their staff. Coach Hodge had four.

"I remember thinking that this team was down to the point where they should win," said Matt Quatraro, the team's starting catcher. "With a lot of the key players being seniors – Scott Hodge, Keparutis, Alex Hackman, Jamie Mizener – I thought all the pieces were in place to be really good that year."

Mizener, Hackman and Keparutis were just three of six seniors returning from last year's squad. Other starters included third baseman Al Greenhalgh, middle infielder Craig Weinert and outfielder Scott Hodge.

Hodge was approaching his sixth year as Bethlehem Central's head coach. Despite the accolades earned by his team in earlier years, he didn't see any one individual player standing out as a star. He recalled them all as good athletes.

His son, Scott was named to the all-area second team last year. Mizener, at 8-1 and a 1.61 ERA, was named to the all-area team. And, Quatraro, despite this being his first year on the varsity squad, had already started garnering interest from major league scouts at the age of 15.

The team bolted out to a 2-0 record after a couple of non-league games. In a 3-2 win over Gloversville, Mizener gave up just three hits and struck out eight, in what would be a signature stat line for him

throughout the year. The Eagles followed that with a 15-2 offensive barrage against Ravena. Despite the impressive stats, Hodge walked away impressed with the defense.

"I was looking to see good fielding, and I saw it," Hodge told *The Spotlight* that week. "Our defense is much farther ahead than I expected it to be at this point."

There were few question marks for the coach. His pitching staff was established before the season began. Mizener and Hackman were the primary starters. Keparutis was a reliever. Fish only a junior, had to work his way in through non-league games.

"Mizener and Hackman were always around the plate," said Hodge. "They didn't have overwhelming velocity. They had good stuff, good off-speed. They were crafty lefties that threw in the low 80s with a lot of movement on the ball. The one thing about them, which was a huge asset, is that no one could run on them. They picked more people off base. No one could go on them, and even if they had a jump, Quatraro was a decent catcher."

The ace out of the bullpen was Keparutis.

"Radar guns weren't huge back then," said the coach. "But, Keparutis was probably around 90. Tough, tough velocity. I mean, 6'5", 215 [pounds] coming at you is tough."

As April came to an end, Bethlehem Central stood at 5-1 and already held lone possession of first place in the Gold Division. Mizener owned four of those wins. And, in a non-league game, Fish impressed his coach with a five-hit shutout against Gloversville.

The momentum carried them through to the end of May, as they clinched the Gold Division for a fourth year with a 12-3 league record. The regular season closed out with Mizener leaving a game early, and Weinert pulling a hamstring as the team fell 8-0 to Shaker. They nearly slipped against Guilderland, when they fell behind 6-0, before their bats woke up. Keparutis

and Matt Dennin each had three hits. Quatraro and Greenhalgh had two with runs batted in.

The natural wear and tear on the players was expected, but shortly before Sectionals, Hodge was left with an unexpected decision. Two of his players violated training rules. Greenhalgh and Keparutis were scratched from the team.

"That was a big blow," recalled Quatraro. "Al was our third baseman. And, obviously Kevin. That one hurt a lot, because of the fact that we played in that double-header for the States. I don't know if they still do it that way, but they had the playoffs start in the morning. ... [Having Keparutis] would have been a huge help."

Bethlehem's four aces was down to three.

The Smithtown East Indians stormed into Sectionals on a shutout victory over Lindenhurst. Sophomore John Forneiro tossed a no-hitter in the 3-0 win. But, his team was best known for the hitting clinic they'd been conducting late in the season.

East Islip fell victim in the best of three series to determine the Suffolk Class A championship. In the first game, Smithtown East's Joe Raineri blasted a leadoff home run in the visitor's half of the first. Anthony Campagna followed suit in the second, and the offense barrage continued with a pace of 22 hits for an easy 16-6 win. Steve Maltagliati, East Islip's undefeated ace pitcher was able to halve their offensive output in the second game, but suffered an 8-2 loss to end the series.

Farmingdale also had an undefeated pitcher in Steve Restivo, before toeing the slab against the Indians the following week. In four innings of work, he yielded 11 runs off of 10 hits. "They crushed me," Restivo told *Newsday* after his team fell to Smithtown 12-5. "Everything I threw they hit."

When Smithtown East rolled into Little Falls, it was their second trip to the State Finals in three years. That first game, they lost 5-4 to Orchard Park. But, on this go around, people doubted anyone could stop them.

"I remember feeling every player on that team

was gigantic," said Lorette. "How do they breed them guys down there?"

