School nears completion
Construction on Eagle Elementary in final phase
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CNN Humvee to make appearance at Capt. Timothy J. Mosher 5K run

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State passes new cigarette tax to discourage,
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Artists open their studios
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Warrior Classic
In 3,000 meters, Macky Lloyd proved he is one of the best distance runners at any Section II school, large or small. See story on Page 36.
Paul R. Benson, 27, of East Amberst, was arrested April 14, for aggravated DWI, operating a motor vehicle with a blood-alcohol content of 0.18 percent or greater; DWI; and operating a motor vehicle with a blood-alcohol content of 0.08 percent or greater — all misdemeanors.

Bethlehem police responded to a call about an intoxicated driver on Route 9W in Glenmont, who left Applebee’s Restaurant in Towne Center Plaza and returned a short time later, according to the arrest report.

When police arrived, they discovered Benson parked in the northern side of the Applebee’s lot with the engine running and his keys in the ignition while he was sitting in the driver’s seat of the vehicle, according to the arrest report.

Police said the complainant from Applebee’s reported that Benson came into the restaurant and ordered a beer, at which time he “became loud yelling obscenities,” and he was told to leave by the complainant.

According to the report, Benson then displayed his middle finger” while leaving the restaurant and got in his car and drove north on Route 9W before driving back to the parking lot. When interviewing Benson, police said he smelled of alcohol and displayed signs of intoxication, and, when asked if he had been drinking, Benson allegedly told police, “I had a lot.”

Benson was then given a field-sobriety test, which he failed, and he was taken into custody and arrested for DWI, according to police.

While being processed, Benson refused to sign any paperwork during his booking, and, when a family member called police about the incident, the report states, they were informed of the situation and Capitaland Taxi was contacted to transport Benson home.

Other arrests
- James M. Casey, 44, of Albany, was arrested by Bethlehem police on Thursday, April 3, for felony grand larceny and two misdemeanor counts of issuing a bad check and aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.
- Police said Casey was pulled over on Vaughn Drive and Schoolehouse Road on signed complaints against him, and, during a check of his driving record, police discovered that his driver’s license had expired and was revoked due to insurance lapses.

Casey was taken into custody and processed before being arraigned in front of Bethlehem Town Justice Paul Dwyer. He is scheduled to reappear in town court on May 6, according to the arrest report.

- David P. Wood, 19, was arrested on March 31 for DWI, a misdemeanor, and two infraction counts of driving while ability impaired and driving on the shoulder of a roadway.
- Police said they saw Wood during a routine patrol, driving south on Route 9W near the Towne Center Plaza, and pulled him over near Bender Lane after he drove onto the shoulder of the roadway.
- When interviewing Wood, police said they smelled alcohol and observed him display signs of intoxication, according to the arrest report. Wood told police that “he had three Heineken beers at a friend’s house in Delmar approximately one hour before the motor vehicle stop,” the report states.

After failing several field-sobriety tests and testing positive for alcohol, Wood was transported to the police station for processing where he consented to a chemical test, according to police. His vehicle was towed and he was given a “courtesy transport home” inside of a police vehicle, the report states.
Cash key in Congressional race

Dems crowd race, primaries expected in both parties.

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It is said that money isn’t everything, but in the 21st Congressional race to replace retiring Representative Michael McNulty, candidates say it is certainly necessary to win.

The first quarter financial statement has been released for the eight Democrats and two Republicans running to represent the counties of Albany, Schenectady, Schoharie, Montgomery, and, parts of Saratoga, Rensselaer, and Fulton counties in U.S. Congress.

With 10 candidates vying for a seat traditionally held by Democrats, whose enrollments outnumber Republicans nearly 3-to-1, the congressional race in New York’s Ninth is one of the key races in the primary.

The candidates

John Aretakis, D-Rensselaer

Aretakis, 47, an attorney and longtime advocate for people who suffer with mental illness, says he, consultant, says he thinks his name, recognition will play to his advantage in the primary.

“I’ve been in hundreds of newspapers and on television for my work fighting the sex trafficking of young women,” Aretakis said. “It’s thrust my name into the media.”

Aretakis said that with eight candidates now announced, the winning Dem may only need 25 percent of the vote to win the primary.

Aretakis, who announced his candidacy late last month said he is still in the early planning effort. He said his family would loan his campaign approximately $200,000.

According to Aretakis, he’s working toward launching a 900-square-foot campaign and making campaign T-shirts.

While sexual abuse will be the central issue in his campaign, Aretakis said he’s not a one-issue candidate.

“I have an agenda and a platform on every issue A to Z,” said Aretakis.

He said he has a plan to save Social Security for baby boomers and to fight against the war in Iraq.

Aretakis, who is a graduate of the University of Vermont and also thinks that his experiences living in Washington, D.C., could play to his favor.

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Brooks, 37, an attorney who worked for business director for Sen. Hillary Clinton, campaigned in all seven counties of the district except Monticello in January and February, also thinks that his experiences living in Washington, D.C., could play to his favor.

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By Jarrett Carroll

Internet is her campaign. More than 200 donors, about half of all her 450 donations, have made contributions online.

“For us, it’s been wonderful that we have hundreds of online donors. It’s a little bit of a shock for us. It has given us a wonderful way to connect with busy people at all times and to make contributions available and engage more voters in the process.

“If we’re going to help us has been a difficult transition to be in Congress, she said.

She is calling for an end to the war and is looking to reign in federal spending.

“The Bush administration has gone down the road of the Iraq war,” she said. “We are fighting a war on credit and the futures of our kids.”

She said her campaign has been no fiscal discipline, and that has to change.

Local soldier hurt in Iraq

Army Spc. Jeffrey R. Moody, of the 101st Airborne Division, was wounded after an improvised explosive device hit the Humvee he was riding in southwest of Baghdad, but he has recovered with minor injuries.

A 2005 Bethlehem High School graduate, Moody has been serving his first active tour with the 101st since October 2007, according to his father, James Moody, an Army veteran.

“We consider ourselves very lucky,” Moody said. “He was on a mission and was hit by an IED, which destroyed the vehicle they were driving.”

The attack occurred on April 12 while the vehicle that Moody and two other soldiers were in was hit. Moody received “fairly minor abrasions,” according to his father, as well as some bruises and a possible concussion. He was evacuated to a hospital and returned to duty west of Baghdad after recovering. The two other soldiers also suffered minor injuries.

The Department of Army listed Moody’s injury as head trauma.

“They’re keeping an eye on him because of all the shockwaves and brain injuries that occur,” said Moody.

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Fatherhood means lying through your teeth

By WILLIAM R. DEVoe
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In the interest of full disclosure, I should point out that I am not a ninja.

I am not a super-powered robot, a deep-sea adventurer of a starship commander.

I am not a well-known author, well, my son may be under the impression that I am all of these things and more.

I lie to my kids. I stretch, bend and in other ways manipulate the truth on a regular basis when it concerns one of my children. I do it very well (mostly because they are incredibly gullible and a tad bit for their own good.)

Like it or not, we lie to our kids to keep them safe, whether it's a little white lie to keep them from some sort of trouble. Or a whisper to stave off an explanation of something children may not understand fully.

People do it more than they think, and I'm sure there are a few of you out there that are outraged. I would even consider calling all parents liars. But tell me if this sounds familiar. My 5-year-old, Kevin, has been very concerned with the concept of Santa. He asked me if he was ever going to die.

"Not for a long time, bub. I'm sure it's something you don't worry about now," I told him.

"But do you think about it, though?" That's more of a "hope you're not" statement one makes to a child. Like telling them what's in their underwear. I would have said something to the effect of, "Your definitely are. Kevin. When. When."

You may be hit by a meteor today, so I'd stay up late and eat ice cream if I were you. In this case, the lie helped both of us.

