Romp in the rain
Sarah and Steve Booker enjoy frolicking in the rain at Elm Avenue Park last Sunday.

Smoking ban is real drag for some
But local tavern owners are complying with law
By KRISTEN OLBY

As bars and restaurants become acquainted with the rules and regulations of the state's newly enacted smoking ban, many smokers are still adjusting to stepping outside for a puff. As of Friday, the county Health Department had received eight complaints, six of which involved smoking in Albany bars. None of the complaints pertained to Bethlehem businesses.

The Clean Indoor Air Act went into effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 24. At the midnight hour, many area bartenders began collecting ashtrays, and smokers were promptly ushered outside to light up. "People understand it's the law, and we're abiding by it," said Greg Nalewka, an assistant manager at Beff's on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Beff's has an outdoor patio with 11 tables. Under the law, roughly three tables, or 25 percent of the outdoor seating area, could have been designated for smokers. Because tables are in close proximity, Beff's opted to ban patio smoking and has fielded few complaints as a result.

We fought for freedom, and they're taking it away from us.

Joe VanDeel

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"I don't expect to see any decline. If customers are coming to your place, you're doing something wrong," said Nalewka. So far, customers have complied with smoking outside at My Place and Co., a sports bar and restaurant on Delaware Avenue.

"Some people say they don't mind smoking outside, but I think in the long run people will adapt," he said.

Election board rules in Marcelle's favor
By KRISTEN OLBY

A Bethlehem town justice candidate accused of fraudulently gathering petition signatures to run on a liberal party line has been found innocent of any wrongdoing by Albany County Board of Elections Commissioners.

Republican Tom Marcelle, who currently serves on the town board, will run on the Working Families Party line in the town justice race, after commissioners determined his petition was valid.

Members of the Working Families Party who signed Marcelle's petition accused him of misrepresenting himself by stating the party had already endorsed him when it had not. Shortly after Marcelle submitted his petition to the board, the party filed an objection hoping to have it thrown out.

Marcelle has denied the allegations and contends he told petition signers he was seeking the party's endorsement. "A bipartisan list of elections rejected their allegations. I received the party line, and I'm happy to run on it," said Marcelle.

According to New York state Election Law, a candidate for town justice is not required to have a party's endorsement to run on its line. The candidate must only obtain petition signatures from 5 percent of the party. Marcelle needed to gather signatures from two of the 23 party members in Bethlehem.

"We have long justice candidates," said Marcelle assured her he had the party's backing.

"If he wants to be on the ballot, that way, I guess he has the right to. It's just not an honest way of getting on. To me, it's unethical," said Wistar. She hopes voters will remember how Marcelle obtained the party line when they head to the polls.

Marcelle has also secured the Republican and Conservative lines on the election ballot. He is being challenged by Democrat Paul Dwyer, who was appointed to replace Justice Theresa Egan when she resigned to run for town supervisor.

A Sept. 9 primary will determine which town justice candidate will receive the Independence Party line.

IDA to hold 2nd forum
By KRISTEN OLBY

Work on the creation of a "vision" for Bethlehem will continue this fall when a second economic development forum is held. The Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency (IDA) is once again seeking input from residents to help create a community-wide consensus, detailing where and how the town should be developed.

Results of the first economic development forum, sponsored by the IDA in June, were recently compiled.

More than 100 people took part, sharing aspects of the community they'd like preserved and attributes that could one day be implemented.

BC teachers will adopt mentoring program
By LINDA DOMATI

Broad new teachers will get a helping hand as they begin their careers at Bethlehem Central in the person of a master teacher who will serve as their mentor.

The teacher mentoring program, which is new this year, is one of the ways the district is implementing federal grants for professional development, according to John McBridge, assistant superintendent.
Police arrest 3 for DWI

Bethlehem police recently arrested three individuals for driving while intoxicated (DWI). Russell Rue, 47, of 456 Bozenkill Road, Altamont, was stopped by police while driving on Creble Road in Selkirk for driving erratically on July 26 at 9:47 p.m. Police said Rue failed field sobriety tests and charged him with felony DWI and aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

The felony charge stems from a prior DWI conviction in 1996.

Daniel Murphy, 23, of 539 Onesquethaw Creek Road, Feura Bush, was stopped by police while driving on Route 9W for crossing the white lines several times on July 27 at 4:43 a.m. Police said Murphy failed field sobriety tests and was charged with DWI. He was released on $200 bail.

Phillip Parrish, 43, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., was stopped by police while driving on Maple Avenue in Selkirk for speeding on July 26 at 4:57 a.m. Police say Parrish failed field sobriety tests and was charged with DWI.

BC announces meal program

Bethlehem Central School District once again announces its free and reduced-price meal policy for Bethlehem school children, establishing family income eligibility requirements to participate in the program.

The district announces its policy on an annual basis. Applications and eligibility requirements for the free and reduced-priced lunch program are sent home with students during the first week of school.

Families that qualify and wish to apply must provide all the information requested; incomplete applications cannot be processed.

Call Kathy Haege in Bethlehem Central's Business Office, 439-7481, for details or a copy of the eligibility requirements and an application.

Artwork on display at cafe

The Tuesday evening oil painting class of the Bethlehem Central adult education program are showing their paintings at Java Jazz in Main Square on Delaware Avenue in Delmar through Aug. 15.

Everyone is invited to drop by and view the works on display during regular business hours.

Those displaying their works are Jocelyn Cole-Calkins, Linda Cutler, Sue Fox, Lee Getzalda, Ed McAllister, Mehdi Shayegani, Tanya Stelmar, Kate Thibault, Mary Tierney and Mason Forando.

Showtime

Five Bethlehem students have roles in Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" at Park Playhouse II in Albany. The students are Barbara Griffin, Laura Baboulis, Jarrett Dasiow, Meg DiMaggio and Leslie Shrager. Performances are at 5:30 p.m. daily, except for Mondays, through Aug. 17. Seating is free.

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Delmar youth help out in Honduras

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

Just after America celebrated its birthday, a small group of Delmar youth left to spend a week in Honduras, literally helping to extend the hands of the Episcopal church of St. Matthias in the town of Siguatepeque.

Sixteen-year-olds Scott Heighton, Matt Mahoney and Jami Rodman of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Delmar, along with Scott's dad, Derek, Bob Heighton, joined teenager Tim George from Scotia, youth ministry coordinator Holy Schuh and Nick and Theresa van Strahlen from Calvary Episcopal Church in Burnt Hills, to help build the foundation for a fence to enclose the church property.

The property will eventually include the church, a meeting hall, medical clinic and bilingual school. The Delmar teens joined words during their sponsored by the South American Missionary Society (SAMS). SAMS has been around since the mid-1800s and is committed to establishing an Anglican church in South America.