Bethlehem Central took to the plate against Forneiro in the visitor's half of the first and was able to scrape together a run to jump ahead 1-0. As the Eagles took to the field, Mizener was the pitcher tasked with holding Smithtown down. It was Mizener's second appearance in one day.

"A lot of people didn't know that Mizener started out the year with a sore hip," said Hodge. "He needed rest. We were playing Jamestown in

Herkimer. It was a close game. They were a big, athletic team. They came in with shirts on saying, "Undefeated. Unscored Upon" in football. We knew they were going to be tough."

Despite their intimidation tactics, Hackman kept Jamestown from making good contact on the ball. In four innings, he was in the midst of a shutout. Until the clouds opened up and it started to rain.

"It was controversial whether they were going to finish the game," recalled Hodge. "After a certain

time it was going to be official. They [continued] the game an hour and 15 minutes later, an hour and a half later. And, Alex had stiffened up. So, I had to throw Mizener in the game, because we were only up three to nothing. Mizener finished the last two innings up."

Bethlehem Central sent Jamestown home with a 5-0 loss, only to pack up quickly to travel north to Little Falls. Going into the final game, the Eagles depth in pitching looked

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Notice of Formation 144 Atlantic Ave LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/21/15 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#80793

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 1475 Washington Avenue, LLC, Art. of Org. filed with Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 6/1/01. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 1475 Marble Way, Boca Raton, FL 33432. Purpose: any lawful activities. Ad#79957

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 1933 Union Boulevard LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/17/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad#80269

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: 20 Green Mountain LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 5/28/15. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to One Mustang Drive, Cohoes, NY 12047. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#84026

## LEGAL NOTICE

Not. of Form. of 21 D.A. Weider LLC Art. of org. filed with SSNY on 09/21/12. County: Albany. SSNY is designated agent of LLC to whom process be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to LLC, 199 Lee Avenue, Suite 406, Brooklyn NY 11211. Any Legal Act or Activity Ad#82706

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of 210 WAE, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on May 1, 2015, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at c/o Ganz Wolkenbreit & Siegfeld LLP, 1 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY 12203. The principal business loca-

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tion of the LLC is 210 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, NY 12203. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law. Ad#81503

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 223-225 QUAIL ST. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed on 04/16/2015 with the Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY). Office Location: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to po Box 6632, Albany, NY 12206. Ad#80814

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 34-51 9th Street Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/30/15 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#83113

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 9627 Farragut LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/9/15 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#79943

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation A DAY'S WORK LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/5/15 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#83111

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Alina Dellanzo, DDS, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 4/17/15. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 511 Franklin Street, Clayton, NY 13624. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#80008

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Amina Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/15/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Acc-

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umera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79938

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of BROOKLYN HILLS LLC. Articles of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on APRIL 21, 2015, office location: Albany County, NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail service of process (SOP) to NW Registered Agent LLC @ 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, NW Registered Agent LLC is designated as agent for SOP at 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, purpose is any lawful purpose. Ad#80660

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of BUN & BEAN, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of State of New York on 04/27/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served against the LLC to: Bun & Bean, LLC, 848 Madison Avenue, Albany, NY 12208. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#81591

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Youth Activity Fund, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 4/14/15. Off. Loc.: Schenectady Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 29 Onderdonk Road, Glenville, NY 12302. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79959

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation D & A Mechanical LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/15 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#79944

## LEGAL NOTICE

Name: DTB NXT LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/12/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC P.O. Box 253 Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#80019

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Fashion News LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/5/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Acc-

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umera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#83110

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation gardenform llc Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/6/15 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#83109

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Integrity Place, LLC (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on March 23, 2015. New York office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as an agent upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it is PO Box 271, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose of the LLC is any purpose for which a limited liability company may be organized under applicable law. Ad#83156

## LEGAL NOTICE

JAY & DEV, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on April 9, 2015. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1221 North Westcott Road, Schenectady, NY 12306. Purpose: General Ad#83659

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION The name of the limited liability company is JOSEPH FITZPATRICK AND SON LLC. The Article of Organization of LLC were filed with the New York Department of State on JANUARY 21, 2015. The office of the LLC is in SARATOGA county and the address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served is to STEVEN M SARGENT; 20 S CHURCH ST; SCHENECTADY, NY 12305. The purpose of this LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State. Ad#84079

## LEGAL NOTICE

JR Legal LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/20/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, c/o John Paul Roman, 33 Sound Beach Blvd., Sound Beach, NY 11789. Purpose: General. Ad#82699

