



## Quote of the Week

"It's exciting to see how the significant investments we are making around the world are coming to fruition. We are continuing and accelerating our strategy to be the industrial process company that solves our customers' most complex technical challenges and today's opening signals another advancement in that journey." — **Aris Chicles**, president of ITT Industrial Process and Goulds Pumps Inc.

rosaries.

It wasn't that I loved football, and the only Eagles they were interested in were the ones on the endangered species list.

The real reason I felt as if I didn't truly belong was the suspicion that I wasn't as

tion I had freshman year with a guidance counselor who blithely told me that Bryn Mawr, a women's liberal arts college in Pennsylvania, had admitted me "despite" my SAT scores.

Seeing the distressed look on my freshman-10 padded

ties. I felt a bit like Tarzan must have felt when they took him from the jungle, taught him a few prepositions and said "we can work with this!"

Curiously, none of this made me resent the importance of

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# LETTERS To The Editor

## Proud to be a supporter of Seneca Meadows

To the Editor:

I am proud to be a Waterloo resident who supports Seneca Meadows, and I want to thank the Waterloo Town Board members who voted in favor of the clay mine.

I know this is not popular these days, but I am tired of all the one-sided negativity. I support those board members who made fact-based decisions, and I trust that Seneca Meadows will continue to supply us with the facts. I want to applaud them for their efforts in weighing all the details and voting for what they believe is best for the town.

It is unfortunate that they have been chastised and sar-



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castically compared to a some wretched, double-crossing politician. Town board members are a far cry from that. They are our friends and neighbors. These people volunteer their time to serve the town in this capacity. It cannot be easy to have such a controversial topic to review with so many vocal opponents in such a small town.

In the bigger picture, I believe that there is too much focus on Seneca Meadows as home of the garbage dump and not nearly enough focus on Seneca Meadows as a symbol of modern environmental

greatness. As part of a modern society, we are privileged to have facilities like this that responsibly take care of all our waste. Do you know what other countries go through?

It seems to me that Seneca Meadows goes above and beyond its obligations to make sure it is operating safely and that both affected communities, Waterloo and Seneca Falls, are shown genuine care and appreciation. Seneca Meadows is forever donating money, time, and resources to the schools, community parks, and local organizations. They also have an excellent environmental report card, and they follow the regulations that dictate their business operations, just like all our favorite local restaurants, gas

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I knew that a small place like that wouldn't take a credit card, but I really didn't see it as a problem because I had just enough cash for a nice dish of macaroni and a little glass of the house red wine. After finishing those and while dabbing at my mouth with the napkin, I asked for the bill.

Almost immediately, the proprietor — who also happened to be the chef, the winemaker, the head waiter and quite probably the dishwasher — was at my table.

Our exchange went something like this (though of course, it was in Italian, so hopefully it doesn't get lost in the translation):

"You *can't* be finished," he started.

"Yes, I am," I replied. "That was a beautiful dish of macaroni, and the wine was terrific."

"No, no, no ... a strong young man like you can't just eat a dish of spaghetti for your dinner. That was just a starter. You need more ..."

"No, it was perfect, just enough. Thank you."

"Ah, but my *trattoria* here, we are known all over Rome. My grandmother was from Bari, and I use her old recipes. I have some of the best rabbit stew you will ever taste ... and some seafood. You need some meat and a salad, at least ... and then maybe a dish of clams or mussels ... and we have homemade cannoli for dessert."

"It all sounds great — and I really would not want to offend

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