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strongly that the short-term traffic changes and disruptions are temporary and are out-weighted by the significant long-term benefits.”

Several council members fear asking the DOT to change the project would delay the work, putting the state funding in jeopardy.

“We should build the bridge without delay,” said Councilman Bill Boland, D-4. “And we should do it without a second bridge. The reso-

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The ride started May 21 in Boston and will end June 22 in Pebble Beach, Calif.

“This is the third year we’ve held a ride to fight the disease, which claimed the lives of two of historic Notre Dame football coach Ara Parseghian’s kids,” Crawford said. “But this is the first time it’s

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to his home. He was charged with first-degree criminal sex act.

Police have identified victims from Canandaigua, Geneva, and the Waterloo area, along with past victims from the Prattsburgh and Pulteney

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thought into this move and it makes the most sense on a number of levels for the district,” Ginalski said.” I want to assure parents and our community we are confident in this restructuring of leadership and are excited about the future as we work toward the combination of both schools in 2014.”

Sheehan said she is honored and excited to fill the new position. “I am looking forward to working with both East and West students, parents, faculty and staff,” Sheehan said. “I’m thankful for the support

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an American – a role model to all, serving his country, his family and his community.”

Kieffer served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He was a B-24 aerial gunner with the 459th Bombardment Group, 756th Bomb Squadron. He was involved in battles for the North Apennines, Po Valley, Rhineland and

lution has all the evidence of a knee-jerk initiative. From my point of view, the idea is ill-conceived and the resolution is ill-advised.”

Councilmen Hilda Lando, D-3, Frank Muccini, R-5, and Frank Coccho, D-6 supported the resolution, fearing the detours included in the current project to replace the bridge would have a negative effect on city streets.

“The resolution concerns included health, safety and quality of life as well as additional traf-

been across the entire country.”

The disease prevents the body from effectively processing cholesterol, Crawford said. It primarily affects children before or during adolescence.

“We traveled 141 miles from Walton to Corning today,” Crawford said. “We started about 6:30 a.m. in Walton and got

area. Police said they are continuing their investigation and looking into the possibility of other fire departments that Hoke might have joined or attempted to join over the past two decades.

State Police are asking that any organization

everyone has shown since this was announced internally.”

Sheehan will split time between the two high schools. East and West will each have a lead assistant principal, an assistant principal and a non-administrative dean of students.

“This is a cost-efficient move that will result in savings to the district,” Ginalski said. “At the same time, we know with Sheehan spending time in each building, we need management support. The current assistant principals will receive support from the dean of students positions, which are actually teacher positions.”

Central Europe. He was awarded the Air Medal, the Good Conduct Medal and the European Service ribbon with four campaign stars. When he retired in 1945, he held the rank of sergeant.

In 1966, Kieffer began working for the Chemung County Department of Buildings and Grounds, and as the department’s superintendent, he personally designed and guided the renovations of

fic,” Coccho said. “And I have a hard time believing for a moment that the DOT or Gov. Andrew Cuomo will say sorry Corning, I’m pulling the money.”

Corning resident Pam Sonnefeld said she came to the meeting supporting the resolution to build a second bridge adjacent to the existing bridge to eliminate the need to detour traffic.

“But after hearing the concerns of losing the funding for the project, I support the current plan,” Sonnefeld said.

here in Corning at about 4:30. It was a good ride.”

Crawford was to leave early this morning for today’s ride to Buffalo.

Researchers have identified the cause of the fatal disease and made significant progress toward treatment in recent years, but there is still no cure.

Crawford said Notre

that has a teen group or teen peer type setting involving youths, research if Hoke could have been a member or a volunteer in their organization. Anyone with any information is asked to contact Investigator Chris Burns at (585) 398-4100.

Ginalski said Sheehan earned this appointment with her dedication to excellence and outstanding leadership skills.

Sheehan has led West High School to national recognition in the US News and World Report and *Washington Post* lists of America’s Top High Schools, and co-facilitated the Building Design Team, a school district press release said.

“One of her primary goals will be to oversee the transition over the next two years of the combination of the high schools into what will become our one high school at the East High School site,” Ginalski said. “I cannot understate

the Hazlett Building and Park Station.

Perhaps his most recognizable role has been as the county historian.

“I don’t think there’s a person he doesn’t know, a place he hasn’t been or a building he hasn’t worked on,” said Bruce Whitmarsh, the director of the Chemung County Historical Society.

