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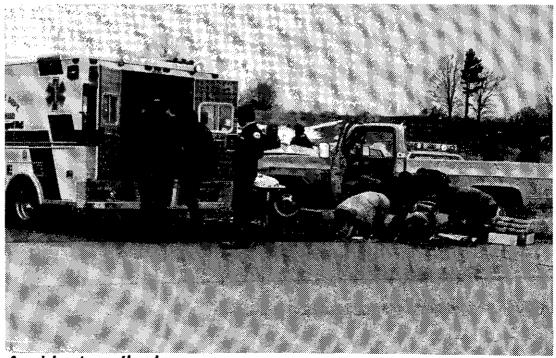
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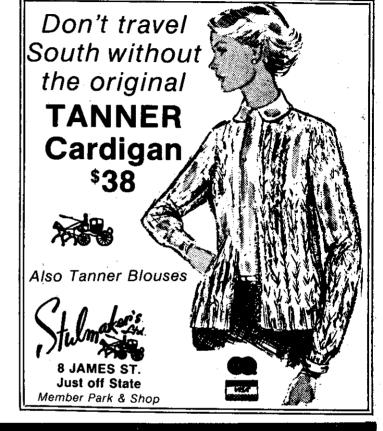
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February Sonshine, special midwinter celebration (games, crafts, entertainment) for children ages four to 12, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 1:30-3:15 p.m., registration necessary, 439-4328 or 439-7995.

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Delmar Progress Club, literature group to hear author Shirley Neison, Normanside Country Club, 12:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Railroad Society, Room 204, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. All interested in HO-gauge modeling welcome.

Food Stamp Outreach by the Albany County Department of Social Services, Bethlehem Town Hall, 9 a.m.-noon.

Vacation Films "Cricket in Times Square" and "Charlotte's Web," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m.

Bethlehem Historical Association, program by Cornelia Frisbee-Houde on history of American clothing, Cedar Hill School House, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., 2 p.m.

February Sonshine continues. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1:30-3:15 p.m.

Film: "The Other Half of the Sky: A China Memoir" (Shirley Mc-Laine's 1973 trip to China), Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Vacation Films, "Magical Mystery Tour" and "Lost World," Bethtehem Public Library, 2 p.m.

Dinner Dance, Thomas Reinisch Memorial to benefit Bethlehem Volunteer Ambufance Squad, Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Selkirk, 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday Reading Series, local novelist and poet Shirley Nelson, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Public Hearing on allocation of federal revenue-sharing funds, Voorheesville village hall, 8 p.m. Regular village board meeting to follow.

Travelogue of the United States and Canada, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Delmar Progress Club, creative arts and garden group meet for luncheon, quilting talk, Delmar Reformed Church, noon.

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- "Vanitities" (Off-Broadway comedy about three girls from cheerleading days to 'the real world'), the Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Feb. 20 and 21, 8 p.m., and Feb. 22, 2 p.m. Box office 473-3750.
- "Working" (musical based on Studs Terkel's book about "what people do all day and how they feel about it"), Nott Memorial Theatre, Union College, Schenectady, Feb. 20-22 and Feb. 24-March 1, 8 p.m., Feb. 22, 3 p.m. Box office 370-6153.
- "The Mikado" (the Manhattan Savoyards), Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, Feb. 22, 3 p.m. Box office 273-0038.
- "No Exit" (Jean-Paul Sartre's version of hell), Performing Arts Center Laboratory Theatre, State University at Albany, Feb. 24-28, 8 p.m. Box office 457-8606.
- "The Hostage" (Brendan Behan), Capital Repertory Theatre Company, Page Hall, corner Lake and Western, Albany, Feb. 18-March 8, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays 8:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday matinees 2:30 p.m.

MUSIC

- Jose Limon Dance Company (modern dance), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, Feb. 27 and 28 and March 1 Philharmonic Virtuosi (chamber orchestra), the Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, March 7, 8 p.m. Box office 473-3750.
- Oscar Ghiglia (classical guitarist), Foy Campus Center Theatre, Siena College, Feb. 22, 4 p.m.
- Richard Johnson (blues guitarist), Eight Step Coffee House, 14 Willett St., Albany, Feb. 20, 8:45 p.m.

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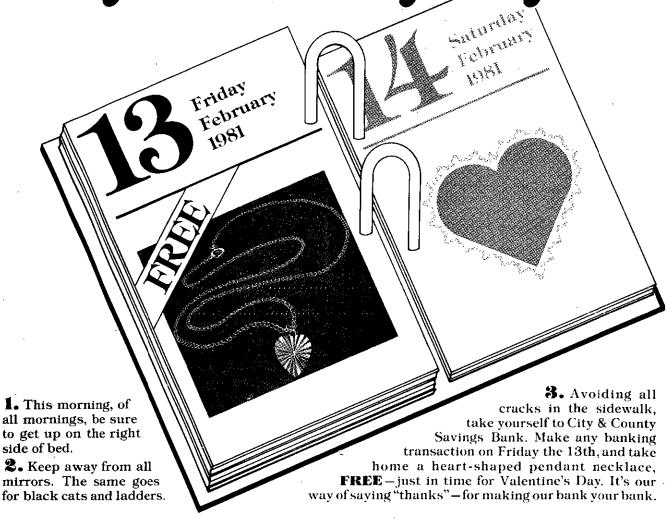
- Ann Sperry Winter Garden (constructions in painted steel), Picotte Gallery, College of Saint Rose, 324 State St., Albany, Feb. 25 through March 27, hours Sunday through Friday 12:30-4:30 p.m.
- William Gropper (paintings and drawings), Rathbone Gallery, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Feb. 23 through March 13, hours Monday-Friday noon-3 p.m., Mondays 5-9 p.m.
- "It's Pure Paper" (31 works on handmade paper from the Lake Placid School of Art), Schacht Fine Arts Center, Russell Sage College, Troy, **through March 15**, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Stanley Bate, Shirley Penman and Philip Spaziani, Sales-Rental Gallery, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany through March 13 Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. 3 p.m.



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What schools, community can do about drug use

"We're doing everything we can with the resources we have," says Charles Gunner. "I'm speaking for the whole school; the majority of the faculty try."

Emily Segerstrom disagrees. "My experience is that it has been handled very poorly," she says. "And I was very involved, but nobody knew it — or if they knew it, nobody wanted to know it."

Gunner is the principal of Bethlehem High School, which has been the subject of recent controversy over drug abuse.

Segerstrom, a Delmar resident and 1971 graduate of Bethlehem, has been the director of the Tools Project, a non-profit drug prevention and mental health clinic based in East Greenbush, for six years.

The controversy began with a letter to the editor in the Spotlight's Jan. 26 issue questioning the activities of several members of a sorority who allegedly exchanged methamphetamines (speed) as Christmas gifts.

An article in the same issue quoted Gunner, school Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn and Bethlehem Police Inspector Richard LaChappelle in an explanation of the school drug policy.

A letter in the following issue (Jan. 29) from Segerstrom expressed her dissatisfaction with the present policy.

Most recently, a front page article in the Feb. 4 issue of the Knickerbocker News reiterated the policy and

discussed the percentage of drug abusers in the school, as estimated by school officials and students.

Nobody likes to be singled out, and the reactions to all this publicity have varied from outrage to resigned acceptance. There appears to be general agreement, however, that a certain level of drug abuse exists at Bethlehem, as it does at all high schools.

The question is, are the school's policies adequate?

The current policy at

Bethlehem Central for a student who is caught using or possessing drugs or alcohol for the first offense consists of a one to three-day suspension from school, contacting and informing the student's parents, and sharing the information with the Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau: After a second offense, a student is faced with one week's suspension, the incident is reported to the police, and charges are brought against the student.

According to the written

policy, parents are recontacted at a later date to "receive additional information and possible school-related follow-up," along with "follow-up with appropriate counseling or other remediation."

Gunner says, "I'm not sure what else we can do, except keep communicating. I'm frustrated too, I guess. I'm for anything that's going to help." An outline of the 1972 Procedures and Regulations for implementing drug policy at the East Greenbush

Students talk about drugs, alcohol and common sense

News reports on drug use at Bethlehem Central High School were, naturally, Topic A at the high school last week. One group of 11th graders spent an entire class period discussing the reports from their own perspective.

These honors students quickly dismissed the allegation that 25 percent of the students had used amphetamines, or "speed."

