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Tug of war as Slingerlands house tumbles

By Tom McPheeters

The two bulldozers arrived Friday morning from Albany on a flatbed truck. Within a half hour they had a cable attached to one of the two old barns. A few nudges and a hard yank and the barn tilted drunkenly and collapsed in a heap. The second barn surrendered noiselessly, and then it was time to turn to the house.

By this time a small crowd had gathered in the middle of Slingerlands to watch the demise of the stately Victorian house known as the Charlie Sanders place. While one bulldozer surgically removed the rear addition, workers ran the heavy steel cables through windows on the east side and out the west side.

The two bulldozers roared and strained, while the cables bit through window frames and interior walls. But the house stayed rock-steady. Again and again the bulldozers reared back, stretching the cable tight, only to fail and try again.

T.E. Mulligan, Bethlehem's town historian, had selected the Slingerland Family Burial Vault as his vantage point for the proceedings. Mulligan, working with the Slingerlands Homeowners Association, had succeeded last year in getting the Bethlehem Town Board to name the cemetery, where Whig Congressman John I. Slingerland and his family are buried, an historic district.

"The earth was sort of quivering," he said later. "I couldn't help but think, when they finally made that house go down, that that was John rolling over."

The house did fall, as everybody knew it would. Many people had worked to make that moment impossible, and for some the loss of the house, sitting as it did square in the heart of the Tollgate intersection, will be missed for itself. But the focus now is certain to shift to the future of the three-acre site, the last remaining major commercial property in the hamlet.

Anthony Pizzitola, who owns the property with his wife and brother, was also present at the demolition. As he has in the past, he declined to reveal his intentions. "Right now there aren't any plans, but it's still a free country," he said.

Vincent Riemma, the Slingerlands developer who has advertised commercial space on the site, could not be reached for comment Monday.

Although the land is now cleared, the obstacles to commercial development are



The bulldozers from A-Ritz Wrecking had to carve up the old Slingerland house piece by piece Friday. Above, the rear addition comes off while the front presents its usual appearance to the Toll Gate intersection. Below and on the cover, the house finally crumbles after a major supporting wall is pulled away. Former owner Charley Sanders was moved to the Fireman's Home in Hudson late last year and the house had been vacant ever since then.

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formidable. Foremost among them are the difficult traffic and access problems at the New Scotland Rd.-Kenwood Ave. intersection, drainage problems on the site, and the economic climate.

Last fall Delmar civil engineer Lindsay Boutelle prepared a preliminary site plan for Pizzitola that outlined some of those problems. "It can all be worked out, but there is a lot of work to do," he said Saturday.

The plan shows two commercial buildings behind the restaurant at the front of the property, one with 6,324 square feet and the other (in the rear) with 23,170 square feet of space. In order to work in the required 117 parking spaces, parking was placed around the buildings, next to the cemetery, which sits on the western line of the site, and on the town's right-of-way to the cemetery. The building closest to the road also sits partially on the right-of-way.

Boutelle stressed that the plan is only "a direction in numbers" to give the owner an idea what he could expect. It has not been submitted to the town. The right-of-way (a Slingerland family easement that the town acquired when it took over the cemetery) is an obstacle to development, Boutelle acknowledged. His suggestion, he said, would be to trade the easement for a strip of land along the west side of the property.

The easement gives the town some leverage. But it appears likely that the Bethlehem Planning Board will have considerable say anyway in the way the property is developed. The town board last week agreed to set May 26 as the date for a public hearing on the commercial site plan review ordinance which would give the planners the right to review in detail developments on the Pizzitola

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Town board may get nuclear freeze issue

Bethlehem may be the next community to join the growing national debate over nuclear weapons. The town board is being asked to consider at its May 12 meeting a resolution calling for a mutual U.S.-U.S.S.R. freeze on the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and delivery systems.

The impetus for the resolution is coming from several church groups, students at Bethlehem Central High School and a newly formed group of local residents. T.E. Mulligan, who has solid credentials both in town political circles and in veterans' affairs, is handling the initial contact with the town board members for the group.

"I think there is a ground swell in this town, as there is in all of New England, as reflected in the town meetings," Mulligan said Saturday. "We have enough of a base, with the school system and the churches, that we can say we represent a good healthy majority. We're not just a small group with an ax to grind."

Similar resolutions have been offered recently in Albany, Rotterdam and in Guiderland, which recently passed legislation considerably more hawkish

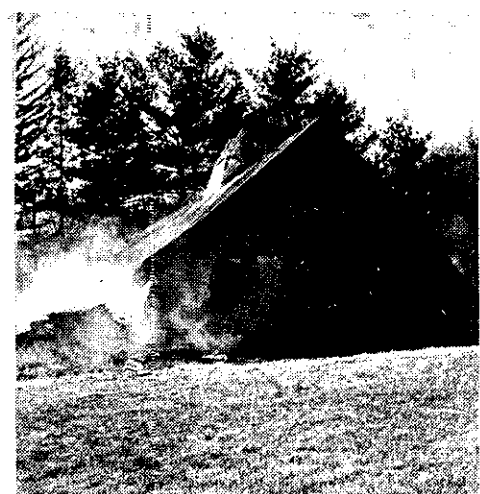
than originally proposed. The Rotterdam resolution reflects the position of such defense advocates as Congressman Sam Stratton that the United States has fallen behind in weapons and war head production and needs to catch up before considering a freeze.

In Bethlehem the freeze group is stressing the "mutual" aspect of their resolution.

The argument is that both powers already possess enough firepower to destroy each other and the rest of the world many times over. "Yet over the next decade, the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R. plan to build over 20,000 more warheads, along with a new generation of nuclear missiles and aircraft," their resolution says.

"To improve national and international security, the United States and the Soviet Union should stop the nuclear arms race," the resolution reads. "Specifically, they should adopt a mutual freeze on the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and of missiles and new aircraft designed

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An old barn offers less resistance to the wrecker's art. *Spotlight*



These clowns from Girl Scout Troop 542 will keep things humming Saturday at the PTA spring Carnival at Slingerlands Elementary School. The happy smiles are on the painted faces of, clockwise from 3 o'clock, Tommy Colman, Lisa Duffy,

Tricia Shultes, Diane Steffens, Lissa Potter with Sparky the monkey, and Susan Zolezzi. You can get your face painted, too, from 1 to 5 p.m., and also ride a pony, buy plants and baked goods and raffle tickets, play games and enjoy refreshments.

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primarily to deliver nuclear weapons. This is an essential, verifiable first step toward lessening the risk of nuclear war and reducing the nuclear arsenals."

The resolution would be forwarded to Stratton and New York's two senators, Daniel P. Moynihan and Alfonse D'Amato, "for their support in a movement already in progress in the Congress." Copies would also be sent to state legislators.

Both St. Thomas the Apostle Church and Delmar Presbyterian Church have been holding workshops and study groups on the nuclear freeze issue, and at the high school the Forum Club worked to promote Ground Zero Week last month. Linda Burtis of Elsmere, one of the organizers of the group working on the freeze resolution, said Thursday that the group is attracting a cross-section of politics, religion and ages. "It demonstrates that there is a real ground swell in this town," she said.

Persons interested in participating should contact Lois Dorman at 439-2180.

Mulligan, who is town historian and a member of the town planning board, comes by his strong feelings on the subject as a World War II veteran who spent two years in a German prison camp. He said he thinks most veterans agree with him that the nuclear arms race is "the ultimate insanity" and should be stopped.

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Accidents injure 6

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Three women complained of back and neck pains when the eastbound CDTA bus on which they were riding on Delaware Ave., Elsmere, was struck in the rear by a car driven by Marc A. Unser 25, of Albany. Bethlehem police said Unser told them he was looking across the street at a person in front of the Tri-Village Fruit Market when the accident occurred at 2:55 p.m. Friday.

Police said Lisa Siedenberg, 19, seated behind the driver, Juanita Nichols, 73, of 545C Kenwood Ave., and Julia P. Scales, 24, of Albany, were treated at Albany Medical Center. Unser was treated at St. Peter's Hospital for minor injuries and released.

Police said the bus driver, Harold Bachelder, 66, of Troy, was unhurt. There were 14 passengers on the bus at the time.

Jason L. DeFazio, 9, of 260 Elm Ave. South, was treated for cuts and bruises of the leg and knee when the bicycle he was riding was struck by a car a few feet from his home at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. The driver of the car, Margaret A. Kelly, 17, 6 Fairlawn Dr., Selkirk, told Bethlehem police she was driving west when the boy suddenly veered his bike across her path.

Patricia VanGelder, 43, of Schenectady was treated for minor injuries at St. Peter's Hospital after the car she was driving struck the rear of a car driven by Gregory J. VanGelder, 20, of the same address, on Rt. 140, Cherry Ave. Extension, at the Rt. 85 intersection at 11:25 p.m. Sunday. Bethlehem police ticketed Mrs. VanGelder for driving while intoxicated after she was given a blood test by a nurse at the hospital.

Police said the younger VanGelder and a passenger, whose last name also was VanGelder but whose first name and age were not reported, were not hurt. There was no indication as to the relationship of the persons involved.

Town has garden day

Free compost will be available to Town of Bethlehem gardeners on Garden Day, Saturday, May 8, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the town highway garage on Elm Avenue East.