We use many euphemisms when we lie to our kids because we must try to keep them as much as we protect them from a hurtful truth. There's a consequence to this may be moving toward it if it didn't work for me. It's definition might be this. No matter what our intentions are."

And if you're still getting a high and mighty on me, ask yourself, how many times you've used the phrase. "If you don't put that down, Santa won't bring you anything.

Sometimes you tell your kids the truth, and it doesn't seem to have the same effect that a well-posed lie would have.

The other day Kevin was amusing his 7-month-old brother by dancing around like a fool and spinning a bungee cord around over his head. Dancing is always well received in the DeVoe house. "I've been known to do it myself when no one is looking," he twirled around some big rubber bands, with hooks at either end of it, dangerously close to an infant is somewhat frowned upon.

Kevin, you've got to stop that," I said. "But, Dad, he likes it."

"He won't like it if you smack him with the end of that thing, so stop it."

"I'll back up so it won't hit him," my son said, proud that he knew a solution that satisfied us both. Or so he thought.

"Kevin, it's not just your brother, it's all the people. What if that hook hits you? It could take your eye out," I said.

"Oh my god. Really?" he said. This was not the "Oh my god. Really?" that I wanted to hear. I wanted to hear concern, and perhaps a bit of fright, in his voice. What I got was way too cherisy and excited.

Kevin, it's nothing to be excited about. You could lose an eye swinging that thing around, and then you'd have to start wearing an eye patch," I said.

This, as far as I know, was only part lie. I can't say it as well-received in surgery or orthopedics as I should be. For all I know, it's perfectly safe, albeit misplaced, and pop the thing right back in. I think he sensed that I was a little more than a bit hesitant to move the band, and he added, "You'd have to walk around Daycare wearing a patch and everyone who has two eyes would make fun of you."

He looked at me for a moment. "No they wouldn't," he said.

"Why not?"

"Because if I had an eye patch then I'd be a pirate," he said, and started making faces again.

"I can't fault your logic," I said, "but I still want you to stop wearing that bungee cord around.

Over the weekend, I asked Kevin if he'd like to camp out in the backyard now that the weather is getting warmer. Though he got very excited about setting up "camp" in our living room, he was a little hesitant to move the projection into the outdoors of our fenced-in lot.

"It's going to be dark," he said, and Bigfoot will come, and get us."

Now, I could have told the truth. I tried to convince my son that Bigfoot doesn't exist and therefore could not come and get us. But once a little boy has an irrational fear lodged in his brain, an irrational solution is going to suffice.

I looked around and then leaned in close to his face, as if I were you. "Bigfoot can't hurt us, Kevin, because I have Dad Power."

"What's that?" he asked. "You're not that strong," he added for good measure.

"Dad Power is a power that kicks in when a Bigfoot, a dragon, or any beating creature is coming after you. It's a solution that comes to you."

Kevin, he said. This was not the "I'd die to have, I were you over the weekend."

"What comes if you don't like it."

"If you don't like it, you can't have it."

I said. "If you don't like it, you can't have it."

"You don't have to think about it."

"I don't see a solution from."

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"Yes, but Dad Power means that you can tell me what to do."

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Scouting Eagle

Eagle Elementary, the first school built in the Bethlehem Central School District in more than 50 years is nearly complete as the final phases of construction are being initiated. The school will be open to the public for the first time on Saturday, May 10, with guided tours starting at 2 p.m. A rain date is set for May 17. Each classroom has its own individual bathroom in addition to the public rest rooms throughout the school.

TOP RIGHT: Principal Dianna Reagan stands with her two children, Cole and Jane, at the new school during a tour of the facilities on April 16. The building will be open to students for the fall semester.

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Glenmont, Selkirk

Some discoloration may be seen during this flushing program, which could result in staining of laundry.

Run water until it clears before doing laundry.
Lopsided local politics

Human beings fear change. We hate to see colossal swings in the economy; we’re bombarded with daily broadsheets of changes in the environment; and most of us will drive a mile out of the way to drink the coffee we’re used to or see a familiar cashier.

Politically, however, we’re strange animals. Individually, most voters are party- loyal, although Democrats are more likely to vote Republican to vote outside of their party for a candidate they favor.

As a group, however, as has been evidenced in some local elections, voters are a reactionary bunch. When one party controls a municipality for some time, and they fail to show up with the electorate, some voters seem to swing to the other side of the aisle rather than take in all candidates on their merits.

Some of this can be accounted for by the normal number of swing voters in an election, some of it to the stigma that attaches itself to the out-of-office political party. But some of it has to be the desire by the voters to distance themselves as much as possible from a failing system and will drive a mile out of the way to drink the coffee we’re willing to pay for.

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I’ll make a deal with the lawmakers: if you stop legislating morality, I’ll stop reading tabloid accounts of criminal law enforcement.

Quite simply, it’s another tax on the poor and working poor who are by far the largest consumers of so-called “sin products,” and we already pay too many taxes.

I don’t believe the practice of targeted taxing on any level, whether it’s taxing the rich (although they should be taxed like any other group and stop getting tax breaks), or a sin tax.

I can’t help but wonder, as the tax takes effect, whether Augusta will begin to shell out another $125 for a pack of cigarettes, will they really cut back their spending on things like that dollar or two we drop in a Salvation Army red kettle or dinner at the local bistro?

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In fact, I have a little proposition of my own for state lawmakers as they celebrate another fiscal budget.

If we want to balance our state’s budget, which is already one of the most taxed in the union, instead of balancing it off the so-called sinners of the state, why don’t we make cuts where they are doing things way worse with their free time and money than we are doing things way worse with our free time and money?

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Time to correct myth

The town of Bethlehem should correct the myth that in 1609 Henry Hudson sailed the Half Moon up the Hudson River to the northern limit of the city of Albany. The myth caused former Town of Bethlehem Historian Raymond Houghton Jr. to declare in the Dec. 20, 2006, Spotlight that "Henry Hudson did land north of Albany in Mechanvllle, and did meet American Indians there trading beads and other items." Historians agree that Henry Hudson ordered his First Mate Robert Just to take soundings upriver. On the morning of Sept. 22, 1609, Juet and four other crew members left in a rowboat and over four falls to reach Mechanvllle and failed to report that fact to their Master, Henry Hudson. The town's monument and publications should be changed to give the correct historical facts, not a myth.

The town of Bethlehem should also stop referring to trading in "beads" because it is derogatory to all Native Americans. Wampum, a string of sea shells, was the official currency of Native Americans. The number of shells and the color of each shell specified the value of the object. The Dutch, English, French and Swedish settlers all accepted the wampum as the official form of currency when trading with Native Americans.

William J. Keilker
Delmar

BOU a benefit to Bethlehem

BOU, Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited, was organized in 1985 by a group of community members, school leaders and parents to find ways to address the problem of underage use of alcohol and other drugs. Our name came in response to the teen complaint of having "nothing to do." In fact, organizers believed, teens have many choices before them. In fact, there are unlimited opportunities available that our youth will find, especially if nudged by caring adults.

BOU members set out to financially support alcohol-free activities for kids that live and go to school in Bethlehem. Members organized and renovated a basement at the Bethlehem Central Middle School and "The Pit" was born, providing a safe place for kids to hang out after school. BOU also sponsored open gym nights at the high school and a variety of after-school clubs.

Over time, BOU has evolved into a nonprofit funding source for prevention education and youth activities in our community. Money is distributed through grant requests to mentoring teachers and other community members who have developed programs and clubs for kids. We have also supported children through parenting programs and tip sheets.

For 23 years, BOU has provided financial backing for a wide range of activities for children from preschool age through high school. We recently began sponsoring the spring BOU Basketball Classic with teams of teachers that is proving to be a fun family night.

