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TOWN OF GREENFIELD RESIDENTS

The Town of Greenfield is looking for a volunteer to serve on the UDAG Revolving Loan Fund Committee.

Background in financial analysis preferred. If interested, please send resume to MaryAnn Johnson, Town Clerk, P.O. Box 10, Greenfield Center, NY 12833 by February 10, 2005

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District, Lake Luzerne, NY will sell to the highest bidder the following equipment, as is with no warranties expressed or implied:

1992 International 7.3 Diesel, 30 passenger School Bus, Automatic Transmission, HYD Brakes, 138,867 miles.

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Equipment may be inspected at the Bus Garage, 29 Ben Rosa Park, Lake Luzerne, NY between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Bid forms are available at the same location.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Sealed bids are to be in the hands of Mary L. Visscher, District Clerk, no later than 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 15, 2005 when they will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Administration Building, 27 Ben Rosa Park Lake

MRS. TREASA MILLIS DUDA, will be attending the President Bush inauguration and inaugural ball at the White House. Treasa is the daughter of Thelma Towers Millis and the late Bud Millis. Treasa lived formerly in South Corinth and now resides with her husband Walt and four children in Oradell, New Jersey. Congratulations Treasa, we're all proud of you. The Towers Family

Dear Mr. Melville,

My name is Danielle Lambert and I am one of your biggest fans. I look forward to your column every week and read it aloud to my children. I love the glimpses you provide into this area in which we have also made our home. However, your recent column "Family and Its Alternatives" saddened me deeply. You see, I too worry about our American way of life. But the dangers I fear concern the soil in which you grow your garden and the air your grandson breathes. I worry about whether your son-in-law will be drafted and what freedoms will be left for your granddaughter to enjoy. You see, I and others who swim in the liberal pool are not out to destroy family bonds or Christmas or your American culture. We also love our families and cherish our worship and work for the nation's good. We just come to different conclusions about just what is in danger, and how to protect what we cherish. Please don't join the bandwagon of demonizing liberalism. We need smart, articulate writers like yourself to help us forge community in a world of people longing for connection. At its best, that is what your column is, a tie that binds people who by birth or circumstances have come to call this town home. Please don't use this privileged space to call for greater walls between those of us whose beliefs, lifestyles or concerns may differ from your own.

Sincerely, Danielle Lambert

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MIDWINTER BLAHS

These dull, grey, cloudy January days don't do much for our sense of well being, do they, gentle reader? There's nothing like a little sunshine to lift our spirits out of the doldrums. However, lately, sunshine has been in short supply. The weatherman says maybe tomorrow...I can't wait!

Yesterday a ray of sunshine broke through the clouds for Yvonne and me. Daughter Celeste called to tell us that our Christmas present was finally ready. Celeste is finishing up her four year degree in computer marketing. One of her assignments was to create a web site from scratch. So she decided to work one up on family history and present it to us as a Christmas present. She worked hard and diligently, got it all together, and with much love and pride, called us up to tell us it was ready, and to click on to LifewithYvonne.com (all one word). This we did and we just couldn't believe our eyes. I won't go into detail, I will let you be the judge. I invite you to click in on your computer and see for yourself the professional job that girl did. I repeat -- LifewithYvonne.com (all one word). I think you may enjoy it.

So, with that out of the way, we still find us in the middle of January with no end in sight. We surely can't feel too sorry for ourselves with the terrible disasters taking place throughout the world. We are most fortunate to be living in the Adirondacks with its apparent (?) stability. At least we aren't burdened with earthquakes, floods and Tsunamis. It's enough to make you feel guilty at our good fortune in living in such a calm and serene sector of the cosmos. So let us count our blessings and pray for the unfortunates. That's the least we can do.

No matter how drab and dismal January can be, the lure of spring still beckons us on. I have a basket next to my easy chair for my magazines and papers. Yvonne came in with the basket one day and announced in her no nonsense way, "This is where you are going to put all your junk!" I said, in my gentle way, "It's not junk, Yvonne." She replied with some irritation, "That may be a matter of opinion, but at any rate, put your *stuff* in the basket. I'm sick of looking at that pile of rubbish." So, on reflection, I decided that caution was the better part of valor and proceeded to clean up my little corner of the universe.

I guess I digressed. What I was really going to say was that the basket that Yvonne so generously supplied me with is full of seed catalogues. I must have 15 of them so far, and they are still coming. The darn things give me a headache. I read one and say I will send for this and that. Then I read another one and say I will send for this and that. The first thing I know I'm so confused, I don't know where I'm at! So I wind up tossing them into the basket and I don't order anything! You would be surprised at the money I save that way. I tend to forget what I've ordered too, and wind up with double and triple orders of radishes or mesclun. Sometimes I forget to order at all and then I have to make a last minute mad dash to a garden center in hopes they haven't run out of

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

C.E.S. Building, Sherman Avenue. Doors open at Bird 6:40pm.

sociation Dance, 8pm to Midnight, at the South Glens irst St., South Glens Falls, NY.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

t Luzerne-Hadley Firehouse.Doors open at 6pm.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24

y meets, 6pm, Jack's Place, Corinth.

op 22 meets, Corinth Central School, 6:30-8pm. ers meet, 6:30pm, Corinth Methodist Church, Main

Emergency Squad Building, 101 Sherman Ave. pm, game starting at 6:45pm.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