In addition to the compost, master gardeners from the Albany County Cooperative Extension Service will be available to answer gardening questions. They can also perform soil tests for a donation of 50 cents. Approximately four ounces of dirt is needed for this test. Compost should be collected in sturdy containers that are rigid, since heavy-duty trash bags are not strong enough.

□ Slingerlands house

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property, even though it is already zoned for commercial use. That property is affected because it is adjacent to an historic district — the cemetery.

Friday's action, however justified, is not likely to make town fathers look with more favor on whatever plans Pizzitola and his partners come up with. Mulligan, who also sits on the planning board, characterized his dealings with Pizzitola as "a series of attempts to look into his brain, to see what he was going to do. But we could never nail him."

The Slingerlands Homeowners "have never had an issue to unite them like this did," Mulligan said. "It may have long-term benefits."

Pizzitola disagreed: "I'm doing a service to Slingerlands," he said Friday as the building went down. "Those barns were a hazard. Kids were in there, they were stripping the barns, there was stolen material in there all the time."

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As for the house, he said, it would cost \$100,000 to rehabilitate. "My wife and I wanted to live there and we had an estimate made. But who has that kind of money?"

Pizzitola said he offered to give the building to anybody who would move it away, a statement confirmed by Realtor Nancy Kuivila. "I called all sorts of people" trying to find a buyer, she said Monday.

There were several good prospects, including a neighbor who wanted to make the building into apartments. But the difficulty of rehabilitation — even of getting a realistic estimate — made a deal impossible, she said.

Jacqueline Ouderkerk, a neighbor and leader of the Slingerlands Homeowners, said that up until last week Pizzitola had been offering to allow people to salvage details from the building. "There was a lot there that people could have salvaged," she said.

But Thursday afternoon the A-Ritz Wrecking Co. of Albany applied for a demolition permit from Building Inspector John Flanigan. Flanigan said that under town ordinances he has no discretion in issuing such permits as long as the applicant is properly bonded and qualified to do the work. A spokesman for the state Department of Environmental Conservation's bureau of environmental quality review confirmed that demolition of the building — even had it been registered as an historic site —

could not have been held up unless town law gave the building inspector discretion in such actions.

Mrs. Ouderkerk is completing a survey of historic buildings in Slingerlands, the first step in the lengthy process of nominating the area for the National Register of Historic Places. Such a designation would not by itself affect the town's planning decisions, but "hopefully it will give us a little more validity," she said.

Slingerland's officers

The Slingerlands Fire Department recently installed officers for the year. They include: Thomas Smith, president; Walter Eck, Sr., vice president; Lester Jones, recording secretary; Michael Doherty, financial secretary; and Fred Hill, Jr., treasurer.

Chief is John Flanigan, with James McCarroll III first assistant chief; William Scoons, second assistant chief; and Walter Eck, Sr., third assistant chief.

Fire captains are John Flagler and Werner Zwicklbauer, with Walter Eck, Jr., rescue captain. Fire lieutenants are Robert Flagler, Fred Hill II, and David and Steven Veltman. Rescue lieutenant is Donald Veltman.

Auxiliary officers are Reenie Flanigan, president; Chris McCarroll, first vice president; Agnes McCarroll, second vice president; Marguerite Sutter, treasurer, and Kathy Conger, recording secretary.

Vandalism (con't.)

April 30 Parkwyn Dr., Delmar, mailbox pushed over.

April 30 — Parkwyn Dr., light post broken, attempt to pull mailbox from ground unsuccessful.

April 30 Fernbank Ave., Delmar, two eggs thrown at front window, no damage.

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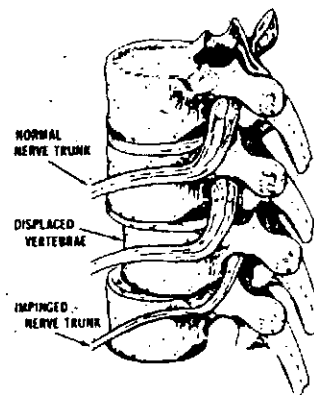
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Shotgun hunting approved for deer

The Bethlehem Town Board, reversing its stand of two years ago, has agreed to support deer hunting with shotguns in the southern part of the town. But the state official who proposed the change says it won't go into effect until the fall of 1983, and that the results probably won't be seen for some time after that.

"I think we have to look at this as the long-term solution," said Nathaniel Tripp, senior wildlife biologist for the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

The board, after hearing from Tripp and a dozen concerned farmers, agreed to support gun hunting south of Feura Bush Rd. and west of Rt. 144 to the Vlomanskill, which empties into the Henry Hudson Park. South of that point and into Coeymans, gun hunting would be allowed all the way to the Hudson River.

The change requires state legislation, which is all but certain now that it is supported by the town board. A spokesman for Assemblyman C.D. Lane said Monday the legislation will be introduced as soon as it's drafted by EnCon, and that Lane will ask Sen. Howard Nolan to sponsor it in the other house. Action is expected in June.

Tripp told the town board that the 1982 hunting season is already set, so the gun hunting cannot start until the following year. But he outlined plans to give out 300 special permits in Unit 66, the Bethlehem-Coeymans district, which

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should result in the harvest of some 50 females. In Unit 67, which covers New Scotland and Gunderland, and where shotgun hunting is now allowed, the plan is to give out 520 special permits, Tripp said.

In contrast to two years ago, Tripp had no trouble convincing the board of the seriousness of the problem. Deer have appeared in herds in the populated parts of town, where they learn they have "nothing to fear" and have taken to eating shrubs and trees. In Elmsere, Tripp said, "we have a real problem developing."

And farmers, who before had objected to hunters taking shots at their cows, are now solidly behind the change. Bud Hillman, who farms 450 acres on Clapper Rd., told the board he had \$5,000 to \$6,000 worth of crop damage this year. "We got 10 deer and there were 50 more out there," he said.

"I think there should be shotguns," agreed Agnes Rendent, who farms on Rt. 396 in South Bethlehem. "But I think the owners should know what's going on so it doesn't get to be a shooting gallery."

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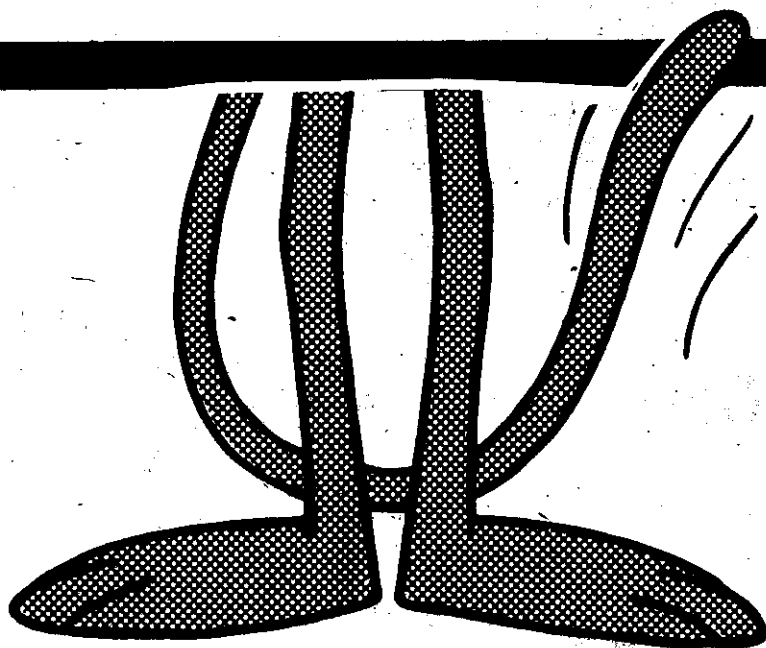
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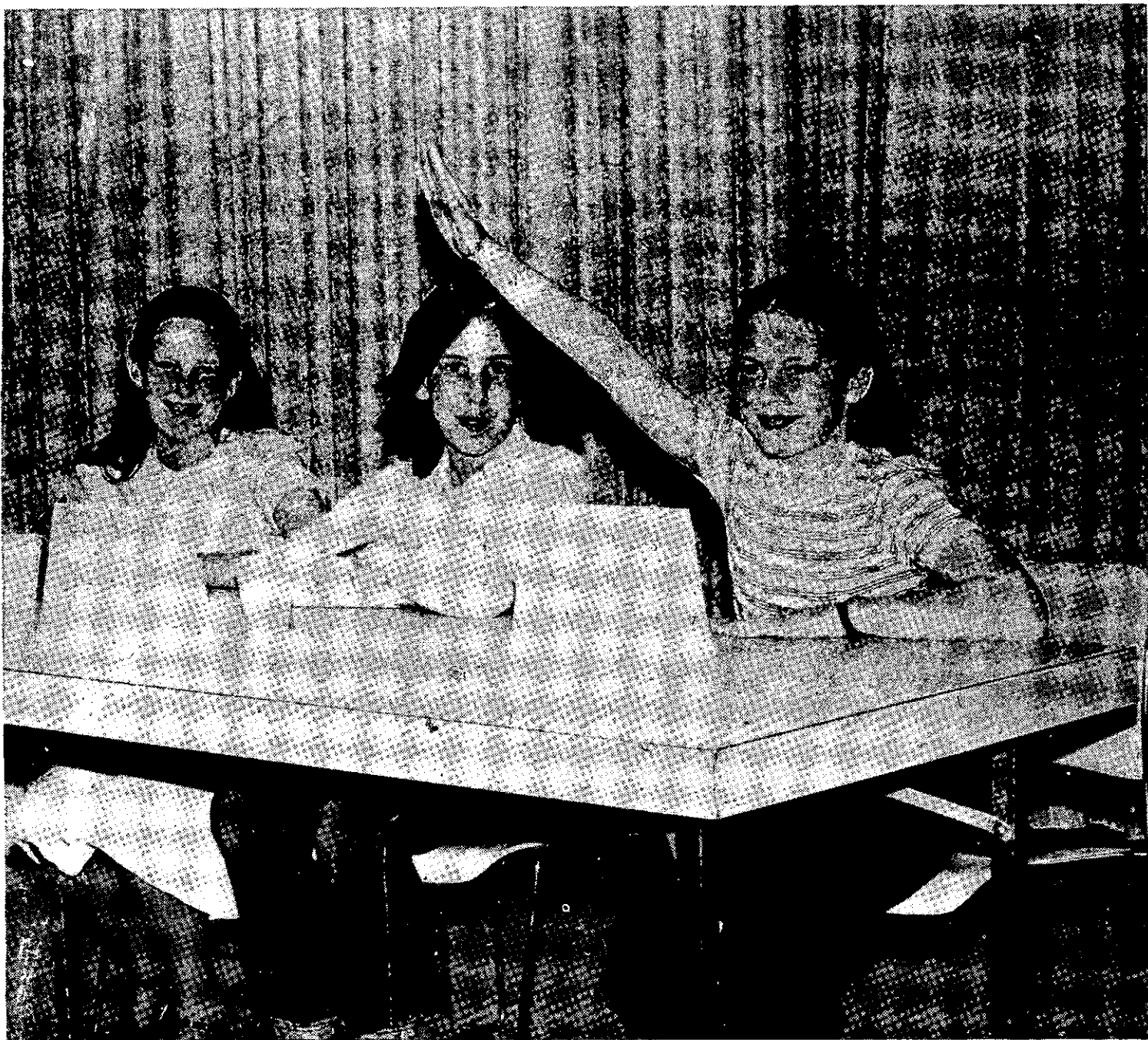
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Cocozza. The fourth annual contest was an intramural affair when the Bethlehem Middle School declined to compete. The format consists of questions based on books read during the year.