BOU is only a part of what makes Bethlehem a good place for children. We are a reflection of the general community, a community that values its youngest and most vulnerable.

If you would like to support our work in the coming year, please consider making a donation to BOU during our annual fundraising drive. You will find a list of your friends and neighbors who have already made donations in this week's paper. Donations can be mailed to BOU, PO Box 492, Delmar 12054.

For information, visit the BOU Web page on the Bethlehem Central School District Web site at http://bcsd.k12.ny.us/community/BOU/BOU.htm.

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V’ville plans Vegas-themed gala

School community to benefit

Get your temperature rising with Elvis and do it your way with Frank at the fifth annual Spring Gala Dinner Dance, sponsored by the Voorheesville Community and School Foundation on Saturday, April 26, from 6 p.m. to midnight at the Albany Country Club.

In keeping with its theme, “Viva Las Vegas, Voorheesville Style,” the foundation’s community benefit will feature live Vegas cabaret entertainment with Elvis Presley and Frank Sinatra impersonators courtesy of Don Bowers Productions.

“If you sing along, you better watch out, you might get discovered,” Bowers said, who is also a Voorheesville resident.

As this year’s guest of honor, the foundation will recognize recently retired Ed Clark for his 23 years of dedicated public service on behalf of the community, first as village mayor, then as supervisor of the Town of New Scotland.

Besides dining, dancing and cabaret entertainment, the foundation will display a “Vegas pay-off” at its casino tables with silent and live auctions conducted by master of ceremonies Alan Christmas, a motivational speaker from Voorheesville.

“Tickets are still available for this exciting evening of Vegas fun,” said Nancy Rucks, the foundation’s president and gala co-chairperson. “It’s our major fundraising event held every year to support special projects in the Voorheesville School District and residents of the community at large.”

This year’s premiere auction item is a getaway for two to Las Vegas, courtesy of Southwest Airlines. Valued at more than $2,000, the package includes airfare, limo service and a two-night stay at the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino, plus tickets to the show “Mama Mia.”

The winning bidder and a guest will be treated to two nights at Fitzgerald’s Casino and Hotel, dinner at Don B’s Steakhouse, and VIP tickets to the Lance Burton Master Magician Show at the Monte Carlo Hotel and Casino.

There will be other vacations and services auctioned off as well.

Since its inception, the foundation has raised nearly $90,000 to help fund community, cultural, historical, academic and athletic events benefiting people of all ages throughout Voorheesville and the Town of New Scotland.

For more information on the gala and how to obtain tickets or make contributions, visit the foundation’s Web site at www.vcsfoundation.com or e-mail Kelly Belenchia at kelbel1964@yahoo.com.

—Jarret Carroll

Kiwanis seeking members

The chance to give back to your community freely is at hand in New Scotland.

The Kiwanis is all about volunteer service, as the name literally means, “we share our talents.” And that is why the New Scotland Kiwanis Club is holding a recruitment dinner Thursday, April 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the New Scotland Presbyterian Church, where “they will be providing dinner — free of charge.”

“We’ve already got a good nucleus of members who are really enthusiastic,” said Kurt Pahl, club president. “And we want to build our club even more with equally highly motivated, energetic volunteers.”

Pahl points out that, “enthusiasm can work magic in your life, and it’s contagious.”

The New Scotland Kiwanis Club celebrated its 58th year of community service last month and is currently made up of 40 members dedicated to making the town a better place to live in. Its focus is on youth and their needs and providing them with opportunities to perform community service and develop leaders, up skills through the Key Club and Builders Club, which are Kiwanis sponsors in the Voorheesville School District.

The Kiwanis Club, for instance, has run the youth baseball program for more than 50 years, runs the youth soccer program every year, and has helped with the children’s Readathon, which member Rebecca Pahl will describe during the club’s upcoming membership and recruitment dinner meeting.

The New Scotland Kiwanians also built the gazebo in Hotaling Park in Voorheesville and the snack shop at the Voorheesville Elementary School. The club raises funds to support their projects through chicken barbecues and the annual Christmas tree sale.

As part of the membership and recruitment dinner meeting, Ed Hampton will discuss the baseball and soccer programs; Mike Malark, the town’s food pantry; Amy Faustel, Relay for Life; Herb Reilly, the cemetery program; and Rich Reilly, the Adopt-a-Highway project.

The New Scotland Kiwanis Club is a snapshot of our community with members from all walks of life and at every step of the career ladder,” Jim Hladum, membership chairman, said, “But we are unified in our belief that children and our community at large benefit from a proficient group of caring, involved volunteers sharing their talents in service to others.”

Hladum is inviting interested men and women to come to the Kiwanis membership round up, even if they haven’t decided to join, saying “Get to know us better; we want to know you better.”

Besides Hladum, on the membership committee are Melissa Faustel and Bob Prentiss, who are both board directors of the club.

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Police Taser parole fugitive during pursuit

Bethlehem police arrested a parole fugitive from Schenectady after he was spotted walking the wrong way up Route 9W in Glenmont. During questioning, he fled into the woods and was Tasered before being taken into custody.

William D. Terry, 32, of Schenectady, was arrested Tuesday, April 15, on a felony parole warrant. He was also charged with false impersonation, resisting arrest, and criminal trespassing — all misdemeanors, as well as failing to walk facing traffic, an infraction.

Police said they spotted Terry, while on routine patrol, walking southbound on Route 9W in Glenmont with his back facing oncoming traffic, and, when the patrol car turned around, Terry "abruptly changed direction and crossed four lanes of traffic and again began walking south."

When the patrol car turned around once again, Terry "again changed direction and began to walk across the lawn of a towing company, according to the arrest report. Police said they then followed Terry and stopped him in the driveway of the towing company and requested to see his identification, at which point, Terry stated he didn't have any and identified himself as 'Teron Davis.'"

When asked why he was going to the tow shop, Terry said that his girlfriend's car "had been towed there last night with his ID in it," and then Terry and police officers went inside and requested information about a Honda from the towing personnel, according to the report. A representative of the towing company denied picking up a Honda the night before, but said the company had towed a similar car that morning.

Terry was taken to the Honda and searched, but was unable to locate his ID, according to police, and when police contacted the owner of the vehicle, he denied knowing a Teron Davis.

Terry then allegedly told police he received an ID card from the Gleeville Police Department, but they too denied knowing the name given by Terry, which also failed to match any searches on the Bethlehem Police Department's database, the report states.

Police said that after several more calls failed to confirm the identity Terry gave, he was asked for the name of a relative and a telephone number.

While calling the number Terry gave police, according to the report, Terry "ran through a cut in the impound fence," and down a large embankment, where police pursued him.

During the pursuit, police said they "ordered (Terry) on numerous occasions to stop, but he continued." When officers were able to gain on Terry, they again verbally commanded him to stop and he responded by shouting expletives and saying, "You'll never catch me."

Police then deployed a Taser gun on Terry, "but the prods did not penetrate," his clothing, according to the report, and at which point he ran into a "large entanglement of brush," allowing officers to catch up to him and force him into the ground, where he was secured and taken into custody.

Once in custody, according to Bethlehem police, Terry told police that he was wanted on an active parole warrant, did not know the owner of the Honda vehicle, and that he was really walking to Wal-Mart when police stopped him.

Police also discovered a Visa check card in Terry's possession belonging to another individual who reported the card lost.

Terry complained of chest pains and difficulty breathing after the pursuit concluded, and medical personnel were called to the scene and transported him to Albany Medical Center Hospital. Officers stayed with Terry until he was turned over to the Albany County Sheriff's Department on the active parole warrant.

Police said that the Taser cartridge was recovered from the scene but the Taser prongs were lost in the heavily wooded area.

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If you have thought about volunteering, this week might be an ideal time to take the step to make that commitment. Celebrate National Volunteer Week by not just recognizing other volunteers but by becoming one yourself.

