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**St. Peter's hits snag
with traffic concerns**

By JOSEPH ANDREW PHILLIPS

A developer representing St. Peter's Hospital is seeking approval to build a medical office building on a site adjacent to Route 85 in Slingerlands. But the proposal already faces controversy.

The purchase of the 4.2-acre property at 12 Maher Road to build the St. Peter's Medical Arts Building is contingent upon approval by the Bethlehem town board of a request

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Stephen Boyle

to rezone the property, which faces the former Blue Cross building now owned by Picotte Associates at the intersection of 85 and New Scotland Road, from its current residential designation to a commercial one. Developer First Columbia Associates made an initial presentation before the board last week and requested consideration of the zoning change.

First Columbia, specializing in health care properties, developed the recently-completed Washington Avenue Medical Arts building near the state office campus in Albany. They propose a satellite primary-care location at the Maher Road site, a 40,000-square-foot, two-story facility with a 201-space parking lot.

"We very much want to be in Bethlehem and Slingerlands," said Stephen Boyle, president and CEO of St. Peter's, at the Dec. 9 board meeting. "I'm surprised how difficult it has been to find a site." He praised the Maher Road location for its high visibility and accessibility.

Board member Susan Burns moved to refer the matter to the town planning board for consideration of both the zoning question and an environmental impact review. But the motion went unseconded until Supervisor Sheila Fuller did so. As chair, Fuller normally

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**Secor refutes
plant critics
at meeting**

By JOSEPH ANDREW PHILLIPS

A recent Bethlehem town board meeting ended with a contentious exchange between public works commissioner Bruce Secor and a critic of the town's water-supply system over the purity of water at the Clapper Road water plant.

The water-quality issue took a new turn last month with the assertion by William Kelleher, a retired engineer, that water being drawn from wells in the aquifer that supplies the plant was being contaminated by leakage from the town's nearby wastewater treatment facility. Kelleher first made the claim at the town board's meeting on Nov. 24, citing a host of technical data. Secor declined to respond at that time.

But at its Dec. 9 meeting, Secor presented documentation that refuted Kelleher's claims, including a letter from a county Department of Health official that said the water plant was in compliance with both present and future standards for levels of the impurities Kelleher claimed were present in the water supply.

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Secor

'Till Birnam Wood

Grady Tree Service in Delmar will move more than 1,000 mature trees that will be replanted in the Haswell Farms development.

Elaine McLain

Santa gets a little help from his friends

By JOSEPH ANDREW PHILLIPS

A lighthearted Voorheesville tradition continues this Sunday, Dec. 20, as an informal community volunteer group helps Santa Claus make the rounds of the village in a unique "one-float parade." The float will wend its way through the streets of the village making stops at four different locations, handing out treats to kids, allowing children to chat with Santa and singing Christmas carols.

The one-float parade is the handiwork of a group known as the Maple Avenue Cultural Society, a civic booster group launched

almost two decades ago.

"We started out as the Maple Avenue Krazies - that's with a K - probably in 1980," says Paul Jeffers, the New

Scotland town codes enforcement officer who acts as the group's informal historian. Over the years, the group, which decided "krazies" was a bit

pejorative and so adopted their current more acculturated handle, has swelled and shrunk from as few as five or six to as many as a couple dozen at any given time.

"We're a loosely knit group with no stated meetings," said Jeffers. "Mostly, we're just a collection of friends who do either good or mischievous deeds, depending on the occasion."

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Voorheesville's one and only holiday parade float.

Bethlehem town court adjudicates DWI cases

Ten individuals charged with driving while intoxicated (DWI) in the town of Bethlehem faced hearings in Town Court on Dec. 1. Seven of those cases resulted in convictions, and one was referred to Albany County Court for further action.

Two cases were dismissed on the grounds that the county District Attorney's office had failed to speedily prosecute them. The charges against James Carroll, 29, of Albany, who was arrested May 23, and David Evan Bebb, 49, of 69 Methodist Hill Road in Rensselaerville, arrested on Aug. 19, were dismissed.

The case of Joseph George White, 32, of Brooklyn Heights Road, Rhinebeck, who was arrested for DWI on July 3, was transferred to County Court for further prosecution.

In other cases, Daniel Scott Knickerbocker, 45, of Coxsackie pleaded guilty to DWI charges stemming from his arrest on Oct. 31. He was assessed a \$500 fine and a \$90 mandatory state surcharge, and his license was revoked for six months.

Melissa Jean Mercadante, 31, of Nassau, who was arrested Oct. 4, also pleaded guilty to DWI charges. She was fined \$500 and a

\$90 surcharge, and had her license revoked for six months.

Also pleading guilty to DWI charges against him was Todd Howard Warren, 35, of Rensselaer, who had been arrested Aug. 2. He was ordered to pay a \$500 fine and a \$90 surcharge, and faced a six-month license revocation.

Four more cases involved guilty pleas to lesser counts of driving while ability impaired (DWAI). Philip Mackey Reynolds, 21, of Albany, who was arrested Sept. 6, entered such a plea and was fined \$300 and a \$30 assessment; his license was suspended for 90 days.

Shawn David Calhoun, 21, of Coxsackie, arrested on Sept. 20, pleaded guilty to DWAI and was fined \$300 and a \$30 assessment. His license was also suspended for 90 days.

Anthony A. Brezac, 27, of Delmar pleaded guilty to DWAI stemming from his arrest on Oct. 18. He paid a \$300 fine and a \$30 assessment, and had his license suspended 90 days.

And Sandra Helen Glastetter, 30, of Voorheesville, arrested on Nov. 7, entered a guilty plea to DWAI. Additional charges against her were dismissed. She paid a \$300 fine and a \$30 surcharge,

and had her license suspended for 90 days.

In all seven DWI and DWAI convictions, Bethlehem Town Court also required mandatory participation in a drinking-driver remediation program and a victim impact panel.

Woman faces larceny charge

By Joseph Andrew Phillips

A Delmar woman faces a charge of grand larceny in connection with the alleged theft of more than \$5,000 in lottery tickets from her New Scotland employer.

Danielle L. Wright, 20, of Game Farm Road in Delmar, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Kevin Link on Dec. 4. She faces a court appearance on Jan. 7 to answer an allegation that she stole scratch-off tickets while working as a cashier at Short Stops, a convenience store on Route 85 in Slingerlands.

Store owner Thomas Bruno filed the complaint with the Sheriff's Department at its Voorheesville substation after he became suspicious that cash receipts at his store were short.

"I'm missing somewhere between \$5,000 and \$6,000 worth of lottery tickets," Bruno said.

He came to believe the losses were coming during a single shift after he reviewed security tapes from a camera installed in his store, Bruno said. But because the existing camera did not provide a good view of the cashier's station, he installed two more with wide-angle lenses.

The evidence Bruno gathered with the two hidden cameras led to Wright's arrest, according to Sheriff's Department spokesman Capt. Craig Apple.

Wright was arraigned before New Scotland Town Justice Kenneth Connolly and released on her own recognizance.

Bruno, who purchased the convenience store last spring, said he was disappointed. "I have another business here in town, Taste Treat, and in six years there I've never had a problem (with employees)," he said.

He will purchase new register equipment for Short Stops that can scan UPC codes in order to prevent another occurrence.

"This is a small business, a little independent store," he said. "I didn't have a computerized inventory system until now. It's tougher for my employees, it's tougher for my customers."

Apple said Wright could face a prison sentence on the felony charge, but that "the store owner could probably work something out if she agrees to restitution."

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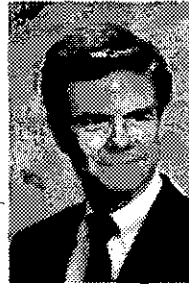


Sandy Lyford, Red Cross donor specialist, draws blood from Gerald Dlevendorf at Onesquethau Masonic Lodge blood drive. Elaine McLain.

V'ville checks out private funding

By Katherine McCarthy

At Voorheesville's Dec. 7 school board meeting, new board member Thomas McKenna reported on the initial meeting of the Voorheesville 2000 project, designed to find corporate sponsors and private funding for the school district.



McKenna

"Our impetus was the upcoming building project," McKenna said, referring to the district's plans to bring the sixth-grade to the junior/senior high school and expand facilities. "We wanted to look at grants, private funding, and community support."

Twelve people, including McKenna and fellow board member Joseph Pofit, attended the first meeting. "We have too short a window to have an impact on the current vote," McKenna said of the building project. "But our mission seems to have expanded to include special programs and community use."

McKenna said enthusiasm was high at the first meeting, and those who attended it have been researching the Web, studying foundations and looking at other school districts that use private funding.

The group met again last Thursday, to discuss forming a foundation, creating a charter and electing officers. "We felt we wanted a separate foundation and not just an arm of the board," McKenna said. "We're trying not to usurp time from district employees."

In the coming weeks, Voorheesville 2000 will hear a presentation from the Community Foundation of the Capital Region. "We have to decide whether to incorporate separately or align ourselves with that group," said McKenna. "The Voorheesville 2000 group is very enthusiastic," he added, "even to the point of talking about specific fund-raising projects."

Board member Erica Sufrin urged caution as the project goes forward. "We don't know the nature of the private funding yet," Sufrin said, "but we do need to be aware of the downside. What might the district have to pick up

if the funding falls through at a later date, or what if there are conditions attached to the donations?"

At the school board meeting, high school principal William Furdon reported that the Athletic Code of Conduct implemented during the last school year is having a positive effect on games at Voorheesville.

"It gives us a set of rules to follow," Furdon said, "and lets people know that we won't settle for less."

Furdon said that Voorheesville is making a real effort to set a sportsmanlike example in the Colonial Council, hanging signs that welcome opposing teams to the school and providing water for their bench.

Sometimes Voorheesville has provided post-game pizza so that both teams can get to know each other a little.

"Some schools take this in the spirit it's offered, and some don't," Furdon said. "We want to let other teams know that we'll play hard, but we welcome them into our building. This lets the kids know how important sportsmanship is; that it's part of the educational process."

Bethlehem board taps attorney for CMI suit

By Joseph Andrew Phillips

The Bethlehem town board voted 3-1 at its meeting on Dec. 9 to appoint attorney Ruth Leistensnyder to represent it in a lawsuit filed against the town by neighbors of the proposed CMI Senior Housing and Healthcare assistive-living facility on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

The lone nay vote came from board member Susan Burns, who moved to seek requests for proposals from other qualified attorneys to represent the town in the forthcoming legal action. Her motion failed for lack of a second.

Leistensnyder, who serves as counsel to the town's planning board, was recommended by town attorney Bernard Kaplowitz for

her expertise in zoning-related matters.

"The issue is not about Ruth or her qualifications," Burns told the board. "The issue is to expand this to other qualified attorneys." She said that seeking at least three proposals might reduce the cost of defending the lawsuit. Leistensnyder had requested \$175 an hour, less than her standard fee, for her services.

But Kaplowitz cited Leistensnyder's familiarity with the actions of the planning board and other town bodies in the CMI matter. Board member Doris Davis also praised Leistensnyder's work for the planning board as "very professional."

A request for proposals would delay a timely response to the lawsuit, said Supervisor Sheila Fuller. Burns later dismissed this as an issue. "It's always possible to request a postponement from the court," she said.

After the meeting, Fuller said that Burns has made similar motions in the past to broaden the applicant pool for other town appointments. She said that lawyers for various town boards "are appointed in January and we pretty much stick with those attorneys, unless it's an area we need outside expertise on."

The town has until Dec. 23 to respond to the lawsuit filed last month by attorney Donald Zee on behalf of a group of 11 plaintiffs.

Relief fund set up for fire victims

By Joseph Andrew Phillips

A pre-dawn fire Sunday at 1462 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands, believed to have been accidentally set by a 15-year-old, might have had a fatal outcome for the boy, but for the lifesaving labors of a family pet.

Fire and water damage destroyed the home of Mark Haskins at the intersection of Maple Avenue and New Scotland. Haskins lived there with his son, whose name fire officials declined to release.

A Haskins Relief Fund has been set up by neighbors, and donations are currently being accepted in care of Marlene Haskins at the Little Country Store, 410 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar, or at the Elsmere branch of Trustco Bank on Delaware Avenue.

Investigators believe the boy, alone at home at the time, may

have inadvertently started the blaze before going to bed, according to Slingerlands fire chief Tom Howard.

The fire began shortly after midnight on a screened-in porch of the house and spread inside. Fire officials, who later investigated the blaze in cooperation with Bethlehem police, have ruled it accidental. They believe it was ignited by burning trash in a cigarette-butt can on the porch.

The boy, asleep in an upstairs bedroom, was awakened by the sound of a house cat clawing at his bedroom door. Opening to investigate, he spotted the flames and fled. Eyewitnesses reported he managed to escape through a second-story window that led onto a roof, from which he jumped to safety. He then ran to a neighbor's home to call for help, Howard said.

Units of the Slingerlands Fire

Department responded within three minutes of the call. "It was pretty well gone when they got there, and it was a pretty rapid response," Howard said. Also summoned to the scene were elements of the Delmar and Selkirk departments. The Elsmere Fire Department stayed on call as backup.

The young man was not injured in the blaze. "Other than probably being shaken up, he's in good shape," Howard said. The elder Haskins was not home at the time of the fire.

Haskins and his son are staying with nearby relatives while insurance adjusters evaluate the damage. "Basically, the house is a total loss at this point," said Howard. "There's not an awful lot left there to save." Some household belongings were recovered.

The cat perished in the blaze, along with the family dog.

Despite bankruptcy, lawsuit still on

By Joseph Andrew Phillips

The Horizon Collective may soon be out of the business of operating more than 40 Pizza Hut franchises in the Northeast—but the lawsuit filed by its president, Slingerlands resident Carole Riley is still a going concern. Riley is suing the town of Bethlehem and several of its officials, charging racial discrimination against the minority-owned business.

Sale of those franchises is a condition of a dismissal of Horizon's petition for protection under Chapter 11, granted on Dec. 9 in U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

Lisa Tang, an attorney repre-

senting Horizon in its bankruptcy proceedings, declined to spell out details of the dismissal, but confirmed that "an order has been entered dismissing the bankruptcy case, and part of the basis of that dismissal is the existence of that sale" of Horizon's franchise interests.

According to Shawn Garrow, case administrator for the Bankruptcy Court, the dismissal requires Horizon to complete some outstanding operating reports and other paperwork that were due to the court, and to pay outstanding trustees fees.

Riley's lawsuit against the town

of Bethlehem and several of its officials remains pending. Filed a year ago, it charges discrimination by the town, Supervisor Sheila Fuller, the zoning board of appeals and its chairman, Michael Hodom, and town building inspector John Flanigan, under federal anti-discrimination statutes. Horizon and Riley are seeking a total of \$15 million in damages.

Her suit originated when Flanigan issued a cease-and-desist order against Riley for operating Horizon offices out of her home at 1545 New Scotland Road.

Efforts to reach Riley were unsuccessful.

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Christmas Tree Sunday and therein hangs a tale

By Katherine McCarthy

It was Christmas Tree Sunday at our house this past weekend; a week too late by the children's standards, a week too soon by the

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grown-ups'. The tree whips the boys into a frenzy that only Christmas can relieve, which means nearly two more weeks of perpetual motion, excitability and even louder noises than usual.

"Is it Saturday?" Cormac asked sleepily, his blankie clutched to him as he came downstairs in footie jammies on the day appointed to buy the Christmas tree. How nice to finally say yes to the question he'd asked six straight days in a row.

"Can we decorate it today?" was his next question.

I gave my yearly answer: we have to let the branches hang out. Someone in my family — probably my father, prolonging the

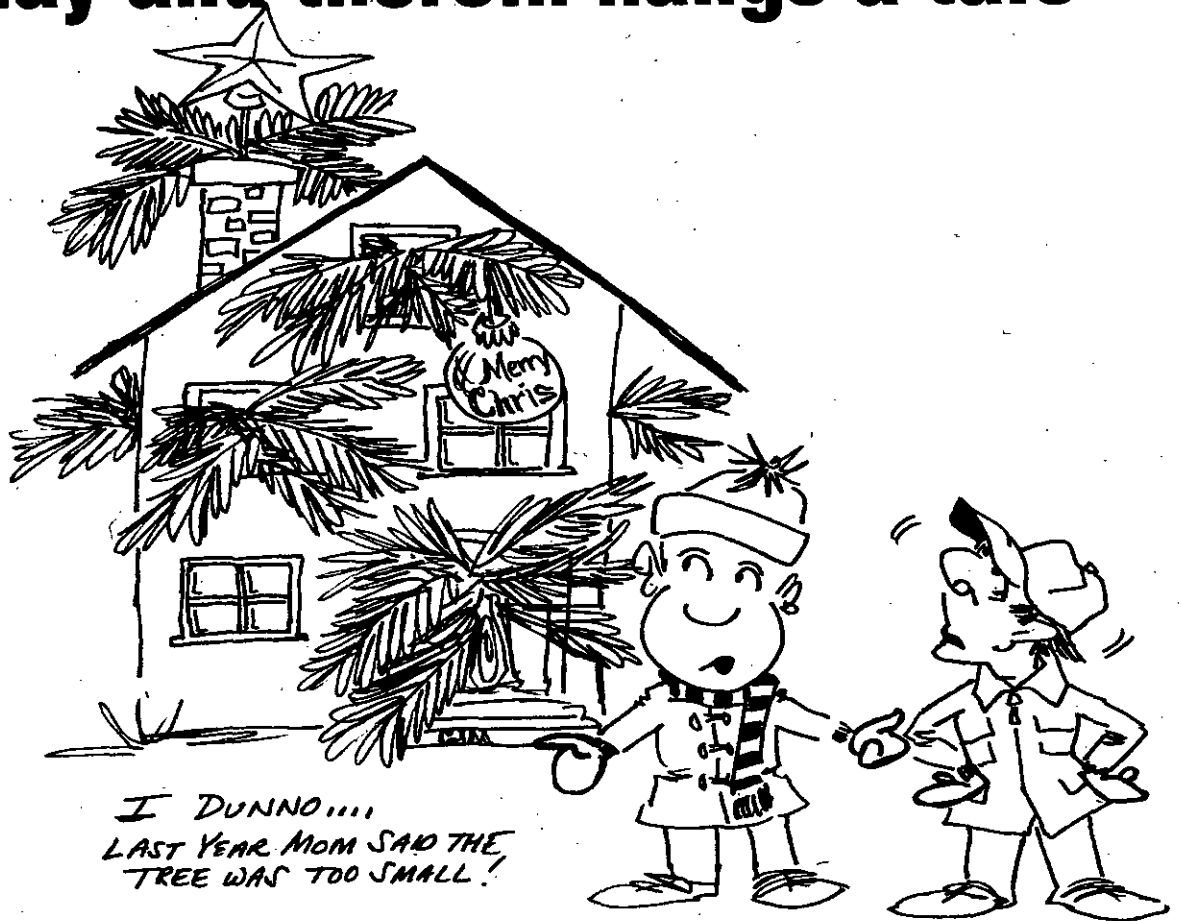
inevitable as long as possible — had declared that a tree's branches need to hang out, a full day at a minimum, and preferably overnight. Nobody knows for sure what consequences are suffered if this wisdom is ignored; possibly the same fate that befalls those who tear the "Do Not Remove Under Penalty of Law" tags from pillows and mattresses.

