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# Skater who fell through the ice on Lake George

By Ben Westcott  
Chronicle Staff Writer

Saturday, Jan. 25, was a perfect and rare winter day on Lake George. The ice was clear and not yet snowed upon.

**The day & how Beth Maher self rescued**

Beth Maher, 68, and her friends Scott Robertson and Rick Morse went to Million Dollar Beach to do some Nordic skating.

"I think the really attractive thing about the skating experience is that it's so limited," Dr. Maher told *The Chronicle*.

"It's a period of time before heavy snows come, but yet it's cold enough...Everything has to

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## Skate tracks on black ice

on the day Dr. Maher fell through at Diamond Point.

Photos provided by Beth Maher



Dr. Beth Maher.



JG3's jersey retired ▶ 4

# Shortage of speech therapists hot issue

**Editor's note:** We've been hearing with frequency of angry parents complaining of inadequate speech therapy available to their children at local schools.

We received the following letter from a professional that delves into some of the issues involved.

**Here is the perspective of a local Speech-Language Pathologist** (who asked to remain anonymous):

Recently I attended a Q&A session at Queensbury Elementary, where school administrators explained to parents how they were proposing to address their shortage of SLPs — Speech-Language Pathologists — and the accumulating missed

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**Dr. Tedesco: Our worst nightmare, our only hope**  
Dear Mark—  
Please publish this if you would. I will probably not write again for a long time. I'm exhausted and really don't what more I can say about what's happening to our  
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**Maury: When top black baseball teams came to play here**  
By Maury Thompson  
Special to The Chronicle  
Major League caliber black athletes, blocked by the color barrier from playing at the highest levels of professional baseball, were welcomed in  
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**Q&A: What's the signature local food?**  
For this week's Q&A, we asked our digital subscribers: **What food or drink item best represents our area?**  
Pizza — Harvest, Talk of the Town, Stumpy's  
— **Andy Watkins, Fort Edward**  
Stewart's make-your-own  
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