

The Spotlight

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Golub eyes A&P site

A deal is in the works to sell or lease the Elsmere A&P building, closed since Christmas, to the Golub Corp. as the site for a Price Chopper supermarket. But the deal is far from closed, and apparently depends on finding some way to increase the size of the store and still retain adequate parking.

Such an expansion would require approval from the Bethlehem Planning Board and the Bethlehem Town Board, but town officials say they have not yet been approached. And a Golub Corp. official said Friday he could not discuss any negotiations with A&P.

"We would love to have a store in Delmar," said Lewis Golub. "It is a part of our market that we do not serve, and we would very much like to be there."

But A&P real estate officials in Pennsylvania and New Jersey confirmed Monday that negotiations are in progress. "There's an agreement," said Frank Hogan at A&P's Montvale, N.J. headquarters. "But it's not yet a closed deal."

Last December A&P closed a number of stores in the Capital District. Hogan confirmed that the Golub Corp. is interested in some of those stores, as well as A&P property.

The Elsmere store at Delaware and Elsmere Aves. has approximately 15,000 square feet of floor space on a 1.9-acre tract owned by the Farley Co. of Hartford, Conn. Modern supermarkets require about double that floor space, Golub officials said last December in explaining why they were not interested in the property at that time.

Being an advocate for your child

By Caroline Terenzini

"Here, take my child. Do with him what you want."

Words no parent ever spoke, of course, but they sum up what happens when parents fail to be advocates for their children — in doctor's offices, in hospitals, in schools, in court — according to Dr. David M. Gottesman, a child psychiatrist in Delmar.

The Powerful Parent, A Child Advocacy Handbook, just published by Appleton-Century-Crofts, is an attempt by Dr. Gottesman to change that, to help parents be strong advocates for their children.

"The message in the book is that parents need to stay involved with their kids," Dr. Gottesman said last week. "Parents should say, 'Stop and be accountable to one child, my child.'"

The book suggests how to ask the questions, as well as what questions to ask in those situations where a child may be caught up in a bureaucracy.

"I'm trying to avoid being too adversarial" in the handbook, he went on. "I prefer collaborative positions as a child advocate."

A graduate of Albany Medical School, Dr. Gottesman received his training in psychiatry at Duke University, in North Carolina. The state had a progressive child advocacy program, he said, and while at Duke, "I began to realize there were tricks of the trade" — techniques that could be passed on.

It took him a little over a year to write the handbook, and even longer to come up with the title, "The Powerful Parent."

"I had run through 50 different titles. Then one day I sat down with *Roget's Thesaurus*."

Undaunted by the elusiveness of *le mot juste*, Dr. Gottesman already has his next book, a novel, almost completed and has ideas for two more trade books.

One, which he plans to write this summer, will be "pro-family," he said. "There may be a closet majority out there ready to hear something about a strong family structure."

He said the women's movement is helping men turn toward their families. "If you're going to make a new system, don't lose sight of what the family provides. After all, the family taught people how to survive . . ."

At the same time, Dr. Gottesman has found, there are "a



Dr. David Gottesman in his Delmar office. *Spotlight* lot of bemused expressions" when children's problems are discussed.

What are some of these problems? One, Dr. Gottesman said, is depression. "Some children don't know who they belong to, who they can rely on — they feel abandoned. That's emotional neglect."

"And parents don't have the energy to be parents any more."

"Quality time," the notion that a parent can meet a child's needs with brief but "quality" contact, "is a great rationalization," Dr. Gottesman said. "I'm impressed with how little parents actually know about how their children think and feel."

"And one of my pet peeves," he continued, "is, I think, we're losing mother's intuition, which just comes from a lot of time with children. We've never had father's intuition."

Will that change? "Women are making some changes. They have to tell men: 'If you want to have children, we'll have to work out who's going to raise them. This is a shared responsibility.'"

"We're in a transition time, and the message should go out to men," Dr. Gottesman said. "The first step is to say it's worthwhile doing in the first place."

Concerning schools, Dr. Gottesman said, "The amount of

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School budget revolt: the Niskayuna story

By Nat Boynton

Instead of complaining about steady increases in school district budgets, Niskayuna taxpayers have taken action.

"The school board has gone too far," says Charles P. Mongin, a retired General Electric manager. "They think they can raise the budget every year and get away with it. They've found out now that they can't."

Mongin is co-chairman of the Niskayuna Taxpayers Assn., a citizen group formed a year ago as a watchdog on school spending.

The association has been effective. It defeated two budgets last year, reduced the tax increase for the present school year, and is confident the 1982 campaign will knock down Niskayuna's proposed 1982-83 budget and will elect a candidate to the new board.

In the meantime, association pressure on the school administration has resulted in a school board member declining to seek a new term and the resignation of the superintendent of schools.

For its part, the school board has put up strong resistance, and has stood firm

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against further budget cuts. The standoff has resulted in a battle of paid advertisements in the *Schenectady Gazette*, with the taxpayers' media campaign being answered by ads financed by the teachers' union and local parent-teacher organizations.

Of the 10 school districts in the Suburban Council, Niskayuna is the closest counterpart to Bethlehem, not only in size of the system and total budget, but in demographic character.

Whereas Bethlehem is Albany's most affluent "bedroom community" and the home of many high-ranking state officials, bank executives, prominent lawyers, medical professionals and corporation executives, Niskayuna is Schenectady's wealthiest residential community,

preferred by many GE executives.

Whereas Bethlehem several years ago had the highest cost-per-pupil in the area, Niskayuna now ranks No. 1 in that category. Bethlehem's current budget is \$14,197,000 for an enrollment of 3,715. Niskayuna's is \$15,092,000 for 3,822. Each district has increased its budget by approximately \$800,000 for 1982-83.

The Niskayuna story could happen in other communities where school boards bear the brunt of taxpayer resentment and this year face district voters more sensitive than in past years to an ailing national economy.

Here's how the Niskayuna revolt evolved:

- **April, 1981.** When the school board put out a feeler, as most school boards are accustomed to do, on the proposed budget, a number of taxpayers were shocked to learn their school taxes would jump 13 percent. Several prominent citizens promptly took the following actions:

- Got a group of concerned citizens together on a weekend to discuss the situation.

- Notified Dr. Joseph Brust, superintendent of the school system, on Monday morning that district residents were upset, and requested copies of the budget in order to make suggestions for changes. Brust reportedly told the group that he and the board "would be glad to get your input" before the board adopted the budget at a scheduled meeting two evenings later.

- Sent a delegation of citizens to the Wednesday board meeting, only to learn that the board had met on Monday and unanimously adopted the budget. Commented Mongin: "When they jumped the gun two days before their announced meeting, that's when we knew they weren't playing with a full deck."

The board's ploy so angered the taxpayer group that the dissidents had a flyer printed and mailed to community lists, calling attention to a budget increase of \$1.2 million and declaring that the proposed budget "has \$750,000 worth of fat" according to the group's analysis. The flyer also asked for contributions to the newly formed group.

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□ The Niskayuna story

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Within a few days, \$1,600, mostly in small donations, poured into the new treasury.irate citizens rallied behind such names as Dr. Sumner Kitchen, an executive at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory; Dr. Ted Murawski, head of the state's unit investigating professional misconduct; Aran Athasian, director of the Bellevue Maternity Hospital laboratory, and Mongin, who was serving as co-chairman with Kitchen.

A story in the *Gazette*, Schenectady's daily newspaper noted for the most comprehensive local news coverage in the eastern part of the state, attracted other news media. Channel 6 and Channel 13 gave the growing revolt television coverage.

May, 1981. Ads in the *Gazette*, signed by the Niskayuna Taxpayers Assn., urged voters to defeat the budget in the May balloting. The ads carried headlines and messages such as "\$750,000 Worth of Fat in School Budget" and "Vote No on May 13." One ad told taxpayers: "Don't be misled by the school administration's ploy that if you vote the budget down, interscholastic sports will automatically be abolished, and children will be forced to walk to school for the lack of buses. These are threats used by the vested interest minority to intimidate those with children in the schools."

Group leaders also attended each meeting of the school board and voiced their sentiments. When the budget went to the annual vote, it was overwhelmingly rejected. The 2-to-1 defeat, by a vote of 3,075 to 1,475, was Niskayuna's first budget setback since 1975.

Citizens' ad headline: 'School Board Bites Marshmallow Instead of Bullet.'

(Bethlehem voters last defeated a school budget in 1974. The contingency budget that went into effect the following year saved taxpayers only \$40,000, approximately four-tenths of 1 percent of the original budget.)

The Niskayuna board responded to the defeat by cutting \$142,000 from the \$15 million budget and scheduling a new vote for June 6, 1981. "The board made no staff cuts of consequence," said an association spokesman. "They cut four teacher aides, and made most of the cuts in the maintenance program."

The ad campaign continued. The taxpayer group, disappointed by the size of the reduction, headlined their next ad, "Niskayuna School Board Bites the Marshmallow Instead of the Bullet." The message to district voters stated: "On May 13 you voted down a bloated school budget totalling \$15,469,000 by a 2-1 margin. Congratulations! We thought the

Silent Majority would finally be heard. Not only did the school administration ignore your mandate, but on May 27, 1981 they insulted your intelligence by re-submitting a budget which contained a program cut of \$114,000, less than 1 percent of the original \$15,469,000. In short, you mandated to trim the fat out of the budget and the school administration threw you a bone."

June, 1981. This time the assault was met by ads bought by the teachers' union and parent-teacher groups. When the voters returned to the polls, the budget took another resounding defeat, but by a smaller margin, 2,429 to 1,762.

The embattled school board scheduled a third public vote for July 16, but members were split on procedure. They trimmed another \$150,000 from the total by eliminating two teaching positions in the Middle School and tightening other allocations, but four of the seven members overruled the administration's plea to go to a contingency budget.

(Under a contingency budget, voters can vote only on athletic programs, busing of pupils, and library and media items.)

Although not satisfied with the amount of the cuts, the taxpayer association agreed to support the board on the third ballot. "It was getting late in the year, so we gave them the benefit of the doubt," said Mongin. "We put out our ad, saying that we support this budget."

On July 16 the budget passed with 1,764 "yes" votes, but despite the favorable ad, there were 1,185 "no" votes. The emerging budget called for a tax increase of 4.4 percent rather than 13 percent, and the citizen group could claim credit for a 5-percent increase instead of the 8-percent increase in the original budget.

But the 1,185 negative ballots impressed the dissidents and worried the school board. Observed Mongin: "We then decided we would make a commitment to continue our work with the board on the budget. We attended every budget meeting during the past year and studied the school system closely."

This spring the school board again roused the resentment of the association by revealing a surplus of \$582,000 in current operations. The board has come out with a budget increase of \$800,000, pointing out that by applying the surplus to the increase, district taxes will rise by only 1 percent.

"We don't buy this," said Mongin. "The surplus had led us to believe that they did not need the 5-percent increase they got last year. They really took us to the cleaners."

Bethlehem's taxes will rise by 3.3 percent in Bethlehem and 13.2 in New Scotland.

The Niskayuna 1982 ad campaign asks, "Is Our School Administration

Credible?" and goes on to state that "you don't ask for an \$800,000 increase and come in with a \$582,000 surplus."

In addition to urging another budget defeat and sending the board back to what a citizen spokesman calls "reality," the association has placed on the May ballot this year a proposition to reduce the terms of school board members from five to three years, and is backing Dr. Kitchen as a candidate for the board. Kitchen is running for the seat being vacated by Al Ludwig, who has declined to seek a new term.

Citizens' box score: 2 budgets defeated, board member quits, superintendent resigns.

Dr. Brust, the superintendent of schools, has resigned, effective in January, 1983. The board is searching for a replacement.

The association is confident of electing Dr. Kitchen this year and other candidates in the years ahead. The group's leaders also are ready for another round of budget-cutting.

"People aren't rubber-stamping school budgets any more," says Mongin. "The residents are taking an interest in how their tax money is being spent."

The community climate is changing along with the economic climate, he adds. "The school board has got to realize that GE has taken 6,000 jobs out of Schenectady

in the past several years, and now we're left in Niskayuna with a school system based not on a high-income migratory GE base, but (a system) with a declining enrollment and a base of people on pension."

5 Rivers programs

Two environmental programs are being offered free of charge at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road in Delmar.

On Wednesday, April 28, from 3:30 to 6 p.m., a leader training workshop will be led by Environmental Conservation Department staff. Designed especially for youth leaders, scout leaders, parents, and teachers, the 2½ hour workshop will include an orientation to Center facilities and services, as well as an introduction to the techniques and resources used in teaching out-of-doors. The fundamentals of leading a nature walk and some simple activities for children will be supplied.

Participants should come dressed for the outdoors and must pre-register for this workshop calling 457-6092. This workshop will be repeated on Saturday, May 1 from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Also on Saturday, May 1 at 9 a.m., a bird walk for beginning birders will be led by center staff. Tips and tricks in bird identification will be covered. Participants should bring binoculars, if possible. No pre-registration is required.



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Cable rate hike approved by board

The rate increases requested by Bethlehem Video were approved by the Bethlehem Town Board last week. But while the new franchise includes an agreement to move public access programming to the Bethlehem Public Library, details of that agreement remain to be worked out.

Pending final approval by the New York State Cable Commission — expected after the commission's May 19 meeting — Bethlehem Video will raise its basic rate for service from \$9 to \$10 per month. Other increases include doubling the \$7.50 charge for installing extra outlets or relocating outlets, doubling the \$5 reconnect charge, increasing the deposit on converters from \$15 to \$25 for all new subscribers and increasing the installation fee from \$50 to \$60. The monthly charge for extra outlets will increase from \$2.54 to \$3.50.

The increases had drawn very little comment at a public hearing March 31, when most questions focused on service problems and programming. That remained the case in the brief discussion at the April 14 town board meeting, with board members concerned about such questions as the length of time allowed for making service calls (the state allows one day), problems with Channel 2 (they're working on equipment problems) and delays in mailing the Home Box Office program guide (more equipment problems; the guides are available at the Bethlehem Video office).

Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan said Bethlehem Video has agreed not to close its studio-office at 72 Delaware Ave. until the new public access studio is established

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at the library.

That transition apparently has a few details to be worked out. Library Director John Hodges said Friday the library has decided to convert a storage room between the two meeting rooms into a small television studio, but that this requires breaking through a wall to build a new door to the foyer.

Under the original understanding, Bethlehem Video was to pay for modifications to the library necessary to set up the studio, but Hodges said no agreement was reached at a meeting Friday and a second meeting is set for April 26.

Bethlehem Video has also agreed to supply all the equipment for the studio and provide as much technical help "as we feel we might need," Hodges said. The company will also conduct training sessions for library staff and interested citizens in operating the equipment, he said.

Another point not settled, however, is who will do the programming and scheduling once the new public access studio is set up, Hodges said.

Runathon set for BC

The Bethlehem Central Athletic Association will sponsor a runathon on Sunday, April 25, at the high school track. The fund raising event will kick off at 11 a.m. and will continue through 3 p.m. The student runners have already collected pledges.

Bethlehem's two-way cable

How does public access television work? Although Bethlehem Video's public access studio on Delaware Ave. has seen little use, there is one studio that has been providing local programs for Bethlehem residents for several years.

That's the studio at Bethlehem Central High School, where students produce "On Record." Broadcast Fridays and Mondays at 8 p.m. on cable channel 7, the program includes news and features about the school.