"SAMS is working to teach people to put their skills to economic use," Scott said. "A team from North Carolina was working with the men on sewing skills during the first part of the week. There were five of them and a group from Franklin, Pa., was there during the later part of the week.

When the Capital District team arrived on July 6, they joined a group from Texas that had the fence in place for about an hour, finished only to discover that they were digging in the wrong place. Even though they were the few kids on the block, the St. Stephen's team dug right in literally.

"It was heavy work," Bob Heighton said. "We raised cement by hand."

"We moved a lot of sand and concrete," Scott added. "We broke the rock with an eight-pound sledge hammer."

"We got up most mornings around 5 a.m., and after about an hour, we took a bus to the site to start working around 8 a.m. "Scott said. "Then there was about a one-hour lunch break, then worked till 4.

"The positions are required to the commitment to the public and to the community," Adkins said of the town justice. "It's a great judge like that."

"I really admire the way I can make a difference to church that we stay in running unopposed - Town Collector

Correction

The name of a company participating in Albany NanoTech's semiconductor research center at the Albany State University of New York campus is Tokyo Elector.
Here are some real accomplishments alums can celebrate

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

The summer issue of my college alumni magazine—like many of my favorites, with its spread of graduation photos, showing all those June graduates celebrating against the backdrop of the Green Mountains. Each year, the graduates look more like children being unleashed onto the world, leaving some of us to wonder how it could be more than 20 years since we left those safe and secure ivy-covered walls for the “real world.”

The attachment to “my” college has grown over the years, as my less-than-stellar academic performance there, and my sense of complete and total intimidation by the rest of the student body, faded.

Many of the other students came from incredibly wealthy backgrounds, had already traveled in Europe with their families, recognized significant pieces of classical music and art and avoided the freshman pieces of classical music and art leaving some of us to wonder how it could be more than 20 years since we left those safe and secure ivy-covered walls for the “real world.”

But looking at the graduation photos in the current magazine and reminiscing only briefly, I turned to the class notes at the back of the publication, where people’s accomplishments are divided up by class. Everywhere we go in life, there are lessons to be learned from those around us, and I read through the notes people send in about the businesses they’ve started, the places they’ve traveled and the accomplishments they deem worthy of sharing with the people who started their independent, adult lives with them in a place both sheltered and challenging.

The achievements that started in History 102 continue in spades now that we are—for me, classmates, that I have to describe us this way—middle-aged. Lots of us who graduated in the early 1980s have been living in the shadow of Ari Fleischer, the former presidential spokesman who graduated from Middlebury in 1982.

In addition to the class notes, this quarter’s magazine bears a cover of a classmate who is now the Parks Commissioner in New York City. News of great successes travels by grapevine, too, so that those too modest or unwilling to brag about their accomplishments aren’t either our admiration or jealousy.

We try to rejoice in everyone’s accomplishments, but sometimes the success of people doing more than just creeping forward brings on a flush of jealousy that fades on remorse, soul-searching and questioning of our own self-worth.

Oh yeah, the notes might remind us, I meant to be an international diplomat. Right, I was going to write a best seller. Where are those few typed pages I sweated over all these years ago? Damn, I meant to go into investment banking, but the fact that my math skills stop at long division got in the way.

I always wonder at the people who write that they’re having it all, combining parenthood and careers and secretly rejoice when someone writes of having chosen a path like mine, where their days are occupied with the stuff that makes for not-so-thrilling reading. Wouldn’t it be great if there was a section where people consider it a victory to get through the day in clothes without food stains, to walk through their home without crunching three tiny toys or to open the silverware drawer and find the spoons with the spoons and the forks with the forks? How would a special section of true accomplishments of parents read in an alumni magazine?

Mindy Smithington-Watts

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No matter how small they might seem, we should celebrate our own accomplishments and use them as stepping-stones to our own future greatness.

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Great news from the home of Muffy and Matt, where their teenage daughter sat down at the breakfast table with them on Saturday morning, musing aloud that first time she’d been up before 9 a.m. in three years. Muffy and Matt are on a religious retreat now, in thanksgiving for her asking, “So, Mom and Dad, how are you?” instead of “Why can’t you drive me to the mall?”

There might be a report from the wife of the school hockey star that the man so quick with a shot had finally learned to do laundry without ruining the silk shirt that was the only item of clothing she owned that would be out of place on her major weekday outing—to the supermarket. Perhaps the rest of the class would rejoice at a classmate who hit the equivalent of the grocery daily double—having a manufacturer’s coupon on the same day that the supermarket had an item on sale.

Surely others could appreciate the news that a third-grader did her homework in an hour—no tears, no moaning, no insisting that Mom, Dad, the teacher and math were stupid and why learn them. Why learn them? The answer’s simple—so that you can go to college someday and maybe learn those people who’ve been other places and seen other things, people who will teach us different ways of living and about different things.

The key to reading those class notes is to realize that we all have different roads to travel, different ways of dealing with that brogued roads other roads that seem to have led to great success, and we should celebrate those accomplishments and take a moment to see if we’re making the most of the road we’re traveling.

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There could be a novel in each of us; we could finish a marathon someday. Who knows, maybe this will even be the week that the clean laundry actually makes it from the dryer to the family’s drawers.

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Kids are invited to mind their manners

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

If you're seeing a lot of elbows on your dinner table lately, your phone messages aren't being clearly relayed and you can't remember the last time your child wrote a thank-you note, you might want to check out Cindy Rogan's upcoming Manners for Minors course.

Forty-three-year-old Rogan, who grew up in Delmar, will be offering a three-day class on Aug. 12 through 14. Thursday's class will include a formal kid's luncheon with cloth napkins and a vast array of silverware. Rogan will be limiting her class to eight children, and has more sessions planned in the upcoming weeks. During the school year, she will have after-school classes.

The three-day class will be in her Cherry Valley home and will cost $125, plus a $25 materials fee. The materials fee will cover the cost of porcelain nameplates for each child, a monogrammed napkin, the final luncheon and a videotape of very well-mannered children playing some games.

"I'll start with a history of manners and etiquette," Rogan said. "I want to make it fun, so some role-playing and play some games."

During the role-playing, kids will practice introductions — with a firm handshake and while maintaining eye contact. Rogan will cover phone etiquette, with how to make a phone call and how to answer one. She'll have the kids talk about whispering and interrupting and how it can make people feel excluded and unimportant. Rogan and her class will spend a lot of time at her dining room table, learning to fold napkins, set the table and which utensil to use when.