Upcoming program highlights

- **Tuesday, April 29**
  - **Seniors in Motion** - A low-level aerobic exercise class, 9 to 10 a.m., Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar. $3 fee per class.
  - **Seniors grocery shopping** for residents of Elsmere, Delmar, Slingerlands, North Bethlehem and Marie Rose Manor. For reservations, call 439-5770.

- **Thursday, May 1**
  - **Seniors grocery shopping** for residents of Glensmont, Selkirk and South Bethlehem. For reservations, call 439-5770.

- **Friday, May 2**
  - **“Legal Checklists,”** a free program at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m., followed by lunch (cost on your own). Program presenters are Margaret Reed, elder law and estate attorney practicing in Delmar, and Delmar Volunteer Fire District. All programs are free and open to the public.

- **Tuesday, April 30**
  - **“Wellness Wednesday”** - A 90-minute class that includes stretching and light exercises. Registration is required, call 439-5770.

Eaters to take part in Dining Out For Life

The AIDS Council of Northeastern New York will host the Capital District’s fifth annual Dining Out For Life on Thursday, April 24. More than 30 area restaurants from throughout the Capital District will be donating at least 25 percent of their sales to help fight HIV/AIDS.

Restaurants in Albany, Clifton Park, Delmar, Guilderland, Latham, Saratoga, Schenectady and Troy are participating in the event. Barefoot Wine is donating 100 percent of their wine sales at the restaurants to the AIDS Council.

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Mittleman is also banking on the conservative energy field to resonate with voters.

Mittleman said that if he wins the election, he would work to stop Congress from over spending.

"Cutting back spending is what business people do every day," said Mittleman. "I believe one way we get into office, that's when we know something's wrong."

Darius Shahinfar, D-Albany

Shahinfar, 41, an attorney and former regional representative for Congress in the 20th District, is a backer of "A Responsible Plan to End the War by 2003."

The plan is being supported by a coalition of congressional challengers and retired generals and other military leaders, and calls for the passage of 17 Democratic-sponsored bills aimed at ending the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. It passed, it would shift military efforts away from a "military," Shahinfar said, "towards humanitarian, and economic efforts."

Shahinfar is the only candidate in the 21st race to support the plan. It's "to bring our troops home. And when our men and women in uniform come back to American soil, we must support them and their families in every way possible as they readjust to civilian life," said Shahinfar. "I will fight to bring about real change and to revitalize America's promise to our soldiers, our citizens and the rest of the world."

Shahinfar said it's hard to pick a topic that is most important to him, but he said the war, health care for veterans, and education are some of his top issues. As for the number of candidates in the race, Shahinfar said he welcomes the challenge. "The more the merrier, really. It may be a little difficult for voters at this time, but choice is a good thing. It's an open seat and open seats tend to provide the opportunity for many candidates.

Phil Steck, D-Loudonville

Steck, 48, an Albany County legislator, attorney, and Democratic chair of Colonie, says he's the only Democrat in the race who holds an office.

"You have people in this race that are just showing up and saying, 'I want to be your congressman,'" he said.

Steck said his campaign is all about grassroots policies and that he will continue fighting for voters local to the area to fight for them nationally. He pointed to his party defeating the Republican-controlled Colonie government, even though the town has a high enrollment of Republicans, as a credit to good grassroots campaigning.

Steck said he would push for single-payer health care in Washington, which, he says, "is not posturing," because he has pushed for it in the Albany County legislature. He said 85 percent of his donations came from within the congressional district and he has accepted no PAC funds or lobbyist money. He did donate to himself.

"I committed $50,000 of my own resources. I am not a wealthy person, though, and cannot support this campaign by myself," said Steck. "But if I expect others to invest in me, I have to invest in myself."

Steck said his Internet donations didn't pick up until his second month of campaigning, and he criticized Brooks earlier in the campaign for "cybersquatting," or buying up the domain names of other candidates' Web sites.

Steven Vasquez, D-Ballston Lake

A self-declared fiscal conservative, Steven Vasquez, 33, said he'll begin to focus on fundraising for his campaign this month. One of the first orders of business for Vasquez is to update his Web site to reflect his campaign's financial status.

"A Web site is most important in deciding the reputation of a candidate," he said. "I want to make sure I can get a candidate's position on the issues," said Vasquez.

Vasquez, who lives in Ballston Lake, just outside the boundaries of the 21st District, said he would move into the district if elected. He said he doesn't think that moving outside of the 21st will hurt his chances.

"I lived in the district for 10 years, and I know the people there," said Vasquez. "It's not a big concern."

Vasquez, CEO and founder of the Tech Valley company Re-Quest, said he hopes to take the attitude of a business person to Congress. He said he'll focus on putting an end to rising taxes if elected.

Vasquez's campaign manager is Warren Redlich, a Glens Falls Town Board member and the Republican who lost to Mike McNulty, D-Green Island, in the previous two elections in the 21st District. Vasquez said that having Redlich in the fold would give him an advantage.

"He's worked with a lot of the constituents before," said Vasquez.

Arthur Welser, D-Latham

Welser, 55, a real estate broker and ex-campaigner in Jefferson County, is making his first run for Congress and campaigning on "getting rid of the drugs and the thugs."

He said education is a key priority, such as asking the UN for help in Iraq and keeping the National Guard at home instead of as a standing army on foreign soil.

"I would like to see the U.S. first in education again," Welser said. "I would also like to ask the UN for help in Iraq, and if they turn us down, leave."
Top honor

Patti Parsons, third from left, was presented with the 2008 Committee Person of the Year Award at the Bethlehem Democratic Committee’s annual Jefferson-Jackson Dinner, Thursday, April 17, in Bethlehem. The event drew over 150 residents and community leaders, including Sen. Neil Breslin, Assemblyman Tim Gordon, Albany County Executive Mike Breslin, Bethlehem Town Supervisor Jack Cunningham and other state, county and town officials. With Parsons is Cunningham, far left, Breslin, second from left and state Comptroller Tom DiNapoli. Submitted photo

Once again our library is the venue for the Riverway Storytelling Festival finale.

Join us this Sunday, April 27, at 2 p.m. for an afternoon of tales by world-class performers. This is the sixth year of the festival, which celebrates the venerable art of storytelling this week with events and workshops at locations throughout the Capital District.

The library welcomes the following tale-spinners this Sunday:

• Lecny Del Seamonds shares her Cuban-American heritage and many voices in her telling of Latino and original tales.
• Norah Dooley is a children’s author and a featured storyteller in many festivals, including the Christmas and Spring Revels in Cambridge and Boston.
• Griot storyteller Baba Jamal Koran honors many storytelling traditions, including tales from the African Diaspora.
• John Porcino’s blend of story, song and music has been described as “a combination of Robin Williams, Pete Seeger and Captain Kangaroo.”
• Gayle Ross draws her storytelling from her Cherokee heritage.

Riverway is a project of the Upper Hudson Library System. Sunday’s event is made possible by the generous support of Friends of Bethlehem Public Library. Find out more about the festival and our distinguished performers at www.riverwaystorytellingfestival.org.

Bears for sale

In honor of the 25th anniversary of our annual Teddy Bears’ Picnic, the library Friends are sponsoring a teddy bear sale.

Each teddy sports a T-shirt that reads “I Love Bethlehem Public Library” and a tag identifying that bear’s favorite book.

You can buy a bear at the checkout desk for $10 while supplies last. Proceeds benefit Friends projects.

This year’s special Teddy Bears’ Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, at 1 p.m. on the library green and features special guest Andy “The Music Man” Morse. The rain-or-shine event for children ages 3 to 6 and their families is sponsored by the Friends. Alumni are welcome!