"That's much too high an estimate," said a coed. "But if I had to make a guess about how many use marijuana, I'd say half the students have at least tried it." The students agreed that drugs are available at the school. "Marijuana and stuff like that. But only a few kids use them all the time. Mostly they're used on the weekends, or at parties, and many students rarely use them — maybe only once a month or so," said a young man.

The real epidemic problem,

according to the members of the class is alcohol consumption. Although the Bethlehem Police ID cards have made it more difficult to obtain beer within the town, sources in Albany are nearby and offer little resistance to teen-age buyers. And it's rather easily available in most area homes.

Why do the kids drink? "It's an adventure — doing something that's not allowed," said one student. Another added, "ever since you're a little kid you've seen your parents do it, so you do it just to spite them."

Several mentioned peer pressure as a reason for drinking: "some kids think it's going to make them socially accepted." Most of the students agreed that alcohol consumption is much more prevalent among boys.

Apparently most kids are social drinkers — "they have some beers at a party to relax with " But they agree that

there are serious drinkers at the high school too, the kind that will tolerate the cold at an outdoor "bush" party simply for the opportunity to drink.

The real surprise was the concurrence among the students that cigarette smoking is "dumb". "You can't sit through all those health classes and see all those black lungs, and not believe what they're telling us about the dangers of smoking," commented one young man.

Since the link between smoking and lung disease is quite obvious, few students smoke. But then why don't the links between health problems and the use of drugs and alcohol deter more of the kids from using these substances? "Because," replied a young lady, "the lack of substantiative evidence linking these with health problems just doesn't make them seem as dangerous."

Phyllis Banucci

School District, a similar suburban district in which the Tools Project has established a drug prevention program, mirrors the current policy at Bethlehem. The East Greenbush policy was abandoned and revised in 1980. According to Mrs. Segerstrom, the 1972 regulations were "very punitive."

"The role of the school becomes to discipline or punish. Whereas structure and boundaries are very important for a kid to understand, my belief is to take that one step further." Mrs. Segerstrom says.

The Tools Project has an outreach program through which its staff actively seeks to reach and involve potential clients through individual contacts in two area school districts.

"The school should certainly facilitate that step," she continues, "by referring to some kind of psychological services in the system to attend to that." While she agrees that "the school cannot take on a surrogate parental role," Mrs. Segerstrom adds: "Let's face it — they've got those kids eight hours a day."

Dr. Clarence J. Spain, director of professional services for the Bethlehem School District, says that although counseling related to school performance is done in the schools, family and individual long-term therapy by law must be provided outside the school. "Many school psychologists are not trained to do therapy," he says. Along with police referrals, Spain says many parents "prefer to find private services." Referral agencies used by Bethlehem, according to Spain, include Family and Children's Services, Project Hope, Hope House, St. Peter's alcohol center and Project Equinox, all on a need basis.

Ongoing education begins at Bethlehem in grades K and I with the Berkeley Health Program. "Then," says Gunner, "every year through the eighth grade there is a



One of these girls and a boy will be crowned Snow Queen and Snow King at the Bethlehem Winter Carnival Saturday at Elm Ave. Park, Delmar. The eight finalists in balloting in each class at BCHS are, from left: front, Karen Faulkner, Nancy Hamill, Diane Wellbrock and Mindy Wolfe; rear, Rob Agnew, Steve Radzyminski, Rob Kistler and Andy Saidel. The Carnival will feature an ice skating show (12:30), cross-country ski clinic (noon), snowmobile rides, snow sculpture contest, children's ice skating races and a family moonlight skating party with hot cider, chocolate and doughnuts. The coronation will be at 1 p.m.

health program, then again in grade ll."

Beside health class, Gunner says, a staff inservice training was held two years ago, produced by faculty members themselves. Also, Gunner says, "I'm in constant discussion with the superintendent and board members, as well as teachers, town fathers, the youth bureau, and with parents of kids who we know for sure are on drugs."

But does all this effort reach the drug abuser? Mrs. Segerstrom thinks not.

"Schools look at your ability to function," she argues. "A kid could be smoking marijuana every day but he'll still be able to write well, be involved in activities, get good grades, etc. But your ability to function and to achieve isn't always a measure of how happy you are. So being aware, training and communication are important."

Gunner says he's aware of the difficulty of suspecting drug abuse in some students. "Usually the ones who are really doing it — we don't get them. They're too smart to do it here. I'm not saying they're not smoking here. But a real smart kid is one who goes by all the rules, yet does what he wants."

Given that it's everybody's problem, who should be taking the lead?

Gunner says his response to the controversy will be "to continue keeping aware. I personally hope that the state and federal government will do more for prevention. But economics and politics are all mixed — so how can you separate it?

"I know we have to have better communication," he says. "But first everybody's got to take a stand that it's not good. Then hopefully it would fall into that."

So far, that hope has not borne fruit. A community group formed during the last big flap over drugs at B.C.

met for two years through last spring, then folded due to loss of community support.

Mark Yolles, director of Project Equinox and the Refer Switchboard in Albany, notes that communities don't have to work in a vacuum on this subject.

Equinox offers counseling, in-service training for teachers, participation in curriculum development and assistance with class presentation, but Yolles says his staff will work with parents in groups or individually.

"We'll even go into the community," he says. "All they have to do is pick up a phone and say, 'We'd like to work on this,' and we'll come and work on it. We'll work with anyone who's interested."

But Mrs. Segerstrom maintains that the basic educational function of the schools can't be emphasized enough. "From our point of view, we're focusing on the schools because that's where the kids are - that's where we'll have the most impact."

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In terms of a drug curriculum, she says she feels that it should be presented at a much earlier age than high school, and should provide kids with more information than which drugs do what.

"If you tell a kid that the symptoms of amphetamines are more energy, weight loss, being able to stay up late, and you're dealing with a kid who's dragging, or thinks they're overweight, he's going to want to use it. So it's got to be presented in a way that the message isn't confused. That kid of education should be carefully reviewed."

Yolles agrees that the school should be responsible for working with students in the late elementary grades. "That's where the school can make a difference," he says. "Part of the program should

help the kids to know that they'll be faced with decisions and pressures. Decisionmaking skills and some form of value clarification with relation to drug use should occur at the transition point from elementary school to the junior high."

Mrs. Segerstrom has some further suggestions. In the East Greenbush School District, a list of recommendations recently drawn up by Tools included proposals for drug education programs for families and students involved with abusing substances, inservices for faculty and supporting staff. monthly meetings, drug studies in schools, a proposal that the health curriculum coordinator become more involved in affective behavior, and more middle school involvement.

"They suspend kids, kick them out of school," she says. "Why not mandate some professional help three times a week? They have a lot of power that way. They can give detention, flunk a kid out of school, so the only thing standing in their way is their willingness not to. It would take one meeting—a vote—to say, 'We want to add this to our drug program.' I've seen two school districts do it in one meeting."

According to Segerstrom "The Board of Education can be a starting point for taking a look at the lines of communication among school personnel, and in providing education for drug abuse, alcoholism, suicide and behavioral

problems. An adult ed course can be teaching a lot more than crocheting and macrame."

She adds, "I've heard kids say that certain teachers had a critical impact on their life. The school population is so vulnerable—so much can happen during that period of their lives. A lot can happen to that kid in eight hours."

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Isabelle McAndrews, fashion chairlady for the St. Thomas Altar Rosary Fashion Show Feb. 27, adjusts the bow for model Marion Berry as another model, Gertrude McCaffery, looks on. Town and Tweed at Delaware Plaza is supplying the spring fashions for the event.

J.W. Campbell

Asking the right questions about kids who use drugs

"Drugs will remain a problem if one kid is using them. Because a kid can't learn when he's high," says Charles Gunner, principal of Bethlehem Central High School.

The question of how many students do use drugs at Bethlehem Central has recently become important to many people; some experts say it is the wrong question.

A drug survey administered this year by the Tool's Project, a non-profit drug prevention and mental health clinic based in East Greenbush revealed that 25 percent of the population of the East Greenbush School District were using drugs. The percentage was similar to estimates made by students and officials at Bethlehem in a Knickerbocker News article Feb. 4, although those figures were presented as educated guesses.

Also, Bethlehem officials are not unaware of the use of drugs by younger students. According to Dr. Clarence J. Spain, director of professional services for the Bethlehem School District, "the middle school kids are getting involved in pot now. In the

70's, it was very seldom that we got feedback about the younger kids."