"I'm planning a table hunt, where I'll hide silverware and linen around the house and have the kids find the pieces for a setting," Rogan said. "I'll also do a table-setting game, where whoever sets the table the most quickly and accurately wins a prize."

Rogan also plans a round of "identify the utensil" where kids can learn the difference between a soup spoon and a cereal spoon. Time will be devoted to thank-you notes, and kids can write a note to anybody who's done something nice for them in the past week.

In fact, when Rogan's daughters, 9-year-old Taylor and 7-year-old Kelly, greet newcomers, they do so with firm handshakes, make eye contact and say sincerely, "It's nice to meet you."

Rogan, who has run Special Care Medical Claims for 15 years, thought she could meet a societal need while combining her love of children and good manners, and the result was Manners for Minors. Rogan spent a few months researching manners and etiquette and is ready to share that knowledge with children.

"People are so busy, and it seems like manners are falling by the wayside," Rogan said. "Manners are a reflection of who we are as individuals. When our children are grown up, will they be able to interact at a lunch or with future employers or the company's CEO if their elbows are on the table or they're not sure what to do with the water bowl on the table, they'll feel uncomfortable."

In fact, Rogan pointed out, they won't even want to see till they're in the work world to call upon good manners.

"Soon, our kids will be looking at colleges and they'll need to talk with the admissions counselors," Rogan said. "It will help if they know how to conduct themselves. When they're young, you can get the point across and make it fun for the kids."

Rogan will be limiting her class to eight children, and has a second session planned for Aug. 5 to 7. During the school year, she will have after-school classes.

"Good manners never go out of style. They are style, and they don't have a socio-economic background," Rogan said. "Having good manners allows children to feel more positive about themselves."

For information about Manners for Minors, contact Rogan at 676-0757.

Cindy Rogan will help children learn the importance of good manners.
Sleeping with Shakespeare and Company in Paris

BY TANYA LEET

The writer is a reporter for Spotlight Newspapers.

My bed is a worn and stained 2-inch foam "naïveté" laid out on a stone floor. But my view is of Notre Dame, looking out the front window from the Left Bank in Paris.

The weary world traveler won't find these accommodations listed in any guidebook, but only by accident. In retrospect, I'm surprised it wasn't in my bible, "Europe on a Shoestring."

For two long nights, my friend, Meghan, and I had the unforgettable experience of staying at the legendary Shakespeare and Co. English language bookstore on the Rue de Buci, directly across from the Seine from Notre Dame. The owner, George Whitman, kindly invites poor backpackers with a passion for literature to stay upstairs in the library of his store, dubbed the Tumbleweed Hotel, for "one day, a week, however long, just let me know."

Our first two nights in the city of light, we slept in a hostel that was only slightly less seedy than camping out inside. The reason for the improvised mattress, like Americans, we naïvely thought that our car rental company would be open on a Saturday.

When we arrived, all packed up and checked out of our hostel, we were confronted with a metal fence barriering the front entrance.

So, instead of heading out on our France-Switzerland-Austria-Germany itinerary, we had two more nights in Paris. We went to a café to plot Plan B, my friend drank her café with crème and I pretended to read a French newspaper.

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I humbly replied that I was not a poet, but considered myself a writer of sorts. What followed was a pleasant conversation regarding Dang The as I worked on my memoir, which I was from and my political views.

This is when he invited me to stay. Indefinitely. I must admit, I was flattered, but never thought I would take him up on the offer.

While browsing downstairs, I noticed the random twin bed areas located in corners or in front of bookshelves. During the day, these cots are covered with books and serve as a convenient spot for custodians to sit and read an assortment of novels. By night, they house an eclectic group of temporary or permanent youngsters and the not so young.

I broached the idea with my friend. When confronted with someone more pessimistic than I, by default I have to assume the role of an optimist. I replied.

I pitched the bookstore as a place of adventure - imagine all the interesting people we would meet! I conjured up images of the literary lions from the 1920s and 1950s who were regulars at Shakespeare and Company. At the time, I thought the whole experience would be fun and exciting. I ignored that nagging feeling of dread deep in my gut.

We reluctantly trudged to the Metro and headed back into the heart of Paris. Then it began to rain.

Miserable and wet, we arrived at the bookstore, and I went upstairs to look for our saver. George was in his cramped office and upon seeing my backpack and the desperation on my face he immediately asked, "How long do you need?"

"Only two days, until Monday," I replied.

Still wiping my pack weary, he asked how many pairs of underwear I brought with me. Caught off guard, I muttered something about having enough for at least a week. I did not know my answer would elicit a response that mirrored cardiac failure.

After he recovered from the shocked shock, he bestowed upon me some free, yet obvious, advice. "All you need is one pair that you wash and wash every night."

I didn't want to be rude or ungrateful, but I was not in the mood to discuss the finer points of feminine hygiene.

"Good point, but women need more high-maintenance than men," I replied.

After we locked up our bags, George disappeared without a word. We wandered outside, where a few of the current bookstore tenants were sitting on a bench baguette a quiche at Camembert for lunch.

In step with the tradition of communal living, they offered up a hunk of bread and the wheel of cheese. I was introduced to Camembert, and I as the new boarders and asked about the rules and procedures. We found out that we had to return to the bookstore by midnight to help close and then open up in the morning.

One girl, Helen fromToronto, explained that someone would need to unlock the door for her at 7 a.m. — when her shift ended at a local bar.

Another resident alien, Joel, summarized his routine when I asked what brought him here. He said he was working as a lawyer in Manhattan when he just decided to up and move.

Because I didn't want to pry, I refrained from interrogating him further. But racing through my head were all the reasons, mostly hilarious, from pathetic to sad, from family, George requests an autobiography and a photo from each guest. The purpose is to publish a who's who of the bookstore and to become famous writers or criminals.

At first, I thought she was joking. Where was I supposed to get a picture of myself? Well, they had it all figured out. The Metros have these cheap photo booths. Like the ones in malls were four people, many young girls, cram themselves in and make funny faces.

Our little picnic was cut short by the revival of rain so we headed over to the Boul. St. Michel stop. My friend got the generic yearbook photo, but I wanted to be more creative. I opted for the FBI badge photo that I believe is usually reserved for kids. I had to slouch down in the seat so my face would fill the frame, instead of just my neck.

When we returned, we met the other members of our motley crew. After we figured out who would sleep where, we chatted with the other vagabonds and settled in for the worst night of sleep in my life. It took me a week to recover.

After being awakened at 7 a.m. by Helen the barmaid, I could not fall back asleep. So I found a book that would enlighten me to the workings of George's operation.

The book was the first published archive of guests in the "Back and Bone Shop of the Heart," another fond name for George's clandestine bed and breakfast.

