Bethlehem wants say on potential polluters

By Michael Hallisey

The Bethlehem town board is not sure whether it wants a say on projects that will produce substantial air and/or water pollution.

The proposed law was inspired by public outcry last year over Spurlock Adhesives' plans to build a formaldehyde plant in a commercial zone along Route 144 in Glenmont, where the only town approval needed, since it was a permitted use, was a building permit. After strong public protest, however, Spurlock moved its project to Moreau in Saratoga County.

"The reason why I asked for this was so we could find a way that the town board could have some sort of oversight," said Councilman Ted Putney at last week's board meeting.

After a building permit is granted, the building inspector and town board have no power, said Putney. The applicant only has to abide by the permitted uses in the zone.

Supervisor Sheila Fuller expressed concern over the proposed law.

"How do you start something like this, when someone approaches the town with an application?" Fuller asked. "We are getting into a philosophical discussion. We do not want to close the door and tell these companies not to come."

According to the draft law, drawn up by attorney Robert Alessi, businesses which state and federal governments ask to conduct various environmental tests, such as for air emissions or water pollution, would need town board approval.

BC officials excited about new center

By Dev Tobin

As school opens this week, Bethlehem Central staff and contractors are "scrabbling like mad" to get new middle and high school classrooms and media centers ready, according to BC Superintendent Les Loomis.

Loomis and BC board president Happy Scherer met last week with The Spotlight editorial board.

"Loomis gave an update of the district's construction project, starting with the highest priority - the new Early Learning Center at Singerlands Elementary School.

"It's really, except for some minor landscaping," he said of the school within-a-school that will house all the district's kindergarteners. "This will be a real step forward for early childhood education."

Scherer said board members toured the new facility earlier in the week and, "It's beautiful."

Loomis reiterated that the new

Coyotes cosy up to Glenmont farm family

By Michael Hallisey

Wile E. Coyote is a loveable cartoon character, but his real-life counterparts are just a nuisance, according to the Newell family of Glenmont.

Since building a new home on their farm three years ago, Thomas and Valerie Newell, their two children and family dog have been hounded by several of the wild canines.

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The farm, on the corner of Feura Bush and Wemple roads, has been in the Newell family for four generations.

The normally timid creatures have lost their "healthy respect" for people, said Valerie, and have grown more confident.

Valerie suspects some of her neighbors feed the animals by hand.

"The problem is many people don't have enough respect for these animals," Valerie said. "They should not be hand-fed. They are wild dogs, and when you encounter them, you don't want to make friends with them."

Coyotes usually weigh about 40 pounds, roughly the
Bethlehem cops ticket 91 in sweep

By Michael Hallisey

The police departments of Albany County were out in full force Friday to send out a message to holiday drivers — obey the law.

A 17-hour span, 558 area motorists were stopped for traffic violations during a countywide speed and aggressive driving blanket patrol between 7 a.m. and midnight.

Bethlehem ranked third in Albany County with 96 traffic stops — and first with seat belt violations (23).

Ninety-one summonses were issued in Bethlehem, second only to Colonie (172), and 57 of which were for speeding.

"I'm surprised," said Bethlehem Police Lt. Richard Vanderbilt. "I thought that we would see more compliance with the speed limit." "About 25 percent of all county accidents are attributed to speeding," said Vanderbilt. "We were out to set the tone for traffic safety for the holiday weekend."

Most of the speeding violations came during daylight hours as people rushed to get in and out of work Friday, Vanderbilt said.

Due to requests to enforce speed limits along residential streets as well as main roads, Bethlehem police kept a keen eye on Beaver Dam Road, Hawthorne Avenue, Fairlawn Drive, Glenmont Road and Salisbury Road.

In June, a group of Hawthorne Avenue residents requested a stop sign for the intersection of Hawthorne and Wellington Road because of speeding by motorists through the neighborhood.

The Bethlehem Traffic Safety Committee rejected the proposal, however Vanderbilt said the police would try stricter enforcement of the speed limit in that neighborhood.

In the following weeks, a police cruiser could be seen at the intersection, and last week, police nabbed several motorists for speeding on Hawthorne.

No driving while intoxicated violations were reported in the county.

About two weeks after a similar incident, Colonie town police went from issuing 433 seat belt tickets all the way down to 10.

In Elsmere, the police department of Averne residents requested a stop on Delaware Avenue when police released to a friend after posting $100 bail.

The homeowner's $800 bicycle was stolen from the garage between Monday, Aug. 18, at 3:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Aug. 19, at 9:45 a.m.

St Thomas planning annual picnic

The Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar will host its 27th annual parish picnic on Sunday, Sept. 7, from 1 to 6 p.m. at Elm Avenue Park Pavilion in Delmar. Admission is free and food will be available. There will be free entertainment for children, including Mr. Bouncey Bounce, pony rides and a clown.

Skip Parsons will provide musical entertainment. There will also be a raffle for many child and adult prizes.

FYE Fridays series starts at library

A program on health and humor kicks off this year's FYE Fridays series on Sept. 12, at 10 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library on 451 Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Registered nurse Daniel Leffingwell will explain how a good sense of humor can enhance physical and emotional health.

Leffingwell is a representative of Linking Education Nurses and Seniors, a program made possible with funding from the foundation of the New York State Nurses Association.

Health and humor is the first of four programs that will focus on the concerns of senior citizens and other adults. Programs are scheduled for the second Friday of the month from September through December. All programs start at 10 a.m. Coffee and tea will be served. Call 439-9314 to register.

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Compost crusader promotes use of homemade fertilizer

By Michael Hallisey

What you have in your hands now is future compost. It’s not a joke about newspapers, but the paper itself can be broken down and used to fertilize your own garden, said Diligent, an agent at the Cornell Cooperative Extension in New Scotland, who has written a book on the subject and plans to hold seminars to teach people how to make and use compost at their homes.

“Composting is a way to recycle, not only environmentally, but economically,” Diligent noted, and the outdoor habits of the typical American homeowner can be harmful to the environment.

“If we could make our lawns become a part of our culture, we would have better environmental conditions,” said Diligent. The average homeowner uses 10 times more pesticides per square foot than the average American farmer. We spend so much money on our lawns only to cut it down again.

Surrounding the perimeter of his “part-time” garden are various examples of how a homeowner can recycle household trash into fertilizer.

Two basic forms of composting involve aerobic and anaerobic decomposition. As the word implies, aerobic decomposition needs air while its counterpart, anaerobic decomposition occurs without air. Though composting can be as simple as leaving a pile of leaves on your lawn, Diligent said there are more efficient ways to provide natural nutrients for lawns and gardens.

A certain ratio of dry brown leaves and wet green leaves, such as fallen leaves and or food waste which are rich in carbon and nitrogen, is needed. The ingredients have 30 parts carbon and one part nitrogen. This “soup,” as Diligent calls it, need to be combined with moisture, a moderate temperature and oxygen.

Worms can also play a role, as they eat some food waste and other materials to help break down the waste. Keeping your refuse heap moist will help the worms.

Aerobic decomposition requires that the material be turned, periodicaliy. This speeds up the process, and is unlikely to produce offensive odors.

Anaerobic, on the other hand, is more likely to emit undesirable fumes. “Food waste is an excellent for composting, but it can also attract wild animals such as raccoons or skunks,” Diligent noted.

To avoid both animals and unwanted odor, Diligent shows visitors the now half-decayed pile of trash and garbage that is broken down in a composting bin.

As for the use of newspapers, paper inside the waste pile can keep it moist. Diligent is also experimenting with old piles of paper on one of his new gardens.

David Diligent tends to a compost pile at the Cooperative Extension garden in New Scotland.

GOP forces NS Conservative primary

By Dev Tobin

The New Scotland town election season begins in earnest Tuesday, as Republican town board candidates are running a write-in campaign to wrest the Conservative ballot line in November from the Democrats, who have controlled it for years.

Two Democratic candidates, Supervisor Herb Reilly and Councilman Scott Houghtaling, will appear on the ballot, as will Barbara Jones, who was the Democrat’s initial choice to run for the seat being vacated by Councilwoman Victoria Ramundo.

At their August caucus, town Democrats endorsed Rellly ally Joseph Cotazino instead of Jones to run for the town board, so Cotazino has to run a write-in campaign to secure the Conservative line.

Reilly said he plans to have a letter from Barbara Jones explaining that she is not running in November delivered to all town Conservatives this week.

For Conservative supporters of GOP candidates, write-in campaigns have become a reality of September, as the town and county Conservative committees are controlled by Democrats.

“We like to give Conservatives a choice,” said Judith Von Renne, town Republican chairwoman.

And we’re running real conservatives. The GOP ticket includes Douglas Shearer for supervisor and Mark Pelcris and Andrea Gleason for town board.

Reilly said the Democrats’ record in New Scotland is “truly conservative — we have the lowest town taxes in the county and haven’t cut services.”