At Dyndor's tree farm, the boys rushed to the first tree they saw and yelled, in a rare display of unity, "This one, we want this one!"

"It's kind of big," Chris said, as he does every year before holding up the tree for us to study from every possible angle.

My children are with me on this one: a Christmas tree can never be too big. Soon our tree is netted, and secured to the roof of the car, the ropes lashing it down imprisoning us in our own vehicle.

Once home, Chris got out "the marriage saver" — the world's most perfect Christmas tree stand. Our first few Christmases together, we fought the fight most couples do as we struggled to get the tree securely into the stand.



Drawing by Chris McCarthy.

Chris would hold the tree and I would deem it straight, then slither, Marine-like, under the tree to screw those funny little pins into the trunk. Usually, one wouldn't even scratch the bark while another met no resistance in the soft flesh of a tree cut six weeks earlier. I'd finally feel the tree was safe and emerge covered with needles; Chris would let go and we'd see a tree tilting precariously.

"I'll find a tree stand," Chris had muttered at 10:30 p.m. one New York evening, after he, his brother, and I had all fought to erect a tree determined to lie down on the living room floor. Chris and Tim returned triumphant beyond all measure, producing an

enormous hoop-like structure with a spike to jam a tree onto and an eye through which to pound a ten-penny nail into the tree. "You don't understand," Chris had said when told it wasn't for sale. "I'm buying that stand."

"Best thing I ever bought," Chris said Sunday, as he does every year, hauling the tree and stand into the living room.

It may be stable, but it sure is big. The energy we saved on the tree stand we used to move furniture, until the tree was settled where it only takes up half the room.

By Sunday morning, the tree was ready. Cormac danced around the ladder and Christopher unpacked ornaments while Chris

hung lights and red wooden beads. We paused for church, trying to point out the connection between God and the enormous Fraser Fir in our living room. Cormac whispered and wiggled throughout, and claimed the ladder as his when at last we were home again, creating a dubious clump front and center of ornaments that we usually tuck away on the sides and bottom of the tree. Oh, well, even the tank-topped Santa in his beach chair deserves his day.

Chris and I like to hold our ornaments, remembering baby's first Christmas, or the little shop in Bavaria we'd visited before the children were born. The boys create little scenarios as they hang ornaments. Christopher put all six of the Mandarin figures — gifts from friends in Hong Kong — on the same branch and wondered if they were Communists, like in China today. "Maybe they're dictators, deciding what to tell people to do," the child who gets too many instructions said.

Cormac created the Winnie the Pooh Hotel, putting all his beloved characters close together. "Pooh likes to see everybody," he explained.

On the rest of the tree, Chris and I filled in bare spots, put glass ornaments near lights and fragile things far from quick-moving children and the dog's tail. We listened to Christmas carols and snacked on Christmas cookies. Eventually, Christopher drifted into the playroom, and Cormac created an army of Nutcrackers on the coffee table, leaving Chris and me to finish trimming the tree.

I paused for just a second and leaned into the tree for a deep sniff, hoping to forever link the smell of a fir tree to this rare and peaceful Christmas moment.

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BCHS 'starstruck' senior hits pay dirt in sky

By Donna J. Bell

Tell Bethlehem Central High School senior Cullen Blake that he has stars in his eyes and he'd consider it a compliment. A student at the Lab School, Blake has spent the last six months researching a delta scuti star. His work on this little-studied celestial body earned him an opportunity to present his findings to the American Association of Variable Star Observing (AAVSO) conference in Cambridge, Mass., in October.

"My parents told me that since I was very little that I've always been very interested in astronomy," Blake said. "Last year, I did a project that involved only calculations, but I enjoyed the observing this time. When I get a job it will definitely be in the astronomy field." Blake worked with Harvey Patashnick, a Voorheesville resident who has built an observatory in his back yard. Patashnick, a former employee of a local observatory and former NASA comet researcher and contractor, was able to supply not only the physical means to complete the study, but also guidance and encouragement.

"Astronomy has always been in my blood," Patashnick said. "When Cullen had some desire to study the stars he asked around and a mutual acquaintance suggested that he give me a call. I was delighted because I was interested in working on a research program."

"Not all that much was known about this star before I started studying it," said Blake of the delta scuti star, a variable star that brightens and dims over time periods. "The only time it was extensively observed from a ground telescope was 10 years ago." Blake said that the star has been observed by a satellite and that combining his research with information from the satellite, confirms its classification. "You can see how it fits into the scheme of other stars."

Patashnick said that the particular type of star that Cullen chose to study was interesting because the amount of variation in its dimness and brightness is very subtle and needs electronic equipment to detect. The type of



BCHS senior Cullen Blake, right, and his mentor Harvey Patashnick of Voorheesville get ready to peruse the skies.

Elaine McLain

research that Blake conducted has far reaching consequences, according to Patashnick. After studying a number of these stars and determining the time period and brightness variation scientists can determine distances to the star

from the earth. Once that information is known, they can then look for these types of stars in other galaxies to determine how far away those galaxies are. From that knowledge, scientists can determine the rate of expansion of

the universe — the infamous Big Bang theory.

"One piece of evidence builds on others," Patashnick said. "The data Cullen got was excellent. When Cullen presented the paper the work was recognized as superior. This is state-of-the-art data on this star. It is very commendable for a high school student to do this work, and he did an excellent job presenting the work."

Patashnick, who accompanied Blake to the AAVSO conference, said that the organization's president approached them afterward and complimented Cullen on his paper, and Patashnick for being his mentor, and encouraged the two to collect more data.

"Cullen is a rare young man," said Lab School science teacher Jane King. "One of the things we encourage at the Lab School is independent project work. Cullen has taken this to a very high level because of his motivation and work ethic." Blake's flexible schedule has allowed him to take advanced classes in astronomy and physics at Rensselaer Poly-

technic Institute.

Astronomy isn't the Glenmont resident's only interest. The multi-talented Blake is also president of the high school student senate and co-president of the Science Olympiad team that participated in the state finals last year. He plays French horn in the high school band and orchestra, and in the Empire State Repertory Orchestra. Blake was previous editor of "The Echo," a newspaper published by BCHS students.

King says that beyond academic and extra-curricular activities, Blake is just a "great kid."

Blake said he was grateful for all the assistance he received from various mentors and supporters including teachers Nicolas Nealon, George Seymour, King and mentor and co-researcher Patashnick.

He hopes to be accepted to a four-month internship at a local technology company starting in January — and then, on to college and a future studying the universe. For Cullen Blake the sky is definitely not the limit.

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Matters of Opinion

Happy Hanukkah

With all the glitz of the upcoming holidays, it is sometimes hard to keep track of the meaning underlying the celebration. And some holidays, such as Hanukkah for members of the Jewish faith, seem rather neglected in the wake of Furby frenzy.

Yet in spite of all the brouhaha and pressure to come up with the perfect gift, this week, Jews are celebrating the eight days of Hanukkah. Refreshingly, Hanukkah is a holiday that has maintained its religious integrity for more than 2000 years. Hanukkah's roots go back to 165 B.C. when Antiochus IV profaned the Temple when he tried to force the Jews to offer sacrifices to heathen deities.

Though not one of the major Jewish holidays, the message of Hanukkah can apply to people of all faiths, especially to Americans who cherish their religious freedom. But in another sense Hanukkah teaches us all how to observe a holiday. The symbolism of the burning oil, when the Menorah candles are lighted on each night of Hanukkah, takes precedence over the gifts associated with the occasion. This is as it should be.

Happy holidays.

Proceed with caution

The proposal by St. Peter's Hospital to construct a satellite medical facility on Maher Road in Bethlehem raised a red flag at last week's town board meeting.

No one on the board or in the audience had any objections to the facility, but everyone concerned including board members, residents and even St. Peter's representatives themselves were leery about a potential traffic nightmare. St. Peter's request for a zoning variance was predicated on the state Department of Transportation's construction of a Slingerlands bypass which has been on the drawing board for more than a decade.

The ball will next move to the planning board's court.

This project would be a disaster rivaling traffic tie-ups on Route 7 in Rensselaer County and Route 9 in Colonie, without a companion plan to accommodate traffic. Imagine the snarls if this project were approved and the former Blue Cross building were to get a new tenant.

The big question is when DOT plans to build the bypass. If the answer is sooner rather than later, the 40,000-square-foot, two-story medical facility would likely get the zoning variance it needs to proceed.

Lighting the way



Madelyn Sovern, left, and her sister Lorraine light the Menorah candles for Hanukkah.

Katherine McCarthy

Support for grandparents raising kids

By Lois M. Siegel

The author is community services coordinator for the town of Colonie Senior Resources Department.

At this special time of year, we take into account all the blessings in our lives. For many, those blessings include grandchildren or special nieces and nephews.

Being a grandparent is usually a joyous time. You can visit a grandchildren or grandchild or have them visit you. You can love, spoil and enjoy the child, and then send him or her back home.

But 4 million children don't go home at the end of the day. They live, either full or part time, with a relative, usually a grandparent, who has taken on the great re-

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sponsibility of raising them. These grandparents attend PTA meetings, bring children to doctors' appointments and religious education classes and participate in Scout programs — in short, they do all the things a parent does.

Local psychologist Inci Terry call these grandparents both heroic and noble. But grandparents who are raising grandchildren struggle with mixed feelings. They may have less energy and fewer financial resources. Most have no legal standing and wonder: "What did I do wrong?"

Socially there are many reasons why grandparents are raising their grandchildren. Families are often going through troubled times, so it can be a special blessing for both the children and grandparents to have each other. A grandparent can give a child the love and self-esteem he or she needs. Grandparents can also impart a sense of family history and tradition, so the child knows his or her place in the world.

Since December 1996, the Caregivers Respite Program of Catholic Charities has offered support groups for grandparents and other relatives in Albany County who are raising children. Known as RAPP (Relatives As Parents Program), the groups were started in response to the dramatic increase in the number of relatives raising children.

RAPP is funded by the county Department for Aging, the Brookdale Foundation and the

Community Foundation for the Capital Region's Community Health Care/Albany Hospital for Incurable's Fund. The program reaches out to grandparents and relatives and gives them the support they need to face challenges. Legal issues, entitlement programs, stress management, and how to meet everyone's emotional needs, are all addressed in group sessions.

Monthly support groups also help grandparents celebrate the joys of being primary caretakers for their grandchildren and helps them provide support and encouragement for one another.

One group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Colonie Community Center at 1653 Central Ave. The group, which has a varied format, is open to everyone in the Capital District. Some months there is a speaker. At other times group member share with each other or host events for the entire family.

For information or to be placed on the mailing list, call the town of Colonie Senior Resources Department at 783-2824.

There are also other support groups in the area. One meets the second Thursday of the month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Community Center, 340 First St., Albany.

For information, call 449-2001. Another meets the third Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Seton Day Care Center, 1400 Eighth Ave., Watervliet.

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Your Opinion Matters

All students should have bus privileges

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing in regard to Bethlehem Central School District's current policy of requiring students living less than 1.5 miles from the high school to walk to and from the school each day. I have two daughters in the ninth grade and the walking distance from our house is more than 1.3 miles. The majority of the route consists of streets that do not have sidewalks. It currently takes them over 30 minutes to walk home from school, as they must carry overloaded knapsacks, musical instruments and rain gear.

I am concerned about this situation while we are enjoying some beautiful fall weather. I become upset and angry when I imagine my daughters attempting to navigate slippery, snowbank-bordered streets in the middle of winter. They will have no choice but to walk in the road if we have snow accumulations. I worry about snowplows passing by them and cars sliding into them. I worry about wind-chill factors and frost-bite.

I see the potential for lifelong back problems due to the weight of their heavy knapsacks. I am absolutely certain I would never allow them to walk anywhere under these conditions given the choice. We are supposed to accept this situation for the next four years even though there is a

bus stop two-tenths of a mile from our house.

Our work schedules permit my husband and I to drop our daughters off at the high school each morning. I have personally experienced the "significant amount" of traffic on Delaware Avenue at 7:25 a.m., as described in the "October High Flyer," the high school bulletin to parents. The purpose of this notice was to direct all parents who drop their children off to the appropriate parking lots.

I have observed and concluded that many parents are transporting their children to the high school in the morning. The traffic is overwhelming on Delaware Avenue near the high school in the morning, and I consider it too dangerous for kids crossing from Brockley Drive and other streets to the school parking lot.

Many questions come to mind when I ponder this issue. Do the parents transporting their kids feel it is unacceptable to have their children walk to school? Aren't we paying the same tax rate as other residents of the district without access to the same services? Are the kids who walk the farthest being required to walk in the dark when the days are shorter? What if my child is recovering from an illness or has an injury — does she still have to do her 1.3 miles twice a day?

School bus riders have strict

traffic laws protecting them as they get on and off the bus. The police department follows school buses in order to enforce these laws and make drivers aware of the serious consequences. Where are the protections for our kids when they are crossing and walking along busy streets?

Our school district uses its buses at under-capacity levels to transport students to private schools. Why isn't transportation available to all district residents who attend Bethlehem schools?

I spoke with Superintendent Les Loomis about this during the second week of school. He explained that this matter was voted on by the taxpayers long before he came to the school district. He said it was a budget issue and that the taxpayers will not agree to provide transportation for walkers. He also suggested that I look into joining a car pool if I had concerns about safety.

I was disappointed by these

responses. I am a taxpayer and I believe this is a current health and safety issue, not an ancient budget issue. A basic responsibility of our school district should be to ensure that our children arrive at school and return home safely. Recent tragedies have made the residents of our town very aware of the risks to pedestrians. The large area encompassed by this walking policy includes many concerned, taxpaying families of high school students and future high school students.

I am writing to formally request that the school board take the necessary measures to change this rule. I propose that transportation be made available to all Bethlehem school district students as is currently the policy for our elementary schools. Please consider this a priority and an opportunity to make a long overdue correction to an unsafe policy.

Lynne M. LaJeunesse
Slingerlands

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All letters must include the writer's name, address and daytime telephone number for verification. Unsigned letters will not be published.

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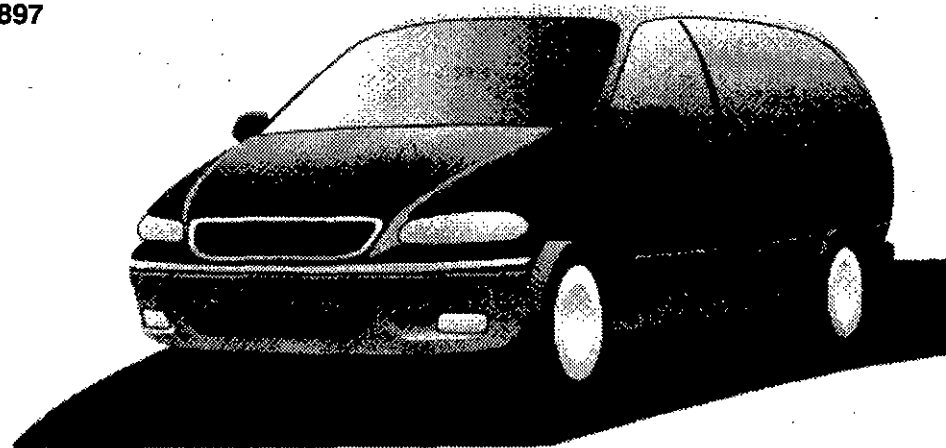


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Center supporters alive and well

Editor, The Spotlight:

What's up with the community center project you might ask? Well, the steering committee is busy collecting data to verify and support the need.

A survey has been sent to every school, town, church and community facility to investigate the adequacy of space.

The data collected will be compared to the needs for space. These needs will be determined

Letters

by a separate telephone survey to all groups that require gathering space whether it be meeting rooms, a gymnasium or something in between.

This survey is being conducted by business classes from Bethlehem Central High School.

The results of the two surveys will be analyzed to show that the need exists for a community center.

If you have received a survey or a phone call, please help us by providing complete and accurate information. The results will be available in the spring.

Phyllis Hillinger and Nan Lanahan

Community Center Steering Committee

Elsmere Fire Company appreciates support

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the members of Elsmere Fire Co. A, I would like to take a moment to thank the residents, business proprietors and property owners in the Elsmere Fire District for their generous support of our annual donation drive and for the courtesy shown us during our door-to-door canvass in October.

The Elsmere Fire Company has been providing volunteer fire protection and prevention services to the community for 76 years. During this time, our members have

been very fortunate to have loyal and growing support. Speaking for the volunteer firefighters of Elsmere, I wish everyone a safe and Happy New Year.