Hope for Women, transitional support group for of an abusive relationship, 9:30am. Domestic Vio-Office, 480 Broadway, Lower Level 20, Saratoga. for Alzheimer Caregivers, 1:15pm at the Corinth n Church, 203 Palmer Ave., Corinth, 654-9432. 2 meets, Greenfield Lodge, 7:30pm.

g of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America Conference Room of Four Winds Hospital, , 7pm.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

Clubhouse meeting, 5:45-7pm. Ages 4-grade 6. ffair. Some problems the children of alcoholics hey are meeting them. Alateen 7:30pm, Methodn. 893-7102 for information. ce/Rape Crisis Services of Saratoga County is

ual assault survivors support group for women. all 583-2734 for more information.

er Eastern Star 613 meets, Greenfield Ldg, 8pm.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

h First Methodist Church, 9pm, open meeting. 38-Sara, Wesley Nursing Home, Inc., Lawrence pm. Information 654-6447 or 584-2327.

Corinth Methodist Church, 5:15. Leader, Dora B before 6pm.

ra Spa Rod & Gun Club, Porter Corners Road. ded, 7pm.

28 meets, 7pm at Rockwell Falls Presbyterian

Rockwell Falls Presbyterian Church, 7am. 696-

30-6:30pm in Athol at the Thurman Town Hall. Clinic, Corinth Town Hall, 1pm-3:45pm, walkment appreciated, Dr. Pitkin in attendance 654-

wn Board Meeting, 4pm, Town Hall.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

Methodist Church, Main St., Corinth, 10-3. Corinth, 7pm.

y Hour, 3 & 4 year olds, 10:30-11.

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Neighborhood Watch areas show crime drop. Throughout the United States, dramatic decreases in burglary and drug related crimes are reported by law enforcement professionals in communities with active neighborhood watch programs. Statistics show that when a concerned citizenry does its part, the possibilities are endless...and the results positive. Neighborhood watch is now the most successful anti-crime initiative in the country and the most effective and least expensive tool for restoring the safe, pleasant environment we all want for our families! This is homeowners' insurance that

Neighborhood crime prevention: A joint responsibility. The prevention of crime - particularly crime involving residential neighborhoods - is a responsibility that must be shared equally by law enforcement and private citizens. The fact is, the impact on crime prevention by law enforcement alone is minimal when compared with the power of private citizens working with law enforcement and with each other. Neighborhood watch is based on this concept of cooperation, and nationwide statistics prove that it works. When citizens take positive steps to secure their own property and neighbors learn how to report suspicious activity around their homes, burglary and related offenses decrease dramatically.

Taking positive steps. Victim responses to home burglary generally follow a similar pattern: Initial fear and anger give way to an obsession with seeing the intruder caught and making sure the home is never targeted by criminals again. In the past, many frightened victims sat back and simply hoped their homes would be spared a repeat performance. They, as well as their neighbors, worried and wondered about what they could do to protect their property.

Since the establishment of neighborhood watch, however, thousands of homeowners who want to take intelligently planned action to decrease crime statistics in their areas have discovered that they have a ready, willing and highly qualified partner in their local law enforcement. These homeowners now know that their agency would rather work with citizens to prevent crime than spend time with manpower investigating it after it occurs.

The growing need for neighborhood watch. It is a fact of life that relationships in many of today's communities have become less personal than they were years ago. Families are more transient, children have more activities that take them and their parents away from home, and there are more families with both parents working. The once-familiar sight of families visiting with each other on front porches while keeping a watchful eye on children and activities in the neighborhood is a rarity in most communities today. This trend away from personal contact in the neighborhood and the decrease in time families spend at home are two of the essential ingredients that make communities ripe for crimes of opportunity,

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> Thanks for putting up with m Your friend, Russ Melville

THANK YOU BILL BRADLEY of Brad He took time out of his busy schedule in all that icy mess. It made it much capped daughter to get in and out and you so much. You're quite a guy.

The Lyngs

PINE KNOLLS ALLIANCE C SUPPORT GROUPS

CHANGES THAT HEAL: How to under ensure a healthier future. Monday even January 24-April 11 (new members weld ruary 14). Materials Fee: \$5.50. Facilita and Duane Lincourt.

DIVORCECARE: Thursday evenings 6: ary through March 31 (new members a week). Materials Fee: \$15.00*. Facilitated and Joanne Loveland. If you are separate invite you to join us for this 13-week supp eotape seminar.

GRIEFSHARE: Tuesday evenings 7:00through March 29 (new members are welc Facilitated by Brenda Law. GriefShare is port group and videotape seminar for pe loss of someone close.

12-STEP SPIRITUAL JOURNEY: Monda 8:30pm, January through May 16 (new m come every week). Materials Fee: \$15 fe book*. Facilitated by Bill & Nancy Wessl Magruder. This support group will start yo healing or add depth and support to your program.

"JOYFUL LOSERS" (WOMEN'S NUTRIT LOSS GROUP): Tuesday evenings 6:30ary 1 through April 19 (new members are week). Materials Fee: \$20*. Facilitated and Bev Zwald. This group focuses on ga our eating habits and other aspects of our

God first and relinquishing control to Him. <u>DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP:</u> Sched on Thursday evenings in February. To b Michelle Clark and Jill Greene.

*Please note that materials fees can be waiv reasons - please contact the church office or group facilitator.