Seconding a conservative choice, Von Renne said the Democratic town board majority’s insistence on opening all eight polling places (with four paid inspectors each) for a primary in which about 50 people voted was “a real waste of money.”

Town Clerk Corinne Cossack noted that the county Board of Elections also opened a single voting place for small-turnout primaries.

Sheila Clark’s primary day will cost the town more than $3,200.

The Conservative line is generally worth 100 to 200 votes in a general election, so candidates are at a disadvantage.

Polls will be open from noon to 9 p.m.

V’ville to buy house for sidewalk safety

By Dev Tobin

Voorheesville village trustees approved buying a house on Prospect Street so a sidewalk can be installed there.

At the trustees’ meeting last week, Mayor Edward Clark said the property is dangerous outside of the pedestrian walk to and from Voorheesville Public Library.

“We’ve never been able to slow traffic down there, despite the fact that there’s a large village hall there,” Clark said.

The street narrows and has poor sight distances due to “an extreme dip” at that point, explained Clark, adding that motorists using Prospect as a short-cut to Main Street and Voorheesville Ave. “saw the danger and tried to stop.”

The village has an opportunity to buy the half-acre property at 30 Prospect from the Schroeder estate for $34,000, Clark said.

“We need much less than the whole property, but the sidewalk would be up against the porch of the house,” which is “bad repair,” Clark explained.

The village may have to demolish the house, so the total cost of the project, including the sidewalk, will likely exceed $40,000, Clark said.

Trustee Harvey Huth said the village fire department “could make some temporary use of that property” by burning it down as a training exercise.

Clark said the village has applied for a grant to defray the cost of a larger sidewalk project on Pleasant Street and Depot Road, but will proceed with the sidewalk at 30 Prospect whether or not the grant is received.

After the sidewalk is installed, the remainder of the parcel would not be a buildable lot and “would have to be combined with another lot,” Clark noted.

One possible use for the house was suggested by Village Clerk Lauren Hatch, Clark said.

Hatch noted that the library, the school district and the village all need “dead storage” space for files that must be stored, but are not actively used.

The house, minus its porch, “might be ideal” for that kind of passive use, Clark said.

Village shares parking with school bus fleet

By Dev Tobin

Regionalism may be dead, at least as a concept at the government units like the village of Voorheesville should be eradicated.

But if defined as finding cooperative efficiencies between different government units, then regionalism lives, at least in Voorheesville.

Last week, the village board approved a three-year lease agreement with the Voorheesville Central School District wherein the district’s bus parking and fueling area will move to the site of the village’s public works garage.

The lease, at $24,000 a year, largely represents “recovery of investment costs,” Clark said, improving the public works area to provide for the buses and acquiring an unused fuel garage, according to Mayor Edward Clark.

The district will receive state aid to defray the lease expense.

“This agreement is advantageous to both parties, providing a real good service to the community,” Clark added.

The district used to park and fuel its buses at the elementary school, next to the Vly Creek, where underground fuel tanks had to be replaced.

The village and the district ran a joint alliance last year, with about 10 of the district’s 25 buses parking at the public works site.

In other business, the board approved two local laws that were the subject of public hearings last week held by the town engineer.

Both laws amend the village zoning code. One tightens definitions of open space and the other allows horses to be stabled in residential areas under certain conditions.

And the board approved a second telephone line (dedicated to a fax machine) at the firehouse.

Town Clerk Clark said the second line, costing about $280 a year, is “a public safety issue.”
Storm sewer costs irk Salem Hills homeowners

By Dev Tobin

The village of Voorheesville's project to keep sump-pumped system will cost some homeowners more than originally forecast.

The village is seeking to eliminate "infiltration and inflow" (storm water, whether from sump pumps or not) so that it can qualify for grants to upgrade the 30-year-old sanitary sewer system.

Tom Mensching of Fairfield Court, one of the two courts where storm sewers were installed this year, told village trustees at last week's meeting that residents get a bad case of "sticker shock" when told how much it will cost to connect to the new sewers.

He said the connection cost for many is far in excess of the $800 quoted before the project began.

In his case, Mensching said he has received two estimates, both over $3,000. He added that he knows of one resident who has spent more than $3,000 to connect to the storm sewers.

"I don't think people were planning to spend $2,000 to $3,000 to save $1,000 when the treatment plant is replaced," Mensching said.

Menschings said some residents may refuse to connect to the storm sewer.

Village Superintendent of Public Works William Hotaling said the $800 estimate was for a basic connection from the front of the house to the nearest stub. A connection's inside work or a longer, deeper trench to allow for a gravity feed would cost more, he said.

Mayor Edward Clark said, "Some residents who don't perceive themselves to have a problem have to make some changes, and they don't like it."

Clark said Salem Hills residents are not required to connect to the new storm sewers, but they cannot continue to pump storm water into the sanitary sewer system once the storm sewer option is available.

This house on Fairfield Court is connected to the new Salem Hills storm sewer system.  

Dev Tobin
Delmar doll collector preparing for annual show

By Linda DeMattia

A Delmar woman hopes others will learn more about the toys that have comforted children since the beginning of time — dolls. And the best place to start is at the 21st annual doll show sponsored by the Shaker Doll Club, according to Ursula Mertz.

"We do this show as a service to the community," she said. "It is a real learning experience. When the dealers are not busy, they love to talk to people about dolls. They want to share their knowledge. There is nothing else like this show in the area."

Mertz's favorite type of doll is the composition doll, manufactured from the turn of the century until the 1950s.

"The main ingredient is saw dust," Mertz explained in her soft German accent. "It was a very durable, light-weight product. When you break it, it looks like a graham cracker." One of the best-known dolls of this type is the original Shirley Temple doll, Mertz said.

"The ones that came out in 1935 when she did her first movies originally sold for about $2.50. Now, one in very good condition could cost as much as $1,000."

Mertz said she got involved with collecting composition dolls more than 20 years ago when she took one of her daughter's dolls to be fixed.

"I was collecting Early American stoneware at the time and came into contact with the dolls at a doll hospital. I became very interested in the research end of it."

Ursula Mertz shows off some of her composition dolls.

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I really wanted to know more about them and went to the library to study about them. At the time, porcelain dolls were already much too expensive for me to collect but the composition dolls were a focus for collectors. You could find dolls that were in very good condition at reasonable prices."

Those same doll makers are now making reproduction of the dolls they produced years ago. With composition dolls, it is easy to tell the originals from the reproductions, Mertz said.

"The old dolls are made from composition, but the new ones are made of plastic. It isn't economically feasible for them to make them out of composition. Even the lay person can tell the difference. The porcelain dolls are heavier, though. Porcelain can be reproduced exactly. Some people have become so good at it, it is difficult for even the collectors to tell."

Reproductions are not permitted at the show, however.

"The main purpose of the club is to promote old dolls. We don't allow reproductions."

The show itself is the major fund-raiser for the club, bringing between 30 and 40 dealers together, as well as people who repair dolls.

"The money raised goes toward helping others as well as supporting the club's aims," Mertz said.

"The club gives money to charitable causes. Our members bring up ideas and we agree upon the ones to support. In the past we have given money to Ronald McDonald House and a group that gives stuffed animals to elderly people in hospitals. A stuffed animal can be very comforting to an older person alone in a hospital."

Just as comforting as a doll to a shy child starting out in kindergarten; a memory that still stands out in Mertz's mind from her childhood in the Silesia area of Germany.

"It was maybe about 4 years old and in kindergarten, and I was very shy. I remember we would go into a big community room and at the far end, all lined up, there were dolls in carriages. One looked just like my doll at home. When we were told we could go and pick out a doll to play with, I would run to get that one doll. It was like my baby at home and it made me feel good to hold her. It was like a security blanket."

In Germany, dolls were made of celluloid, lost their paint easily and were more fragile than the American composition dolls of the same era, Mertz said.

"One time when I broke the arm of a doll, I cried. The arm was shattered. I felt so bad because I felt like I had broken the arm of my real child."

Mertz came to the United States in 1956 and settled in New York City. There she met her husband, Otto. They came to Delmar in 1970 and raised their daughter Linda here, sending her through Bethlehem Central Schools.

Mertz said she has a special way she wants to tell the world about the birth of her first grandchild, Christopher.

"I have a shirt with composition dolls on the front and want to put a picture of him on the back if it."

Doll enthusiasts can meet Mertz and many other doll collectors and dealers at the doll show.

"It will be a wonderful show and sale. Collectors will have to try hard to keep their purse in their pocket. For others, it will be a tremendous learning experience."

The 21st Annual Shaker Doll Club Doll Show will be on Saturday, Sept. 13, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Polish Community Center on Washington Avenue Extension, Albany.

The suggested donation is $3 for adults and $1.50 for children 5 to 12.
Mom suffers school bus blues

By Katherine McCarthy
The writer is on The Spotlight editorial staff. She lives in Delmar.