Getting the show on cable is simplicity itself because the high school — along with the library and the town hall — is wired to send as well as to receive signals. At the studio, a special modulator combines video and audio signals into an RF (radio frequency) signal that is sent to the Bethlehem Video headquarters in East Greenbush. The cable company then changes this signal to a slightly different frequency and puts it on channel 7.

In making "On Record," students use two black and white cameras. The SEG (Special Effects Generator) allows these two cameras to be used simultaneously, switching back and forth between the two. It also allows the picture to wipe, fade in and out, and dissolve (fade from one camera to another).

BCHS also owns several tape recorders which are used within one production. The sound mixer enables the sound levels to be different on each of the five microphones and also combines all the sounds into one signal.

The studio uses an intercom system with headphones to direct the filming of the show while it is being taped.

As the show is being taped, the audio and video signals are being combined within the modulator. And, off goes the signal to Bethlehem Video. Piece of cake!

Felice Zoota

New Scotland citizens form group

A group of New Scotland citizens who organized last fall to block establishment of an Elks lodge in a residential area is committing itself to other projects in the future.

At the regular monthly meeting to be held Thursday, April 22, the New Scotland Town Civic Assn., Inc. will discuss "what directions we should be taking in the future," according to its president, Edward Horn.

Horn said that among projects in

which the association may become more active are: suggested changes in the town's zoning ordinance, establishment of a community watch against crime, and possibly cooperative buying.

Thursday's meeting, which is open to all residents of the town, is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Room 104 at Voorheesville High School. The group meets the fourth Thursday of each month.

The association's suit against the town planning board on the Elks decision has been postponed until Friday of this week in State Supreme Court. The litigation is expected to be shifted directly to the Appellate Division.

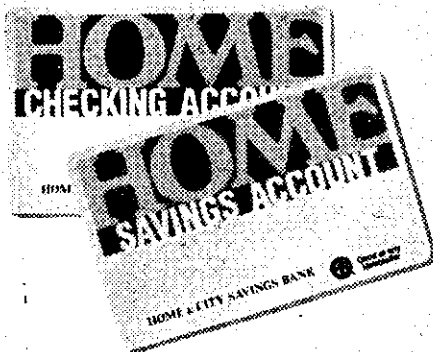
Report on Ft. Orange

The Albany Area Retired Teachers Association will meet on Tuesday, April 27, at 10:30 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library to hear Paul Huerg of the New York State Department of Parks, Recreation, and Preservation. He will be speaking on the "Fort Orange Excavations in Albany, 1970-1971."

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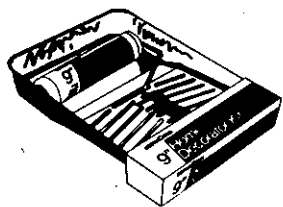
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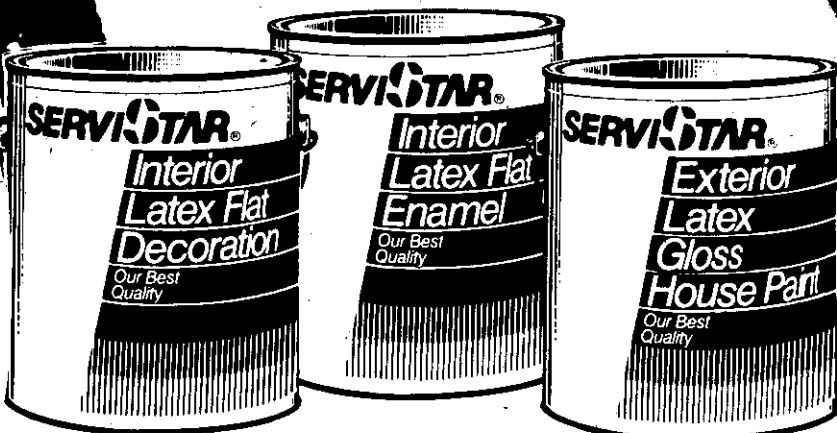
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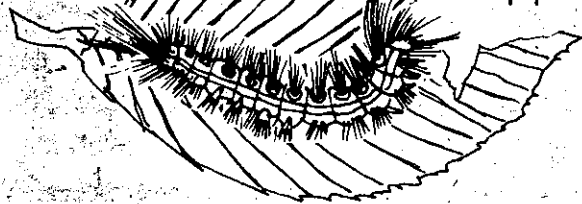


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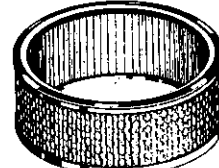
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Bethlehem Central honors employees

Thirty seven employees of the Bethlehem Central School District will be honored for their years of service to the district on April 30. Thirty-four of the persons to be honored have been with the Bethlehem School District for 25 years or more, and the other three are retiring after 15 years or more with the district.

Employees of the district for 25 years or more are Bruce Austin, Richard Baker, George Behrens, Frederick Burdick, Grace Daly, Katherine DePorte, James Doherty, Helen End, Donald Geurtze, Roberta Glatz, Richard Gorman, Jane Gosstyla, Richard Herrmann, Margaret Holmgren, Max Karp, Tilda Lephart, Eugene Lewis, John Manning, William Morrison, Thomas Preston, Lizette Pritchard, Ann Marie Pryle, John Rathjens, Stanley Reich, Alfred Restifo, Mary Schmitz, John Schramm, Bernard Skaskiw, Gardiner Tanner, Elfrieda Textores, Paul Van Demark, Dorothy Weiss, Everett Wilson and Robert Wilson.

The three retiring employees are Suzanne Carr, Edwina Hase and Mildred Hughes.

Tailgate sale

The Bethlehem Historical Association is planning a Tailgate Sale including plants, white elephant, baked goods and refreshment concession for Saturday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cedar Hill School House Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., across from the Bethlehem Elks.

Committee members include Charles Crangle and James VanDervort, co-chairmen; Florence Christoph, Mary VanOostenbrugge, Lois Dillon, Marjorie Terrell and Mary Ann Twardowsky. Interested vendors may call 767-9919 or 767-3004.

Gypsy moths: it's up to homeowners

Again this year it's up to the homeowner. The gypsy moths will be hatching soon to work their ugly disappearing act on the leaves of trees and shrubs, and again health officials are saying that in most cases individual effort is the best solution to the problem.

The Albany County Legislature has appropriated an additional \$6,000 for aerial spraying in the towns of New Scotland and Coeymans, but this spraying will be confined to rural areas. A group of residents in Delmar has been meeting to discuss group action against the pests — including aerial spraying — but have so far been stymied by the high cost and lack of unanimity on approach.

Meanwhile, many property owners are wondering how much more their trees can take. The answer, says Albany County Cooperative Extension Agent Beth Bergeron, is still not clear but depends on such factors as the health of the tree, the percentage of leaves lost and the amount of moisture in the soil.

"Even if trees defoliated by gypsy moths in 1981 are protected from attack this year, they must still be watered and fertilized to ensure that they will return to optimum health," says Bergeron. "If trees defoliated in 1981 are defoliated again in 1982, widespread mortality can be expected."

Here are Cooperative Extension's recommendations for controlling gypsy moths:

- First, the home grounds should be inspected for the presence of gypsy moth egg masses. These buff-colored masses are present on tree trunks and in many other places in the yard. They have been found in wood piles, fences, lawn furniture, and on recreational vehicles. It is important to remove the egg masses by

scraping them off with a putty knife into a container of bleach, ammonia, or keorsene. For rough-barked trees, a wire or stiff-bristled brush can be used. Everytime that an egg mass is removed, up to 1,000 potential caterpillars are destroyed.

- Older caterpillars can be controlled to a degree by banding the trees. The older larva move up the trees in the evening to feed, and back down at dawn to seek shelter during the day. Burlap or cloth cuffs can be made by tying a piece of the material around a tree trunk with a piece of twine. Fold the top half of the band down over the lower half to provide a sheltered area for the caterpillars to hide under when they are not feeding. Remove and destroy the caterpillars each day by mid-afternoon.

- Another method is to encircle the tree with a 6 to 12 inch wide band of nonporous material. Apply "tree tangle-foot" or other commercially available sticky material over the band. As caterpillars climb up and down the tree they will be trapped. Remove the caterpillars by raking the band when the band becomes covered with them. Pupae may be crushed when found on the trees or in other protected places.

- Spraying: An insecticide spray can be applied to the foliage. Once the caterpillar eats the foliage, it will die. There are several insecticides that may be used on young caterpillars. They are carbaryl (Sevin), imidan, acephate (Orthene), and Methoxychlor. Insecticides are used most effectively when the caterpillars are 1/2 to 1 inch long. One treatment after hatching may give sufficient control, although several applications may be needed. With ideal weather conditions, the chemical insecticides have a residual time of seven to ten days. Small trees and



Scraping gypsy moth egg masses off a tree.

shrubs may be sprayed by the homeowner, but larger trees should be done by a professional arborist.

One biological insecticide is *Bacillus thuringiensis*, (Bt, Dipel). This material is a bacteria specific to caterpillars and kills the larvae within one to three days. It is applied as a foliar spray. Always read and follow label directions when using insecticides!

- Experimental Techniques: One of the newer techniques is the gypsy moth trap which employs the use of the female sex attractant to trap the males. These traps have been effectively used for survey purposes. Pheromone traps will not provide control in New York State, especially in areas where the gypsy moth is well established. Another technique that has not been tested is the use of repellent strips. This and other new products recently introduced on the market have not been sufficiently tested to rate their effectiveness in controlling the gypsy moth population.

For additional information, call the Albany County Cooperative Extension Gypsy Moth Hotline at 765-2366, which operates Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

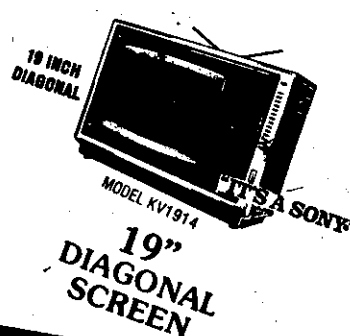
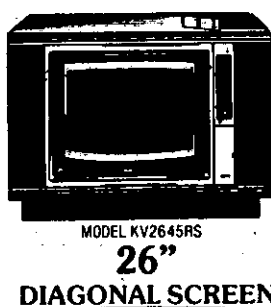
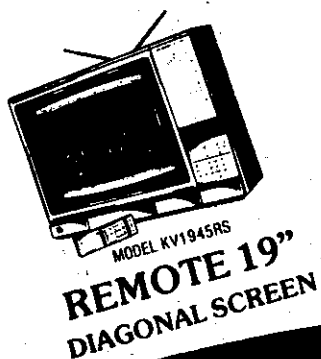
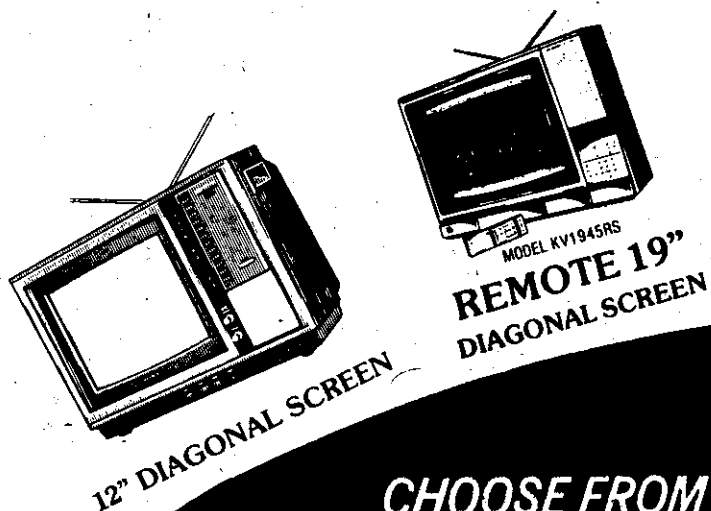
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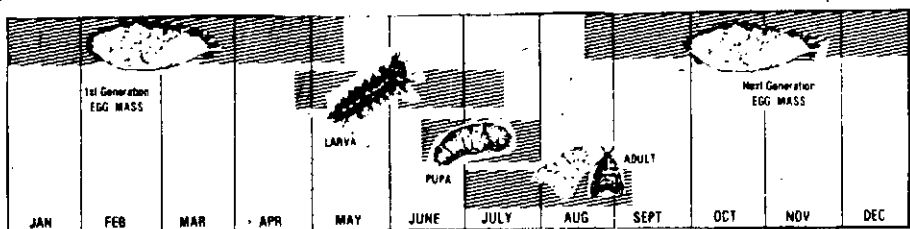
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Life cycle of a pest

The gypsy moth has four life stages — egg, caterpillar (larva), pupa (resting stage), and adult (moth). It has one generation a year, overwintering in egg masses attached to trees, rocks, walls, logs and other outdoor objects.

Each buff-colored egg mass may contain up to 1,000 eggs. Egg masses are about 1½ inches long and ¼ inch wide. Current year egg masses have a lighter color and feel like velvet. The tiny caterpillars overwinter inside the egg sheels and begin to hatch in late April or early May.

When the eggs hatch, the ¼ inch long caterpillars remain on the egg mass for a few days before climbing the tree to feed. Older caterpillars are brownish-gray, hairy and easy to identify by two rows of blue spots (five pairs), followed by six pairs of red spots on their backs. Mature caterpillars can be up to 2½ inches long.

The young caterpillars spin silken threads and hang down from tree branches. This is called "ballooning." Wind often breaks the threads and carries the caterpillars to nearby trees and shrubs. The female moths pass through six caterpillar growth stages: the male five stages. Each time the larva grows, it sheds its skin and a new larger skin forms. At this time, the large caterpillars may be seen crawling across walkways or roads, or up the side of a house.

Caterpillars enter their resting stage in late June or early July. They are pupae for 10 to 14 days. The pupae looks like an enlarged brown teardrop, and is attached by a silken pad to the substrate.

Moths emerge from pupae. The males usually emerge first and have dark brown wings with black markings. They are strong flyers and may be seen flying in a zig-zag pattern during the daytime. The female, who cannot fly, has white wings with black markings and buff hairs on the abdomen. She remains near the pupation site and releases a sex attractant (pheromone) that attracts males. After mating, she deposits her eggs in a single mass and then dies.

Cooperative Extension

Open house planned

The community advisory boards for the three community residences for the developmentally disabled are holding an open house Sunday to celebrate the first anniversary of the opening of the residences.

Hours at 1 to 3 p.m. at the residence at 360 Kenwood Ave., 2 to 4 p.m. at the 397

Delaware Ave. residence and 3 to 5 p.m. at the residence at 405 A School House Rd. in North Bethlehem. Refreshments will be provided by the Glenmont Job Corps Center.

All three residences have active and involved advisory boards that have helped to insure that the residents have been welcomed into the community.



Among the exhibitors at the Glenmont PTA's craft fair Saturday is Janice Glanzrock, right, of the Forget-Me-Not shop in Delmar, with a selection of her pillows. Fair organizers include Sandy Smith, left, and Pat Biche, center. *Spotlight*

Spring vandals

The first genuine spell of soft spring air brought out vandals in Delmar before the crocuses.

Police were busy last week and over the weekend investigating a thick file of complaints of criminal mischief.

Nine mailboxes were damaged or smashed on Parkwyn Dr. about 3 a.m.

Saturday. At one address the vandals made off with the post after leaving the smashed mailbox on the lawn. Police said a beer party reportedly took place earlier that night at the end of Jordan Blvd. nearby.

A lamppost was broken the same night on Huntersfield Rd., and on Westchester Dr. Saturday night a lamppost was broken off and left on the lawn.

