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Bethlehem Police is arming itself with the latest in tech

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Fire victims in need of help

G'land families are healing from fires, but need help

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The labor dispute between Bethlehem's town government and police agency had spilled over into the political season last year. Many town residents showed their support for the police with signs that stated just as much. Town Supervisor John Clarkson was re-elected by a slim margin last November. Now, the two sides are coming to terms.

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TOP STORY

Police contract reached

Both sides have come to terms on the largest issues on the table, settling labor talks after more than a year

By **TRICIA CREMO**
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BETHLEHEM — Contract negotiations teetering on contentious are at an end after more than a year.

While the town and the police department's supervisors union have yet to reach a compromise, the contract with the Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association (PBA), the department's union for officers, representing 28 of the 39 sworn police officials, marks the end of a struggle that began in 2014 when Supervisor John Clarkson attempted to introduce policies to curb police overtime costs, which resulted in a disgruntled and over-worked police department.

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■ COPS, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

Man arrested for heroin possession

Drugs found during screening for unrelated court appearance

BETHLEHEM — On Tuesday, Feb. 2, Bethlehem Police arrested William J. Wynne, 45, of Albany, after he arrived at town court allegedly in possession of heroin and hypodermic instruments.

Wynne was scheduled to appear in Bethlehem Town Court on a petit larceny charge stemming from a shoplifting arrest in September 2015. When Wynne arrived for court he went through the standard screening process and magnetometer, and Bethlehem

Police reportedly found him to be in possession of a hypodermic needle and a bag of heroin.

Wynne was arrested on misdemeanor charges of criminal possession of a controlled instrument in the seventh degree, criminal possession of a hypodermic instrument. He was arraigned in court by the Honorable Judge Ryan Donovan and remanded to Albany County Jail in lieu of \$1,000 bail. Wynne is scheduled to reappear in court on March 1.



William J. Wynne

Board approves new dispatch system

State-of-the-art tech will provide more information at lower cost

By **TRICIA CREMO**
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BETHLEHEM — The purchase of new technology will not only save the town's police department over \$265,000 each year, but will also provide officers with near real-time information.

The town board approved the purchase of a Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system for the police department during its Wednesday, Jan. 13 meeting. The equipment upgrade will provide officers with the fastest technology currently available.

"I could go into all of the technical details on this, but basically what it does is makes the job of dispatching easier. And, it automates the record keeping process, really helping us speed up the process by improving speed and efficiency," explained Bethlehem Town Supervisor John Clarkson during the meeting.

The CAD system was purchased from Albany County at a discounted rate. Plus, its annual maintenance costs will be less than that of Bethlehem Police Department's current system - about a third of what the town is

currently paying. CAD also shares information between police departments who use the technology, such as the Town of Colonie and Saratoga County, both of which are in the process of upgrading to a CAD system.

"We also wanted to have a system that was multi-agency compatible to jointly share data with other emergency service providers, like Albany County and Colonie," said Bethlehem Police Chief Lou Corsi. "The applications that can be used in the system are robust. It gives us a lot of info in the field and also in-house with the dispatchers. It's an enhancement to what already have wanted for a long time."

The City of Albany is now in talks to make the same upgrade. "On an annual basis, it will cost us much less. There are some up front costs, but we do have reserves to cover that, so it's really a big win for the town and entire county," said Clarkson. And, the more townships that get on board with the technology, the less annual maintenance will cost, as that fee will be split between more districts in the county.

As well, should the system for some reason shut down in Bethlehem, the shared nature of CAD will make it so that there will always be a back up. "We'll be tied to Saratoga as a redundancy, so that if something were to fail here, we could bring it back up.. We share all of our data, so everything that's occurring here they can see, and everything that's happening in Saratoga, we can see," said Corsi.

"It's important that we all work together because we will all be basically benefiting from a good system that provides a good working relationship and a more efficient CAD system," said Colonie Police Chief Jonathan Teale. "What effects Colonie effects Bethlehem and Troy and all the surrounding areas, so it's important to know what is happening, so we can all do our jobs better. If we can do that and save the taxpayers money, then it's good for everyone."

In the next year to year and a half, the system in Bethlehem will be available for officers in their cars as well as on mobile devices



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Other arrests: State Police

• Helen M. Crane, 49, of Greenville was arrested on Saturday, Jan. 30, and charged with DWI. Police stopped Crane on State Route 85 in New Scotland for an alleged traffic infraction. She reportedly failed field sobriety tests and had a BAC of 0.08 percent. Crane was scheduled to appear in New Scotland Town Court on Feb. 4.

• John J. Beardsley Jr., 30, of Albany, was arrested on Tuesday, Feb. 2, near Crossgates Mall, and charged with DWI and unlawful possession of marijuana. Police said Beardsley crashed into a guide rail along I-87, after drinking an alcoholic beverage prior to the crash. Beardsley reportedly refused to submit to a BAC test, and was sent to Albany County Jail and arraigned the following morning. He is scheduled to reappear in court on Feb. 19.

• Frank K. Dyer, 60, of Loudonville, was arrested on Sunday, Jan. 31, and charged with DWI. Police

stopped Dyer on the Northway for allegedly driving with two flat tires. Police said he showed signs of intoxication. Dyer is scheduled to appear in Guelderland Town Court on Feb. 11.

• Thomas Doutsis, 18, of Altamont, was arrested on Sunday, Jan. 31, after a routine traffic stop led to a drug and weapon related arrest. Police stopped Doutsis on Western Avenue for allegedly speeding and reportedly detected an odor of marijuana emanating from within his vehicle. Police said they found a switchblade, crack-cocaine and heroine within Doutsis' vehicle. The teen was charged with criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree, a misdemeanor; criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree, a misdemeanor, felony in the fifth degree, third degree intent to sell, also a felony. Doutsis was arraigned in Guelderland Town Court and remanded to Albany County Jail in lieu of \$10,000 cash bail. He was scheduled to return to court on Feb. 4.



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COMMUNITY

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Bethlehem Opportunities looks to everyone at annual spelling bee

By TRICIA CREMO
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BETHLEHEM — Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited will raise all of the organization's funds at a spelling bee — their fourth such annual event and its largest fund raiser of the year.

The event sees teams of adults, including teachers from each of the district's schools, district bus drivers, all Bethlehem Town Board members, the Bethlehem Police Officers Union and groups from local businesses, book clubs, service organizations and more work as teams to spell given words.

"The elementary kid seeing their teachers compete, especially, is

a big draw," said Cindy Ferrari, co-president of BOU with Jayne Deane-White. As most teams wear coordinated shirts or costume, the spelling bee can be entertaining. Ferrari recalled beekeepers, queen bees and witches as a few memorable team's costumes.

"Whatever we raise that year, that's what we have to give out across that year," said Ferrari. Funds raised will be granted out to events like Senior Celebration and 5th Grade Survivor Day, and used for BOU's own events, which are geared toward promoting prevention of student drug and alcohol use.

With 45 seconds on a timer called "the bee keeper" teams collaborate to come up with the correct spelling of given words. No phones and no cheating, unless teams want a fast ticket out.

This year around 20 teams will compete.

Additional teams of three to five people aged 13 and older may enter online by Friday, Feb. 19 to participate in the Thursday, Feb. 25, fourth annual BOU Spelling Bee, held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central High School cafeteria (snow date Feb. 27).

Attendance is free, so funds are raised from the \$120 team entry fee and businesses sponsors, who may sponsor unique words related to their business for \$120. This also places them on the BOU Facebook as one of the event sponsors.

As well, a new feature this year, a \$10 lifeline to teams from audience members allows teams to poll the audience, use a dictionary or make a call. "We tried to add some fun and make it more like game show," said Ferrari.

Another big draw of the event, multiple raffle baskets offering private yoga lessons, gift cards to 16 Handles and local

restaurants, and other themed collections.

"There really is something for everyone," said Deane-White. "We get a great response from the community, and it's a win-win for them and us."

Food and refreshments will also be available, as well as a kid's craft table, manned by volunteers from the Bethlehem Central High School Key Club, although the entire event is more adult-oriented than kid-oriented, said Deane-White.

Last year the group raised \$3,600 in total, and this year they're looking to surpass that with a fund goal of \$5,000. "It's pretty labor intensive but ends up raising a lot of money," said Ferrari.

BOU is a non-profit organization that sponsors community events to "promote prevention education and safe, healthy activities for the youth in our community." Their recently held and widely



Last year, members of the Bethlehem Town Board, here as "Town Bord Spelerz," lent a helping hand at BOU's spelling bee event.

Submitted photo

attended event "Talking with Your Teen: An Open Conversation About Substance Use," facilitated open conversations between adults and teens about drug use, and demonstrates their goal to prevent drug and alcohol use among students in the district.

As well, BOU provides grant funding to support Bethlehem Central School District programs like Senior Celebration, 5th Grade Survivor Day,

Bethlehem Youth Court, Color Dash, BCMS Halloween Ball and more.

Grant applications are approved throughout the year, and forms are available at the BOU website.

Deadline for team entry is Feb. 19. Forms are available at bethlehmschools.org/community/bou or email bouspellingbee@gmail.com for more information and for limited sponsorship for entry costs.

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Bethlehem posts pipeline info on town website

By TRICIA CREMO
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BETHLEHEM — More information about the Northeast Energy Direct (NED) pipeline is available on the Town of Bethlehem website.

Due to the large concerns residents have expressed to the Town Board, maps of the new proposed pipeline are available at the town's website, where links can also be found for maps of existing pipelines, via the U.S. government National Pipeline Mapping System website.

Two gas pipelines currently run through town; one dates back to the 1950s and the other to the 1980s. A third, the Connecticut pipeline, is currently in construction after being approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) last year. Its route will run parallel to the Northeast Energy Direct pipeline in certain areas of town. Both of the latest pipelines come from Texas-based company Kinder Morgan, the largest pipeline company in the country.

The town's attorney James Potter has filed as an official intervener with Kinder Morgan on behalf of the town and the Town Board is planning to pass a resolution against the proposed NED

pipeline at the Wednesday, Feb. 10 Town Board Meeting. This measure will signal to higher governments the town's opposition to the project, in the hopes that the state will not approve Kinder Morgan's 401 water compliance applications until a comprehensive health study is completed.

The resolution in part reads as follows:

"RESOLVED, That the Town of Bethlehem recognizes the potential impact of natural gas pipelines on human health and the environment and requests the State of New York to perform a comprehensive Health Impact Assessment regarding risks posed by the proposed Northeast Direct pipeline, and that the Governor ordered the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation to suspend issuance of state permits pending completion of the comprehensive Health Impact Assessment; and

"RESOLVED, further, That the Town of Bethlehem recognizes that the pipeline is not needed and urges the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to not issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing construction and operation of the proposed Northeast Energy Direct pipeline."

More info on the proposed pipeline is available at townofbethlehem.org.

■ COMMUNITY

Fire victims in need of clothes, essentials

Two families depending on generosity of others

By **TRICIA CREMO**
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GUILDERLAND — Two separate house fires within a week of each other have left two families with nothing, and the community is working quickly to raise funds.

Two online funds are now available to help the Cunsolo and Morrissey/Sawyer families, alongside multiple other small and large scale fund raisers, after both experienced house fires.

"We were devastated when we heard the news," said Marri Aviza and Lisa Norgrove, owners of Rumors salon in Latham, where hair designer Venessa Cunsolo of Guilderland works. The owners have set up a Go Fund Me Account to help raise funds for Cunsolo and her two young daughters. "Venessa has been working for us for six years and is a real sweetheart. It does not surprise me that she and her eldest daughter helped to wake up others before they got out of the building just before the roof caved in," said Norgrove.

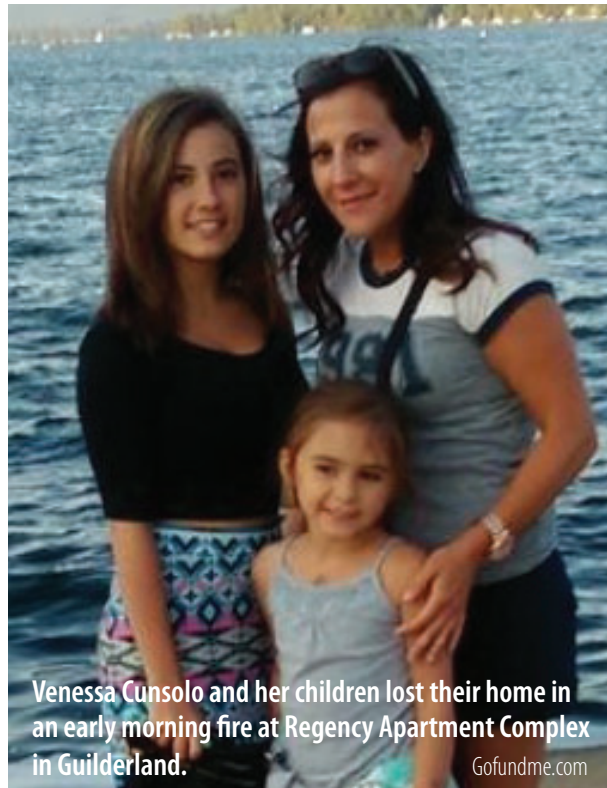
Cunsolo's daughter Naveah, 14, a freshman at Guilderland High School saved her family that night and other neighbors in the Regency Apartment

complex where they lived, after waking up to a text message around 4 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 31, and noticing smoke. Naveah's sister was thankfully at their father's house that night, and Venessa and Naveah quickly sprang to action, leaving their apartment and waking sleeping neighbors by throwing rocks at their windows. No serious injuries occurred, and all 13 apartment residents made it out safe.

"She lost everything except for the shorts and T-shirt she had on to run out of the building. Her daughter had on her pajamas and both were barefoot. Thank God her little one was at her dad's house and did not experience the horror of this tragic fire," said Marri Aviza.