I'm having school bus anxiety again, as I think about my second and last child taking his first ride on a school bus Monday morning.

I knew he'd get there safely; the Bethlehem drivers are saint-like in their demeanor and abilities. I know someone will meet him at the Early Learning Center and take him to the right classroom. I know he'll be fine, and I'll get to return to a quiet house for the first time since school let out on June 24.

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In a way, this is a moment I've waited for all summer. Why, now that it's here, is the lump in my throat obscuring the joy in my heart?

Because that school bus is such a big step. Cormac has gone to nursery school and loved it for two years, but I always drove him there. I took him right into his classroom, chatted with the other parents, said hello to the teacher, checked his cubby for his gifted artwork, got an update from the teachers about current activities, and then pulled away from the school, stopped to wave back at him as he stood on a chair in the window, giving me, ironically, the bus driver's signal to cross the street. A few hours later, I reclaimed him, listening to him, his teachers and his classmates recount the highlights of the day.

His riding the bus to school will change that routine. Instead of seeing his teacher every day, I'll only meet her at back to school night, when I volunteer in the classroom and during conference time, in a best case, perfect child scenario. Cormac's backpack will be the source of my information, as I scramble through it to see his work, read any notes from the teacher, and comb the weekly menu for clues about life in kindergarten.

I feel a little jealous of the big yellow vehicle that distances me from my child's life. I see so much more than just a little boy wearing a backpack with a name tag going off to high school; going on his first date; leaving his family for the first time; and I will tell Cormac that it will be his turn in just a few days.

On Monday, the first day of kindergarten, I'll smile a little too brightly through breakfast, then don sunglasses to hide my teary eyes at the bus stop. There will be videotape, neighbors, and maybe a photograph of my little boy's first steps onto the bus. I hope he sits near I can see him, and even till he's around the corner, off to begin the rest of his life.

Then I expect a certain stillness to settle on the street. I hope sunshine will filter through the leaves of the trees, and I will sit on my front porch swing until I am ready to revel into the quiet of my house.

Stay clear of coyotes

If you're watching them in a movie, coyotes are a howl. But in your own back yard, it's another story. One Glenmont family has had a brush with the critters who consider the territory their own.

Problems occur when people begin to feed these creatures, who are wild and normally timid among humans. But when they lose their fear, the animals become a nuisance as they have in this instance.

Luckily, the coyotes have only "harassed" the family pet. In other areas of the country, small children have been attacked. The best way to avoid problems is to keep your distance and never leave food out or offer food to a coyote.

If you see a coyote in your neighborhood that doesn't stay away from humans, call the animal control officer or the police.
Parent faults district for playing 'numbers game'

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seventh-grade weren't high enough for ninth-grade accelerated Spanish. So, she's not allowed to take it. They said she has alternatives, such as possibly joining the Spanish club after five weeks in school or taking the third-year Spanish exam after two years.

I don't think there are choices. Any educator can see a gap in the learning in the two alternatives. How is she to make up what was not taught? Why not let her start in the A Spanish and drop back if it's too accelerated? She wouldn't be missing anything. However, the administrators said no, and no it shall be.

In the beginning of the school year, Bethlehem's superintendent wrote in a local newspaper that parents and teachers should work together for harmony. Many parents, myself included, feel this particular parent dealing with the Spanish issue, have volunteered regularly in the schools. I am a substitute teacher in the district.

Doesn't it stand to reason that harmony is achieved from respecting the people involved and letting the community make the decisions? When I had the middle school, I requested that the department head didn't recomend her, but the principal said, "OK, let her try." We didn't help her or get a tutor for her. She was just motivated.

In the eighth-grade math, ninth-grade course, she got a 95 on the Regents. The teacher, Mrs. Bemis, was great, and our daughter was motivated. Is learning and educating a numbers game or is it "Let's try?" Motivation goes a long way.

Slamming the door in a young person's face saying he can't try something is crazy. Why would a student want to do extra work and possibly get a lower grade in the accelerated course? Could he be motivated, curious or driven? Why would an educator want to deprive a student from trying? Power and control?

Would President Clinton see something wrong with this picture — a student who wants to challenge in education with parents and friends and advocate for their child, but educators who say, "Wait, the numbers aren't there."

Patricia A. Kane

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The proposed site is already on the tax rolls and will remain so without a zoning change. One could also say that any tax-base increase associated with the construction of this apartment building would not offset the increase in money needed for services or the decrease in property values of current residents.

I could also say the aesthetic quality of our neighborhood is greatly enhanced by the open space next to the library. This argument goes hand-in-hand with the ecological concerns that come with buildings on open space. The proposed construction site is an area where amphibians reproduce and certain birds find refuge from the habitat destruction they encounter worldwide.

All are good sound arguments to prevent construction, however, they may also be considered to be "opinion" or "soft" arguments with equal numbers of people on each side of the issue. Were it present only these, we would go nowhere.

As luck would have it, I have some slightly more factual arguments. Zoning is there for a reason. The idea that projects are planned with the intention of changing zoning concerns me. It shows a lack of regard and sets a precedent to follow. Let me start by saying that the

Neighbor objects to senior housing proposal

Editor, The Spotlight:

In her letter, she says, "I can't imagine any viable argument that would prevent construction of the facility." Hope to provide her and other Spotlight readers with just a few.

My husband and I have lived on Borthwick Avenue for the past seven years. In that period of time, we have come to know the temperament of our neighborhood well.

Let me start by saying that the

Water critic says solutions to well yield will cost

Editor, The Spotlight:

There were two different opinions regarding the yield of the Hudson River well given at the July 13, 1994, public hearing of the Bethlehem town board.

The design engineers assured town residents that the infiltration area on top of the aquifer is much smaller than assumed by the design engineers.

Also the aquifer underneath the river, adjacent to the bulkhead, is sucked dry for at least several feet whenever the well is pumped at 2.4 million gallons per day.

The corrections recommended by O'Brien & Gere, such as removal of the clay wall barrier, removal of the bulkhead and creation of recharge ditches are all directly related to increasing the effective area of recharge of the aquifer.

Any one of these corrections will cost well over $1 million, and there is still a guarantee of a well yield of six million gallons per day.

The cheapest solution to maintain the well at 2.4 million gallons per day will be to dredge the river on a routine basis to clean the filtration area. However, it is doubtful that the necessary permits can be obtained.

In addition, the town will have no guarantee whatsoever the yield will be 2.4 million gallons per day over the 20-year finance period.

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Editor, The Spotlight:

Our new Hudson River well has been producing water at a rate of less than 50 percent of what it was designed to produce. The engineering firm of O'Brien and Gere reviewed the available data on the well and recommended that any options for increasing ground water production should be further evaluated to consider potential cost, water quality and yield.

In the development of the new water system, former Supervisor Ken Ringler and Bruce Secor projected that the town would save $165 million over 50 years by developing a town water supply vs. purchasing Albany water. This averages to $3 million a year. Supervisor Sheila Fuller and Mr. Secor recently indicated a $1 million savings per year.

We were told that Selkirk Cogen water revenue would defray the cost of the new water system. Where are the facts? Water quality should be our primary concern. The Hudson River well is within the zone of influence of the river's PCB Superfund site. The current schedule for PCB well sampling is every 18 months.

The J.H. Consulting Group, Bethlehem's contract laboratory, reported results on four well samples collected in 1996. The lab failed to report total PCBs. The results for arsine, a PCB indicator, on a March 11 sample shows non-compliance with federal and state standards.

Mr. Secor advises that no PCBs were found and that results meet state Health Department standards, but results of samples never reported as zero.

Interestingly, the state Department of Environmental Conservation groundwater standard for PCBs is 100 parts per trillion and the Health Department drinking-water standard is 500 parts per trillion.

Because of the vulnerability of our well water supply to PCB contamination, the laboratory should be required to report results for total PCBs at a level of at least 50 parts per trillion.

O'Brien & Gere were right on target by recommending evaluation of water quality and cost. The choice to believe or not to believe conflicting statements must be based on answers to two important questions—Do the data support the conclusion? And do I believe that person sponsoring the conclusion?

A fifth engineering report on the new well water system may hold the answer.

Sincerely,

Sherwood Davie
Delmar

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Boomer says farewell to Woolworth's

Editor, The Spotlight:

Singer/songwriter Nancy Griffith wrote a song titled "Love at the Five & Dime," which made me stop and think about the closing of Bethlehem's own five and dime, Woolworth's.

I remember this store for what it meant to me and baby boomers like me growing up in Delmar in the 1960s. This store held all the treasures we could ever hope to find in one place.

From the aromas that used to rise out of the old soda fountain to the chatter of the parakeets and canaries in the pet section, the sights, sounds and smells were all there.

The anticipation I used to feel in hoping to find the newest toy in what was a massive toy section back then is something I am sure others felt.