Upcoming events

• Mother’s Day surprise Wednesday, May 7, 3:30 p.m.

Make a surprise gift and Mother’s Day card, Grade 1-5. Call 439-9314 to sign up.

• Tammy’s tots Thursday, May 8, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

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• Library board meeting Monday, May 12, 6 p.m.

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Five Rivers holds spring walk
A Spring Peper Walk will be held on Friday, April 25, at 7 p.m. at the Five Rivers Department of Environmental Education Center. Join center naturalists in search of spring peepers and other voices of a spring evening. In the event of inclement weather, the program may have to be cancelled. For information, call 475-0291.

Thacher Nature Center plans earth-friendly workshop
An earth-friendly fun workshop will be held on Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m. at the Thacher Natural Science Center. The honest weight food co-op will be visiting for this fun program. Learn how the co-op does its part to take care of the earth and read an earth-friendly story; paint your own canvas grocery bag for you and your family to reuse. A make your own trail mix snack will be provided. Material fee is $5 per person and for information or to register, call 824-0800.

Voorheesville PTA plans meeting at elementary school
The cost of the transportation, tour, and lunch is $55 per person due at time of reservations.

For information or to register, call Joyce Mattice at 869-0556 or Lois Gallagher at 765-4444.

Town holds hazardous waste collection day
The Town of New Scotland will hold an electronics and room air conditioner recycling day on Saturday, April 26, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. New Scotland residents must bring their items to Taft Furniture on Central Avenue. Acceptable items include computers and all computer parts, TVs, VCRs, air conditioners and telephones, including cell phones.

Household hazardous waste collection day will be held on Saturday, May 3, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. New Scotland residents must bring their items to the Town of Bethlehem Highway Garage, 74 Elm Ave. East, Selkirk. Residents must call Pat at 475-0385 to sign up to receive a list acceptable wastes and an entrance pass.

Library sponsors Strong Bones Plus program
The Voorheesville Public Library is sponsoring an osteoporosis prevention program designed to be both an exercise and education program. Dr. Mirjam Nelson of Tufts University pioneered research in the field of exercise and aging; which supports the theory that older individuals can empower themselves through appropriate physical activity just as can younger people. The classes will be held twice weekly, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and will be held at the Wymann Osterhout Community Center in New Salem. Supplies you will need are hand weights between 1 and 5 pounds. Group members should have clearance from their doctor.

For information, call Betsey Hoffman at 765-4257.

Junior prom set for April 25
The Voorheesville High School junior prom is set for Friday, April 25, and will be held at the Hall of Springs in Saratoga. There will be a walk through in the Performing Arts Center at the high school beginning at 4:45 p.m. and all are invited to attend this part of the evening.

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Richard G. Bleezarde, 56, a third-generation newspaper man who loved his community and covering the people in it, died Tuesday, April 15, at the Hospice in St. Peter's Hospital.

Raised in Ravena, the son of the late George and Beatrice Bleezarde, he was the publisher and owner of the Ravena News-Herald, Greenville Local, Coxsackie-Ti-Idle Courrier and the Mid-Hudson Valley Health.

Mr. Bleezarde was also a member of the New York Press Association (NYP), serving as a district director for the Hudson Valley Region, as well as a member of the New York Newspaper Publishers Association.

"He really was the voice of the community... He was a great guy," said Dick Ahlstrom, a former Spotlight Newspapers publisher.  "As a small community weekly publisher he did everything. He was the publisher, a reporter, an editor, a salesperson and production, and he did all commercial printing."

Ahlstrom said Bleezarde was a born-and-raised newsmen.

"His father, George, and his mother ran the paper before him, and he grew up in the business," said Ahlstrom.

Bleezarde was a strong advocate for veterans and helped found the race in her late husband's honor last year.

"This race is a tremendous opportunity for all of us to come together and remember Tim," said Katie Mosher. "We are excited to welcome Warrior One to our race and join it in supporting our troops."

From the event will go to the Fisher House and the BC Endowment Fund for a scholarship in memory of Moshier. Last year, the event raised $16,000, according to Moshier, and on May 29 she will be giving "Audacity with the Coxsackie-Athens High School student selected.

Bleezarde will be missed by the community and we worked together served on the Board of Deacons and helped found the race Web site at www.tim3race.com. Forms will also be available the morning of, and the race Web site at www.tim3race.com."

"We’re putting a team together for the race and will continue to be until the morning of the race. The registration is $20 for adults and $20 for kids and the race kids and Tots and Tot Trot are free. For registration and information, contact Katie Mosher, at 788-7280 or visit the race Web site at www.tim3race.com.

"It’s a lot of work," Mosher said putting on the race, "but it’s a labor of love for us."

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Harvey Quinn stands at his restaurant, Allicer's, on Route 9W in Glenmont under his sign where two banners hang. Quinn has been cited for violating town code and is facing a jury trial on May 14 and may be facing jail time if he loses.

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Christian Church, where he served on the Board of Deacons and Finance Committee, as well as chairing the Women's Board. His headshot and a biography are included in the "Who's Who in America.

Mr. Bleezarde also coached his daughter's basketball team. He was a member of the Ravena School Board and was on the Board of Directors for the Coxsackie Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce and an associate of NYP. Michelle Rea, said he was the "face that the paper was missed by the newspaper community as well as the communities he served."

"He was a great guy and a third-generation publisher. His grandfather, Frederick, worked at a paper formerly run by Bleezarde's father, and then took over and added the Cairo paper, which is no longer around, and the Greenville paper in "65."

Bleezarde took over as publisher in 1987 and added the Coxsackie-Athens paper to the family business.

"We met in the early 80s when I joined the company and he was the district director for NYP," said Rea. "He particularly loved the production end of his job, and he was coaching his daughter's team... He was very, very passionate about family and community."

Mr. Bleezarde attended the rank of Eagle Scout as a member of the Sons of America. He graduated from Ravena-Coxsackie-Selkirk High School in 1970, from Houghton College in 1974, and from Rochester Institute of Technol­ogy in 1974.

He was a former member and past president of the Greater Albany Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Greater Ravena Lion's Club and a commi­nuty of the Congregational Christian Church, where he served on the Board of Deacons and Finance Committee, as well as chairing the Women's Board.

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HEALTH AND FINANCIAL IMPACT OF NOT PAYING CIGARETTE TAXES

New York smokers avoid paying cigarette taxes by purchasing cigarettes from Indiana reservation stores, over the Internet, and from other out-of-state sources. The health and financial impact to the state of New York of not collecting this tax include:

- Thirty-seven percent of New York smokers report purchasing cigarettes from low price (usually untaxed) sources "all the time" or "sometimes."
- Purchase of lower price cigarettes is associated with reduced intentions to quit smoking and fewer attempts to quit smoking.
- If all smokers paid the average retail price for cigarettes (including the excise tax), the current prevalence of smoking would be 2 to 3 percent lower, representing between 51,026 and 76,319 fewer adult smokers in New York.
- Revenue lost to the state as a result of purchasing low price (mainly untaxed) cigarettes is estimated to be between $436 million and $576 million in 2004.

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Gordon said that he hopes people quit smoking but shouldn't be punished for being addicted to nicotine, and he added that he was wary of some of the revenue projections. "For me it's part of a larger issue... It's kind of weird that we're encouraging people to quit smoking, but at the same time, we're relying on smokers for revenue," said Gordon.

Gordon questioned the tax increase's true purpose. "Hopefuly people will quit smoking," he said, "but the measure to raise revenues or to decrease smoking?"

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"It's not going to get people to quit smoking; it's going to get them to stop coming to our stores to buy cigarettes." Julianne Canfield, New York's director of advocacy for the American Heart Association described the tax passes as "great."

"This is the single most effective action on public health the Legislature could have taken," she said. "There was a lot of grassroots activities... We were very involved in pushing for this."