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Committee to tackle zone plan

Having apparently settled — for now — the problem of historic districts, the Bethlehem Town Board at its meeting last week set one more hurdle for the controversial commercial site plan review ordinance.

The board established a committee composed of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce representatives, town officials and a representative of the Slingerlands Homeowners Association to work out guidelines for site plan review.

"Our feeling is that there are so many loose ends," explained Peter Merrill, chamber vice president, in making the committee proposal.

"I'm a little uneasy with it myself," replied Supervisor Tom Corrigan. That lack of confidence in the ordinance proposed by the planning board had been evident at several earlier town board meetings as council members continually questioned the impact of site plan review on various sections of town where small businesses are concentrated.

Merrill stressed that the chamber is for the concept of commercial site plan review, as long as it is confined to major structural changes and as long as there are clear limits on what the planning board can require for such things as parking and landscaping.

Corrigan appointed Merrill, Fred

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Weber and Lee-Faulkner to represent the chamber; Hyman Kramer to represent the planning board; Building inspector John Flanigan, engineering consultant Al Worth and planning consultant Edward Kleinke to represent the town; and Frank Webb to represent the Slingerlands homeowners.

The Slingerlands group is involved because its concerns over development of commercial property near the Toll Gate intersection was largely responsible for pushing the town into site plan review for commercial properties. Last Wednesday the town board resolved one of the most troublesome issues in the ordinance how to deal with commercial zones near historic districts by deciding to deal with them one at a time.

Since the Slingerland Family Burial Ground is currently the only historic district in the town, and since that cemetery is adjacent to the commercial property in question, the board avoided for the moment having to set perimeters of influence for such districts. Earlier, Kleinke had presented his concept of

varying size districts dependent on how densely an area is built up. For instance, the heavily built-up area around the Adams House would have a smaller district than the Nicoll-Sill House off Rt. 144 in a rural setting. But although the board members generally praised Kleinke's concept they could not agree on the size of such districts.

In other business, the board:

- Approved three sets of traffic sign changes following a brief public hearing. Stop signs will be placed on Beacon Rd. at Jefferson Rd. and Placid La., and on Parkwyn Dr. at Pheasant La. A no stopping zone was established on the east side of Union Ave. from Kenwood Ave. to a point past the Slingerlands Elementary School. And yield signs will be placed at the intersection of Paxwood Rd. and Oldox Rd. A new request, for yield signs on Linton St. and Dorchester Ave. at University St. was deferred for a later public hearing.

- Agreed to authorize Flanigan to issue permits for the dumping of fill from sewer construction projects starting this spring without requiring the applicant to go through the town board. Flanigan explained that the sewer contractors need to dispose of the material they excavate quickly.

- Approved the \$1.5 million contract for sewer work at 10 sites in the existing Bethlehem Sewer District to John DiGiulio, the low bidder. Also approved was a \$10,500 electrical work contract on the same project to County Excavation Inc.

- Formally appointed John E. Thompson as town assessor. Thompson replaces Gilbert Houk, who is retiring, and will be paid \$20,742.

- Awarded a \$42,110 contract to K & K Copping Co. to install new interiors to the pools at the Elm Ave. Park.

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Boy, Jason, to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Miller, Slingerlands, March 23.

Girl, Emily, to Mr. and Mrs. John Sterrett, Delmar, March 23.

Boy, Daniel, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Cocozza, Selkirk, March 26.

Boy, Andrew, to Ms. Cynthia F. Shaffer, Slingerlands, March 28.

Boy, Joshua, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hamilton, Selkirk, March 29.

Saratoga Hospital

Boy, Matthew Marc, to Mr. and Mrs. Marc Usher, Saratoga Springs, (grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Usher, Slingerlands), April 6.

Albany Medical Center

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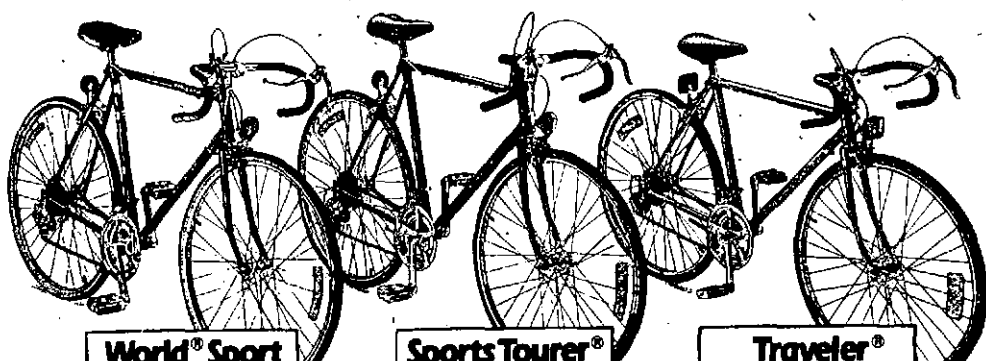
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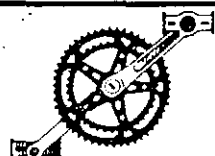
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Albany County Legislature

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Over the strenuous objections of all but one Republican, the Albany County Legislature at the April meeting passed the controversial \$25 million South Mall bond issue that will finance the Albany City School District, but no other school district in the county.

The Republican minority contends this bond issue will relieve Albany City taxpayers of some school taxes at the expense of suburban taxpayers.

In 22 years, when a 1977 contract between the county and the state expires, the City of Albany School District will have received \$2.5 million in direct support. The suburban school districts are receiving, and will receive, absolutely nothing.

Furthermore, Bethlehem Republican Legislator Edward C. Sargent, Jr. pointed out there is nothing to prevent the state or the Democratic-controlled County Legislature from asking the county for more of these bond resolutions.

Democratic Majority Leader Richard Meyers confirmed this. With obvious satisfaction, he declared that the state could ask and the Legislature could pass any further funding and "the Albany County Legislature can cast the requested resolution."

Minority Leader W. Gordon Morris of Bethlehem, who has made a thorough study of the South Mall bond situation, introduced a resolution to rescind the 1977 measure allowing the Albany City School District to share with the City of Albany and the County in the State's in-lieu-of tax payments. The Morris resolution was defeated 24-15, with two suburban Democratic Legislators, Henry

Dennis of Colonie and Charles Callaghan of Guilderland, voting with the Republicans.

Morris argued that the money should benefit all of the school districts in the county, not just Albany. Meyers replied that the South Mall was built in the City of Albany, resulting in a substantial loss in the Albany tax base.

On the \$25 million Bond Issue, however, Dennis and Callaghan voted with the Democrats and the one lone Republican, Robert M. Prentiss of Colonie, to make up the two-thirds majority — 26 to 13 — required to pass a bond issue.

The Democrats, who had once been defeated on the bond issue, had to have the Prentiss vote as well as the vote of Democrat John J. Phelan, who was brought in a wheelchair to cast his vote, and the vote of Democrat John J. Dolan, Jr. who flew up from Florida and flew right back after the vote.

Majority Leader Meyers said Phelan "volunteered" to attend and he knew Phelan came in pain to cast his vote adding that Phelan was a "real dedicated guy." After Phelan voted, there was a brief adjournment so that he could be wheeled back to his sickbed.

The defection of Prentiss to the Democrats on this issue caused wrath and indignation in Republican ranks. Much has been made of this in the daily papers so I will not repeat these comments, except to say when you have to pay your school taxes, just remember Bob Prentiss. Without his vote, the City of Albany would have to pay our school taxes also.

The sum of \$1 million of this bond issue is supposed to go to the Sherman Avenue Steam Plant, which furnishes heat to the South Mall. Personally, I hope some of the funds will be used to install dust collectors within the plant. The internal dust collectors at the ANSWERS plant on Rapp Road are extraordinarily effective. But employees of the Sherman Avenue Plant complain of constant thick dust which causes skin rashes, eye difficulties and other problems. The employees have complained to the state Health Department, which has so far taken no action.

The legislature unanimously adopted a resolution authorizing addition funds for gypsy moth spraying, a program in which I have had considerable interest. Bethlehem is not included, but New Scotland is. Remember that private property owners in suburban areas must take care of the gypsy moth problems on their own property at their own expense.

Carnival booths open

Reservations for booths at the annual carnival and flea market at the Clarksville Elementary School on May 8 are now being taken by Alice Gibson (768-2687) and Jack Bailey (463-5979).

The carnival will feature rides, cake walk, bake sale, pony rides, face painting and raffle of two bicycles and \$50 cash. Committee members include: booth tickets, Vaila Joy; booth prizes, Ann Choppy; raffle tickets, Pat Jeune, Darlene McKie; bake sale-cake walk, Martha Wing, Viola D'Anza, Jan Weston; door prizes, Janet Smith, Grace Zabel; face painting, Betty Koban; kitchen, Alice Slingerland; Julieann VanPraag, and publicity, Mary Ann Eaton, Judy Fritz, Jan Weston and Judi Von Ronne.

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Circus paintings by sixth graders Renee Hunter, Kathy Tarullo, Lisa Foley and Jeanette Kiegle enliven the Voorheesville Elementary School art fair today (Wednesday). Art teacher Margaret Fennell is pictured with the students. Posters such as

these were seen on the PM Magazine segment that recently featured a special circus project by Voorheesville pupils. The posters, which were on exhibit at the State Museum, are on display at the art fair.

VOORHEESVILLE

Village to buy highway truck

An anticipated \$32,000 increase in the allotment of county sales tax receipts will enable Voorheesville taxpayers to buy a new highway truck without an increase in village taxes.

The village board has adopted a 1982-83 budget totalling \$418,463, up 8.4 percent from current spending. The new budget, effective for the fiscal year beginning June 1, includes an appropriation of \$35,000 to replace a 1972 truck-sander.

The tax rate for village property owners will remain unchanged. "We received more sales tax than we expected, so the tax rate remains exactly the same," explained Mayor Milton F. Bates.

The new budget includes 9-percent pay raises for Village Clerk Judi Gray and Treasurer Blanche Monaghan, and an increase in allocations for the village fire department. The board has granted the firemen \$3,000 for the coming year, up from \$2,500, to allow for replacing equipment considered outdated.

Appropriations for road repairs and maintenance are unchanged at \$80,000, with small increases in the allocations for street lighting and snow removal.

Art at elementary school

The annual art show will be held at the Voorheesville Elementary School Wednesday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. Art exhibits will be on display throughout the school featuring a sample of two and three dimensional works from grades K through six. There will be slide shows, live puppetry and several students will be demonstrating art techniques learned this year.

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Voorheesville News Notes

Maryann Malark 765-4392



This year's Junior Carnival will be held on Saturday, April 24, at the Voorheesville Elementary School from 10 to 3 p.m. New games such as the moonwalk, pony ride and a video tape, new prizes, and more clowns hopefully will entice more youngsters to attend. Teachers Dick Freyer and Dick Mele are advising juniors on the project. There's still much to be done before showtime. To volunteer contact committee chairmen: general chairperson, Laurie Caimano; publicity, Kim Elemendorf; bake sale, Sady VanBuren and Kim Elmendorf; tickets, Suzi Hempel; games, Ricky Lennox; clowns, Sandy Van Buren; prizes, Peter Merkley, Kim Elmendorf, and Sandy Van Buren; kitchen and food, Robert Briggs, and white elephant sale, Minda Hoffman and Mary Beth Paradise.

The 1982 Honor Society Induction Dinner and Ceremony will be held at Clayton A. Bouton High School Thursday, at 7 p.m. Guest speaker Dr. Helen Desfosses will address the topic of Young Leaders Taking Action Today. The Stage Band will perform. The Honor Society will accept in membership: Christine Cillis, Jeffrey Clark, Heather Dolin, Karen Flewelling, Kirsten Ford, James Harding, Greg Howard, Michelle Huth, Wendy Knapp, Catherine LeGere, Patricia Martin, Elizabeth Mattfeld, Michael McCarty, Peter McMillen, Maria Michele, Laura Oates, Sean Rafferty, Nathan Rasmussen, Jeffrey Rockmore, Mary Elizabeth Rogers, Frances Spreer, Edward Volkwein, Deborah York, and Christopher Zeh. Newly elected officers for 1982-1983 are President Brian McKenna, Vice-President Peter Zeh, Secretary Meg Rogers and Treasurer Lynn Sickinger.

The community is invited to a Card Party and Game Night sponsored by St. Matthew's Church on Thursday, April 29, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Admission tickets are \$1.50 per person. Door prizes, table prizes and raffle prizes are available. Raffle tickets are presently being sold. Among the prizes to be raffled are gift certificates to Price Chopper, a steam iron and a waring mixer. Husbands,

wives, singles, teens — all are invited and may bring their own games.

The following students at Clayton A. Bouton Junior-Senior High School were named to the high honor roll for the second marking period:

Grade 9

Douglas Arthur, Debra Bausback, Lewis Bernstein, Chris Biernacki, Courtney Brennan, Katherine Danforth, Christine Fernandez, Peter Fisch, Ann Grassucci, Adam Greenberg, Dianne Jackson and Mary Beth Manning.

Also, Sharon McKenna, Edward Mitzen, Tina Rasmussen, Victoria Ross, Cynthia Sauer, Christopher Smolen, and Christine Toritto.

Grade 10

Elain Bartley, Christine Cillis, Jeffrey Clark, Heather Dolin, Susan Dunning, Michelle Huth, Wendy Knapp, Patricia Martin and Elizabeth Mattfeld.

Also, Michael McCarty, Peter McMillen, Laura Oates, Richard Oden, Sean Rafferty, Jeffrey Rockmore, Frances Spreer, Ellen Sutherland, Edward Volkwein and Christopher Zeh.

Grade 11

Carol Cicero, Judiane Koch, Maryanne Kraus, Brian McKenna, Bonnie Rafferty, Margaret Rogers, Robin Shrager, Lynn Sickinger, James Smith and Peter Zeh.

Grade 12

Kathleen Bartley, Kay Bernstein, Margaret Ewart, Christopher Farmer, Sherry Flansburg, Sandra Hammond, Jeffrey Kraus, Colleen McCurdy, Kevin McKenna, Christopher Merritt, Brenda Negus, Mary Perry, Michael Quay and Mary Zongrone.

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Village of Voorheesville, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission, third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board, second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m. when agenda warrants, Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

Town of New Scotland Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m.; Planning Board, second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.; Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m., town hall, Rt. 85.

Assemblyman Larry Lane's district office, 1 Becker Terr., Delmar, open Mondays and Wednesdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, Bethlehem Town Hall, Mon.-Fri. 1-4:30 p.m. Call 439-2238.

Elsmere Boy Scout Troop 58, Thursdays throughout school year, 7:30-9 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall.

Welcome Wagon, newcomers or mothers of infants, call 785-9640 for a Welcome Wagon visit. Mon.-Sat. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Preschool Story Hour, for children ages 3-5, Mondays and Tuesdays, 10, 11 or 1-1:30 p.m. Bethlehem Public Library.

THE Spotlight Calendar

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

Project Equinox Delmar, satellite office, professional counseling for substance abuse problems, all contacts confidential. By appointment, call 434-6135.

League of Women Voters, Bethlehem unit, meets monthly at Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m. Babysitting available. For information call Patti Thorpe, 439-4661.

Bethlehem Women's Republican Club, third Monday at Bethlehem Public Library, except June, July, August and December, 7:30 p.m.

Tri-Village FISH, 24-hour-a-day voluntary service year 'round, offered by residents of Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands to help their neighbors in any emergency, 439-3578.