The stories ranged from hilarious to sad, from pathetic to confident, from serious to hopeless, from heartbreaking childhood experiences and family, while others wrote about future goals and dreams.

Happy to have found samples of the kind of life story he was.
The logical answer was that his building was knocked down, but I suspect that Paris is trying to erase his legacy. Disappointed, I walked back to our hostel near the Luxembourg Gardens and tried to console myself.

While there is no trace of Hemingway's former home, the bookstore is still here. It's moved over the years, but Shakespeare and Company remains a literary and historical institution that should never be demolished to make way for new expensive riverfront condos.

I may have laughed when Helen first told us about the autobiography, but now I realize the importance of permanently documenting one’s experiences. So my story, like Hemingway’s, will never be lost.

Thank you, George.

"The Importance of Dental X-rays"

Virginia Plaisted, D.D.S.

Radiographs are an essential part of a dental examination. In order for the dentist to create an appropriate treatment plan, he must be able to observe all aspects of a patient's mouth including the gum structure and the amount of bones supporting the root.

As well as cavities that present between the posterior teeth. These areas of the mouth can only be observed with a dental X-ray.

The area of the mouth that needs to be evaluated will determine the type of X-ray prescribed by your dentist.

The three types of dental X-rays commonly used in dentistry: Opgis x-rays, panoramic x-rays, and bitewing x-rays. An Opgis X-ray is usually taken once a year or whenever there is any decay present between the posterior teeth. An apical film is used to assess bone level and root structure and is often taken as a record, a film at a patient is experiencing discomfort.

The panoramic X-ray and bitewing X-rays are a combination of the Opgis X-ray and panoramic X-ray. These X-rays are taken once a year or whenever there is any decay present between the posterior teeth. An apical film is usually taken to assess bone level and root structure.
Citizens need accurate information

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Sunday, July 20, a hot, sunny, summer day, more than 350 people crowded into Bethlehem town hall to hear Scott Ritter talk about Iraq.

This event was sponsored by Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace, which continues to offer the community educational and information forums to help explore the lies and devastations perpetrated by the Bush administration.

A local "talk" radio host, Scott Miller, or "Scotto" as he calls himself, announced on WXXM that he would be bringing about 400 protestors to town hall after he failed in his attempts to have the talk canceled.

"Scotto" also informed his listening audience that it takes all his control not to drive his car into the vigil participants at the Four Corners on Mondays when he passes through Delmar. Is this a representative of freedom of speech and Democracy or circumstances.

The news media is obligated to educate and inform the citizens of the U.S. However, the news media to a few huge corporations and the cross-ownership of media sources to those same few corporations.

This will only lead to continued censorship and the dumbing down of America. Global citizens need to be brought about the lies and devastations that have been given so freely to us.

The Bush administration is daily being exposed as liars, and has led this country to an illegal occupation and invasion of Iraq. Thousands of Iraqis have been slaughtered and mutilated, and U.S. soldiers continue to die, many under "unexplained" circumstances.

The news media is obligated to educate and inform citizens of America. Instead, Fox 23 and people like "Scotto" pand to a reactionary and uninformed audience in an attempt to install fear, not knowledge, in their listening audience.

This is a perfect example of the implicit dangers of the recent FCC rulings limiting ownership of news media to a few huge corporations and the cross-ownership of media sources to those same few corporations.

Our voices will not be silenced. -Leslie Hudson

BC should reconsider plan

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Letters policy

The Spotlight solicits letters from readers on subjects of local and regional interest. Letters are subject to editing for style and length. All letters must include the writer's name, address, and telephone number. Unsigned letters receive no consideration. Letters that are published may carry a signature.

The deadline for submitting letters is Friday at noon.

The Spotlight also welcomes ideas for its point of view column.

The information, as Executive Editor Susan Graves says is "not final." Write to Letters to the Editor, The Spotlight, 125 Adams St., Delmar, N.Y. 12054.

Letters can be faxed to 518-594-5000 or emailed to spotlight@wocinc.com.

Family is thankful for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

There are not sufficient words to express our gratitude to our friends and neighbors who were so very supportive when our son and brother died in June.

We truly appreciate all the help and support given to Val and when we needed to be in California, and the expressions of sympathy from so many - the food and flowers, visits, calls and prayers that have been given so freely to us.

We’ve always known that we live in a wonderful community, but we did not realize it fully until we received such a tremendous outpouring of support of every kind. Everything each of you has done has helped us during this most difficult time.

Our thanks to also to our church community for making Matt’s memorial service such a special place in our lives. We felt from all those who participated carries a special place in our hearts.

We are also so very appreciative of the many expressions of love and care those teachers, parents, and other children of the Children’s Place and the Children’s Corner, where Matt spent so many happy hours. We are indebted to all of you who have tried to comfort us, and we want you all to know how much it means to us that you have helped us in a time of such great loss.

From all of us, and on behalf of our extended family, who will miss Matt so much forever, thank you, each and every one, for all you have done.

Sam, Jon, Tracy and Val Matten

David Delmar

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We Understand Boys
Bethlehem Cares readies for walk

Editor, The Spotlight:
Many people, both kids and adults, in Bethlehem and its neighboring towns live with diabetes each day. For people with diabetes, every day can be a struggle.

Many of us take insulin — up to three or four shots daily — just to survive. We must measure all of the food that we eat. We must test our blood sugar by pricking our fingers up to seven or more times a day.

Still, even if we do all of this, we run a great risk of developing some or all of the life-threatening complications that strike people who have diabetes for a number of years.

Over the past four years, our community has rallied around an important cause — finding a cure for diabetes. People from all over our town and beyond have joined together as Bethlehem Cares, a team that has participated in the Walk to Cure Diabetes sponsored by the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Thus far, our team has raised more than $77,000 for this cause.

On Sept. 21, Bethlehem Cares will participate in this year’s walk at Corporate Woods in Albany. You can join as a walker by calling Robert M. Deitz, DDS, Delmar Pediatrics and Farm Family Insurance Companies.

Also, the Golub Foundation, Krysler Building Corp., Mr. Sebb, Northeastern Dental Lab, Prime Care Physicians and Something Old, Something New.

The next time you visit one of these businesses, please thank them for supporting the community and diabetes research.

If you can’t join us for the walk, but would like to make a donation, you can mail your check (made payable to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) to Bethlehem Cares at 66 Boylston Drive, Delmar 12054.

Thank you for helping us show that Bethlehem really is a caring community!

Tim Carey
Delmar

Students can choose to opt out of act

Editor, The Spotlight:
In 2001, the “No Child Left Behind” Act was passed by Congress.

One provision of this act included making available to the Armed Services the names, addresses and telephone numbers of high school students. One can readily see the intent.