Canfield said children are more "price sensitive" than adults and that the new tax will prevent thousands of potential smokers. She also agreed with Sciandra and said her organization not only little resistance from legislators when talking about the tax increase saying that they saw it as a public health measure and not a tax increase.

Calvin, however, fired back saying the numbers being used are skewed and the "moon and pop shops" will become the true victims of the legislation.

"Someone attached a fictitious revenue figure to this proposal, and they went with that," Calvin said of the Legislature passing the tax increase. "We showed them it could be a net loss in revenues."

Calvin said the $265 million figure is completely made up, and the tax will cost a "mass exodus of smokers to other areas."

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Health groups that lobbied for the tax increase said it would encourage 360,000 adult smokers to quit, and that out of them, 45,000 will quit in time to save their lives from eventual tobacco-caused death.

In addition, they said, the measure would discourage 291,000 children under age 18 from becoming smokers. They argue that in every state that significantly raised its cigarette tax, sales have sharply decreased.

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Doctors say it's the smart choice and legislators say the state could use the money.

"We think it's great," Russell Sciandra, director of the Center for a Tobacco Free New York. "This will prevent a quarter million children from becoming smokers."

On the other hand, the American Association of Convenience Stores has said the tax will be "disastrous" for local economies as smokers turn to black markets and find ways to evade the taxes by purchasing outside of the state and on Native American reservations. And, of course, smokers themselves say the tax is unfair, but some concede that the tax may help them kick the habit. Groups like Citizens Lobbying Against Smoker Harassment say they are being discriminated against and that the government is singling them out.

"It's not going to get people to quit smoking," Ki/s said of the pending legislation. "It's going to get them to stop coming to our stores to buy cigarettes," said James Calvin, president of the Association of Convenience Stores. "It's a lose, lose, lose situation."

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Frank Gavaletz

Frank George Gavaletz, 87, of Delmar, died Monday, April 14, at St. Peter's Hospital. Born in Saratoga, Mr. Gavaletz served in the Army during World War II. He had been employed as a regional manager for Clayton and Lambert, a farm equipment company in Louisville, Ky., prior to his retirement.

He was the son of the late Annalia and John Gavaletz. Survivors include his wife, Jeanne D. Gavaletz; two sons, Ronald G. Gavaletz of Boston, and Robert F. (June) Gavaletz of Selkirk; five grandchildren; a great-grandson; a brother-in-law; and several nieces and nephews.

A service will be held at a later date.

Contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, 259 S. Pearl St., Albany, 12202.

Neil W. Luther

Neil W. Luther Jr., 91, died at his home on Thursday, April 17.

Born in Albany, he had lived in Voorheesville all of his life. He was currently working as manager of the Playdium Bowling Center in Albany. Mr. Luther was an avid boater and a member of the Ravana-Coyman Yacht Club, and he enjoyed being outdoors and spending time with his family, especially his nieces. He was a New York Mets fan. He was the son of Neil W. Luther Sr. and the late Ruth H. Luther.

Survivors include his father; sister Jo-Leen (Carmen) Benincasa; as well as nieces, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were from New Conner-Cannon Family Funeral Home in Colonie and internment was in Our Lady of Angels' Cemetery in Colonie. Memorial contributions may be made to the Voorheesville Volunteer Ambulance, P.O. Box 238, Voorheesville 12186.

Harold Flansburg

Harold Flansburg Jr., 74, of Voorheesville, died Wednesday, April 16.

He was born in Albany and was a lifelong Voorheesville resident. Mr. Flansburg was an Army veteran and member of the Voorheesville Rod and Gun Club, as well as the Voorheesville American Legion Post No. 1493. Mr. Flansburg was also an avid hunter and fisherman.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel "Susie" (Dittmer) Flansburg; daughter, Suzanne Flansburg; two sons, Jon (Kathy), and Scott (Beth); four grandchildren; a great-grandchild; a brother, Joyce Sullivan; and three nephews.

Funeral services will be private.

Contributions may be made to the Voorheesville Volunteer Ambulance, 21 Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville 12186.

Katharine Livingston

Katharine Smith Livingston, 93, of Delmar, died Monday, March 24, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

She was born in Jolntown and, after graduation from Hartwick College in Oneonta, she attended library school and became a librarian in her hometown. In 1938, she married the late Paul A. Livingston, a classmate at Hartwick, and moved to Albany.

Mr. Livingston was a member of the First Lutheran Church, and held past memberships at the University Club, the Dutch Settlers Society of Albany, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the American Association of University Women.

Survivors include a daughter, Sally (David); and the late G. Barton Jr., of Menands. Contributions may be made to the Voorheesville Volunteer Ambulance, 21 Voorheesville Ave., Voorheesville 12186.

Tina Starr

Tina Louise Starr, 48, of Delmar, died Thursday, April 7, in the Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital.

"Tina loved life, and enjoyed spending time with friends and family," her family wrote in a tribute.

Born in Niskayuna, she was the daughter of Ruth Cole Gallagher and the late Bernard J. Gallagher.

Survivors include two daughters, Crystal (Frank Hults) Starr; and Jessica (Jay) Starr; two stepchildren, Yah-Yah of Xavior and Skylar Hults; two sisters, Nancy Gallagher (Drew) Preston, and Theresa McKeon (Kevin) Weidman; two brothers, Bernard Gallagher Jr., and Dave Gallagher; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were from St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar. Arrangements were by the McVeigh Funeral Home in Albany.
Milestones in the Spotlight

Christian Science healing lecture slated for town hall

First Church of Christ Scientist of Delmar is sponsoring a lecture by John Quincy Adams III Tuesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave, Delmar.

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Adams is a national speaker, practitioner and teacher of Christian Science healing. For information, call 439-2512 or 434-4243.

New Scotland to celebrate volunteer day

The Town of New Scotland is asking all residents to participate in a town-wide volunteer day on Saturday, May 3, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Assistance is needed with yard, minor house repairs, small painting and touch up jobs, one-time light housecleaning or installing air conditioners.

To nominate someone for assistance or to sign up to volunteer, call Susan Kidder at 439-0008 or e-mail skidder@townofnewscotland.com, or call the Town of New Scotland supervisor’s office at 439-4889.

Rauci, Scisci to marry

Leah Raucci, daughter of Leonard Raucci of Saratoga Springs and Christy Raucci of Bradenton, Fla., and Damian G. Scisci, son of Franco Scisci and Cynthia Peterson, both of Colonie, are engaged to be married.

The future groom is a graduate of Niskayuna High School and Strayer University. She works for Well Point Inc., in Albany. The future groom is a graduate of Colonie Central High School and The College of Saint Rose. He is an entrepreneur.

The couple plans a June 7 wedding in Loudonville.

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Remember, proper restorations of your antiques will retain their value and in the case of family heirlooms ... lift the spirit.

Please visit my page on www.youtube.com. Type in “JohnnytheWatch” (one word).
A rain garden may look like a typical garden, but it differs in function in that it manages storm water.

While all gardens function to allow water to permeate the soil, a rain garden does this exceptionally well because it is designed and sited specifically to receive storm-water runoff from driveways, patios and roofs. The water is naturally filtered as it enters the existing ground water. It’s a simple concept that really works well.

Although rain is a natural event, storm water is not. Government studies have found that 70 percent of the pollution in streams, rivers and lakes gets there by storm water that has picked up pollutants such as motor oil, fertilizers, pesticides or bacteria from pet waste and litter. Most storm water is not filtered before it enters a waterway, and with the amount of paved surface increasing, rainwater is becoming a storm-water pollution problem. Rain gardens are a way to let nature help to solve a man made problem.