Over \$5,600 was raised in the first three days of the fundraiser, with an end goal of \$9,000. Comments of support have accompanied donations made on the website, with many leaving sentiments such as Beth Buckner's: "Venessa — So happy that you and your girls are safe. Everything else can be replaced. Stay strong."

In addition to setting up a Go Fund Me page, the team at Rumors has set up a donation box and at the salon, located at



Venessa Cunsolo and her children lost their home in an early morning fire at Regency Apartment Complex in Guilderland.

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629 New Loudon Road in Latham, where people can donate clothes and food for the young mother of two.

In another recent fire, the Morrissey/Sawyers nearly lost their lives.

On Sunday, Jan. 24, the family of six saw its Ayre Drive home destroyed by fire. Four members of the family, Daniel Morrissey, 40, his sister Christine Sawyer, and her grandchildren Michael, 6, and Giovanni, 4, remain at the State University Upstate Medical burn unit in Syracuse.

According to the hospital Christine Sawyer reportedly remains in

critical condition, while the other three have been upgraded to good condition.

Daniel Morrissey's two sons, Aidan, 6, and Tyler, 5, were released from Albany Medical Center after suffering less serious injuries. Amanda Sawyer, the mother of Aidan and Tyler was not home at the time of the fire.

The McKownville Fire Department at 1250 Western Ave., is a collection point for donations to the family.

To donate to the Cunsolo family, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/fvmfcetn>.

Strong reception for N.S. cell tower

Cell tower all but approved, awaiting final approval from town board

By **TRICIA CREMO**
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NEW SCOTLAND — "My mother died trying to call me. I will pay for anything these guys want to put [a cell tower] up," said Rich Hazen, of Clarksville.

Hazen lives in what has been called a "dead zone" of cell activity in Clarksville, where calls are often dropped and any other cell phone activity involving data use can take up to minutes to be processed. A cell phone tower from Verizon Wireless approved by the Zoning Board and given preliminary approval by the Planning Board seeks to change that.

The plan received approval for a height variance by the Zoning Board in January, and later the Planning Board after a strong show of support from community members.

"There has been a need for coverage in that area for a while," said Planning Board Chairman Charles Voss to Mr. Hazen, after expressing his condolences for the loss of his mother.

When the cell tower was originally proposed to the Zoning Board, the town had sought to place it on government-owned land. The town landfill and water tower areas were surveyed as possible locations, but ultimately, Verizon bought private property at 20 Stovepipe Road, because more room was needed.

"I don't have a problem with it," said resident Sharon Boelke, at the Feb. 2 Planning Board meeting. "We have them all over the town already."

The new 124-foot tall tower will be disguised to look like a pine tree, after the decision on cell tower design left to the discretion of the Planning Board.

Though the monopine design is slightly taller than other design options, as more height is needed for the top cone of the "tree," the added height was included in Verizon's original Zoning Board height variance application, and for the Planning Board, the added camouflage was a positive feature.

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■ COMMUNITY

Joe Bruchac visits library Sunday

Kicking off winter break, the library will be hosting preeminent storyteller and author Joseph Bruchac for a family storytelling program Sunday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m.

As a professional teller of the traditional tales of the Adirondacks and the Native peoples of the Northeastern woodlands, Bruchac has performed extensively throughout the world. He is the author of more than 130 books in several genres for young readers and adults. He lives in the Adirondack foothills town of Greenfield Center, in the same house where his maternal grandparents raised him.

Much of Bruchac's writing draws on his Abenaki ancestry. His newest book of poetry, "Four Directions: New and Recollected Poems," was recently published by Mongrel Empire Press. Copies of his work will be available for purchase and signing following the program.

Because space is limited, this free event is first-come, first-admitted; doors will open at 1:45 p.m.

This program is part of



the Ann Seegal Memorial Storytelling Series, established by Ann's family in her memory. Programs in the series feature storytelling's many forms across generations, cultures, and the arts.

Spend the break with us

What do you do when the kids have a whole week off of school in the middle of winter? Head to the library, of course! We've got fun programs scheduled the entire winter break featuring Legos, yoga, origami and more. Check out the complete flyer at www.bpl.org. For teens, we will be holding babysitting training on Monday and a 3Doodler program on Wednesday – both require pre-registration. Later on in the week, we'll be celebrating some of our favorite storybook characters with a visit from Clifford the Big Red Dog on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 3 p.m. and a Seussabration for all on Friday, Feb. 19, at 10 a.m.

Get help e-filing your taxes

You can make an appointment for tax filing assistance with staffers from the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. This is not a tax preparation service; it is meant to assist those who are looking to file online. If your household income is under \$62,000, you can get free help filing your state and federal returns. Time slots are available at the library on Tuesdays through April 12, and appointments must be made in person at the information desk.

Upcoming events

Friday, Feb. 12

Preschool STEM: Butter

Make your own butter and taste the results! For up to age 6 with caregiver. 10 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 13

Time Out for Tales

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

Monday, Feb. 15

Friendship Storytime

Listen to stories about friendship, then make your own imaginary friend using modeling clay and other materials. For kids and families. 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Babysitter Training

Learn the fundamentals of childcare, including basic first aid, household safety, and age-appropriate activities in this American Academy of Pediatrics accredited program. Certificate upon completion. Registration is limited; sign up online or call 439-9314. Hands-on CPR presented by Clifton Park Halfmoon EMS. For ages 12-17. 1 to 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 16

Lego: Old School Build

No computers, no technology, just you, some bricks, and your imagination. For kids and families. 10a.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 17

Family Yoga

It's time again for some relaxation and fun with local instructor Janine Murphy. Bring a mat or towel. For kids and families. 3 p.m.

3Doodler Creations

Make something out of



Joe Bruchac will be at the library on Valentine's Day for a storytelling program for all ages. Doors open at 1:45 p.m. for this first-come, first-admitted event. Submitted photo

thin air by drawing in three dimensions with one of the library's 3Doodler pens.

For grade 6-12. Sign up online or call 439-9314. 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 18

Listening Parties: Dorothy Ashby

Listen to the jazz harpist and composer. 7 p.m.

— Kristen Roberts

■ NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Fish fry dinners at Selkirk Fire Co.

BETHLEHEM — The Ladies Auxiliary of the Selkirk Fire Company No. 1 is hosting a series of Friday night fish fry dinners beginning Feb. 12.

The dinners — which also take place Feb. 26, March 11 and March 25 — will raise money to help the ladies auxiliary provide food and gifts for families in the community during the holidays, as well as provide food for the firefighters during fire and rescue emergencies. In addition, the auxiliary offers a scholarship to a

graduating senior from Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School.

Thacher Park weekend programs

VOORHEESVILLE — Thacher Park and the Emma Treadwell Thacher Nature Center is offering two programs this weekend.

On Saturday, Feb. 13, at 2 p.m., join the nature center for a program called "Reading Signs of Climate Change in the Northeastern Alpine Ecosystem." Dr. Nancy Stack will discuss her research on climate change and plant ecology at Mount

Washington, including studies about mosses, invasive species and other plants and animals in the ecosystem. In case of inclement weather, call 872-0800 to confirm.

On Sunday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m., join the center for the "Great Backyard Bird Count." View winter birds at the observation window, and learn easy methods for identifying birds and using a field guide. Then, head outdoors with binoculars and spotting scope to see additional species, and look for bald eagles over Thompson's Lake.

For more information, call 872-0800.

4-H Club offers holiday programs

VOORHEESVILLE — The 4-H Club is offering two programs during the Presidents' Week vacation at Cornell Cooperative Extension, 24 Martin Road.

4-H Clover Chefs — International Foods takes place Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 9 a.m. to noon. Young chefs will create dishes from several countries, and learn about unique food customs and different cultures. The program is suited for children ages 10 and younger.

4-H Forensics takes place Wednesday, Feb. 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Learn about crime scene investigation and help solve the "mystery of the week." The program is open to children 10 and older, and participants are asked to bring a bag lunch.

Advanced registration is required for both programs, and there is a \$10 registration fee. Contact Eileen DePaula at 765-3500 or emd32@cornell.edu.

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COMMUNITY

'Read Local' features Kantorovitz

Sylvie Kantorovitz, children's book author and illustrator, whose "Zig and the Magic Umbrella" is a children's favorite, will speak at the Guilderland Public Library's "Read Local" event on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 2 p.m.

Sylvie's "draw-and-talk" presentation is sure to inspire young minds. Sylvie, who lives in Albany, is also the author and illustrator of "The Very Tiny Baby" and illustrated many other books, including the popular "Little Witch" series.

Sylvie will read aloud from one of her recent books, and draw a special illustration based on suggestions from the young audience members. She'll answer any and all questions about what it's like to write and illustrate books. She will bring an assortment of her books to sign and sell. Children are especially welcome at this event.

Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) program

Officers from the Guilderland Police Department will be at GPL to present a Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) program for women. The first session of this three-session program — you must attend all three of the four-hour sessions — is being held at GPL on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 5 p.m.

The RAD begins with awareness, prevention,

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risk reduction and risk avoidance, while progressing on to the basics of hands-on defense training. This is not your typical self-defense course, where the student learns how to punch or kick through repetition; rather, it is designed for the student to survive attacks.

This program is for women 18 years of age and older. No experience is necessary. Seats are limited. Sign up by phone — 456-2400, ext. 2 — in person at the library, or online at www.guilpl.org.

The two follow-up sessions are on Friday, Feb. 19, at 5 p.m., and Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 5 p.m.

#bringyourfandom movie and activities

Kick off #bringyourfandom on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 11 a.m., with a FANTastic movie: "Guardians of the Galaxy" Rated PG-13, it's a shade over two hours long. Popcorn will be served. No registration required for the movie.

And then at 2:30 p.m., it's time to #bringyourfandom out at GPL. Join us for an afternoon of activities and food. Dress up as your favorite fandom. Bring your friends. Represented fandoms include: Marvel/DC • Dr. Who • Hobbit/LOTR • Harry Potter •

more. Please call 456-2400, ext. 4, to register for this activity.

What's the weather?

What makes our weather? Find out on Friday, Feb. 19, at 1 p.m. when CNSE Children's Museum of Science + Technology will lead kids in grades 3-6 as they do hands-on experiments and learn about air pressure, wind direction, the water cycle and more.

Please call 456-2400, ext. 4 to register.

Teen Writing Deadline Feb. 12

Entries for GPL's Teen Winter Writing Contest are due by Friday, Feb. 12, before 9 p.m. You can submit your entries by emailing GPLTeenWrites@guilpl.org; don't forget the completed submission form, available at www.guilpl.org/teens/teenwriting.

Curious Clever Colossal Clown Workshop

Kids in grades 4-8 are invited to a "Magic & Clown Skills Workshop" presented by Bee Bee the Clown at GPL on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 2 p.m. We will focus on balloon twisting, juggling, magic, ventriloquism and clown



Children's book author and illustrator Sylvie Kantorovitz will speak at GPL on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 2 p.m.

Submitted photo

characters and movements. Please call 456-2400, ext. 4 to register.

Cats need playthings, too

Teens are invited to sew catnip toys that will be donated to a local shelter; this activity takes place at

GPL on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 3:30 p.m. Registration is open to teens in grades 7 and up. Please visit or call the Youth Services desk at 456-2400, ext. 4 to register.

Be Mine, Valentine

Celebrate Valentine's

Day at GPL. On Friday, Feb. 12, at 4 p.m., join us as we read books, sing songs, make a special Valentine craft and enjoy a sweet treat. This program is best suited for children ages 3-7 with an adult caregiver. Siblings are always welcome.

Library closed for Presidents' Day Weekend

The library will be closed Saturday, Feb. 13; Sunday, Feb. 14; and Monday, Feb. 15, for Presidents' Day Weekend. You can still download eBooks, renew materials, sign up for programs and take advantage of a wealth of other online services by visiting our website at www.guilpl.org.

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Let's meet for breakfast at Tool's on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 10 a.m. Join others to socialize and share a meal.

Join us for "Ain't Misbehavin'" at the Albany Civic Theater on Friday, Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$15. The musical is a humorous presentation of the various moods of the 1920s and 30s Harlem Renaissance era. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make

Senior Action



Town of Bethlehem

your reservation.

The health and wellness program on Friday, Feb. 26, at 1 p.m. at Town Hall, will feature Dorothy Heffernan from the Bethlehem Public Library, who will present "ABC's of Literary Wellness." Learn how books can take you on a journey. If you cannot get to the library, use "Books to People," which includes books, DVD's, CD's, e-readers and more. You can join us for lunch before the program at the Windowbox Café, cost on your own. No reservations are needed to attend just the program alone. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make a lunch reservation.

Get out of the house and go to the library. We will take you to the library on Friday, Feb. 23. Pickups begin at 12:30 p.m. You will have about one-and-one-half hours to enjoy the library's resources. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176.

Bethlehem Senior Transportation Service provides rides to medical, dental, therapy, and clinic appointments, grocery stores, and a variety of social and recreational programs. Come to the Senior Office in Town Hall for a copy of our newsletter or visit the Senior Services website at townofbethlehem.org.

The Bethlehem Food Pantry offers assistance to those in need and accepts donations of non-perishable food, as well as paper and household products.

— Wilma DeLucco

Register now for summer camp

With our relatively mild and snowless winter ending soon, we may just skip right over spring and head right to summer. It's happened before.

Also, it's not too early to start thinking about sunshine and summer fun at the Bethlehem YMCA summer camp.

Last year, the Bethlehem YMCA had its most successful summer camp ever. And 2016 promises to be even more fun, with more campers, more trips and more specialty camps to spark every child's interest.

Registration is now open for summer camp at the Bethlehem Y, and you can save money by signing up early. Our special offer is \$20 off your first week of camp if you sign up during February and \$10 off your first week of camp if you sign up during March.

Please stop by the Y front desk for more information and to sign up your kids for a great summer at the Y.