Bethlehem Recycling town garage, 114 Adams St. Papers should be tied, cans flattened, bottles cleaned with metal and plastic foam removed. Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 a.m. - noon; Thursday and Friday, noon - 4 p.m. Saturday 8 - noon.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

Glenmont Homemakers, third Wednesday, Selkirk Fire House No. 2, Glenmont Rd., 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Board of Education, Clarksville Elementary School, 8 p.m.

Family Film, "Salty," free, Voorheesville Public Library, 4 p.m.

Delmar Progress Club, antique study trip to mansions, to leave Bethlehem Town Hall parking lot 1 p.m.

Gypsy Moth Control public meeting, Voorheesville Village Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Onesquethaw Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, first and third Wednesdays at Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. (From Jan. 6 to June 2, from Sept. 15 to Dec. 1).

Post-Senior Ball Activities Planning, for interested seniors and parents organizing committees, Bethlehem Central High School library, 7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Robert DeSarro, 12 Patroon Place, Glenmont, for a variance to permit construction of garage addition at premises, 8 p.m.; and on application of Verne Kenney, 111 Jordan Blvd., Delmar, for a variance to permit construction of an addition at premises, 8:30 p.m., Bethlehem Town Hall.

Peacemaking Study Series begins with "The Church's Call to Peacemaking" discussion led by Rev. Larry Deyss, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-9252.

Wildflowers Slide Show, "A Wealth of Wildflowers," free presentation on area wild plants sponsored by Albany Cooperative Extension, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m.

Student Art Show, featuring exhibits and live demonstrations by students in kindergarten-sixth grade, Voorheesville Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Embroiderer's Guild of America meeting, "A Fabulous Festival of Fabrics," Delmar Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

Career and Educational Advancement, free and by appointment, Bethlehem Public Library, 2-5 p.m.

Bethlehem Senior Citizens meet every Thursday at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

Theater and Music in Performance, lecture on Broadway play, "Talley's Folly," Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. \$5 fee. Precedes performance at Proctor's Theater April 25.

Rummage Sale, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Delmar, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club meeting, with Cornell University guest speaking on "Great Blue Heron Study and Colonial Bird Nesting Project," free and open to the public. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m.

S.T.E.P. (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) course begins, continuing on eight consecutive Thursdays, \$10 fee, St. Thomas Rectory, lower level, 7:30 p.m.

Honor Society Induction and Dinner, Voorheesville Senior High School, 7 p.m.

Bottle Bill Walkathon, final leg to Capitol in support of returnable bottles and cans, to leave First Reformed Church, Rt. 9W, Selkirk, at 9 a.m.

New Scotland Kiwanis Club, Thursdays, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Rt. 85, 7 p.m.

"Come Messiah Come" musical production by the Kings' Kids, St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Student Media Show, featuring puppet show and video tapes by Bethlehem Central and St. Thomas media students, Bethlehem Public Library, 3:30 p.m.

New Scotland Town Civic Assn., fourth Thursday each month, with discussion of pertinent town issues, all residents welcome, Voorheesville High School, Rm. 104, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

Casino Night, \$3 admission (entrants must be 18 or older), Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233, Rt. 144 and Winne Rd., Selkirk, 7:30 p.m.-midnight.

Friday Night at the Movies, "Limelight," starring Charlie Chaplin, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m.

Recovery, Inc., self-help for former mental patients and those with chronic nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, weekly at 12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

Bicycle Rodeo, for town residents with registered and inspected bikes, Bethlehem Town Hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Polynesian Chicken Dinner, continuous serving, \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 6-12, Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church, New Scotland Rd., 5-7 p.m.

Bake Sale, for Slingerlands Cooperative Nursery School, McCarroll's Meat Market, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, 439-7994.

Chicken and Biscuit Supper, at Onesquethaw Reformed Church, serving at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Reservations, Mrs. E. Gildersleeve, 768-2611.

Guided Spring Walk, free and open to the public, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2-3:30 p.m.

After-Easter Egg Hunt, with egg-rolling contest, Slingerlands Fire House grounds, New Scotland Rd., 11 a.m.

Poems and Stories for children 5 and older, "Fried Fishes Taste Delicious," free, Voorheesville Public Library, 1 p.m.

"For Adults Only" Group from the Voorheesville Methodist Church, to see play "Feathers," tickets are \$7.65, information, Bea Richardson, 765-4651.

State Hunter Safety Course, Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club, Dungan Hollow Rd., Clarksville, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Preregister by calling John Manne, 439-7217.

Bethlehem Grange Meeting, to inform members about public library and Grange group, Grange Hall, Beckers Corners, Selkirk.

Craft Fair, featuring baked goods and handmade jewelry, woodcrafts, quilts, sculpture and more, Glenmont Elementary School, Rt. 9W, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Contemporary Christian Music, by the New Covenant Singers of Feura Bush Christian Music Ministries, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 7:30 p.m.

Carnival, sponsored by high school junior class, Voorheesville Elementary School, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Bake Sale-Soup and Sandwich Luncheon, Delmar Reformed Church, Four Corners, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

Runathon, sponsored by Bethlehem Central Athletic Assn., at Bethlehem Central High School track, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Open House, opening event of New Scotland's year-long sesquicentennial observance, New Scotland Town Hall, town offices in New Salem, the New Scotland Historical Assn. Center in New Salem, and New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 1-5 p.m.

Open House, celebrating first anniversary of residences for developmentally disabled, 360 Kenwood Ave. residence, 1-3 p.m.; 397 Delaware Ave. residence, 2-4 p.m.; N. Bethlehem resident at 405 Schoolhouse Rd., 3-5 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 26

Sewage Disposal Neighborhood Meeting, for Area 1; Scotch Pine Development, including south side of Maple Rd. from Grand Union to Scotch Pine Dr., Voorheesville Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Delmar Progress Club music group meeting, with speaker Angela Fitzpatrick, at home of Martha Creighton, 32 Devon Rd., Delmar, 1:30 p.m.

Village Artists, artists interested in painting in various media, Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Slingerlands Community Church, October through April. New members welcome.

Free Babysitting Course, "Sitting Safely," for ages 12 or older, second of three one-hour sessions on consecutive Mondays, Voorheesville Public Library, 3:30 p.m. To register, call 765-2791.

Delmar Community Orchestra, Bethlehem Town Hall, weekly at 7:30 p.m.

Delmar Kiwanis meets Mondays at Starlite Lounge, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

Career and Educational Advancement, free and by appointment, Bethlehem Public Library, 2-5 p.m.

Math-Science Fair, Hamagrael Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

National Honor Society Induction, Bethlehem Central High School.

Delmar Camera Club, basic camera use workshop and "Hands" competition for slide and print entries, open to the public, St. Stephen's Church, Poplar Dr. and Elsmere Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Republican Club Spring Luncheon, Normanside Country Club, 12:30 p.m. Reservations, 439-2284, by April 20.

Albany Area Retired Teachers Assn. meeting, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

Money Management Seminar, with Robert Behuniak of Wadell and Reed Inc. speaking on "Changing Concepts in the Ownership of Life Insurance," Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m.

Beginners Bible Study, Tuesdays at home of Dr. Barile, 10 Grove St., Delmar, 8 p.m. Call 439-0981 for seating.

Helderberg Business and Professional Women's Club meeting, including officer elections and discussion on "Making the Best of Yourself," Heavenly Inn, Slingerlands, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

Delmar Fire District regular meetings second and fourth Wednesdays, Delmar Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.

Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands Fire Hall, 8 p.m.

New Scotland Elks Lodge 2661, meet second and fourth Wednesdays at Happy's Coach House, New Salem, 8 p.m.

Sewage Disposal Neighborhood Meeting, for Area 2; Salem Hills Subdivision, Voorheesville Senior High School, 7:30 p.m.

Peacemaking Study Series, with "Historical Perspectives—US and USSR—Nuclear Weapons" discussion led by scientist William Lilley, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-9252.

Puppets' Musical Salute to Spring, with variety of puppet shows, free, Bethlehem Public Library, registered preschoolers, 10:30 a.m., registered schoolagers, 4 p.m.

Herb Gardening Program, free tips on growing, drying, cooking with herbs, sponsored by Albany Cooperative Extension, 7:30-9 p.m.

Penny Carnival Pack meeting, sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 272 of Slingerlands to recruit second to fourth grade boys and parents interested in joining pack, Slingerlands Elementary School auditorium, 7 p.m.

Nature Walk Leadership Workshop, free training for scout leaders, parents and teachers in how to lead youth walks, including orientation to Five Rivers facilities, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 3:30-6 p.m. Pre-registration, call 457-6092.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

Career and Educational Advancement, free and by appointment, Bethlehem Public Library, 2-5 p.m.

Card Party-Game Night, to include prizes and raffles, \$1.50 admission, St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m.

Foreign Language Fair, with foreign foods, displays, music and projects, Bethlehem Central Middle School.

area arts

A capsule listing of cultural events easily accessible to Bethlehem-New Scotland residents, provided as a community service by the General Electric Co. plastics plant Selkirk.

THEATER

"Chicago" (student production of Bob Fosse's Broadway musical), James Meander Little Theater, Russell Sage College, Troy, April 15-17, 22-24, 29, 30 and May 1, 8 p.m.

"Feathers" (premiere of Jeanne Darnell's study of romanticism and conventionalism in the Texas Panhandle), Capital Repertory Company, Market Theater, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, April 17 - May 2, Tuesdays through Saturdays 8 p.m., Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Reservations, 462-4534.

"A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum" (Stephen Sondheim's riotous musical), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, April 21-23 and April 29-May 1, 8 p.m. April 24, 2 p.m. Reservations, 457-8606.

"Talley's Folly" (Lanford Wilson's award-winning play presented by Syracuse Stage), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, April 23, 8 p.m. Community Box Office or Egg Office, 473-3750.

MUSIC

Tafelmusik (Canadian baroque chamber orchestra plays Bach), Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, April 21, 8 p.m.

Capitol Hill Choral Society (Haydn), Philip Schuyler Concert Hall, North Lake Ave., Albany, April 23, 8 p.m.

Schenectady Symphony Orchestra, with violin soloist Michael Emery, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, April 24, 8:15 p.m. Community Box Office.

Manhattan String Quartet, Cohoes Music Hall, April 24, 8 p.m. Community Box Office.

Benefit for Albany Pro Musica, with violinist Leo Mahigian, oboist Randall Ellis and pianist Findlay Cockrell, First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett St., Albany, April 25, 3 p.m.

Alexandre Lagoya, guitarist, Troy Chromatics Concert, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, April 27, 8 p.m. Reservations, 235-6831.

Albany Symphony Orchestra with tenor William Brown (Mozart, Finzi, Dello Joio and Mendelssohn), Palace Theater, Albany, May 1, 8:30 p.m. Reservations at box office, 465-3334, and Community Box Office.

ART

"New York: Cradle of the American Circus" (artifacts and detailed replicas of exotic circus wagons), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through April 25.

"Four Sculptors at RPI" (pieces by William Jackson, Dennis Connors, Steven Day and Peter Homestead), small pieces and maquettes on display in Green Gallery through April 30; large pieces on display around campus through May 24.

"Artifacts at the End of a Decade" (45 artists of the late 1970's), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Opens April 24.

Old Dorp Quilt and Needle Arts Show (with demonstrations of quilting and needlework techniques), First Reformed Church of Scotia, April 27, 9:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., and April 28, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Silkscreens by Japanese artist Kozo, Posters Plus Gallery, Robinson Square, Albany, through May 8, 7-9 p.m.

The Art Faculty Show, Junior College of Albany, Rathbone Gallery, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, through May 7, Monday - Friday, noon - 3 p.m. Monday 5 - 8 p.m.

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Kate Kelly and Richard Zobel star in Capital Rep's premiere production of "Feathers" continuing through May 2 at the Market Theater in Albany.

Sewage Disposal, Neighborhood Meeting, for Area 6: Mountain View St., Swift Rd., Crow Ridge Rd. and Urbandale Rd.; Area 7: New Salem Rd. from Altamont Rd. to Picard Rd., incl. Woodwind Dr. and East Rd.; Area 8: Altamont Rd. from Maple Ave. to Tyger Rd., incl. Domitorro Dr., School Rd., Prospect St., Pheasant Run, Sky Terrace, Francis Lane, North Grand View Terrace, Kling Terrace and portion of Kconz Rd.; Voorheesville Senior High School, 7:30 p.m.

Senior Citizen I.D. Photos, taken for discount cards and CDTA I.D. cards, \$2 for discount book and \$1 for bus card, with proof of age and Albany residency and Social Security number, Bethlehem Town Hall, Room 107, 1:30 p.m. Information, call 439-0368 from 12-4 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

Junior High Activity Night, Voorheesville Junior High School, 7-9:30 p.m.

Ruffed Grouse Society, with guest Dr. Gordon Gullion, University of Minnesota grouse expert, and Corning habitat improvement discussion, Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 3 p.m. Public invited.

Friday Night at the Movies, "Astonished Heart," starring Noel Coward, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m.

"Wonderful World" Fashion Show, with Ursula of Switzerland fashions, dessert party and raffle, St. Thomas School auditorium, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 1

SAT. ACH Tests, for interested area students, Bethlehem Central High School, Voorheesville Senior High School.

Spaghetti Supper, continuous serving, \$4 for adults and \$1.50 for children 5-12, tickets at door, Clarksville Community Church, Delaware Tpk., 4:30-7 p.m.

Albany Panhellenic Garage Sale, contributions appreciated at 20 Longwood Dr., Delmar, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. For pickup call Barbara Tate at 439-1327 from 5-7 p.m.

Battle of the Books, with student teams from St. Thomas School Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

Bowling Benefit, Sporthaven Lanes, Kenwood Ave., 1:15-7:30 p.m. Information for participants, 438-0825 or 439-6536.

Bird Watching, identification walk for beginning birders with binoculars, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 9 a.m. Free.

Chicken Dinner, with "This 'n That" sale, Bethlehem Grange Hall, Beckers Corners, 4 p.m. Information, 463-0693.

Nature Walk Leadership Workshop, free training for scout leaders, parents and teachers in how to lead youth walks, including orientation to Five Rivers facilities, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 1:30-4 p.m. Pre-registration call 457-6092.

Area Events & Occasions

Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

Capital Area Council of Churches luncheon forum with discussion on "Are Our Civil Rights Eroding?" open to the public at the Council, 901 Madison Ave., Albany, noon. Reservations, 489-8441.

AAUW (American Assn. of University Women) dinner meeting with discussion on "Sex Discrimination is Not the Major Battle Anymore," Albany Hilton Hotel, 5:30 p.m. social hour, 6:30 dinner. Reservations, 439-4664 or 346-6959.

HEW Luncheon with guest speaker P. Alistair MacKinnon, of NYS Education Dept., discussing "An Overview on Education for the 80's," reservations \$3 for members and \$3.50 for others, Albany Public Library. Reservations, 473-0690.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

Reaganomics Lecture, "How Much Social Service Should Government Provide?" Russell Sage College, Troy, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Historical Slide Show, emphasizing Delaware Avenue buildings, Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Eyck Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Childbirth Film, "Five Women, Five Births," with an introduction to the Bradley Method and question and answer period, donations accepted, Christ Lutheran Church, Western Ave., Albany, 8 p.m.

Empire State College Open House, free informational sessions open to the public without appointment with college representatives speaking on various degree programs, Environmental Conservation Bldg., 50 Wolf Rd., Colonie.

College of Saint Rose Open House, Office of Graduate and Continuing Studies for adults interested in questioning faculty about college courses, CSR campus, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Information, 454-5136.