The benefits of rain gardens are many: They provide wildlife habitat, are an attractive alternative to other types of landscaping, use fewer fertilizers and other chemicals, and help reduce the storm water overloading and flooding potential if adopted on a community or neighborhood scale. However, increased water quality is the most important benefit of a rain garden.

**Location**

The first step in deciding if a rain garden is right for your location is to watch what happens when it rains.

How does the water get from place to place? Does the house have gutters and downspouts, and where does the water go? What is the soil texture — sandy or clay?

The second important consideration is drainage, so dig a hole about 6 inches deep, fill it with water and check that it drains well in a 24-hour period.

If you are having trouble deciding what your soil’s texture is, consult your local Cooperative Extension staff or a Master Gardener for help.

Next, keep these points in mind:

- The rain garden should be a least 16 feet from the house or foundation, and the runoff should safely flow through the grass before it enters the garden, thus removing the silt.
- Do not site the rain garden near the basement of the house or foundation.
- Do not site the rain garden near the deck or patio.

**Seeds of Change**

Illustration courtesy Iowa Natural Resources Conservation Service

Plants

Native plants are the best choice for a rain garden because they are tough, adapted to the local environment, hosts for wildlife and need less maintenance overall. Tasks such as weeding and deadheading are less with an established rain garden, plus fertilizing and spraying are not necessary and in fact defeat the purpose.

It is easy to plan for consistent color in your rain garden by following the guidelines in the free CCE fact sheet, “Installing a Rain Garden” available by calling 756-3500.

The Great Lakes states have been rain gardening for many years and are sold on the benefits. The slogan there is: “Saving the Great Lakes one rain garden at a time.” If you are looking for a way to be a better environmental steward, consider planting a rain garden so that we can be saving the Hudson River, one rain garden at a time.

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- [www.digsafelynewyork.com](http://www.digsafelynewyork.com)
- [www.raingardens.org](http://www.raingardens.org)
- [www.uri.edu/ce/healthylandscapes/raingardens.html](http://www.uri.edu/ce/healthylandscapes/raingardens.html)

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For years, Liz Vigoda had a pottery studio in downtown Albany where she would regularly host open houses for customers and the curious alike to check out her work. But the building was eventually sold, and Vigoda now works out of her home in Delmar. She doesn't have room for a showroom there, so she decided to take some of her pieces to her friend Ulla Saltinger’s studio in Slingerlands, which is one of the featured stops on this year’s Albany Saratoga Pottery Trail.

The trail is really open year-round; anyone is welcome to visit any of the studios on the trail whenever time permits. The trail is open year-round, but for the last five years, the pottery trail organizers have made it a point to showcase their pottery and offer demonstrations and refreshments all for free.

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The studios will be open on Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. There are seven stops in total, ranging as far north as Schuyerville and including two studios in Troy. A map and directions are available online at www.albany-saratoga-potterytrail.com; visitors can also download a coupon to use at the studios during the weekend.

Niefield has been part of the trail since its inception and said she and the other potters who founded it wanted to grow it slowly. For the first three years, they offered a studio “passport” that visitors could have stamped at each of the five studios taking part. Those who visited every studio were entered into a raffle, with the potters supplying pieces and prizes.

“There were more than 100 people who did all five stops,” Niefield said.

Because the trail has expanded, organizers opted for the coupon this year instead of a raffle, thinking it might be impossible for people to visit all of the stops. Each studio determined how much the coupon would be worth and to what it would apply.

Vigoda likes the idea of the coupon and the trail attracting new people to see her pieces. At her studio downtown, she had a “big group of loyal followers,” but she didn’t often see new faces at her open house.

“That’s one of the reasons we joined,” she said.

Jim Sankowski, who owns Ballston Lake Pottery and like Niefield has been part of the trail since it began, thinks newcomers will be surprised at the quality and quantity available in the area.

“Everyone is talking about buying locally,” he said. “This is a way to get people to come out and see what’s in their area.”

He said the trail highlights the “personal connection” that the local potters offer, as opposed to shopping at nationwide chains.

“We’re trying to bring back the joy of shopping,” he said. “People often go to see right where the work is being done.”

Sankowski, who has entertained visitors from as far away as North Carolina and Boston in years past, has been making pottery for more than 30 years. He went to art school and did studio work in clay, which turned into a lifelong passion.

It’s great for the chance to share that passion with the other potters on the trail and said they’re not a competitive bunch. They figure that sharing exposure and visitors is only going to pay off for everyone in the end, he said.

Niefield and Vigoda embrace that community spirit, too. Vigoda teaches classes at her studio downtown, including classes geared to kids. Niefield teaches at Union College, where she enjoys offering students the kind of research she did when she was in school and got to spend time working on pottery instead of writing papers.

“I find it very relaxing,” she said.

The funny thing is, Niefield balked when told she had to take a pottery class in college, noting that she’d already taken one in high school. But soon she was a regular in the pottery studio.

“I just fell in love with it and spent all my time there,” she said.

She’s eager to share that love with visitors this weekend, showcasing her functional (dinnerware, lamps, mugs) as well as decorative pieces known as Raku. She’s also looking forward to introducing people to the guest potter at her studio, a Swiss man named Juergen Meier who now lives in Schenectady and builds vessels that stand several feet high.

“He’ll be making some vessels here in my window,” she said.

Other studios will also host guest potters for the weekend. Details can be found on the Web site.
ANASTASIA
Famous Russian tale presented by New York State Theatre Institute, Schenectady. Times: Thursday, May 2, 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, $20 adults, $10 students, $8 children. Information, 477-7296.

AROUND THE WORLD IN 40 DAYS
Based on famous novel, presented by Classical Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany. Through May 17, 8 p.m. Information, 477-7296.

FAMOUS BROADWAY MUSICAL COMEDY, PREVIEWING
Famous Broadway musical comedy, previewing at Capital Repertory Theatre, North Pearl St., Albany, through May 17. Information, 477-7296.

WILLIAMSHIRE
Wilt, Dr. Virginia, Saturday, April 26, 8 p.m., Eighth Street Playhouse, Schenectady, S$8. Information, 348-2543.

FROG HOLLER
Pennsylvania roots rock band with Capital District Americana Jam Squad, April 26, 8 p.m., The Fifth, 681 River St., Troy. Information, 724-9740.

BILL ANDERSON
Straight from the Grand Ole Opry, April 27, 2:30 and 8 p.m., Saratoga Music Hall, Broadway, Saratoga Springs, $29-$49 Information, 450-3971.

TERRY ROBIN
Capital District folksinger-songwriter celebrates release of new CD, April 27, 2 p.m., Cafe Lena, 47 Phila St., Saratoga Springs. $10 advance reservations, $12 at door. Information, 563-0302.

NECK LOW
British singer-songwriter on acoustic tour, April 30, 6 p.m., Wynkoop Performing Arts, 370 Central Ave, Albany. Information, 495-5235, ext. 4.

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GALA BENEFIT CONCERT
Christian Arts Choir and Orchestra perform arias, handel's Messiah, to raise money for reconstruction of St. Joseph's Church, May 16, 8:30 p.m., $10 adults, $5 students, $20 for groups of 10 or more. Information, 453-0825, ext. 10.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
"World a Thousand Civil War Musical Instruments," exhibit creating the careers of folks and bands, Dundurn Mansion, Saratoga Springs. Information, 569-2235.

"Art for the People, by the People" exhibit features works from the rotating art collection. Information, 786-9537.

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"THE LOST HIGHWAY" FESTIVAL
"The Lost Highway," a celebration of the week's headlines, May 8, 8 p.m., The Spotlight. Information, 346-1900.

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

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LOCaL COLOR ART GALLERY

SAGE COLLEGE

Schenectady Repertory Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Schenectady. Through April 27, $26 for adults, $21 seniors, $8 students. Information, 680-1763.