Where else locally could a kid go to buy the latest hit record album from what seemed to be the most up-to-date inventory of music?

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Letters

Dear Editor:

Singer/songwriter Nancy Griffith wrote a song titled "Love at the Five & Dime," which made me stop and think about the closing of Bethlehem's own five and dime, Woolworth's.

I remember this store for what it meant to me and baby boomers like me growing up in Delmar in the 1960s. This store held all the treasures we could ever hope to find in one place.

From the aromas that used to rise out of the old soda fountain to the chatter of the parakeets and canaries in the pet section, the sights, sounds and smells were all there.

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Letters
Bethlehem ponders new ambulance service

By Michael Hallissey

A new ambulance district line item could soon appear on the tax bills of residents of Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands.

The Bethlehem town board recently discussed forming the new ambulance district, which would be the town's third, and has set a public hearing for Wednesday, Sept. 24.

The new district will apparently have no effect on taxpayers. For the past 60 years, the district will resemble those already formed in North Bethlehem and Selkirk. In addition to paying taxes for local fire districts, residents are taxed on a separate line to fund a volunteer ambulance service.

Under the proposal, residents of Delmar, Slingerlands and Elsmere will do the same, at “no additional cost to the taxpayers,” said Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz.

Helderview Garden Club has a full schedule of programs and speakers planned for the coming year. The first meeting of the season is set for Thursday, Sept. 4, at 6:45 p.m. at Indian Ladder Farms in Voorheesville.

Participants will meet in the parking lot and take a wagon ride around the farm. Refreshments will be served in the cafe following the tour.

Everyone is invited to club programs. Meetings are the first Thursday of each month. For information, call Diane Bernacki at 765-3384 or Beth Portanova at 765-4544.

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Five Rivers slates bird club program

The Hudson Mohawk Bird Club will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, Sept. 3, at 7:30 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar.

Veteran environmental educator Bob Builiger will show participants the basics of hawk identification and hawk watching strategies just in time for the fall migration. Dr. Geoffrey B. Edmunds, coordinator of the Helderberg Hawk Watch, will summarize the successes of last season and plans for this fall.

Local expert Walter Ellison will present a program on fall warblers on Wednesday, Sept. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at Five Rivers.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration is not required. For information, call the Birdline at 439-8080.

Stride needs auction donations

Stride, a group that provides recreation and enrichment programs for children with disabilities, needs auction items for its seventh annual fund-raising auction on Thursday, Oct. 25, at Herbert's Banquet House in Schodack.

The non-profit organization serves 300 children from the Capital District with programs in baseball, bowling, camping, sailing and much more.

Auction proceeds enable Stride to offer its programs free of charge. The group has been enriching the lives of children with disabilities for a decade.

Donations of new gift items, sports merchandise or gift certificates for services or restaurant dining are needed for the auction. To help out, call 462-6683.

DAR to meet in Guilderland Center

The Old Hellebergh Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Thursday, Sept. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the Mynderse-Frederick House on Route 146 in Guilderland Center.

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Kiwanis to fire up barbecue for annual fund-raiser

Set aside Saturday, Sept. 6, for the New Scotland Kiwanis fall chicken barbecue.

The menu features Brooks chicken, baked potato, cole-slaw and a roll. Barbecued rib dinners will also be available.

Takeout meals will be served from 3 to 7 p.m. in the parking lot of SuperValu on Maple Avenue. There will be no wait for orders, and reservations are not needed.

Chicken dinners are $7 for adults, $6 for children and $5.50 for chicken halves. Rib dinners and a roll. Barbecued rib dinners on Altamont Road.

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Kiwanis resume blood pressure clinics

The Kiwanis Club-sponsored blood pressure clinic will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 9, from 9 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville on Maple Avenue.

The clinic is held the second Tuesday of each month.

PTA to conduct opening meeting

The first elementary school PTA meeting of the season is set for Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

A special meeting for room parents starts at 8 p.m. All room parents must attend this organizational meeting.

St. Matthew’s slates special meetings

St. Matthew’s Church will conduct meetings for anyone who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith and is considering becoming a Catholic Christian.

Meetings will be on four consecutive Sundays—Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 29, at 10 a.m. in the parish center library on Mountainview Road.

For information or to reserve a place at the meeting, call 765-2805.

School board schedules regular meeting

The school board will hold its regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the large group instruction room at the high school.

Seniors to travel to Thousand Islands

New Scotland senior citizens are planning a trip to the Canadian side of the Thousand Islands from Sept. 24 through 28. The five-day, four-night trip costs $595 per person, all expenses included.

For information and reservations, call Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

Town board to meet

The next New Scotland town board meeting is Monday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. at town hall on Route 85.

Church groups plan island tour

Local church groups will tour the Greek Islands and Turkey following in the steps of the apostle Paul with overnight hotel stay in Athens and Santorini.

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THE SPOTLIGHT

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BC returns for another run at states

By Karly Decker

The Bethlehem boys varsity soccer team, coached by John Bromley, are going into this season with a winning record from last fall.

Last year, the boys were 14-5-2 overall, and 11-3-2 in league.

On top of that, they made it to the Section II championship game where they lost to Guilderland.

Coach Bromley believes the team is as good, or better, than last year, especially with the talent of good players that have experience at varsity level.

Returning starters include juniors Toby Cushing, Greg Demarco and Jason Seymour, and senior co-captains Greg Cooper and Kevin Russell.

Bromley said, "We are looking forward to when Seymour, Demarco and Cushing are recognized as top players in Section II. And we're looking ahead to the development of the younger players, especially the two freshmen on the team Tim Cooper and Rodrigo Corda."

The key to winning this season, said Bromley, "is total commitment to the task."

Section II is overall a competitive league, however the tough opponents this year will be Shenendehowa, Niskayuna, Guilderland and Saratoga.

By Jeremiah Youth

The Bethlehem Central boys varsity volleyball team started practicing for the 1997 season last week.

The team is led by the three co-captains senior Matt Haufl, senior Dave Winter and senior Jimbo O'Keefe.

Other members of the team are seniors Nick Berry, Rob Nagel, Josh Spencer, Juniors Jared Milano, Aly Murphy, Andy Swidtky, and Jason Van Wely, as well as sophomores Zack Conley and freshman Alex Weber round out the rest of the team.

Last year the team had a record of 6-18, a considerable improvement from the winless season the year before.

This year's team is smaller in size and less experienced than in years past, said head coach Jim Lemiere.

Last year they had eight seniors including team leader Jeremy Dyo. This year the team includes only five seniors of which two are new to the game.

"We're going to have to run a quicker offense," said Lemiere, when asked what they are going to have to do to win this year. "Jimbo O'Keefe is our go-to guy. He has lots of talent and is just an all around great player. He might even have a chance to make league MVP."

Lemiere, who coached the girls Empire State team to win a bronze medal last year, thinks this year's volleyball team has an excellent chance of placing within the top five teams in the league.

Weber, a freshman already on his second year of varsity, agreed.

"We have to work as a team and if we do," said Weber, "no team is going to stop us... not even Shenendehowa."

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Eagles eye sectional

By Tim Kavanagh

After making it all the way to the Sectional semifinal game last season, the Bethlehem girls soccer team is looking to take the Sectional crown. "This pre-season's looking very good," said senior team co-captain Emily Haskins, "but we've still got a lot of work in order to reach our goals."
The team will face strong competition from Niskayuna, a perennial powerhouse in the area, as well as Shenendehowa.

Guided by second-year coach Brett Miller, and inspired by seniors captains Haskins and Emma Samelson-Jones, the team looks to go undated.

"In spite of losing a few key players from last year's team, we will still have a lot of depth and strength as we did last season," said Samelson-Jones. "In order to reach the top Ross, we just need to work on playing together as a team, since there are many kids new to each other this year."

The 1997 graduating class is costing the team virtually the whole defensive line, but many new faces have come in to replenish it. The biggest loss will most likely be Lisa Englestein, who anchored the BC defense last year. "Lisa is a big loss from last year," said Decker, "but we have players who will be able to adjust for the biggest loss. This team has a lot of younger kids who have the ability to step up and really help the team."

The team consists of seniors Annie Blaney, Kardy Decker, Haskins, Samelson-Jones, Katie Smith, Kenny Van Riper, and Diana Woodworth, as well as junior Helen Bailey, Carin Barnet, Kim Comtois, Lily Corrigan, Jessica Englestein, Beth Jukins, Melissa Kanuk, Lauren Mosher, and Julie Weber.

Also on this years' team are sophomores Liz Cappiello, Rachel Gajewski, Carrie Gutz, and freshman Suzie Bismark.

The team starts its run for a flawless record this weekend in the Helderberg Tournament at Guilderland. This will be followed by a tough early season game vs. Shenendehowa on Wednesday.

Eagles swim coach sees good year

By Kevin Colleen

The Bethlehem Central High School girls varsity swim team has undergone ground-breaking changes since last year.