Citizens Alliance Information Table, information on issues, including rising cost of energy and utility bills, Empire State Plaza concourse-north gallery, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

Western Square Dance, Altamont Station Squares, with caller Al Cappetti, former Guilderdale Elementary School, Rt. 20, 8-11 p.m.

YWCA Awards Presentation, champagne reception for "Tribute to Women" awards, Best Western Thruway House, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Information, call 438-6608.

Sue Ann Ritchko at Chamber of Commerce breakfast, the Price Chopper representative will speak on "Recognition of the Double Bottom Line," admission \$6.50, Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 7:15 a.m. Information, 434-1214.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

Identification Day, geologists, biologists, archaeologists and historians on hand to identify your mysterious objects, New York State Museum, Albany, 1:30-3 p.m. Free.

Helderberg Business and Professional Women's Club, district 3 meeting, to include election of district and assistant district director, Albany Thruway House, 9 a.m. Information, call 456-5694.

Genealogy Class, with Kathleen Roe, of NYS Archives, speaking on "Tracing Your Family Roots," SUNYA College of Continuing Studies, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Information, call 455-6121.

Doane Stuart Imaginauction, 450 items to be sold, incl. quilts, rugs, use of vacation homes in resorts and baseball tickets, Doane Stuart School, Rt. 9W, 5 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. and live auction at 9. Information, 465-5222.

Iroquois Craft Day, with Iroquois Indians to demonstrate traditional crafts, including dolls and basketmaking, with continual films show, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Breastfeeding Conference, sponsored by La Leche League, with doctors and administrators speaking on mothering and parenting, Catskill, information call 439-1774.

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

Visual Arts Meeting, "Is Art Still Alive in the Capital Area," Capital District Psychiatric Center, 75 New Scotland Ave., 3-5 p.m. Information, call 445-6640.

Dachshund Show and Contest, for all varieties, dogs with major wins ineligible, with ribbons and awards for best of variety, puppy, adult and more, entries are \$1 for adults and \$2 for families, \$2 per dachshund and \$1 for additional dogs, Academy of the Holy Names, New Scotland Rd., Albany, 1 p.m. for entries. Information, call 477-5266.

Classic IV Running Races, 15 and 5.6 kilometer races sponsored by Blue Cross - Blue Shield, arranged by age groups, to leave from headquarters, New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, noon. Information, call 475-2247.

Dominican Retreat Open House, open to public interested in learning about spiritual services offered, no appointment necessary, Retreat House, 1-4 p.m. Tours and musical concert, free. Information, call 393-4169.

National Education Leader to Speak, Dr. William Spady, of National Center for the Improvement of Learning, to speak on "Outcome Based Education: The Time Has Come to Explore the Unthinkable," Institute for Man and Science, Rensselaerville, 3:30 p.m. Dinner reservations and information, call 797-3783.

Hudson River School Painters Lecture, with speaker Dr. Ian Porter on "Olana and the Hudson River School," SUNYA campus, 1400 Washington Ave., 3 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 26

VA Medical Center Retirees Assoc. meeting, VA Hospital, 1 p.m.

Tutor Training Workshop, for those interested in teaching English as a second language, by Literacy Volunteers, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 6:30 p.m.

Card Party and Fashion Show, sponsored by Christ the King's Altar Rosary Society, with theme "Three Coins in a Fountain," with fashions by Barbizon and hairstyles and Makeup by The Orlo, tickets are \$1.50 at the door, Christ the King Church, 20 Sumter Ave., Westmere, 8 p.m. Information, call 456-1579.

TUESDAY, APRIL 27
Natural History Lecture, "The Southern End of the World," with Richard Hauser, SUNYA campus, 1400 Washington Ave., 8 p.m. Free.

Flower Gardening, by Albany Cooperative Extension, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 12:15 p.m. Free.

Jack Tworok Lectures, painter of "Wedding Flags," Empire State Performing Arts Center, Albany, 8 p.m. Free.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

Tutor Training Workshop, for those interested in teaching English as a second language, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 6:30 p.m.

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When New Scotland split from Bethlehem

By Madelon Pound Graves

An application will be made to the Legislature at the ensuing session for an Act to divide the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, the dividing line to be the Albany and Delaware Turnpike.

New Scotland was formed from Bethlehem by charter on April 25, 1832. Chapter 253, quoted above, was one of 306 acts passed by the 55th session of the Legislature of the State of New York, held at the City of Albany. Chapter 253 was dated Dec. 26, 1831. Thereafter it was presented not only three times, as required, but three additional times between Jan. 16 and Jan. 26, 1833.

In his history of New Scotland, Jacob S. Markle, a descendant of Johannes Markle, owner of a public house in New Salem in 1792, wrote: "There are no records of the commissioners or surveyors who located or established the boundary lines of this division, nor minutes relating to the same." (see David Burrs' 1892 map of Albany County).

Markle's words were challenge enough, but when I found two editorials in the *Daily Albany Argus* indicating vehement opposition to the division of the town, my search started. Mr. Markle may be right, but there are still more paths to explore, and only time keeps me from rushing headlong down every beckoning trail.

In the year of our New Scotland Sesquicentennial, from April 25, 1982 until April 9, 1983, I shall endeavor to ferret out facts previous to the petition. However, in ensuing issues of *The Spotlight*, you may be interested in reading about the two accounts of meetings, after Act 253 had been passed. In fact, some of you may be descended from the 800 to 1,000 petitioners who evidently wanted to stay in Bethlehem. If so, any information would be most welcome.

Index to the Public Records of the County of Albany, State of New York, 1630-1894, compiled and printed pursuant to Chpt. 429 of the Laws of 1893 and acts Amending thereof, under the direction of Wheeler B. Melius, Superintendent. Printed by the Argus Co., Printers, 1902, under the heading: "Counties of the State - XCIV."

New Scotland was formed from Bethlehem April 25, 1832. It is the central town of the county. The eastern and central parts are high and rolling, with occasional isolated hills and ridges, and

the western border is occupied by the Helderberg Mountains. The principal streams are the Normans Kil, Vla-man's Creek (or Oniskethau Kil) and several of their tributaries. Teunis Slingerland, from Holland, was the first settler in the Oniskethau flats. He purchased 9,874 acres and built a dwelling near the center of the Tract and erected the first mills.

There is no proof, as usual, to confirm the naming of New Scotland — but there are two suggestions.

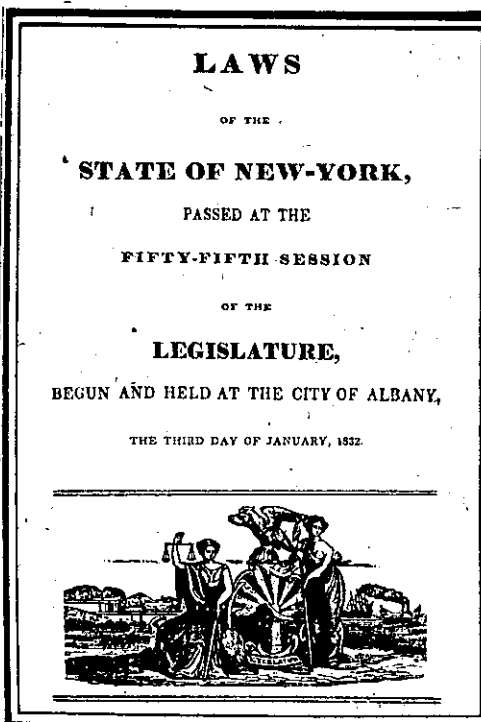
A name was needed to designate the small group of settlers eight miles west of Albany on the way to the Schoharie. When Albany, was officially named in

1674, it is conceivable that some one remembered to honor the Scottish title and call the stopping place, New Scotland. The actual designation of the post office was in 1765, when Adam Holiday was postmaster. Harriet Aspinwall Hilton gives the credit to homesick Scottish settlers who saw a resemblance to their native land, as do we in our lovely hills and valleys.

Here is an idea that seems more reasonable as to the name of the town, with apologies to the homesick Scots. In 1664 Charles II, first of the restored Stuart line and proclaimed King by the Scots, granted as King of England the territories of New Netherland, Long Island, New England and land stretching to the Delaware Bay to his royal brother, James II.

James was too far away, in those days of small sailing ships, to pay much attention to his vast holdings in the New World. When he became king upon the death of Charles, there were great dissensions at home, so many, in fact, that after only three years on the throne, he had to flee to France. So ended the Stuart line of kings (see poem).

Meanwhile, in Albany County, pioneers were beginning to follow the Indian trails over the clear mountains to another settlement located along a stream every bit as useful as the Norman's Kill. Post



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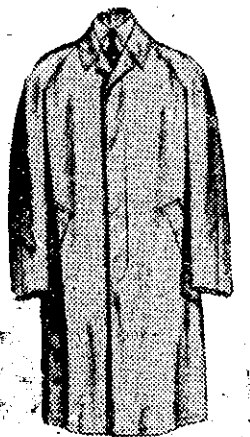


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riders, our first mailmen, rode through the deep snows of winter, the spring floods and the humid summer heat, changing horses when the going was too rough between settlements. When stage-coaches were used on the plank roads, mail was delivered by the drivers, who were able to stay in comparative comfort at the public houses along the way.

There was one tavern, in particular, that seemed to be so attractive that travelers often stayed longer than had been their intention. To this day, the place is known as Tarrytown.

There were the Allens, Brices, Bruces, Hunters, Kirklands, Swans, Wands and Watts. But the first name connected with the settlement of New Scotland was DeLaGrange, a Huegenot. There were also the VanValkenburghs, Smiths and Sagers, Dutch; the Hudsons and Turncliffs, English; the Jacksons, northern Irish; and the Moaks, Swiss. Then of course, the Booms, Congers, McCoughtrys, McCullochs, Olivers, Reads, Benssons, Taylors and Slingerlands. To say nothing of the Cullens, Coons, Hiltons, Waynes, Bullocks, Burnsides, Beckers, Banders and Albrights would be remiss. Let us not forget the TenEycks, Hendricksons, Burhans, Houcks, Loucks, Houghtalings, Vander Zees and Adam Tinklepaw.

Oh yes, Asa H. Perry was authorized, by an Act of the Legislature in 1832, to change his name. To what? Perhaps your family tree can give us a clue. These people were all landholders of 65 to 292 acres of land, as shown on the Eversinen 1807 map surveyed by M.H. Slingerland and Son (see map).

Then there were the names of the all-important rivers, streams and creeks, the people's lifeline in the early days of transportation and industry: Norman's Kill, Norman; Hannakraus, Dutch; Niscathau, Indian; Swartz Creek, German; Vly, Dutch. Why weren't the rivers named Clyde, Spey or Dee in memory of Scotland?

In one of the last Town of Bethlehem meetings to concern us New Scotlanders, on March 24, 1832, there were 78 postmasters elected. Among them were John Bullock, John Wands, Morse Hotaling, William Bender, Albert VanderZee and Adam Clark. Edmund Raynesford, in whose home our first town meeting was held on April 9, 1833,

was postmaster in 1824. He was also a school teacher and a member of the Assembly. More about him later.

The Albany and Delaware Turnpike Road was the dividing line in the first application to the Legislature. However, it was no mean task to determine the new boundaries of this central town of Albany County, having an area of 58 square miles and an approximate population of 3,253, excluding slaves.

There were many meetings of the road commissioners, free-holders and fence-viewers. Twelve freeholders were needed to ascertain the necessity of putting through a private road and, after spending a day or two bush-whacking through forests and swamps, the road

commissioners like as not turned the application down.

Matthew Bullock was one of the fortunate farmers. He was given permission to build a road from the one known as the Clip through his land. The road is now known as Hurst, named for the Hurst family who later owned the Bullock farm.

There were many decisions to be made after Act 253 was passed on April 25, 1832. One of the most important was Resolution Number 3, which was not actually resolved until the new town board could be elected, almost a year later, and financial commitments worked out to the agreement of the Town of Bethlehem and the newly formed Town

James II

1685

FOUR Stuart kings there were, whose names
Were James and Charles and Charles and James.

The first, as history makes plain,
Was ugly, greedy, gross, and vain.

The second, it must be allowed,
Was dense, pernickety, and proud.

The third, if I make no mistake,
Was an incorrigible rake.

The fourth combined, it seems to me,
The vices of the other three.

So England cried, 'Avaunt! no more
These Scottish Stuarts we'll adore,

But try instead a monarch much
Safer, if stodgier, from the Dutch.'

So Orange William hove in sight,
And James the Second took to flight.

No Stuart King has since been known
To sit upon the English throne.

But though in practice they were not
A very efficacious lot,

They still look well in picture-frames,
Do James and Charles and Charles and James.

This caricature of King James and verse are from *Kings and Queens* by Eleanor and Herbert Farjeon, published in London in 1951.



of New Scotland. More of this later.

For now, allow me to quote one resolution of five determined by a group of early politicians gathered at the home of Joshua Babcock on the 22nd day of December 1832.

Resolved, that the inhabitants of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland, friendly to the said division, be respectfully requested to use their best endeavors by all honorable means to sustain the same.

Madelon Pound Graves was born in Michigan and came to New Scotland as a child with her family in 1922 in a Paterson touring car built by her grandfather, William Paterson, a manufacturer of buggies, carriages and early motor cars in Flint, Mich. The family of six came for a summer visit and stayed to settle here. Her father, the late Arthur Pound, was a newspaperman, author of historical biographies and novels, and served as New York State historian. Mrs. Graves has four children, four step-children, five grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. She has spent many hours researching the history of New Scotland.

Open house Sunday

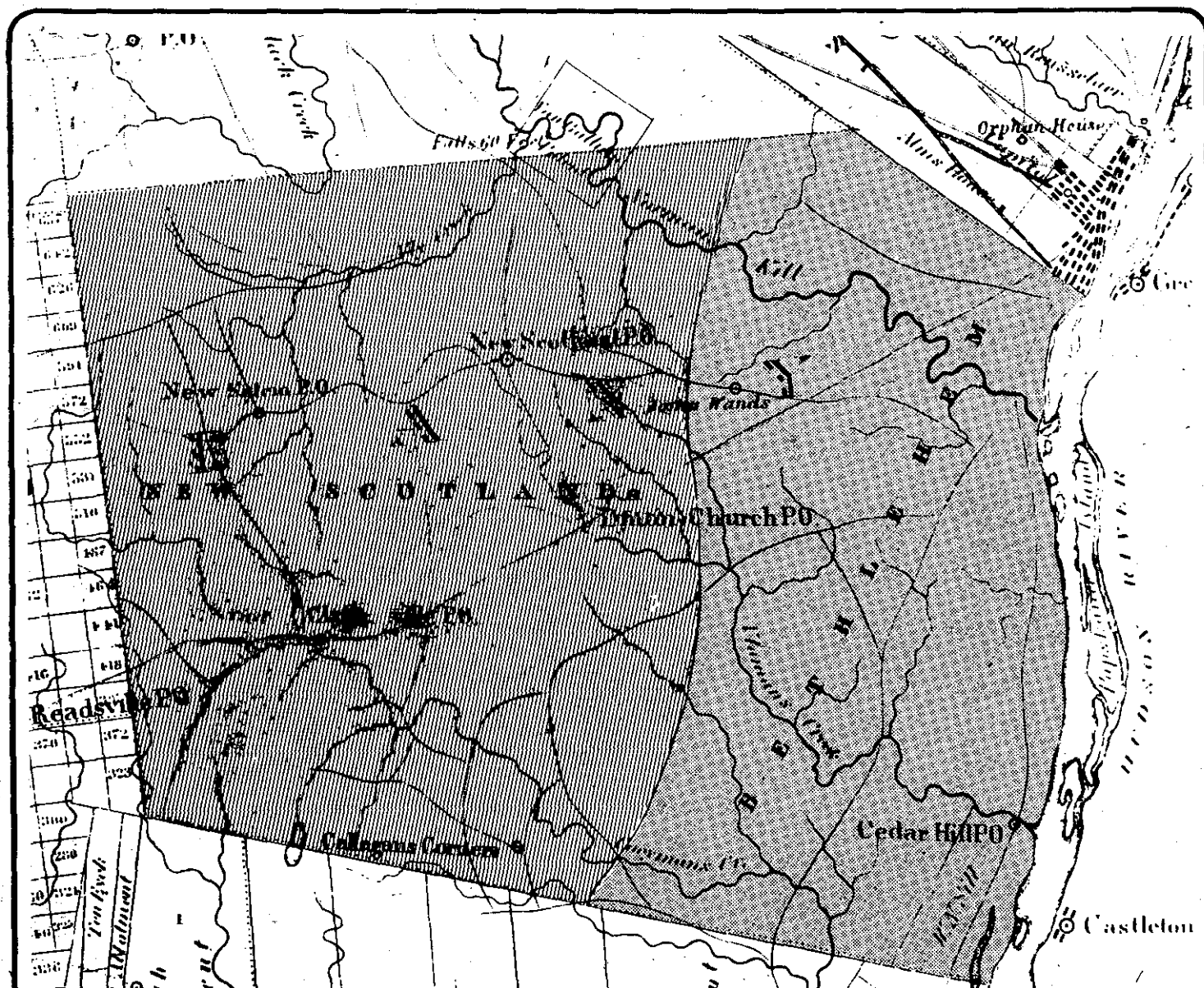
New Scotland will launch its year-long Sesquicentennial observance with an open house at four locations on Sunday, April 25, from 1 to 5 p.m. The date coincides with the 150th anniversary of the signing of the town charter on April 25, 1832.