A letter from the high school principal citing this act and its requirements was sent to Bethlehem Central High School parents and students on July 8.

Correction
Linda Zwickerbaier’s name was inadvertently omitted in a letter from the BC Graduation Celebration co-chair women thanking people and businesses for their help published in the July 30 issue of The Spotlight. The Spotlight regrets the error.

We Still Go By the Book.

While most banks are phasing them out, Trustco still offers passbooks — the clearest, simplest way to track your savings.
Kiwanis plan golf fund-raiser Aug. 8

New Scotland Kiwanis Club will hold a golf outing on Friday, Aug. 6, at Orchard Creek Golf Course in Altamont. It will benefit the Pediatric Trauma Unit of the Albany Medical Center and several local community groups.

Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and tee-off is at 10. The registration fee is $110 per person or $420 per foursome and includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes. Donations toward prizes or tee sponsorships are welcome. For information call Peter Leczak at 765-3678 or 464-0560.

Food co-op orders due Aug. 11

New Scotland Extra Helpings food co-op will be accepting food orders until noon on Monday, Aug. 11, for the Thursday, Aug. 15, pick-up date. Forms and menus can be picked up at the New Scotland town hall on Route 85 or at St. Matthew’s Church on Mountainview Road.

Extra Helpings provides a pre-select menu of groceries at wholesale prices. Each order costs $14, and you are under no obligation to purchase each month. Payment can be by cash or food stamps. Anyone in the area is welcome to participate.

To host movie night

The town of New Scotland Recreation Committee is hosting a movie night for middle level grades on Tuesday, Aug. 12, at dusk in Wallace Park. The movie will be “Mr. Deeds.” Refreshments will be available.

For information, call Pat George at 475-2085.

School district schedules sports physiologicals

Northville Central School District will be conducting sports physicaI for students who want to participate in a sport during the 2003-04 school year.

Physicals will be at the high school health office on Monday, Aug. 11, at 1:30 p.m. for females and 2 p.m. for males. Students must have a current physical to be eligible for the sports program.

Thacher Nature Center offers programs

Learn what a typical day was like for a child in colonial times.

Delmar man receives award

Edward Jones investment representative Jerry Pittz of Delmar recently received the Jack Phelan Award for his outstanding sales and service efforts of the past year. The award is named for the firm’s former national sales manager, Jack Phelan.

Pittz is one of just 1,750 of the firm’s more than 9,000 investment representatives who received the award. Edward Jones, the only Aug. 12-15 at Thacher Nature Center.

Learn about school, take nature walks, make candles and butter and play old-fashioned games. Have fun with surprise colonial guests. The program is geared for ages 9 and up. For information, call 672-1057. Space is limited.

On Saturday, Aug. 9, at 2 p.m. come to the nature center and learn about river otters.

River otter populations are currently increasing in New York. After many years of heavy trapping had brought them to very low levels. Learn how you can discover the otters, fish, and animals and help NYS DEC in current studies.

For information, call 672-0800.

School board to meet

The Voorheesville school board will meet Monday, Aug. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the commons area at the high school. For information, call 765-3314, ext. 101.

Slingerlands man named to bank post

Michael R. Orsino has been named national retail sales executive of KeyCorp.

Orsino will be responsible for Key’s retail banking sales and service organization, with overall responsibility for 24 districts totaling 900 KeyCenters nationwide.

The new organization aligns retail sales and is designed to reinforce and enhance a consistent sales culture throughout the KeyCenter network nationwide.

Most recently, Orsino served as executive vice president of retail banking for the Northeast Region. He was previously president of the Long Island District with primary responsibility for commercial banking sales in four districts.

Before joining Key in 1990, he served as senior vice president at North Fork Bank Trust and senior vice president at European American Bank.

A New York native, Orsino, 52, will continue to reside in Slingerlands. Orsino graduated from Dowling College with a bachelor’s degree in business.

Summer program set at library

Bethlehem Public Library offers “Dog Days of Summer,” stories, rhymes, games and a craft for preschoolers on Tuesday, Aug. 16, at 10 a.m.

Call 439-8514 to register.

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Bored? Here are some August things to do

By now, kids are heard complaining that summer just seems to drag on in dear old “Dullmar.” With a little investigation they’d find there are lots of things to do this summer in and around Bethlehem.

Bethlehem Riverfest Aug. 16
Henry Hudson Park. For all ages with crafts, booths, nature walks, clowns, magic and music by The Brits. From noon until dusk. Free of charge.

Youth Praise and Worship Aug. 13
Delmar Reformed Church on Delaware Avenue. Skits, multimedia, prayer and music by DRC Praise Rock Band, featuring BCHS students on electric guitar, bass and drums. For teens. 7 p.m.

Altamont Fair, Aug. 12 to 17
Rides, rodeo, exhibits, motocross and music by Hair of the Dog. Burners UK and more. 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. $8/age 13 and older, $6/seniors, children age 12 and under free.

New York Giants summer camp in August
University at Albany. All ages. Monday through Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. and Monday through Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. Parking $5.

Cross country races Aug. 11, 18 and 25
Elm Avenue Park. Races begin at the big pavilion. Drawing for prizes. Day-of-race registration. Youth race for age 12 and under is at 6:15 p.m. The open 5k race is at 6:30 p.m.

Indian Ladder Farms in Altamont
Live acoustic music on weekends. Open seven days a week.

Call Bethlehem Networks Project at 439-7740 with questions.
What's happening and why

Electricity demand in New York State continues to grow. This summer, when hot weather places even greater demand on the electric grid, supplies might be tight, especially in New York City and Long Island. Statewide, the New York Independent System Operator (ISO) forecasts that we should have enough electricity to meet demand. It projects that New York's 2003 peak demand will be 31,430 megawatts, 786 megawatts higher than last summer. Add to that another 5,657 megawatts of reserve power, and the total need is 37,087 megawatts.

New generating plans expected to go on-line this summer, improvements to older plants, and demand reduction programs for large customers are helping meet demand. But if we have a prolonged heat wave, or if major generating plants break down, the margin between peak demand and available supply could diminish.

What to expect

This summer you may be asked to help ensure the reliability and availability of electricity by conserving energy. Your efforts can make a big contribution to the plans of utilities and large-use customers that go into effect during a heat wave. If everyone reduces the amount of electricity they use a little, it can make a lot of difference.

On an extremely hot day, New York's electric utilities take steps to maintain system reliability. Utilities may:
• Issue public appeals to residential customers on the radio and TV.
• Ask large customers to reduce their consumption.
• Ask customers to voluntarily reduce power consumption.

During an energy alert your actions may keep us from running out of electricity. If an alert is announced, make every effort to reduce your electricity use. Turn off all non-essential electrical devices, lights, and appliances.

