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Congressman John "Randy" Kuhl poses with members of Greenpeace and the signatures cards in the shapes of wind turbines delivered to his office Thursday. From left: Greenpeace representative Marissa Hursh, holding her son Ethan and standing with her son Noah; Kuhl, and Greenpeace representative Kevin Deery.

Greenpeace visits Kuhl

BY ROB PRICE
The Courier-Advocate

BATH | Representatives of Greenpeace met with U.S. Rep. John R. "Randy" Kuhl Jr. Thursday to promote the use of clean energy over fossil fuels.

The group visited Kuhl, R-Hammondspoint, in his Bath office and delivered approximately 1,000 signed cards urging him to support legislative efforts to curb global warming.

Many of the cards were arranged in the shape of wind turbines - a symbol of reusable energy supported by Greenpeace as an alternative to fossil fuels.

This was the second appearance of the Greenpeace group in as many weeks. The group visited the Corning campaign office of Kuhl's political opponent, Democrat Eric Massa, on Aug. 19. Greenpeace members delivered as many signatures in identical wind-turbine

forms. While not on the premises at the time, Massa has declared himself a supporter of bipartisan legislation to curb carbon emissions linked to global warming.

John Deans, field organizer for Greenpeace, described the signature cards as "a three-dimensional petition" just before heading into Kuhl's office for a meeting.

Global warming "is not just affecting the Arctic ... we are asking Congress to take

action," Deans said.

Both Kuhl and Deans described the meeting as productive. Kuhl said he supports efforts to develop alternative energy sources and to increase vehicular fuel efficiency.

Noting the lack of public transportation in his rural district, Kuhl said the cost of gasoline is "killing" area residents who depend on cars and trucks for their livelihoods.

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Officials launch Web page on gas drilling

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ON THE WEB:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/46288.html>Information

ALBANY | In response to public concerns about a potential gas rush in the Southern Tier and Catskill region, the state Department of Environmental Conservation has launched a Web page with information about the Marcellus Shale.

The page, part of the DEC's larger Web site, has details about drilling processes, leasing, applicable state and federal laws, and potential environmental impacts of gas drilling in the Marcellus Shale, a deep geological for-

mation that stretches from Ohio through West Virginia and into Pennsylvania and New York.

The page includes links to Marcellus Shale maps and links to other pages, such as the DEC's searchable database for existing oil and gas wells.

Numerous public meetings have been held locally to better inform landowners about leases and the push to tap into a large natural gas resource.

Rabid bat may have bitten dog walker in Ithaca

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bat lying on the ground in the park Sunday. She says the man picked up the bat intending to place it in a tree and it bit him.

ITHACA | Authorities are trying to track down a man who was apparently bitten by a rabid bat while walking his dog in a park in central New York.

A resident who lives near Ithaca's Thompson Park says she urged the heavily tattooed man to steer his dog clear of a

She alerted health officials but the dog walker left before they arrived. The bat was later determined to be rabid and officials are appealing for the man to come in for rabies treatment.

MU to give civil rights presentation

MANSFIELD, PA. | Mansfield University will present "March on Milwaukee: Putting History into Play", a lecture/performance by Margaret Rozga, at 7 p.m. Sept. 17 in Steadman Theatre. Rozga's Mansfield

presentation will address what makes ordinary people make the extraordinary decision to stand up against injustice when injustice is the status quo. She will give a lecture about the civil rights movement in Milwaukee. The presentation is free and open to the public.

■ Staff report

Naples board hires interim school super

BY KATHRYN RYBCZAK
Daily Messenger

NAPLES | The Naples school board has hired Gerald Macaluso, the current Seneca Falls superintendent, as temporary head of the district.

Macaluso will join the Naples administration on Sept. 3 and stay until a permanent replacement is found.

Macaluso will retire Aug. 30 after 10 years as superintendent in Seneca Falls.

Deputy Superintendent Brenda Keith said Macaluso's salary should be negotiated by the Sept. 3 board meeting, along with other details of his contract.

Keith served as the district's superintendent for the last four years before resigning Aug. 1. She then signed on as the district's deputy superintendent Aug. 10 and will remain in that position until June 30, 2009.

IN BRIEF

Corning town board to meet

CORNING | The Corning town board will meet at 7 p.m. Sept. 10 at the town hall. The meeting was changed from Sept. 9 due to the primary election.

Corning to hold workshop

CORNING | The Town of Corning will hold a workshop at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the town hall.

Festival slated at Sts. Peter and Paul

ELMIRA | The Blessed Sacrament Parish Festival will be held from 5-9 p.m. Sept. 6 and noon-6 p.m. Sept. 7 at Sts. Peter and Paul Church. For more information, call 733-0300.

Budget committee meeting slated

ELMIRA | The Chemung County Legislature budget committee will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in room 510 of the Hazlett Building, 203 Lake St.

Historical Society to hold meeting

HORNELL | The Steuben County Historical Society will hold its fall membership meeting at 12:30 p.m. Sept. 13 at the Hornell Golf Club, 473 Seneca Road. The event will begin with a luncheon, and will be followed by the program

and business meeting. Father and son duo Harry and Ken Reynolds will present "Fifty Years of Musical Memories." To make a reservation by Sept. 5, mail a \$12 check to SCHS, PO Box 349, Bath, 14810. The meeting is open to the public.

Rabies clinic to be held in Caton

CATON | The town of Caton, in cooperation with Steuben County Public Health Services, will be sponsoring a free rabies clinic for all dogs, cats, and domesticated ferrets. The clinic will be held from 5-7 p.m. Sept. 5 at Caton Fire Hall, 1118 Caton Road. All animals must be confined and owners must bring prior rabies vaccine records. For details, call 524-6303.

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