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Notice of Formation KarmaS Wholesale LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/21/15 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#80792

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation KJ&A Consulting, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/26/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#84067

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Kumi Creative LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/20/15 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#83702

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: LAROSE'S DEERFIELD FARM LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/24/2015. 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, 32 Edgecomb Street, Albany, NY 12209. Purpose: For holding real estate. Ad#83649

## LEGAL NOTICE

MANDJ LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 2/5/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 305 E. 85th St., Apt. 19A, NY, NY 10028. General purpose. Ad#81687

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Medallion Capital Partners LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/30/15 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#83112

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Merrick AA LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/14/15 Off. Loc.: Al-

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bany 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#83107

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation MioBox, LLC Application for Authority filed with SSNY on 4/30/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. Arts. of Org. filed with SSDE on 4/16/15. 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. Address required to be maintained in DE: 3500 S Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19903. Name and address of the authorized officer in DE where copy of Arts. of Org. is filed: Delaware Secretary of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#83116

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of NEW YORK 52 LLC Articles of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on APRIL 21, 2015, office location: Albany Co., NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail service of process (SOP) to NW Registered Agent LLC @ 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, NW Registered Agent LLC is designated as agent for SOP at 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, purpose is any lawful purpose. Ad#80657

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Phaedo LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/30/15 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#83114

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of an LLC: Phone Solutions, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 5, 2015. Office location is in Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail a copy of Process to the LLC, 41 Queen Anne Drive, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: for any lawful purpose. Ad#83129

## LEGAL NOTICE

The name of the limited liability company is PROEXPERT LLC. The Article of Organization of LLC were filed with the New York Department of State on DECEMBER 29, 2014. The office of the LLC is in RENSSELAER county and the address to which the Secretary

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of State shall mail a copy of any process served is to IMRAN SEL-CUK; 108 14th ST; TROY, NY 12180. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State. Ad#83419

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation ProSeal Sealcoating + Property Services LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/21/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 23 Wendell Drive, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#80791

## LEGAL NOTICE

RBGS GROUP LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/24/2015. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 145 E. 15th St., 8H, NY, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#80800

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Sam Schwartz Consulting, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/14/15. 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#83117

## LEGAL NOTICE

The name of the limited liability company is SCHENECTADY RENTALS LLC. The Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with the New York Department of State on March 23, 2015. The office of the LLC is in Schenectady County and the address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served is to STEVEN M SARGENT; 20 S CHURCH ST; SCHENECTADY, NY 12305. The purpose of this LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State. Ad#83418

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Second Circle Partners LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/13/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79935

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name:

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Shriyan Software LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 5/18/15. 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 38306, Albany, NY 12203. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#83120

## LEGAL NOTICE

SICE Holdings LLC, Art. of Org., filed with the SSNY on 02/17/2015. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o PO Box 831 Albany, NY 12201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#82711

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Sigma Wholesale NY, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/15 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#79941

## LEGAL NOTICE

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of STAY RESIDENCES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/15. 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, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#82698

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Sunset Drive Partners, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on May 4, 2015, effective on the date of filing. Of-



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# Early detection matters

Join us on Monday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m., when Erica Salamida, Program Manager from the Northeastern New York Alzheimer's Association, will discuss the warning signs of Alzheimer's disease.

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— Lynn Kohler

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Sutton Collective, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY

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on 4/17/15 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#79936

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Notice of Formation The Kindcraft LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/20/15 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.  
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Notice of Formation THERESA B. MARANGAS, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 2/12/2015. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: C/O PLLC, 43 Aspinwall Road, Loudonville, NY 12211. Purpose: all lawful activities.  
Ad#80744

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Triple M Management, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on February 20, 2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designate as agent

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of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC at 230 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful act.  
Ad#82759

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Van Dyke Spinney, LLC (the "LLC") were filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on November 21, 2005, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any

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process to the LLC c/o Edward R. Feinberg, Esq., One Juniper Drive, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Limited Liability Law of the State of New York.  
Ad#83693

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Article of Organization for Harmony Ventures of Albany, LLC was filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 9, 2015. The Principal Office of the Company is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent

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upon whom process may be served and a copy of process shall be mailed to Stanley and Lula Tune, 427 W. Lawrence Street, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. The latest date upon which the Company is required to be dissolved is 1/1/2099.  
Ad#79435

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation VMC 120 Realty LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/14/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Acc-