Delmar DU registration

2-10-2 adds up to a fun day of exercise and friendly competition at the 5th annual YMCA's Delmar Duathlon, cosponsored



by the Bethlehem Department of Parks and Recreation and the Bethlehem YMCA.

Registration is now open for this event which has grown in popularity every year. It will be held on Sunday, April 24, at 8 a.m. beginning at the Elm Avenue Town Park. The price for individual competitors is \$55, and its \$70 for a team entry — which is a new category in this year's race.

Go to DelmarDu.com to sign up for two miles of running, five miles of biking, two more miles of running, and a full day of fun.

I'm Possible hoops clinic

The Bethlehem Y will be hosting a special basketball clinic beginning Feb. 15, featuring Scott Burger, a former high school and junior college basketball player. Scott is a certified physical education teacher who uses the "I'm possible" system because he believes that skill and game enhancement for players of

all ages is very important in developing a complete player.

There are separate dates and sessions for kids in grades K-3, 4-8, and 9-12. The cost is \$20 each for members and \$25 for non-members. Check the Bethlehem YMCA's Facebook page for more information or pick up a flyer at the Y.

Volleyball and tennis

In addition, the YMCA will also have a volleyball class on Friday nights starting March 11 for seven weeks for ages 7-10 and 11-15. And 10-and-under tennis clinics will be back soon for children ages 5-7 and 8-10 on Wednesday nights.

Personal trainer update

The Bethlehem YMCA has received a tremendous response from members regarding our terrific staff of personal trainers, who I described in a previous column. The Y has added another trainer, Jim Lockman, a retired Navy veteran and a certified personal trainer who can help you get in ship shape.

— Mark Hansen

Sign Up Now for Spring Lacrosse!



Indoor at the Glenmont Dome Begins on Sunday, March 13th for boys and girls grades 3-6

Register at www.bethlehemlacrosseclub.com

New and returning players welcome

Boys in grades 3-8 \$125.00* • Girls in grades 3-6 \$125.00*

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*\$25.00 late fee after 3/1/16 for grades 1-6 | Registration closes on 3/15/16
Grades 7/8 - \$25.00 late fee after 4/1/16 | Registration closes on 4/15/16

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Nimblefingers open house

February is Nimblefingers month at the library. Whether you do crafts yourself or just have an appreciation for textile arts, be sure to drop in at some point during February to stroll through the gallery and community room to



enjoy the wonderful crafts these ladies have displayed for your pleasure.

If you are interested in joining the group, everyone is welcome. They meet every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Voorheesville Library to discuss textile arts, work on projects, get helpful advice from fellow crafters and

enjoy some delicious snacks.

Magic and clown skills workshop

Join us on Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. as professional clown Jackie Reynolds will teach you the basics of balloon twisting, juggling, magic, ventriloquism and clown character/movement. Students in grades 4 to 8 should register online.

— Lynn Kohler

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■ **PICK OF
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Jive Talkin'

Tragedy: The All Metal Tribute to the Bee Gees and Beyond takes to The Hollow stage this Saturday, Feb. 13, with a twist on disco classics from the '70s, and more.

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Check out our expanded
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■ **ENTERTAINMENT**



Behind the curtain

Proctors, CapREP announce headlining acts for 2016-17

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**

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SCHENECTADY — With pomp and circumstance, Proctors and Capital Repertory theatres announced their line-ups for the upcoming year last Monday, Feb. 1.

"An American in Paris" heads the list of shows under the Key Private Bank Broadway Series. The four-time Tony Award-winning production is set in post-World War II Europe. An American soldier, a mysterious French girl and a musical score from George and Ira Gershwin, earned more awards than any Broadway musical in the 2014-15 season, and it comes to Schenectady in October.



Kerstin Anderson
plays Maria Rainer
in "The Sound of
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■ FASHION

Painting the town red this Valentine's

You don't have to go out to dress up

By **DENISE BENNETT**
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Valentine's Day. Whether you hate it, love it or find yourself just walking down the middle of the road, it gives us all an excuse to dress nicely and go out with our special someone.

Now, I will buck tradition and say don't go out exactly on February 14th or that weekend for said matter. The uptick in pricing is disgusting. I suggest going out the weekend after. Surely celebrate Valentine's Day with a night in and a home cooked meal or take out. But if you do go out then or later, here are two special outfit ideas to make your Valentine's Day a little something special.

If you are a pants gal, don't think you have to skip wearing a skirt or a dress just because you don't like bare legs, tights or hose. Look to your jeggings, skinny jeans and leggings to be your bottom most layer and put your dress or skirt on over them. Sure, it adds a tad bit of bulk if you are sporting button closed denim pieces, but it does lend itself to a casual chic vibe. The other day, I wanted to wear a black shift dress, but I am not feeling tights this winter. So I wore my knee length dress with a pair of black leggings that have a zipper on the ankle. It was perfect. So I highly suggest looking through your closet and seeing what dresses or skirts can pull season duality for Valentine's Day. What would be a chic look is a red knee length dress; black leggings and a lace wrap or shrug. Remember, Valentine's Day is a day for romance. Look the part. Break out your lace, your crochet, things that add an extra feminine touch or detail. With your shoes,

play up sweet ballet flats or go all out with platform pumps. Keep your bag minimal to a clutch or micro cross body. If you have a metallic bag or pair of shoes, this would be a great time to let those pieces shine.

If you want to go all out and wear a dress sans pants, go for it. My favorite type of dress is the wrap style and this would be a true romantic item for dressing. Why you ask? It is simple. A wrap dress follows all the curves of the body. Need I say more? It is the most feminine frock shape out there and I don't care whether you are a two or 24 dress size. You will wear it beautifully. I will suggest a pair of control top tights or hose also regardless of size to just have a smooth finish to the fit. You can't hide your shape (And I don't want you to), but you can smooth it. With a wrap dress, you have a more plunging neckline which would allow you to play up the clavicle and show off some jewelry if you like. If you have any bronzing powder or shimmer makeup items, feel free to dust on your décolletage and allow the natural beauty of your skin to show through. If you go with some jewelry, follow your natural style. If you like big and bold, do it. If you're into demure and understated, play that up as well. My same suggestions go for bags and shoes here as well. Understated and simple is better. An envelope clutch would go famously with a wrap dress, complementing the shape of the dress.

One of the final touches of the outing is your makeup. Play up those eyes and go sultry with a smoky eye. I personally wear a smoky eye daily, but I know it isn't for everyone. Valentine's Day heralds it. Whether you color your lids with grays, browns or purples, don't be afraid to go glamorous. Invoke your inner pin up

■ PLANS?

If you find yourself scrambling to make special plans for you and your loved one, you may be out of luck landing a reservation at your favorite restaurant. Don't panic. Ann Linda Ciotoli has got you covered in Food & Vino.

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girl and have fun. What I have been doing lately is taking black eyeliner and winging my smoky eye out. This has received a lot of compliments and it may be my look for a while. As always with a strong eye, keep the rest of your face minimal with blush and lip color. A nude lip and pale pink blush are sure bet options.

For your hair, whether you do it up or down, don't go the structural route. If it looks like you will get stuck in or break it, you might want to rethink your style. If you can, wear it loose and tousled. I'm a huge fan of half up and half down as it gives you the best of both worlds and if you take it down later, you don't have your hair molded into an odd shape. I know you know what I am talking about. We have all been there. Not a good look for this event. If you have curls or waves, embrace them. If you have straight hair, think of curling it. Nothing too dramatic with hot tools (unless you want to) but something to invoke the feeling of romance.

So, have I inspired you? Will you be wearing a special outfit for this Valentine's Day? Don't feel you have to go out either to dress up. Dressing up while staying in is always a good idea. It's the best of both worlds. Whatever you decide to do, have fun and enjoy being with the one you love.

Denise Bennett is out fashion and lifestyle columnist.



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■ BUSINESS

Learning to fly

Local entrepreneur shares how failed business decisions taught him how to succeed

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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Look up the secret of success on the Internet and you will find an infinite number of suggestions.

From the real estate world, there is the iconic idiom based on location (and its apparent repetition). Henry Ford, the famous automaker credited with successfully utilizing the assembly line concept, spoke of preparation when he said, "getting ready is the secret of success." And, more recently, legendary financial investor Warren Buffett offered Fortune Magazine the simple advice: "Follow your passion."

Of course, the common denominator in much of the advice provided lends to timing; specifically, the beginning.

Cowan and Lobel, two names together that evoke exotic culinary displays at a time when choices were limited from few to non-existent. It was the 1990s, the dawn of the Internet, and just a few years before the popularity of cable networks devoted to food. Its storefront at the posh Stuyvesant Plaza was a popular stop for food enthusiasts, before they started calling themselves

"foodies."

The store closed more than a decade ago, yet you can still catch people talking about it.

A Facebook thread under a popular local group posed a question about the bakery only recently. It stirred the memories of popular pastries, and a few requests for their recipes. A woman, whose name she shares with another popular bakery, liked the thread.

Then, there's the tie in with Rachael Ray's rise to fame having started with a modest cooking class housed at the store, from which she also worked behind the counter.

Ask Steve Lobel, who affixed his name upon that store, and he has a different secret to success. And, it speaks more of perseverance.

Lobel and his partner were blessed with good timing to start the bakery, but there was still a lesson to be learned. Lobel sold his share of ownership early on in the store's success. Maybe too early, but he would not say that. Last year he released his book, "Failing My Way to Success," which follows a string of financial mishaps during the course of his business life. In it, he draws from Zen Buddhist teachings — "Fall down seven times, get up eight."

"To me, success involves many, many factors, which are not specific to any financial [gain] or possession. It relates to a balance in life. ... Certainly, we live in a world that

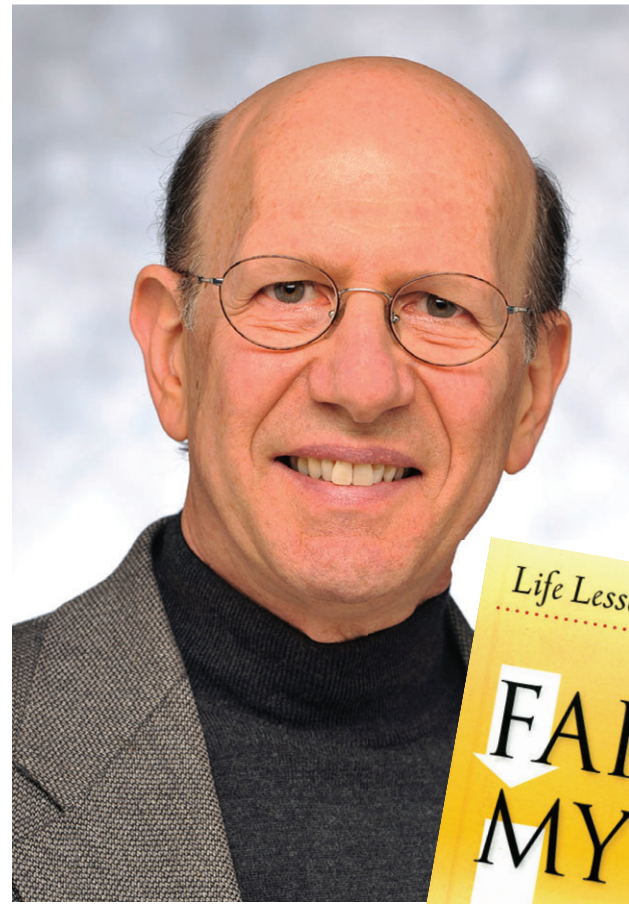
"Regret means looking backward at what could have been had you made different decisions. And, I don't look at things that way. ... I don't like to dwell on the past other than as an instructor for moving forward."

— Steve Lobel
Author

without some degree of financial success there are many challenges that we face. ... I think to be in a position to give back to your community in a meaningful way, work with others, that really is the closest to the definition of success. We never learn everything we need to know. I'm constantly learning on a daily basis. But, to be in a position where you can use your experience to help others, [which is] one of the core drivers for me in publishing this book, I think that is an indication of success. Is anyone ever truly successful? It's all relative, I guess."

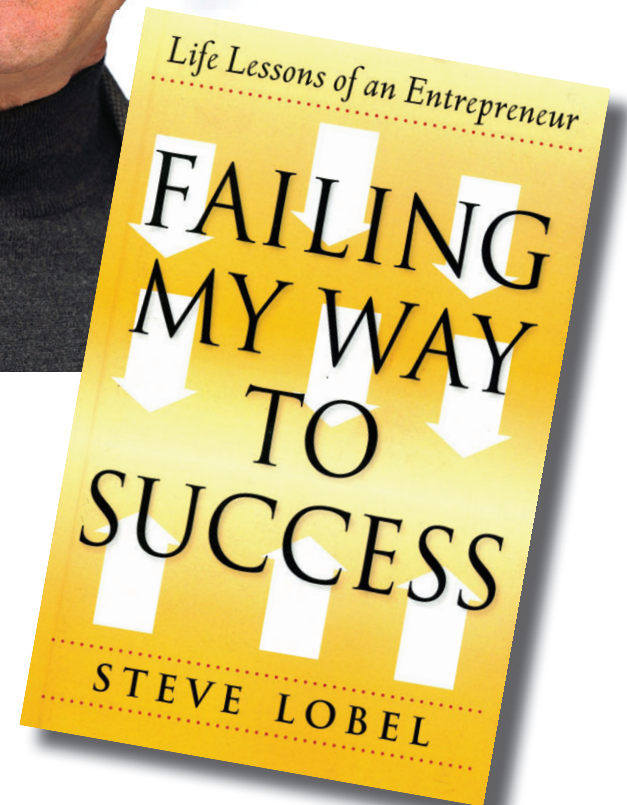
The popular specialty bakery provided Lobel with particular pride, but in the end, the time period is marred by a spoiled partnership that prompted the entrepreneur to walk away from the store that would bare his name for several more years.

"I think I can quite honestly say I don't have any regrets, and I think that can be based on my own definition of



◀ Steve Lobel's personal retrospective reveals how bumpy the road to success can be, and that the secret behind obtaining it involves more than taking that first step.