That message was echoed by Chemung

According to the DOT, about 17,000 vehicles use the bridge daily. Officials estimate about 3,000 vehicles will detour through Corning to get back to state Route 352.

Work is set to begin in early 2013 and will be completed in about 12 months; the council’s plan would have added another six months to the project.

The DOT is receiving public comments on the project at its Region 6 office in Hornell until Tuesday.

Dame researchers are partnering with others across the country to find a cure. The fatal disease strikes one in every 150,000 children.

For more about Neimann-Pick type C, visit <http://www.neimann-pick-c.com>.

To follow Crawford’s trip, visit <http://blogs.nd.edu/gregcrawford/>.

The investigation is continuing and more charges are expected, police added.

Hoke was arraigned in the Canandaigua City Court and sent to the Ontario County Jail on \$250,000 cash bail or \$500,000 bond.

the importance of this work.”

Tobia said he was pleased to hear of Sheehan’s pending appointment.

“I have had the privilege to work with Sheehan this past school year and was very happy to hear she will be principal of the schools,” Tobia said. “She is a hard-working administrator who is 100 percent dedicated to the overall well-being of our students and District.”

The move is still awaiting approval of the Corning-Painted Post School District Board of Education.

County Executive Tom Santulli, who added that Kieffer is cut straight from the cloth of “The Greatest Generation.”

“He’s a square-shooter and a hard worker,” Santulli said.

Kieffer said he was appreciative of the honor.

“It’s been a great honor to do what I’ve done,” Kieffer said. “And most of all, it’s been fun.”

## Death Notices

### Dan L. DeSera

**WELLSBORO, PA.** | Dan L. DeSera, 57, of Tioga, died Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at Broad Acres Nursing Home. He retired from Corning Inc.

Survivors include his mother, Joyce DeSera of Elkland; a brother, Allen DeSera of Lindley, N.Y.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements are with Kenyon Funeral Home, 214 W. Main St., Elkland.

### William N. Ellison

**WATKINS GLEN** | William N. Ellison, 82, of Watkins Glen, died Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at home.

He was a former Schuyler County District Attorney, Schuyler County Judge and New York State Supreme Court Justice.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Sullivan Suits Ellison; two sons, Harry A. Ellison of Arlington, Va., and William N. Ellison Jr. of Farmington; two daughters, Mary P. Ellison of Mountainside, N.J., and Anne E. Snelling of Palmyra.

Calling hours are 3-6 p.m. Tuesday at

Royce-Chedzoy Funeral Home, 212 E. 4th St., Watkins Glen.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary’s of the Lake Church, 905 N. Decatur St., the Rev. Paul Bonacci celebrant.

Burial will be in St. Mary’s Cemetery.

### Larry R. Gee

**WILLIAMSPORT** | Larry R. Gee, 63, of Elkland, died Wednesday May 23, 2012 at Williamsport Hospital.

He worked at Corning Inc., World Kitchen and the Northern Tioga School District.

Survivors include two sons, Steven Gee of Elkland and Michael Gee of Pittsburgh; his mother, Dorothy Gee of Elkland; three brothers, Roger Gee of Philadelphia, Mark Gee of Trenton, Fla., and Edward Gee of Westfield.

Calling hours are noon-2 p.m. Saturday at Kenyon Funeral Home, 214 Main St., Elkland.

Services will be held there at the conclusion of calling hours at 2 p.m. Saturday, the Rev. Larry O’Dell and Edward Gee officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Osceola.

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lawyers – not just local lawyers, but lawyers throughout the Southern Tier. He was as well respected as a judge as any in New York state, as far as I’m concerned.”

Ellison was born July 15, 1929, to father Arthur R. Ellison, a former district attorney, and mother Edwin M. Ellison, a former county attorney.

Ellison graduated from Watkins Glen Central School, Harpur College and Cornell University.

Before twice being elected to the state Supreme Court, Ellison served as the acting Watkins Glen village police justice, the Town of Dix justice of the peace, the Schuyler County district attorney, Schuyler County Court judge and Surrogate and Family Court judge.

Ellison’s contributions to the community outside the courtroom were extensive.

“In the community as a whole, he fits right in there as a founding father,” Fazzary said. “He and his wife have been part of anything major that ever happened here.”