Frank Wickham
Elsmere Fire Co. A
president

Resident says thank you for prompt emergency aid

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recently I had a medical emergency. My husband called 911, and police officers Ray Linstruth and Jeff Vunck helped me in a matter of minutes.

Paramedic Geoffrey Ekstein did everything to make me comfortable and was very caring and professional.

Bethlehem residents are very lucky to have these people in our town.

I would also like to thank our ambulance driver Bill Wright.

Deanna Loucks
Delmar

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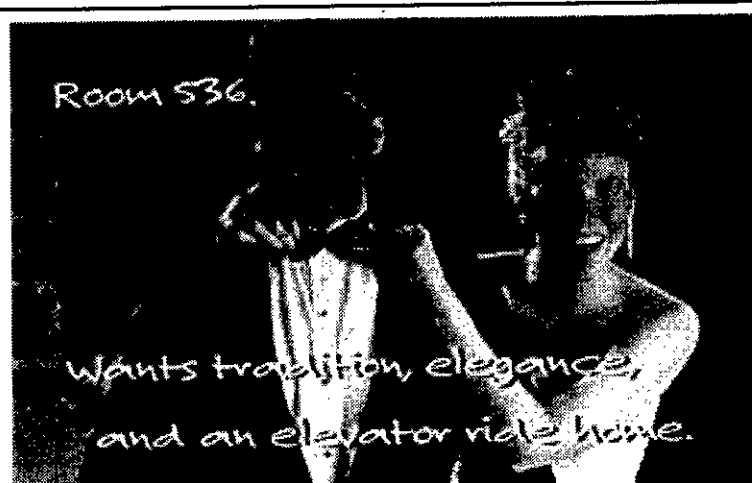
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Fowl is fair — at least for now

By Katherine McCarthy

The New Scotland town board continued to discuss how best to handle roosters owned by the Rich family, whose Orchard Hill neighbors are disturbed by the fowl's noise, at its Dec. 9 meeting.

The town board had referred the issue to the planning board, which didn't want to change the residential agricultural zoning of the area to address one problem.

At Wednesday's town board meeting, planning board attorney Margaret Adkins and town attorney Fred Riester took a closer look at the zoning law, which does not specifically state that properties under 5 acres—including the Rich residence—may keep fowl. "My understanding is that what's not permitted is prohibited," said Riester.

The matter will again go to the planning board, which meets the first Tuesday of the month, to determine if the Riches need a special use permit to keep their roosters. If so, codes enforcement officer Paul Jeffers will issue a ticket.

Matthew Zell, an Orchard Hill resident who has attended the last four town board meetings in pursuit of a resolution, urged the board to adopt an animal noise ordinance. Since the Rich property is under 5 acres, Zell considers the roosters pets, and likened their noise to that of a barking dog. "The town has a dog barking law," Zell said, "and must have a nuisance law. A pet owner must be responsible for their pets' noise. The current 'anything goes' policy only gives rights to animal owners, not to their neighbors."

The issue of removing animal carcasses also came before the board, as town Supervisor Herb Reilly informed the board that he had put a letter of reprimand in animal control officer Chester Boehlke's personal file because a dead deer had remained on the side of the road for approximately three weeks.

"The removal of animal carcasses is not written up in Chester's job description per se, buy my understanding when Chester took the job was that he would continue to remove dead animals," Reilly said.

Boehlke, along with most of

the board and the gathered audience, protested the letter of reprimand.

"I said I would remove carcasses if I had the equipment," Boehlke said, "and I have requested a trailer to remove animals like this. I was trying to help the town, and feel that I've been slapped in the face, and received a letter of reprimand for something

solve it. You talk about problems, you don't stick a letter in someone's file."

Adkins referred to opinion from the state comptroller's office, which specifically state that removal of dead carcasses should not be the duty of the animal control officer.

Reilly agreed to remove the letter from Boehlke's file, and the town board will discuss how to remove carcasses from the roadside. In the meantime, highway supervisor Darrell Duncan volunteered to assist Boehlke with carcass removal.

The board also revisited removing the sales tax on clothing under \$110, which Albany County estimated would cost the town approximately \$80,000 annually. Although Reilly is in favor of removing the tax, there was no second for his motion to remove the tax.

The board set its year-end meeting for Dec. 30 at 7 p.m. and its organizational meeting for Jan. 4 at 7 p.m.

The current 'anything goes' policy only gives rights to animal owners, not to their neighbors.

Matthew Zell

I volunteered to do."

Board member Andrea Gleason said this was a matter to be discussed privately. "You two should meet in your office," she told Reilly. "If I had problems with my employees, I'd call them in, and have a one-on-one talk about what the problem is and how to

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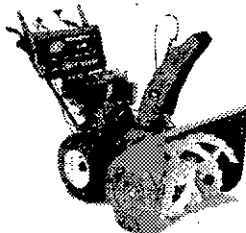
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Annual music festival set at Methodist Church

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A combination of traditional and contemporary music will be performed by an ecumenical choir under the direction of Ken George.

At 5 p.m. a living creche will assemble on the church's front lawn. It will end at 7 p.m.

For information, call the church office at 765-2895.

High school concert set for Thursday

The high school's holiday concert is set for Thursday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. in the auditorium.

The concert and stage bands, Select Chorus, Phoenix Club (girls' chorus) and Men's Quartet will perform.

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Santa parade set for Sunday

Maple Avenue Cultural Society's annual Santa float will leave the firehouse at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 20, and make stops at Smitty's, First United Methodist Church and the parking lot of SuperValu.

There will be a holiday sing-along, and Santa will have treats for children.

Voorheesville Legion to serve breakfast

Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493 will sponsor an all-

you-can-eat breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 20, from 8 a.m. to noon.

The menu includes eggs, sausage, french toast, home fries, toast and beverages.

Village historian to sign books

Village historian Dennis Sullivan will sign copies of his book *Voorheesville New York: A Sketch of the Beginnings of a Nineteenth Century Railroad Town*, on Saturday, Dec. 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at SuperValu on Maple Avenue.

Constance Burns will also sell historic postcards of Voorheesville and New Scotland, printed from her original pen and ink drawings.

St. Matthew's Church slates services

St. Matthew's Church on

Mountainview Street will hold an Advent communal penance service today, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m.

The children's Christmas pageant will take place on Sunday, Dec. 20, during 11:30 a.m. Mass. For information, call 765-2805.

Village board to meet Dec. 22

Voorheesville trustees will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m. at village hall on Voorheesville Avenue. The meeting has not been moved up this year.

Centennial committee plans hirsute contest

Start growing a beard or mustache now! Voorheesville's centennial committee recently announced that it will sponsor a historic beard and mustache contest as part of centennial celebrations in May.

Preregistration is not required. Contestants need only show up for judging on May 28. Registration will start at 6:45 p.m. with judging at 7 p.m. at the firehouse on Altamont Road.

Phil DePasquale, Barbara Vink and Karl Scharl will be the judges.

The categories will include: longest beard, neatest beard, most original beard and most unique mustache.

Waxing is allowed, but hairpieces and paste-ons are not.

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Firefighters conduct calendar drive

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Congrats to Eagle Scout

Congratulations to Jeff Rivenburg who recently became Boy Scout Troop 73's newest Eagle Scout.

For his Eagle project, Rivenburg planned and directed the construction of a platform bird-watching blind in a remote section of Five Rivers.

Food pantry thanks donors

Special thanks to Cub Scout Troop 73, which recently donated food collected during its Scouting for Food drive to the New Scotland Food Pantry.

The food pantry, at St. Matthew's Church still needs canned fruit, peanut butter and jelly, toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex and napkins.

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and copies have been practically flying out the door at a purchase price of \$5 each. The books look great and will make wonderful holiday gifts.

You can "Light One Candle" at family evening story time on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 7 p.m. Come in your jammies for seasonal tales with youth services librarian Joyce Laiosa.

Families in New Scotland will be the recipients of our Toys for Tots campaign organized by the high school Key Club and student government.

New, unwrapped toys can be placed in the donation box at the library for distribution through St. Matthew's Church.

The deadline for the gift drop-off is Dec. 22. Thanks for the great response to our plea for wrapping paper — now let's begin wrapping some gifts.

Marie Garling's snowmen will greet you from the display case if

you enter through the side door this month. The kids will love this display.

Barbara Vink

Bethlehem church plans live Nativity

The Senior High School Youth Group at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, will present a live Nativity on Saturday and Sunday Dec. 19 and 20, at 6:30 p.m.

Authentic costumes, live animals and familiar carols will be part of the proceedings as the Christmas story is brought to life. Following the 20-minute pageant, children will be able to pet the animals and chat with Mary, Joseph and the other Nativity characters.

Centennial plans under way

Voorheesville will celebrate the centennial of its founding in May, and the Voorheesville centennial committee is selling commemorative items.

Commemorative items range from historic lap robes and shirts to flags, tote bags and watches.

Many of the items feature the official Voorheesville centennial logo, which has a representation of the old Voorheesville train station and a train, circa 1899.

The logo was designed by Andy Rockmore, a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School in Voorheesville and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Most of the items are available in burgundy and wheat, the original Voorheesville colors.

The historic lap robe was designed by centennial committee members. It highlights the centennial logo in the center, and has representations of old and new

Voorheesville. Among the old/new buildings on the blanket are the post office, library, firehouse and elementary school.

All merchandise is approved by the Voorheesville centennial committee, and is on display at village hall at 29 Voorheesville Ave.

Items include the laprobe, four styles of watches, hats, tote bags, T-shirts and Henley shirts, flags, mugs, pins and pencils. Flags are available with the logo, dates and "Welcome" or a daffodil design. Daffodils are the official flower of the centennial.

Prices for commemorative

merchandise ranges from \$3 to \$30.

Centennial merchandise will be sold at special events throughout the year. Items are also available at village hall on Wednesdays, from 10 a.m. to noon and at SuperValu Foods.

For information, call St. Denis at 765-4748 or the village office at 765-2692.

Voorheesville centennial celebrations will be held during the month of May and will include a dedication of a memorial clock, fireworks display, community dances, parades and a full week-end of family activities.

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The borrowing period on videotapes remains three days for feature films and two weeks for travelogues, documentaries, how-tos and other nonfiction videos.

Two youth services programs close out the year for kids. Thursday, Dec. 17, at 4 p.m., "A Chilly Creation" will be presented for children ages 3 to 6. Hot chocolate will be served as a post craft warmer. Children and their families are again invited to the annual New Year's Eve Gala on Dec. 31 at 11 a.m.

Punch will be provided, and guests are asked to bring cookies.

Library trustees have announced a board vacancy following the departure of Thomas Shen, who resigned last month to serve as a consultant for the U.S.-Asia Environmental Partnership Project.

According to its bylaws, the board will fill the vacancy with an appointee until the next annual election in May. Candidates are invited to submit a letter expressing their interest and a resume to library director Nancy Pieri.

The library will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 for the Christmas holiday, and reopen on Saturday, Dec. 26. On New Year's Eve, we will close at 5 p.m. and reopen on Saturday, Jan. 2.

Louise Grieco

Mothers group sets cookie swap

Mother's Time Out will meet on Monday, Dec. 21, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delaware Ave.

The meeting will feature a cookie swap and a sharing of the Christmas story with the children.

New participants are welcome. For information, call 439-9929.

Celebrations of note



Bethlehem librarian Sandy Tabor, left, and storyteller Joni Goldberg explain some of the traditions of Hanukkah at the library's recent International Holiday Festival.

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St. Thomas honor roll

St. Thomas the Apostle School in Delmar recently announced its sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade achievement honor roll for the first quarter.

Students must receive a grade of 85 or above in academic subjects, with no grade less than 76, and have a B average in effort and conduct to be on the achievement honor roll.

The following sixth-grade students are on the achievement honor roll: Bethany Barrowman, Shawn Bukowski, Cecelia Corrigan, Matthew Cossingham, Jenna Crandall, Julie Deitz, Jesse Hoose, Clare Jednak, Moira Jowett, Jocelyn Lescarbeau, Peter Maggiore, Bernard McCall, Jessica Muller, Alexandra Prince, Lauren Strait, Andrew Touchette, Jillian Van Dyke-Restifo and Brian Wendth.

Seventh-grade honor roll students are: Eoin Carroll, Laura Connell, Abigail Corwin, Bridget Daley, Meredith DeFlumer, Andrea Eberhardt, Anne-Marie Fouhy, Vanessa Gamarra, Cynthia Granato, Colleen Heilsberg, Evan Kalman, Timothy Kieper, Reynald Lescarbeau, Evan Marsh, Annemarie Papandrea, Lisa Papandrea, Kevin Royo, Patrick Smith, William Ting, Tracy Anne Wereb and Autumn Wood.

Eighth-grade honor roll students are: Julie Capron, Jacquelyn Cary, Joseph Clyne, Frances Ford, Peter Fouhy, Jamie Kieper, Megan Kindlon, Sean Lichorowicz, Kimberly McCall, Lindsay McCluskey, Jessica Murphy, Jessica Schubmehl, James Tougher, Justin Van Dyke-Restifo, Thomas Wilsey and Angela Zullo.

Parks & Rec opens registration

The town of Bethlehem Department of Parks and Recreation will begin its annual mail-in lottery registration for winter programs today, Dec. 16. Phone-in and in-person registration will begin Dec. 18.

Information on winter programs was contained in the re-

cent Bethlehem Report. Lottery participants must be residents of the town or Bethlehem Central School District.

Payments must be included with all applications. Visa and Master Card are now accepted. For information, call 439-4131.

Elks program to help veterans

Bethlehem Elks Lodge will participate in the Veterans Deer Hide Program during the hunting season.

Hunters can donate hides to the lodge at 1016 River Road in Selkirk. Elks will then prepare and

salt the hides for shipment to a tannery in mid-January. Monies received will be distributed to veterans hospitals throughout the state.

For information, call Ron Palmer at 768-2150, or Al Danckert at 768-2419.

Delmar library to host craft session

A Chilly Creation winter craft session for children ages 3 to 6 is set for Thursday, Dec. 17, at 4 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library,

451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

The session is free and hot chocolate will be served. To register, call 439-9314.

BCHS students win scholarships

Burnt Hills Oratorio Society recently announced that BCHS seniors Rebecca Minor and John Bragle were the winners of its 1998 vocal scholarships.

Minor and Bragle both performed solos at the society's holiday concert in Clifton Park.

Clarksville resident promoted by HVCC

Lisa VanWie of Clarksville was recently named associate financial aid officer at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy. She has been employed by the school since 1995.

VanWie has a bachelor's from Sage Women's College and a master's from Sage Graduate Colleges.

Breakfast at Legion

Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493 will sponsor an all-you-can-eat breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 20, from 8 a.m. to noon.

The menu includes eggs, sausage, French toast, home fries, toast and beverages.

High school sets concert

RCS Senior High School's concert is on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Fourth-graders at A.W. Becker Elementary School will present a musical tonight, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m.

Honor Society plans flower sale

National Honor Society members will host a flower sale on Friday, Dec. 18, at the high school.

Proceeds will benefit Honor Society programs.

Library to close for holidays

RCS Community Library will be closed Thursday through Sunday, Dec. 24 to 27, and Dec. 31 to Jan. 3 for the holidays.

During December, the library is accepting nonperishable foods in lieu of overdue fines. All food will be donated to local food pantries. Lost books must still be paid for.

Soccer club to meet at middle school

RCS Youth Soccer Club will

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meet on Monday, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the middle school.

Safe School's Committee slates meeting

RCS Safe School's Committee has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 6:30 p.m. in the middle school library.

Coeymans files suit over proposed landfill

The town of Coeymans has initiated a lawsuit against the city of Albany over its plan to purchase 363 acres near the Hudson River for a proposed landfill.

Albany's common council recently voted to float bonds to purchase the property, which will cost \$3.45 million.

An additional lawsuit, filed jointly by residents of Albany and Coeymans, is expected.

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Bethlehem Central announces honor roll students

Bethlehem Central High School recently announced its honor and merit rolls for the first quarter.

Ninth-grade honor roll

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Rebecca Corson, Lindsey Crusan, Kelley Curran, Miranda Davis, Leslie DiPaolo, Katherine Donovan, Matthew Drislane, Andrew Eckel, Lauren Gordon-Fahn, Deborah Gordon-Messer, Aaron Griffin, Andrew Grund, David Guo, Stephanie Halbedel, Padraic Hennessy, Eric Herd, Nicole Hill, Michael Hoghe, Stephen Hoghe, Kalin Jaffe, Melissa Jenks, Todd Joyce, Aaron Kaplan, Josie Klersy, Jozef Kopchick, Harris Kornstein and Robert Kuhn.

And James LaBarge, Colin Lacy, Kathryn Longley, Sasha LoPresti, Erik Lowery, Stephen Maltzman, Judith Mark, Kristin McElroy, Alison McKee, Kevin Nagel, William Nathan, Marina Novack, Michael Nuttall, Amy O'Donnell, Timothy Palmieri, Stephen Perazzelli, Marc Perez, Jaclyn Pilette, Julie Polovina, Alissa Python, Padraic Reagan, Jennifer Rodgers, Nitin Roper, Lauren Schucker, Michael Schwab, Marcy Shultes, Tara-Marie Silk, Meredith Singer, Jennifer Sokoler, Jeffrey Sundram, Andrew Swiatowicz, Carter Thomas, Erik Turner, Kelly Vadney, Sara Virgil, Elizabeth Walker, Emily Wistar, Benjamin Wolinsky, Shawn Woodworth and David Zurenko.

Ninth-grade merit roll

Christopher Affinati, Arno

Alarcon, Elizabeth Alesse, Bradley Alston, Johanna Anderson, Laura Baboulis, Noah Bacon, Megan Baldwin, Rachel Bellizzi, Alec Betterley, Danielle Blanchard, Steven Borzykowski, Robert Boughton, Tiffany Bowdish, Sean Boyle, Shannon Boynton, Parker Brown, Eric Buist, Mark Bulger, Allison Carloni, Brandon Cary and Arthur Ceas.