Their new team consists of 27 swimmers and 4 divers. You can see the new team at their first meet against Guilderdale at Voorheesville High School pool on Sept. 18.

The team lost a total of 14 seniors going into this season, but under the direction of new coach Doug Gross, the girls are bound to stir up the pool in the 97-98 season.

The girls are very fresh for their new season since most of them swam during the summer at the Elm Avenue Park pool.

Some of the returning swimmers who made appearances in the last year's state championships are Elyse McDonough, Maggie Woolfest and Nadine Maurer.

Other returning swimmers include Kim Link and Maggie Tuttlebach.

Eagles tennis returns with fresh, young crop

By Dennis Clarke

The Bethlehem Girls Tennis Team is trying to rebound from losing nine of its 12 varsity players, while repeat as Suburban Council Gold Division champs. They lost two outstanding athletes last year, Nancy Ann Oberheim and Annette Gray, who finished second in the Section II Individual Tournament and then advanced to the quarter-finals of the state tournament.

The team finished 13-3 last season, won the Gold Division Championships, and were finalists in the Section II Tournament.

Returning players Courtney McGrath and Rachel Schoolman will have a tough time matching last year's output. Coach Grace Frame knows they have some tough competition this year.

They also have a new addition to the team, senior transfer Beth Malinovsky who won the 500-meter freestyle in last year's sectional championship.

Some of the teams to give Bethlehem a run for their money are Shenendehowa, who were very strong last year, Niskayuna, who has four eighth-graders who are expected to be competitive, as well as the ever present powers, Troy and Shaker.

Coach Gross is very positive about the team and predicts they will do very well this season.

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RCS welcomes new administrators

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School welcomes a new principal, Carl Heimer. He formerly was principal of Waterford-Halftown High School.

At the middle school, Ralph Marino will serve as assistant principal. He was a teacher in the Halfmoon High School.

North Bethlehem, and Liberty school districts was principal of RCS summer school.

PTA, PTO set meetings

Becker Elementary School PTA will hold its first meeting of the school year on Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at the school.

Peter B. Coeymans PTO will meet Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at the school.

Concert slated at gazebo

Even though summer is winding down, there is another concert scheduled at the Coeymans Landing Gazebo.

Takin' to the Streets will perform Christian music on Thursday, Sept. 4.

Continuing ed courses set to start

The RCS continuing education program begins Monday, Sept. 15. Courses range from computer training to dance instruction.

Prospective students can call Marty Case at 739-2155, ext. 356, for information.

BCHS grads win B'nai B'rith awards

Bethlehem Central High School graduates Amir Rasowsky and Shari Bogen were recently named winners of Ruge scholarships. The awards are given by Gideon Lodge 140 of B'nai B'rith to high school seniors who are involved in the Jewish community and plan to attend college. Rasowsky and Bogen were each awarded $500 scholarships.

Rasowsky is the son of Berny and Carol Rosowsky of Glenmont. Bogen is the daughter of Samuel and Miriam Bogen of Delmar.

Selkirk No. 1 to host annual flea market

This is a community event designed to inform the public about traffic safety — and particularly young people, about safe driving.

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Back to school means back to basics

By Linda DeMattia

When it comes to school supplies, kids are going back to basics this year. While brands are still very important, the key is to be low-key, according to Staples manager Teresa Bradley.

"Kids still care about what brands they buy, but it's not as flashy as it has been over the last few years," she said. "Trappers have fallen out of favor, but we do still carry the folders."
BCHS varsity teams begin fall schedule this week

**Football**
- Friday, Sept. 5, 7:30 p.m. — Shenendehowa
- Friday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m. — at Burnt Hills
- Friday, Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m. — at Columbia
- Friday, Sept. 26, 7:30 p.m. — at Niskayuna
- Friday, Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m. — at a school to be announced (TBA)
- Thursday, Oct. 9, 7 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Friday, Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m. — at Saratoga

**Boys soccer**
- Wednesday, Sept. 3, 4 p.m. — Waterford
- Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6 and 7, 1 p.m. and noon — at Hyde Park, Dutchess County
- Tuesday, Sept. 9, 7 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Saturday, Sept. 13, 4 p.m. — at Saratoga
- Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. — at Shaker
- Thursday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m. — at Shenendehowa
- Saturday, Sept. 20, 1:30 p.m. — at Colonie
- Thursday, Sept. 23, 7 p.m. — at Niskayuna
- Tuesday, Sept. 25, 4 p.m. — at Burnt Hills
- Saturday, Sept. 27, 4 p.m. — at Columbia
- Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 & 7 p.m. — (two games) at Guilderland
- Monday, Oct. 6, 4 p.m. — at Saratoga
- Wednesday, Oct. 8, 4 p.m. — at Shaker
- Thursday, Oct. 9, 4 p.m. — at Colonie
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- Wednesday, Oct. 15, 4 p.m. — at Shenendehowa
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- Saturday, Oct. 17, 4 p.m. — at Columbia
- Monday, Oct. 20, 4 p.m. — at Burnt Hills

**Girls soccer**
- Wednesday, Sept. 10, 4 p.m. — at Shenendehowa
- Tuesday, Sept. 16, 7 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Saturday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m. — at Burnt Hills

**Field Hockey**
- Wednesday, Sept. 10, 4 p.m. — at Columbia
- Saturday, Sept. 13, 7 p.m. — at Niskayuna
- Friday, Sept. 15, 4 p.m. — at SUNY Cobleskill Invitational
- Wednesday, Sept. 17, 4 p.m. — at Shenendehowa

**Cross country**
- Saturday, Sept. 13, 9 a.m. — at Johnstown Invitational
- Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. — at Guilderland Invitational
- Tuesday, Sept. 23, 4 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 p.m. — at Colonie
- Saturday, Oct. 4, 9 a.m. — at Schenectady Invitational
- Tuesday, Oct. 7, 4 p.m. — at Colonie and Shaker
- Saturday, Oct. 11, 9 a.m. — SUNY Cobleskill Invitational
- Tuesday, Oct. 14, 4 p.m. — at Shenendehowa

**Girls swimming**
- Thursday, Sept. 18, 4:30 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Saturday, Sept. 20, 9 a.m. — diving meet at BCHS
- Tuesday, Sept. 23, 4:30 p.m. — at Niskayuna
- Wednesday, Sept. 24, 4:30 p.m. — at Albany
- Monday, Sept. 28, 4:30 p.m. — at Burnt Hills
- Friday, Oct. 3, 4:30 p.m. — at Shaker
- Friday, Oct. 9, 4:30 p.m. — at Saratoga
- Wednesday, Oct. 15, 4:30 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Saturday, Oct. 18, 11 a.m. — at New Hartford at Union College
- Saturday, Oct. 18, 9 a.m. — at Schenectady Invitational
- Tuesday, Oct. 27, 4:30 p.m. — at Saratoga
- Monday, Oct. 29, 4:30 p.m. — at Shenendehowa
- Saturday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m. — at Mohonasen
- Monday, Nov. 1, 12 p.m. — at Guilderland
- Friday, Nov. 7, 4 p.m. — at Mohonasen
- Thursday, Nov. 13, 4 p.m. — at Scotia
- Saturday, Nov. 15, 4 p.m. — at Shenendehowa

**Girls tennis**
- Friday, Sept. 5, 4 p.m. — at Columbia
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- Wednesday, Sept. 24, 4 p.m. — at Shenendehowa

**Boys volleyball**
- Monday, Sept. 8, 4 p.m. — at Duanesburg
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- Thursday, Sept. 11, 4 p.m. — at Shaker
- Friday, Sept. 12, 4 p.m. — at Colonie
- Monday, Sept. 15, 4 p.m. — at Colonie
- Wednesday, Sept. 17, 4 p.m. — at Saratoga
- Thursday, Sept. 18, 4 p.m. — at Duanesburg
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BC football looks to avenge Shen loss

By Michael Hallsey

Bethlehem Central's senior quarterback Rory McInerney has a "little" something to prove in BC's home opener against Shenendehowa this Friday. "It's a little bit of revenge," said McInerney.

Though McInerney is a returning player to the squad, he has only two quarters of playing time under his belt. Last year as a junior, he got the call to start as quarterback against Shen in the opening game of the season.

On paper in the second quarter, McInerney bootlegged right only to find a Shenendehowa defender bearing down on him. When he twisted his body to avoid the tackle, he inadvertently lost his torso open for a hit. A helmet to the chest caused one of his lungs to collapse and left him out of action for the entire year.

BC walked off the field leading 12-7 at the end of that half, but finished the game with a 27-12 loss. The Eagles went on to collect a 3-6 record in the Gold Division of the Suburban Council.

"The injury left a bitter taste in McInerney's mouth, adding to an already present rivalry between the Eagles and the Plainsmen.," Sodergren said.

Now, with a "senior-laden" team, BC's head coach John Sodergren returns for his 25th year as a BC coach, 16th year as Eagles' head coach.