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Library sets tax decrease

The Bethlehem Public Library's Board of Trustees is proposing a 1982-83 budget which reflects about \$60,000 in increased spending but shows a reduced tax rate because of this year's one-shot expense for a new roof.

The proposed \$792,620 budget would mean a tax rate of \$9.35 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in Bethlehem and \$15.68 per \$1,000 in New Scotland. Residents of those two towns who live in the Bethlehem Central School District will be able to vote on the budget May 12.

Trustee William E. Seymour of New Scotland is seeking a second five-year term on the board. He is a member of the faculty of the School of Business at the State University at Albany, and is running unopposed.

This year's library tax rate is \$10.62 per \$1,000 in Bethlehem and \$16.24 in New Scotland. But \$1.75 of that amount in Bethlehem and \$2.69 in New Scotland were to pay \$125,000 for the roof, so without that item the tax increase would be 48 cents in Bethlehem and \$2.13 in New Scotland.

The major increase is in salaries, where one new clerical position is to be added and three other positions are to be "upgraded" to reflect the work already being performed. The increase is from \$257,000 this year to \$315,000 in the proposed budget.

The board is also proposing to spend \$17,000 to purchase computer equipment to perform a variety of functions. Debt service is scheduled to decrease by 14 percent and utility costs should decrease by 5.8 percent due to a newly-installed energy management system.

The new roof cost \$25,000 less than anticipated, and that savings will be applied to the new budget, the board said.

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Final futures forum set

The fourth and final futures symposium sponsored by the Bethlehem Central school district will be held May 17 and will feature Karen Burstein, Dr. Ewald Nyquist and Harold Williams. The series was designed to help the district reassess curriculum to focus on the future. To help make critical planning decisions, experts in a number of professions were invited to share their predictions for the year 2000.

The final symposium will be Monday, May 17, at 8 p.m. in the BCHS auditorium.

The first speaker will be Karen Burstein, chair and executive director of the New York State Consumer Protection Board. She was the first woman elected to the State Senate from Long Island, and is a graduate of Bryn Mawr College. She did post graduate work in race relations at Fisk Univ. and received a juris doctor at Fordham. Ms. Burstein will speak on "Government — Of, By and For?"

BC annual meet is Tuesday

A proposed 1982-83 school budget of \$15,029,242 goes to public vote in the Bethlehem Central School District's annual election next week. Voting machines will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Bethlehem Middle School, 332 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

District residents will also reelect two members of the board of education. John H. Clyne of Elsmere, senior member of the board, and Robert K. Ruslander of Delmar, seeking a second three-year term on the seven-member board, are unopposed on the ballot.

The proposed budget is \$813,000 higher than appropriations for the current school year, an increase of 5.7 percent. For district residents owning property in the Town of Bethlehem, the expected tax rate increase is 3.3 percent. For New Scotland property owners in the district, the anticipated rise is 13.2 percent. The difference is attributed to changes in the respective equalization rate applied to property evaluation.

The Bethlehem district's annual meeting will be held Tuesday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the BCHS auditorium.

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Dr. Ewald Nyquist is the former state commissioner of education and president of the University of the State of New York. He has served as the vice president of academic development of Pace University since 1977. Dr. Nyquist has been asked to speak on "Education The New Curriculum."

Harold Williams of Delmar has been with the Institute of Man and Science in Rensselaerville since 1969, currently as director of the community renewal program. He has been published in journals and magazine including The New Yorker. His topic will be "The Social Order: The Human Factor."

After each of the presentors has spoken, moderator, Gordon Molyneux will ask for questions or comments from the audience. This program is free, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Delmar to install

The Delmar Fire Department has elected officers for the coming year. Louis DiLillo is chief; Amos Bastiani, first assistant chief; and William E. Wright, Jr., second assistant chief.

Charles Preska is captain, and William Cooke, Robert Junco, Kurt Uhl and Mark Denson are lieutenants.

Civil officers include Paul Woodin, president; James Carazza, vice president; Joseph Wendth, secretary; Peter Applebee, treasurer, and George A. Bloodgood, Jr., chaplain.

Auxiliary president is Ricki Bastiani; vice president, Patricia Carazza; recording secretary, Linda Roberts; corresponding secretary, Jill Junco; and treasurer, Debbie Van Wely.

Installation is scheduled May 8.

Learn to read a map

Orienteering, the art of using map and compass, will be demonstrated at two workshops to be conducted on Saturday, May 8, at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on the grounds of the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road.

Both morning and afternoon sessions will be partly held outdoors, so participants should dress accordingly. Registration is \$2 per person, and \$1 for members of Five Rivers Limited. To register, call the center at 457-6092 by May 6.



Residents of Eleanor Roosevelt Developmental Center community homes in Bethlehem greeted visitors at open house observances at three locations last month. Among them were these residents at 360 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Tom Howes

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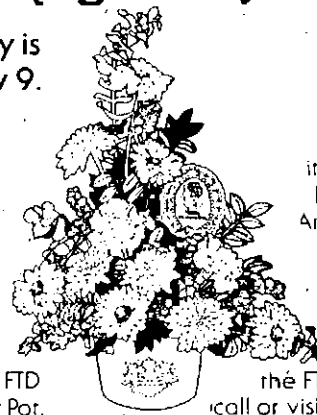
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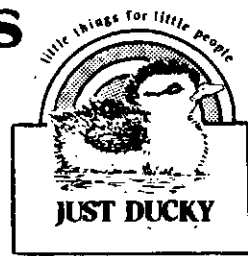
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Pinksterfest's foreign origins

In the 18th century a folk festival was held in Albany, known as *Pinksterfest*. This was celebrated in May during the week of Whitsuntide, beginning with the seventh Monday after Easter. The festival had a religious origin associated with medieval northern Europe, the word *Pinkster* being a Dutch corruption of Pentecost.

In Holland today *Pinkstertooi* is celebrated by dancing and singing around a maypole that is topped by a *Pinksterkroon*, a crown of flowers. There is record of a Pinksterfest being held in Albany in 1793 and it may have originated here much earlier. The season was celebrated with dancing and singing and had an association with blooming flowers and the rebirth of life in the spring. Because the beautiful wild azalea was in bloom here at this time of the year it became virtually the official flower of the celebration and came to be known as pinksters.

... purchased by a rich merchant living on the east bank of the Hudson, King Charles was said to have Royal Blood in his veins.

For some unknown reason the slaves of the Dutch householders in New Netherland adopted this season as their own festival time and wild revelry held sway, with native African dancing and drumming by many of the older Negro

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people who had been born in Africa and held the dancing in that country as a religious observance. *Totau* was the name of a god their fathers had worshipped in their native country, who, at these dances, was represented in the character of an old negro named King Charles. This Charley of Pinkster Hill was brought from Angola, in the Guinea Gulf, in his infant days and was purchased by a rich merchant living on the east bank of the Hudson. King Charles was said to have royal blood in his veins.