And Quinn Coffey, Susan Collen, Peter Cooley, Christine Coulon, Misty Crowder, Brendan Cullen, Laura Curtis, Ryan Dalton, Patrick Dawson, Christopher Deitz, Megan Dole, Ally Duff, Patricia Eames, Lance Ellers, Jennafer Engelstein, Seth Erlich, Kelly Fuchs, Jason Fudin, Frederick Fuhrman, Stephanie Garbo, Celinda Gebhardt, Jennifer Gerstenzang, Nancy Gort, Aimee Gould, Katherine Gould, Hannah

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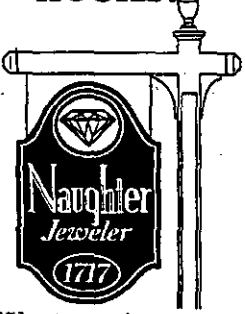

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10th-grade honor roll

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10th-grade merit roll

Robin Abelson, Chelsea Adewunmi, Jonathan Albert, Peter Allegretti, Sean Altimari, Brian Andreson, Shira Arcus, Michael Avella, Brian Axford, Richard Bailey, Blaire Banagan, Anne Barrett, Benjamin Barrowman, Amy Bennett, Robin Betzhold, Rebecca Botta, Shannon Boughton, Heather Bradley, Susan Breaznell, Stephanie Breen, Matthew Bresin, Colleen Brewster, Erica Brunner, Bianca Buchanan, Michael Buff, Joshua Burnett, Dana Bushnell, Evan Cammisa-Frost, Suzanne Cardona, Jacqueline Carona, Elisa Carpinello, Maria Catalano, Andrea Chorbajian, Pamela Coggins, David Cohen and William Combes.

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11th-grade honor roll

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Book group to discuss *Lord Jim*

The Books in the Morning series, hosted by Helen Adler, will discuss Joseph Conrad's classic *Lord Jim* on Friday, Jan. 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall on Delaware Avenue.

The series is sponsored by Bethlehem Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning.

For information, call 439-9661.

Elks to host monthly dances

Crooked Creek Band will play at a series of monthly dances at Bethlehem Elks Lodge on Route 144 in Cedar Hill.

Dances will run from 8 p.m. to midnight. There will be line, couples and square dances. The cover charge is \$5 per person.

Dances are planned for Jan. 23, Feb. 13 and March 20.

A free gift will be given to the first 50 people and door prizes will be awarded throughout the night.

For information, call J. L. Williams at 756-8187 or Sue Hoffman-Van Alstyne at 756-1805.

New Year's bird count

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar will hold its 17th annual New Year's Day bird count on Friday, Jan. 1.

More than 58 species of bird have been observed in past years.

The event will begin at 9 a.m., and participants should bring binoculars and dress warmly.

For information, call 475-0295.

Festival Fund seeks donations

Bethlehem Festival Fund, which for a half century has provided assistance to town residents, is seeking donations to help provide holiday food baskets for the needy.

Last year, the fund provided 82 food baskets to Bethlehem residents, and every dollar donated to

the volunteer organization goes toward assistance.

To make a donation, send a check to the fund's treasurer, Paul Gutman, at 13 McKinley Drive, Delmar 12054, or contact the town's Senior Citizens Services office at 439-4955.

Turkey dinner slated at church

Rev's Country Kitchen at South Bethlehem United Methodist Church will sponsor a roast turkey dinner with all the fixings on Saturday, Dec. 19.

The dinner begins with finger foods at 5:30 p.m. followed by a

family-style dinner at 6 p.m.

After dinner, there will be a variety show. Guests will be served dessert and have time to visit the Christmas Country Bakery.

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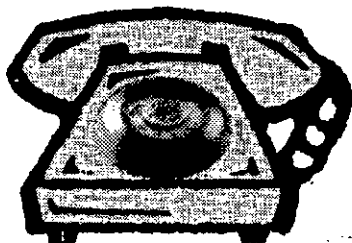
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BCHS students attend All-State Music Festival

Bethlehem Central School District announced that eight Bethlehem Central High School students recently attended the 1998 All-State Music Festival in Rochester.

Participants come from throughout New York and selection was based on solo performances which were adjudicated last spring by the New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA).

Christy Balluf, John Bragle and Molly Spooner were named to the mixed chorus; Samuel Cook, Daniel DiPaolo and Christopher Palmieri participated in the band;

Justin Friedman played in the wind ensemble and Thomas Smith in the orchestra. Roxana Bahar was named an alternate for the band.

Three of the All-State attendees were also chosen to participate in the All-Eastern Festival which will culminate with a concert at Carnegie Hall in February. Members of All-Eastern groups are selected from 10 northeastern states based on NYSSMA solo performances and All-State participation.

BCHS students John Bragle was chosen for the chorus; Justin Friedman for the band; and Christopher Palmieri will be a member

of the orchestra. John Bragle will also travel to Chicago to sing in the ACDA National Choral Festival with other gifted musicians from around the country.

Thirty-seven students from BCHS recently attended the regional NYSSMA Festival in Saratoga Springs. Students were selected for participation based on their solo performance at the NYSSMA adjudication last spring.

Edward Laird, Todd McCoy, Sarah Richardson, Robyn Scherer, Rob Storey, Kaitlin LaPierre, Elena Oldendorf, Katie Richardson, Arthur Feldman, Jarod Kalman, Kate Svenson, Stephen

Kidera and Stephanie Sherman participated in the Area All-State Band.

McCaella Curran, Lisa Jacobs and Laura Puzio were in the Area All-State Chorus and Justin Friedman and Matt Hough were members of the Area All-State Jazz Ensemble.

The Area All-State Orchestra included Christopher Palmieri, Tom Smith, Sam Cook, Lauren Sinacore, Daniel DiPaolo, William Nathan, Roxana Bahar, Kevin Moehring, Peter Smith, Tobias Cushing, Jennifer Leary, Jennifer Nathan, Andrea Prudette, Richard Viglucci and Angela Caruso. Also named, but not able to attend were John Bragle, Katie Gold, Gabrielle Foley and Cullen Blake.

Bethlehem Music Association assisted students with costs associated with attending both festivals.

Bethlehem library to fill board vacancy

Trustees of Bethlehem Public Library are seeking to fill the board vacancy created by Dr. Thomas Shen's recent resignation.

The vacancy must be filled by appointment at the board's annual election in May.

Candidates should submit a letter of interest to library director Nancy Pieri and send it to Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.

BCHS grad elected to college office

BCHS graduate David Goodfellow of Delmar was recently elected student government vice president for university relations at St. Lawrence University.

Goodfellow, a sophomore at the school, begins his term in January.

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The group didn't set out to be a community service organization, Jeffers recalls. "Oh, we do discuss culture," said Jeffers. "But at what level is anybody's opinion."

The earliest deeds, he said, were mostly elaborate pranks on one another: things like wrapping the front of the house of an out-of-town member, or holding a mock trial of another who killed a neighbor's tomato plant. Or putting scraggly Christmas trees (left out in the post-holiday trash) on a buddy's lawn under a "half-price sale" sign. "There were maybe 20 or 30 trees on his front lawn when he got home," said Jeffers, savoring the memory.

One of its earliest pranks has become the group's symbol: The Voorheesville Stump. According to Culture Society lore, the gang got together on one occasion in a neighborly effort to uproot a tree stump from one of the members' lawns. Confronted later with the question of what to do with the gnarled outcast, the answer presented itself readily: anonymously deposit it on one another's front porches and lawns, with suitable decorations.

Now the stump has become a treasured icon that turns up on all Culture Society occasions, includ-

ing its parade floats. Which brings us to the community-spirit work of the group. Back in 1986 when the city of Albany was celebrating its tricentennial, the gang decided to enter a float in the kickoff parade, and what made a finer centerpiece than the stump?

"We had so much fun," said Jeffers of their entry, "that we thought, why not have a parade of our own?"

So the group entered another float in the village's next Memorial Day parade, and thus began a cherished "krazie" tradition of parade floats on civic occasions. The friends have participated in some 30 or 40 in the last decade, from Schodack to Schroon Lake, and "the stump has been on the trailer or the wagon for every one since," said Jeffers.

In the village itself, the group

has taken to doing two "one-float parades" a year, one carting Santa about the village, the other as a float for the Easter Bunny. To make it official, the stump joins the guest of honor on the float.

This weekend, the parade route begins at the Voorheesville firehouse at 2 p.m. and makes its first stop in the parking lot at Smith's Tavern. From there, it's on down Maple Avenue to First United Methodist Church, then onto Voorheesville Avenue and Pine Street to the SuperValu parking lot. The parade concludes around 4 p.m. with a spin down Circle Drive and Apple Blossom Lane.

"The main thing for the two holiday parades is the enjoyment of the children," said Jeffers. "If you travel with the float just one time, the change in diameter of

their eyes when they see Santa Claus on their own street, in front of their own house, is reward enough for the members."

The group's good works for kids at holiday time have drawn some new blood into the group. "A younger generation is taking over," said Jeffers.

This Christmas joyride may be the last hurrah for the stump. Seems the old thing's getting a bit rusty with age. Literally. "Half the weight of the thing these days is

from the nails and staples and whatever that hold appropriate decorations to it," Jeffers said. "And due to moisture and chipmunks and whatever, it's seen better days. It may be best that it's retired."

"We're not sure whether to pass on the stump or have a bonfire and burn it," said Jeffers. "The old group has to determine if the new group is crazy enough to carry on the name of the Krazies."

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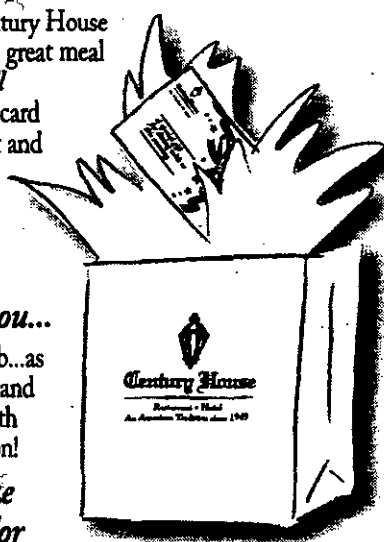
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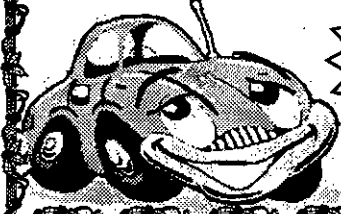
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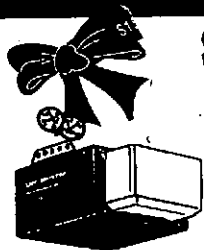
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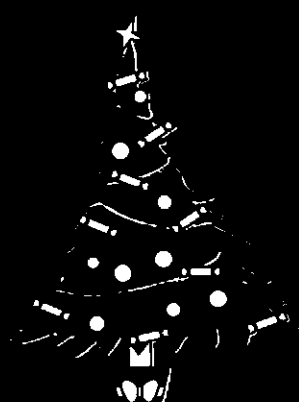
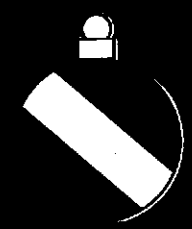
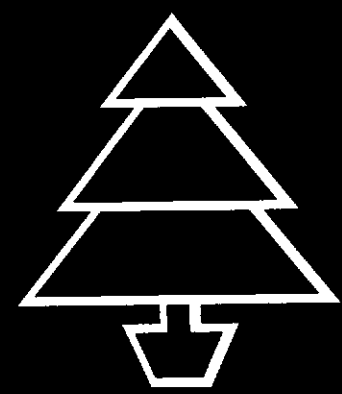
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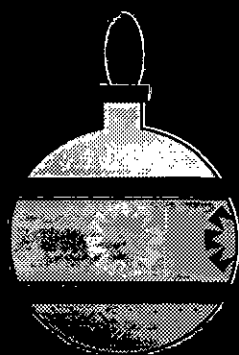
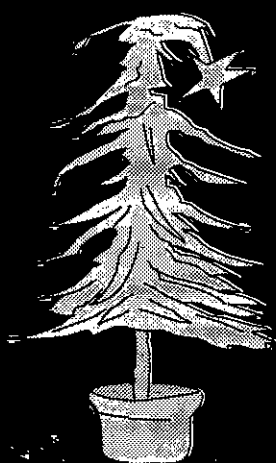
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Secor

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"We're in compliance not because I say so," Secor said. "We're in compliance because the state Health Department, independent labs, the county Health Department and our consultant say so."

Secor's presentation also included a document from JH Consulting Group, which oversees the treatment plant, specifically refuting many of the complex technical claims made by Kelleher. Secor also presented copies of correspondence from JH Consulting

representatives and others responding to various assertions by Kelleher and by Sherwood Davies dating back to 1995.

"It's not a quality problem," Secor said. "It's a quantity problem."

Of Kelleher's assertion that there was a leak from the wastewater plant, Secor said, "There is no evidence of a leak. It's a thousand feet away (from the aquifer). That is not an issue. This nonsense has to stop."

Secor's remarks drew an im-

mediate response from Kelleher. "The town board should be aware of these facts," he said, reiterating his figures. "Let O'Brien & Gere prove who's right and who's wrong." O'Brien & Gere is the engineering firm consulting with the town in its lawsuit against J. Fraser & Associates, designers and builders of the plant. The plant produces less than half of the volume which was initially projected. O'Brien & Gere is involved in extensive test drilling and analysis of the water being produced in the aquifer that supplies the Clap-

per Road plant.

"If you don't want to recognize it, if you don't want to improve the quality of this water, that's fine," Kelleher said.

Supervisor Sheila Fuller told the board that Secor had not responded earlier to Kelleher's claims on the advice of the town's attorneys in the pending lawsuit. But she asked him to do so, she said, after she was approached by several students in attendance at the previous meeting, asking if it was "true that we're drinking sewer water."

"It is wrong," Fuller said. "It is unfair. I live in this community, and the last thing I'm going to do is drink sewer water."

New Scotland museum open for winter

The museum of the New Scotland Historical Association in Wyman Osterhout Community Center on Route 85 in New Salem will be open by appointment throughout the winter.

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Bethlehem church awarded grant

Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Delmar has been awarded \$450 from the Lutheran Brotherhood, a fraternal benefit society, through the brotherhood's Congregational Matching Funds Program.

The contribution matches one raised through a capital improvements campaign in October and November, and will be used for improvements at the church.

Food stamp info available at town hall

The town of Bethlehem's Senior Services Department and Albany County Social Services recently announced a nutritional assistance program.

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Sports

Gridders help RCS basketball get off to a fast start

By Len Tarricone

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School varsity boys basketball team comes into the 1998-99 season with experience, size, depth, and the ability to score on the blocks or from downtown. They also bring one important intangible to the floor — a winning attitude. These factors have combined to help them sprint out of the gate with four straight victories to open the campaign.

First-year coach **Bryan Wood** has eight players from the school's three-time defending Section II titleist football team, four of whom start on the hardwood.

"The qualities that made them champions on the football team are the same that can make them champions in basketball," said Wood.

And when that mentality combines with talent, as it did for Gary VanDerzee's football squad, good things can happen. This team has its share of ability as well, and much of it is supplied by one of the few non-football players, senior forward **John Weinheimer**. He scored 86 points in the Indians first three victories, over Schalmont (82-44), Waterford (71-52) and Lansingburgh (59-47), and teamed with senior co-captain **Kevin Reinisch** for 30 in a 52-34 win over Albany Academy Dec. 11. He heads a seasoned group of six returnees who all started at

one time or another last season.

This contingent includes off-guard **Tony Tucker** and center **Jim Glastetter**, both seniors; junior point guard **Brad Palmer**, junior swingman **Nate Seaburgh** and senior co-captain **Kevin Reinisch**. All five played key roles on the Indians 11-1 football team this year.

"We have good size and are very physical," said Wood, who served stints coaching the junior varsity, freshmen, and modified teams at Ravena before replacing current varsity girls basketball coach **Bruce Stott** as varsity coach this year. He called the 6-foot, 4-inch Glastetter "one of the better low post players in the league," and he and Weinheimer should give the Indians reliable production in and around the paint.

Tucker is the other co-captain and a solid backcourt player who could be the team's best defender. Seaburgh is "a very good shooter," and Wood said Palmer has shown

he can knock down shots as well.

The Indians were a young team last year that finished at 9-13, but they grew as the year progressed, and now they are all back. Wood attributed the seasoning they received from Stott as providing him with a solid foundation for his debut squad.

"Our offense looks good, and all five starters can score," said Wood. "There is leadership on this team, the kids have experience, have played lots of games together, and they can handle themselves."

Reinisch, who started some games for Weinheimer last season, heads a deep bench that also includes six juniors — forwards **Sam Pitts**, **Jim Latter** and **Mike Stott**; guards **Jake Lehman** and **Simon Foulger** and center **Brian Lichorowic**.

All of them except Foulger played for Wood on the junior varsity team last year, so he knows their games well.

For all its offensive capability,

Wood said the team's defense is a concern, and that the Indians will have to step things up on that end of the floor in order to have a successful season.

He is also aware that it will take a while for his football players to get "basketball legs," but he is willing to wait a little for them to reach full rhythm.

"It's not how we start that's important," he said. "It's how we end."

The start is looking pretty good right now, and if this unit does improve as the season progresses, that ending could be special indeed.

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Young Blackbirds looking to repeat Sectional success

By Len Tarricone

As one of the smaller schools in the tough Colonial Council, the Clayton A. Bouton High School varsity boys basketball team has taken its share of lumps. The hard-knocking experience of battling bigger schools, though, has prepared the Blackbirds well for the post-season, where they have reached the Class CC finals two of the three years coach **Bill Logan** has been at the helm.