"I'm comfortable with the fact we are a senior-laden team," said Sodergren.

Of the 30 players on the team, 20 are returning seniors. One of those players not returning to BC is last year's offensive weapon, running back Matt Quackenbush.

Quackenbush — labeled as one of the best running backs in the area by his former coach — is now attending Siena College in Loudonville.

Bethlehem depends on the run in their offensive attack.

"In high school football, you have to be able to run to be successful," said Sodergren, reiterating the importance of a strong running game, which past teams did not have.

Those players stepping in to fill the void are junior fullbacks Pat Hughes and Dave Raab (wide receiver), Erik Hettermes (tight end) and Rich Petri.

"The players are anxious to get going," Sodergren said.

The BC coach describes the BC-Shen rivalry as "no more than any other teams," but admits there is a respect for the Clifton Park school district.

"They (BC and Shen) are long time Suburban Council schools and Shen has a long history for quality and success in sports," he said.

The veteran coach describes both Shen and Saratoga (both Blue Division schools) as yardsticks to measure a team's ability.

BC plays Saratoga in week seven.

Sodergren said the team has a lot of leadership with all of its seniors.

One of those who will be sought out for leadership on the field is senior quarterback Justin Ercio.

Sodergren also anticipates some strong performances from seniors Andre Ellman (guard/linebacker), Mike Thibodeau (offensive and defensive tackle), Darrin Huggins (tackle/defensive end), Dave Raab (wide receiver), Sean Battle (wide receiver), Scott Kind (wide receiver), Matt Hill (tight end) and Erik Hettermes (tight end).

"The players are anxious to get going," Sodergren said.

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Blackbirds are optimistic

By Meg McInty

The Voorheesville High School football team, is hoping to improve from last year's 3-7 record with the start of another season.

"I think that we have a good team this season," Said head coach Joseph Sapienza. "It is very important that we be prepared for the first game."

With 16 juniors and only eight seniors on the roster, the Blackbirds will be a young team once again. But, said Sapienza, the youth also gives his team depth which past teams did not have.

"We have an extremely strong bench this year," said Sapienza.

The running game will be strong, even with the loss of leading rusher Mike Robichaud. The strong running game will be lead by Jim Burns at fullback, Kevin Griffin at tailback, and Tim Beadnell at slot.

Quarterback Mike Oliver, should be making great passes to wide receivers, Aaron Benedict and Pat St. Dennis.

"We have a good, experienced defense but we still have a lot of work to do to reach our full potential," said assistant coach John Sing. "I think our strongest player will be Eric Pepandrea but Griffin and Jason Kinney are also great defensive players.

With good offense and defense the Blackbirds will definitely be a force to reckon with on the 50-yard line.

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Saturday, Sept. 20, 1:30 p.m. — Canajoharie
Friday, Sept. 26, 7 p.m. — Averill Park
Saturday, Oct. 4, 1:30 p.m. — Mechanicville
Friday, Oct. 10, 3 p.m. — Albany Academy
Friday, Oct. 17, 7 p.m. — Cohoes

Boys soccer
Monday, Sept. 8, 4 p.m. — Averill Park
Wednesday, Sept. 20, 4 p.m. — Watervliet
Friday, Sept. 26, 4 p.m. — at Cohoes

Girls soccer
Friday, Sept. 5, 7 p.m. — Voorheesville
Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. — at Mechanicville
Thursday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m. — Mechanicville
Saturday, Sept. 6, TBA — at Averill Park
Thursday, Sept. 11, 4 p.m. — Holy Names
Saturday, Sept. 13, 7 p.m. — at Schalmont
Monday, Sept. 15, 4 p.m. — at Lansingburgh

Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 p.m. — at Averill Park
Tuesday, Oct. 3, 7 p.m. — at Mechanicville
Saturday, Oct. 10, noon — at Berne-Knox-Westerlo
Tuesday, Sept. 23, 4 p.m. — at Cohoes
Thursday, Sept. 25, 4 p.m. — at Schalmont
Saturday, Oct. 22, 10 a.m. — at Lansingburgh
Monday, Oct. 29, 4 p.m. — at Averill Park
Wednesday, Oct. 1, 4 p.m. — at Holy Names
Friday, Oct. 3, 4 p.m. — at Voorheesville
Tuesday, Oct. 7, 4 p.m. — at Watervliet
Thursday, Oct. 9, 4 p.m. — at Mechanicville
Wednesday, Oct. 15, 4 p.m. — at Cohoes
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Saturday, Sept. 13, 1:30 p.m. — Broadalbin-Perth at Watervliet
Saturday, Sept. 20, 1:30 p.m. — Coxsackie-Athens at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Saturday, Sept. 27, 1:30 p.m. — Watervliet at Cohoes
Saturday, Oct. 4, 1:30 p.m. — Chatham at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Friday, Oct. 10, 7 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Averill Park
Saturday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m. — Waterford at Cohoes

**Boys soccer**
Monday, Sept. 8, 4 p.m. — Watervliet at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Sept. 9, 9 a.m. — Mechanicville at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Friday, Sept. 12, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Averill Park
Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. — Cohoes at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Thursday, Sept. 18, 4 p.m. — Schalmont at Mechanicville
Saturday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m. — Lansingburgh at Averill Park
Monday, Sept. 22, 4 p.m. — Averill Park at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Friday, Sept. 26, 4 p.m. — Waterford at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 p.m. — Waterford at Mechanicville
Friday, Oct. 3, 4 p.m. — Mechanicville at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Saturday, Oct. 5, 10 a.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
Monday, Oct. 6, 4 p.m. — Schalmont at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Wednesday, Oct. 8, 4 p.m. — Cohoes at Schalmont
Friday, Oct. 10, 4 p.m. — Lansingburgh at Averill Park
Tuesday, Oct. 14, 4 p.m. — Averill Park at Mechanicville
Thursday, Oct. 16, 4 p.m. — Albany Academy at Cohoes
Saturday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m. — Waterford at Schalmont
Wednesday, Oct. 26, 4:30 p.m. — Cohoes at Mechanicville

**Girls soccer**
Monday, Sept. 8, 4 p.m. — Watervliet at Schalmont
Tuesday, Sept. 9, 4 p.m. — Ferry Lane at Mechanicville
Friday, Sept. 12, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. — Cohoes at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Thursday, Sept. 18, 4 p.m. — Schalmont at Mechanicville
Saturday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m. — Lansingburgh at Mechanicville
Monday, Sept. 22, 4 p.m. — Averill Park at Mechanicville
Friday, Sept. 26, 4 p.m. — Waterford at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Sept. 30, 4 p.m. — Waterford at Mechanicville
Friday, Oct. 3, 4 p.m. — Mechanicville at Mechanicville

**Cross country**
Tuesday, Sept. 9, 4 p.m. — Coe-Westervolet at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Saturday, Sept. 13, 9 a.m. — Blackbird Invitational at the University at Albany
Saturday, Sept. 14, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Sept. 17, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
Thursday, Sept. 19, 4 p.m. — Schalmont at Mechanicville
Tuesday, Sept. 22, 4 p.m. — Averill Park at Mechanicville
Monday, Sept. 29, 4 p.m. — Holy Names at Cohoes

**Girls swimming**
Wednesday, Sept. 10, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Thursday, Sept. 11, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
Saturday, Sept. 13, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
Monday, Sept. 15, 4 p.m. — Cohoes at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Tuesday, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. — Mechanicville at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk
Thursday, Sept. 18, 4 p.m. — Mechanicville at Mechanicville
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Monday, Sept. 22, 4 p.m. — Mechanicville at Mechanicville

**Girls volleyball**
Monday, Sept. 8, 4 p.m. — Averill Park at Mechanicville
Wednesday, Sept. 10, 4 p.m. — Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk at Mechanicville
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Mead Five Star notebooks are the most popular now, and the folders with any kind of pictures on them are really big with all students.

Coke, Reebok and Eastpack backpacks have gotten into making binders too, according to Bradley.

"With Eastpack, you can get a binder that matches your backpack," she said.

The "executive look" for school supplies has gotten big with younger students.

"It used to be just the college and high school students, but now it's junior high too," Bradley said.

That goes for assignment pads, too, which are "very out," she said, adding that students prefer Day Runner planners which come in all shapes and sizes, from the small executive style to large, spiral notebook size.

"Day Runner is bringing out many different kinds of organizers," Bradley said. "They really want to help students get organized.

Flashy lunch boxes are out for all but the youngest students. Plain, solid-colored insulated lunch packs are in, as are reusable sandwich, snack and drink containers, reflecting students' concern for the environment.

Pre-printed book covers are out for the same reason. Students prefer the more environmentally-friendly brown paper bag they can doodle on.

As for computers, notebook computers are what's hot for high schoolers and students headed off to college, Bradley said.