Open to the public on Sunday will be the town hall on Rt. 85, the new town offices on New Salem hill, the New Scotland Historical Assn. center in New Salem, and the New Scotland Presbyterian Church. Scouts will distribute maps of a historical tour, residents and visitors may take at any time during the year.

Hosts spring meeting

Helderberg Business and Professional Women's Club will host the annual District III Spring meeting Saturday, April 24, at the Albany Thruway House. District III of BPW encompasses 14 area BPW clubs including the cities of Albany, Hudson and Rensselaer.

Speaker for the session will be Dorothy Mangano, President-Elect of Business and Professional Women's Clubs of New York, Inc.



David Burr's 1839 map of Bethlehem and New Scotland was republished by John J. Clark. On the cover: Burr's 1829 map, printed in Ithaca, shows the original boundaries of Bethlehem

before the New Scotland spinoff, but does not show Clarksville or Unionville. Note New Salem was "Salem" in 1829.

Courtesy New York State Library

Focus On Faith

Stephen Wing

Clarksville Community Church



The other evening my three year old son informed me he had turned on the outdoor floodlight. When I asked him, "Why?" he said, "Because it was dark." So I asked, "Is it light now?" He answered, "No, but a little bit of the dark is gone." I thought this was more than just one of those precious, cute sayings children are so famous for. It was a graphic statement of what faith in Jesus Christ can do.

Many people could describe the condition of their life as darkness. Their darkness can be caused by any number of factors from anger, guilt or fear, to loneliness, frustration, or illness. Any one alone, or a combination of these or other factors can become so intense that they shroud one's life in darkness.

Of course it is not literal darkness. It is a blackness of one's spirit. It is a depression that causes people to abandon hope. As the cloud of darkness settles around them, the whole world seems hostile and meaningless.

You have seen such cynics. Perhaps you are one yourself. There seems to be no future, no hope, just a dark existence.

The good news of the Bible is that Jesus Christ is overcoming the darkness. He is a floodlight on a dark world. John says of Jesus, "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." Jesus says of himself, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life." The Bible is full of references to light. Even the opening lines of Genesis tell of "darkness over the face of the deep." How appropriate that God's first

creation command was, "Let there be light."

When God enters the world through Jesus Christ there is light. When he comes into our lives, a little bit of our darkness is gone. There is no instant elimination of all darkness. We still may be lonely or ill. We still have to pay bills and must take care of other responsibilities. But at least there is some light in the darkness, even if it is only a ray of light. The words of the song carry much truth, "It is better to light just one little candle than to stumble in the dark."

With the light of Jesus Christ, we can begin to see dimly through the corridors of time to a sure hope for the future. You can overcome much darkness in your life by allowing the light of Jesus Christ to shine in you.

Ordained a deacon

Stanley Hadsell, son of Mrs. Gertrude Hadsell of 30 Ellsworth Ave., Delmar, was one of 10 third-year theology students ordained to the diaconate in the Archabbey Church at St. Meinrad Seminary, Indiana, on Saturday, March 27. Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis was the ordaining prelate. The new deacon is a member of the Immaculate Conception parish, Denton, Tex.

Spaghetti supper

A spaghetti and meatball supper is scheduled for Saturday, May 1, at the Clarksville Community Church on the Delaware Turnpike in Clarksville. The



The New Covenant Singers, a 24-voice adult group from Christian Music Ministries of Feura Bush, will present a program of contemporary Christian music at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Elm Ave., Delmar, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 24.

dinner will be served continuously from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$1.50 for children between the ages of 5 and 12, and children under 5 will be admitted free. The tickets will be available at the door.

Crusade celebrated

The first anniversary of the three-year support program of the Crusade for Mission and Ministry of the Troy Conference, United Methodist Church will be celebrated Sunday, April 25 in United Methodist churches throughout northeastern New York and the State of Vermont.

The crusade, initiated in the spring of 1981, sought to raise a half-million dollars for support of its mission programs and another \$2 million to bolster ministerial pension programs. The expenses of the campaign have now

been met and the first objective, 100 percent support of its benevolence activities, is on the verge of being achieved. All monies raised, beginning in the very near future, he said, will then be allocated to reducing the unfunded portions of the conference's ministerial pension programs.

Methodists serving

A Polynesian-style chicken dinner will be served at the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church on New Scotland Road on Saturday, April 24, from 5 to 7 p.m. The prices for the continuous servings are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children ages six to 12. There will be no charge for children under six. Hank Vocthees will be the evening's chief chef.

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Leslie Kimmey married

Leslie Constance Kimmey of Albany, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Kimmey of Slingerlands, was married April 3 to Thomas Francis Reese, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Francis Reese of Ronkonkoma, Long Island. The ceremony took place at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Albany. Bishop Wilbur Hogg and Rev. Leslie C. Hughes officiated.

The bride is a graduate of Syracuse University and is employed as a systems analyst by the state Department of Social Services.

The groom is a graduate of Colgate University and Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Mass. He is assistant minister at St. Paul's.

The couple lives in Albany.

Camera club meets

The Delmar Camera Club will hold its next monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 27, in the parish hall of St. Stephen's Church on Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue in Delmar. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will feature a workshop on buying and using the basic camera. The evening's competition is for 35 millimeter slides and prints on the composition "Hands."

The public is invited.

To discuss Blue Herons

The Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club's annual meeting on Thursday, April 22, at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road will be highlighted by discussion on the "Great Blue Heron Study and Colonial Bird Nesting Project." Leading the program will be Dr. Donald McCrimmon of Cornell University's Laboratory of Ornithology. The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 8 p.m.

Picture session

Senior citizens in the Town of Bethlehem can have their pictures taken for I.D.S. and discount cards on Thursday, April 29, at 1:30 p.m. in room 107 in Bethlehem Town Hall.

Persons 60 years of age or older are eligible for a commercial discount card and those senior citizens 65 or older can obtain a CDTA photo ID card which entitles them to a 50 percent reduction in bus fare. With proof of their age and residency in Albany County and social security number, senior citizens will be photographed for a charge of \$2 if they want a plastic-laminated discountbook and \$2 for the bus fare discount card.

For information, call Karen Pellettier at 439-0368 between noon and 4 p.m.

Book 'battle' at library

St. Thomas School and the Bethlehem Middle School teams will compete in a Battle of the Books Saturday, May 1, at the Bethlehem Library. The public is invited to the annual contest, starting at 1 p.m., based on books the contestants have read during the year.

To help celebrate National Library Week (April 18-24), the library will exhibit the work of the student media centers at the Bethlehem Central elementary schools and St. Thomas. On Thursday, April 22, the schools' librarians and students will do a puppet show and show video tapes that they completed during the year.

Gray gives recital

William Gray, a 1973 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, will be featured in a solo recital on Monday, May 3, at 8 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church on State and Willett Streets in Albany.

Gray, who attended the New England Conservatory and the Juilliard School, has appeared in the Lincoln Center Chamber Music Series and with the Handel and Haydn Society and the Boston Lyric Opera Company. Last fall he made his debut as a soloist with the Capital Hill Choral Society in Faure's "Requiem."

While attending high school in Bethlehem, he sang with the Choraliers and was a pianist for musical productions with the Slingerlands Players and the Albany Civic Theater.

Bike-a-thon

A Cystic Fibrosis Bike-A-Thon planned for Selkirk will be held on May 16. Anyone interested in helping in this community activity please contact Albert A. Penk at 767-9587.

Goodman, merit scholar

Jeffrey M. Goodman, of Delmar, a senior at Bethlehem Central High School, has won a \$1,000 National Merit Scholarship in the second round of 1982 scholarships announced this week.

The award, one of 1,800 nationwide but only one of two in the Capital District, is underwritten by unrestricted Merit Program funds.

Goodman has numerous awards to his credit, including the Bausch and Lomb Award, the Rensselaer Math and Science Medal, and BC's Excellence in Creative Writing award and the Excellence in Advanced French award. He played three years of varsity tennis before being sidelined with a bad knee, had a lead role in the senior class play and served on the yearbook staff.

APA garage sale

Albany Panhellenic Association will conduct its annual garage sale on Saturday, May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the home of Barbara Tate, 20 Longwood Drive, in Delmar. This sale is the money-raising event for the association's scholarship fund. Albany Panhellenic

awards several scholarships each year to area graduating high school seniors.

Contributions of articles for the sale are needed. For pick up of items, call Barbara Tate at 439-1327 between 5 and 7 p.m.

Scouts at the mall

"Scouting-Strong on America" is the theme of this year's Boy Scout extravaganza to be held on Saturday, April 24, at the Empire State Plaza. The all-day show will feature booths, stage acts, canoeing, live scouting activities, and a climatic naturalization ceremony for 100 new American citizens. Tickets for the days events are \$1.50 each.

Business women meet

Helderberg Business and Professional Women's Club will hold their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, April 27, at Heavenly Inn, Slingerlands. Social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and program at 8 p.m.

Speaker for the evening will be Phyllis Mullaney, whose topic will be "Making the best of yourself." Officers for the 1982-1983 club year will be elected at the meeting.

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2 Bay Leaves
Salt and Pepper to Taste
1 Tsp. Nutmeg

You do not have to brown the roast, simply place the meat in a heavy roasting pan that has a tight lid. Mix all the ingredients together and pour over meat. Place meat in preheated oven at 225°.

This is a long and slow method about 1 hour per pound. Turn roast over about half way through cooking time. Let roast set. Thicken gravy with cornstarch or arrow root.

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Stress: Scourge or new frontier?

What do the following all have in common? An attack of abdominal butterflies as you enter an office for your job interview. A rush of excitement as you fly down the powder-packed slope of a ski run. A reddened face as the salesclerk announces that your Visa account is over its credit line. The quick pulse and short breath you try to hide as your new love enters the restaurant on your first dinner date. The widening sphere of pain as your indigestion gradually develops into a full-blown ulcer.

The common thread in each of the above situations is a natural inborn physiological response both experts and laymen alike have come to call "stress." Despite the original research performed by Dr. Hans Selye of Montreal nearly 50 years ago, it is only within the past few years that stress has been touted professionally and commercially as the new buzz word for a host of conditions that demand our attention.

It seems that each new treatment procedure and pill or program for diet or exercise which proclaims to relieve your stress has tapped into the flavor of the great American elixir of snake oil. And not merely a few people who have swallowed these claims have been left with a bad taste in their mouths, not to mention a gaping hole in their wallets.

In and of itself stress has been recognized as a major illness by the Center For Disease Control in Atlanta. However, its role as a contributor and aggravator of other physical and emotional disorders appears to be more pervasive. In this century, for example, we have seen the primary causes of death shift from contagious illnesses, such as tuberculosis and smallpox, to what are known as degenerative diseases, such as heart attack and stroke. In order to understand the role of stress in degenerative disease we must first define just what stress is.

Family Matters

Norman G. Cohen



Stress is any condition or event that accelerates body processes above their natural resting levels. The "condition or event" can occur within your body or mind, or in the external environment so long as it is perceptible to the five basic senses. The "body processes" can range from blood pressure and pulse rate to muscle tension and brain wave activity. The "natural resting levels" of those body processes although subject to individual differences can be measured against well-documented levels of normal functioning in most cases.

The stress mechanism operates with some similarity to the family car. In the many years that I have treated people with stress-related disorders I found the simplest way to help them understand what was happening to them was to draw an analogy to the automobile. Like the car the human body has an idling speed when at rest. If that idle is set too high, the engine or the organism wears out at a faster than normal rate. The weakest parts being the most vulnerable to breakdown start displaying symptoms of wear and tear. If we ignore the idling problem and merely patch up the symptom, the continuing stress eventually finds its way into another weak part or reactivates the original symptom.

Stress control skills can be learned by most people. It has been proven beyond scientific doubt that the human organism can learn to reset its idling speed. Clinical experience has demonstrated that so-called involuntary body processes can be measured, displayed and reconditioned to healthier levels by people of all ages,

socio-economic groups and intelligence levels. Treatments and training programs with successful track records typically employ a combination of techniques which may include relaxation training, exercise, medication, modified diet and nutritional management, psychotherapy, physical therapy and massage, and specific body control skills as learned through biofeedback.

The stress response is an inborn biological gift that enables us to live life to its fullest. Without our ability to activate and mobilize body processes we would be rendered incapable of fending off attack, escaping danger, seeking food or shelter, overcoming obstacles or striving for goals. Without the ability to de-activate and step on the brakes in our body we become susceptible to a myriad of disorders. Our challenge is to master the controls over the accelerator and the brake of our organism.

For more information regarding professional services in the Capital District that provide stress control programs write to me c/o *The Spotlight*, Family Matters.

Norman G. Cohen is a fully credentialled social worker with 17 years of professional experience as a psychotherapist, consultant and clinical director.

K registration at R-C-S

Registration day for all children in the northern elementary area of the Ravena-Coeysman-Selkirk Central School District who will be entering kindergarten in September, 1982, will be held in the A.W. Becker Elementary School on Wednesday, May 5, from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m.

To be eligible to enter kindergarten, the child must have reached his or her fifth birthday by Dec. 1, 1982. Parents are requested to bring a birth certificate or baptismal certificate with them on registration day. Health records are not required at this time. Registration day will have two purposes: first to register the children for school; and the second to orientate the children to the building, their future teachers, and to the school bus.

At the Becker building there will be a single registration session. Parents who live in the Selkirk, South Bethlehem, Feura Bush and Cedar Hill areas should arrive at the school at 1:15.