Both school officials and local drug prevention agencies seem to agree that the figures aren't what's most important.

Mark Yolles, director of Project Equinox and Refer Switchboard in Albany, says, "for awhile, Bethlehem has been talking about what is the drug problem, what's the extent of it. Maybe it's important to just know what we now know, and to now take the situation by the seat of the pants, and not get hung up on percentages."

But their opinions sometimes differ on the theories behind drug abuse.

"It's not just a Delmar problem," Gunner says. "If we want to do anything, we have to do it as a society. Our country supports the countries that are exporting marijuana."

And the attitude on the use of drugs has permeated into adult society, says Dr. Spain. "Alcohol is a big problem," he says, "because it has a universal social sanction." Gunner adds, "we have parents buying kegs for their kids' parties

where the kids are under eighteen. I don't know how they can do that with a good conscience."

"Medications for feeling," according to Yolles, "is endemic to our society". And adults set an example that young people follow — cigarettes, coffee, alcohol, sopoforics, tranquilizers, stimulants, aspirin for "tension headaches," etc.

"The drug laws are reflective of an accepting attitude," says Mrs. Emily Segerstrom, director of Tools. "It's really sad — that's what you're fighting." But Gunner says, "it's not the parents fault. You can think you're doing everything right and then find out your kids are using drugs. I had six very definite theories on how to raise kids before I had kids. Then I had six kids."

Dr. Spain says "the strongest influence in kids that you'll find is his peer group. Some children are easily led by others."

"That's such a scapegoat, it's laughable," says Mrs. Segerstrom. "Who are the peers? Some kids aren't af-

fected by it — how do you get around that?

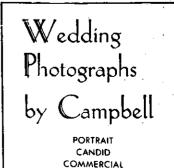
"Our drug survey revealed that one-third of the students first tried drugs out of personal curiosity, whereas five percent did so because of a friend's influence."

Mrs. Segerstrom says that drug abuse exists "as much, if not more than before. It's just not getting the attention. Kids have been very good at handling what they're taking. They're not stupid — they know what their limits are, at least when it comes to surviving their experience."

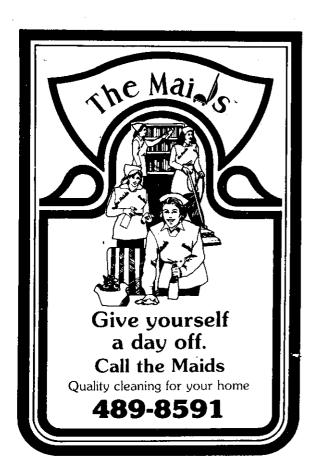
The question, she adds, "is the quality of their survival."

Kim Van Dyke

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A celebration at BC

Bethlehem Central's annual Cubic Kumquat will fall on Saint Valentine's Day this year. The theme, appropriately, is "Hearts and Flowers." All are welcome to celebrate in the high school dining room at 7:30 p.m. with an evening of food, drink, and entertainment reminiscent of last autumn's Choral Cabaret.

Musicians in B.C.'s Wind Ensemble and String Orchestra will serve coffee and desserts while recruits from throughout the school execute vocal, instrumental and comedy routines. The dance



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Dan Miller, a twelfthgrader, will not only perform on his guitar, but also act as master of ceremonies. Margot Ferrari, another senior who has played flute in the Wind Ensemble for two years, is responsible for coordinating arrangements.

In keeping with the occasion, couples will get a discount on tickets. Senior citizens may attend free of charge. Tickets are on sale at L.J. Mullen Pharmacy or from members of the Wind Ensemble.

Laurie Strasser

Travelogue offered

The Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Dept. will offer a travelogue on the United States and Canada at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at Bethlehem town hall. Admission is free. Speaker will be Leslie Edsel.

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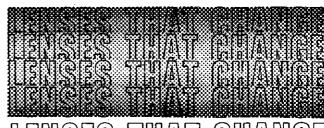
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The decision on whether to fluoridate Bethlehem's water will probably boil down to a question of philosophies — the government's obligation to provide services versus the individual's right to be left alone.

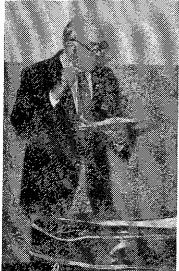
Following last week's fourhour hearing by the Bethlehem Town Board, that decision is apparently still several weeks away. The matter will be brought up for discussion at Wednesday's regular meeting, but a vote will in all likelihood be postponed until the following meeting, Feb. 25.

That's because only one board member, Supervisor Tom Corrigan, is ready to take a stand. "As far as I'm concerned," he said following the hearing, "the benefits are significant immediately for a small percentage of the population, and ultimately to the total population.

"And any adverse effect is minimal, if it even exists."

That last statement gets to the heart of the matter. Several other board members are known to be deeply troubled by the prospect of forcing even a few people to drink a substance they believe will harm them.

"Please allow me my right to reject something I do not want," summed up Mrs.



Dr. Edwin Pesnel

Laurel Cahill, the leader of the anti-fluoridation forces.

And from the other side, fact after fact, study after study: "It's proven and it's safe. It's been used for generations," said Dr. Edwin Pesnel in an impassioned speech. "The opposition has said it all before — it's the same misleading, unfactual fiction."

Thus the delay, even though all the board members had said prior to the hearing they hoped to get the issue, with its volatile political ramifications, out of the way as quickly as possible.

The hearing certainly didn't settle the politics of fluoridation. About 240 people attended, but although the speakers sat on the right or left according to their anti or pro fluoridation leanings, it was not so easy to gauge the mood of the audience. Corrigan strenously dampened partisan applause, and only 77 people bothered to sign sheets giving their position (47 against and 30 for).

Nor did the hearing attract the kind of media attention many thought it deserved. Only one television and two radio stations covered, and Mrs. Cahill was forced to cancel the press conference she had scheduled prior to the hearing. The press coverage made much of the fact that the board did not make a decision that night, perhaps forgetting that the hearing lasted until a 12:15 a m.

But the four hours of talk, ranging from near comic to intensely serious and from broadly philosophical to highly technical, did serve a purpose. For most people, it was the first time the arguments had been tested against each other. Although the hearing was not set up as a debate, the two sides did have an opportunity to respond to each other's points, and in most cases it was the pro-

ponents who had the final word.

Among the issues debated:

- The danger of overdose. Dr. Lennart Crook, a Cornell University veterinarian who was Mrs. Cahill's lead witness, presented tables which he said show a very thin line between proper dosage of fluoride and overdose. Dr. Pesnel later challenged Dr. Crook to explain the source of his dosage levels, and got no response. Dr. Pesnel, citing what he said were the safety levels accepted by the medical profession calculated that a child would have to drink 708 quarts of water in a day to get an overdose of fluoride from drinking municipal water.
- Does fluoride work? Dr. Crook read a letter from a dentist in Newburgh, N.Y. which fluoridated its water in 1954, who said he could see no improvement in the teeth of children who live there. Later. Dr. Martin Bromberg, who is supervising dentist in the Newburgh schools, took the floor to talk of the "dramatic decline" of tooth decay, with no bad effects. "When you look around and you see those beautiful mouths, you know it's working," he said.
- Mottling: Dr. Crook showed slides of cow's teeth, horribly discolored and disfigured by what he said was the effect of excessive fluoride. Dr. Bromberg said children in Kingston, which served as an unfluoridated "control" to Newburgh, have worse mottling. Dr. John Hawkins, director of Albany Medical Center, noted later that the cows were apparently those near the St. Regis Indian Reservation, near an aluminum plant which is known to have produced other toxic substances. "These are all factors that a good scientist would research and evaluate before coming to a conclusion," he said.

- Alternatives: numerous opponents asked why fluoride cannot be administered in some form less pervasive, such as daily pills for those who need them. "I'm not against helping the children in this town with their teeth, but I think there are other ways," said one woman. "Keep your children away from those soft drinks." Dr. Pesnel replied: "Many children never visit a dentist until their teens, when it's too late...but the most significant reason is human nature. Watur fluoridation is more sure, it's cheaper." And Dr. Alfred Yager, a New Jersey dentist, told of an experiment in Clifton, N.J. where free fluoride pills were offered, and only .5 percent of the children took them.
- The effect on people with certain illnesses; such as kidney disease, alergies and hyperactivity, was debated at length. In each case, the opponents raised questions about how these illnesses are affected, and in each case the proponents answered by citing experts or studies.