Advancing that far in 1998-99 will be a huge challenge due to the loss of four starters from last year's team, which lost to Watervliet High School in the Sec-

tional championship game after winning only five of 20 games during the regular year.

"We lost all of our height, a 6-foot, 7-inch player and two 6-foot, 5-inch players, and this is going to create matchup problems for us this year," said Logan. "We will be one of the smaller teams in the league."

The size factor came into play in a season-opening 69-45 loss to Watervliet. The Blackbirds got the Cannoneers' star swingman, **Kevin Yanni**, to the bench with foul trouble, only to be done in by Watervliet's inside package of **John Bolt** and **Ed Rankin**. Yanni



Voorheesville's Sheyne Suker (32, white) and Joe Guastella hound Watervliet's Bill VanPatten. Len Tarricone

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finished with 38 points, but the inability of the Blackbirds to prevent the other two from hurting them was another key to the defeat.

The lone holdover starter from last year is senior **John Krajewski**, who averaged 18 points per game a year ago and is off to an even better start this year. A strong offensive player from the wing who also has the ability to score in the interior, Krajewski has scored 14, 33, and 27 points in the Blackbirds' first three games, all losses to

Watervliet, Schalmont, and Cohoes respectively.

He and freshman **Bill Schlappi** give the Blackbirds a three-point twin threat, something that was lacking from the inside-dominated team of last season. Logan is hopeful that perimeter shooting and good team speed serve as equalizers on nights when his team is out-sized.

"We have hard-working kids who play tough man-to-man defense," he said, and this is one of the strengths that he is counting on to keep games close.

Krajewski joins fellow tri-captains **Tim Beadnell** and **Pat St. Denis** (who will miss the first month with mononucleosis) as the only seniors on the club and the only players with varsity experience.

Logan will start three juniors, point guard **Joe Guastella**, forward **Sheyne Suker** and center **Brian Matthews**, along with

Krajewski and off-guard **Beadnell** at the outset of this season.

Schlappi, Logan said, is knocking on the door to crack the starting lineup. He and Krajewski led the Blackbirds with 14 points apiece in the opening-night loss.

The rest of the squad consists of juniors **Chris Jackstad** and **Bill Peters** and sophomore swingman **Collin Adalian**, who Logan said "will be a significant contributor this year."

This host of newcomers bodes well for the future, but must produce this year, as Logan will need help from all corners to compete with the Class A and B schools of his league night-in and night-out. But if history is any indication, once mid-February rolls around, their Class CC Sectional foes had better be wary of the Blackbirds.

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Ladybirds face new challenges

By Len Tarricone

No one would have cause to question **Jack Adams'** coaching ability. All he has done is win four Section II championships in the four years he has been at the helm of the Clayton A. Bouton High School girls varsity basketball team.

But the eyes of the Section, and the Colonial Council in particular, may be a little more focused on his program this season as the Blackbirds try to resume life without **Jane Meade**.

The four-year starting point guard, who led the Ladybirds to three consecutive state final fours and a 27-1 record last year, when she was named Class C player of the year, is now playing Division I ball for St. Joseph's.

Gone with her are two other starters from a year ago, **Regan Burns** and **Jan Riede**, but Adams has a group of five returning seniors to lead the club in its pursuit of another title.

One of them is his daughter, **Caryn Adams**, who starts at shooting guard and is the Ladybirds' leading scorer through the team's first four games — wins over Watervliet, Averill Park and Cohoes and a loss to Schalmont. Forward **Jessica Lindner** is the other holdover starter, and she is joined in the frontcourt by **Jan Rissacher** and **Jessica Stewart**. Point guard **Julie Baron** rounds out the seasoned starting five, of which only Stewart did not see significant action last year.

"The strength of our team the past few years was that we were

able to run a very up-tempo style of play, pushing the ball upcourt as quickly as possible, while often using full-court pressure on defense," said Adams. "I don't expect that to change this year. Our experienced kids have gotten better at this with time, and I think we might even press more this year than in the past."

This breakneck philosophy requires conditioned athletes and fresh legs, and Adams will be looking heavily to his bench. Juniors **Liz Riede** and **Melissa Klapp** are up from the junior varsity and will provide backup for the interior players, while sophomores **Katelyn Berger** and **Brittney Burnham** will rotate into the backcourt.

"The biggest challenge for us is to come together as quickly as possible and to meld the new faces with our seniors," said Adams, who coached the boys team at Voorheesville for two years back in the 1970s before returning to

coach Catholic Youth Organization ball in 1990, where he instructed many of his current players. He said he has been coaching his group of seniors since they were in the fifth grade.

Adams said the Colonial Council is very strong this year, with Holy Names returning five starters and Lansingburgh and Averill Park, among others, improved. And he has already received a first-hand account of Schalmont's strength.

"We will need contributions from more kids this year," he said. "We have intelligent, hard working players, and we have to be prepared to play every night."

With the rest of the league motivated to knock off the reigning champions, this is especially true. And without Meade to go to, it will be interesting to chart the progress of this team.

The Ladybirds' next game will be at home against Mechanicville Dec. 18.

BCHS grapplers down Bison

The Bethlehem Central High School varsity wrestling team improved its record to 4-1 Dec. 9 with a 40-32 victory over Shaker High School.

Scoring pins for the Eagles were **Matt Curtin** at 96 pounds, **Andy Hayes** at 145, **Bob Hazen** at 171 and **Dennis Lenhardt** at 215. **Greg Hotaling** won by forfeit at 112, while **Paul Rapuccio** won by decision at 125 and **Dean Kawczak** triumphed via technical fall (16-0) at 140. **Jason Hessburg** moved up from 171 pounds to 189 pounds and lost 2-1.

At the junior varsity level, although there were a limited number of matches, the Eagles dominated by taking four out of five. **Spencer Hutchins** won by technical fall at 96 pounds by posting a 16-0 score in the third period. **Dan Dugas** won a decision at 119 pounds, **Martin Bonventre** came from behind in his match to record a pin in the 125-pound division and **Harold Barnard** scored a first-period pin at 189 pounds.

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Bethlehem hoopsters begin season

With over 450 players, the Bethlehem Basketball Club opened its 11th season Dec. 6 at Bethlehem Central Middle School. At the NBA level, Evan Siegal's 11 points highlighted the Magic's 34-23 victory over the Lakers. Stephen Moore had seven in the loss. The Bulls ran past the Spurs 38-22, led by Andrew Osterman's 10 points. Greg Dwyer scored 10 for the Spurs. James Tougher played tough de-

fense and added six points as the Knicks beat the Sonics 34-27. Andrew Dolan scored eight points for the Sonics. The Celtics, with Bob Barrowman hitting for 14 points, bested the Rockets 38-26. Nick Hasselbach had 12 points in defeat.

In ACC activity, Brian Polovina's eight points led Duke's 37-17 win over Clemson. Brett Teator had six points for Clemson. Florida State beat Geor-

gia Tech 53-34. Peter Olsen scored 16 points and Kevin Manilenko had 12. Josh Lewis scored 10 points as Virginia beat Maryland 28-26. Marcus Kaplan had six for the Terps. Wake Forest beat North Carolina 37-14 behind Paul DuBois 14 points. Craig Ocam had eight for the Tar Heels.

The Big 10's Providence Friars beat St. John's 30-20. Chris Morrill had 14 points for the winners and Connor Barrada scored 12 for St. John's. Syracuse trimmed Miami 32-11 behind Kate Leary's 10 points. Zach Shaman had seven points for Miami. Connecticut, behind Shane Connors' 22 points, scored a 31-20 victory over Boston College. Justin Hartman had four points in defeat.

Cameron Brown's 21 points helped Georgetown beat Pitt 25-23. Karyn Cioppa had 6 for Pitt. Seton Hall beat Villanova 33-30, with Paul Parker tallying 14 points and Katie Rowan scoring 10 to keep Villanova close. In other Big 10 action, Purdue blasted Penn State 35-12. Matt Robbins' 16 points led the victors.

BCHS hockey opens 1998-99 campaign

By Christine Potter

The Bethlehem Central High School ice hockey team got goals from four different players in downing Glens Falls High School 4-1 Dec. 9.

Ken Porter, Anthony Trimarchi, Alex Weber and Steve Guglielmo all lit the lamp, and goaltender Adam DiMuria had 31 saves for the Eagles, who improved their record to 2-1 on the young season.

"So far I'm pleased with the efforts of the team," said coach John Battaglini. "The younger players are developing faster than anticipated, and we have a terrific attitude and work ethic. The kids are doing the little things it takes to win games: forechecking effectively, playing the blue line, playing smart, hard-nosed hockey, and playing as a team. We have finished every game as we have started it."

Trevor McNiven scored a hat trick in helping the Eagles skate past the Flying Horses of Troy, 4-3, Dec. 5. Porter also scored, and DiMuria recorded 20 saves to preserve Bethlehem's victory.

The back-to-back wins gave the team confidence after a season-opening 8-1 loss at the hands of the Saratoga High School Blue Streaks.

"The boys are all looking forward to a solid season," said assistant captain Mike Griffiths. "We have a way to go, but we are off to a great start."

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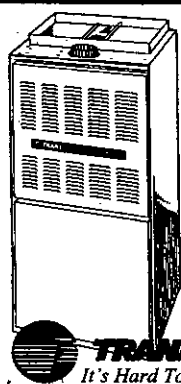
Geneseo honors Delmar swimmer

Erika McDonough of Delmar was named SUNY Geneseo's female athlete of the week for Nov. 16 to 22.

McDonough, a sophomore, won the 200-meter butterfly in a time of 2:18.2 and the 200-meter backstroke in a time of 2:16.68 in the Knights' 126-112 win over Rochester.

She also swam on the winning 400-meter medley relay team and set an Alfred University pool-record time of 2:18.7 in the 200-meter butterfly in a 148-92 win Nov. 21.

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RCS sets hoops tourney

The 27th annual Ravena Gold Medal Basketball Tournament will be held Tuesday, Dec. 29, and Wednesday, Dec. 30, at Ravena-Coeymans Selkirk High School.

This tournament is the only combination boys and girls tournament in the Capital District and the oldest continuously held tournament in the area.

The action starts at 3:30 p.m. on Dec. 29 when Coxsackie-Athens takes on Maple Hill in the first girls semifinal, followed by RCS' game against Cairo-Durham at 5 p.m.

The boys hit the floor at 7 p.m., with a semifinal game between Chatham and Maple Hill. RCS faces Cairo-Durham in the other semifinal at 8:30 p.m.

The girls consolation game will be at 3:30 p.m. Dec. 30, followed by the girls championship game at 5 p.m. The third-place game for the boys will be at 7 p.m., and the final will be at 8:30 p.m.

Junior varsity games will be played at the high school starting at 9 a.m. The boys will play first, followed by the girls.

Bulldogs win soccer championship

The Bethlehem Soccer Club's Bulldogs were the champions in the girls 14-and-under division at this year's Thanksgiving Indoor Soccer Tournament at Center City in Schenectady.

The Bulldogs beat the Purple Piranhas from Syracuse in the final.

Alex Puccio was the leading scorer with four goals, followed by Erin Stenson with three.

Kate Metevia, Liz Murphy, Alex Leckerling, Amy O'Donnell, Elizabeth Peznel and Katelyn Primomo also scored goals.

K.J. Mann, Meghan Blake, Emily Cohen, Lina Dzekciorius, Stephanie Holmes and Megan Volo turned in strong performances as well.

The Bulldogs are coached by Steve Mann.

Delmar native wraps up college season

Wil Cushing of Delmar recently completed his junior season as a member of the Houghton College mens soccer team.

Cushing, a midfielder, had four goals and one assist on the season for the Highlanders.

Houghton finished the season with a record of 14-4-1 after losing

3-2 in double overtime to Husson College at the regional tournament in Bangor, Maine.

The Highlanders finished the 1998 season ranked No. 2 in the Northeast Region and No. 16 in the NAIA.

Cushing is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Dolphins successful in opening meet

The Delmar Dolphin Swim Club sent 29 swimmers to Shaker High School Nov. 21 for the annual Pilgrim Pride Swim Meet, hosted by Capital District Aquatics Club.

All of the swimmers who attended either placed in the top six in at least one event or swam a personal-best time.

In the 8-and-under category, Katie O'Donnell took sixth in the 25-yard breaststroke, fourth in the 25-yard free style, third in the 100-yard individual medley and first in the 25-yard freestyle with a time of 17.76 seconds.

Jimmy Kivilin came in third in the 25-yard back stroke and second in the 25-yard breaststroke with a time of 23.74 seconds.

Eleanor Grady, Kiersten Swete and Kristen Gloeckler all swam personal bests.

In the 9- and 10-year-old cat-

egory, Larry Gloeckler took fourth place in the 50-yard butterfly, won the 100-yard individual medley with a time of 1:22.96 and finished first in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 32.44.

Justin Murphy took sixth in the 50-yard breaststroke, fourth place in the 100-yard individual medley and third in the 50-yard butterfly. Tyler Dudas took fifth place in the 50-yard butterfly. Swimming personal-best times in this group were Ann Delucco, Natalie Singer, Lauren Grady, Martha Grady, Ava Byer, Emma Walsh, Lisa Frangella, Laurel Heighton, Sydney Lane, Molly Moriarity, and Krystianna Russo.

In the 11- and 12-year old category, Scott Solomon took fourth in the 100-yard individual medley, 50-yard backstroke and 100-yard freestyle and second place in the

50-yard breaststroke. Jenna Mollie, Lizzie Walsh, Mackenzie Wagoner, and Melissa Taub all swam personal bests.

In the 13- and 14-year-old category, Courtney Arduini won the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:22.98 and won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:06.61.

Larissa Suparmanto also swam a personal-best time.

MS support group meets at church

The Delmar multiple sclerosis support group meets the third Tuesday of every month at 2 p.m. at Delmar Presbyterian Church at 585 Delaware Ave.

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refrains from making or seconding motions.

Davis and Robert Johnson eventually voted for the measure only "as long as the applicant is aware there are problems here," Davis said. Board member George Lenhardt, on record as opposing further commercial development in that area of Slingerlands, was absent. The planning board is expected to take up the request within a month.

Davis characterized the proposal, taken in tandem with the year-old Price Chopper Plaza just a half mile south, as "the start of commercial sprawl" in largely-residential Slingerlands. Others echoed her concern, and also questioned the traffic impact of the plan on a two-lane stretch of road that, state Department of Transportation (DOT) figures show, has more than half the traffic volume of nearby I-87 at peak periods.

But First Columbia's Kevin Bette told the board: "This facility wants to be located in a heavily trafficked area because it will

serve more patients."

He also said that the proposal depends on the eventual construction by DOT of a long-anticipated widening and extension of Route 85 that would intersect with Cherry Avenue Extension. Bette said that St. Peter's determination to build here was "going to force DOT to come forward with their plans" for this so-called Slingerlands bypass.

But Rob Cherry, DOT project manager for the proposed bypass, said on Monday that the project is only in its "preliminary design stages ... we don't expect to have a final decision (on proceeding with the project) until at least three years from now."

He said DOT officials would meet with Fuller and Bethlehem officials later this week to discuss the project's status.

Cherry said a current two-lane bridge over the Normanskill may be replaced to accommodate a third lane for northbound left-hand turns onto Blessing Road, now a major source of traffic congestion in the area. Construction could

begin as early as next fall.

But he called the bridge "a separate project that stands by itself," independent of the bypass project. "I'd be looking at the outer years of 2003 or 2004 before the bypass goes out to be bid on by contractors," he said, "and that many years out, it's difficult to say that the funding is secure at this time."

Without a firm commitment by DOT to the road project, many present at the town board meeting considered the medical building proposal premature. "I can recall (the Slingerlands bypass) being talked about 20 or more years ago," said Maher Road resident Sam Freeman. "It was imminent then. It's imminent now."

Boyle said that the hospital had considered "dozens of sites" in Bethlehem, but "anywhere on Delaware Avenue we thought the traffic generated by this consolidation site would just blow the numbers." He said Picotte "wants a single tenant (for the Blue Cross building), and we can't fill that whole building."

"We can't wait two years for

this to resolve itself with DOT," he said, and added St. Peter's would seek a site out of Bethlehem if the proposal doesn't get a green light soon. "Frankly," he said of the Maher Road site, "if we can't solve the traffic problem, we don't want to be there."

Glenmont resident wins scholarship

Glenmont resident Eileen FitzPatrick, a dietetic intern at Sage Graduate School, has been named a recipient of the Mead Johnson Nutritional/Bristol-Myers Squibb Scholarship for the current school year.

The scholarship is awarded annually by the American Dietetic Association Foundation.

Marine participates in NATO exercise

Marine Gunnery Sgt. Edward Hoffman recently participated in a NATO exercise while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Persian Gulf with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit.

Hoffman is a 1980 graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School.

Parking ordinance in effect in Delmar

Bethlehem Police Department reminds residents that the town's No Parking ordinance is in effect, through April 15.

Vehicles are prohibited from parking on town streets and highways between 1 and 7 a.m.

Vehicles parked in violation of the ordinance may be ticketed and/or towed at the owner's expense.

Church to hold carol sing Dec. 20

Delmar Reformed Church will host a Community Carol Sing on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 6:30 p.m. on the front steps of the church at 386 Delaware Ave.

Music and candles will be provided, and hot chocolate and cookies will be available afterward. The public is invited to participate.

For information, call 439-9929.

Bookstores help AIDS Council

Two Delmar bookstores are selling Entertainment '99 discount books to benefit the AIDS Council of Northeastern New York.

I Love Books at 380 Delaware Ave. and the Friar Tuck Book Store in Delaware Plaza are among 20 local bookshops sponsoring the volunteer project "Helping Through Books & Music."

Diane Malinowski is coordinating the project in Delmar.

For information, call 482-5602.

Lions club selling Entertainment Book

The Greater Ravena Area Lions Club is raising funds by selling the Entertainment Book.

Each book contains hundreds of two-for-one discounts. It costs \$40 and a portion of the proceeds fund various community activities.