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regret," said Lobel. As an entrepreneur, he said there is plenty of room for learning experiences. "Some experiences are positive," he said. "Sometimes you get it right, and sometimes you get it wrong." But, in this aspect of the business world, the ability to "pivot" or turn a negative situation into a lesson learned, is vital. "Regret means looking backward at what could have been had you made different decisions. And, I don't look at things that way. ... I don't like to dwell on the past other than as an instructor for moving forward."

When the chapter closes on Cowen & Lobel, there is still half the book left to read. You learn why the book is dedicated to his wife, Vivian, as Steve goes headlong into an ill-advised t-shirt printing company and as the family subsequently goes through bankruptcy. And, what

happens next are perhaps the best lessons to learn from his book.

Lobel, now 68, is vice president of the Albany insurance firm Anchor Agency. He has changed careers a number of times over the past 30 years. Still an entrepreneur at heart, still willing to share his experience to others, he's at an age where many consider retirement.

"No thoughts of retirement, whatsoever," said Lobel. "... I'm mid-career."

■ IF YOU GO

- **What:** Steve Lobel, author of "Failing My Way to Success" book signing
- **When:** Tuesday, Feb. 23 from 5 to 7 p.m.
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LOCAL BUSINESS

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ShopRite donates \$25 to children's hospital at AMC

ALBANY — Representatives from ShopRite Supermarkets recently presented a check for \$25,000 to officials with the Bernard & Millie Duker Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center as part of a new partnership between the two entities.

Employees at the chain's Albany, Colonie, Slingerlands and Niskayuna locations not only collected donations from customers during checkout, but also hosted in-store activities and events to raise funds for the children's hospital last November.

The money raised will help the hospital provide its young patients with the very best care possible,



From left: ShopRite Supermarkets Human Resource Specialist Shannon Defrees and District Manager Al Carpenter present a check to Kait Ross, associate director of Children's Miracle Network Programs and Dr. David A. Clark, director of the Bernard & Millie Duker Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center.

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HVCC names hires Troy developer

United Group to develop student housing

TROY — Hudson Valley Community College (HVCC) has chosen Michael J. Uccellini and United Group to develop 72 apartment suites at the corner of Morrison and Vandenburg avenues.

The proposal plans for College Suites at Hudson Valley will house 268 students and also feature a fitness center, laundry facilities, bike storage and on-site management offices.

United Group has developed a similar student housing community across from Schenectady County Community College (SCCC). College Suites at Washington Square is a 264-bed apartment community located directly across the street from SCCC. Additionally, United Group has developed 10 other student housing properties across New York State and has managed close to 5,000 student beds.

The United Group of Companies, Inc. has been developing, building, and managing student housing communities for 15 years. United Group also has impressive portfolios in independent senior housing, multi-family apartment communities, and commercial leasing.

Nearly 300 receive free admission to exhibit

Recent partnership between bank, art museum a success

PITTSFIELD, Mass. — A recent collaboration between Berkshire Bank and Norman Rockwell Museum allowed 284 veterans, active military personnel and their family members to view the "Love a Vet: Honoring our Veterans" exhibit on display at the museum at no charge between November 7, 2015 and January 5, 2016.

The free admission passes were distributed as part of Berkshire Bank's newly expanded Military and Veterans' personal and business banking packages.

"Love a Vet" was organized by Ella Rue, an artist herself and mother to a veteran of both the Afghan and Iraq wars. Rue selected the work of many different artists utilizing a wide array of mediums, and many of the artists included were either affiliated with the military or had the opportunity to create

artwork based on individuals who have served.

Laurie Norton Moffatt, Director and CEO of Norman Rockwell Museum stated, "Partnerships with socially-responsible businesses, like Berkshire Bank help to make the important work of the Museum, accessible to more people. Sharing the meaningful art in the "Love A Vet" exhibition, with our veterans and active military through free admission and collaborative promotion was made possible by the Museum's long-time supporters at Berkshire Bank."

For more information about Berkshire Bank's products and services, visit www.berkshirebank.com. For additional details about current and upcoming programs and exhibits at the Norman Rockwell Museum, visit www.nrm.org.

Local cybersecurity firm to watch in 2016

GreyCastle on industry's premier list for second year in a row

TROY — GreyCastle Security, a cybersecurity consulting firm based in downtown Troy, recently announced that it was named to Cybersecurity Ventures' Cybersecurity 500 list, the industry's definitive list, for the second consecutive year.

According to research published by Cybersecurity Ventures, the industry is predicted to grow from \$75 billion in 2015 to more than \$170 billion by 2020. Its comprehensive list recognizes industry innovators, from long-respected brands to smaller up-and-comers, which take a fresh approach to cybersecurity solutions.

According to Steve Morgan, founder and CEO of Cybersecurity Ventures, thousands of potential companies were

evaluated for placement on the list.

"The company continues to show extensive growth and we look forward to their future expansion in the cybersecurity market," said Morgan.

"We're honored to be recognized by Cybersecurity Ventures as one of the hottest companies in the industry," said Reg Harnish, GreyCastle's chief executive officer.

"This validates our approach to helping companies manage their risk and provide the services needed to build an effective security program."

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Night & Day

Our top picks for the upcoming week

Night: Jackie Greene

ALBANY — The Egg Center for the Performing Arts at the Empire State Plaza will present the next installment of its American Roots & Branches Series with a concert featuring singer-songwriter Jackie Greene with opener Hollis Brown, on Friday, Feb. 12 at 8 p.m. in the Lewis Swyer Theatre.

After spending the past few years performing as a member of The Black Crowes, The Phil Lesh Band, in WRG with Bob Weir and Trigger Happy with Joan Osborne, Greene, an American roots rocker returns fronting his own band playing music from his 2015 release "Back to Birth."

Tickets for the concert are \$29.50 and are available for purchase at the Egg Box Office in person, via phone at 518.473-1845 or online at ticketstheegg.org.

Day: Discover Butterflies

SCHENECTADY — Butterflies will return to miSci on Saturday, Feb. 13! Escape winter's chill and discover hundreds of brilliantly colored native butterflies at

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City in the clouds

This coming Valentine's Day, we're hoping all of our readers are left feeling like they are walking on Cloud 9, much like how this picture makes it look like the Capital City is among the clouds itself.

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Fri: **New Regime** | 9 p.m.
Sat: **Pete Sweeney Quartet** | 9 p.m.
Arthur's Market
35 N. Ferry St., Schenectady. 382-1938
Thur: **Edith's Amazing Jam** | 6 p.m.
Fri: **Michael Kailas & Friends** | 7 p.m.
Sat: **Born Thirsty** | 7 p.m.
Sun: **Sinatra & Son** | 3 p.m.
Mon: **Jim Connelly** | 6 p.m.
Tue: **Dennis McCafferty Jam** | 7 p.m.

Athos
1814 Western Ave., Albany. 608-6400
Fri: **Jody Shayne** | 7 p.m.

Castle Street Café
10 Castle St., Great Barrington, MA. 413-528-5244
Fri: **Peter Primamore Trio** | 8 p.m.
Sat: **Stardust Jazz Trio** | 8 p.m.
Sun: **Wanda Houston Band** | 8 p.m.

Caffè Lena
Phila St., Saratoga Springs. 225-0882
Wed: **Center for Song's Emerging Stars** | 7:30 p.m. | \$10
Every Thur: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m.
Fri: **Jack Grace Trio** | 8 p.m.
Sun: **Sharkey & Josiah (Grand Slambovians)** | 7 p.m. | \$25

Carney's Tavern
17 Main Street, Ballston Lake. 518 280-7959
Every Thur: **Matty Finn** | 6 p.m.
Fri: **James Hood** | 7:30 p.m.
Sat: **Take 2** | 8 p.m.

City Beer Hall
42 Howard St., Albany. 449-2337
Every Sat: **90s Dance Party** | 11 p.m.

Crown Grill
390 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. 583-1105
Fri: **Jeanine Ouderkirk Duo** | 7 p.m.

Emack & Bolio's
366 Delaware Ave. 512-5100
Fri: **Leslie Barkman** | 7 p.m.
Sat: **Eric Lloyd & Evan Harker** | 7 p.m.

ARTS CALENDAR



Classic American play comes to Saratoga

From left, Ian Politis and Alyssa Jones star in Home Made Theater's production of Tennessee Williams' "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof." The play opens Friday, Feb. 12, at Spa Little Theaer in Saratoga Spa State Park.

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Every Tue: **Open Mic** | 7 p.m.
The Fountain Restaurant
283 New Scotland Ave., Albany. 482-9898
Fri & Sat: **Skip Parsons' Riverboat Jazz Band** | 9:30 p.m.
Fuze Box
12 Central Ave., Albany. 703-8937
Fri: **Ryujin, COMP3, Y@J, Arkane,**

Moshington, Hydroponics | 9 p.m. | \$10
Sat: **DJ JC: Love in the 80s** | 9 p.m. | Free before 10 p.m.
Ginger Man
234 Western Ave., Albany. 427-5963
Fri: **TJ Williams** | 8 p.m.
Grappa '72
818 Central Ave., Albany. 482-7200

Wed & Thur: **Hamilton Street Jazz Company** | 6:30 p.m.
The Half Moon
48 S. Front St., Hudson. thehalfmoonhudson.com
Sat: **Miho Hatori, Patrick Higgins, Arto Lindsay** | 8 p.m.
The Hollow Bar + Kitchen
79 N. Pearl St., Albany. 426-8550

Fri: **RAQ** | 9:30 p.m. | \$15
Sat: **Tragedy: The All Metal Tribute to the Bee Gees and Beyond** | 9:30 p.m. | \$15
The Low Beat
335 Central Ave., 432-6572
Wed: **The Deadbeats** | 10 p.m. | \$5
Thur: **Lord Electro, Budder** | 8 p.m.
Fri: **Girth Control, Henry's Rifle** | 6 p.m.

Hammer Hawk, Colorway, Kimono Dragons | 8 p.m.
Sat: **Nuclear Santaclaus, Meticulous Women, The Jagaloons, Lone Ranger** | 7:30 p.m.
Madison Theater
1036 Madison Ave., Albany. 438-2094
Fri: **Indrajit Banerjee** | 8 p.m. | \$20

McGeary's
4 Clinton Square, Albany. 463-1455
Wed: **Best Damn Open Mic Ever with MotherJudge** | 7:30 p.m.
Moon & River Café
115 S. Ferry St., Schenectady. 377-5100
Thur: **Dave Kitchen** | 6 p.m.
Fri: **John Birchler** | 7 p.m.
Sat: **Deb Fish & The Crowd Pleasers** | 7 p.m.
Sun: **Rockstar Open Mic** | 7:30
Mon: **Doug Chilton** | 7 p.m.
Tue: **Dave Kitchen Jazz Trio** | 7 p.m.

Mouzon House
1 York St., Saratoga Springs. 226-0014
Wed: **Joe Gitto & Dan Wancyk** | 6:30 p.m.
Thur: **Hot Club of Saratoga Trio** | 7 p.m.

Oh Bar
304 Lark St., Albany. 463-9004
Thur: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.

One Caroline Street
1 Caroline St., Saratoga Springs. 587-2026
Wed: **The Masters of Nostalgia** | 8:30 p.m.
Fri: **The Chronicles** | 9 p.m.
Sat: **Carl Landa** | 6 p.m.

Pauly's Hotel
337 Central Ave., Albany. paulyshotel.com
Sat: **Nice Try Kid, Candy Ambulance, Asa Morris, Making the Stars Move, Immune Fiction** | 8 p.m.
Mon: **Blue Monday Blues Jam** | 8 p.m.

Platinum Pub
795 3rd Ave., Watervliet. 270-9907
Every Tue: **Open Mic**

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16 Person everyone blames
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18 Boesky or Lendl
19 Gamble badly
20 Cash substitute at stores
23 Letter after wye
24 Word before Glory or Testament
25 J. Edgar Hoover's crew
27 ___ a living: made money
30 Upcoming graduates: abbr.
33 Mortgage
34 ___ Na Na
35 Citrus fruits
37 Extra cost for buying on time
41 Cowboy's rope
42 Snake-shaped fish
43 Sajak and Summerall
44 Sylvester Stallone's

- nickname
45 Kind of hound
48 Erie, Lehigh Valley, etc.
49 Baseball great Mel
50 Had dinner
52 Old-time jail for dead-beats
59 Piece of window glass
60 *Three Blind* ___
61 I feel ___ as a snake!
63 Thanks ___!
64 Minor argument
65 Dodger shortstop in Hall of Fame
66 More or ___: approximately
67 City thoroughfares: abbr.
68 Donkeys

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7 Female opera singer
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10 Before long

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12 Summer, in Paris
15 ___ Sam
21 Web-footed honkers
22 In a strange way
25 After everything else
26 American flag-maker Ross
28 Sounds of satisfaction
29 Fixed prices
30 Stain or smudge
31 Leases
32 Supersonic planes
33 Diamond and Abner
36 Has a great effect on
38 Mechanical man
39 Letter between oh and cue
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46 Tiny particles
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51 Princess's crown
52 Roy Rogers and ___ Evans
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Fri: **George Kracket** | 7 p.m.

Sat: **Chris Dollard** | 7 p.m.

Sun: **Tom Shields** | 7 p.m.

Prime at Saratoga National

458 Union Ave., Saratoga Springs. 583-4653

Sun: **Joe Sorrentino Trio (Jazz brunch)** | 10:30 a.m.

Putnam Den

63a Putnam St., Saratoga Springs. 584-8066

Fri: **McLovins, West End Blend** | 9:30 p.m. | \$10

Sat: **Midnight Revival Band, Brummy Brothers, Balkun Brothers** | 9 p.m. | \$7

Rustic Barn Pub

150 Speigletown Rd., Troy. 235-5858

Every Thur: **Open Mic** | 8 p.m.

