

**I-86 ACCIDENT**



ANTHONY AFFISSO | THE LEADER

A Pontiac Grand Prix is hoisted onto a flatbed truck Friday following an accident with a tractor-trailer near exit 40 on I-86.

**IN BRIEF**

**Authorities seek dog that bit person**

**SOUTHPORT** | The Chemung County Health Department is seeking assistance in locating a dog that recently bit a person. The animal is described as a tan-colored, small to medium, well-groomed dog with a red collar. The dog was last seen on Christian Hollow Road near Miller Hill Road in the town of Southport on Monday. If you have any information about this dog, please call the SPCA at 732-1827 as soon as possible. Rabies treatment for the victim can be avoided if the dog is located and found to be healthy.

**Caton Town Board to meet Thurs.**

**CATON** | The Caton Town Board will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at Caton Town Hall for a budget workshop meeting, according to a release.

**Steuben IDA to meet in Bath**

**BATH** | The Steuben County Industrial Development Agency will hold its regular meeting at noon Thursday at its offices at 7234 Route 54, Bath.

**Event to benefit Amish school**

**ADDISON** | A chicken barbecue and sale of baked goods, produce, crafts and household goods will be held from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. today in Bliss Park in Addison. The event is a benefit for the local Amish school.

**Historical Society to host talk**

**JASPER** | Jenny Monroe of Watson Homestead will present "Stories from the Longhouse" at 7 p.m. on

Tuesday in the community room of the Jasper Town Hall. The event is presented by the Jasper Historical Society. There will be Iroquois artifacts on display.

**Erwin to offer brush pickup**

**ERWIN** | Due to recent high winds, the Town of Erwin Highway Department will offer brush pickup service on Thursday. Town residents outside the village of Painted Post may stack tree limbs no longer than 8 feet at the roadside by 7 a.m. No leaves will be accepted. Leaves may be left at the drop-off site on Route 417 between 9 a.m. and noon through Oct. 27.

**Church to host conference**

**CORNING** | The First United Methodist Church will hold its

Sacred Arts Conference Sept. 25-27 at the Radisson Hotel Corning. The event will include arts workshops and performances, and Rev. Richard Svers, organizer, will direct his original play "Mysteries." For details, email fumchurch@stny.rr.com. or call 962-4608.

**'Strong Kids Safe Kids' slated**

**WATKINS GLEN** | "Strong Kids Safe Kids" will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sept. 27 at Clute Park. The free event, for families with children ages 2-12, is sponsored by Schuyler County's Task Force on Child Abuse and will include fun activities or crafts for kids, along with resources for parents on child safety.

**Free rabies clinic set in Gang Mills**

**GANG MILLS** | A free rabies clinic for dogs, cats and ferrets will be held from 9-11 a.m. on Sept. 27 at the Erwin Town Garage on South Hamilton Street in Gang Mills, next to Holiday Inn. The clinic, sponsored by the Erwin-Painted Post Board of Health and Steuben County, is open to all county residents. Dogs must be on a leash, and cats and ferrets must be confined. ■ Staff reports

**Homeowner's Corner**  
by **Matthew Smith**

**FOR THE PERSON WHO HAS NOTHING**  
Whether or not a person considers him- or herself handy, every homeowner needs a toolbox filled with basic tools to get things done around the house. Many people have a smattering of hand tools scattered about the house, which are not always easy to find. With this in mind, if you know someone who has recently moved or set up housekeeping for the first time, consider a toolbox filled with tools as a house-warming gift. Choose a sturdy, easy-to-carry model with drawers and compartments. Include a sixteen-ounce hammer with curved-claw design, which can both hammer in nails and remove them with ease. Also include a utility knife, pliers, a tape measure, a torpedo level, a screwdriver, and a drill. Starter toolboxes are especially handy for new college students, who might need to hang a picture, fix a chair, or install a piece of electronics. At THE CORNING BUILDING COMPANY, we can handle all of your hardware needs, whether you're buying that first screwdriver or your fourth miter saw. We also have a wide selection of painting supplies, from brushes and paint to canvases and buckets. Call 607-936-9921 or visit us at 346 Park Ave., CBC Plaza, Corning. You can also visit our websites, www.corningbuilding.com, and www.bathbuilding.com. We are open M-F 7:30-6, Sat. 7:30-4, and Sun. 10-2, and have a 2nd location in Bath, NY, on Washington Blvd. **NOBODY DOES IT BETTER.**