To order a book, call Anne Downes at 756-2879.

Committee to meet

The next meeting of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District's Safe Schools Committee is set for Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the middle school library on Route 9W in Ravena.

For information, call 756-5200.

Youth Network

Get ready for BCMS Respect Day

On Wednesday, Jan. 6, sixth-grade students at Bethlehem Central Middle School will participate in the Respect Day program which was a success last year.

The program arose from a Community Partnership workshop where participants including teachers, parents, administrators, police and community leaders gathered to identify problems and work on solutions.

Many felt the level of civility and respect for others was declining in our schools and community and that a day of teaching tolerance and emphasizing interpersonal skills would help to generate a better climate for learning.

During Respect Day sixth-grade students will participate in two workshops and will choose from such topics as:

- Friendship: Growing up may bring changes in friendship — learn how to make new friends without hurting old friends.
- How to Keep Cool: Learn strategies for controlling your temper and channeling your anger.
- Free to Be Me: Expressing your individuality — learn how to be comfortable with who you are.
- Understanding Disabilities: Learn about disabilities through interactive experiences.

Also, during Respect Day sixth-graders will attend a special presentation on harassment and discrimination.

Classroom and schoolwide activities are being planned for before and after Respect Day. During February, students will attend an assembly on the Challenges of Growing Up presented by students from Hoosick Valley High School. Students will also participate in A World of Difference led by trained BCHS peer leaders.

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Dhanaraj, Norek engaged

Subha Bins Dhanaraj, daughter of Kabali and Shyamala Dhanaraj of Bethpage, Nassau County, and Joshua Ford Norek, son of Alfred and Meryl Norek of Slingerlands, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cornell University. She is a devel-

opment officer for New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center in New York City.

The future groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Cornell University. He is an account executive for Shore Fire Media, a music public relations firm in New York City.

Delmar girl sings with Celine Dion

Rebecca Lewis of Delmar, a fourth-grader at Slingerlands Elementary School, was part of a children's chorus that appeared with Celine Dion at the Pepsi Arena on Dec. 1.

The children, organized through RPI Young Actors Guild, spent several weeks rehearsing. They accompanied Dion when she sang "Let's Talk About Love."

Births

Out of town

Boy, Owen Yeats Duffy, to Monica and William Duffy of Queensbury. Paternal grandparents are former Delmar residents Eugene and Barbara Duffy of Bonita Springs, Fla.

BCHS grad earns Albany Law award

David Drexler, son of Elyse Gordon Drexler of Delmar, has been awarded the Gary M. Peck Memorial Scholarship at Albany Law School for the current academic year.

The Peck scholarship is given for excellence in the study of environmental law and related extracurricular activities. Drexler, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the University of Buffalo, is a member of Albany Law School's "Law Review," and managing editor of the school's environmental journal, "The Outlook."

Girls academy announces honor roll

Albany Academy for Girls recently announced its honor roll for the first trimester.

Patricia Lenihan of Delmar and Stephanie Downs of Voorheesville were named to the high honor roll.

Sivanipriya Nattama of Slingerlands; Elizabeth Pulice of South Bethlehem; Macaire Maloney of Voorheesville; Melia Fast and Madeleine Robillard, both of Selkirk; and Megan Tucker and Laura Braunstein, both of Delmar were named to the honor roll.

Former resident earns promotion

Former Delmar resident Judith McKinnon was recently named director of Seton Home in San Antonio, Texas. The home is for single pregnant mothers.

McKinnon was formerly director of Catholic Charities Adolescent and Parenting Program in San Antonio.

She worked for the Diocese of Albany when she lived in the area.



Heather Knapp-Wiggins and Jarett Wiggins

Knapp, Wiggins marry

Heather Elizabeth Knapp, daughter of Stuart Knapp of Roscoe, Sullivan County, and Barbara Knapp of Earlville, Greene County, and Jarett Lawrence Wiggins, son of Sharon G. Powers of Rome, Oneida County, and the late Gary M. Wiggins, were married, Oct. 3.

Hilda Luft of Slingerlands is the bride's grandmother.

The Rev. Richard Emrich performed the ceremony at Zion Episcopal Church in Rome. A reception followed at The Beeches, also in Rome.

The maid of honor was Emily

Knapp, cousin of the bride. Bridesmaids were Gabrielle Cossen and Janet Voloshen. The flower girl was Siera McDougall, sister of the groom.

The groom's witness was Gwen Corbalis. Ushers were Keith Willis, cousin of the groom, Todd Knapp, cousin of the bride, and Jason Nash.

The bride is a graduate of SUNY Plattsburgh. She is a junior counselor for Phoenix House Foundation at Marcy state prison.

The groom attends Mohawk Valley Community College.

The couple lives in Utica.

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The public is invited. For information, call 439-9929.

Obituaries

Dexter George Tilroe

Dexter George Dunning Tilroe of Sun City, Ariz. and formerly of Delmar, died Wednesday, Dec. 9, at his home.

He was a graduate of Syracuse University and received a doctorate from Columbia University.

Mr. Tilroe was an educator beginning his career as a teacher/principal in South Bethlehem.

He was an Army veteran of World War II. Following the war, he stayed in Austria for two years to help establish its school system.

He was a supervisor for the state Education Department from 1948 until 1965. He also worked for the U.S. Education Department.

While living in Sun City, he belonged to the Presbyterian Church and the Lions Club. He volunteered at a local nursing home.

He was the husband of the late Roberta Comstock, Geraldine Quint and Marty Palmer.

Survivors include two sons, George D. Tilroe of Elmsmere and Robert D. Tilroe of Derry, N.H.; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services will be at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements were by the Lumber Golden Door Mortuary in Arizona.

Contributions may be made to Interfaith Services, PO Box 1795, Sun City, Ariz. 85372, the Red Cross or On Wings of Eagles Christian Fellowship, 302 W. Eighth St., Mobridge, S.D. 57601.

Catherine Coyne

Catherine T. Coyne, 85, of Delmar died Thursday, Dec. 10, at her home.

Born in Red Hook, she was a longtime resident of the Capital District.

She was a member of Bethlehem Senior Citizens and a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

She was the widow of Edward J. Coyne.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Capobianco of Delmar; and

four grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Pauline B. Lotz

Pauline B. Lotz, 89, of Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar died Thursday, Dec. 10, at the home.

A native of Troy, she was a graduate of Albany High School.

Mrs. Lotz worked for the Department of State for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Francis T. Lotz Jr.; a son, Francis T. Lotz III of Whitehall; a daughter, Paula M. Shaffer of Schenectady; and three grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Burial was in St. Jean's Cemetery in Troy.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle Building Fund, 35 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

Toleda Curran

Toleda "Teddy" Curran, 88, of Delmar died Tuesday, Dec. 8, at Community Hospice of Albany County.

A native of Allentown, Pa., she graduated from Philadelphia General Hospital School of Nursing. She lived in Hawthorne, Westchester County, before moving to the Capital District.

Mrs. Curran was a homemaker. She was an avid reader, knitter and also enjoyed gardening. She was a member of Delmar Reformed Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Lussier of Delmar and Barbara Wagner of Vienna, Aus-

tria; and four grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for today, Dec. 16, at 10 a.m. at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Friends may call from 10 a.m.

Burial will be in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Food Pantries for the Capital District, 340 First St., Albany 12206.

Agnes M. Good

Agnes M. Good, 83, of Selkirk died Sunday, Dec. 6, at Community Hospice of Albany County.

Born in Albany, she was a graduate of the former Cathedral Academy and Mildred Elley business school.

Mrs. Good worked for National Commercial Bank & Trust Co. for 16 years. She was the first woman teller in Albany.

She also operated a family truck farm in the Selkirk area with her late husband, John R. Good. She was a real estate broker operating A. Good Realty.

Mrs. Good was a 4-H leader, a member of Ravena Senior Citizens and a communicant of St. Patrick's Church in Ravena.

She was the widow of Harold J. Rendert and John R. Good.

Survivors include two daughters, Marilyn Stangle and Betty Nolan, both of Selkirk; a son, John R. Good Jr. of Selkirk; a stepdaughter, Joan Wells of Olean, Cattaraugus County; seven grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home and St. Patrick's Church.

Burial was in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208 or Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance, Route 9W, Selkirk 12158.

Edmund D. Wood Jr.

Edmund D. Wood Jr., 79, of Delmar died Tuesday, Dec. 8, at his home.

Born in Plainfield, N.J., he was a graduate of New York School of Interior Design and received a degree in administration from Russell Sage College.

He was an Army veteran of World War II and a former commander of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post in Delmar.

He was the director of interior design for the state Dormitory Authority for 25 years before he retired. He also worked for Merrill

Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith and W.J. Sloane.

Mr. Wood was elected to a fellowship in the American Society of Interior Designers in 1980.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby Ann Corder Wood; a son Jacques M. Wood of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and two granddaughters.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post, Poplar Drive, Delmar 12054.

John G. Schoonbeek

John George Schoonbeek of Glenmont died Sunday, Dec. 6.

He was a carpenter for J. Wiggand & Son and a member of the Selkirk Fire Department.

Mr. Schoonbeek was an Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Ruth Kaiser Schoonbeek; two sons, Robert G. Schoonbeek of Ravena and Donald J. Schoonbeek of Glenmont; three sisters, Wilhelmina O'Mara of Albany, Cornelia Kukuk of Unionville and Henrietta Vagele of Selkirk; and three granddaughters.

Services were private.

Burial was in Bethlehem Rural Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Bethlehem Ambulance, Route 9W, Selkirk 12158 or Glenmont Community Reformed Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont 12077.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Thelma S. Jones

Thelma S. Jones, 93, of Delmar died Sunday, Dec. 6, at Albany County Nursing Home.

Mrs. Jones was active for many years in Delmar Reformed Church, Delmar Progress Club and Tri-Village Antique Club.

Survivors include two nieces, Linda Weiss and Patricia Davis, both of Albany; and three nephews, Robert Wolff of Albany, Donald Wolff of Weymouth, Mass., and Irwin J. Symons of Hackettstown, N.J.

Services were from the Hedley W. Mason Funeral Home in Pennsylvania.

Burial was in Union Cemetery in Olyphant, Pa.

Local arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

M.A. Twardowsky

Mary Ann Twardowsky, 53, of Cedar Hill died Wednesday, Dec. 2, at Community Hospice of Albany County.

She was a cook at Cedars Rest Home for 23 years.

She was a Civil War history

buff, and was a member of the Bethlehem Historical Association.

She is survived by her mother, Josephine Twardowsky.

Services were from St. Patrick's Church in Ravena.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Mohawk & Hudson River Humane Society or Community Hospice of Albany County, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Carlton A. Brown

Carlton A. Brown, 76, of Delmar died Saturday, Nov. 21, at home.

Born in Lansingburgh, he was a graduate of Albany Business College and former president of Butler & Brown Insurance Co.

Mr. Brown was a life member of the Oxford Club, a former member of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and a former member and officer of the Bethlehem Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon Hood Brown; a daughter, Carol Van Duzer of Slingerlands; a son, Richard Brown of Coeymans Hollow; and four grandchildren.

Services were from the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Troy.

Contributions may be made to Delmar Rescue Squad, Nathaniel Boulevard, Delmar 12054.

Irene Ainsburg

Irene J. Ainsburg, 74, of Colonie, a native of Selkirk, died Saturday, Nov. 21, at home.

Survivors include three daughters, Bonnie S. Gwynn of Castleton, Sally I. Law of East Nassau and Carol Ainsburg of Albany; a son, Jon M. Ainsburg of Haverhill, Mass.; a sister, Dorothy Joralemon of Ravena; a brother, Floyd M. Jensen of Winfield; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services were from the New Comer-Cannon Family Funeral Home in Colonie.

Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery in Selkirk.

Helen Strassner

Helen E. Whitbeck Strassner, 86, of Feura Bush died Wednesday, Dec. 9, at her home.

She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Heinz E. Strassner; two daughters, Helen Hall of Slingerlands and Jan Strassner of Coeymans Hollow; a son, Heinz Strassner of Albany; and six grandchildren.

Services were private.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home.

Death Notices

The Spotlight will print paid Death Notices for relatives and friends who do not or have not lived in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. The charge for a paid death notice is \$25.

We will continue to print Obituaries of residents and former residents of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland at no charge.

In Memoriam, and Cards of Thanks will also be printed for \$25.

Family ENTERTAINMENT

CALENDARS ♦ ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

By JOSEPH ANDREW PHILLIPS

With Christmas just over a week away, there's still plenty of holiday music left to be heard. Oh, not just "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" on the radio and all those yuletide carols being sung by choirs. Several of the area's premiere musical-performance groups and venues gear up this weekend with differing takes on the sounds of the season.

Tickets to hear the Boston Pops play holiday cheer at Proctor's in Schenectady this Saturday start at \$49.50 a pop. Not one of the lucky few to have tickets for Albany Symphony's sold-out-weeks-in-advance Baroque for the Holidays concert Friday night at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall? You could still squeeze in for ASO's preview of its Troy concert, Thursday night, Dec. 17, at Saratoga's Canfield Casino.

But the program is largely non-holiday selections, an alternative to yuletide fare. If you're looking for the real thing, there are several other alternatives.

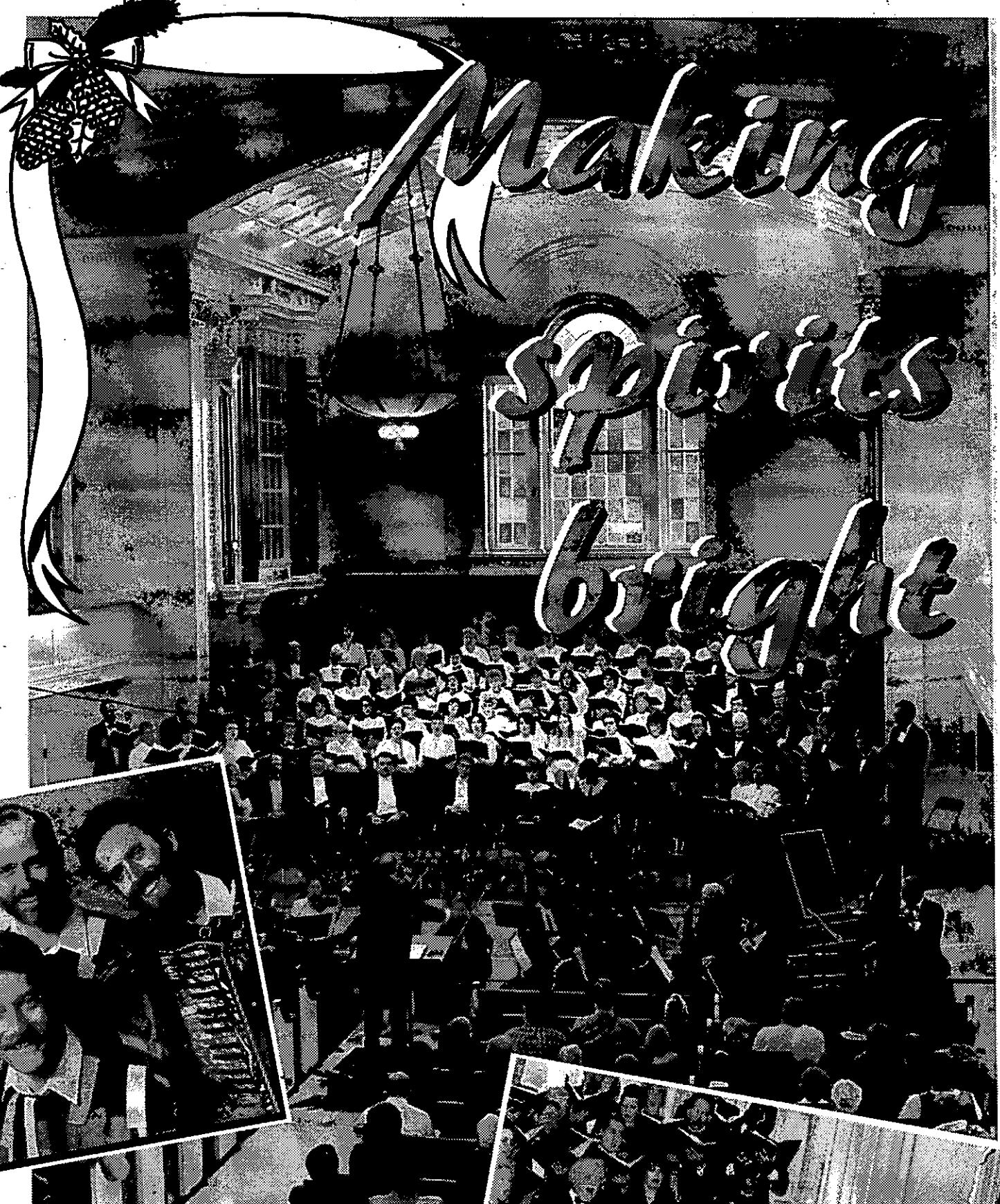
For two decades, the folk ensemble of John Roberts, Tony Barrand, Fred Bruenig and Andy Davis, known collectively as Nowell, Sing We Clear! has been a regional holiday favorite. The group's main area gig took place last weekend at the Masonic Temple in Altamont, under the banner of the Old Songs concert series. But they often add a second concert at the Spencertown Academy, across the river in Columbia County.

They skipped this second date last winter, but they're back this year on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 2 p.m. Anticipating an overflow crowd, the Spencertown folks have moved the concert to nearby St. Peter's Church on Route 203. Tickets go for \$15, \$12 for seniors and \$8 for students. For information, call 392-3693.

Another returning local favorite, the Boston Camerata, will perform Monday, Dec. 21, at 8 p.m. in the Schenectady Museum-Union College Concert Series. The ensemble of more than a dozen performers, including a half dozen vocalists, has been a December regular for 11 straight years, and, says organizer Daniel Berkenblit, "the audience is always there for them. We always get a good turnout."