Fri: **Skeeter Creek** | 8 p.m.

Sat: **The Nellies** | 8 p.m.

Sake Japanese Steakhouse

611 Troy-Schenectady Rd., Latham. 785-7215

Wed: **New Edge Trio** | 7:30 p.m.

Sat: **Groove Nouveau** | 7:30 p.m.

Scrimshaw Tavern

Desmond Hotel, 660 Albany Shaker Rd., Colonie. 869-8100

Fri & Sat: **Ruth Hellcamp**

Speakeasy 518

42 Howard St., Albany. 449-2332

Thur: **Bryan Brundige Duo** | 9 p.m.

Fri: **Mark Kleinhaut Trio** | 9 p.m.

Sat: **Phil Allen Trio** | 9 p.m.

Mon: **Joe Finn** | 8 p.m.

Tue: **Justin Henricks** | 8 p.m.

Stockade Inn

1 North Church St., Schenectady. 346-3400

Thur: **Erin Harkes** | 7 p.m.

Fri: **Pat Andreoli** | 7 p.m.

Tierra Coffee Roasters

1038 Madison Ave., Albany. 621-7299

Fri: **Misty Jazz Trio** | 6:30 p.m.

Upstate Concert Hall

1208 New York 146, Clifton Park. 371-0012 or upstateconcerthall.com

Wed: **Carnage, Valentino Kahn, Kayzo, more** | 7 p.m. | \$22

Tue: **St. Lucia** | 8 p.m. | \$20

The Van Dyck

237 Union St., Schenectady. 348-7999

Thur: **Bobbie Van Detta & The Split** | 7 p.m. | Free

Fri: **Jill Hughes** | 7 p.m. | \$15

Waterworks Pub

76 Central Ave., Albany. 465-9079

Thur: **DJ Shawn Gillie** | 11 p.m.

Fri: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.

Sat: **DJ David Barna** | 10 p.m.

Mon: **Karaoke** | 10 p.m.

Yono's

25 Chapel St., Albany. 436-7747

Fri: **Hamilton Street Jazz Duo** | 6:30 p.m.

Sat: **Frank Mastan Jazz Duo** | 6:30 p.m.

MUSIC

O.A.R.

Hugely successful indie rock band tours in support of "The Rockville EP" Feb. 11, 8 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$29.75-\$59.75. Information: 465-4663 or palacealbany.com.

Jackie Greene

Former member of the Black Crowes, the Phil Lesh Band and other groups performs his own original roots rock



All Chopin, all the time

Polish-born pianist Tadeusz Domanowski performs a program filled with the music of Chopin Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. at the University at Albany Performing Arts Center.

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songs. The Fairground Saints are the opening act. Feb. 12, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$29.50. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

Get the Led Out: The American Led Zeppelin

Tribute band focuses on the early years of the iconic British hard rock band. Feb. 12, 8 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: advance \$29.50, day of show \$32.50. Information: 465-4663 or palacealbany.com.

The Ellington Effect: A Centennial Tribute to Billy Strayhorn

Feb. 12 at 8 p.m., the LUMA Theater at Bard College. Tickets: \$40.

Nate Wooley

Innovative trumpeter performs music based on the writings of composer Kenneth Gaburo. Feb. 12, 8 p.m., EMPAC, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 110 Eighth St., Troy. Information: empac.rpi.edu.

RnB Classics Live presents "What's Going On"

An anthology of the late R&B legend Marvin Gaye performed by a 15-piece

band and four singers. Feb. 12, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$20-\$35. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo

World-famous a cappella group from South Africa. Feb. 13, 7:30 p.m., Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 Second St., Troy. Tickets: \$26-\$36. Information: 273-0038 or troymusichall.org.

The Orchestra Now: Concert 3

Feb. 13 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 14 at 3 p.m., the Sosnoff Theater at Bard College.

Tickets \$25-35.

Misty Jazz Trio with Bill Harrison

Local jazz combo plays as part of the Beat the Snow free concert series. Feb. 14, 2:30 p.m., McChesney Room, Schenectady County Public Library, downtown location, 99 Clinton St. Extension, Schenectady. Information: Janice Walz, 346-8081.

The Friends of Chamber Music

Presents Exsultemus with Newton Baroque, Sunday, Feb. 14, at 3 p.m., Kiggins Hall, Emma Willard School, 285 Pawling Ave. (Route 66), Troy. Tickets: \$25 adults, \$15 students. Call 833-1874 for tickets or information.

Sonny Landreth & Cindy Cashdollar

An evening in slide guitar heaven with two masters — Sonny Landreth on electric guitar and Cindy Cashdollar on Dobro and lap-steel — performing together. Saturday, Feb. 13, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets \$29.50. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

Monty Alexander Valentine's String Ensemble

Jazz group featuring guitarist Frank Vignola, bassist JJ Wiggins Shakur and special guest Caterina Zapponi. Feb. 14, 7:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$29.50. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

Fidelis Care

Organ Concert Series

Carl Hackert and Claudia Bracaliello perform on "Goldie," Proctors' mighty Wurlitzer organ. Feb. 16, noon, 432 State St., Schenectady. Free. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Il Volo

Trio of world-renowned singers. Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$45-\$75. Information: palacealbany.com.

ARTS CALENDAR

Tadeusz Domanowski

Polish-born pianist presents an all-Chopin program. Feb. 18, 7 p.m., University at Albany Performing Arts Center, uptown campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Tickets: general public \$8, students, seniors and staff \$4. Information: 442-3997 or www.albany.edu/pac.

An Evening with Styx

Classic 1970s/1980s rock band performs its hits. Feb. 18, 7:30 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$39.50-\$84.50. Information: palacealbany.com.

THEATRE

Naked Influence

Suzanne Bradbeer's story of a stripper who gets involved with a congressman, presented by Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through Feb. 14. Information and tickets: 445-7469 or www.capitalrep.org.

Heathers: The Musical

An award-winning rock musical based on the 1988 cult film "Heathers." Thursday and Friday, Feb. 11 and 12, Club Helsinki Hudson, 405 Columbia St., Hudson. Shows: 7:30 p.m.

Art

Theater Voices will present a staged reading of Yasmina Reza's play, with translations by Christopher Hampton, and directed by John Romeo. Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany. Shows: Feb. 12 at 8 p.m., Feb. 13 at 3 p.m. and Feb. 14 at 3 p.m. Information: 438-5503.

Doubt: A Parable

John Patrick Shanley's award-winning play, presented as a staged reading by Schenectady Civic Players, Feb. 14, 2:30 p.m., Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady. Free. Information: 382-2081 or www.civicplayers.org.

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

Tennessee Williams' classic play, presented by Home Made Theater, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, Feb. 12-28. Shows: Friday and Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m. Tickets: \$24 and \$27. Information: 587-4427 or www.homemadetheater.org.

COMEDY

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Theater Voices presents a staged reading of Yasmina Reza's play "Art" at Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, and 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, and Sunday, Feb. 14. Submitted photo

Feb. 26, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$14, children and seniors \$6. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

The Funny Bone

Finesse Mitchell headlines. Feb. 11-14, Crossgates Mall, Western Avenue, Guilderland. Shows: Thursday through Sunday 7:30 p.m., with 10 p.m. shows on Friday and Saturday. Tickets: \$10-\$12. Information: 313-7484 or Albany.funnybone.com.

The Comedy Works — Albany

Kevin Meaney headlines. Feb. 12 and 13, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m., 500 Northern Blvd., Albany. Tickets and information: 512-4075 or thecomedyworks.com.

The Comedy Works — Saratoga

Sherry Davey and Kyle Grooms headline, Feb. 12, 7:30 p.m., and Feb. 13, 8 and 10 p.m. 388 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Tickets and information: 275-6897 or thecomedyworks.com.

Sebastian Maniscalco

Rising comedy star famous for his "Aren't You Embarrassed?" standup

special, Feb. 13, 7 and 9:30 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$39.50-\$55. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

The Gender Defenders

Four comedians — two male and two female — discuss their views on relationships, love and life. Feb. 14, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$25-\$35. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

The New York "Country" Comedy Tour

A night of standup featuring upstate New York native Ross Bennett. Feb. 20, 7:30 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: advance \$20, day of show \$25. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Pretty Much the Best Comedy Show

Dave Hill headlines this month's comedy showcase. Feb. 20, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

DANCE

Gerard & Kelly

Modern dance duo work within an interdisciplinary framework in "Reusable Parts/Endless Love," which transmits and transforms the instructions for a kiss into unscripted representations of intimacy. Feb. 12, 7 and 8:15 p.m., University at Albany Performing Arts Center, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$15. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

Country dance line lessons and open dancing

Instructor: Kevin Richards from 100.9 FM — "The Cat." Mondays in February from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Schenectady Jewish Community Center, 2565 Balltown Road, Niskayuna. \$8 per person per class.

Black History Month Step Show

Featuring some of the best and most prestigious step teams from the Capital Region competing alongside regional and national dance teams. Feb. 14, 5

p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: adults \$23, children/students \$18. Information: palacealbany.com.

Single Squares of Albany

Modern western square dancing with caller and cuer Gene King. Feb. 17, 7:30 p.m., Colonie Elks Club, Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham. Tickets: \$7. Information: 674-2076.

Albany Shindig!

Featuring live music from George Wilson and Selma Kaplan. Paul Rosenberg will serve as the event's caller. This event is a unique chance for Capital Region residents to partake in simple, traditional dances including square dances, hoedowns and more. Feb. 19, 7 p.m., at The First Congregational Church, 405 Quail St., Albany, \$7 suggested donation; \$5 DanceFlurry Organization members. \$2 children under 12.

USA Dance

Monthly ballroom dance featuring group lesson and a dance demonstra-

tion, Feb. 21, 6:15 p.m., Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany. Tickets: adults \$13, USA Dance members \$10, students \$5, children 18 and under free. Information: Jim DeForge 233-0957 or jdefo51814@aol.com.

Albany DanceSport Club

Monthly event features group dance lesson, a mid-event showcase featuring Albany DanceSport Club members and dancing to music by house DJ. Feb. 28, 6:15 p.m., Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany. Tickets: adults \$10, students \$5. Information: 456-3995.

FILM

The Notorious Mr. Bout

Documentary about the events leading up to the arrest of arms dealer and war profiteer Viktor Bout. Feb. 11, 5:30 p.m., Opalka Gallery at Sage College, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany. Information: 292-8607.

La Ronde

Directed by Max Ophuls (France, 1950, 97 minutes, b/w, in French with English subtitles), film screening Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m., Page Hall, 135 Western Ave., downtown UAlbany campus.

The Triplets of Belleville

Special screening of the Academy Award-winning animated movie featuring live musical accompaniment by Le Terrible Orchestre de Belleville with the movie's music composer, Benoit Charest. Feb. 13, 8 p.m., Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$20-\$45. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Frozen

Disney's popular animated movie, part of the Kinderhook Bank Movie Series. Feb. 17, 3 p.m., Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany. Tickets: adults \$5, children \$3. Information: palacealbany.com.

LITERARY

Inauguration ceremony and reading of Edmund White and Yusef Komunyakaa

Feb. 11, 8 p.m., Page Hall, University at Albany downtown campus 135 Western Ave., Albany.

Poets Randall Horton and Jacqueline Jones LaMon

Feb. 16 seminar at 4:15 p.m., Standish Room, Science Library at University at Albany. Reading at 7 p.m. at the UAlbany Art Museum, Fine Arts Building.

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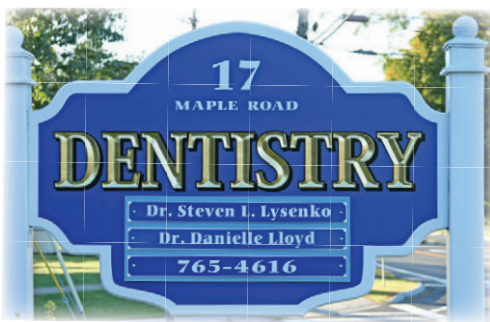
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Q: When should my child be evaluated by an orthodontist?

A: The American Association of Orthodontists recommends children have an initial screening by the age of seven, when permanent teeth begin to erupt. An orthodontist will be able to assess space needs and evaluate the patient's jaw alignment. For many children, it may be an optimal time to begin treatment. Early intervention can ensure better results, lessen the need for extraction of permanent teeth and ultimately shorten the time in braces or clear aligners (Invisalign®). It is important

that the assessment and planning be done by a well trained orthodontist.

Q: How can I be sure my provider has adequate training?

A: Dentists may choose to provide orthodontic care, but they are not specialists in orthodontics. An orthodontist is a dentist that has pursued an additional 2-3 years of orthodontic education beyond dental school in an accredited orthodontic specialty program. It is not unreasonable to ask for an orthodontist to provide your care. You may also check with the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) to see if your provider is an orthodontist. Another distinction to look for is board certification. To become a certified member of the American Board of Orthodontists an orthodontist must pass a rigorous exam where actual patients' treatment results are critically evaluated to determine if the orthodontist possesses the judgment, technical skills and knowledge necessary to provide the highest level of orthodontic care.

Q: What are some of the newest advancements in orthodontics?

A: In orthodontics, innovation continues to improve treatment

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■ TECHNOLOGY

Trudging through streaming music

By **ALLISON KURDZIOLEK**
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Online music streaming sites have come and gone. They've changed names, gone out of business, or have got bought up by different companies. Question is, whether to invest in a favorite streaming site or go back to CDs — because that is still an option. Here's the low down on the most popular sites:

Amazon Prime

Amazon Prime members have access to unlimited, ad-free streaming of over a million songs and access to created playlists. Amazon Prime membership is \$99, but you have access to more than just music.

Apple Music

Apple Music includes Internet radio station Beats 1; blog platform Connect which allows artists to share posts, videos, photos, and tracks with fans; and Radio which incorporates aspects of iTunes Radio. Subscription is \$9.99 per month after the free trial.