Another Negro who played a prominent role of master of ceremonies for many years at the jubilee was Adam Blake, the body servant of the Old Patroon. Those who danced on Pinkster Hill were Negroes and nearly all of them were slaves. (Slavery in New York was not completely abolished until 1827). The whites and even the Indians who were in the city on occasion were merely spectators or patronizers of the various booths.

The dancing music was provided by an instrument made of wood, called an eel pot because of its shape, with a dressed sheepskin tightly drawn over one end and

in dialect called a *Yow-ung*. Astride this drum sat Jackey Quackenboss, beating lustily with his hands and repeating the euphonic cry of *Hi-a-bomba, bomba, bomba*.

These scenes of merriment were enacted upon the green designated Pinkster Hill, approximately where Lafayette and Capitol Parks are now situated. An oblong square was laid out, surrounded by booths which sold refreshments and conducted games of chance. These were profusely decorated with greens, the wild pinkster flower and colored ribbons. As time passed the festival became a kind of circus, with wild animals on display and slack-rope acts.



The wild azalea became known as the pinkster.

Gradually the affair extended far into the week and was getting out of hand. In April of 1811 a city ordinance prohibited

"any person from erecting any tent, booth or stall within the limits of this city, for the purpose of vending any spirituous liquors, beer, mead or cider or any kind of meat, fish, cakes or fruit, on the days commonly called pinkster; nor to collect in numbers for the purpose of gambling or dancing..."

These rules spelled the death knell of the Pinkster holidays with their African folk dances. The last Pinkster parade was in 1822 and one of the most important figures in American folklore, King Charles, died in 1824, reputedly 125 years of age.

Bike course in Selkirk

Open to children and adults, the Cystic Fibrosis Bike-a-Thon in Selkirk will be run on Sunday, May 16. Registration for the two-mile course will begin at noon at the Selkirk firehouse No. 1, and the start of cycling will follow at 1 p.m.

The course has been set to begin at the firehouse, travelling down Maple Ave. to Pausley Ct., where the contestants will turn around, return down Maple to Thatcher and then Hackett St. to Maple Ave. and the firehouse. Prizes will be awarded to those fund raisers who earn more than \$30. Sponsor forms are available at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk school offices. For information call Albert Penk at 768-9587.

Annual plant sale set

The Men's Garden Club of Albany will be at the Delmar Branch of the Key Bank on Saturday, May 8, having their annual plant sale, starting at 9 a.m. Various kinds of flowers and vegetables will be available for Bethlehem gardeners.



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Town to reconsider ban on sprinklers

Bethlehem may ease its restrictions on sprinkling lawns this summer, but if Supervisor Tom Corrigan has his way the restrictions won't be discarded entirely.

• With a full reservoir for the first time in two years, the town is in no danger of running short this summer, and Corrigan told the Bethlehem Town Board last Wednesday he has had a number of inquiries about ending the current restrictions. The restrictions, mailed to property owners with water bills, limit sprinkling of lawns and shrubs to between 6 and 8 a.m. and 6 and 8 p.m. Houses with even numbers or on the north and east side of a street may sprinkle on even days; odd numbers and houses on the south and west side may sprinkle on odd days.

Corrigan said he is not opposed to ending the odd-even, but wants to keep a limit on the hours. "I get upset when I see people watering their lawns in the middle of the day, because it's worthless," he said.

The board agreed to discuss the matter further at its May 12 meeting.

In other business, the board:

• Adopted (with Gunderland and New Scotland) the joint order creating the Elmwood Park Fire District. Created from the old North Bethlehem Fire Protection District and originally approved by the board in March, the new district has the power to levy taxes and incur debt without going through the three town governments. The district was approved last month by the state comptroller's office and will go into effect in

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1983. The commissioners of the new district will serve staggered five-year terms. Pending elections this fall, the commissioners are Norman L. Kellerman and William Cleveland of Bethlehem, Philip Schweppenhauser and Floyd Van Zandt of Gunderland, and George C. Miller of New Scotland, who will be responsible for preparing the new district's first budget.

• Approved a new election district, the 23rd, because the 12th district had exceeded legal size limits. The board also approved new lines for the 4th, 13th, 15th, 20th, 21st and 22nd districts. The town has already ordered two new voting machines for the new district.

• Authorized Corrigan to contract with Twenty Acres, Inc., east of Rt. 9W in Selkirk, to construct new water service for the area. The town will do the work and be reimbursed by Twenty Acres, Corrigan said.

Approved more contracts in the sewer expansion project, including \$658,978 to Anjo Construction Ltd., for five pumping stations in North Bethlehem, \$16,105 to John J. Boni Electric for electrical work on the pumping stations, and another \$619,699 contract to Anjo for force mains south from North Bethlehem.



Bethlehem has a new flag, in honor of Henry and Margaret Westphal, charter and life members of V.F.W. Post 3185, to be flown at town hall or at Memorial Park. Members of the V.F.W. auxiliary presenting the flag to Supervisor Tom Corrigan were, from left, Marie Privler, patriotic instructor, President Frances Gathen and Millie Westphal, niece of the Westphals.

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Photography at 5 Rivers

A workshop on outdoor photography is set for Saturday, May 15 from 10 a.m. to noon at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar. Designed for beginners in outdoor photography, the two-hour workshop will cover basic concepts of photographic composition and various methods of lighting. The main emphasis will be on single-lens reflex cameras, although other adjustable cameras can be used. Participants should bring a camera, flash, and their manufacturer's instruc-

tion booklets, if possible.

Participants must pre-register by calling the center at 457-6092. Registration is \$3, or \$2 for members of Five Rivers Limited. Registration is limited.

Animal care course

For children seven years of age or older who are interested in learning how to better care for their pets and wildlife, the Bethlehem Public Library will be holding a four-part program in animal care beginning on Wednesday, May 5. The course will continue on consecutive Wednesdays. To sign up, call the library.

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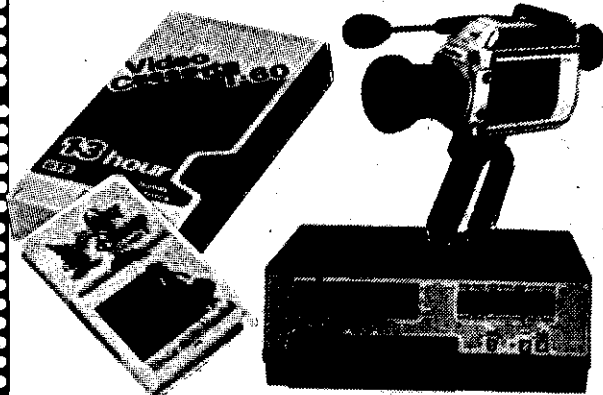
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Villagers turning out for sewer meetings

A series of five neighborhood informational meetings on the status of Voorheesville's sewer feasibility survey winds up this week.

The final session, covering Area 5 (Glendale Manor and Pine St.) and Area 9 (Apple Blossom Lane, Smith Lane, Forest Dr. and the section bordered by State Farm Rd., Maple Ave. and Hilton Rd.) is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the village hall.

More than 80 residents attended the first meeting April 26 at the Voorheesville Elementary School. Trustee Douglas DeDe, serving as the village board's liaison with the study conducted by Clough Harbour Associates, Albany engineering consultants, said the two-hour session was "extremely productive."

District vote next Wednesday

Voorheesville Central School District residents will go to the polls Wednesday (May 12) to vote on a proposed \$5¼-million budget for the 1982-83 school year, and to reelect one member of the board of education.

Polls will be open from 2 to 9:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Voorheesville High School. The closing time has been extended this year by half an hour.

The budget is up 4.3 percent from current school spending. For New Scotland property owners in the district, who comprise the bulk of the school system's tax base, the new budget will mean an increase of \$12.43 per \$1,000 assessed valuation, a rise of 6.4 percent.

Peter Ten Eyck of Voorheesville is a candidate for reelection to the seven-member school board. There is no opposing candidate.

The board will hold its annual meeting Tuesday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

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DeDe described the meetings, at which residents of various neighborhoods embraced by the proposed village sewer system, as "the first round of public information meetings" on the results of the recent house-to-house survey of the septic situation, and discussion of technical information and background. The meetings, he said, also serve as a forum to gauge public response to the survey and attitudes toward the sewer proposal.

Other meetings were held April 28, April 29 and May 3 for other neighborhood areas.

The survey phase is funded by federal and state grants, with the village putting up a small portion of the costs. Village officials have made it clear that the current studies are preliminary, and do not imply approval of the overall subject.

Clarksville burglary

Someone climbed into the Clarksville Superette through the roof after the store closed Saturday and took \$300 in cash and an undetermined amount of merchandise, according to the state police.

According to Trooper B.J. Powers, the burglar climbed onto the roof of the building from a shed, then cut an opening through an old vent hole and dropped down onto the range. The burglary is under investigation.

Hit-run car sought

Bethlehem police are looking for driver of a vehicle that knocked down a mailbox, post and newspaper tube and damaged a hydrant in front of a residence on McCombe Dr. Friday night.

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The Elementary School Music Concert will be held this year on Wednesday, May 12 in the high school auditorium. Under the direction of Lydia Tobler, the fifth and sixth grade bands will perform The Glass Submarine, Concord Stage, The Muppet Theme and Rainbow Connection. The fifth and sixth grade choruses under the supervision of Cynthia McDermott and Thomas Baker will also perform beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Helderview Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, May 13, at the Voorheesville Methodist Church beginning at 7:15. Members and guests are asked to bring flowers, containers, foam, etc. for a workshop on flower arranging. Evelyn Berger will hostess the meeting assisted by Joan Gardner. All Garden Club meetings are open to the public. For more information contact JoAnne Donohue at 765-4400.