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umera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities.  
Ad#83108

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qual. of VP Fund Services, LLC, Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/12/15. Office loc: Albany County. LLC org. in DE 3/6/15. SSNY design. as agent of LLC upon whom proc. against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of proc. to c/o CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE office addr.: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. on file: SSDE, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purp: any lawful activities. Ad#79958

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Ward of the Wood, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 30, 2015. 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 any process to Alan Woodward, 25 Huntleigh Drive, Loudonville NY 112211. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.  
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### ■ FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

## Gifted summer day

Last week, my two eldest children were gifted with the news of an additional summer vacation day. The superintendent of the school district canceled the last scheduled day, the reasons for which takes me away from the story. The point is, my kids were gifted with another day of vacation.

Youth certainly is spoiled upon the young. I can say that now on account of being old. I feel old. Because, I can't help but think what I would do with two months off from my responsibilities here. So, I asked the kids on the way to school today, what they looked forward to most about the upcoming summer vacation.

My 11-year-old son responded immediately with, "summer camp." He and his sister have been going to one of the local day camps here for the past few years, and has a network of friends he looks forward to seeing. Just this morning, he was putting together a deck of Magic: The Gathering cards in anticipation for the countless battles he'll share over a picnic table.

My eight-year-old daughter just as quickly answered with Zoom Flume. Naming something that calls for more physical activity is of no surprise to me. She's a bundle of energy that leaves her parents and grandparents scratching their heads.

While I was their age, my summer vacations were not too far off from their own. My two prized possessions were my bicycle and my baseball mitt, and hardly a day went by that I didn't ride to the local schoolyard to meet up with friends for a game. And, lately, I find myself itching for a good game of dice baseball, just as I would play when it rained outside.

Unstructured free time is just as important for parents as it is for children. Too many weekends are spent feeling obligated to catch up on the job, or do more things around the house. (Though, I admit to driving my wife crazy with my apathy towards gardening. Here's a hint — I don't like it.) Though some people enjoy, and need, structure, giving yourself a chance to let your mind wonder is healthy.

Don't feel guilty if you want to sit on the porch and read a book. If you're thinking about it, it's your brain telling you it needs a break.

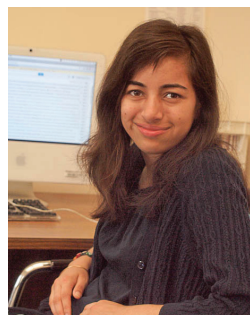
I know some parents are complaining over the revised start of the district's vacation schedule. As an adult with obligations and responsibilities, I say "phttttt!" (That's a raspberry.) It's time you pick up the swimsuit, hit the water park and have a little fun. If you're too wrapped up in the daily activities that draw you away from the family, you need to rethink your priorities.

At least for a day.

Your bills were due a few days ago.

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### ■ GET TO KNOW ...



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

These days, I am listening to Pandora. My favorite Pandora playlists are Disney songs and Broadway show tunes. The Disney playlist is great because I know all the songs and anyone I know can easily sing along to the classic songs. The Broadway show tunes playlist is nice because I can learn new music such as *Phantom of the Opera* and *Anything Goes* and *Chicago*, but I can also listen to music I love such as *Wicked* and *Mamma Mia* and *The Sound of Music*.

#### What are you reading?

Currently, I am reading the book *Gone Girl*. As soon as I finish reading this great book, I hope to see the movie. I am also taking my time reading Syd Field's *Screenplay: The Fundamentals of Screenwriting*. The book is teaching me a lot about not only

how to write a screenplay, but the basics of writing any long story such as a novel.

#### What are you watching on TV?

I have not watched much TV lately, but in the evenings I watch HGTV with my family, enjoying shows such as *Property Brothers* and *Flip or Flop* and *House Hunters* and *Fixer Upper*. When I watch Netflix, I watch only a few shows — *How I Met Your Mother* and *Blue Bloods* and *Psych*.

#### One person living or dead you would like to meet and why?

I would like to meet Audrey Hepburn because she is a woman of grace and humility. She grew up poor during World War II, raised a family while being a movie star, and ended her life doing work with UNICEF in very poor communities of the

world. Her life story is a great example of how many women should live their lives. She never got wrapped up in the fame and she always stayed true to her values. I would ask her how she stayed true to her values while being in the film business and what made her decide to start doing so much volunteer work and what it was like working with so many famous actors such as Gregory Peck.

#### What was the last movie you saw?

The last movie I saw was *Barefoot*, a movie about a misunderstood girl in a psychiatric hospital and a man who does not meet his family's expectations.