Google Play

Standard Google Play accounts can upload and listen to up to 50,000 songs from personal libraries at no cost. "All Access" subscriptions are sold with YouTube Red for

\$9.99 per month. Users are then entitled to on-demand streaming of any song in the Google Play Music catalogue and the ability to create custom radio stations. Users can also purchase additional tracks through the music store of Google Play. The mobile app allows you to store music and listen to it offline.

iHeartRadio

iHeartRadio functions as both a music recommender system and as a radio network. It aggregates audio content from over 800 local iHeartMedia radio stations across the U.S., as well as other stations and other various media. It's available online, on mobile devices, and select video-game consoles.

Pandora

Pandora is powered by the Music Genome Project. The service plays musical selections of a certain genre based on the user's selections. The user provides positive or negative feedback for songs chosen by the service. These selections are taken into account when Pandora selects future songs to play for you. Ad-free subscriptions are \$54.89 per year or \$4.99 per month.

Soundcloud

Soundcloud is a global online audio distribution that enables users to upload, record,

promote, and share their originally-created sounds. The service attracts more than 175 million unique monthly listeners. Content creators upload about 12 hours worth of audio every minute. This is a good streaming site to find new artists who have little to no publicity.

Spotify

Spotify allows you to listen to songs for free if the artist makes them available on this site. You can create playlists of your favorite songs, listen to Spotify's pre made playlists, listen to playlists other Spotify users made, or listen to a certain artists radio where you can listen to every song by them that's on Spotify. If you pay the premium cost of \$9.99 per month, you can play the songs offline and can play whichever song you want whenever you want it.

Tidal

Tidal subscribers get music and videos on demand. They also all get access to Tidal X which is a program that allows artists to connect with their fans though special events such as concerts. You can play music offline.

Tidal Premium is \$9.99 per month and Tidal HiFi is \$19.99 per month and offers higher quality sound, bother versions being ad free.

Yahoo! Music

Yahoo! Music, also known as Y! Music, provides a variety of music services, including a internet radio, music videos, news, asst information, and original programming. Local stations are limited to affiliates within iHeartRadio's platform, customizing is limited to favorite artist or song, there are commercial interruptions and no premium service to get rid of them, and there is a maximum of six skips per hour per station. You can build a station using the thumbs up/ thumbs down method.

Personally, my favorite online streaming site is

Spotify. It allows me to put my favorite songs in a playlist and just play those songs over and over again. With the free version, the ads do get a little annoying but you learn to deal with them. Also with the free version, it will only allow you to skip a certain number of songs per hour of listening. But if you pay for premium, there are no ads, you can skip as many songs as you want, and you can pick specific songs to play.

Music streaming is also a good way to listen to or discover new artists. (See also: Soundcloud.) And, music online is easier than going to the store and buying a CD.

Besides, CDs can break or get scratched up. But, there is still some value to buying an actual CD.

If you are traveling to some place where you won't have Internet connections, you might want to invest in CDs or premium versions of the music streaming sites that allow you to stream offline if you want to have music while you're away. Sometimes the CDs will have songs only on the physical copy, compelling you to buy it for the sake of listening to those songs. .

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From page B1 ... Behind the curtain

As synonymous as Gershwin may be to Broadway, this November's fall winds will bring home a modern-day classic from the silver screen to the Proctor's stage — one that heavily relates to us here in upstate New York.

"Dirty Dancing — The Classic Story on Stage" brings back the storyline of Baby and Johnny, dancing away at a summertime resort in the Catskills. Immensely popular, no one has attended a wedding party without dancing to "(I've Had) the Time of My Life" since the movie came out in 1987. All the pieces come back together from the original songs and characters, to Eleanor Bergstein — the original writer — for this on-stage

production.

Another World War II-era musical takes audiences back to Austria to follow the lives of the von Trapp in the Rodgers and Hammerstein classic, "The Sound of Music," coming in April 2017.

The KeyBank Subscription Series at the REP kicks things off with "A Night with Janis Joplin" in July. It's a musical celebration of the 1960s artist that brought music lovers "Piece of My Heart," "Cry Baby," "Summertime," and "Me and Bobby McGee." It also pays tribute to Joplin's influences Aretha Franklin, Etta James, Odetta, Nina Simone and Bessie Smith; all of whom shaped the landscape of Rock and Roll.

For the first time, Proctors and Capital Repertory Theatre partnered to reveal respective upcoming seasons, with subscription packages that link the two venues. The announcement, fashioned as a mock political debate between Proctors CEO Philip Morris and the REP's Producing Artistic Director Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill entertained a packed house of invited subscribers,

members, group leaders, sponsors and supporters, while unveiling a wealth of professional theatre offerings.

As befitting tradition, Proctors, the Capital Region's premier arts and entertainment complex, will open the 2016-2017 Key Private Bank Broadway Series by teching a new Broadway tour. The four-time Tony Award-winning production of "An American in Paris" will be seen for the first time, outside of Paris and New York, in Schenectady. Proctors, an above the line producer on the show, will host technical rehearsals and a week of preview performances before "An American in Paris" travels to the rest of the country.

Proctors will also tech the first national tour of the Broadway musical comedy smash "Something Rotten!" in January 2017, marking the first time two new shows will be teched in Schenectady in the same season. In addition to giving subscribers a unique insider's view of touring Broadway, this feat proves that Proctors has become a premier showcase destination for producers and top level creatives in the industry.

Proctors richest ever Broadway season continues with "Dirty Dancing—The Classic Story On Stage," "The Curious Incident Of The Dog In The Night-Time," "The Sound Of Music" and "Roundabout Theatre Company's Cabaret."

And subscribers will have priority access to tickets to Broadway's biggest blockbuster "Wicked," which will play a two-week engagement at Proctors as a non-subscription show.

In Albany, Capital Repertory Theatre will host a stellar 2016-2017 KeyBank Subscription Series of professional theatre as well, capped by "Beautiful—The Carole

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"We've got the Capital Region covered with entertainment," said Philip Morris.

"There's a show for everyone!" said Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill.

"Seriously, though," added Morris, "there is nothing to match what we're doing at Proctors and the REP. We're launching more and more tours in Schenectady, we're consistently staging world premieres in Albany and we're thrilled to be helping our subscribers become more familiar with the professional theatre offerings at both

venues."

2016-2017 Key Private Bank Broadway Series at Proctors

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- ▶ **An American in Paris**
October 14-21, 2016
- ▶ **Dirty Dancing**
The Classic Story On Stage
November 8-13, 2016
- ▶ **The Curious Incident Of The Dog In The Night-Time**
November 23-27, 2016
- ▶ **Something Rotten!**
January 10-15, 2017
- ▶ **The Sound of Music**
April 4-9, 2017
- ▶ **Roundabout Theatre Company's Cabaret**
May 9-14, 2017

Non-subscription:

- ▶ **Wicked**
March 1-12, 2017

2016-2017 KeyBank Subscription Series at Capital Repertory Theatre

All KeyBank subscribers will see Beautiful-The Carole King Musical at Proctors.

- ▶ **A Night With Janis Joplin**
July 8-August 7, 2016
- ▶ **Outside Mullingar**
September 23-October 16, 2016
- ▶ **Camelot**
November 25-December 24, 2016
- ▶ **Reluctant Wingman—A World Premiere!**
January 27-February 19, 2017
- ▶ **An Iliad**
March 10-April 2, 2017

- ▶ **Beautiful-The Carole King Musical**
April 12-16, 2017 [at Proctors]

Key Private Bank Broadway Series and KeyBank Subscription Series are on sale now at the Box Office at Proctors, 432 State Street, Schenectady; by phone at 518-346-6204 and online at proctors.org.

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CULINARY ARTS

Food & Vino

By ANN LINDA CIOTOLI

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With Valentine's Day approaching, I wanted to provide you a one-two combination to impress your partner. Here are recipes for both brunch and dinner.

Asparagus and Ham Crepes Brunch

Ingredients - Serves 8

1/2 cup milk
1 egg
1 Tbs. olive oil
1/4 cup unbleached flour
1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/4 tsp. salt
24 fresh asparagus spears trimmed
8 slices of ham
8 slices of swiss cheese

Mushroom Cheese Sauce

2 Tbs. butter
3 Tbs. unbleached flour
1 tsp. chicken broth
1 cup water
1/4 cup white cheddar cheese, shredded
1/3 cup half and half
6 ounces of mushrooms sliced (sauté in a skillet, until water drained, and golden brown, you might add 1 Tbs. olive oil)
1 Tbs. chopped fresh chives

Preparation

Blend the first 6 ingredients, process until smooth, and refrigerate for one hour. Heat a lightly greased 8 inch non stick skillet; pour 2 Tbs. of the batter into center of the skillet. Lift and tilt pan to coat the bottom. Cook until the top appears dry; turn and cook 15-20 seconds longer. Remove to a wire rack. Repeat with the remain batter, greasing the skillet as needed. Cool, stack crepes with waxed paper or paper towels in between.

In a large skillet, bring 1/2 inch of water to a boil. Add asparagus, cover, and cook 3 minutes. Place asparagus in ice water, drain and pat dry.

On each crepe, layer a ham slice, swiss cheese slice and 3 asparagus spears. Roll up and place in a greased 11 x 7 baking dish.

In a saucepan, melt butter. Stir in flour and broth. Gradually stir in water. Bring to a boil over medium heat; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thick. Reduce heat, stir in cheddar cheese until melted. Stir in cream, mushrooms, and chives.

Pour over the crepes. Bake uncovered in a 350° oven for 20-25 minutes, until heated through.

Simple Salad

Red Leaf Lettuce or any combo, green grapes halved, pitted Kalamata olives - combine in bowl. Make dressing - always 3 parts of oil to 1 part vinegar (in this case extra virgin olive oil to red wine vinegar), 1 tsp. of Dijon mustard, 1/2 tsp. honey, salt and fresh ground pepper to taste - whisk, pour, and toss salad.

Fruit Salad

This time of year is somewhat difficult in our area, because the fruit is under ripe. I like cantaloupe, blueberries, strawberries, kiwi, and pineapple. Always cut the fruit in small pieces (it makes a better salad). To make it special, toss the fruit in limoncello (Italian liqueur, made from lemons), or champagne, for at least 20 minutes. Garnish with fresh mint or basil (the basil is especially great in the summer).

Wine Pairing

Casa Larga Dry Riesling - Casa Larga Winery - Finger Lakes, N.Y. - This wine is smooth, well-balanced with hints of lime and grapefruit. I love that this is New York wine.

Chicken Piccata Dinner

Ingredients - Serves 2

1 boneless, skinless chicken breast butterfied in half (2)
Sea salt and fresh ground pepper
Unbleached flour for dredging
4 Tbs. unsalted butter
3 Tbs. Olive Oil
1/2 cup lemon squeezed
1/2 cup chicken stock
1/4 cup of brined capers, rinsed
Fresh parsley, chopped

Preparation

Season chicken with salt and pepper. Dredge chicken in flour and shake off the excess. In a skillet over medium heat, melt 2 Tbs. of butter with 3 Tbs. of olive oil. When butter and oil start to sizzle, add the two chicken breasts and cook for 3 minutes. When the breasts are browned on one side, turn over and cook for another 3 minutes. Transfer to a plate.

In the pan add lemon juice, stock, capers. Return to the stove, and bring to a boil. Scrape up brown bits for flavor, and return chicken to the pan. Simmer for 5 minutes. Remove to plate, and add the remaining 2 Tbs. of butter to sauce, and whisk vigorously. Pour sauce over chicken and garnish with fresh parsley.

Roasted Asparagus with Balsamic Glaze

Ingredients - Serves 2

1 lb. asparagus spears, trimmed
1 tsp. olive oil
Salt, and fresh ground pepper
2 Tbs. balsamic vinegar
1 tsp. dark brown sugar
Fresh grated Parmesan cheese

Preparation

Toss asparagus with olive oil, salt, and fresh ground pepper. Top with Parmesan cheese and roast until cheese is melted and crispy (about 15 minutes). In a skillet add balsamic vinegar and brown sugar, reduce to 1 Tbs.

Serve asparagus, drizzled with balsamic glaze.

Lemon Spaghetti

Ingredients

1/2 lb. spaghetti cooked according to directions - Pasta should be al dente
Reserve 1/2 cup of water from cooked pasta
Toss spaghetti with a sauce of 1/2 cup of reserved water, lemon juice, olive oil, fresh grated parmesan cheese.
Top with lemon zest from juiced lemon, and fresh basil

Wine Pairing

San Margherita Pinot Grigio - San Margherita Winery - Trentino-Alto Adige, Italy - A dry white wine that is straw yellow in color. It has clean, intense aromas, with a bone dry taste. It has flavors of golden delicious apples.

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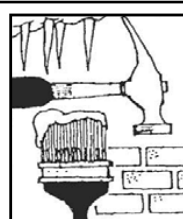


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■ LIVE MUSIC

Styx to play Palace

Rock band still on stride for top-notch shows

ALBANY — Styx, the band that rose to top-hit status in the 1970s and early 1980s with songs that included “Lady,” “Come Sail Away” and “Blue Collar Man,” will perform Thursday, Feb. 18 at the Palace Theatre in Albany.

The six members of Styx are committed to rocking audiences far and wide and making the next show better than the last. The band draws from more than four decades of barn burning chart hits, joyous singalongs, and hard-driving deep cuts.

After Styx hit its stride with 1976’s Crystal Ball, it then became the first group to score four triple-platinum albums in a row: The Grand Illusion (1977), Pieces

of Eight (1978), Cornerstone (1979), and Paradise Theater (1981).

After more than a decade together on the road, this incarnation of Styx is looking forward to performing as many shows as it can for as long as it can. “It all comes back to the chemistry,” says bassist/vocalist Ricky Phillips. “The legacy of this band will be that it brought joy to millions of people,” notes drummer Todd Sucherman.