On the same day the Ravena school will be having a double registration period, the first beginning at 12:50 and the second at 2:05. Although you may

register your child at either building, it is recommended that you try to register in the building that services your area. The easiest way to decide where your child is attending kindergarten next year is to observe where your neighbors are sending their children this year.

The format for registration hour is as follows: 1:15 to 1:30, welcome by the principal; 1:30 to 2:15, student and parent activities.

Any parents having questions regarding kindergarten registration day may contact the schools at 756-2155. The extension for Ravena is 33, and the extension for Becker is 35.

Wide row planting

How can you triple the yield from your garden without expanding another inch? Plant vegetable seeds in rows twelve to twenty-four inches wide, say the experts at Garden Way Living Center, and you will have a greater harvest than you ever dreamed possible.

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Grange dinner, display

The Bethlehem Grange has a full schedule of upcoming events on its calendar. At its April 24 meeting, the Grangers will offer the community information about the Bethlehem Public Library. Featured at the meeting will be John Hodges, director, and Carol Desch.

The Grange has set aside Saturday, May 1, as Chicken Dinner Night at the Bethlehem Grange Hall in Beckers Corners, Selkirk. The dinner will begin at 4 p.m. and will also include a "This and That" sale.

The Bethlehem Junior Grange has set up a window display at the Little Flower Shop in Selkirk, while the Bethlehem Subordinate exhibit can be found at the Bethlehem Public Library. The latter shows craft and merit badge projects, essays, the book documenting Bethlehem Grange history, and some women's activities projects. The display will be judged.

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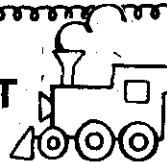
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Being the thrifty souls you are, many of you are caught with some of last year's or previous year's flower seeds and this year's catalogs. Many factors, both genetic and environmental, determine seed viability. Before ordering new seed, you might examine the viability of that seed left from previous seasons.

As a general rule, large seeds, especially those with a significant food reserve and a heavy protective seed coat, retain viability for longer periods of time. Lotus seeds, buried in mud, have germinated after 1,000 years, and there is a report of Arctic Lupine seeds imbedded in permafrost having germinated after 4,000 years.

For any given seed, viability is enhanced by storage at 40 degrees in an airtight container. Seeds with smooth seed coats and those of wild-type species are observed to remain viable longer.

The following are some average viability periods for vegetable seeds, all with a germination rate of 75% or more. Asparagus, bean, leek and pea, three years; tomato and carrot four years; broccoli, brussel sprouts, kohlrabi, muskmelon, pumpkin, radish and turnip, five years; cucumbers, gourds and

squash, six years; endive remains viable for ten years.

The usual viability of some garden flowers is as follows: aster, delphinium, geranium, pansy, salvia and verbenia, one year; browalia, candytuft, coleus, columbine, dahlia, foxglove, impatiens, marigold and petunia, two years; dianthus, flower tobacco, moss rose and snapdragon, three years; ageratum, alyssum and celosia, four years, and nasturtium and zinnia, five years.

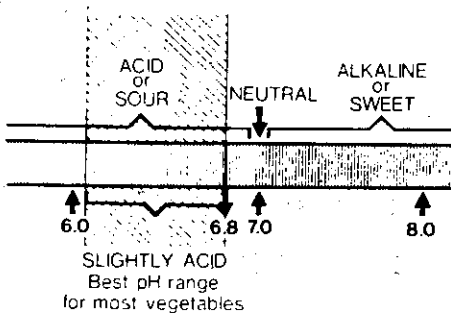
If germination is less than 50 percent, throw them out. Eighty percent is a very good germination rate. When using old seed, you may wish to plant more than you want in order to compensate for those that do not germinate.

If you are unsure of how old or viable your seeds are, try a germination test. Place ten seeds between two moist paper towels in a plastic bag at room temperature. After all signs of germination have ceased, divide the number of seeds germinated by the total number of seeds to get the percentage of germination.

Acidity or alkalinity? A little bit of chemistry goes a long way when it comes to the soil in your garden.

Proper soil preparation before planting is a vital step toward gardening success. Part of good soil preparation is checking the pH of your soil. Soil acidity or alkalinity is measured on what is called a pH scale. The scale runs from zero,

pH Scale



which is extremely acid; to 7, neutral; to 14, which is extremely alkaline.

Most vegetables thrive in a slightly acid soil, with a soil pH reading between 6.0 and 6.8. This is the range that allows plants to utilize nutrients most efficiently.

Lime should be applied if the pH test shows that the soil is too acid (or sour), that is below 6. Lime "sweetens" an acid soil and keeps the soil from becoming too acid for many years. The amount of lime

on heavy soils depends on the present pH and also the type of soil — sand, loam, clay.

Wood ash can also be used, but the rate needs to be doubled.

Cooperative Extension will hold soil test clinics at the following Bethlehem locations: Bethlehem Public Library, April 21, 28 and May 5 from 7 to 9 p.m.; Price-Greenleaf Inc., April 24, 10 a.m. to noon; Glenmont Garden Shoppe, 2 to 4 p.m.; Jeffer's Nursery, Slingerlands, May 8, 10 a.m. to noon; and Bethlehem town garage (garden day), May 8, 9 a.m. to noon.

Scouts recruiting

Cub Scout Pack 272 of Slingerlands will hold its annual Penny Carnival Pack meeting at the Slingerlands Elementary School auditorium on Wednesday, April 28, at 7 p.m. Boys currently in grades two to four interested in joining the Cub Scouts should attend this recruitment meeting with their parents.

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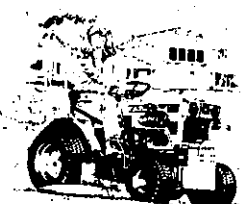
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Rumors that turn to gold

Early this month, as gold prices were inching up in response to the Falkland Islands dispute, a rumor swept through gold markets that the Soviet Union had invaded Pakistan.

It was just a rumor and Pakistani officials were quick to deny it, but not before gold prices jumped nearly \$13 to \$358 an ounce. Following the denial, gold fell back to \$353 and slowly climbed to \$360.40 by the end of the day.

Gold analysts and traders suspect the rumor was planted on purpose to prompt a sudden run in prices. Such a jump could be a great benefit to a gold holder who is looking to drop a large supply on the market.

The Soviet Union was the prime suspect. After all, the Russians have been selling high quantities of gold to finance grain purchases and military spending. "We expected to see the Soviet Union take advantage of the higher prices," said one trader. But the Soviet Union stayed out of the market.

The rumor was then traced back to the London Metals Exchange, which opens five hours before the New York gold market. That is where the trail ended and traders say they will never find out who started the rumor.

How could this happen? Rumors are just another part of life on jittery gold market. Already this year, President Reagan has suffered two fatal heart attacks, Henry Kissinger has died three times, Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker has died four times and resigned on seven different occasions. At least according to the grapevine.

"Each time gold jumps anywhere from \$10 to \$20 and then settles back," says

Right On The Money

R.B. Plunkett



Gene Sherman, economist with the International Gold Corp., representatives of the South African mining industry. "This time the price only went up for 10 minutes and then fell back to its natural price."

Why are gold traders so willing to act on the basis of an unconfirmed rumor? Sometimes rumors turn out to be true and traders who react quickly can make handsome profits. For example, word of the assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat first swept the gold market as rumor and was later confirmed. Traders who reacted were able to make \$20 an ounce buying and selling quickly.

"The market was ready to move upward because of Argentina's invasion of the Falkland Islands," says Sherman. "The rumor just took advantage of that situation."

When it looked as if gold was starting to rally, investors began coming into the market. First, investors who had gone "short" (sold gold with an agreement to buy it back later, hoping it would be at a lower price) bought gold to protect themselves. Traders and dealers began expanding their inventories (which was kept low while prices were falling).

That gave the market an additional lift and gold caught the eye of small investors who began buying gold. And that was about the worst time to do so.

It is natural for the gold market to exist on a string of rumors and bad news. This, more than buying patterns, produces the short-term changes in price.

"A brief rise in price might lure you into thinking the market has hit bottom and is coming out of a slump," says Sherman. "And it might be nothing more than the effects of another rumor."

As a rule, you shouldn't try to play the short-term cycles. That's the best way to get whip-sawed.

Instead gold analysts recommend that if you are interested in investing in gold, buy it when the market is slow and don't be particular about the actual price you pay for each ounce. You should resign yourself that gold is a long-term investment. Do not worry about a dollar or two difference in price today.

Bookkeeping workshop

A "Setting Up Your Accounting and Bookkeeping System" workshop for small business owners is set 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, at the County Resource Development Center, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville.

Jack Rothstein, partner in the Albany CPA firm of Barnes, Feiden, and

Rothstein, will discuss questions concerning accounting and bookkeeping procedures necessary to the proper preparation of financial statements and income tax reports. There will be time for audience discussions.

Cooperative Extensions's small business program sponsors workshops, provides practical information, referrals and resources to entrepreneurs in the capital district and publishes a directory of women-owned businesses.

Workshop registration is three dollars. For information or to register, contact Edith Kuhar, Albany County Cooperative Extension, 765-3635.

Glenmont craft fair

The Glenmont Elementary P.T.A. is sponsoring a craft fair on Saturday, April 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fifty professional exhibitors selected from the Greater Mohawk-Hudson region will be selling quality handmade items. A wide variety of merchandise will be available, including dried and silk flower arrangements, tote painting, stained glass, ceramics, jewelry, woodcrafts, soft sculpture, quilts and needlepoint.

Glenmont Elementary School is located on Route 9W two miles south of Thruway Exit 23.

Lunch and baked goods will be available.

A zip code odyssey ends

A letter mailed in Delmar to a Unionville resident bears the street address followed by "Unionville, New York 12160."

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Sloansville's zip is 12160.

Four more days, and the letter acquires another postmark and a Return to Sender, Addressee Unknown, No Such Street.

The newest postmark is Unionville, N.Y. The zip is 10988. The Unionville postoffice is in the Suffern area.

Stamping the envelope Undeliverable as Addressed, the Postal Service routed it back to the sender.

Because the envelope contained a check for \$17.52, the sender drove to the addressee's house and delivered the well-traveled letter in person.

Our Unionville is too small to have its own postoffice. It survives on Delmar 12054's rural route.

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New stamp issue

Albany Postmaster Kenneth R. Prentiss has announced that the 20 cent State Birds and Flowers commemorative stamp has been placed on sale at area post offices.

Special hand stamp cancellations will be made available on the concourse level of the Empire State Plaza in a Postal Service philatelic booth which will offer for sale the Bird and State Flower stamps as well as the special cancellation. Available also will be a special issue of the Philatelic Catalogue and a special edition of Introduction to Stamp Collecting Publication and a folder designed to hold a pane of stamps. These will be available as long as supplies last.

Students recognized

Several students at the Glenmont Job Corps Center were recognized during Volunteer Week at the Albany Veterans Administration Medical Center for their help and participation in the hospital's treatment program. Recognized were Bridget Cave, Robyn Douglass, Julia Gilman, Janne Johnson, Gladys Lopez, Venessa Pate, Kim Pierce, Regina Ross and Madeline Sanchez.

These nine girls were only a few of more than 50 area high school and college students recognized for the 10,000 hours of volunteer work they donated collectively to the VA Hospital.

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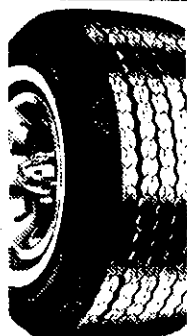
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BC students competition finalists

Members of the Bethlehem Central High School Business Education Department recently competed in the annual American Management Society sponsored spelling and business mathematics contest held at the Junior College of Albany.

The following students were finalists in the competition for business math: Patricia Roger, Scott Myers and Robert Krouse.

For the spelling competition the following were finalists: Michelle Daley, Doris Davies, Catherine Dubuque, Pamela Hodges, Nanette Houck, Cynthia Kinns, Kimberly Miller, Barbara Root, Denise Shoddy, Kathleen Stankovich, Lisa Van Wie, Lisa Nunez, Wendy Bunis, Jennifer Bell, Elizabeth Cardona, Suzanne Cordi, Justine DeVost, Jane Fox, Cheryl Groesbeck, Brenda Jones.

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Blackbirds becoming Colonial tennis force?

It's too early to tell, but there is a growing suspicion that Voorheesville will have a lot to say about who wins the Colonial Council tennis championship.

Coach Phil Ackerman's spirited squad, with 14 players competing for five spots, won their first two matches, both league encounters, and have shown they can come through in tight spots.

The Blackbirds edged Mechanicville, 4-3, in last Wednesday's opener, played at Shenendehowa because Mechanicville has no courts. Two days later Cohoes fell by 6-1 at Voorheesville, with Cohoes listed as the home team for the same reason: no courts.

Pete Zeh, a junior playing No. 2 singles, was a double winner both days. Besides taking his singles in straight sets, Zeh teamed with Dave Carver to win the second doubles against Mechanicville, and was paired with Co-capt. Ed Volkwein to win the No. 1 doubles against Cohoes.

Pete TenEyck also won both matches at No. 5, capturing a three-setter Wednesday, 2-6, 6-2, 6-1, and sweeping his Friday assignment, 6-2, 6-3. He also won the second doubles with junior Rick Lennox, 8-6, against Cohoes. Kevin Seim, playing No. 3 singles, beat his Mechanicville foe by 6-0, 7-5, but dropped a tough three-setter Friday, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4.

Ed Volkwein, who has the toughest chore in facing the opponents' top player each time at No. 1 singles, finished the week with an even break. He lost at

Spotlight SPORTS

Shenendehowa, but dusted off Cohoes by 6-3, 6-2.

Ackerman, one of the area's best known teaching professionals, attributes the team's early success to "a fine team spirit, hard work and a group of eager eighth graders." The youngsters, Jim Volkwein, Dean Solomos and Paul Nichols, haven't cracked the starting lineup yet, but they represent a constant threat to the junior-dominated team. Ten of Ackerman's 14 players are 11th grades.

The Blackbirds got a boost last week when Pete Richards, also a junior, came out for the team, and is battling for the No. 5 singles spot.

Voorheesville was slated to host Albany Academy Monday and travel to Lansingburgh Wednesday. Weather permitting, the team faces Middleburgh in a non-league exercise Friday.

Runners on the road

Bethlehem police have a word of caution for motorists in the Cherry Ave. section of Slingerland on Sunday, April 25. That's the day of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield distance races, when several hundred runners will be on Rt. 85, Kenwood Ave., and the Krumkill Rd.

Ackerman an ecumenical coach

With their coach on vacation during the spring break, Bethlehem Central's tennis team got a lift from a rival coach during a week of informal practice.

When Phil Ackerman, junior coordinator at Southwood and Voorheesville varsity coach, realized that BC's vacation practice was being led by co-captains Mike Cole and John Bobeck with Coach Julie Wendth in Florida, he took some time to lend a hand with some coaching.

The gesture was appreciated by the Eagles, who face a rugged schedule in the Suburban Council. Although is young Voorheesville team will have to face Bethlehem later in the season, Ackerman's heart won over his competitive spirit: he is a former No. 1 singles player for BC and served two years as varsity tennis coach at his alma mater.

Blessing Rd. area.

Traffic tieups and possible detours can be expected, police said. The half-mile section of Rt. 85 between Cherry Ave. and the Blue Cross building has no alternate route under eight miles in length.