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**CORNING INC.:**

**No word from Obama campaign**

BY DERRICK EK  
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**CORNING** | Corning Inc. officials haven't heard from Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama's campaign on whether it plans to continue airing a television commercial that depicts the company in a negative light. "We've been talking with Obama's campaign about the ad to make sure they understand the facts," said Corning Inc. spokeswoman Kelli Hopp-Michlosky. "We're hoping they will perhaps reconsider running the ad."

The ad, which began airing earlier this week, attacks Republican presidential candidate John McCain by referencing Corning Inc.'s decision in 2003 to close a plant in State College, Pa., that manufactured cathode ray tubes for televisions.

In a dramatic voice, a narrator says:

"Corning shuts down their plant in Pennsylvania. Hundreds lose their jobs ... Workers are rehired to disassemble the plant and ship the equipment to China ... Washington has sold them out with the help of people like John McCain. He supported tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas."

"We're certainly disappointed in the ad," Hopp-Michlosky said. "We feel the

facts that are shown are presented out of context and are misleading."

Corning Inc. decided to close the plant because there was a rapidly declining market for older-model televisions made with cathode ray tubes. The company was shifting its focus to making liquid crystal display glass for increasingly popular flat-screen televisions, Hopp-Michlosky said.

A Chinese company did agree to purchase equipment from the defunct plant, and about a dozen former plant workers were hired to disassemble the equipment prior to shipment because they possessed the skills to do so, she said.

Corning Inc. did not move the plant to China, Hopp-Michlosky said. Furthermore, the Chinese company never wound up using the equipment to manufacture anything or create any jobs, she added.

"The facts are true, but the problem is the implication in the ad is that Corning shipped jobs to China," she said. "That's the underlying implication, and that's not true."

As of Friday, the ad was posted online at www.youtube.com/watch?v=xaCdcvdPHVM.

**Canisteo man jailed on rape, sex abuse charges**

**THE LEADER STAFF**

**CANISTEO** | A 60-year-old Canisteo man was charged Thursday with having sex with a child less than 14 years old.

Samuel A. Nisbet, of Bush Hill Road, was charged with second-degree rape and endangering the welfare of a child.

According to state police at

Bath, Nisbet had sex with a child less than 14 in 2003 at a residence in Canisteo.

Also, state police charged Nisbet with two counts of second-degree sexual abuse for allegedly twice having sexual contact with a child less than 14 at a Thurston residence.

He was jailed on \$2,500 cash bail or \$5,000 property bond.

**Police to check child seats**

**HORSEHEADS** | A child seat safety checkpoint will be offered by the Chemung County Sheriff's Office from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sept. 27 at the Horseheads Fire Department, 134 N. Main St., Horseheads. Parents should have a child present during the checks. Replacement seats for unsafe seats will be provided free. Bicycle helmets will also be distributed. The event is

funded by a grant from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee.

**Senior Center to host dance**

**CORNING** | The Corning Senior Center, located at 1 Park Lane, Corning, will host a "Sweet September" dance from 2-4 p.m. on Friday, featuring music by Fran Morgan. Admission is \$3, which includes refreshments. For details, call 962-8000. ■ Staff reports

**ON CAMPUS**

Jennifer P. Walker was named to the spring dean's list at Cortland College. She is the daughter of Cindy Lou and Mike Doyle and the granddaughter of the late James and Dorothy Walker.

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