One of America's leading early music ensembles, Boston Camerata members play instruments like the viol da gamba and baroque flute, and for this Baroque Christmas concert include music from several cultures and a piece of a baroque Christmas Mass. Under music director Joel Cohen, they'll also perform several carols for singing along, in both French and English. The concert takes place at Union College Memorial Chapel, and tickets are \$15 each, half price for students. For information, call 372-3651.

There'll be no singing along with Schenectady's Octavo Singers at the same Union College chapel on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 3 p.m. "You either do a performance or a sing-along, and most of our audience prefers a performance," says conductor George Moross, who will lead his hundred-strong chorale, augmented by the return of college students back for the holidays, through a piece that for many people defines Christmas sacred music: Handel's "Messiah."



Sing we now of Christmas: holiday musical choices this weekend include a local favorite, the folk quartet Nowell Sing We Clear (lower left) at Spencertown Academy, and the Octavo Singers, 100-strong, performing Handel's "Messiah" at Union College (above). Right: Albany Pro Musica tuned up for a pair of weekend concerts with a performance in Saratoga.

"A lot of our ticket holders feel it just isn't the Christmas season if they haven't heard the 'Messiah,'" says Moross. The Octavo presentation is an annual tradition, and features a small chamber orchestra composed mostly of Schenectady and Albany symphony regulars and four visiting soloists. And maybe they'll make just one little exception to the no-singing-along rule. "People just jump to their feet for the Hallelujah Chorus and sing," says Moross. "It's hard to stop, and even harder to conduct." But glorious to hear. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for students and seniors. For information, call 344-SING.

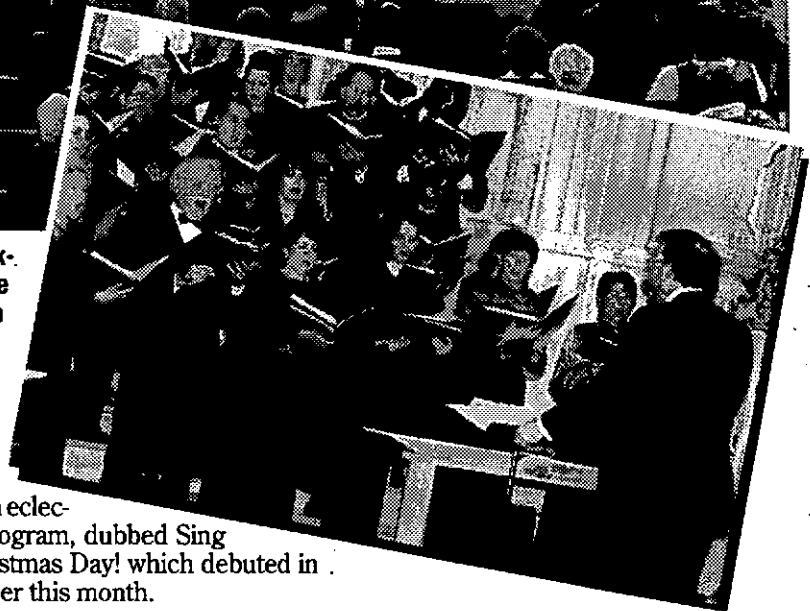
From the traditional to the contemporary: Albany Pro Musica, the a capella vocal ensemble under musical director David Griggs Janower, offers not one, but two

performances this weekend of an eclectic holiday program, dubbed Sing Hey! It's Christmas Day! which debuted in Saratoga earlier this month.

"One of the things we strongly believe in," says Janower, "is using works by living composers, provided we think the audience will enjoy them and the work has merit." This concert features an assortment of contemporary Christmas-themed works by Brent Pierce and Edwin Fessinger, Stephen Paulus and Imant Raminsh.

Complementing these will be a series of French baroque works that will showcase a trio of guest woodwind players. Throw in a brace of more familiar holiday tunes, both secular ("The Twelve Days of Christmas")

and sacred ("I Wonder As I Wander"), and don't forget a fistful of sing-alongs. "Christmas is the only time of year people know our repertoire," says Janower. "Sure, people can sing along with us." Albany Pro Musica performs Saturday, Dec. 19, at 8 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church, 812 Union St., Schenectady, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, at 3 p.m. at St. James Church, 391 Delaware Ave., Albany. Tickets are \$15, \$13 for seniors and \$7.50 for students. For information, call 273-6510.



ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

"A CHRISTMAS CAROL"

Dickens classic, starring Larry Linville, Capital Repertory Theatre, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, Dec. 16 and 17 at 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8:30 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m., through Dec. 20, \$10-\$35. Information, 445-7469.

"A WONDERFUL LIFE"

musical adapted from famous Capra holiday film, New York State Theatre Institute, Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College, Troy, Dec. 16 at 10 a.m., \$17, \$14 seniors and students, \$8 children under 13. Information, 274-3256.

"THE STEADFAST TIN SOLDIER"

Home Made Theater production, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Springs State Park, Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 20 at 1 p.m., Dec. 19 at 1 and 4:30 p.m., \$11, \$9 for children under 13. Information, 587-4427.

MUSIC

JIM BRICKMAN

popular romantic pianist, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Dec. 16, 7:30 p.m., \$30. Information, 273-0038.

ALBANY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Baroque holiday concert, featuring works by Handel, Bach, and Vivaldi, Canfield Casino, saartoga Springs, Dec. 17, 8 p.m., \$20, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Dec. 18, 8 p.m., \$14-\$33. Information, 465-4755.

RICHIE HAVENS

folk singer, The Van Dyck, 237 Union St., Schenectady, Dec. 18, 7 and 9 p.m., \$20. Information, 381-1111.

BOSTON POPS ORCHESTRA

holiday and seasonal favorites, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Dec. 19, 8 p.m., \$49.50-\$59.50. Information, 346-6204.

SING HEY! IT'S CHRISTMAS DAY

choral concert by Albany Pro Musica, St. John the Evangelist Church, 812 Union St., Schenectady, Dec. 19, 8 p.m., St. James Roman Catholic Church, 391 Delaware Ave., Albany, Dec. 20, 3 p.m., \$15, \$13 for seniors, \$7.50 for students. Information, 273-6510.

MOUNTAIN SNOW AND MISTLETOE

holiday concert by folk singers Christopher Shaw and Bridget ball, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Dec. 19, 8 p.m., Dec. 20, 2 p.m., \$15. Information, 273-0038.

HANDEL'S "MESSIAH"

concert by Octavo Singers of Schenectady, with orchestra, Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, Dec. 20, 3 p.m., \$15, \$12 for seniors and students. Information, 344-SING.

ANDY WILLIAMS CHRISTMAS SHOW

Pepsi Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, Dec. 21, 7 p.m., \$25.25 and \$30.25. Information, 487-2000.

A BAROQUE CHRISTMAS

with Joel Cohen and the Boston Camerata, Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, Dec. 21, 8 p.m., \$20, \$10 for students. Information, 372-3651.

DANCE

FOREVER TANGO

story of the sexy Argentine dance, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Dec. 17 and 18, 8 p.m., \$32.50-\$36.50. Information, 346-6204.

VISUAL ARTS

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

Bears, through Jan. 3; stoneware and antique furniture exhibits; plus permanent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

200 Years of Collecting, through May 30, Shining Objects from Our Past, silver from the Institute Collection, through May 30, Coming Home: A Van Alstyne Family Collection, through Jan. 9, 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

The History of American Advertising, 1920-1969, through Jan. 10, Holiday Doors and More, through Jan. 4, Model Train Village, through Jan. 31, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 449-4756.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

paintings by Bobbie Bowden and Robert Moylan, through Jan. 1, 23 Monroe St. Information, 462-4775.

MARTIN BENJAMIN

photographs 1970-1998, Mandeville Gallery, Nott Memorial, Union College, through Dec. 20. Information, 388-6004.

PAT CAHILL

paintings, Learning Resources Center Gallery at Hudson Valley Community College, through Jan. 28. Information, 266-8072.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

AUDITION

for all roles in March Opera Excelsior production of "The Magic Flute," by appointment only. Information, 372-7455.

AROUND the AREA

**WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 16****ALBANY COUNTY****FARMERS' MARKET**

Holy Cross Church, Western Avenue and Brevator Street, Albany, 2 to 6 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

SQUARE DANCE

Single Squares of Albany, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden Street Extension, Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-2888.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY**ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP**

for those who care for Alzheimer's parents, Royce House, 117 Nott Terrace, Schenectady, 1 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING

Glen Worden School, 34

Worden Road, Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-4264.

**THURSDAY
DECEMBER 17****ALBANY COUNTY****KIDSPACE HOSTS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION**

William F. Wingard Post, 370 Central Ave., Albany, 6 to 9 p.m. Information, 452-0128.

CHORUS REHEARSAL

Capitaland Chorus of Sweet Adelines, New Covenant Church, 916 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 465-7149.

SCOLIOSIS SUPPORT GROUP

for individuals and families, Conklin Conference Room, Albany Memorial Hospital, Northern Boulevard, 7:30 p.m. Information, 475-0859.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

University Heights Health Care Center, 235 Northern Blvd.,

Albany, 5 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

FARMERS' MARKET

corner of Pine Street and Broadway, Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 272-2972.

SENIOR CHORALE

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 1 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 18****ALBANY COUNTY****MOTHERS' DROP IN**

sponsored by the Capital District Mothers' Center, First Congregational Church, Quail Street, Albany, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 475-1897.

SENIORS LUNCHES

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 20****ALBANY COUNTY****DANCE PROGRAM**

"Polka Guys and Dolls," for children 3 and older, Cohoes Polish National Alliance, Cohoes, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-8595.

SCOTTISH DANCING

Unitarian Church, Washington Avenue, Albany, 7 to 10 p.m. Information, 377-8792.

**MONDAY
DECEMBER 21****ALBANY COUNTY****SENIORS LUNCHES**

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 4:45 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY**SCOTTISH DANCING**

Salvation Army, Smith Street, Schenectady, 8 to 10 p.m. Information, 783-6477.

**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 22****ALBANY COUNTY****TRUE FRIENDS**

female incest survivors support group, Pineview Community Church, 251 Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 452-7800.

SENIORS LUNCHES

Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, 12:30 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

Albany Senior Squadron, Albany Airport, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4406.

RECOVERY, INC.

self-help group for former mental and nervous patients, Unitarian Church of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY**MS SELF-HELP GROUP**

multiple sclerosis self-help group, Sunnyview Hospital, Belmont Avenue, Schenectady, 9:30 a.m. Information, 427-0421.

RECOVERY, INC.

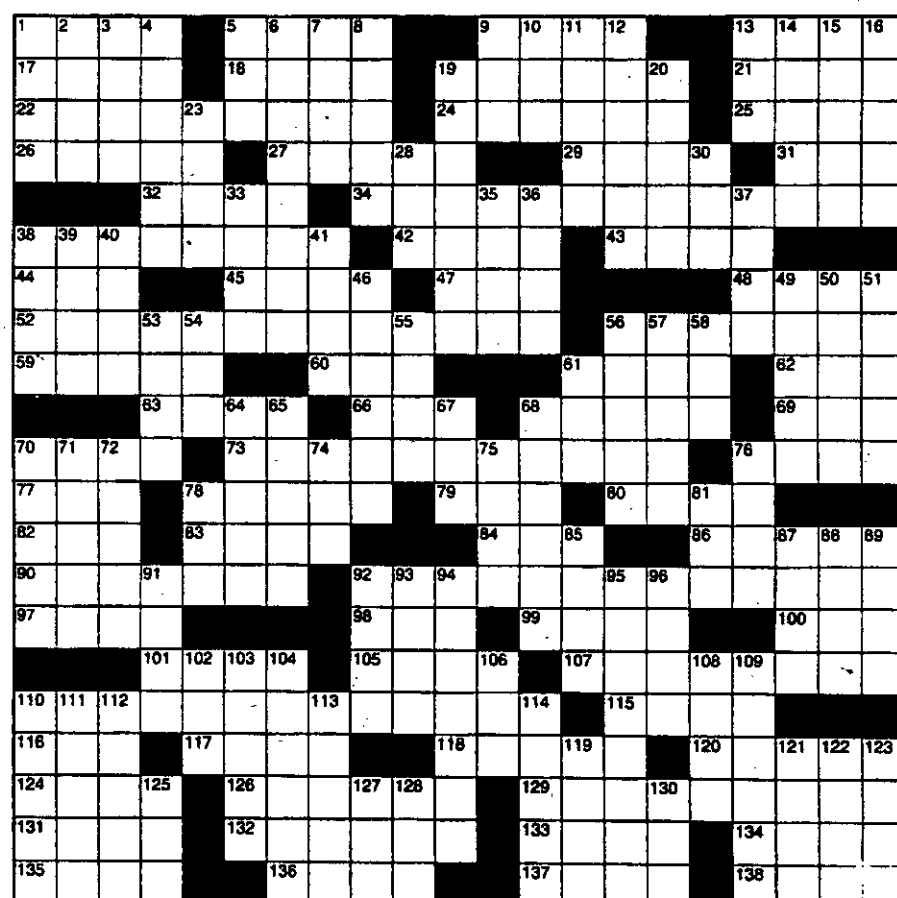
self-help group for former mental and nervous patients, Unitarian House, 1248 Wendell Ave., Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8595.

SECULAR SOBRIETY GROUP

group for recovering alcoholics, Temple Gates of Heaven, corner of Ashmore Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-5569.

Super CROSSWORD

- 1** French Sudan, today
5 Pluck
9 Fancy appetizer
3 Abbreviated address
7 Heron's kin
8 Portland
9 Men's hat style
11 Try again
2 Podiatrist's favorite dish?
14 Unlocked
15 '82 Disney film
16 "Die Fledermaus" maid
17 Gas gauge
19 —European
11 Limerick's land: abbr.
12 Actress Moore
14 Why the podiatrist never married?
18 Acted as arbiter
13 Spine start
12 Tend the garden
14 Suffix with "pal"
15 PDQ, politely
17 By means of
18 Presque —, Maine
12 Like an unsuccessful
100 — Dawn
- podiatrist?**
56 Classroom VIP
59 Private
60 "Hulk"
61 Ferrigno
62 Bruce or Laura
63 Gardner
64 Movie pooch
65 Green org.
66 Hersey
67 setting
69 New York athlete
70 Sensitivity
73 Podiatrist's kids?
76 '52 Winter Olympics site
77 Part of ETA
78 —Baby
79 Pantry pest
80 Collar
81 ornament
82 Indian export
83 No, in
84 Graduation gear
86 Mideastern melange
90 Ambiguous
92 Dishonest podiatrists?
97 Certain shark
98 "Zip-A-Dee-Do-"
99 PC key
100 — Dawn
- Chong**
101 Melodious
105 Eliot's —
107 Man of La Mancha
110 What makes a podiatrist laugh?
115 August 13th, e.g.
116 Copycat
117 Soft cheese
118 They're bound to sell
120 Lance part
124 Paper quantity
126 Graceland, for one
129 Like an alert podiatrist?
131 Really big performer?
132 Gloomy
133 Go against Galahad
134 Cultural grp.
135 Engineering course
136 Indigence
137 Ophthalmological problem
138 Parent
DOWN
1 Uris' — 18"
2 Confined to a cot
3 Plaster ingredient
- 4** King Mark's bride
5 "Saint Joan" monogram
6 Most capacious
7 Eric of Monty Python
8 Choppers
9 Featherweight Willie
10 Citrus cooler
11 Pick-me-up
12 Before this time
13 Clubber
14 Cliff hanger?
15 Cherish
16 French Impressionist
19 Bore no grudge
20 Confuse
23 —do-well
28 Velvet finish
30 Poem of praise
33 Stew ingredient
35 Mayberry moppet
36 Blue hue
37 Bank's backup: abbr.
38 Designer
39 North Carolina campus
40 Deer child
- 41** Wonka's creator
46 TV's "Real —"
49 Hoaxes
50 Carpenter's device
51 Polyhymnia's sister
53 Tidy
54 Horace's — Poetica
55 Colossal
56 Rock's — for Fears
57 Director
58 Year, in Yucatan
61 SHAEF commander
64 Actress
65 Wrath
67 "The — Daba
68 Join
70 Ryan's daughter
71 Stadium
72 Pottery defect
74 Hobby-shop purchase
75 Move slowly
76 Frigga's fellow
78 Sue — Langdon
81 News org.
85 Old hands
87 Pasternak character
- 88** Tree spray
89 Hand-me-down
91 Forsaken
92 Actress
93 Pianist Lupu
94 — music
95 In a mischievous manner
96 Knight's quaff
102 Dwindle
103 Uncovers
104 Lurie or LaPlaca
106 King Guzzie's domain
108 Famed loch
109 '87 Warren Beatty film
110 Pool shot
111 Beethoven wrote one
112 Do a double take, perhaps
113 "— Call You Sweetheart"
114 Alex Haley work
119 Mend, as a bone
121 Top-notch
122 Chalky cheese
123 Autocrat
125 —jongg
127 Justice Fortas
128 Bandleader
130 Ideologue's suffix



The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 16**
BETHLEHEM
**EIGHTEN COMMUNION
SERVICE**

Bethlehem Lutheran Church,
85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.

SC SCHOOL BOARD

District office, 90 Adams Place,
8 p.m. Information, 439-7098.

BOARD OF APPEALS

Town hall, 445 Delaware Ave.,
7:30 p.m. Information, 439-
4955.

DINGO

Blanchard American Legion
Post, 16 Poplar Drive, 7:30 p.m.
Information, 439-9819.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School,
247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9
p.m. Information, 439-4205.

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT
SERVICES**

Parks and Recreation Office,
Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30
p.m. Information, 439-0503.

WELCOME WAGON

Newcomers, engaged women
and new mothers, call for a
Welcome Wagon visit,
Monday to Saturday, 8:30 a.m.
to 6 p.m. Information, 439-
1531.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

Days Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont,
7 p.m. Information, 439-4857.