Bowling benefit planned

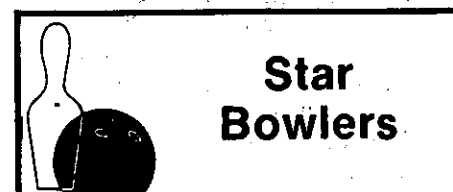
A spring bowling benefit for the three community residences for the developmentally disabled in Bethlehem is planned for May 1 at Sporthaven lanes by the community advisory boards for the residences.

The event will enable the boards to raise money for the residences, which are at 360 Kenwood Ave., 397 Delaware Ave., and 405A School House Rd. Sporthaven is donating the lanes and equipment.

Persons wishing to participate will collect pledges and bowl two games at Sporthaven between 1:15 and 7:30 p.m. Contact Frank Decerce, 538-0825, Bruce O'Connell, 477-8771, or George Walker, 439-6536.

Tree falls on car

A pine tree toppled by Saturday's gusty winds fell on a car parked in the driveway at 209 Adams St., according to a Bethlehem police report.



Bowling honors for the week at DelLanes, Elsmere, went to:

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Women — Carole Smith 232, Lorraine Van Apledoorn 573.

Senior Boys — Terry Oliver 239, Fred Oliver, Jr. 620.

Senior Girls — Amy Davis 208, Teri Sue Moss 488.

Junior Boys — John Graves 265-574.

Junior Girls — Cathy Burke 167-434.

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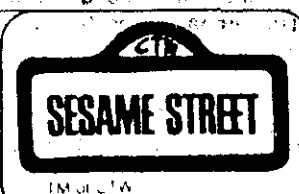
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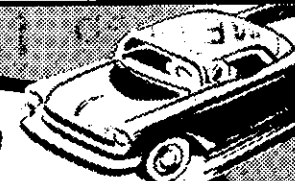
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Blackbirds make it close

Starting the season with two defeats might ring new furrows to a coach's brow, but not with Voorheesville's Bob Crandall.

After bowing to Cohoes, 9-6, in the opener and dropping an extra-inning 1-0 decision to Schalmont, Crandall had this to say of his team, all but one of whom are up from last year's junior varsity: "The kids are a little over-eager. They want to swing away. They'll come around. I'm not worried. I have faith in them."

The Blackbirds picked a tough one to launch the season. At Cohoes they faced one of the best teams in the Colonial Council, and hung in there all the way. In fact, Voorheesville had a 3-2 lead in the second and was ahead 6-4 in the fifth. Dickie Lennon, on the slab for the Blackbirds, gave up two singles in the fifth and would have escaped the inning without damage but for a throwing error that led to four runs.

The Blackbirds hit pretty well, matching the more experienced home team 10 for 10. Lennon had two singles and knocked in two runs. Steve Richardson, a senior who didn't play last year, had three hits, including a bunt single on a squeeze

BASEBALL

that drove in the first run. Back in Voorheesville Friday, it was windy and frustrating. Voorheesville had only four base runners all day while Schalmont stranded 20. Jim Meacham, who had relieved Lennon at Cohoes, went all the way in this one, giving up 10 walks and seven hits, all singles, but Schalmont couldn't score until the eighth. Even at that, the game's only run came on an error at short, a windblown fly to right that was dropped, and two walks that forced the run home.

The Blackbirds almost pulled even in their half of the overtime frame. John Schultz drew a pass, Richardson sacrificed him to second and Chris Hogan moved him up on another bunt. With two out and Schultz at third, Lennon struck out.

Despite managing only two hits — Meacham and John Franchini had singles — the Blackbirds were getting wood on the ball. They had only four strikeouts.

But Eagles are struggling

A baseball team that gives up 32 hits in 13 innings has got to do some slugging of its own. But Bethlehem Central managed only eight hits over that span, which indicates that this season could be one of the longest in Art Ritchko's extended career.

The veteran coach was hard put to find something encouraging to say after his 1982 Eagles opened their season by absorbing a 13-7 drubbing by Burnt Hills at home and a 17-1 pasting at Scotia. There was an added humiliation at Scotia, groaned Ritchko: "The kid pitched a no-hitter against us."

Three more games this week could turn up some happier moments. Ritchko is hoping that a return to their own diamond at BCHS, which has been a

quagmire, will help. Meanwhile there are problems with pitching, hitting and fielding. Of Tom Dexter, a good all-around ball player, and Stu Alloway, one of the better catchers in the Suburban Council, Ritchko says: "They're not hitting yet, but they will."

Pitching is the most serious problem. Corson Maley started the opener at the Middle School, Jim McGuinness relieved and Ed Radzynski finished up. Burnt Hills pounded them for 17 hits.

At Scotia Steve Warren was the starter, Ritchko brought in Radzynski in the third, and Maley finished. The enemy got 15 hits and benefited from seven walks and two BC errors.

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They are an important part of each girl's life—now and in the future. They provide girls with great memories of many learning experiences and "just plain old crazy times."

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Judy Brownell
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The vital volunteers

Editor, The Spotlight:

April 22nd has been designated as the first nationwide "Girl Scout Leader's Day" during National Volunteer Week. We feel it appropriate to say a personal "thank you" for the time and energy that is dedicated to Girl Scouting by all of the volunteers in the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council.

We are aware of the vital work accomplished by our volunteers and continue to support them. Without these volunteers there would be nothing to offer girls in the name of Girl Scouting.

Volunteers make Girl Scouting available to the girls in their communities.

Playing God

Editor, The Spotlight:

The federal judge who struck down the Arkansas bill requiring public schools to teach scientific creationism on the basis that it was a political maneuver was correct. Evolutionists retain an elite monopoly in science and education which commands an enormous amount of taxpayers' money.

Evolution and creation provide the basis for two opposing, philosophical world views. Evolution is the basis for a secular, humanistic, materialistic world view; creation, the basis for Judiac-Christianity. Consequently, our children are not seeking all avenues to truth as

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Those that did all the scorning have now become book-banners themselves by banning scientific creationism.

Many honest scientists question evolution as an absolute. Evolution is not happening today. No one has ever seen a monkey mutate into a human being. Therefore, evolution requires an act of faith to believe, as does creationism. We ought to question the social consequences in the process of time, of both world views. The excesses of church-controlled systems cannot be condoned, but shall we choose an alternative system which rejects the God of Israel's morality and accepts what man makes right and wrong?

The consequences could be horrendous. It is a well-documented fact that Hitler and Stalin used evolution as a base for their philosophical world views. Freedom is fragile and man is so prone to want to play God. Our forefathers knew what they were doing when they separated church and state, yet established us as a nation under God.

The ACLU has resorted to leftist excesses and has established a compulsory, atheistic, materialistic, humanistic state religion in the public schools. The breakdown of morals, the rise of crime and violence and the perversion of justice can be directly attributed in large part to this world view, which is both tyrannical and exclusive.

Colleen Little
Elsmere

Disputes conclusions

Editor, The Spotlight:

Mr. Boynton's recent articles in *The Spotlight* on school budgets provide some useful information and food for thought. However, several of his conclusions appear contradictory.

On March 24, 1982, he praises the Bethlehem School Board as one of the more restrained spenders among local school boards, then a week later, criticizes that same district for having a low student-to-teacher ratio. The Voorheesville school district which he shows is second from the lowest of all the districts studied in per student expenditures is similarly chastised for its "luxurious" student-to-teacher ratio. If his figures are correct, the Voorheesville school district would appear to be the most cost effective — in that it (somehow) has managed to

maintain both low per capita costs and a low student-teacher ratio.

I also take issue with Mr. Boynton's use of terms such as "luxurious" and "plush" to describe student-teacher ratios, and the general tone of his articles which implies that if there is not a lock-step reduction of the budget to match declining school enrollments, this somehow means waste.

I do not believe that quality of education will necessarily increase with increasing expenditures, but I do feel that issues such as class size and school performance deserve more thoughtful consideration by your paper.

Steven Schreiber
Voorheesville

A community thank you

Editor, The Spotlight:

Once again the residents of Bethlehem and surrounding communities, through their loyal support of the Bethlehem Lions annual pancake breakfast, have supplied the funds to support Lionistic projects in the fields of sight, hearing, gerontology and youth.

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View on death penalty

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wish to commend Rev. Leon Adkins for expressing his views on capital punishment.

I would hope that other community religious leaders would speak up on this current and vital issue.

For one, I am strongly opposed to capital punishment.

George D. Tilroe
Delmar

Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

April 18, 1957

The subscription blank that appeared for the first time in the *Spotlight* last week ran again on Page One this week, along with letters from readers rallying to the support of the community paper not yet a year and a half old. Postmaster General Summerfield's threat to eliminate third-class mail has forced the paper to seek paid subscriptions. The only negative response was from Raymond F. Pafunda, Voorheesville postmaster, who concluded his letter with "so here's to the

death (preferably sudden) of the *Spotlight* until such time as realistic postage rates are charged on third class mailings."

April 19, 1962

Janet Lawrence and Jack Taylor are co-chairmen of the BCHS Junior Prom scheduled for May 5. Committee chairmen are Rusty Freeman, Jeanine Parker, Debby Foster, Bill D'Anza, Don Boone, Ruth Bohman, Joan Jernigan and Judy Mattox.

April 20, 1967

The New Scotland town board has approved the appointments of Mrs. Ann Forbes Greenough Richards of New Salem and John Loucks, Jr. of Feura Bush to fill the two remaining vacancies on the town planning board. Mrs. Richards, who is the first woman member of the board, was employed by Candeb and Fleissig, the planners who developed the existing master plan in the town of New Scotland, and worked in a planning role for the city of Ithaca while attending Cornell University.

The annual installation banquet of the Slingerlands Fire Dept. was held at McKown's Grove April 15, with R. Hendrick, chief of the Elsmere Fire Co., installing. Officers include: chief, R. Collins; 1st ass't, J. Flanagan; 2nd ass't, W. Lenhardt; 3rd ass't, (fire police), H. Labrum. Officers of the newly formed rescue squad were also elected: captain, W. Peters; Lt., R. Pastore.

April 20, 1972

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Posing for a *Spotlight* photo to publicize the "Let's Pretend" card party to be held at St. Thomas School on May 5 are Mrs. Leonard Sweeney, Mrs. William Kelleher, Mrs. Mario Gallachi, Mrs. Daniel Lynch, Mrs. William Cookfair, Mrs. Charles Donnelly, Mrs. Francis Downs and Mrs. James Clyne.

April 21, 1977

A quick-whistle adjournment of an open meeting of the Bethlehem town board shut off an Albany attorney trying to make a statement on behalf of a client. When a typical humdrum session suddenly erupted into verbal pyrotechnics, Supervisor Harry Sheaffer called for the adjournment motion. The attorney, Arthur McGinn, Jr., represents Olin Bleau, Selkirk garage owner involved in a running feud with Police Chief Peter Fish. Bleau has filed an \$8-million lawsuit against Fish and three other members of the police department, and has other litigation in State Supreme Court charging malicious prosecution and defamation.

The first contingent of 25 — all male — arrived this week to officially open the New York Job Corps Center in Glenmont. The contingent expected next week will have 10 women (the first co-eds) and 15 men.

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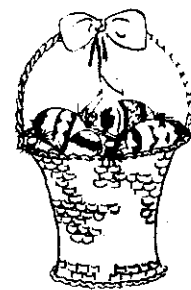
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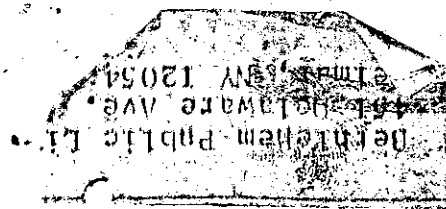
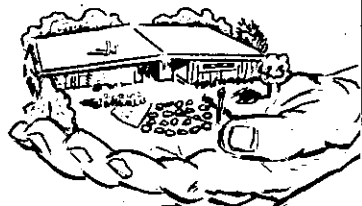


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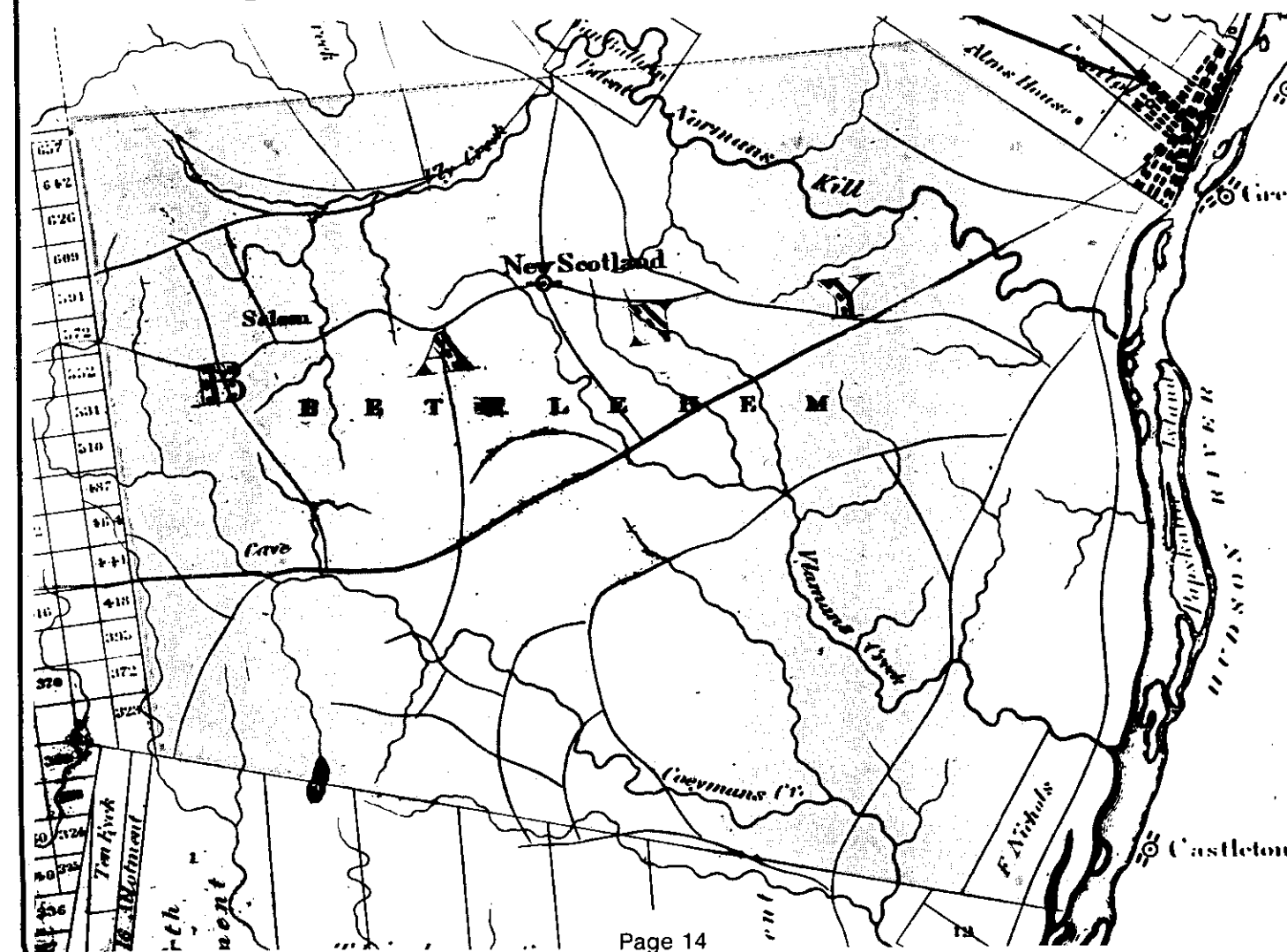


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