What you should do
By using electricity wisely, you can conserve energy, ensure an adequate supply for everyone, and lower your bills. You can:
• Use major appliances early or late in the day.
• Turn off your air conditioner when you leave home; set the thermostat at 78 degrees or run it on low.
• Replace or clean air conditioner filters once a month.
• Use a fan to bring in cool air from outside during the morning and evening.
• Close curtains or blinds during the day to block out the heat from sunlight.
• Use your microwave instead of your oven and range.
• Turn on lights only when necessary.
• Keep refrigerator and freezer doors shut as much as possible, and set refrigerator temperature at 38 to 40 degrees and freezer temperature at 0 to 5 degrees.
• Buy Energy Star appliances and lighting, which can save you 30% on your energy costs and 70% on your lighting energy costs.

For more information, contact the New York State Public Service Commission at 1-888-Ask-PSC1 or www.AskPSC.com, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority at 1-877-NY-SMART (1-877-697-6278) or www.GetEnergySmart.org or your local utility.

Conserve a little.

Electricity supply may be tight this summer. You can make a difference. There are simple, affordable things everybody can do to conserve energy, save money and help protect the environment.

Save a lot.

You can also save energy and money by shopping for Energy Star appliances.

For more ideas to lower your energy costs this summer, contact the NYS Public Service Commission or the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority at www.GetEnergySmart.org.
Artist, Progress Club, insects featured in August exhibits

"Suffering and Grace" is the theme of a mixed media exhibit by Lucy Pulitzer on display in our northwest hall this month. Pulitzer has described her work as informed by Eastern religion and philosophy, focusing on themes of spiritual freedom and human connectedness.

Michael Brennan's peace signs are on exhibit in the large display case this month. Brennan has painted, constructed and photographed peace signs of all kinds since the 1960s. The Delmar Progress Club exhibits items that trace activities and accomplishments through the club's 102-year history. Examples and illustrations of current projects and programs are also on display.

In the youth services area, Jake Platel shares his insect collection, and author Frank Asch is featured.

Library receives grant
Bethlehem Public Library recently received a $1,000 unrestricted grant from the Hudson River Bank & Trust Co. Foundation.

In its announcement letter, the foundation said it makes grants to local libraries because "libraries are growing, vital centers of individual and community self-improvement; local use of libraries has far outpaced the growth of available resources; and libraries are critical outlets in giving everyone access to the internet and the benefits of the digital age."

Library board, administration and staff are grateful for the foundation's regard for our library and our community.

Tang presents program
The Tang Museum presents "Trisha Brown: dance and art in dialogue" next Monday, Aug. 11, at 2 p.m. Learn what a choreographer does and how Brown's collaboration with artists has changed the way dance is performed and viewed.

Participatory choreography and dancing will connect visual images, sound and movement. Appropriate for children age 8 and up, the program is part of the Tang Museum's Destination: Exploration series of interdisciplinary programs that link museum exhibition works and themes with NYS K-12 curricula. Call 439-9314 to register.

Web site tour
Learn how to access our resources from home next Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. "Library Website Tour" will demonstrate how to renew books, request items and learn about library events for adults and children. The talk will also show you how to use the library's databases to find newspaper and magazine articles and get homework help.

Call to register. You can sneak a peek beforehand at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org.
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Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital-Inspiring Independence Since 1928

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On August 8, 2003, Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital will celebrate
Ernie Williams to perform tonight

Tonight's the night to enjoy one of the best musical experiences the area has to offer when the Ernie Williams Band appears at Together at Twilight. The library is proud to host this charming bluesman and his extraordinary band.

Bring the whole family and a blanket to sit on for the 7 p.m. performance.

In case of rain, the concert will be at the performing arts center at the high school.

We are heading into the last week of summer reading club 2003 and there has been an important alteration in the schedule which families should take note of.

The grand evening finale will be held on Thursday, Aug. 14, at 7 p.m. instead of Aug. 15 as previously announced. The library apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

All ages are invited to this Harry is the creation of Jeffrey

Tonight's the night to enjoy brain research shows that boys and girls are as different from the neck up as from the neck down." - Johan Don, Ph.D.

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Two academies, one school of thought: Single-gender education.
Malinowski wins ESG gold in steeplechase

By ROB JONAS

The steeplechase is the most unusual event in a track and field meet. Part distance event and part obstacle course, runners have to be able to master two techniques in order to be successful.

Bethlehem's Emily Malinowski is one of the few area high school runners to master the steeplechase. After finishing second at this year's state championships, Malinowski set a record in winning the scholastic women's 2,000-meter steeplechase at the Empire State Games July 23-27 in Buffalo.

"I got the record, so it was so exciting, I was thrilled," Malinowski said.

Nobody came close to beating Malinowski, who finished with a time of 7:14.39. The runner-up in the event was more than 10 seconds behind her.

"I hadn't recognized any of the girls in the race," Malinowski said. "Only one of the girls I had heard of before, so I didn't know what to expect."

Malinowski's Bethlehem teammate, Roxanne Wegman, also had a strong performance at the games. Wegman took second in the scholastic women's 10,000 with a time of 30:54.39 and placed fourth in the scholastic women's 5,000 in a time of 18:38.14.

Ravena's Brianna Drexler was fifth in the scholastic women's 100 high hurdles in a time of 12.26 seconds and seventh in the scholastic women's 400 intermediate hurdles in a time of 53.11. She also finished 11th in the scholastic women's long jump with a distance of 4.77 meters.

In the scholastic women's division, Matthew Shaffer (Delmar) earned a bronze medal in the 5,000 with a time of 16:16.62, while his brother Patrick placed fifth in the event with a time of 16:27.04. Evan Savage (Delmar) finished fourth in the 10,000 with a time of 35:52.81.

James Nixon (Delmar) missed medaling in the open men's 5,000 in a time of 16:44.62, and Michael Pilpini (Delmar) finished third in the open men's 10,000-mile racewalk with a time of 1:10.11.

In the masters division, Delmar's Linda Roberts received a silver medal in the women's 35-39 age group javelin with a throw of 21.29 meters.

Stern, Vanetten swim to medals

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Teams get jump on preseason preparations

By ROB JONAS

Football isn't a year-round activity, but it's getting closer to being one at the high school level. The official first day of football practice isn't until Aug. 18, some players have already been going to preseason camps such as the recently-completed Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk team camp.

"Every sport has become year-round, or there is an off-season where you have to prepare," said RCS varsity football coach Gary VanDerzee, who also ran the team camp. "They (the teams) want to get better, and if they want to get better, these are the kinds of things they have to do to get better.