For elementary school-age girls, Lisa Frank's brightly colored, animal-theme supplies are still the rage. With everything from note pads to backpacks, little girls can be totally decked out in matching Lisa Frank paraphernalia. The appeal wears off at about fifth grade, Bradley said.

Little boys generally choose among supplies with action characters, race cars, current movies and sports themes.

Fun items for students of all ages include Koosh pencil toppers and bookmarks, pens with feather tips, and a dizzying array of colorful pens and pencils. Heat-activated "mood pencils" are also in, but hard to locate.

Wal-Mart store manager Mark Loy said he's seen the back-to-school theme at the store on Washington Avenue Extension.

"The basics are selling really well," Loy said. "There really isn't anything outstanding or trendy this year. We've been selling a lot of two-sided portfolio folders and plain plastic binders. People are just buying the basics — even plain yellow pencils."

BC girls volleyball team looking strong

By Christine Potter

Although short four of its veteran players from last year, the Bethlehem Central girls volleyball team is showing strong leadership and giving their coach high hopes for a successful fall season.

Returning players Amy Tierney, Megan Sellnow, Jen Prior and Melanie Finkel, all seniors, are expected to do great things this season, said coach Sandy Vorse.

Jen Sinishki will also start as a returning junior.

Other players making a comeback from last year are seniors Debbie Bartley and Maureen Carpenter.

There are also some new members to the team. Sophomores Jenna Grant and Elena Oldendorf and freshmen Megan Fish and Val Messina are all looking great, said Vorse.

Vorse said the teams to beat are the league rivals Burnt Hills, Shaker and Colonie.

Tierney, Sellnow, Prior, Finkel, and Sinishki are showing promise and are looking strong, said Vorse.

"My goal is for the team to make sectionals," she added.

In order to qualify for sectionals, the team must win at least half of its games, so the coach hopes for a winning season.

The team's first home game is Wednesday, Sept. 10, against Colonie. The 18-game season runs about two months.
RCS football is focusing on unfinished business

By Michael Hallisey

Three hits on the line of scrimmage, and a 70-yard long farray of legs head towards the defending end zone.

For the 15 players returning from last year's 12-1 Ravena football team, the image of a 70-yard touchdown run is on the minds of the players. The Class-B state championship game of last year's season opened with a 70-yard touchdown run from a Springville senior at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse. The image has been one of the main objectives of the team this year.

"We have high expectations," said VanDerzee after returning to the field this year. "We're not going to lose any games." The team is confident and looking forward to the upcoming season.

VanDerzee is confident in the team's ability to perform well this year. "We have a lot of talent on offense and defense," he said. "We're ready to prove ourselves." The team is excited to showcase their skills and abilities to the rest of the league.

The team's offensive line is solid, with Frese and Frangella leading the way. Frese, who is 6'6" and 240 pounds, is a versatile player that can play both center and guard. Frangella, who is 6'4" and 225 pounds, is a solid tackle that has beenunschakable on the field.

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The team is looking forward to the upcoming season and is confident in their ability to perform well. They are excited to showcase their skills and abilities to the rest of the league.

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Welcome to a busy fall season, including some wonderful adult programs, book discussions and two special presentations geared toward senior citizens.

Thursday, Sept. 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. at an artist’s reception for your truly, whose paintings will be in the hall gallery this month. Stay tuned for more details in future columns.

Library programming will be in full swing this month, including two writing groups and Nimblefingers.

The sketch club meets Wednesday, Sept. 10, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. No signup is necessary. For information, call 765-2791. Fall story hours begin Monday, Sept. 8, on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

I share stories, finger plays, songs, a short film and an easy craft. come and share an hour of fun with your child,” Lalosa said. Lalosa noted that this year’s summer reading club had 327 kids reading more than 2,000 books. Thanks to the Library Friends, Smith’s Tavern, Stewart’s and I Love Books for generous contributions to the program.

Regular Saturday and Sunday hours will resume in October. Barbara Viak

March of Dimes sets motorcycle tour

The March of Dimes annual Bikers for Babies tour is set for Sunday, Sept. 14. Riders led by experienced tour leaders will begin their 50 mile tour of beautiful Schoharie, Montgomery and rural Schenectady counties at the Scotia Glenville Elks Club on Route 5. Upon their return there will be door prizes, entertainment and a barbecue for all.

Riders will be helping the March of Dimes raise funds for programs, services and medical research. For information or to register, call 698-9255.

Bethlehem Business Women set meeting at Normanside Country Club

Bethlehem Business Women will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 3, at 6 p.m. at Normanside Country Club in Elsmere for a guest night and fund-raiser. Peter Devine of Delaware Plaza Liquor Store will present an evening of wine tasting to accompany a smorgasbord starting at 6:30 p.m. For information, call 439-6773.

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Coyote

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same as a medium-sized house dog, said town animal control officer, Richard Watt.

"We have a pretty big coyote problem," said Watt. "These coyotes are much too familiar with human beings."

The coyotes have already taken their toll on some farm animals. In South Bethlehem, a sheep herder was literally run out of business when he lost 43 sheep to coyotes, said Watt.

Several of the Newells' barn cats have been lost to the coyotes, and even the family's dog has been "harassed" by the animals.

"They try to corner him," said Valerie. "He's old; he can't fend for himself."

The coyotes, which have been seen as close as 100 feet from the family's back door, have been watching the children, and Valerie herself once had to escape from a coyote by running into the barn, she said.

After that incident, the Newells called the town. Because of the animals' confidence around people, Watt decided to hunt the coyotes.

Two weeks ago, after driving by the property at night, Watt shot and killed one 40-pound, male coyote. The animal was taken to state Wildlife Pathologist Ward Stone at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center where it was found to be free of rabies.

"It was a very poor specimen, very skinny, not much body fat," Watt said.

Valerie said her family had hoped killing one of the coyotes would scare off the others, but a few days ago, she reported seeing one of them on the farm.

There are about four coyotes in town, said Watt. They have been sighted as far west as Bethlehem Central High School, and far east as the intersection of Wemple Road and Route 9W.

"I don't want to be an alarmist," said Watt. "Coyotes don't usually pose a threat to a full-grown, adult human. But, children should be watched, especially small children. There have been four or five cases out West where a small child has been taken, usually when the child is crouching down and resembling a small prey animal. But it hadn't happened in New York yet."

Polluters

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approval.

Building Inspector John Flanigan said the extra regulation could scare off industrial firms considering locating in town.

Such a law would affect 90 percent of businesses permitted under light and heavy industrial uses, he said.

"You would never have a G.E.," said John Flanigan, the town's director of public works, "an Owens Corning, a Selkirk Cogen, or a Niagara Mohawk here if you had this sort of thing in place because they will not wait four or five years for approval," said Flanigan.

"We have a bad rap as it is now, and everyone knows it."

Under the draft law, an application would be reviewed by the board with the help of a professional consultant, who would be hired by the board, but paid for by applicant, said Councilman Robert Johnson.

Alessi said he reviewed numerous laws — both those which survived legal challenge, and those which did not — before writing the proposed law.

Though he said he is confident his drafted law would stand up in court, it still needs work.

"The legislation does cover more than the gap we tried to close," said Alessi.

Flanigan suggested the board revise the zoning law to take out the board does not want in town.

But Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said a problem could arise when a future applicant wishes to start a business "not dreamed of now."

One resident felt the drafted law was just another form of the "not in my back yard" attitude.

"You're just pushing it aside because you don't want it — putting it someplace else," said town resident Suzanne Capone.

Capone was concerned the proposed law would be challenged successfully by a business that met state and federal government environmental regulations.

"There's no reason, legally, why the town can't have decision-making powers as proposed, as long as they're not more restrictive than state laws," said Kaplowitz.

Fuller said the board's approval of the permit process while allowing the board to review applications that could be harmful to residents and the environment.

"If we are perceived as anti-business, I'm sorry," said Putney. "That is not our intention."

Center

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and/or renovated classrooms and new media centers will be ready completely outfitted before the end of the month.

On a less positive note, Loomis said the district's $7.4 million energy performance contract (in which conservation savings and state aid completely pay for energy-related capital improvements) has not received final approval from the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

The district began exploring a second energy performance contract after bids for the construction project came in higher than expected last year. The contract provides about $1 million to take care of the higher bids and for other capital projects, like two additional new classrooms at the middle school, already under way.

Loomis said BC was assured by the state Education Department before proceeding with preliminary work on the energy contract that it would qualify for state building aid.

"We will have a big problem if they change the rules," Loomis said.

Also new this year at the high school is an after-school suspension program which will "reduce out-of-school suspensions and increase the amount of time students are in class," Loomis said.

Scherer said in-school suspension makes sense because it was "absurd to suspend kids out of school for things like truancy, lateness and skipping classes. This is another alternative that keeps them in the building."