He was involved with the Watkins-Montour

Rotary Club, the county Heart Association, the Southern Tier Heart Association, the county Cerebral Palsy Association, the Watkins Glen Central School PTA, the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Corp., Schuyler Hospital, the Special Children’s Center in Ithaca, Corning Community College and numerous other organizations. Additionally, Ellison was a firefighter.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Patricia Sullivan Suits Ellison; children, Harry A. Ellison of Arlington, Va., William N. Ellison Jr. of Farmington, Mary Patricia Ellison of Mountainside, N.J., and Anne E. Snelling of Palmyra; and seven grandchildren.

Calling hours are from 3-6 p.m. Tuesday at the Royce-Chedzoy Funeral Home, East Fourth Street, Watkins Glen.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary’s of the Lake Church, North Decatur Street, Watkins Glen. The Rev. Paul Bonacci will officiate.

Burial will be in St. Mary’s Cemetery.

## OBITUARIES



### ELDON V. HOUGH “HUFFY”

**BATH, NY** | Eldon V. Hough “Huffy” of Bath, NY passed away peacefully after a long battle with cancer Thursday, May 24, 2012 at home with his loving family by his side. He was born in Bath to Alice (Storms) and Fletcher Hough, February 4, 1935.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years Marian (Lathrop); son, Edward of Prattsburgh and granddaughter Brianna Fowler and son Riccee (Beth Kelley) of Jensen Beach,

FL and granddaughters, Tara Quiliche and Tatum Kelley, daughter, Sherry (Larry) Ferree of Orange, TX and grandsons, Jared and Jeffery Ferree and granddaughter Jennifer Ferree, daughter, Denice (JR) Lewis of Prattsburgh and grandsons Cody (fiancee Kaity) Lewis and Cameron Lewis and granddaughter Caitlin Lewis. He is also survived by several great grandchildren, one sister Linda Webster of Elmira, mother-in-law, Mary Catherine Talbot, brothers-in-law, Roy and Roger Lathrop and sister-in-law, Susan Stell and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents; brothers Fremona, Laverne, Bill and Lyle and sisters; Norma, Arlene and Helen.

He worked at Taylor Great Western Winery for 39 years until its closing in 1984. He was well known locally as a drum-

mer, keyboard player and singer for over 20 years with the Country Squires Band, a good standing member of the American Legion and former Hammondsport Moose Club. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, Nascar, watching football and gardening with a special love of growing hybrid iris and most importantly spending time with his grandchildren.

Friends may call on Tuesday May 29th from 1:00-3:00 pm at Fagan’s Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 3:00 pm at the funeral home with Reverend Jeff Mc Dowell officiating.

Burial will be in the Nondaga Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made locally to Corning Cancer Center and the Southern Tier Hospice and Palliative Care, 11751 East Corning Road, Corning, NY 14830. On line condo-

lences may be made at [www.fagansfuneralhome.com](http://www.fagansfuneralhome.com).

### KELSEY, LELAND W.

“LEE” “PUNKY”

“PAMPA”

Age 74 of Elmira died unexpectedly on Tuesday May 22, 2012 at home. Survived by his wife of 54 years, Gloria; children, Jeffery ( Donnalee) Kelsey, Elmira, Brian ( Sandra) Kelsey, Bath, NY, Donna ( Mark) Kelsey-Root, Elmira; grandchildren, Stacia, Erica, Kevin, Brian Michael, Elizabeth, Ryan Kelsey, Steven & Kelsie Root; sisters, Sharon Seeley, Snooky ( John) Tosch; sisters in-law, Faith



Moffe, Shelva Carl; canine companion, Max; several nieces, nephews and cousins; predeceased by his parents, Leland L. & Helen Kelsey; infant son, Alonzo; grandson Matthew Kelsey; sister, Marlene Brown; best friend, David King of Rochester, NY; long time canine companion, Wrinkles. Lee was retired from the Remington Rand and Pepsi Cola with 40 years of service, also he was a proprietor of Lee Kelsey & Sons Pepsi Cola distributor, owner/opera-

tor of Convenient Food Mart on Maple Ave. After retiring from above, Lee operated the grand concession trailer at the Steuben County Fair. The family will receive relatives and friends at the Kalec Funeral Home on Friday, May 25 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Burial at Forest Lawn Memorial Park on Saturday May 26 at 11a.m. with a luncheon immediately following at the VFW located at 113 Keefe Street, Elmira.

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- Paid obituaries may also be faxed to 962-0782.
- To e-mail obituaries: [c\\_service@the-leader.com](mailto:c_service@the-leader.com)