In all, the proponents produced 13 medical doctors and dentists, most of them local, to argue their case. The opponents were not completely outnumbered in professional credentials, however, Dr. Saty Satya-Murti, a neurologist at Albany Medical Center, said he is opposed to fluoridation because "I



Laurel Cahill

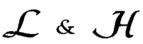
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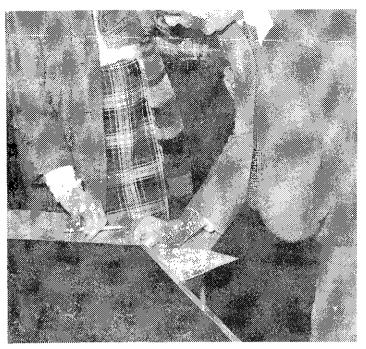
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hitting the bus at a slow rate of speed. None of the students on the bus were injured.

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Laks appointed counsel

Eugene M. Laks of Selkirk has been appointed counsel to the New York State Health Planning Commission, according to an announcement by Dr. Robert P. Whalen, the commission's vice chairman.

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Language study gets parents' support

An eloquent presentation by the school district's foreign language supervisor highlighted the Bethlehem Central school board meeting last Wednesday.

Ralph VanderHeide marshaled a variety of statistics to support his argument that a strong foreign language program is important and effective.

For example, only eight percent of American colleges and universities require any foreign language study for entrance. And only 53 percent require it for graduation.

But in Bethlehem, 41 percent of high school students and 79 percent of middle schoolers take a foreign language course. The figures are "amazing, since it's not mandatory," Vander Heide said.

Spanish and French are offered in Bethlehem beginning in the sixth grade. Pupils who study a foreign language all three years of middle school can enter high school with one credit in language. High school students have a choice of Spanish, French, German and one year of Latin. A second year of Latin could be offered, VanderHeide said, if enough students wanted it.

Vander Heide cautioned, "we could easily spread ourselves too thin" by offering more languages at this time. He said the Bethlehem program should concentrate on helping students achieve a "functional" ability in a foreign language, meaning the ability not only to read and understand the language, but also to speak it well, if not fluently.

He also said the district should provide longer sequences (more years) of foreign language study, and more pracital applications.

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A number of parents in the audience of 35 at Slingerlands Elementary School gave enthisiastic support to Vander Heide's recommendations, citing both personal experience and observations.

In the business portion of the board meeting, Supt. Lawrence A. Zinn reported on a proposed summer school program. The program would have to be entirely selfsupporting, he said. In addition, no credit courses could be offered, because it is illegal to charge for a credit course in a public school.

Zinn said course offerings could include instrumental and vocal music, dance, art. typing and driver training. among others. The school would avoid competition with summer programs such as those offered by the town parks and recreation department and the Heldeberg Workshop, he said. Transportation would be the responsibility of participants.

Board members were generally enthusiastic. Robert Zick wanted a concrete plan so interest could be gauged, and also urged that math and reading "challenge" curricula be part of the program.

Robert Ruslander said: "it's a great idea!" He added that with gasoline prices prompting second thoughts by would-be travelers, the more summer options the district can offer, the better.

Zinn also gave the board his six-year enrollment projections, which are required by the state. The school population has been declining gradually since 1975, and Zinn said he foresees another two percent decline for the 1981-82 school year. The decline in the school-age population nationwide is expected to bottom out at some future time, however. Total district enrollment in January was 3,800.

A cut in federal reimbursement rates forced the board to raise the cost of a reducedprice lunch by 10 cents — to 20 cents, effective Feb. 9. The average cost to the district of a school lunch was given as nearly \$1. Fewer than 100 pupils will be affected by the price increase. Ann Treadway, district clerk and school lunch coordinator, said.

Zick had harsh words for what is in some of those lunches - at least the district's peanut butter sandwich. He scored the bureaucrats who regulate - by tablespoon — the amount of peanut butter that must be spread on a school-lunch sandwich as he slowly unwrapped what he called "an overloaded" sandwich.

"I'm just trying to help people realize how ridiculous some regulations are," Zick said.

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Board continues work on code changes

The Bethlehem Planning Board continued to ponder proposed changes in the town zoning ordinance at its Feb. 3 meeting at the town hall.

A new AB residential zoning district is proposed that would allow construction of three-and four-family dwellings, mainly along traffic corridors. This new district would include all uses allowed in the A district, plus the three and four-family dwellings.

According to a chart prepared by board consultant Ed Kleinke of Slingerlands, A district uses, in addition to one and two-family homes, include churches, libraries, schools, nurseries, noncommercial parks, golf courses, community buildings and private clubs, among others.

Consulting engineer Al Worth and town Building Inspector John Flanigan have been working with Kleinke and the planning board on the zoning amendments.

Planning board member John LaForte, bothered by the use of the term "multi" to mean five or more, not two or more as it does in non-planner language, suggested a new coinage — a "quint-family dwelling." But there was no second.

In a more serious vein, the board debated the appropriate size of the swimming pool and number of tennis courts planned at Chadwick Square, a townhouse development off Wemple Rd. in Glenmont. The planners decided to transmit their expectation of the pool size to Rosen-Michaels, the developer, as well as request that the recreation facilities be ready for the first occupants.

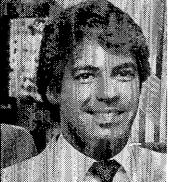
Rosen-Michaels has asked for board approval to begin Section 2 of the development, which ultimately is expected to have 435 units.

The planners also discussed the need for a four-lane entrance to Chadwick Square.

In other action, the board approved the final plat for a North Bethlehem subdivision, contingent upon submission to board officers of a copy of the deed showing present ownership.

Weber Bros., Inc., was granted a nine-day extension for submission of final plans for a proposed subdivision on Murray Ave.







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Elsmere home hit

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Miniature golf to be isolated

Preliminary plans for a proposed miniature golf course on Bethlehem Terrace, Delmar, were outlined by Ken Ringler, general manager of Delmar Car Wash, Inc., at a Bethlehem Appeals Board meeting last week.

"We're already basically a recreation area back there," said Ringler, referring to the Del Lanes bowling alley located on the isolated site across Delaware Avenue from Delaware Plaza, "Often times recreational areas that attract young people are opposed by residents that live near by, but here we have the opportunity to offer a supervised form of entertainment that won't bother people that don't want it."

If approved, the golf course could be in operation by late summer, he said.

Addressing previous business, the board denied a request made by Joseph A. Hughes to operate a gas station, sell and store used cars, and operate a wrecking service at his 645 Delaware Avenue property.

The board found that the proposed use would not be in harmony with the residential character of the area and would dangerously increase traffic and pedestrian problems on heavily-travelled Delaware Avenue.

Neil Hallenbeck was granted a special exception toconstruct and operate a solar greenhouse and a vegetable production business at a' family-owned site on Rt. 9W and Clapper Rd., Selkirk.

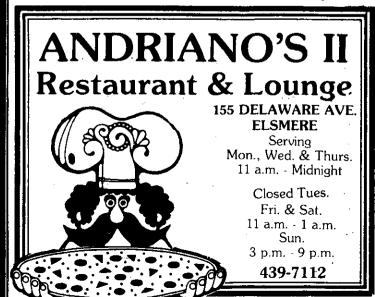
In new applications, Lawrence J. Bruno has asked to display and sell used cars on the premises of his Ross' Ice Cream Stand at 1342 New Scotland Ave., Slingerlands. A public hearing has been set for Feb. 18 at 8:30 p.m.

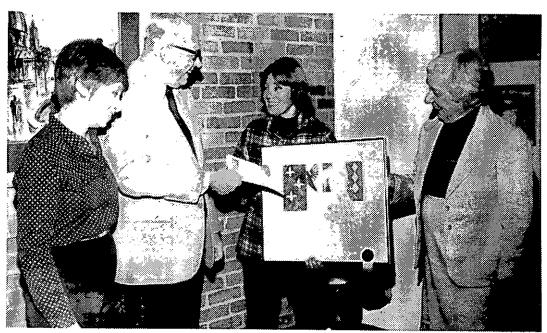
Also, Stanley L. Zalen of 9 Fairway Road, Elsmere, has applied for a variance to construct a five-foot fence. along the east side of his property. A public hearing will be held on Feb. 18 at 8:15 p.m.