#### What three things would you bring with you to a desert island?

My fully charged laptop, printed copy of my first novel I wrote, and my dog Jack.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Thank you for your approval

Editor, *The Spotlight*;

This past week, we conducted the annual school district election for Bethlehem Central School District. It is with sincere gratitude, I thank the entire school community for their generous support this year, as well as over the past four budget cycles.

Every year, in the run up to the vote, we do as much as we can to encourage residents, of all ages, to advocate for the district and exercise their right to vote. You have always answered the call to assist the district in its need to secure our fair share of state funding, and we have always had great voter turn out in each of our election cycles. Therefore to the entire Bethlehem Central school community, on behalf of the Board of Education, staff, administration, and myself as your superintendent, thank you for voting overwhelmingly (78 percent) in support of the 2015-16 budget.

It is certainly wonderful to resolve the long-standing budget deficit that the district has been experiencing during the Great Recession. Our district is now well positioned to move forward in the coming years because of everyone's hard work and sacrifice over the last few. However, our work is just beginning as we finish out the 2014-15 school year. In the coming years, inspiration I believe can be found by using,

in education form, some of the words that John F. Kennedy was going to say to the nation, in his last speech:

"We need to stand together with renewed confidence in our cause — united in our heritage of the past and our hopes for the future of education — and determined that this District we love shall lead all into new frontiers of educational excellence and fiscal stability."

These words are so true, as we look at education today and what we need to accomplish to secure the educational future of BC, as well as all other districts in New York State. This confidence shall be our guide as we continue to work with our elected leaders and shall bind us together to work for the interests of our students and community.

In the future months, we still have much work to do; however, let's take some time to honor our communities commitment to education and our soon to be graduates. Please consider attending many of our end-of-the-year celebrations, at each of our schools, as well as any of our musical performances. Our students love to perform for our residents and their family.

Thank you again for your continued support of our schools and programs.

*Dr. Thomas J. Douglas,  
Superintendent of Schools*

# Food pantry is stocked again

Editor, *The Spotlight*;

I am writing on behalf of the Bethlehem Food Pantry to thank the community for donating 7,000 pounds of food to the Delmar Letter Carriers "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive that took place on May 9. The food that was collected in Delmar will be used in the Bethlehem Food Pantry, which is located at Bethlehem Town Hall.

The Delmar Post Office and the letter carriers are most gracious every year in their effort to feed the hungry in our community.

Over 7,000 pounds of non-perishable food was brought to Town Hall with the assistance of BCHS students. It was date checked by Hamagrael PTA parents and then sorted by Hamagrael students and by Girl Scout Troop 1661,

with heavy lifting done by high school students. The Stamp Out Hunger food, in addition to food that is order from the Regional Food Bank, will last until the early fall, when the pantry is replenished by the Boy Scout food drive.

The Bethlehem Food Pantry serves approximately 55 families each month with the on-going help of 10 to 15 volunteers. The pantry is funded

by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc., a non-profit corporation which partners with the Town of Bethlehem Senior Services Department to provide programs and services. For more information about the Bethlehem Food Pantry, please call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

*Jane R. Sanders  
Outreach Supervisor  
Town of Bethlehem  
Senior Services Department*

# Glad to be back

Editor, *The Spotlight*;

I want to thank all the voters in the Bethlehem Central School District for your overwhelming support of the budget and my reelection to the school board. For 27 years, I have done my best to represent the interests of the community in a fiscally responsible way, while at the same time helping to provide a quality education to our

children. People move to Bethlehem because of the schools.

Thank you again for your support and feel free to contact me with your questions or concerns through the school district's web site ([www.bethlehemschools.org](http://www.bethlehemschools.org)) or to me directly at [llenhardt@bcsd.neric.org](mailto:llenhardt@bcsd.neric.org) or at 439-7704.

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sparse. Hackman was done and Mizener with two innings logged, leaving Hodge with Fish and senior Rob Kells out of the pen. Nevertheless, Mizener was the ace of the staff, and the clear choice to start the final. "We had to go right from there to Little Falls, and Jamie came up and he said he wasn't right," said Hodge. "He wasn't 100 percent. He said maybe 90 percent."

Raineri was locked in on Mizener's first offering, and liked what he saw. "I remember that pitch, actually," said Quatraro. "It was really low, almost on the ground." He hit it to center, which is the shallowest part of that park."