On Wednesday, May 12, at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. the Voorheesville Public Library will show the Academy-Award winning documentary film "Close Harmony". All age groups are welcome to attend either showing.

The Voorheesville Evening Adult Team Tennis League will hold registration sessions on Monday and Tuesday, May 17 and 18, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the village tennis courts behind the Legion Hall. This activity, sponsored by the village, is open to all adults in the Voorheesville School District. Beginners are welcome. Play begins the week of June 28 and will run for six weeks. For more information contact Jeannie Petre at 765-4264 or Jean Fitzgerald at 765-4626.

Voorheesville's Cub Pack No. 73 recently held their Pinewood Derby Day. The Grand Trophy went to Chris McDermott, Den 9, while the second place trophy was captured by Bob Blanchard, also from Den 9. Chris

Rooney, Den 2, won the third place. Brian Mein won the best looking car award. Bill Kerr and Karl Scharl were organizers of the event.

Cubmaster Dick Decker announced that Bob Blanchard had earned the highest Cub award in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Bishop Robert Quinn awarded the "Faith in God" award at a recent service.

The pack will go to the Aerodome, an airplane museum in Rhinebeck, on Sunday, May 23, for their annual trip.

More names for Voorheesville Junior-Senior High School's high honor role:

Grade 7

Ward Breeze, Heather Brennan, Courtney Burns, Vicky Chamberlain, Susan Cripps, Dean Decker, Karen Donato, David Dunning, Jonathan Flanders*, Roger Flewelling, Benjamin Greenberg, Jill Guyer, Sandra Hawkins, Lynn Herzog, Joseph Jackson.

Also, Kyle Larabee*, Patrick Lentlie, Laura Martin, Daniel McKenna, Beth McMartin*, Donna Mensching*, Cheryl Nendza, Judith Olsen, Jennifer Ramsey, Glen Reynolds, Matthew Rose, Wendy Rubin, Michelle Schaff, Cynthia Tanner, Rebecca Teneyck and Laurie Warner.

Grade 8

Lisa Baker, Mark Bibbins, Melissa Campbell, Meridith Englander, Vincent Foley, Antoinette Genovese, Tracy Glastetter, Jennifer Gordinier, Kirsten Haaf, Edward R. Hampston, Kim Johnston, Brad Kranz.

Also, Jennifer Kurkjian, Jill Lawrence, Christine Martin*, Susan Mattfeld, Daniel McAssey and Susan Merritt.

Also, Kathleen Michalak, Bonnie Mitchell, Joni Petre, Matthew Ramsey, Lynne Richbart, Elizabeth Rourke, Christina Shuff, Allissa Vanzutphen, Colleen Vaughn and James Volkwein*.

* Superintendent's Honor Roll



Voorheesville's annual Bike Rodeo Saturday drew a good crowd on a beautiful day. Among those on hand were New Scotland Councilman Ken Tice, twice a great-grandfather, and Elizabeth Joyce, 9, of Voorheesville, who got a safety check from an expert.

Tom Howes

Held in bike theft

Peggy A. Hotaling, 23, of East Greenbush was released after posting a \$100 bond in Bethlehem town court last week on a charge of petty larceny. Bethlehem police said the arrest was

made by Dets. Colin Clark and Charles Rudolph after an investigation of a bicycle theft from the rear of the Glenmont Elementary School on information developed by Officer Wayne LaChappelle.

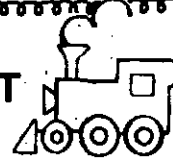
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Town of Bethlehem, Town Board: second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Board of Appeals, first and third Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Planning Board, first and third Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Town offices are open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

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. 9W, Assemblyman Larry Lare's district office, 1 Becker Farm, 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, Bethlehem Public Library.

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.

Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

Public Hearings, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Wm. and Adrienne Jones, Thorndale Rd., Slingerlands, to harbor a pony at premises; Wm. and Dorothy Whan, Delaware Ave., Delmar, to permit an addition at existing two-family residence; and Paul and Judy Seiden, Gladwish Rd., Delmar, to permit family room addition at premises, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Delmar Progress Club, creative arts with Edna McCay speaking on "Spring Water Colors," Bethlehem Public Library at 1 p.m.

PTSA, general meeting and elections, Voorheesville Senior High School.

Bethlehem Board of Education, Educational Services Center, Adams St., 8 p.m.

Peacemaking Study Series, with "Nuclear Threat" discussion led by lawyer William Schenck, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-9252.

Accounting Workshop for small business owners, with lecture on "Setting Up Your Accounting and Bookkeeping Systems," \$3 fee, County Resource Development Center, Rt. 85A, Voorheesville, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 765-3635.

Tomato Growing Workshop, free tips for gardeners, sponsored by Albany Cooperative Extension, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30-9 p.m.

Church Seminar, first in series, with topic "Coping with Stress," led by Rev. Paul Smith, counselor for Albany Diocese, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 7:30-9 p.m. Free.

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.)

Spring Choral Concert, featuring junior and senior high school students, Voorheesville Senior High School, 7:30 p.m.

Children's Pet Program, four-part program on consecutive Wednesdays teaching children at least 7 years of age about animal and pet care, Bethlehem Public Library, 4-5 p.m. To register, 439-9314.

THURSDAY, MAY 6

Bethlehem Art Association, with local artist Dave Weiss demonstrating woodcut printmaking, \$1 fee for nonmembers, second floor of Adams House, 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Life drawing classes for a \$6 fee on other Thursday evenings.

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, board of directors meeting, Chamber office, 11:30 a.m.

Spring Music Festival, Part I, at Bethlehem Middle School, 8 p.m.

Sewage Disposal Neighborhood Meeting, for Area 5: Glendale Manor and Pine St.; and Area 9: Appleblossom La., Smith La., Forest Dr., State Farm Rd. and Maple Rd. from State Farm Rd. to Hilton Rd., Voorheesville Village Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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

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

Spring Band Concert, featuring junior and senior stage band students, Voorheesville Senior High School, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 7

School Fair, Elsmere Elementary School, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Heldeberg Workshop: Garage Sale, rain or shine, 240 Kenwood Ave., at corner of Pine St., Delmar, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information on pick-up donations, 482-3839 or 439-6225.

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.

Preschool Films, "Bremont Musicians" and "The Shoemaker and the Elves," open to all preschoolers, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. Free.

Children's Films, "Free to be You and Me" and "Sam, Bangs and Moonshine," open to all school-aged children, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m. Free.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

Plant Sale, sponsored by Heldeberg Garden Club, Voorheesville Grand Union, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Las Vegas Night, with games of chance for adults at least 18 years of age, Blanchard American Legion, Poplar Dr., Delmar, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Free.

Carnival and Flea Market, with rides, booths, bake sale, cake walk, raffles, pony rides and face paintings, Clarksville Elementary School, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. For booth rental information, call 463-5979 or 768-2687.

Spring Carnival, with pony rides, magic and mime, clowns, face-painting, plant and bake sale, raffles and games, sponsored by PTA, Slingerlands Elementary School, 1-5 p.m.

Musical Drama, Come Messiah Come, performed by The King's Kids children's group, Glenmont Community Church, Chapel Lane, 7:30 p.m.

Heldeberg Workshop: Garage Sale, rain or shine, 240 Kenwood Ave., at corner of Pine St., Delmar, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Information on pick-up donations, 482-3839 or 439-6225.

Good Samaritan Open House, for family and friends of nursing home residents, Good Samaritan, Nursing Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, 2-3 p.m.

Spring Plant Sale, flowers and vegetables, sponsored by the Men's Garden Club of Albany, Key Bank, Delmar office, Delaware Ave., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Orienteering Workshops teach the use of map and compass, \$2 registration, \$1 for Five Rivers members, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 9:30 a.m.-noon, 1:30-4 p.m. Preregistration by May 6 at 457-6092.

Garden Day, free compost for Bethlehem residents and master gardeners from Cooperative Extension to answer gardening and soil questions, town sponsored, town highway garage, Elm Ave. East, Selkirk, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 9

Mother's Day Race, 3 1/2 mile run for women only sponsored by Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners, Slingerlands Elementary School, registration 11 a.m., race at noon. Information, Sharon Gonsalves, 463-5450.

MONDAY, MAY 10

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

Band and Orchestral Concert, featuring five high school music groups at Bethlehem High School auditorium, 8 p.m. Free.

Community Orchestra Concert, Good Samaritan Nursing Home, 125 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Mother's Day Road Race, 3 1/2-mile race for women only, \$2 registration, Slingerlands Elementary School, 25 Union Ave., noon. Registration, 11-11:30 a.m. Information, Sharon Gonsalves, 463-5450.

TUESDAY, MAY 11

Slingerlands Home Bureau, second Tuesday of each month, Delmar Reformed Church at 7:30 p.m.

Voorheesville Board of Education, Voorheesville High School, 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Board of Education, annual meeting, Bethlehem High School auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Fashion Show and Luncheon, sponsored by Welcome Wagon and featuring Casual Corner spring fashions, admission is \$8, babysitting provided, Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Rd., Delmar, noon. Information, call Marie Myer at 439-1009.