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Marian Thomson and Alexis Jeanine and James Dean of Clarks · · · of Delmar, and Michael The best man was Jeffrey Boy, Colin James Randles, to July 12. Hammond. The ring bearer was Marianne and William Murphy of ville, Aug. 16. Tina Riede. The flower girls were Cod, the couple lives in Delmar. with the reception following at the Bethlehem Central High School. to Lisa and John Wilkinson of both in Albany. Choices Hair Studio in Delmar.

Stammel, the bride’s sisters, and After a wedding trip to Cape

Gregory Fabe, son of Gregory Hammond, and ushers were Jo-

Fabe of Selkirk and Sandra sephFabeandDavidBastiani, the Delmar, Aug. 17. Jessica Williams (bachelor’s in

laude),

Thompson of Selkirk (bachelor’s

in communications); and

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and Joshua Zucker (bachelor’s

in business, psychology), Wei Li (bachelor’s in computer science), Kristy Notarangelo (bachelor’s in social welfare), Allen Sun (bachelor’s in sociology), David Whalen (bachelor’s in geography), Jeremy Zucker (bachelor’s in business, cum laude) and Joshua Zucker (bachelor’s in business, cum laude), all of Slingerlands; and Ross Adams (bachelor’s in computer science), Catherine Connolly (bachelor’s in women’s studies) and Kristen Wagner-Carter (bachelor’s in social welfare, summa cum laude), all of Voorheesville.

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Lisa and John Szymaszek

Patterson, Szymaszek wed

Lisa Ann Patterson, daughter of Robert and Monique Patterson of Delmar, and John George Szymaszek Jr., son of John Szymaszek of Melrose and Nicole Szymaszek of Waterford, were married June 13.

The Rev. Paul McArt performed the ceremony at the Altamont Manor, where the reception followed. The maid of honor was Debra Patterson, the bride’s sister, and bridesmaids were Trisha Dominy, the groom’s sister, and Jenine McDonald. The bestman was William Ben-

jamin, the groom’s uncle, and ushers were Steve Szymaszek, the groom’s brother, and Edward Dominy, the groom’s brother-in-law.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlem Central High School and Hudson Valley Community College and attended the University at Albany.

The groom, a graduate of Tamarac High School and an Army veteran, is employed as production manager by DeLaRue Identity Systems of Albany.

The couple lives in Troy.

Community Corner

Local safety group seeks members

Bethlehem Citizens for Pedestrian Safety is looking for more members to join their cause.

A meeting is planned for Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Central High School. For information, call Lynn Finley at 439-9503.
By Michael Hallisey

The city of Albany has been the state capital for 200 years. So it is only fitting to invite some well-known pop groups from yesterday and today for the largest party in years.

"We're trying to make it the best party Albany has ever had," said Maureen Sullivan, spokeswoman for the Albany Capital City Bicentenary Commission.

That's a tall order to fill, after all, Albany has been around for 300 years.

"Really, we wanted to do something unique," said Sullivan, "while keeping ticket prices affordable."

For $15 a person, the Pepsi Arena will turn into a virtual time warp as KC and the Sunshine Band will share the stage with The Turtles, Bobby Rydell and The Association.

The concert, which begins Saturday, Sept. 13, at 8:30 p.m., will also feature Gov. George Pataki's favorite band, Nik and the Nice Guys.

The price for the four-hour concert is a bargain considering that the gala for the capital's centennial 100 years ago cost $10.

The concert is expected to close near midnight, but "if KC gets goin'," said Sullivan, there is no telling when the performance will end.

Besides the concert, there is a more formal way to celebrate the bicentenary—a dinner and cocktail hour at the Concourse in the Empire State Plaza for $50. A unique aspect of the dinner—which starts at 6:30 p.m.—will be specially decorated dining areas depicting each of the Empire State's 11 regions.

The menu includes salmon from the Catskills, as well as tenders, wines, beers and champagnes all from the state. The dinner will be prepared by chefs from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, Dutchess County.

The $50 ticket includes the "City Hall" ticket. The "Capitol" ticket, at $100 a person, includes a pass into the recently restored Governor's Reception Room in the East Lobby of the State Capitol for cocktails with Pataki and Albany Mayor Gerald Jennings.

Both the City Hall and Capitol tickets include the Pepsi Arena concert. Nik and the Nice Guys will play at both the Pepsi Arena and the special reception at the Capitol. The band is no stranger to celebrations, having played at the past nine Super Bowls and at the Calgary and Barcelona Olympics. Representing the disco '70s is KC and the Sunshine Band. Some of their songs, like "I'm Your Boogie Man," are back on the sales racks as remakes by today's artists, and other songs are played in beer and stereo commercials. The increasing popularity of '70s fashion and music has brought KC and his band back to the limelight.

The Association and The Turtles had many '60s hits like "Never My Love" and "Cherish" or "Happy Together.

Chart-buster Bobby Rydell, with 34 Top 40 hits, will entertain the crowd with a combination of singing, drumming, dancing and a little comedy.

For information, call 434-5132, ext. 213.
THEATER

"ANOTHER OPENING, ANOTHER BROADWAY" goes into putting on a behind the scenes look at what goes into producing a production, the Mac-Hayden Theatre, 203, Chatham St., Sept. 7, 6 p.m., Information, 497-2992.


"OKLAHOMA!" Mac-Hayden Theatre, Route 223, Chatham, 8 p.m., 7 day, $7, cost for time and prices, Information, 497-9593.

"THE PUPPETMASTER" through Sept. 14 at North Poine Cultural Arts Center, Truro. 9 p.m. Information, 828-7863.

"THE MIKADO"
The Theater Barn, Route 20, New Lebanon, Thursday-Sunday, through Sept. 7, 7 p.m. Information, 744-8949.

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 ongoing, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., $26 Information, 454-1378.

DANCE CLASSES
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piano, the Van Dyck, 237 Union St., Schenectady. Sept. 11, 6 p.m.

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singer and standards, Switzerland of Hill Road, Latham, Sept. 13, 8 p.m.

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

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"A Tree and a Leaf," book and lyrics by Ar. Rachel Rose and Douglas Unger, saga for this story, Opera House, 82 State St., Schenectady, Sept. 3 and 5. 7 p.m. Information, 381-4030.

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WORDS ENDING IN "LINE"
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P R O M L O F U K R S A E B
S J I G E B T D O L D B A E R
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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Name: Ferry-Captain Real Estate, LLC. Notice of formation filed with sex. of state of NY on August 21, 1997. Address: Albany County. SOS is designating the LLC as a registered agent for service of process. SOS shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him or her to the Secretary of State at the office of the Limited Liability Company. The address to which any process against the LLC served upon him or her is to be mailed is:

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THIRD: The limited liability company hereby designates the Secretary of State of New York as its agent for service of process. The Secretary of State may be served at the office of the Limited Liability Company. The address to which any process against the Limited Liability Company may be served is:

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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

FIFTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization are effective as of the date of filing with the New York Secretary of State.

SIXTH: The name and business address of the Limited Liability Company is:

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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

SEVENTH: The Articles of Organization are extended through: FEBRUARY 21, 2002.

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Address: Albany, New York 12203.

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Name: GOODMAN WINDSOR

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Name: ARMOUR MEAL CRAFT

Address: Albany, New York 12203.

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Name: BETHLEHEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Address: Albany, New York 12203.
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10:15 A.M.

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extends a cordial invitation to all

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**Spotlight Calendar**

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

Children: 6:30 p.m., senior choir: 7:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

Women’s Bible Study: 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., key club, 11:15 a.m., Sunday school and worships service, 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:15 p.m., nursery care provided, 199 New Scotland Road, Bethlehem. Information: 439-2512.

**Bethlehem Community Church**

First Church of Christ Scientist: 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., church school, 1:15 p.m., nursery care provided, 386 Delaware Ave., Bethlehem. Information: 439-9299.

**Unity of Faith Christian Fellowship Church**

Sunday school and worship service, 10:15 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 2 p.m., church school, 2:30 p.m., 3 p.m., nursery care provided, 386 Delaware Ave., Bethlehem. Information: 439-7470.

**First United Methodist Church**

Church school, 9:45 a.m., 10:15 a.m., church school classes for nursery age 3 to second grade, 386 Delaware Ave., Bethlehem. Information: 439-4314.

**First United Methodist Church**

First United Methodist Church: 9:30 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., nursery care provided, 199 New Scotland Road, Bethlehem. Information: 439-3166.

**Crossroad Community Church**

Church school, 9:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., nursery care provided, 386 Delaware Ave., Bethlehem. Information: 439-4314.

**Slingers Community United Methodist Church**

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**Sunset**

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**SUNSHINE SENIORS**

Covered Dish Luncheon, noon, Business meeting, 1 p.m., First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Route 9W. Information: 439-1179.

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**Spotlight Calendar**

**Bethlehem**

**BC SCHOOL BOARD**

district office, 90 Adams Ave, 8 a.m. Information, 439-9996.

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