Smithtown's brawn continued to emerge in the final. The Indians jumped to a 6-3 lead in the fourth off a two-run shot from outfielder Tom Scioscia. The senior was one of two players who played against Orchard Park two years before. "It made me that much more hungry," he would tell *Newsday* after

the game.

Bethlehem battled back, scoring two in the fifth to make the game 6-5. And, that's how the game stood until the home half of the sixth inning, when Smithtown came to the plate. Fish was on the mound and he was successful at holding the Indians at bay the inning before. An offering to Jamie Apicella found itself on the wrong side of the outfield fence to make it 7-5. Two batters later, with a man on base, Raineri stepped to the plate and launched a two-two pitch over the left field fence for his second homer of the game. His teammates gathered around home plate, waiting for Raineri to finish rounding the bases. As they had done three times before, they all raised their voices and shouted "boom" as Raineri stepped on the plate. It was then *Newsday* reporter Tim Leonard heard the slugger declare, "This is ours!"

The game seemed all but decided by the time Weinert stepped to the

plate for the Eagles. Down 9-5 and one out on the board, he topped a slow dribbler to the shortstop. As he hustled down the line, the throw went over the first baseman and into right field. A few batters later, young Hodge walked to the plate.

As Hodge approached the plate, he walked past Dennin, who just went down swinging for out number two. Hodge had been a steady hitter throughout his high school career, batting .421 the season before. Just earlier that day, he went a perfect 3-for-3 against Johnstown. With two men standing on base, Hodge stroked a shot down the right field line. Two runners scored, and before the dust settled, Hodge stood on third with a triple to make it 9-7. Rattled, Smithtown's Steve Reduto walked Quatraro. Scott Holecsek relieved Reduto to face off against left-handed hitting Hackman, and proceeded to walk him to load the bases, and bringing up Lorette.

Lorette had started the season playing outfield, away from his customary first base. After a stint of not hitting well at the

plate, he was benched. Towards the end of the season, Lorette recalled being worked back into the line-up, playing first base as Hackman pitched, and hitting from the designated hitter slot. "I wasn't a particularly power hitting player," said Lorette. "[Hodge] was a great coach. My feeling was he had a good sense to know how to push a player in a certain way. He recognized that either I was the hot hand, or the player best suited to play." Against Smithtown, Lorette accounted for two of Bethlehem's 13 hits, as he walked to the plate.

Another left-handed hitter, Lorette showed patience at the plate. "I know I made it to a full count," he said. "There were a couple of fastballs there that I swung through. The last pitch I think was a slurve or a curveball." Lorette swung and pulled the ball, a sharp ground ball heading to the gap between the second and first basemen. "When I hit the ball, I thought, 'this is a single.' It was going between the first and second basemen, and I put my head down to run."

Coach Hodge stood

in the third base coach's box. His son Scott had already bolted for home. The coach's eyes focused on Quatraro at second.

"The ball hit between first and second," he said. "I'm concentrating on Quatraro because I want to get him home to tie it. I'm waving him in ..."

With the game on the verge of being tied, his team's bench and accompanying fans fell oddly silent. "And, then I hear the 'out' call," said Lorette. "I felt there was no way someone fielded the ball that quickly. It was too fast. I had my head down. And then, you fill in the blanks."

Lorette's sharp grounder screamed to the gap, heading to right field for an all but guaranteed two-run single. But, as Hackman made his step towards second, the ball hit him in the thigh, silencing both the Bethlehem bench and their fans.

"When I was rounding third, the other team was coming out of the third base dugout," recalled Quatraro. "I didn't know the ball had hit Alex. I thought I was scoring the tying run."

Hodge recalled the

confusion in Quatraro's eyes, as they both looked at each other. "So, the ball hit Hackman," said Hodge. "We had the tying run right there. We would have tied the game right there."

The awkward way in which the game ended still makes those involved chuckle 25 years later.

"That had to be one of the strangest ways to end a game, let alone a championship game," said Quatraro. After graduating from Bethlehem Central in 1992, the Selkirk native earned All-America honors at Old Dominion before the Tampa Bay Rays selected him in the amateur draft in 1996. After an injury-plagued career, Quatraro broke in to the Major Leagues as the assistant batting coach for the Cleveland Indians.

After several years coaching at Bethlehem Central, Hodge moved on to assist coaching at the college level. At 68, he is now retired from baseball.

Speaking from his office in New Jersey, Lorette called the season "special."

"I don't think anybody has any bitter feelings," said Lorette. "Being in second place — It was just fun, and real special."



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