Slingerlands Home Bureau, second Tuesday of each month, Delmar Reformed Church at 7:30 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Red Men (oldest patriotic organization in U.S.), second Wednesday, St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m.

Budget Vote and Board Member Elections for Bethlehem Board of Education, Bethlehem Middle School gymnasium, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

Second Milers, with town historian T.E. Mulligan speaking on "Updating Bethlehem History," First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12:30 luncheon.

Computers and Small Business Workshop, "Does Your Small Business Need a Computer?" \$3 registration, County Resource Development Center, Voorheesville, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 765-3635.

Church Seminar, second in series, "Coping with Strained Relations," led by Rev. Paul Smith, counselor for Albany Diocese, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., 7:30-9 p.m. Free.

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

"On Golden Road" (Ernest Thompson's comedy about a couple confronting old age), Albany Civic Theater, 235 Second Ave., Albany, May 5-8 and 12-15, 8 p.m., May 9 and 16, 2:30 p.m.

"Parrot in a Cage" (one-woman show on the women of Ibsen and Strindberg, written and performed by Judith Edwards), James Laurence Meader Little Theatre, Russell Sage College, Troy, May 5, 8 p.m.

"Women of Ireland" (one-woman show by Susan Hegney), Second Floor Theatre, Junior College of Albany, 140 New Scotland Ave., Albany, May 5, 8 p.m.

"Student Bodies" (experimental musical play created and performed by Union College students), Nott Memorial Theatre, Schenectady, May 6, 7:13, 14 and 15, 8 p.m., and May 8, 9 p.m.

"Harvey" (the rabbit, of course), Schenectady Civic Players, May 7, 8 and 12-16, 8 p.m., May 16, 2:30 p.m. Community Box Office.

"Little Mary Sunshine" (the long-running off-Broadway musical), Albany Academy for Girls, May 7 and 8, 8:15 p.m.

"Frankenstein," Capital Repertory Company, The Market Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, May 8-23, 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets at Community Box Office or at the theater, 462-4534.

"The Thwarting of Baron Bollingrew" (Robert Bolt's comedy), Empire State Plaza, Albany, May 9, 2 p.m., May 10-14, 10 a.m. and May 14 and 15, 7:30 p.m. Box office, 473-3750.

"The Gin Game" (Pulitzer Prize-winning two-character play with Betty Taylor and Hank Maloy), St. Andrew's Dinner Theater, 10 N. Main Ave., Albany, May 7, 8, 14 and 15, dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations, 462-3822.

MUSIC

"Jazz in the Sticks" with Lee Shaw Trio, Doc Scanlon's Rhythm Boys, The New Moon Swing Band and Adirondack Saxophone Quartet, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, May 7, 8 p.m. Tickets at Community Box Office, theater box office, 273-0038.

Syracuse Symphony Youth Orchestra, exchange concert for Empire State Youth Orchestra, Niskayuna High School, May 8, 7:30 p.m.

Albany Symphony Orchestra's Mother's Day Concert, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, May 9, 2 p.m. (grounds open all day).

Alfredo Cavallieri and his Orchestra, Mother's Day Concert, Convention Hall, Empire State Plaza, Albany, May 9, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

DANCE

Berkshire Ballet, spring concert featuring Les Sylphides, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, May 8, 8 p.m.

ART

Corrections on Canvas XVI (art work by prison inmates), Legislative Office Building, Empire State Plaza, May 10-19.

Masters Shows, Joan L. Arold, stained glass artist, and Monique M. Desormeau and Paul J. Baitsholts, screen painters, Picotte Gallery, College of Saint Rose, through May 14, 12:30-4:30 p.m., Sunday through Friday.

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Events in Nearby Areas

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

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

Dutch Lecture, "Dutch New Netherland Compared with the New England and Chesapeake Colonies," by Sung Bok Kim, SUNYA history professor, third in series, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., noon. Free.

Epilepsy Association, with Dr. Kenneth Pratt speaking on "Neurology," open to the public, First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett Streets, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Writers' Forum Continues, "Literature and History," with speaker Daniel Hoffman, critic and poet-in-residence at University of Pennsylvania, Union College Hale House lounge, 3:30 p.m. lecture, 8 p.m. reading. Open to public.

Saint Clement's Saratoga Horse Show, through May 9, featuring top hunter and jumper horses from U.S. and Canada, Saratoga Springs (Northway Exit 14, west to Henning Rd., right to show entrance), 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Tiny Tots Concert, performed by Vanguard/Albany Symphony, tickets are \$2 for children and \$2.50 for adults, Temple Beth Emeth, Academy Rd., Albany, 10:45 a.m. Information, Marita Hancock, 449-8439.

THURSDAY, MAY 6

Albany County Home Bureau, women's group discussing the making of crafts and baked goods for home and nursing homes and hospitals, business meeting and election of officers at Heldeberg Reformed Church Rt. 146, Gunderland, 7:30 p.m.

CA\$DA (Capital Area School Development Assn.) Dinner Meeting, for school board members, administrators and educators, with speaker Dr. Anthony Campolo of Eastern College, Empire State Plaza Convention Center, 4 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m.

NYS Retired Teachers Assn., executive meeting with brunch, Mario's Theater Restaurant, 9 a.m.

Emergency Care Conference, for paramedics, EMT's, emergency dept. nurses and physicians, to study trauma medicine, to continue through May 9, Albany Hilton. Registration, Sandra Nuttall, 459-8251.

Relaxation Class, Thursdays, with R.N. Sue Miroff, biofeedback practitioner, discussing relaxation and stress management techniques, \$5 fee per class, Robinson Square, 293 Hamilton St., Albany, 12:15 p.m. Information, 438-2270.

FRIDAY, MAY 7

WMHT Plays Top Forty, radio station WMHT FM 89 to play top forty classical hits in membership drive, 4 p.m.

Christian Singles Over 30, covered dish supper, Loudonville Community Church, 6:30 p.m. Information, 869-8088.

Tulip Flower Show, with over 60 horticultural displays, to continue through May 9, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., noon-9 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

Coeymans Church Donation Supper, Trinity United Methodist, Rt. 143, Coeymans Hollow, servings at 4:30 and 7 p.m.

Tourette Syndrome Film, for family, friends and tourette patients, with mutual sharing discussion following, Easter Seal Society office, 194 Washington Ave., 10 a.m.

Gateway Tour of Hudson-Mohawk Urban Cultural Park on Heritage buses, fee is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children, leaving NYS Museum at 9:30 a.m. Information and reservations, 274-5267.

Genealogical Conference and Book Fair, with historians, genealogists, librarians and archivists answering questions, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Free.

American Legion Auxiliary, Third District, conference and competitions, Joseph E. Zaloga American Legion Post 1520, Clinton Ave., Albany, 8:30 a.m. registration.

Nature Walk, George Landis Arboretum, Esperance, 10 a.m. Free.

Pinksterfest and Kinderkemis (for children), part of Tulip Festival, with costume contests, puppets, clowns, magicians and games, Washington Park, noon-4 p.m. Crowning of 1982 Tulip Queen, noon. Free.

SUNDAY, MAY 9

Pinksterfest continues, outdoor celebration with crafts, food, art, theater, music, and dancing celebrating Tulip Festival, Washington Park, noon-6 p.m. Free.

Nature and Historical Walking Tour, celebrating Colonie History Week, leaving Ann Lee Pond, Albany-Shaker Rd., 10 a.m. Free.

MONDAY, MAY 10

Antique Clothing Fashion Show, tickets are \$6.95, sponsored by Jewish Community Center, Shaker Ridge Country Club, Information, Anita Ramundo at 438-6651.

Tutor Training Workshop, teaching English as a second language, Albany Public Library, 6:30 p.m.

Ronald McDonald House Recruitment, looking for volunteers to help at new Albany site to serve as home-away-from-home for ill children and parents, Albany Medical College Wiggers Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 11

Asbestos Hazards Dinner Meeting, for the American Society of Safety Engineers and Capital District Occupational Health Nurses Assn., Turf Inn, Wolf Rd., Albany, 6:30 p.m. Reservations by May 7, 447-6400, ext. 428.

Conservation Talk, "The Nature Conservancy in Northeastern New York," Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., 12:15 p.m.

Free Film, "Ladykillers," Albany Public Library, 2 and 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

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

Tiny Tots Concert, performed by Vanguard/Albany Symphony, tickets are \$2 for children, \$2.50 for adults, Temple Beth Emeth, Academy Rd., Albany, 10:45 a.m. Information, Marita Hancock, 449-8439.

Marine Corps League, Capt. Wm. Dale O'Brien Detachment, meets at VFW Post 8692, Rt. 155 and Karner Rd., 8 p.m. Information, 355-6213.

NYS Thruway Public Auction, with sale of used automobiles, trucks, maintenance and miscellaneous equipment, Albany Division Headquarters, Interchange 23, 12:30 p.m. Inspection of items, 9:30 a.m.

Cocktail Reception for Albany League of Arts, with Louise Nevelson and Dinan MacKown, creators of exhibition "Geometry and Magic," Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., 5-8 p.m. Tickets are \$12.50. Information, 449-5380.

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Free contradancing continues at the New York State Museum at the Empire State Plaza Sunday, May 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. with the Silver Strand Band.