Phyllis Banucci

Moonlight ski planned

A moonlight cross country ski tour led by educators at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will take place Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 p.m. on the center grounds, Game Farm Rd., Delmar. The evening's full moon will provide light as well as an opportunity to explore the winter world at night. Interested persons must bring their own skis. In case of no snow, the interpretive walk will be led on foot. This program is fee and open to the public.





Helen St. Clair holds the picture which won her first prize in the Bethlehem Art Association's annual juried show at the Bethlehem Public Library. Standing at left is Jan Thalheimer, second prize winner, and third prize winner Eunice Hunter is at right as show Chairman Jack Haberer congratulates the winner.

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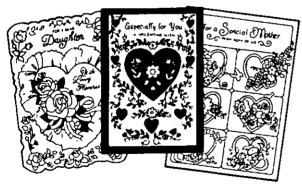
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Military Airlift Command aircraft are involved in humanitarian missions many times each year but it isn't often they use the C-5A "Galaxy" for a search and rescue mission. This is what took place Jan. 15, with crewmembers from the 512th Military Airlift Wing (Associate) Air Force Reserve unit stationed at Dover AFB, De.

The crew, including Flight Engineer Mauro, assigned to the 709th Military Airlift Squadron, was returning from a routine mission from Rhein Main Air Base, West Germany, to Dover when they picked up an emergency message from the Scottish Control Center. A Royal Dutch Air Force coastal watcher aircraft, carrying 12 crewmen, had ditched in the Altantic Ocean off the coast

of northern Ireland.

"We picked up the transmission giving us a possible position of the downed plane and immediately headed for that area," said aircraft commander Maj. Frederick Bok.

"We were flying at 35,000 feet and had to come down to 1,500 feet to begin our search," he said.

The crewmembers of the downed Dutch plane had already been in treacherous Altantic waters for about an hour. With the conditions of the winter storm making temperatures drop, reducing visibility to almost zero, plus the cold water, the C-5 crew knew a fast find was necessary.

"At about 11 a.m. one of our spotters saw two flares off the port side. We always had the beacon signal but we never did see the plane," said Major Bok.

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Navy Machinist's Mate 3rd Class Richard B. Hand III, son of June S. Hand, 130 Fernbank Ave., Delmar, is deployed to the Mediterranean Sea and Persian Gulf aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Farragut, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

The ship recently joined the Middle East Force to conduct routine operations in the Persian Gulf, Red Sea and Western Indian Ocean in support of national objectives.

A 1975 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Hand joined the Navy in October 1977.

Second Lt, Michael D. Moak, son of Barbara Moak of Voorheesville, is now wearing U.S. Air Force silver wings following graduation from pilot training at Laughlin Air Force Base, Tex. The fully-gualified pilot will now fly the F-16 at Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

Marine Staff Sgt. Michael J. Jubrey, son of Kathleen Frazier of 10 Village Dr., Delmar, has reenlisted for six years while serving with Wing Engineer Squadron 27, Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C. He joined the Marine Corps in September. 1973.

Airman David A. Larkin. son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Larkin, 122 Winne Rd. Delmar, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force course for radio relay equipment repairmen at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. He has been assigned to Norton Air Force Base, Calif.

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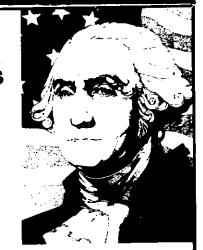
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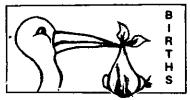


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Storm cuts power

Several hundred New Scotland residents suffered a power blackout for several hours during Sunday night's snowfall. A Niagara Mohawk spokesman said the outages occurred between 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. in scattered sections of the Capital District, caused by a rash of road mishaps, broken poles, overloaded tree limbs and gusty winds. Areas in New Scotland affected were New Salem, Clarksville and Feura Bush, but there were no details as to the number of darkened households and the duration of the blackouts.

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Course brochures are being mailed to district residents and are available in public libraries in Bethlehem, Guilderland, Altamont, Schenectady and Voorheesville. James Hladun is the program director. The brochure outlining class topics, fees and schedules can be obtained from the high school by calling 765-3314.

Most courses will start the week of March 2, with later starts for shorter courses and for outdoor courses. The basic schedule:

Mondays - men's basketball, dog obedience, toy making, early American stenciling, quilting, smoking withdrawal, beginners' bridge, horse training.

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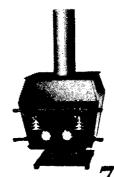
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In response to Bishop Howard Hubbard's Lenten program, "Always His People," the Church of St. Matthew will sponsor scripture sharing groups. A passage from the Bible will be read and discussed by participants. Evening and daytime groups will be formed. Group leaders and co-leaders are needed. Sr. Eileen Flanagan from the Diocesan Office for Religious Education will give an evening training session at St. Thomas School auditorium, Delmar, from 7:30-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24, for those who would like to be discussion leaders. For more information, call Marie Hill, 765-4254.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the New Scotland Elks Lodge 2611 will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 8 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar. Wives of Elks Lodge members are invited to attend. The Ladies Auxiliary will be starting their organization in the spring. Wives of Elks who join now will be charter members. For more information,' contact JoAnn Donahue, 765-4400, or Sharon Boehlke, 439-4498.

Recent changes in the New York State Public Health Law 2164 will affect measles and mumps immunization requirements for all K-12 students for the 1981-82 school year. The change is effective July 1, 1981. Mumps vaccine will now be required of all students enrolling next September. To accommodate students needing this vaccine the Albany County Health Dept, will hold a clinic in the Voorheesville School District later this spring. Parents will receive permission notices in the mail. Students who go to their own family doctor must bring written verification to the school nurse. All students, regardless of length of previous enrollment, must have either a mumps vaccine or written confirmation from a

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The Voorheesville School District is looking for the names of children who will be five years of age on or before Dec. 1, 1981, to complete their kindergarten roster. If you moved to the district after June, 1980, your child may not be listed on the 1981-1982 census. Please call the Elementary School at 765-2382 and give the name, address and birthdate of the child.

Parents who lived in the district before June 1980 will receive registration instructions by mail the week of March 16.

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Sheriff's deputies said the vehicles met head-on at 8:10 a.m. on a steep curve on Bullock Rd. following Sunday night's snowstorm.

Deputies identified the

driver of the bus as Vernon M. King, 61, of Woodwind Dr., Voorheesville, and the driver of the car as Robert A. Ingleston, 26, of Diamond Hill Rd., New Scotland.

Moonlight acquisition

A portable gasoline generator valued at \$200 was stolen from a residence on Clipp Rd., town of New Scotland, Friday night or early Saturday, according to an Albany County sheriff's department, report.

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New daytime break-in and

State police are on the lookout for a yellow pickup truck with a white cap, possibly homemade, seen in the vicinity of a daylight burglary Wednesday at a residence on Waldenmaier Rd., Delmar, Tpr. David Dennin and Inv. Donald Greeley said jewelry, watches and a TV set with a total value of \$1,700 were taken. Entry was gained by forcing a window, troopers said

Food stamp outreach

The Albany County Department of Social Services will conduct a food stamp outreach program from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Feb. 19, at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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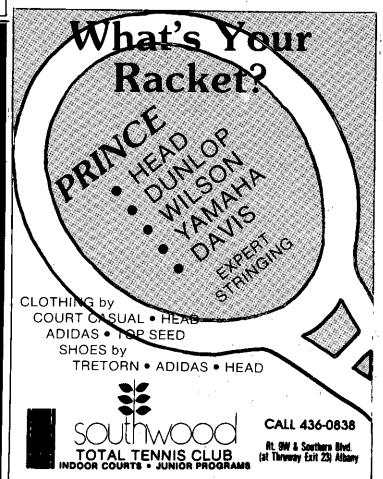
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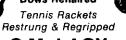
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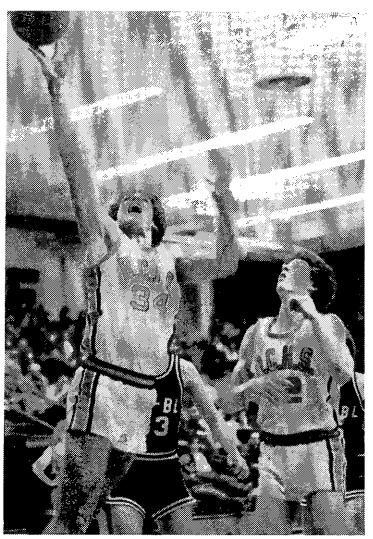
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BASKETBALL

Another split for BC quint

Don't look now, but the Bethlehem Central basketball team that looked so bedraggled in the first month of the season is playing better than .500 ball in the home stretch.

