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Halloween Issue Oct. 25! Scary.

Their bus, their home, their move to California

By Gordon Woodworth
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"I'm sick of paying $2,000 a month in rent for a 360-square-foot apartment in Boston," says Laura Skaarup, a 2008 Glens Falls High School graduate.

She and her boyfriend Matthew Rowell, a 2009 GFHS graduate, bought a 16-passenger municipal bus for $2,000 in an online government auction in March, spent another $2,000 to renovate it as their home, and are now driving to California with their eight-year-old cockapoo Charlie to start their life together.

"For what we would have paid

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Matthew Rowell & Laura Skaarup, with their dog Charlie, inside the 16-passenger municipal bus they bought and renovated into a home on wheels.

GF couple bought old city bus at auction; converts it; forsook expensive Boston life to 'reshape American dream'



Just before Sept. 1 departure. The couple are now in Wyoming, having visited Glacier National Park in Montana last week, Matthew reported.



Chronicle photos/Gordon Woodworth

Queensbury grad Delaney Silvernell performed Shawn Mendez' 'In My Blood' for her blind audition on The Voice.
Photo by: Tyler Golden/NBC

Delaney advances: The Voice

By Cathy DeDe
Chronicle Managing Editor

Queensbury High School grad Delaney Silvernell tells *The Chronicle* she's feeling "really good!" after landing with Kelly Clarkson's #TeamKelly Monday night on NBC's reality music competition *The Voice*. Delaney sang Shawn Mendez's "In My Blood" in the second week of blind auditions.

Tapped for Team Kelly; credits LG Youtheatre

"To be honest, I didn't even notice when Kelly turned her chair around," which is how the celebrity coaches indicate selection of a team member.

"I was focused on singing, and all of a sudden I looked up and

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She's not impressed by new NYS $16.2-million Northway visitor center

Dear Mark,

This past Sunday, Sept. 30, I decided to take a ride over to check out the Adirondack Visitor's Center [on the northbound side of the Northway, south of Exit 18].

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I heard it cost almost 17 million dollars, which seemed extravagant. So I had to check it out for myself.

When I drove in, the first thing I saw was the area where you walk your dog and he does his business. My first thought was, why isn't this in the back?

The plastic bags are provided. That will get expensive.

Then I walked by the playground which has a Zip Line. Didn't look very sturdy. Hope no one gets hurt.

The building interior is beautiful including a fireplace, Adirondack chairs, and one section has a beautiful thick rug. Should I take off my shoes?

I passed a very large screen showing pictures of the Adirondacks. Nice to look at, but I can find those on Google, just smaller. The only brochure available was mostly about NYC and all

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