Voorheesville Budget Vote and Board Member Elections, Voorheesville High School.

Documentary Film, "Close Harmony," Academy Award winner, Voorheesville Public Library, 2 and 4 p.m. Free.

Peacemaking Study Series, with "Disarmament" discussion led by former Congressman John Dow, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-9252.

Delmar Fire District, regular meeting second and fourth Wednesdays, Delmar fire station, 7:30 p.m.

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

Elementary School Music Concert, fifth and sixth grade band and chorus, Voorheesville High School, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary meets second Thursday of each month, except July and August, at the firehouse, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 p.m.

New Scotland Democratic Social Club, second Thursday at 8 p.m.

Delmar Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary, regular meeting second Thursday of each month except August, at the firehouse, 8 p.m.

Spring Music Festival, Part 1, Bethlehem Middle School at 8 p.m.

Senior Banquet, Bethlehem High School.

Helderview Garden Club, workshop on flower arranging, at Voorheesville Methodist Church, 7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

Senior Citizens' Dinner Theater, bus trip to Saint Andrew's Dinner Theater to see "The Gin Game," to leave town parking lot at 6 p.m. Information, call 439-3459.

Garden Sale, sponsored by Bethlehem Garden Club at Grand Union, Elsmere, 9 a.m.

Cluster Fly Control Seminar, for certified exterminators and pesticide applicators, with Cornell entomologist Edward Rafensperger speaking, County Resources Development Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 9 a.m. Information, 765-3635.

SATURDAY, MAY 15

Tree and Shrub Sale, pre-ordered plants and seedlings available for pick-up, Heldeberg Workshop land on Picard Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Information, 439-6225.

Junior Prom, Bethlehem Central High School.

Voorheesville Junior-Senior Prom, Albany Country Club.

Outdoor Photography Workshop, for beginners in outdoor photography covering basic concepts with single-lens reflex camera emphasis, and composition and lighting details, \$3 registration, \$2 for Five Rivers members, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 10 a.m.-noon. Registration, call 457-6092.

SUNDAY, MAY 16

Cystic Fibrosis Bike-a-thon, two-mile course open to children and adults, to leave Sel-

kirk firehouse No. 1 at 1 p.m. Registration, noon. Information, 767-9587.

MONDAY, MAY 17

Bethlehem Memorial Auxiliary Post 3185, VFW, third Monday, Post Rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Temple Chapter 5, RAM, first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

Selkirk Fire Commissioners meeting, Selkirk Fire Co. No. 1, Maple Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Future Life Panel, third in series, with Ewald Nyquist, former New York State commissioner of education; Karen Burnstein, chair and executive director of state Consumer Protection Board, and Harold Williams, director of programs for the Institute for Man and Science, open to the public, Bethlehem High School auditorium, 8 p.m. Free.

TUESDAY, MAY 18

AARP, third Tuesday, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

Legion Auxiliary, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, third Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Lodge 1096, F&AM, first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

Blood Pressure Clinic, third Tuesday, Bethlehem Town Hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m.

Spring Concert, Elsmere Elementary School.

Delmar Progress Club spring banquet, theme "Best Years of Your Life, 1900-1980," Delmar Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m. Information, 439-5496.

Drama Production, "Up the Down Staircase," presented by student drama club, Act One, tickets \$1 for students and \$2 for adults, Bethlehem Central High School, 7:30 p.m.

AARP meeting, with annual election of officers, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

Adult Team Tennis Sign-ups, for Voorheesville evening league, village tennis courts, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

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

Bethlehem Board of Education, Educational Services Center, Adams Place, Delmar, 8 p.m.

Peacemaking Study Series, "Toward Real Security—What I Can Do," workshop and panel, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, call 439-9252.

Church Seminar, third in series, "Coping with Aging," led by Rev. Kenneth Bradsell of First Church in Albany, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30-9 p.m. Free.

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Delmar goes to the theater

"On Golden Pond," the Albany Civic Theater's final play for the season, is about families, so it's appropriate that this production is dominated by the Delmar theater family.

From two starring roles to the design, construction, and decor of the set, the Delmar contingent is in great evidence.

The leading roles of Ethel and Norman Thayer, the elderly couple whose love, devotion and years of tolerating and understanding one another form the basis of the story, are played by Delmar residents Barbara Knox and Dick Harte. Both are veterans of many years of community theater activity.

Harte, who has served as president of Albany Civic Theater, is playing his 35th role for that organization. He has directed eight shows as well, the latest being the musical "Mr. Scrooge" last December. Harte has also been seen with many other community groups including Riverview Dinner Theater, Schenectady Civic Players and Schenectady Light Opera.

Barbara Knox is appearing at Albany Civic for the third time, her last appearance having been in "The Shadow Box." She also performed with Empire State Youth Theater Institute, Slingerlands Players and the Riverview Dinner Theater.

A Slingerlands resident, Russell Ruckertstuhl, has the role of the young boy who comes to stay with the Thayers and eventually becomes their adopted grandson. Russell, too, has had a long and varied career — a lot for an 11-year-old boy. He has performed with the Union College Mountebanks, Russell Sage College and was in "Mr. Scrooge" as well.

"On Golden Pond," takes place in a summer cabin on a lake in the Maine woods. An authentic replica of such a cabin has been built on the ACT stage under the direction of Donald Squire, also of Delmar. Squire, who has been involved in community theater for about 16 years, designed the paneled cabin and erected it with the help of his friend and business associate David Vrablik. Squire owns the Air Page and Central Telephone Exchanges and Vrablik is the resident technician.

Shelley Squire, Don's wife and an artist in her own



Barbara Knox and Dick Harte play Ethel and Norman Thayer in Albany Civic Theater's production of "On Golden Pond."

right, has designed costumes for the show and is in charge of set decor. Their children Karen and Barry, students in the Bethlehem schools, built flats, painted and gathered props and furniture.

Shelley was also responsible for the costumes for ACT's last production, "Ninotchka," as well as many other local shows.

This final production of Albany Civic Theater's 27th season will open at the Second Avenue Playhouse on May 5 and play for two weeks, exclusive of Monday and Tuesday. Performances are at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Friday with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. Tickets are available at the boxoffice, evenings, 462-1297, or at all Community Box Offices.

The show is directed by Eleanor Koblenz.



Mrs. and Mr. Jonathan Hartley

Jonathan Hartley married

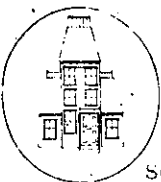
Margaret Mary Greblunas of Albany and Jonathan W. Hartley of Canastota were married April 17. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hartley of Unionville.

The bride, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Greblunas of Roanoke, Va., is a graduate of the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing. The bridegroom is a graduate of the Albany Medical Center School of Nursing. The bridegroom is a graduate of the State University College at Geneseo, and is senior planner for Madison County. The couple will live in the Syracuse area after a honeymoon in the Virgin Islands.

The 10th for BCHS '72

Bethlehem Central's Class of 1972 will be holding its 10th re-union on Saturday, August 21. Invitation details will be sent out at the end of May, and class members are asked to schedule vacations around the August date. For information, interested class members should call Rita Silverman at 439-7585.

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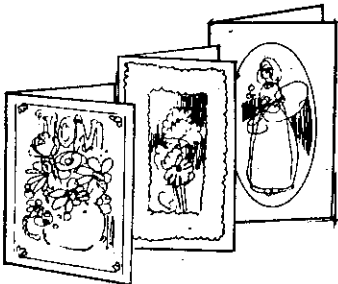
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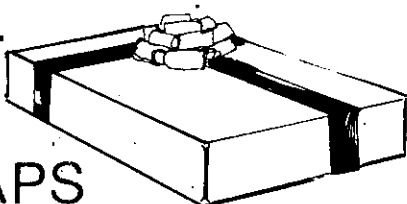


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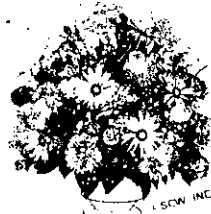
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Daniel Martin married

Rachel Viscalla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eliseo Viscalla, Mt. Vernon, Wa., and Daniel Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin of Delmar were married April 1 in Guam.

The bride and groom are both serving in the U.S. Air Force at Anderson Air Force Base, Guam.

The groom is a 1979 Bethlehem Central graduate.

How to save on fuel

Niagara Mohawk is offering a free booklet describing a complete range of no-cost energy conservation services, called "Put the Squeeze on Fuel Bills."

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The "Put the Squeeze on Fuel Bills" booklet is available by calling local Niagara Mohawk offices.



Mrs. and Mr. Kevin Devenpeck

Mary Guard wed

Mary A. Guard of Slingerlands and Kevin R. Devenpeck of Albany were married recently in Lisha's Kill Reformed Church, the Rev. Donald H. Kazen officiating. Mrs. Devenpeck is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan H. Guard of Delmar.

She is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and attended the Rochester Institute of Technology. Mrs. Devenpeck has been head teller at the Elsmere branch of Key Bank.

Her husband, a graduate of Colonie Central High School, is a pressman for McCourt Printers, Bradford, Pa., where the couple will reside.

Trip to Washington

The Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons is planning a four-day three-night trip to Washington and environs from May 13 to 16. This tour will be conducted by Hart Tours and is not sponsored or supported by the National American Association of Retired Persons.