The Eagles lifted their record to 6-10 and 5-10 in the Suburban Council last week by dividing two games with middling opponents. Playing at home, BC took Columbia, 69-60, then dropped a 36-31 defensive struggle to Burnt Hills.

The Eagles entered this week with three league games left, all on the friendly floor in Delmar, and a non-league junket to Gloversville that winds up the regular season. There are open Sectionals again this year, but up to Monday the pairings and sites had not been announced.

Mike Lawrence with 19 and Tom Dexter and Steve Gillespie with 14 apiece paced the production Tuesday against Columbia. Coach Jim Tediscom a defense-minded citizen, said it was "a real good game," which means that the defense was good and the boys put enough leather into the strings to win the game. They opened with Tedisco's favorite man-to-man with the press in various spots. They also showed their zone defense on occasion.

Tedisco was in his element Friday night with Burnt Hills in town, but the wrong team won. The skimpy score indicates one of those strategic slowdowns, but such was not the case. Tedisco's appraisal: "Both teams played very good defense. It was so good that neither team got many good shots. We weren't hitting our shots, but neither were they."

Bethlehem led by 9-2 at the quarter with the spectators yawning, and it was 15-14 at the half with the scorekeepers trying to stay awake. In the third period, the BC team did the napping and were out-

scored by 14-4. BC awoke partially in the fourth and cut the margin by four, but that didn't do it.

Lawrence missed the game with a bruised knee dealt him in the Columbia game. Tom Burdick, a 6-1 junior, filled in and got six points and six rebounds. Steve Gillespie was high with 15, which left him one point shy of outscoring the rest of the team.

This Friday Bethlehem fans will have their first chance to see Saratoga, the new kid on the block in the Suburban Council. Saratoga is point-happy, having topped the 100-mark twice this year, once against BC up north. They also are the only team to knock off Shaker, putting an end to the 50-game Bison win streak. They should draw a crowd on Delaware Ave.

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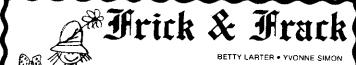
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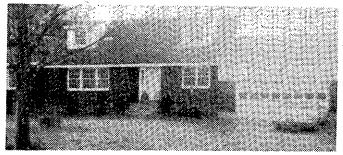
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SWIMMING

Mergers show plenty of kick

Voorheesville-Guilderland's merged swim team continues to be a force in the 10-team Adirondack League. The new combo raised its record to 7-3 in the league, 9-3 overall, with a convincing victory over Shaker last week, setting a new pool record along the way.

They might have beaten the Blue Bison twice, but the return meet at Latham was flushed by technical difficulties traced to a faulty pump. It was the second time the Latham duel had gone down the drain: the opening meet scheduled for Dec. 10 was moved back to last Saturday, and now there is some question as to whether it can be rescheduled before the season expires.

The Mergers had a date at Troy High this Wednesday, swim Canajoharie in Voorheesville today (Thursday), and wind up Feb. 25 at Albany Academy. That leaves all next week and the entire vacation week to get the Latham pool filled.

There was also a question as to whether the team's top swimmer, Andy Renshaw, would be ready after another long bout with the cold that has plagued him all season.

Meanwhile, his twin, Tony, lowered the Voorheesville pool record with a 56.16 clocking in the butterfly as the Mergers whiped Shaker, 45-38. He also won the 200 individual medley and swam on the victorious freestyle relay team.

Dirk Applegate, the talented Voorheesville sophomore, also was a double winner, taking the 100 and 200 freestyle. Carl Renshaw won the backstroke and Kevin Anderson the breaststroke. In the final relay the Mergers showed their famous brother act, Tony and Carl Renshaw and Kevin and Jeff Anderson, for the clinching points. V-G won eight of the 11 events.

The highlight of the meet, however, came in the 500, where Voorheesville's Ricky Bult cut eight seconds off his best previous time and finished in 5:22.28.

Benefit dance stated

The Thomas Reinisch Memorial dinner dance to benefit the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance will be held Friday, Feb. 20, at Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill. A roast beef dinner will be served family style at 7:30. Music will be by Sundown and J. F. and Company. For reservations, call Linda Schacht, 767-2924; Moira Witt, 767-3426, or Sue Ferro, 439-1963, by the Feb. 14.

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BC fins face a major test

To give his Bethlehem Central pool powerhouse any kind of a test, Coach Jack Whipple has to go outside Section 2. It has been that way for more than 10 years, so Whipple has been going next door to Section 3 to book meets with Rome Free Academy and New Hartford.

Those two teams are perennial powers in the Utica-Syracuse area, which annually produces the strongest scholastic teams in the state. Bethlehem lost to Rome in 1975, the first setback in Whipple's regime, then won 31 straight dual meets before losing at New Hartford in 1977.

Last Friday, Bethlehem outswam Rome by 57-26 in the four-lane pool in Delmar. This Friday the team makes its bi-annual trip to New Hartford for its most important test. The six-lane pool there will give the Eagles an edge because of their team depth.

At New Hartford the Eagles will put their 61-meet winning streak on the line. New Hartford and Rome have split their two meets this year.

The score of last week's

encounter with Rome was closer than the score indicates. RFA "won" the first relay, the medley that always opens a meet, but was disqualified for a swimmer leaving too early. Bethlehem, which had finished 2-3, was moved up to 1-2, giving the Eagles a 9-1 lead in points to open the meet. That seemed to set the tempo of the evening, and BC took eight of the remaining 10 events.

Highlights of the meet were a new record by Jay Henahan in the 500, a 1-2 BC finish in the individual medley, and a surprise win by Johnny Reagan for third place, but the junior speedster shaved three seconds off his best previous time and won it in 52.37 seconds. Freshman Dave Young took third.

BC's Bobby Holland touched out his fellow co-captain, Mike Nvilis in the IM. Both swimmers were clocked in the excellent time of 2:10.9.

Henahan, set a new school and pool record in the 500 freestyle. His 5:01.86 shattered the old mark of 5:03.2 set by Bethlehem's Malcolm Cooper in 1975, and was the fastest 500 ever clocked for a

Section 2 swimmer or any "outside" swimmer coming into Section 2. Henahan, a junior, also won the 200 and swam a leg on the victorious 400-yard relay team that came within three seconds of breaking another pool record. In that one, it was Sam Neff, Renahan, Mike Nvilis and

John Delaney in 3:28.2. The record is 3:25.8, established in 1971 by a BC quartet that included Delaney's brother, Mike, who was a spectator at Friday's meet.

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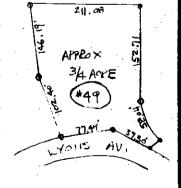
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Blackbirds try a new defense

Getting near the end of his rope with frustration as Voorheesville Central's basketball season winds down, Coach Mike O'Brien tried a new defense in a Colonial Council game at Mechanicville last week.

The performance didn't get a rave review, but, says O'Brien, it wasn't too bad, either. In the process the Blackbirds committed a rash of turnovers and couldn't get closer than three points near the end. The final was a 58-54 reverse.

"We tried a new defense, a 1-3-1 zone in the first half," O'Brien said later. "We had only one man in back with the two wings sliding back to help him. It gave us the opportunity to press at half court. The wings were a bit slow to cover the gaps inside, but it really wasn't that bad. We threw the ball away too many times and

missed some shots we should?" have made."

Voorheesville trailed by five points at the half after playing the host team even in the second period. O'Brien switched to the old reliable 2-1-2 zone in the third period, but the Blackbirds got burned on that with sloppy ballhandling and erratic foul shooting, and were down by 12. They finished up in a manto-man and cut the lead to three points near the end.

Mike Lewis had another fine game with 22 points. Greg Picard came off the bench and played his best game of the season, scoring 12 points. Adam Nendza got in foul trouble early and Paul Probst fouled out for the eighth time this season.

The Blackbirds had a game at Lansingburgh Tuesday and will be home for the last time on Friday against Watervliet. They have been paired with Canajoharie of the Tri-Valley League in the first round of the Class C open Sectionals, and will play at Canajoharie on Feb. 20.