Five schools - RCS, Voorheesville, Coxsackie-Athens, Rensselaer and Hudson - spent five evenings the week of July 20-25 learning technique and scrimmaging against each other.

"I was a regular attendee of the RCS team camp," VanDerzee said. "I guess the thing I like the most about it is the people who run it," Voorheesville coach Joe Sapienza said. "Ravena has a great football tradition with a great coaching staff, and this is one of the few camps where you get to work with the kids as a team."

"It gives us an evaluation tool," VanDerzee said. "It also gives us a chance to see who has the dedication."

"There's not a sport that isn't available to be played year-round," he said. "And if you want to be successful, you have to put in as much time as possible."

Loux earns two gold medals in wrestling

Delmar's Andrew Loux won two gold medals in wrestling at the Empire State Games July 23-27 in Buffalo.

Loux's first gold medal came in the open men's 63-kilogram Greco-Roman competition. He won his first five matches by decision before defeating Central's Jason Goldman 7-3 in the finals July 25.

Kuhn beats Shaffer for Hour Run title

Bethlehem Central High School graduate Rob Kuhn outdistanced the field to win last Thursday's Hour Run at Shaker High School.

Kuhn covered a distance of 10.9 miles during the hour-long track race to earn the first place finish. Pat Shaffer, a current BCHS student, was second with a distance of 10.01 miles.

Morgan Leitzinger had the greatest distance covered for a female at the Hour Run. Leitzinger amassed 8.85 miles.

Anny Stockman set a new single-age American record at the Hour Run. Stockman, 71, covered 7.07 miles over 60 minutes.

The Hour Run is part of the Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club's series of Thursday-night track races at Shaker High School. The series concludes tomorrow, Aug. 7, with the Pentathlon - a series of five track races of varying distances.

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The Spotlight welcomes letters from readers on subjects of local and regional interest. Letters are subject to editing for clarity, economy, style and length. All letters must include the writer's name, address and phone number.

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An Open Letter to the Residents of the Town of Bethlehem

This open letter is being published to bring two significant issues to your attention:

1. **Zoning Impacts on Residential and Agricultural Properties** - A recent court decision renders agricultural uses and single-family homes illegal in the Rural District Not Zoned part of Town. When the Town Zoning Board of Appeals tried to appeal this decision, known as the “Orsi Decision”, the Town Board refused to fund this appeal.

   The Town Board now plans to implement “stop-gap” zoning restrictions that many local residents fear will severely restrict the uses of property in Bethlehem’s Rural District Not Zoned areas and could have major adverse impact on land values in these areas. The Town Board says it will address other zoning issues in the Rural District Not Zoned areas sometime in the future. When this will happen and how it may negatively affect property values is still unknown.

2. **Economic and Environmental benefits from Waste Management’s Office & Maintenance Building Proposal** - For more than two years, Waste management has sought Town approval for a new commercial office building, truck and container maintenance building, and parking area for our fleet and employees’ vehicles on
Route 144, directly across from Exit 22 of the New York State Thruway. The benefits of this project include the following:

- 80 acres of the property will be dedicated to a conservation easement, thus eliminating any development on that portion of the property, which includes the banks of the Hudson River and adjoining lowlands.
- Bethlehem would receive significant tax revenues from the project.
- Approximately 140 people of diverse talents would be employed at the facility.
- Current farm buildings and homestead will be maintained and preserved on the property.
- No waste transfer station or landfill would ever be built on the property.

Waste Management's property lies in the Rural District Not Zoned area of the Town. For more than 10 years, Town officials have agreed that the type of facility proposed by Waste Management would be permissible within the District, subject to site plan approval. The Land Use Management Advisory Committee ("LUMAC") has also identified this portion of the Town as suitable for uses as those proposed by Waste Management.

Like many residential and agricultural properties in the Rural District Not Zoned area that will be negatively impacted by the Town's proposed zoning changes, Waste Management's project benefits it provides to the Town will also be affected. We believe the project should be exempted from the zoning changes because the new rezoning would come into effect well after the application for our project was filed. Failure to do so could potentially derail a quality project that will yield significant tax revenues to the community and employ approximately 140 people.

Waste Management has always been straightforward regarding the nature of our project. We stand by our offer to meet with any individual or group that may have questions, suggestions or concerns. We remain dedicated to complete a full review of our project in a fair fashion.

Every day Waste Management works hard to provide very important and necessary service to the Bethlehem community. We are very concerned about the impact of the Town's zoning policies on property values, as well as the future of our project. **If you share these concerns, call Supervisor Sheila Fuller at 439-4955 Ext. 164 and attend the Town Board Public Hearing on August 13, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.**
Bethlehem Central High School students make honor roll

Bethlehem Central High School recently announced its fourth quarter honor and merit rolls. Students on the honor and merit rolls are:

**Grade 12 honor roll**

Also, Kathleen McCarthy, Dennis Miao, Joshua Modney, Julie Norman, Caitlin O'Brien-Carelli, Ana O'Keefe, Alicia Ogden, Katie Parafinczuk, Matthew Pasquini, Kaitlyn Peterson, Emily Petraglia, Lillian Pittman, Thomas Potter, Keelin Purcell, Kelly Rider, Sarah Romeo, Alexandra Rosenthal, Mytal Saltiel, Brenda Schmidt, Adam Shoppe, Evan Siegel, Julie Silverman, Allegra Smith, Erin Stenson, Abby Swanston, Matthew Swiatowska, Jessica Volpi, Katherine Wagoner, Lauren Wakeman, Karen Walenta, Len White, Jessica Willen, Sonnax Winkeller and Leonid Yankulin.

**Grade 12 merit roll**

Also, Anna Newton, Andrew Osterman, Jamiee Peckham, Roxanne Piegare, Jonathan Pietrafesa, Colleen Plummer, Shannon Powers, Vanessa Preville, Katelyn Primomo, Peter Pridiron, Angela Rapponio, Amy Reddy, Patrick Riegel, Matt Ryberg, Dan Sacco, Lucy Sandison, Natasha Sbar, William Sherman, Gregory Siene, Shauna Slater, Judy Stanford, Daniel Sienert, Daniel Stevens, Stephen Steinh, Benjamin Saurto, Matthew Suozzo, Larissa Suparnanto, Daniel Swartz, Matthew Tabler, Jordan Talbott, Brenda Tougher, Alicia Travisos, James Traynor, Brian Turner, Leo vera, Brenda Uchide, Marina Vifake, Steve Vink, Dana Vroman, Keri Walsh, Ryan Weaver, James Wheeler, Jason Williams, Mary Beth Wilson, Joen Wyldus, Jeffrey Young and Jack Young.