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

Route 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m.
Information, 767-2886.

**ONESQUETHAW CHAPTER,
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood
Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-
2181.

TESTIMONY MEETING

First Church of Christ, Scientist,
555 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m.
Information, 439-2512.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

1 Kenwood Ave., evening
prayer and Bible study, 7 p.m.
Information, 439-4314.

NEW SCOTLAND
**VOORHEESVILLE PLANNING
COMMISSION**

Village hall, 29 Voorheesville
Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information,
765-2692.

**NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR
CITIZENS**

Wyman Osterhout Community
Center, New Salem, call for
time. Information, 765-2109.

AA MEETING

First Methodist Church of
Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8
p.m. Information, 489-6779.

AL-ANON MEETING

First United Methodist Church of
Voorheesville, 68 Maple St.,
8 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

FAITH TEMPLE

Bible study, New Salem, 7:30
p.m. Information, 765-2870.

**MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELI-
CAL FREE CHURCH**

evening service, Bible study
and prayer, Route 155, 7:30
p.m. Information, 765-3390.

**CENTENNIAL COOKBOOK
RECIPE SAMPLER**

Voorheesville Public Library, 51
School Road, 7 p.m. Informa-
tion, 765-2791.

**THURSDAY
DECEMBER 17**
BETHLEHEM
**BETHLEHEM HISTORICAL
ASSOCIATION**

Route 144 and Clapper Road,
Selkirk, 8 p.m. Information, 439-
3916.

RECOVERY, INC.

self-help for chronic nervous
symptoms, First United
Methodist Church, 428
Kenwood Ave., 10 a.m.
Information, 439-9976.

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT
SERVICES**

Parks and Recreation Office,
Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30
p.m. Information, 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave.,
12:30 p.m. Information, 439-
4955.

**AMERICAN LEGION LUN-
CHEON**

for members, guests and
membership applicants,
Blanchard Post, 16 Poplar
Drive, noon.

AA MEETINGS

Slingerlands Community
Church, 1499 New Scotland
Road, noon, and Delmar
Reformed Church, 386
Delaware Ave., 8:30 p.m.
Information, 489-6779.

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

children's choir, 6:30 p.m.,
senior choir, 7:30 p.m., 85 Elm
Ave. Information, 439-4328.

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY
CHURCH**

women's Bible study, 9:30 to
11:15 a.m. in a local home,
children's program and nursery
provided for morning session,
201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-
3135.

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109
Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Informa-
tion, 439-8280.

NEW SCOTLAND
**NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS
CLUB**

New Scotland Presbyterian
Church, Route 85, 7 p.m.

**FRIDAY
DECEMBER 18**
BETHLEHEM
DUPLICATE BRIDGE

all levels, St. Stephen's Church,
Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. Information,
462-4504.

AA MEETING

First Reformed Church of
Bethlehem, Route 9W, 7:30
p.m. Information, 489-6779.

CHABAD CENTER

Friday services, discussion and
kiddush at sunset, 109 Elsmere
Ave. Information, 439-8280.

NEW SCOTLAND
YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

United Pentecostal Church,
Route 85, New Salem, 7 p.m.
Information, 765-4410.

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 19**
BETHLEHEM
AA MEETING

Bethlehem Lutheran Church,
85 Elm Ave., 7:30 p.m.
Information, 489-6779.

AL-ANON MEETING

The Crossroads, 4 Normanskill
Bld., 5:30 p.m. Information,
489-6779.

**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 20**
BETHLEHEM
**UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship
service, 10 a.m., 436 Krumkill
Road. Information, 438-7740.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,
SCIENTIST**

Sunday school and worship
service, 10 a.m., child-care
provided, 555 Delaware Ave.
Information, 439-2512.

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY
CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship
service, 10 a.m., nursery
provided, 201 Elm Ave.
Information, 439-3135.

**ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH**

Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:30
a.m., coffee and fellowship,
nursery care provided, church
school, 9:25 a.m., Poplar Drive
and Elsmere Avenue. Informa-
tion, 439-3265.

**BETHLEHEM CONGREGATION
OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**

Bible lecture, 10 a.m.,
Watchtower Bible study, 10:55
a.m., Elm Avenue and Feura
Bush Road. Information, 439-
0358.

**Slingerlands Community
United Methodist Church**

worship service and church
school, 10 a.m., fellowship
hour, nursery care provided,
1499 New Scotland Road.
Information, 439-1766.

**SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

Methodist Church, 9:30 a.m.,
worship service, 11 a.m.,
followed by coffee hour,
Willowbrook Avenue. Informa-
tion, 767-9953.

**DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

worship service, church school,
nursery care, 10 a.m., fellow-
ship and coffee, 11 a.m., adult
education, 11:15 a.m., family
communion service, first
Sunday, 585 Delaware Ave.
Information, 439-9252.

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Sunday service, 9:30 a.m., with
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church school, 9:30 a.m.,
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Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

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CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship
service, 10:30 a.m., child-care
available, 1 Chapel Lane.
Information, 436-7710.

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APOSTLE**

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m.
and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30
a.m. and noon, 35 Adams
Place. Information, 439-4951.

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

worship service, 11 a.m., 1
Kenwood Ave. Information,
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**FIRST UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF DELMAR**

Sunday school and worship
service, 9:30 a.m., adult classes
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85 Elm Ave., Delmar, worship
services 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
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MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.,
morning worship, 11 a.m.,
youth group, 6 p.m., evening
service, 7 p.m., Route 9W,
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worship service, 10:15 a.m.,
Auberge Suisse Restaurant,
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Sunday school, 10 a.m.,
worship service, 7 p.m., New
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**ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.,
Mountain View Road,
Voorheesville. Information, 765-
2805.

**JERUSALEM REFORMED
CHURCH**

worship service, 10:30 a.m.,
followed by coffee hour, child-
care provided, Route 32, Feura
Bush. Information, 439-0548.

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CHURCH**

worship service, 9:30 a.m.,
Sunday school, 10:45 a.m.,
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Information, 768-2133.

**UNIONVILLE REFORMED
CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.,
worship service, 10:30 a.m.,
followed by fellowship,
Delaware Turnpike. Informa-
tion, 439-5001.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN
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worship service, 10:30 a.m.,
Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.,
nursery care provided, Route
85. Information, 439-6454.

**UNITED PENTECOSTAL
CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship
service, 10 a.m., choir
rehearsal, 5 p.m., evening
service, 6:45 p.m., Route 85,
New Salem. Information, 765-
4410.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST
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early worship, 8:30 a.m.,
worship celebration, 10 a.m.,
church school classes for
nursery through high school, 10
a.m., choir rehearsals, 11:15
a.m., 68 Maple Ave.,
Voorheesville. Information, 765-
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worship service, 9:30 a.m.,
nursery care provided, Route
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**CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY
CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.,
worship service, 10:30 a.m.,
followed by coffee hour,
nursery care provided, Route
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Information, 439-24377 or 439-
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rehearsal, town hall, 445
Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m.
Information, 439-1603.

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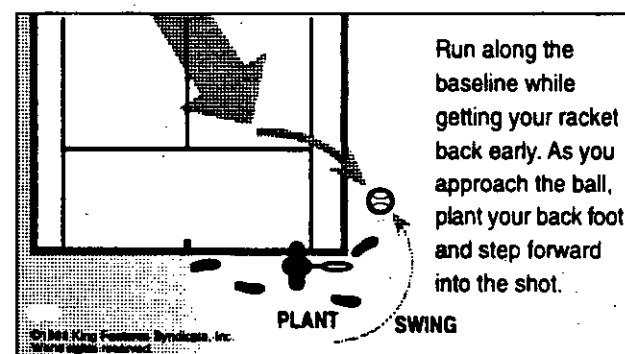
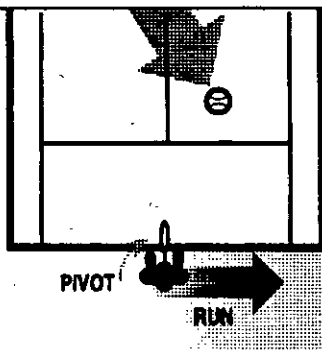
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CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF HARRY WILBUR, SR. FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNDER SECTION 121-201 OF THE REVISED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT

I, the General Partner, having executed a partnership agreement, now execute a certificate of limited partnership in accordance with New York Partnership Law Sections 121-201 and 121-204. Consequently, I certify that:

1. The name of the limited partnership is HARRY WILBUR, SR. FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP;

2. The county in the State of New York in which the office of the limited partnership is to be located will be Albany County;

3. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of HARRY WILBUR, SR. FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, upon whom process against this limited partnership may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon it against this limited partnership to the following post office address: c/o Harry J. Wilbur, Sr., 222 Van Wies Point, P.O. Box 31, Glenmont, New York 12077;

4. The name and business or residence street address of the sole general partner is:

Name: Harry J. Wilbur, Sr.

Address : 222 Van Wies Point, P.O. Box 31, Glenmont, New York 12077

5. The latest date upon which the partnership is to dissolve is December 31, 2030;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on October 2, 1998, the General Partner affirms this Certificate as true under penalties of perjury.

s/ Harry J. Wilbur Sr., General Partner by Harry J. Wilbur as Attorney-in-fact for Harry J. Wilbur, Sr.

STATE OF NEW YORK)

(ss:COUNTY OF ALBANY)

On the 2nd day of October in the year 1998 before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared Harry J. Wilbur, as Attorney-in-fact for Harry J. Wilbur, Sr., personally known to me or provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to or within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

s/ Suzanne M. Wareing
Notary Public, State of New York

No. 01WE5031602
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Commission expires Aug. 8, 2000.

(December 16, 1998)

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Latham, New York 12110

5. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is December 31, 2099.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Certificate of Limited Partnership on the 20th day of November, 1998, and verify and affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct as the date hereof.

BY: DP PARTNERS, L.P.
SHOPPING CENTER DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC, General Partner

By: s/ Kenneth B. Segel,
Member

(December 16, 1998)

LEGAL NOTICE

1424 Western Avenue, LLC Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the New York State Secretary of State on November 5, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is P.O. Box 113, Diamond Point, New York 12824.

(December 16, 1998)

MBH EDUCATIONAL PRODUCTS, LLC

Notice of Formation of MBH Educational Products, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law on 11/05/98. Office location is Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served at 18 Computer Drive West, Albany, NY 12205 who is also the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Latest date to dissolve is 11/05/2028. Purpose is to produce educational products and any other lawful act or activity.

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION

Date: November 6, 1998

Applicant: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12233

Applicant ID: 4-0134-00019/00002

Permit(s) Applied:1

Article 17, Titles 7&8: Private / Commercial Institutional SPDES

Project is located in: New Scotland in Albany County

Project Description: The Department of Environmental Conservation has received an application to re-issue the following EPA minor Private/ Commercial/ Institutional State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit. DEC has made a tentative determination to re-issue this permit for a 5 year period, maintaining the current effluent limitations, and monitoring and reporting requirements. This permit involves the surface discharge of 2,000 gallons per day of treated sanitary waste to Game Farm Pond (the Vroman Kill).

Additional information including the current permit, renewal applications and supporting documentation may be obtained from or inspected at the NYS DEC Central Office in Albany. Substantive comments on the permit or requests for hearing or both must be submitted in writing to the contact person.

SPDES Number: NY 088 8897.

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Availability for Public Comment: Comments on this project must be submitted in writing to the Contact person no later than 1/15/99.

Contact Person: Thomas D. Engel, NYS DEC, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12233, 518-457-2224.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Paul Marius Beer, M.D., ("PLLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on August 5, 1998, effective upon the date of filing. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the PLLC c/o Paul Marius Beer, M.D., P.O. Box 74 Slingerlands, New York 12159. The purpose for which the PLLC is formed is to engage in the practice of medicine or any other business or activity for which a professional limited liability company may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).

The name of the LLC is Columbia Garland, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on November 5, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: 153 SOUTH PEARL STREET, LLC.

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/01/98. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 207 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OF BREAK DEVELOPMENT, LLC

BREAK DEVELOPMENT, LLC has been formed as a limited liability company in New York. The Articles of Organization were filed on November 13, 1998 with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as Agent upon whom process may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 527 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203 ATTN: Lamont Hungersafer.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF RAMAPO GARDENS COMPANY, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 23, 1998, RAMAPO GARDENS COMPANY, LLC filed its Articles of Organization with the New York

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Secretary of State. The principal office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against Ramapo Gardens Company, LLC, may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process to 74 Huntersfield Road, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose of Ramapo Gardens Company, LLC, is to engage in any lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 201 of the Limited Liability Company Law.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).

The name of the LLC is Bish Realty, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on November 2, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is c/o Tri City Rentals, Executive Park North, Albany, New York 12203.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).

The name of the LLC is Columbia Greenville, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on November 3, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THE T&R FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Name: T&R Family Limited Partnership. Certificate of Limited Partnership filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/30/98. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 19028 S.E. Loxahatchee River Road, Jupiter, Florida, 33458. The name and business or residence address of the general partner is available from the SOS. Term: latest date of dissolution 12/31/98. Purpose: to invest in real property and to engage in any lawful act or business permitted under the LPL and the laws of NYS.

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Fuel Oil for the use of said Town, including Water District No. 1, during the year 1999, as and when needed.

Bids will be received up to 3:10 p.m. on the 30th day of December, 1998 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Sheila Fuller, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the Bidder and the subject of the

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bid. ORIGINAL and ONE COPY of each shall be submitted. Copies of the Specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC
Town Clerk

Dated: December 9, 1998

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel for the use of said Town for the year 1999.

Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 30th day of December, 1998 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be sealed in envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. ORIGINAL and ONE COPY of each shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, CMC
TOWN CLERK

Dated: December 9, 1998

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of one (1) Hooklift Roll-off Frame for use of the Highway Department.

Bids will be received up to 3:15 p.m. on the 4th day of January, 1999 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in a sealed envelope which shall bear on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid.

ORIGINAL and ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC/AEE
TOWN CLERK

Dated: December 13, 1998

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of one (1) Boom Mower Attachment, for use of said Town Highway Department.

Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 4th day of January, 1999 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid.

ORIGINAL and ONE COPY of each shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

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Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC/AEE
TOWN CLERK

Dated: December 13, 1998

(December 16, 1998)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of one (1) Two-Ton Vibratory Roller for use of the Highway Department.

Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 4th day of January, 1999 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mrs. Sheila Fuller, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Bids shall be in a sealed envelope which shall bear on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid.

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PUBLICATION NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is C&S PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on November 5, 1998.

THIRD: The county within New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is:

57 Grand Street

Albany, NY 12207

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is based solely on events of dissolution set forth in the New York Limited Liability Company Law (the "Law").

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to invest in real estate and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law.

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SEASONED HARDWOODS: Face cord, \$55, full cords available. Will stack. 731-6091.

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Madison Avenue Baptist Church

901 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York 12208
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4:00 p.m.

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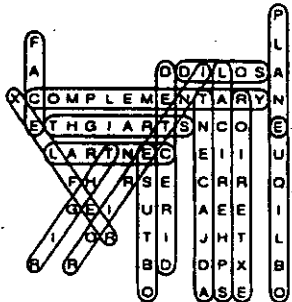
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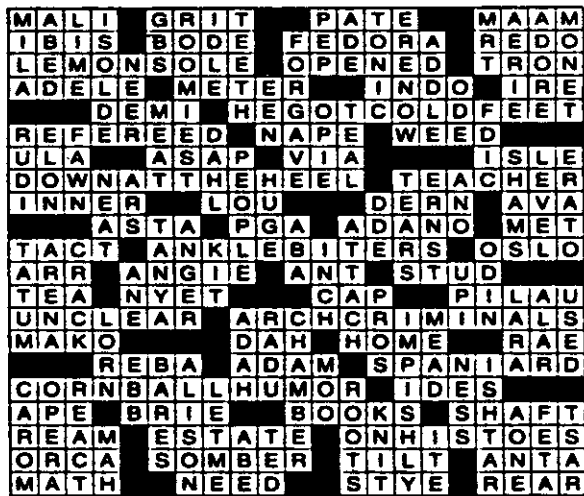
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8PC117M	98 OUTBACK 5 Spd., Red/Gray	24,718	21,995	\$19,795
8PC123M	98 OUTBACK Red/Gray	7,443	22,995	\$28,495
8PC122M	98 OUTBACK Green/Gray	9,406	22,995	\$20,390
8PC121M	98 OUTBACK Green/Gray	8,633	22,995	\$20,290
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8PC86M	97 OUTBACK Spt. Blue/Gy, 5Spd.	21,668	15,995	\$14,850
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Board member resigns, then reups for term

The Bethlehem town board at its Dec. 9 meeting voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Parker Mathusa, barely a year into his term, as a member of the town's planning board, effective Dec. 11.

Fortunately, they had on hand a ready replacement: Parker Mathusa.

In the same resolution that accepted his resignation, the board reappointed him, effective Dec. 15, just in time for the next planning board meeting. The odd turn of events came about as a result of Mathusa's intention to retire Dec. 14 from his job with the state Energy Research and Development Authority.

Mathusa receives a small salary — just under \$3,700 a year — as a member of the planning board. Since municipal employees also pay into the state retirement system, he could not receive full retirement benefits from

his state job until he was separated, for at least a day, from the public payroll. According to town attorney Bernard Kaplowitz, it's not the first time such a maneuver has been required of the board.

On Nov. 30, Mathusa wrote Supervisor Sheila Fuller tendering his resignation, as of the 14th. "If it pleases the Town Board, I could be reinstated effective December 15, 1998, and thereby complete my current term," he wrote.

"Are you sure you don't want to think twice about this?" asked board member Doris Davis before voting with her colleagues for Mathusa's reappointment.

Just to be sure, Fuller proposed accepting Mathusa's resignation three days earlier, to ensure that his separation was long enough to qualify — and to let Mathusa enjoy at least a weekend in retirement.

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