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The Association's booths will include plants, baked goods, white elephant items, quality antiques, and a Genealogy Group corner.

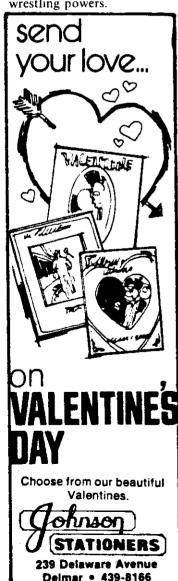
Other Ways & Means Committee members include: William La Med, co-chairman, Mrs. J. Robert Denny, Mr. & Mrs. Edward R. Dillon, Jr., Mrs. Michael Maguire, Benjamin Meyers, Marjorie Terrell and Mary Van Oostenbrugge.

Grapplers keep rolling

A third-place finish in the Suburban Council Invitational tournament, highest in 10 years for Bethlehem Central, featured a busy schedule last week for the Eagles' wrestling team. Earlier, BC squeezed past Mohonasen, 31-30, without a pin, and edged Saratoga, 37-30 with pins by Al Tinsman and Andy Hickey.

J.B. Rodgers reached the finals of the Council tourney at Burnt Hills, but settled for second place in the 114-pound class. Steve Essex and Jeff Herrmann earned their places in their divisions.

The Eagles travel to Linton for a meet today (Thursday) and have a 4 p.m. Friday date at home with Amsterdam, one of the area's perennial wrestling powers.





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Susan Whitfield Promoted by state

Susan Whitfield, a career state employee who lives in Delmar with her husband, David Sawyer, has been appointed administrative director of the State Labor Dept. Her new post carries a salary of \$45,000.

A former employment interviewer and administrative analyst with the department, Whitfield transferred to the State Division of the Budget in 1972. She most recently supervised the budget for the Labor Dept. (\$257 million), the Division of Human Rights and the Human Rights appeals board. She has also served on the governor's task force for the Medicaid and the staff study of harness and thoroughbred tracks and off-track betting for the Delafield Commission. She served four years in the Budget Division's mental health unit, where among other assignments she participated in a study to reform the mental hygiene local assistance program and assisted in the reorganization of the Dept. of Mental Hygiene into separate offices for mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse of alcohol. She is a graduate of Chatham College, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Science lecture Tuesday

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Delmar, is sponsoring a free lecture on Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. at Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Rt. 9W, Albany. Mrs. Rebecca Coughtry, a member of the local church, will introduce George Aghamalian, a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship, who will talk on "More Than A Superstar." Child care will be available.

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ORDER DIRECTING PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, several owners of taxable real property situate within the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, Nèw York have presented to the Town Board of said Town a petition requesting that Water District No. 1 of said Town be extended so that it shall include the territory bounded and described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Bethlehem, County of Albany, State of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in a southwesterly line of Water District No. 1, said point being the most southerly corner of the Carstead Drive Extension to Water District No. 1; thence running from said point of beginning southeasterly and along said southwesterly line of Water District No. 1 40 feet, more or less, to a point in the southerly line of an easement 50 feet in width extending easterly from the subdivision known as Woodside South; thence westerly and along the southerly line of said easement 55 feet, more or less, to a point in an easterly line of Woodside South; thence southerly and along said easterly line of Woodside South 215 feet, more or less, to a corner thereof; thence southwesterly and along a southeasterly line of Woodside South 271.80 feet to the most southerly corner of said subdivision; thence northwesterly and along the southwesterly line of Woodside South a total of 1,378.37 feet to the most westerly corner thereof; thence northeasterly and along a northwesterly line of Woodside South 210 feet, more or less, to a point in the southwesterly line of the Carstead Drive Extension to Water District No. 1; thence southeasterly and along the southwesterly line of the Carstead Drive Extension 1,220 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, containing 10.2 acres, more or less. The above-described area being more fully shown on a map entitled, "Water District No. 1, Proposed Caldwell Boulevard Extension," dated November, 1980 and made by J. Kenneth Fraser and Associates, P.C., and

WHEREAS, said petition also requests that there be constructed in said territory proposed to be added to said Water District, a water distribution system in accordance with the map and plan attached to said petition, wholly at the expense of the petitioners; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDERED by the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem that said Town Board shall meet at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York on the 25th day of February, 1981, at 8:00 p.m. to consider said petition and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that said Town Board shall at said time and place hear all evidence offered which will enable it to determine, pursuant to the provisions of Section 194 of the Town Law of New York, (a) whether the petition is signed and acknowledged or proved as required by law and is otherwise sufficient, (b) whether all the property and property owners within the proposed extension of said District are benefited thereby, (c) whether all the property and property owners benefited are included within the limits of the proposed extension of said District, and (d) whether it is in the public interest to grant in whole or in part the relief sought, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Clerk be and she hereby is directed to publish and post certified copies of this order at the time and in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was presented for adoption by Mr. Mocker, seconded by Mr. Prothero and was duly adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Geurtze, Mr. Mocker, Mr. Prothero.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

MARION T. CAMP Town Clerk

Dated: January 28, 1981

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ALBANY TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

I, MARION T. CAMP, Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the preceding order with the original thereform on the Marie Was duly adopted by said Town Board on the 28th day of January, 1981, and filed in my office in Delmar, in the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, on the same date and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 28th day of January, 1981.

MARION T. CAMP Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem, New York

(Feb. 12)

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM JANUARY 28, 1981

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, was held on the above date at the Becker School, Route 9W, Glenmont, New York. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. PRESENT: Mr. Corrigan, Mrs. Bickel, Mr. Geurtze, Mr. Mocker, Mr.

Prothero.

ABSENT: None.

Mr. Mocker offered the following order and moved that it be adopted.

WHEREAS, a written petition dated January 28, 1981 in due form and containing the required signatures has been presented to and filed with the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem for the extension of the Bethlehem Sewer District, to be known as Extension No. 16, said extension being bounded and described as set forth in Exhibit A hereto annexed and made a part here-

WHEREAS, the improvements proposed consist of the construction and maintenance of a sewer system within the extension including outlets, the terminus and course of each proposed main sewer and collection sewers and including manholes and appurtenances necessary for the operation of the sewer system, in accordance with a map, plan and report made a part of such petition,

WHEREAS, the maximum amount proposed to be expended for the said improvements, as stated in the petition, is the sum of \$120,000.00, and the entire cost of the construction of said improvements in the proposed extension, including engineering, legal and miscellaneous expenses will be borne by the petitioner, KWR Realty, Inc. it is hereby

ORDERED, that a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem shall be held at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, on the 25th day of February, 1981, at 8:15 o'clock P.M. to consider the said petition and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same and for such other action on the part of the Town Board with relation to the said petition as may be required by law or proper in the premises, and it is further

ORDERED, that the Town Clerk shall cause a copy of this Order, certified by the Town Clerk to be published in the Spotlight, the official newspaper of the Town, and shall also cause a copy of the Order to be posted on the sign board of the Town maintained pursuant to subdivision six of Section Thirty of the Town Law, the said publication and posting to be not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the day designated for the said hearing.

The motion made by Mr. Prothero was seconded by Mrs. Bickel and such order was passed by the following vote.

AYE NO ABSENT
Mr. Corrigan None Non
Mrs. Bickel
Mr. Geuntze

Mr. Geurtze Mr. Mocker Mr. Prothero

MARION T. CAMP Town Clerk Town of Bethlehem

Dated: January 28, 1981

SUGGESTED DESCRIPTION OF EXTENSION NO. 16 WOODSIDE SOUTH EXTENSION TO THE

BETHLEHEM SEWER DISTRICT

Beginning at a point in the northwesterly line of the Subdivision known as Woodside South at its point of intersection with a southerly line of Extension 8 to the Bethlehem Sewer District, said point being 500 feet southerly from the centerline of New Scotland Road; thence running from said point of beginning easterly and along said southerly line of Extension 8 and along a line 500 feet southerly from the centerline of New Scotland Road 210 feet, more or less, to its point of intersection with a southwesterly line of Extension 8 aforesaid; thence southeasterly and along said southwesterly line of Extension 8 1,300 feet, more or less, to its point of intersection with a southeasterly line of said Woodside South Subdivision; thence southwesterly and along said southeasterly line of Woodside South 20 feet, more or less, to the most southerly corner thereof; thence northwesterly and along the southwesterly line of Woodside South a total of 1,378.37 feet to the most westerly corner thereof; thence northeasterly and along the first mentioned northwesterly line of said Woodside South Subdivision 275 feet, more or less. to the point of beginning, containing 6.8 acres, more or less; the abovedescribed area being more fully shown on a map entitled "Proposed Extension 16 to Bethlehem Sewer District" dated

January 1981 and made by J. Kenneth Fraser and Associates, P.C.

