

Snow day!

Tuesday brought the **season's first storm, in excess of six inches** and counting. The scene at West Mountain in Queensbury, courtesy of Spencer Montgomery. West Mountain opens Saturday, Dec. 16.



Susan Siplon (left) and Bridget Dunigan were tapped by Elizabeth Miller to run the revived Park Theater, set to open in February or March. *Photo/Cathy DeDe*

They'll run GF's new Park Theater

By Cathy DeDe

Chronicle Managing Editor

Elizabeth Miller has chosen Susan Siplon as executive director and Bridget Dunigan as managing director of her massively renovated Park Theater in Glens Falls, *The Chronicle* has learned.

They'll both begin work Dec. 18. The theater, on Park Street downtown, aims to open in February or March.

"What a gift Elizabeth Miller is giving to the community, to literally just build this," Mrs. Siplon told *The Chronicle* Friday.

She says the Park Theater is "like the coffeeshop I ran [in Chapel Hill, North Carolina], only

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Carl Heilman: Yes, birds seem scarce; don't blame eagles

Mark:

Just a quick note in response to the article on lack of birds by Carol LaGrasse, who seems to feel the world would be better off with DDT and fewer eagles and hawks. I'd like to thank her for writing the article to help bring greater awareness of the issue, but I do question her train of thought.

When I first moved to the Adirondacks in the early 1970's, the state was still fogging the wetlands with insecticide and then doing aerial spraying for some years after that. This killed both the annoying in-

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Letters to The Chronicle

Experts: No worry, birds are here

By David Cederstrom

Chronicle Staff Writer

Many people in the area have noticed a lack of birds at their feeders this fall, but Jim Farquhar, chief of the Bureau of Wildlife at the state Department of Environmental Conservation, tells *The Chronicle* that the birds are around, but have been actively foraging on natural foods.

"There's nothing to indicate that there's any issues" with bird population numbers, he said.

Mr. Farquhar predicted, now that there's been some snow and

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Dining on abundant natural food; will return to feeders



Female Eastern Bluebird dining on wild grapes. *Photo by Dr. Gordon Ellmers*

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