Tickets, which cost \$84.50, \$59.50, \$49.50 and \$39.50, are on sale at the Palace Theatre Box Office (located at 19 Clinton Ave). Regular Box Office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m.



Styx will perform at the Palace Theatre in Albany on Feb. 18.

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to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Box Office may be open during other select hours for events and On Sales. Tickets are also available for purchase via Ticketmaster Charge-by-Phone at 800-

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— Albany Palace Theatre

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Spotlight on mobile apps

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RATED: Age 12+
PRICE: Free

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THEATER

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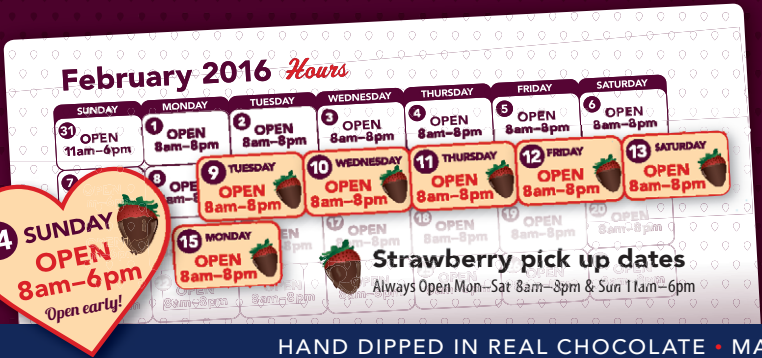
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■ PLAYER OF THE WEEK



RYAN MURRAY

Bethlehem's Ryan Murray is the Spotlight Player of the Week for the period ending Sunday, Feb. 7. Murray scored 23 points to help the Eagles defeat Colonie 74-73 in a Suburban Council boys basketball game Friday, Feb. 5. Bethlehem avenged an earlier loss to Colonie in the process.

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New heights

The Guiderland cheer-leading team competed at the Suburban Council Championships Saturday, Feb. 6, at Mohonasen High School. The event was a warm-up for the sport's first Section 2 tournament this weekend.

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■ VOORHEESVILLE



Ravena's Bailey Cross (34) tries to block Laura Patak's shot during a Colonial Council game against Voorheesville Friday, Feb. 5.

Voorheesville's Rebecca Clair (5) tries to keep the ball inbound while hounded by Ravena's Carly Cross (22) in the first quarter.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight



'Birds roll to victory

Rachel Blow leads a balanced attack in Voorheesville's win over Ravena

By **ROB JONAS**

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VOORHEESVILLE — Voorheesville doubled up Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk 52-26 in a Colonial Council girls basketball game Friday, Feb. 5.

The Blackbirds (13-3 league, 13-5 overall) overcame a slow start by outscoring the Indians (3-11, 4-13) 43-15 over the final three quarters.

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'Birds roll to victory

Rachel Blow led a balanced Voorheesville attack with 14 points. Laura Patak contributed seven points, and three more players — Olivia Barringer, Rachael Bogdany and Emily Burke — chipped in with six points apiece.

Cohoes defeated Voorheesville 49-41 Tuesday, Feb. 2. The Tigers outscored the Blackbirds 14-8 in the second quarter to take the lead.

Sam Dayter had 20 points, and Nerea Brajac added 18 points for Cohoes. Blow netted 12 points, and Rebecca Clair scored 11 points for Voorheesville.

The Blackbirds concluded their regular season Monday, Feb. 8, when they traveled to Lansingburgh for a Colonial Council contest.

Boys basketball

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk outscored Voorheesville 12-6 in overtime to defeat the Blackbirds 60-54 Friday, Feb. 5, in a Colonial Council boys basketball game.

Sky Rebeor netted 16 points, and Michael Babcock added 15 points for the Indians, who relinquished a six-point lead in the fourth quarter before pulling out the win in extra time.

Scott Glasheen's 20 points paced Voorheesville. Alex Giordano and Sean Nolan each contributed 12 points.

Voorheesville defeated Cohoes 62-49 Tuesday, Feb. 2. Glasheen had 17 points, and Nolan contributed 14 points for the Blackbirds.



Suburban Council Cheerleading Championships

The Guilderland cheerleading team reaches for new heights during the varsity co-ed division competition at the Suburban Council Championships Saturday, Feb. 6, at Mohonasen High School. Guilderland is gearing up for the first Section 2 cheerleading championship tournament Saturday, Feb. 13, at Albany High School.

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■ BETHLEHEM

Eagles outlast Raiders

Ryan Murray leads Bethlehem to overtime victory over Colonie

By **ROB JONAS**
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BETHLEHEM — Bethlehem edged Colonie 74-73 in overtime in a Suburban Council boys basketball game Friday, Feb. 5.

Ryan Murray led the Eagles with 23 points, while Luke Dole and Michael Ortale each added 13 points.

Bryce Waterman dropped in five three-pointers on his way to a

29-point night for Colonie. Isaiah Moll and Josh Paszkowski contributed 13 points apiece.

Bethlehem began the week with a 61-49 loss to Guilderland. The Dutchmen opened up a 38-17 halftime lead, and they never looked back.

Andrew Sischo scored 21 points, and Michael Wine contributed 14 points for Guilderland. Ortale (11 points) and Murray (10 points) led Bethlehem.

score at 1-1 for Bethlehem 26 seconds later. Koszelak then tallied to put BH/BS ahead for good.

Dominik Monterroso added a goal early in the third period, and goaltender Mark Stocker stopped 22 shots for BH/BS, which won its seventh consecutive game and ended Bethlehem's winning streak at nine games.

Bethlehem goaltender Alex Breiner made 26 saves.

Andrew Yanowsky scored two goals, and Breiner made 20 saves to lead Bethlehem to a 4-0 victory over Shenendehowa Friday, Feb. 5, at the Bethlehem Area YMCA.

Yanowsky's first goal early in the first period got the Eagles on the scoreboard. Then, Carroll tallied with less than six minutes left in the opening stanza to make the score 2-0.

Yanowsky struck again in the second period, and Jake Dempf added a goal in the third period for Bethlehem.

Hockey

The hottest Capital District High School Hockey League teams met Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Schenectady County Recreational Facility in Glenville.

Nicholas Koszelak's goal with 2:42 left in the second period proved to be the game winner as Burnt Hills/Ballston Spa defeated Bethlehem 3-1.

Alex Lind gave BH/BS a 1-0 lead with 6:16 left in the second period, but Connor Carroll tied the

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From page 1 ... Police contract reached

Now, both sides are letting out sighs of relief after reaching a compromise.

The new contract guarantees time off, and in exchange for a starting salary decrease, wage increases are given after seven years of service and again after 15 years on the force. In turn, litigations against the town by police officers have been dropped, and BPA has agreed to settle with current staffing levels.

"Despite our union's inability to successfully lobby for additional staffing, the resulting contract will guarantee much needed time off and reduce the strain of required overtime. The Police Officers' Union is pleased to have this process behind us and as always, we are honored to serve the residents of Bethlehem," said PBA President Mike Berben.

While the PBA had campaigned for greater staffing to address the use of overtime, Clarkson and the Town Board chose other means to curb overtime, adopting policies used by another similarly-sized local police department.

In December of 2014 Supervisor John Clarkson announced he would introduce changes in police overtime after a consultant hired by the town determined the police department accrued \$1.4 million in overtime that year, and went over its overtime budget by \$227,528, equaling \$10,000 per week in overtime payments. When compared to similar-sized police departments such as in Gunderland, this sum was large.

To address the issue, the town planned to reconfigure work schedules to include longer days and place more officers on duty at a time so that when sick time is used, less overtime would be used, as BPD would still be meeting minimum staffing levels even when some officers were out.

Yet, to the ire of the police department, these additional shifts also started at the same time as multiple officer sick or

injury leaves and Clarkson's new stricter policies on sick, injury and personal leave – a situation Chief Lou Corsi described as "the perfect storm."

The storm continued to swirl into the November elections when both police unions took a political stance for the first time in their history, backing Clarkson's opponent in the November 2015 elections, Republican Jim Foster, who promised more resources to the police department.

Contractually, the police have unlimited sick time and each time an officer calls in sick, his replacement is paid overtime. Though police departments in Gunderland and Colonie have the same policy, as is usual for a profession of such a dangerous nature, Colonie and Gunderland require a note from a doctor after three or five days. Clarkson introduced a similar policy to the Bethlehem Police Department with his changes, and required officers to put in for scheduled time off 18 days in advance.

"That's just good from a managerial standpoint," said Berben, in agreement with the policy change. In exchange for accepting these stricter time-off policies, officers are contractually guaranteed to have at least one officer be authorized personal, vacation or compensatory time for every given shift. This single provision turned out to be the greatest compromise, said Clarkson.

"It's a great compromise that gives the department the flexibility it needs to be managed," he said. "It's a benefit for both of us, and we're dropping the litigation, so that's a relief."

Officers had filed an estimated 15 grievances against the town for instances in which time off was denied as a result of the new policies, and all grievances have been dropped as part of the contract.

Clarkson's proposal to lengthen shifts to 12-hour days was shelved in negotiations with the PBA, but Clarkson is still holding out hope that

the Bethlehem Police Supervisors' Union, of which there are seven members, will agree to the schedule. "The issues there are a little different, but we're hopeful," he said, adding that he wasn't sure if a compromise on their contract was close yet.

The largest cut the police officers union took was a pay cut of \$3,000 in salary for first year officers. This wage is added at seven years, and at 15 years, wage is increased by \$4,200 as an incentive. For all union officers, health insurance co-pays were also increased.

As is standard with past PBA-town contracts, general cost of living (COLA) salary increases of 2 percent, 2 percent and 2 percent in the years 2015, 2016 and 2017 are provided. As 2015 has already passed, officers will retroactively receive those wages shortly, as they were budgeted into the 2015 fiscal plan, and have been anticipated in the 2016 town budget, as well.

Finally, a \$250 per quarter incentive will be provided for any officer who does not use any sick leave during each period. Mary Tremblay-Glassman, director of Human Resources for the Town of Bethlehem said the town copied this policy from the Gunderland Police Department, where it has worked effectively to curb overtime. However, Berben is dubious the policy will work, as most of the sick time being used by the Bethlehem Police Department is for those out on extended sick or injury leave, of which there are six, leaving him doubtful that the incentive would be effective at-least presently.

When completely phased in over a three year period, the agreement will cost roughly \$150,000, the majority of which – \$130,000 – will be spent on COLA costs for the union, which had already been planned on. The town saves money as officers pay more for health insurance and start out with a lower salary, while taking on new costs for the \$4,200 wage increase at 15 years and the \$250 incentive for any officer who does not use sick leave, which in total are estimated at \$20,000.

"If it wasn't for the diligent work of Mike



Everyone is breathing sighs of relief now that the town and police force have come to an agreement on labor issues.

Photo by Michael Hallisey/
Spotlight

Berben, we might not have gotten this contract. He understands the complexity of contract negotiations and I appreciate the hard work he put in to making this contract happen," said Tremblay-Glassman.

While most negotiations have fallen past their deadline, none have ever lasted over a year, as this one has, said Berben, who in-turn thanked Tremblay-Glassman for her pivotal work, "She has worked with me since last year through good times and bad times. She never abandoned us," he said.

As well, Berben thanked

the new Town Board, which has taken extra interest in solving police contract negotiations with the town, with all members – Doris David, David VanLuven, Julie Sasso, Joyce Becker and John Clarkson having taken ride-alongs with officers.

"The town board has been very much involved in the police department and is working to understand the needs of the police department on the best way they can. I have been very thankful for the involvement of the Town Board and I appreciate their willingness to provide for needs of police

department," said Berben.

"This contractual agreement represents a mutual understanding and an effort to improve working conditions. The negotiations of the past year and a half have been long and difficult. The end result is a contract that equally serves the interests of our town leadership, employees, and the taxpayer," said the union in a statement. "The Police Officers' Union is pleased to have this process behind us and as always, we are honored to serve the residents of Bethlehem."

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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. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#106818

LEGAL NOTICE

Fat Cat Antiques, LLC Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of NY on November 30th, 2015. Office location Albany County. Secretary of State of NY State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to Fat Cat Antiques, LLC 760 Route 9W, Glenmont, NY 12077. Purpose: Any lawful act. Ad#106317

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF FINE PROPERTIES WESTERN, LLC On 12/28/2015, Articles of Organization of Fine Properties Western, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York. The office of the NY limited liability company is located in Albany County. The SSSNY is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address within New York State to which the SSSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is Fine Properties Western, LLC, 1529 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203. The purpose of the limited liability company is for any lawful business purpose or purposes. Ad#105554

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of fix it for you LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. Of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/30/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon process against it may be served. SSNY Shell Mail process to: PARACORP INCORPORATED, ONE COMMERCE PLAZA, 99 WASHINGTON AVE #805A, ALBANY, NY 12210-2822. Purpose: any lawful activities. Ad#107431

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Gallo Pediatric Dentistry, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY (SOS) on 12/22/15. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 16 Fenway Drive, Albany, NY 12211. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#106187

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC is GGM Solutions, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on 1/26/2016. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is PO Box 155, Voorheesville, NY 12186. Ad#107700

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: GREENER TOMORROWS LAWN CARE, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, December 3, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 75 Esplanade Street, Selkirk, NY 12158. Ad#106097

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of: HART STREET 255 LLC Art of Org filed w/ SSNY on 2/14/2014 in ALBANY County. SSNY is designated Agent of LLC to whom process may be served. SSNY may mail copy of any process to HART STREET 255 LLC, 85 Lorimer Street, Brooklyn NY 11206 Latest date to dissolve: indefinite Purpose: any lawful activity Ad#107488

LEGAL NOTICE

Home & Business Insurance Agency LLC Notice of Qualification - LLC was filed with the SSNY on December 22, 2015. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: Home & Business Insurance Agency LLC, 443 Crown Point Circle, Ste. A, Grass Valley, CA 95945. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#105970

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Integra R&D Holding Company II, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 2/4/16. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 745

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Albany Shaker Road, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#108504

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JPIRT 81 MERCER, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/22/15. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Pep Real Estate, 25 Howard St., 2nd Fl, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#106562

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF KCTCAL, LLC. Articles of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 1/5/2016. Office located in ALBANY County. SSNY designated as Agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 62 Brookview Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Purpose is any lawful activity Ad#108701

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) The name of the LLC Klowl9 Vape, LLC. The filing date of the Articles of Organization is December 17, 2015. The purpose of the LLC is to manufacture E-Juice and sell to retail stores or directly to consumer. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. SSNY is the designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which SSNY shall mail a copy of any process is 5 Harmony Hill Rd, Albany NY 12203. Ad#107186

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: LDFT II LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 8, 2016. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. Ad#106575

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MCV INVESTORS LLC, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on December 17, 2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C., 677 Broadway, Suite 500, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#105499

LEGAL NOTICE

NAMASTE NUGGETS LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 1/13/2016. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail

From page 3 ... Dispatch system

for detectives, providing them with greater information about the individuals they pull over, and essentially bringing their outdated technology into the 21st century. Whereas their current CAD/RMS system can only provide limited information on the people they pull over, with the upgrade, officers will receive more info in real-time, including live updates on current missing persons, warrants and crime records.