EXHIBIT A

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ALBANY
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

I, MARION T. CAMP, Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the preceding order with the original therefam to the compared the sold and which was duly adopted by said Town Board on 28th day of January, 1981, and filed in my office in Delmar, in the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, on the same date and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town this 28th day of January, 1981. MARION T. CAMP

MARION T. CAMP Town Clerk, Town of Bethlehem, New York

(Feb. 12)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will
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February 18, 1981 at 8:00 p.m. at the
Town offices, 445 Delaware Avenue,
Delmar, New York to take action on
application of Richard L. Baldwin, 285
Fifth Avenue, Watervliet, New York for
Variance under Article XI, Front Yard, of
the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance

pertaining to a foundation located at

premises, 5 Maewin Drive, Delmar,

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CHARLES B. FRITTS

Chairman

Board of Appeals

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CHARLES B. FRITTS Chairman Board of Appeals (Feb. 12)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 18, 1981 at 8:30 p.m. at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Lawrence J. Bruno, R.D. #1, Delaware Turnpike, Delmar, New York for a Variance under Article V of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to permit the display and sale of motor vehicles in a small area as indicated at premises, 1342 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, Town of Bethlehem.

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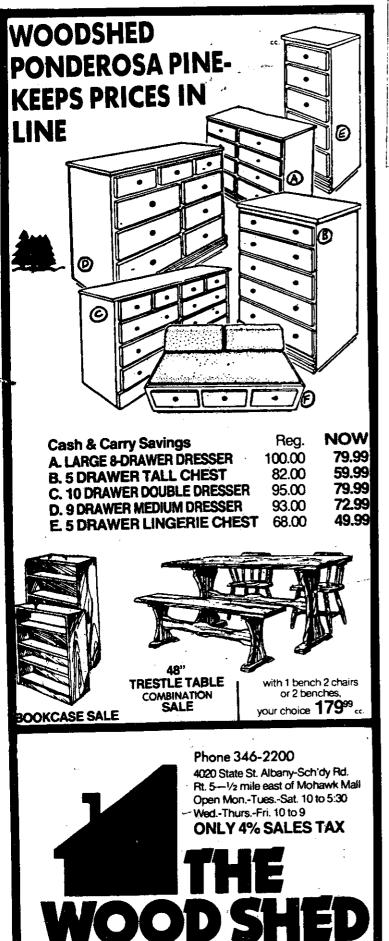
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Editor, The Spotlight:

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It turns out there is a connection. Agent Orange is a herbicidal compound dropped over sections of Vietnam to defoliate jungles and aid in combat. It has been tied by veterans' action groups to numerous disorders in veterans and their families.

If you are a veteran or know of any veterans who served in Vietnam, please look into the matter; it's important to your health and that of your children. You may not even be aware of any problems, but they could be there.

You can contact a lawyer. We have been helped in this matter by the law firm of Soloman and Soloman, p.m. of Albany. You can also go to the Veteran's Administration Hospital and get a special check-up for this problem. Some health problems may not show up for many years, so don't wait.

Mrs. Laurel Kibbey
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Thanks to proponents

Editor, The Spotlight:

Before the Bethlehem Town Board makes a final decision concerning raising the fluoride level in our water supply, 11 wish to offer a sincere thank you to all those who offered their support in this matter. The efforts of those who have written to The Spotlight and to the Town Board, those who circulated petitions, and especially those who stood up and spoke at the Feb. 4 hearing (mostly unsolicited) have been crucial to giving the board a clearer concept of what the majority of the responsible citizens of our town feel the board should do. And again, thank you to the 1,168 individuals who have already signed petitions in favor of fluoridation.

Joseph J. Hart, D.M.D. Delmar

Deplores letter policy

Editor, The Spotlight:

I believe you owe the school and the community an apology for printing an unsigned letter accusing our school of a particular drug problem. The Knickerbocker News then picked up on this alleged "problem" and ran a feature article which cast the school and community in a bad light.

No newspaper of any significance will print letters which are not signed because they are a cop-out. People who have evidence of a problem anywhere in the society are duty-bound to let the proper authorities know about it. Allowing charges to be made against people or institutions without a signature smacks a witch-hunt. 1 urge you to change your policy and print only those letters signed by the writer.

Dominick DeCecco Slingerlands

The editors try to discourage letter writers from requesting their names be withheld, but we recognize that there are a number of legitimate reasons why names should not appear in print. Many newspapers larger than ours have the same policy. We do require each writer to identify himself to us, and we discard unsigned letters. Ed.

A voice from 1958

Editor, The Spotlight:

Like an old fire-horse that smells the smoke. I feel the urge to come charging out of my (almost) 84 years, and from my snug Florida retreat, upon learning that fluoridation of the water supply in the Town of Bethlehem is coming up for a vote again. This, after (as we thought) having been permanently put to rest on March 22, 1958, in a 1567-915 defeat as a public opinion poll - a result that was honored by the Town Board in rejecting fluoridation a few days lateг.

From my Bethlehem experience I bear some honorable scars: snide remarks about me in letters to the press; being "shouted down" at a public hearing: receiving an anonymous note on the margin of a N.Y. State Dept. of Health brochure on fluoridation reading "stick to the woods and the ponds and you won't get over your head"; personal insult, as when a state-employed M.D. accused me, in the presence of others at a social gathering, of having been "paid off" by the town board as a reward for my opposition.

In 1967 I joined with others who roamed the halls of the State Capitol, helping to defeat a mandatory fluoridation bill then before the legislature. It was there that I was able to observe the tactics at some professional fluoridation lobbyists: "never let the other guy finish a sentence".

Without going into detail, let me say that here in retirement I have continued to be a "fluoridation fighter" with respect to Florida State and Washington legislative proposals. (So far, we've been able to lick it in Florida).

From my years of study and experience in this bull-ring, I have reached the conclusion that along with such fiascos as Thalidomide and Swine Flu, Fluoridation will go down as one of the greatest medical hoaxes of the 20th century; and the fact of its endorsement by so many

prestigious names and organizations won't make it any less so.

The "fluoridation push" now undeway in Bethlehem is, no doubt, being replicated all over the country, as a result of the desperation drive being initiated in Washington to "put fluoridation over", once-and-for-all. To this end, the Congress appropriated \$6,200,000 in Fiscal 1980 and, I believe, in excess of \$9 million dollars in Fiscal 1981 - the funds to be spread country-wide in offers of grants in assistance to local communities for installing fluroidation; this to be accompanied by a massive promotional program to smother oppositon under an avalanche of Federal gratuities and to drown dissent in a flood of propaganda. Will the citizens of Bethlehem decide to assert their independence of action, or will they give in to this example of "Big Brotherism".

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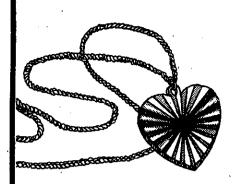
Some solid waste facts

Editor, The Spotlight:

Regarding your recent article on our over-reglated local landfill problem, state regulations designed for situations such as Love Canal or Fort Johnson Chemical has caused worse problems when imposed on small local town landfills. You incorrectly stated that solid waste recovery systems such as Albany's ANSWER project buy solid wastes from contractors. It is a fact that they normally charge a tipping or dumping fee in the range of \$6 to \$20 per ton (about 50¢ per household per week).

I would appreciate it if you would print this letter so that your readers are not misled to think that garbage or trash is being bought as fuel. If it is used as such, it is much more expensive than landfill or return and recycle systems.

Don Wright Albany is currently quoting a \$2.50 per ton tipping fee at the ANSWERS site. Ed.



Community Corner

An Invitation for Children

The "February Sonshine" will again be held at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Delmar, during the school vacation. That's good news for many children age 4 to 6th grade and parents. The program is scheduled for Feb. 18-20 from 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. each day, and includes Bible stories, crafts, games, a magician, movies, singing and lots of fun.

Registration will be limited, so parents should call 439-4328 or 439-7995 promptly for forms. Robert Millspaugh is chairman and Rev. Warren Winterhoff is pastor.

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