**Grade 11 honor roll**
Dorothy M. Campbell, 94, of North Bethlehem died Tuesday, July 22, at her home. Born in Brooklyn, she lived in New Salem before moving to Delmar in 1983 and to the Beverlywck in 2000. Mrs. Campbell was a sixth grade teacher at Voorheesville Elementary School before she retired. She was a 53-year member of the former New Salem Reformed Church and more recently a member of Delmar Reformed Church.

She was a Girl Scout leader in Scotia and was a volunteer at Child's Nursing Home and Child's Hospital for many years. She was a charter member of the New Scotland Historical Association and a member of the Delmar Progress Club.

She was the widow of Robert Francis Campbell. Survivors include two sons, Robert Worth Campbell of Delmar, New York and more recently a member of Delmar Reformed Church; and two grandchildren.

Services were from the Magin and Keppen Funeral Home in Albany, N.Y., St. James Church.

Burial was in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Barbara Williams

Barbara Corvo Williams, 85, of North Grandview Terrace, in Voorheesville died Friday, July 25, at her son's home.

All her native, she graduated from Albany High School and attended the University at Albany.

She was the widow of Fred R. Williams.

Survivors include a son, James J. Williams; a sister, Lena Mazzarini of California; three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Williams donated her body to the Anatomical Gift Program at Albany Medical College.

A memorial service was held at St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville.

Contributions may be made to the Community Hospice of Rensselaer County, 205 Valley View Blvd., Rensselaer 12144.

Theresa Gibbons


Born in St. Benedect, Pa., she was a feature writer for the Newark Sunday News and a producer for the teenage section of the Kate Smith television show. She was also a teacher in New Jersey, from 1945 to 1964.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas R. Gibbons; three daughters; Jane E. Neely of Newark, N.J., and Linda and Susan K. Gibbons of Glenmont; a son, Michael Gibbons of Silt Lake City, and five grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

The results show attendees repeatedly called for the creation of a comprehensive master plan that would highlight appropriate locations for companies to develop, while preserving some open space and maintaining the character of the community.

The second forum — slated for Oct. 20 — will include a review of the public commentary and a strategic discussion on how to implement the strategy for implementing appropriate growth. The IDA hopes public feedback will help identify between four and six areas within the town that have the potential for comprehensive growth with minimal negative effects. The likely corridors for development will be discussed at the proposed Route 85 Slingerlands bypass extension, West Yard Road in Selkirk, Route 9W, River Road property near PSEG and Wempke Road, according to Tucker.

"That doesn't mean they're exclusive areas and that you shouldn't have a plan for other areas," added Tucker.

An internal review with town staff and consultants would be conducted to determine the feasibility of the identified locations. The IDA would then develop a comprehensive master plan for the selected areas.

In early September, the IDA will release its findings at a forum that includes a summary of the information presented, presented, the viewpoints expressed and future action for the agency.

The public is invited to attend the following economic development forum Oct. 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at town hall.

Chambers slate joint mixer

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, along with the Southern Saratoga, Guildersville and Latham chambers, will sponsor a joint mixer Wednesday, Aug. 13, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Lanthier's Grove Restaurant in Latham.

The cost is $3 for those with reservations, $6 for walk-ins.

For reservations, call 785-6959.

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Eric Roberts and Kathleen Doherty

Doherty, Roberts engaged

Kathleen A. Doherty, daughter of James and Josephine Doherty of Cold Spring, Putnam County, and Eric M. Roberts, son of Arthur and Maureen Roberts of Delmar, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of BCHS. She is a client manager at Rose Business Services in Albany.

Army Pfc. Gregory Bartoletti of Westerlo and Kathleen A. Doherty of Delmar have graduated from Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga.

The training consisted of basic military training and advanced individual training. He is the son of Albert Bartoletti of Westerlo and Barbara Bartoletti of Delmar. He is a 1998 graduate of BCHS.

BCBS graduates complete basic training

The couple plans a Nov. 15 wedding at Arlington Church in Delmar, followed by a reception at the Terrapin Inn in Delmar.

Kerry Shannon McGlynn, daughter of James McGlynn of Delmar and Linda McGlynn of Glenmont, and Joshua Scott Hasselbach, son of William Hasselbach of Glenmont, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and SUNY Oneonta.

She is a marketing coordinator at Mahar, a contact textile company in New York City.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and SUNY Oneonta.

He works for Deutsche Bank in Manhattan.

The couple plans an Aug. 9 wedding.
The GE Riverfest, from noon to 9 p.m. in the Corning Preserve, will feature a wide variety of entertainment, from a Radio Disney concert of young singers to the headliner, popular dance band Nile Rogers and Chic.

The fact that this is a river festival means there will be more than the usual concerts in the new amphitheater. The U.S. Water Ski Show Team will perform on the river from noon to 1:30 p.m. and there will be a lighted boat parade by members of the Albany Yacht Club at dusk followed by fireworks over the river.

There will also be a Kidzone with children's activities like hands-on science experiments, juggling, face-painting, etc.

On the main stage will be Jesse McCartney, Chris Trousdale, Nikki Cleary and Stevie Brock of Radio Disney from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.; roots rockers The Decadent Royals from 2:45 to 3:45; Toby Foyeh and Orchestra Africa from 4:15 to 5; Irish rockers The Commitments from 6 to 7:15; and Nile Rogers and Chic with Silver Logan Sharp from 7:45 to 9.

The Pride of New York Food Festival on Aug. 13 at the Empire State Plaza, besides offering lots of tasty made- or grown-in-New York edibles, also offers classic rock, this time from Eric Burdon and the Animals and Woodstock's NRBQ.

The festival, the food part anyway, with 70 traditional outdoor vendors and 30 Pride of New York vendors, runs from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Eric Burdon and the Animals (above) and Woodstock's NRBQ will perform at The Pride of New York Food Festival on Wednesday, at the Empire State Plaza.
MURDER AT HOWARD JOHNSON'S

A finger in the air was a cue to Rossi that the man was breathing, and he placed one hand on the guy's chest, the other on his abdomen, to encourage the man to inhale and exhale.

ROSSI: What are you doing, buddy? What's your name?

The man's eyes followed Rossi's movements, and his breathing became more regular.

ROSSI: What's your name?

The man's eyes closed, and he began to snore lightly.

ROSSI: Hello, can you hear me?

The man's eyes opened briefly, and he looked up at Rossi.

ROSSI: Do you understand me?

The man nodded slowly, and his breathing became even more regular.

ROSSI: You're safe, buddy. You're going to be okay.

The man's eyes closed again, and he settled back into the sofa, his breathing steady and even.

ROSSI: I'm going to call for an ambulance, okay?

The man's eyes opened briefly, and he nodded.

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