The Bethlehem Police Department has been using a CAD/RMS software suite from New World Systems since 1992, the first in the area to use this system. A few years later the town invested in additional modules within the suite, such as Incident Based Reporting, of which BPD was the first department in New York state to implement, Property Evidence Tracking, CAD Redundancy, and NYS

Ticketing/TRACS among others.

Officials have wanted to update the existing system for some time.

“The life expectancy of our current system was really getting close, and our vendor was no longer supporting it because it was well over 20 years old,” described Chief Corsi.

“The current version of our system, while once the best available, is today very dated and will become unsupported soon,” said Jeff Demmeyer, director of Management Information Services for the Town of Bethlehem.

The town had been considering upgrading for years, but when the purchase was originally proposed roughly ten years ago, the acquisition and installation costs were substantial, estimated to be at least \$755,000. Additional costs for yearly maintenance would have risen to



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\$170,000 — roughly double the current annual cost.

The new CAD system, in contrast will save the town on its yearly update costs, lending over \$265,000 to annual budgets, reducing this maintenance cost from roughly 17 percent to 15 percent of the total town budget.

The existing shared services agreement between Albany County and TriTech CAD/RMS systems allowed the Town of Bethlehem to adopt the system for less than it would have cost if the town

had purchased its system separately. By sharing the county’s contract, the cost benefits are passed on to all participating municipalities.

“From my perspective, it’s a great deal and an improvement we’ve been wanting to make for some time” said Clarkson. “By procuring the new system in partnership with ACSO and the Town of Colonie, we save a lot of money, and allows us to upgrade to an interoperable system. It’s a great benefit of cooperation and shared procurement, and I’m very happy to see it move forward.”

From page 5 ... Strong reception

“Based on proliferation of towers throughout upstate New York and the entire U.S., Verizon’s position is that a monopine design is not that visually intrusive. Most folks realize what they are looking at, and there’s not a lot of visual sensitivity to them anymore,” said a Verizon representative at the meeting.

Verizon needs now only approach the Planning Board once more with final revisions to achieve its approval, which would leave final approval up to the town board.

Cellco Engineering has applied on behalf of the Verizon company, who proposes to place the cell tower in Voorheesville to alleviate dead zones in town, which have grown alongside the growth of cell-data usage in recent years.

For every call, text, app used and any other so-called “data event” cell phone towers pick up signals, and each tower is only able to handle about 1,200 simultaneously. Verizon says another tower is needed to accommodate this, and in other nearby towns, cell towers are placed about 6 miles apart.

According to the company’s attorney, Jared Lusk, from Nixon Peabody, fixing these dead zones assures that Verizon keeps its Federal Communication Commission (FCC) license, by providing “substantial service to its licensed area.”

“Verizon Wireless is always exploring opportunities to improve its network on behalf of our customers,” said the company in a statement. “The tower is designed to enhance 4G/LTE coverage and capacity for our customers on State Route 85 and County Route 443, including the Clarksville Hamlet area, in the southwester portion of the Town of New Scotland.”

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copy of process to 84 W Broadway 3N, NY, NY 10007. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#108102	LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: NICKOLL CR LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 15, 2015. Application for Authority filed with NYS Department of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106038	agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Dreyer Boyajian LLP, 75 Columbia St., Albany, NY 12210. General purpose. Ad#106927	agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106030	against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106029	SSNY shall mail process to Michael A. Tognino, Esq., 84 Business Park Dr., Ste. 211, Armonk, NY 10536. General purpose. Ad#106198	tion: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process on LLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: TAVO HOLDINGS, LLC 15 CERF LANE MT. KISCO, NEW YORK, 10549. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#107887	location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC: 71 Hilton Road, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#107710
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NAVR PROPERTIES, LLC, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Secy of State of NY (SSNY) on January 4, 2011, Office in Schenectady Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Audra M. Passonno, 9423 Western Turnpike, Delanson, NY 12053. Purpose: General Ad#108684	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: NICKOLL VP LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106032	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: PINE RIDGE CR LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 15, 2015. Application for Authority filed with NYS Department of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106037	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: POLLOCK CR LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 15, 2015. Application for Authority filed with NYS Department of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106035	NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (LP) The name of the LP is Ridgehill DJC L.P. The Certificate of Limited Partnership of the LP was filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 23, 2015. The purpose of the LP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LP is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LP upon whom process against the LP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LP is c/o ADC, L.L.C., 435 Ridgehill Road, Schenectady, New York 12303. The names and business addresses of each general partner is available from the Secretary of State. The latest date on which the LP is to dissolve is January 31, 2115. The character or purpose of the LP is real estate. Ad#105542	Suzuki Hospitality Group LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 1/19/16. 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, c/o Bryan Rozencwaig, 29 Chase Rd., Ste. 26, Scarsdale, NY 10583. General purpose. Ad#107459	The Bowery Albany, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 12/15/15. 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, 1625 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12205. General purpose. Ad#108356	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: VILLAGE PARK DHC LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 15, 2015. Application for Authority filed with NYS Department of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106016
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: NEW SCOTLAND HOLDINGS LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on January 19, 2016. Office location: The Mailing Address of the limited liability company's office is 791 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, New York 12208. County of Albany. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC at 791 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, New York 12208. For any lawful purpose. Ad#107386	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: NICKOLL VP LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106032	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: PINE RIDGE VP LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 15, 2015. Application for Authority filed with NYS Department of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106032	NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC) Name: POLLOCK VP LLC. Certificate of Formation filed with Delaware Secretary of State, December 15, 2015. Application for Authority filed with NYS Department of State, December 23, 2015. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to c/o Dawn Homes Management LLC, 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Albany, NY 12211. Ad#106035	LEGAL NOTICE	NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: SWEET BASIL THAI RESTAURANT, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/14/15. 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, 370 Delaware Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#105995	Notice of domestic formation of THE ROOSTER FACTORY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secretary of State (NS) on 10/19/2015, off. Loc.: Albany Co. NS design. as agt. upon whom process may be served, NY shall mail service of process (SOP) to NW Registered Agent LLC @ 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, NW Registered Agent LLC is design. as agt. for SOP at 90 State St STE 700 Office 40. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Ad#106923	WOOSTER 41 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/07/2015. Office in Albany Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o Pep Real Estate, 25 Howard St., 2nd Fl, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#105276
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■ FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Taking pride in our home

When people speak of Delmar, especially those of whom who wish to live here, they speak of the “Olde Delmar” charm. But, take a look around the heart of town, and one really only sees the old.

Those of us who have lived here awhile can remember a drabby looking Four Corners, with elevated sidewalks and a gas station somehow squeezed in front of the old Handy Andy. The sidewalks and steps left one nervous about traversing along Kenwood Avenue, and parking along the shops wasn't something you'd consider doing unless you really had to do so. Of course, that has since changed. But, a walk down Delaware Avenue certainly leaves you thinking that time has left our Main Street behind.

There is much to be thankful for here in Bethlehem. We have the short jaunt to the country, and an equally short trek to the city and suburban malls. However, that's what needs to be addressed.

We have plenty of local shops within

town that need help. Stop for a second and look at the shops along the main route here. If you park your car at the community parking lot, you have an opportunity to shop for frames and artwork, perhaps pick-up a book or two, walk a little farther and you can look for clothing or head to the many storefronts at Main Square Shoppes.

That's exactly what everyone wants to see. People walking around town and purchasing goods from local shop owners. Already we're seeing people take to the sidewalks to visit Perfect Blend in the daytime or Swifty's and Twisted Vine in the evening.

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■ GET TO KNOW ...



Michael Eck
Publicist,
Proctors Theatre

Residence: Capital District

What television series are you currently watching?

I'm actually not that into TV, even though we're supposedly having a golden age. But I do let my son, Lakota, an aspiring filmmaker, curate my TV experience. In between him binge watching foreign dramas and horror shows, we are making our way through the third season of The Killing. Kind of blows my mind how much Patti Smith refers this to show in her new memoir, M Train.

What is the most recent movie you've seen?

Lakota and I went to Village East Cinema, in New York, the last week of December to see the roadshow version of Quentin Tarantino's “The Hateful

Eight.” We walked around a lot, hit The Strand bookstore and ate at film and TV-related places like Ben's Pizza and Katz's Deli. Enjoyed the film on a visceral level, but if I spend too much time thinking about Tarantino. I get antsy.

Favorite music or musician?

Please. Just one. Can't do it. I will say that Joe Henry's 2014 masterpiece “Invisible Hour” is my new desert island disc. Every time I return to it, which is frequently, it brings me new joy and new revelations. It is the “Astral Weeks” of our time.

What are you reading right now and would you recommend it?

Yeah, I'm one of those people who

reads a bunch of books at once. Very much enjoying Robert Scotto's biography of the eccentric composer “Moondog: The Viking of Sixth Avenue.” The history is wonderful, the writing not so much. Another biography, on Kindle for me, is Thomas Kunkel's “Man in Profile: Joseph Mitchell of The New Yorker.” The history is wonderful, the writing not so much (sound familiar). Richard Polenburgh's “Hear My Sad Story” is a wonderful collection of the true tales behind American folks songs, and I'm using it to shore up my history for Lost Radio Rounders gigs. Finally, I'm loving “Hard Candy,” a collection of Tennessee Williams short stories from 1954. If you can find it, do it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Town has ethics loophole

Editor, *The Spotlight*

Whether it be in sports, law, politics or business, we expect everyone to play by a commonly agreed upon rulebook and adhere to the rules set forth therein.

Unfortunately, as written, the town's current Code of Ethics provides a significant loophole for certain elected officials, which permits them to engage in political fundraising activities during their normal hours of business while all other town employees are barred from such conduct. In essence, the message our local elected officials are communicating to our Town employees and the public is, "do as I say, not as I do." The Town Board must close this ethical loophole and make sure everyone plays by the same rules.

This issue first came to my attention when several concerned citizens noted that in June, Supervisor (John) Clarkson held a Tuesday morning campaign fundraiser during his office's normal hours of business when he should have been responding to calls, emails, and concerns from residents. In fact, the town's Code of Ethics, adopted under Supervisor Clarkson, states that, "no employee shall engage in political campaign activities during his or her assigned working hours." However, when

the Town Ethics Board was recently consulted on the matter, they stated that it was the Board's view that this particular provision in the Code of Ethics does not apply to the Supervisor since, as an elected official, the Supervisor does not have to account for any of his time and therefore has no assigned working hours. As the expression goes, "it is good to be king."

My question to Town Hall is: How is it that the town's Code of Ethics, which applies to all town employees, does not, in certain instances, apply to our highest town official? Even in the absence of a specific written ethics policy, our elected officials must lead by example and should not participate in campaign fundraising activities when they should be at work serving the residents of Bethlehem. To drive this point home, the Town Board must act decisively to close this loophole because the taxpayers of Bethlehem should not be forced to make de facto campaign contributions to sitting town officials by permitting them to engage in political campaign activities during their respective office's normal hours of business.

Jim Foster
Delmar

Need your support

Editor, *The Spotlight*

The Bethlehem Football Gridiron Club recently held its kickoff meeting for the 2016 season. The Gridiron Club is an all-volunteer organization made up of parents and other interested community members that provides support across all three levels (Varsity, Junior Varsity, Modified) of the Bethlehem High School football program. We provide support for activities such as our Senior Night, Homecoming Game, Team Picnic, Lift a Thon and End of Season Parties/Banquets. We also provide support to players in need to attend football camps and other events. In order for organizations such as ours to succeed, we need active parental involvement at all three levels as well as local community support.

The Gridiron Club would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors for their support in making the 2015 season a success. We would also like to thank the many parents and volunteers in our community who contributed so much behind the scenes in support of our organization. Lastly, we would like to recognize our three outgoing officers; Joe Bonacci, President, Sue Mallery, Vice-President, and Shanelle Carter, Secretary, for their support and leadership. Each of you left big shoes to fill.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Room 207D of the High School. We cordially invite you to become a Gridiron Club supporter as well.

Sincerely,
David Gillespie, President
Peter Smith, Vice-President
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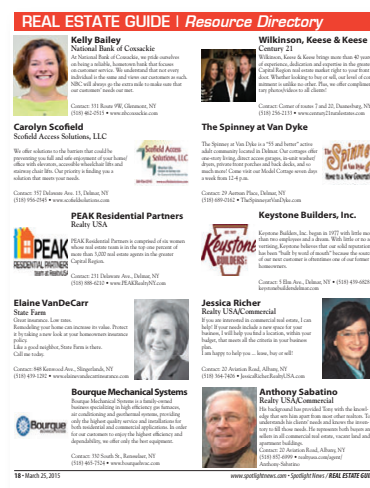
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