THE SPOTLIGHT

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TROY SMITH GALLERY
"Reflections on the Moon," a gallery round show, through April 26. 20 First St., Schenectady. Information, 458-0985.

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Meeting on the 1st Sunday of Companion, at the KTC Buddhist Center, Diane Stuart School, Route 9, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 518-374-1792.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

EVENINGS ON THE GREEN (JUNE)
Bethlehem Public Library's Free Summer Concert Series. 7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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Blanchard American Legion Post 16, 169 Fair Drive, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9815.

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Elkins Elementary School, 147 Delmar Avenue, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

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2. To vote on the Annual Election of Schoolboards for the length of Park Avenue South, #309, WV (Apr 23, 2008). All candidates for the office of Secretary of Education, shall be served. (Legal Notice)
Shaker
(From Page 36)
former Bethlehem coach) Jesse Braverman with 172 career wins. If LaSalle lives up to its billing as a Big 10 contender, Braverman could get very close to 200 wins by season's end.

Three other area baseball coaches nearing milestone wins: Jim Carrese (Shenendehowa) -- He entered this season with 262 victories, so he has a chance to reach 275 wins by the end of May. As for win No. 300, that may come as early as 2010.

Greg Lombi (Colonie) -- He earned his 220th career victory Saturday against Kingston, so up next is win No. 250. Given how talented the Garnet Raiders are, he'll get close by the end of this year.

Dave Doemel (CBA) -- With 202 wins entering this season, chances are that he'll reach 225 by the end of next season.

It's been several years since Guilderton's softball team has had a start like the 60-0 start it has in 2008. However, a lot of that has to do with some of the teams that it's played -- two games against Albany, and non-league games against Voorheesville and winless Schenectady.

I do like the Lady Dutch's 32 Suburban Council win against Mohonasen last Wednesday, though. The Mighty Warriors are a good team, and for Guilderton to get its 11 hits and score the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning shows that the Lady Dutch are capable of persevering against tough competition.

The competition is only going to get tougher for Guilderton, as it still has to face the likes of the Southern California-like Shenendehowa, Saratoga and Columbia. But if the Lady Dutch continue to hit the ball well, they have a shot at hitting some waves in the Suburban Council.

• Staying in Guilderton, don't be surprised if the school's girls lacrosse team runs away and hides from the rest of Section II this year. The Lady Dutch have yet to be challenged, and this comes after playing Shaker, Saratoga, Bethlehem and Niskayuna once. Their offense is loaded with weapons, and Amanda Santandrea is proving to be as good of a goaltender as her two immediate predecessors, Jen Kaye and Lauren Chatnik.

I realize that the rest of the Suburban Council will improve as the season goes on, but those teams would have to improve a lot to come close to the level Guilderton is currently at.

• Finally, whoever ordered the Southern California-like weather we experienced last week deserves a commendation, but now we need rain and snow enough. Who would have guessed we'd need rain after we were rained on for pretty much the entire month of March?

Lloyd
(From Page 36)
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That quality was evident in the girls' 4x800 relay, where Voorheesville's team of Lloyd, Ryan Allison, Nathan Bob and Ian Powell placed second to Section II power Shaker by 1.1 seconds. Shaker finished with a winning time of 8:11.8, while Voorheesville finished in a time of 8:12.9.

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Glennon's Nik Szelietz is heading to the Junior Olympics after winning his weight class at the AAU Tan Kwon Do championships.

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BASEBALL
R-C 8-2, Mechanicville 1
R-C-S highlight: Joey Boyomower 3-4, 13 strikeouts, 2 RBI

Roxanne 3, Bethlehem 2

BASEBALL
Bethlehem 5, Niskayuna 4
Bethlehem highlight: Mike Fish 2 hits

Boys Lacrosse
Saratoga 13, Bethlehem 6
Bethlehem scoring: Dylan Eder 6-3, Cameron Caesar 4-0, Meg O’Donnell 2-2, Michelle Primomo 2-2, Stephanie Sica 1-1, Anna Kolbey 1-0, Brittany Howland 1-0, Allison Phelan 0-2, Marjana Maksuti 0-2
Bethlehem saves: Kristina Maksuti 3, Meghan Ladouceur 2

Friday, April 18

Baseball
Bethlehem 11, Gliderland 8
Bethlehem highlights: Lucas Nitsche triple, 2 singles, 4 RBI; Will DeRuve double, single, 3 RBI

Boys Lacrosse
Bethlehem 13, Burnt Hills 5
Burnt Hills scoring: Dylan Eder 4-1, Matt DiFrancesco 2-3, Andy Bettinger 2-2, Erik Hills 2-1, Stephen Russo 1-0, Ryan Mulhall 1-0, James Christensen 0-1, Zach McMahon 0-1
Bethlehem saves: Theo Ferguson 0-1

Boys Track
Albright Invitational

Girls Lacrosse
Bethlehem 17, Colonie 5
Bethlehem scoring: Shatrul Fadin 6-3, Cameron Caesar 4-0, Meg O’Donnell 2-2, Michelle Primomo 2-2, Stephanie Sica 1-1, Anna Kolbey 1-0, Brittany Howland 1-0, Allison Phelan 0-2, Marjana Maksuti 0-2
Bethlehem saves: Kristina Maksuti 3, Meghan Ladouceur 2

Saturday, April 19

Boys Lacrosse
Queensbury 11, Bethlehem 5
Bethlehem scoring: Dylan Eder 1-2, Andy Bettinger 1-0, Matt DiFrancesco 1-0, James Christensen 1-0, Zach McMahon 1-0, Stephen Russo 0-1
Bethlehem saves: Theo Ferguson 0-1

Boys Track
Albright Invitational
Team scores: Ballston Spa 148, Queensbury 119, Voorheesville 64, Niskayuna 60, Saundews 55, Schenectady 40, Troy 30, Whitesboro 11

Girls Track
Steeplechase - Lindsay Raulli (CNS) 14:20
Hurdles - Monique Roberts 11-6; long jump - Roberts 16-1.5; pole vault - Kelly Benfey (RFA) 10-6; shot put - Nicole Wasco (RFA) 34-1; discuss - Courtney Schermerhorn (IC) 105-1

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Lloyd comes up big at meet

Senior from small school beats large school field

By ROB JONAS
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In 3,000 meters, Macky Lloyd proved he is one of the best distance runners at any Section II school, large or small.

The Voorheesville senior built a sizeable lead midway through the race and cruised to a 5.9-second victory in the boys 3,000 at Saturday's Warrior Classic in Niskayuna.

Competing against a field that included runners from Niskayuna, Schalmont and Ballston Spa, Lloyd took the lead on the first lap and never looked back in winning the event in a time of 9:39.8. Ballston Spa's Mike Lyons was second in a time of 9:25.5.

"It's nice when a kid from a smaller school can run with the big boys," said Voorheesville track coach Steve Belyea.

Lloyd was so tired after crossing the finish line that he didn't realize he had met his goals for the race.

I wanted to win, and I wanted to go 9:20," said Lloyd. "But we had a really good 4x800 (relay), and that took a lot out of me.''

Running the third leg of the 4x800 relay didn't take everything out of Lloyd, though. He had plenty to put together a series of bursts during the middle portion of the 3,000 that effectively sealed his victory.

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Lloyd's win in the 3,000 highlighted a strong day overall for Voorheesville at the Warrior Classic.

Shaker lacrosse thins bench

From the Sports Desk

Rob Jonas

Guilford

As it turned out, Hennessey has been carrying fewer players.

The second-year varsity coach said that there was a drop in the number of lacrosse players in this year's junior and senior classes, but he was quick to add that the sport was still popular among the school's underclassmen to the point where there were cuts made to the junior varsity roster.

Hennessey also said that he wanted to keep those players who felt he would use his victory. By

The only name that stood out this week, people.

Just some random thoughts

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