For information, call Joseph Von-Ronne, 439-9037

Going to a play

"The Gin Game" will be on the Town of Bethlehem's Senior Citizens Organization on Friday, May 14. Buses will leave for Saint Andrew's Dinner Theater from the town municipal parking lot at 6 p.m. For more information, call Marguerite Kinsley at 439-3459.

Local author published

A Delmar political science professor has written a comprehensive new book on *The Government and Politics of New York State*, just published in hardcover by New York University Press. The author, Joseph F. Zimmerman of the State University at Albany's Graduate School of Public Affairs, examines the state's relationship with the federal government and with its municipalities, and compares them with those of other states. The book also scrutinizes proposals for changes in the system.



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fliegel

Golden wedding fete

The 50th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fliegel of Schoolhouse Rd., North Bethlehem, was celebrated on May 3. The party was given by their four daughters and their husbands and grandchildren at the North Bethlehem fire house. Their daughters are Mrs. Marshall (Mary) Miller, Mrs. Joseph (Ruth) Lassonde, Mrs. Nancy Fink and Mrs. Richard (Katherine) Tice.

Mr. Fliegel and his brother, Stephen, formed and developed the North Bethlehem Fire Dept. in 1946. Mr. and Mrs. Fliegel have 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.



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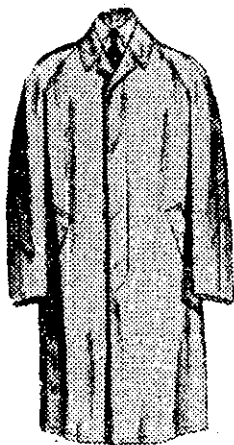
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Focus On Faith

Martha S. Memmott

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How do we think about the children in our Bethlehem community? Certainly Ours is a family-centered town, chosen by many for its excellent school system. But what of *Spotlight* news stories of thefts, stones thrown windows, lack of youth programs? What do we think when we read these stories? And what does community thought have to do with the actions of our children?

William Shakespeare said, "There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so." Therefore our thinking determines our experience. Granted, many children today do not appear to express Godlike qualities. The question is why? Isn't it too often lack of parental and other adult role models of self-discipline, honesty and unselfishness?

Are you asking how thinking or prayer can establish harmony in your life and the lives of the children you know? Can prayer be any less effective than the use of mathematical problems one said $2+2=5$ throughout the work? All the answers would be wrong; wouldn't they? Doesn't it follow that, as we understand and utilize the truth that we are all the children of God, we will see goodness and purity manifest in our community experience.

We can pray to know that God is governing each and every one of His children. He is their true Father and Mother. Pray to know our children include no evil element because God is Love. Pray to know that they are obedient to God's law of principle for God is ever holding them in His arms.

Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of Christian Science, gives this definition of children: "The spiritual thoughts and representatives of Life, Truth, Love." (*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*) Let us make the effort to perceive children as expressions of God expressing spontaneity, joy, kindness, helpfulness and tenderness.

Other childlike qualities are purity and innocence. Society and the media today appear to be trying to destroy these qualities by depicting violent and selfish behavior as the norm. To correct this adults need to establish in thought the present goodness of the man of God's creating, praying to know that he can never be less than the pure, perfect representative of God's life, truth and love. To be fully effective, this prayer must also be lived in one's own life on a daily basis.

Children do need our attention! The Bible records that even in Jesus' day children were not highly regarded. What did Jesus teach? One day when the disciples made it clear that they did not think children important enough to claim Jesus' attention he told them, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 19:14) Think of it — Jesus tells us that children are the kingdom of heaven! What a great promise this gives us to prove right here in our own Bethlehem. Our right thinking can make it happen.

Martha S. Memmott is assistant to the Committee on Publication, First Church of Christ Scientists.

The second of three steps outlined by Rev. Jack D. Cooper in last week's Focus on Faith column was, inadvertently omitted. The step "by which we are led to the assurance of a personal Lord who by his presence sustains us and directs us" follows:

"Do not rely on your own insight." This step sounds like a denial of reason; but what it implies is that trust is more a matter of heart than the head. Back to our surgeon: We can and should use our minds in selecting one; but the bottom line involves trusting him with "my" life. At that point the head is not enough; for it doesn't take much thought to realize how hard it is to gather absolute facts. This step, like the first, reminds us that the absolutes come, not from what we think we know; but from God responding to our first timid steps of trust.

New parish priest

Rev. William A. Gorman, who served as deacon at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in 1972-73, has returned to the Delmar parish as associate pastor. A native of Troy, Fr. Gorman is a graduate of St. Peter's Academy and Catholic Central High School, and earned his bachelor's degree at Siena College, University of America in Washington, D.C., and a master of theology degree from the Seminary of Our Lady of Angels, Albany. He completed seminary training at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Md.

Fr. Gorman was ordained at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany, May 19, 1973, by Bishop Edwin B. Broderick. His most recent assignment was as associate pastor of St. Peter's Church, Saratoga Springs.

Volunteer training

All interested persons are invited to attend a blood services volunteer training session on Monday, May 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Red Cross Chapter House at Hackett Blvd.

RNs, LPNs, medical technologists, student RNs and non-technical individuals will have an opportunity to learn about the Red Cross Community Blood Services, and also be trained to volunteer in this program. Call 462-7461 ext. 228 to register.

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A musical at church

South Bethlehem United Methodist Women will present an International Dinner Theater featuring a musical presentation, "A Touch of Love," by Ruth Turk Roth, on Saturday, May 15, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

"A Touch of Love" is enacted by a troupe of ten professional and non-professional players. Main baritone, Peter Trump, has appeared with both American and European opera companies. The program includes selections from opera and light opera.

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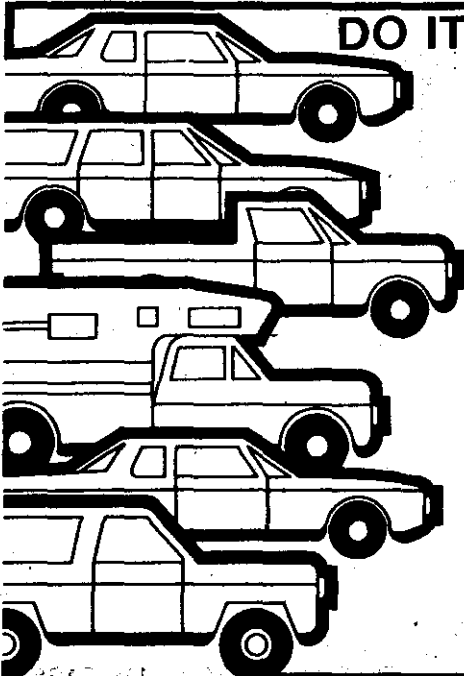
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Family Matters

Norman G. Cohen



and psychiatric drugs in the mid-Fifties which virtually replaced barred windows and padded cells, Western society has released the contents of Pandora's pillbox with open arms and cash in hand.

Notwithstanding our national addiction to medicinal manna as well as our courtrooms crammed with apprehended pill-pushers, the real tragedy of the drug scene is the countless number of young people who are reaching adult years without benefit of natural solutions to life's problems or the natural joys of getting high on themselves. Rivers may seek the path of least resistance down a mountain before reaching their natural levels, but people who follow that path will never be able to overcome obstacles, let alone climb any mountains.

While I was writing the "sales pitch" for this article, I was recalling years I spent counseling drug abusers and their parents as part of a small drug program in Western New York. I remember hearing over and over how most of the youngsters did dope simply because they liked it. They enjoyed the highs. And they would talk about how they conned their peers and sold them saccharin tablets at hallucinogenic prices, and made thousands of dollars in a few months.

But I also remember how those young people were unable to cope with arguments or tolerate pressure for very long, and how they would fold when confronted with their own weaknesses and fears. I still recall their screams and sobs of anger and pain as they came to realize that they had never believed in themselves or anyone else, that they had retreated to a private Garden of Eden replete with magic apples and processed sunshine.

Although their hurt was loud and often dramatic, their parents' pain was usually deeper and harder. Typically the parents didn't have the buffer of drug-induced indifference, and so they just hurt. I usually didn't get to see the parents who themselves had drug or alcohol problems, because they found it too difficult to submit to the same program as their son or daughter had, and for the same problem.

Why do people young and old turn to drugs? Here are some common beliefs,

valid or not, that lead to drug use and abuse:

- To avoid social rejection and ridicule of the "straight" one.
- To feel happy, calm, anxiety-free.
- To increase physical strength, speed and stamina.
- To heighten creativity and sensory experiences.
- To reduce pain, physical or emotional.

Next week I will focus on how a local counseling group is dealing with the drug scene and how you can help or get help.

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

A group for heart patients

A new unit of Sharing and Caring, a nationally-recognized program serving post-cardiac patients and their families, has begun in Albany County.

Sponsored by the American Heart Association, this free program is led by trained group leaders and is designed to help group members openly explore the emotional, educational, and psychological

cal problems commonly involved in the rehabilitative process.

Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Colonie Town Library in Loudonville, sessions alternate between informational talks by cardiac specialists and informal "rap" sessions where patients and their families can discuss their common needs and apprehensions.

Cardiac care professionals participating in the program include area cardiologists, psychologists, nurses, dieticians and pharmacists. For information, contact Lee Marshall at 459-5880.

Stopping drunk drivers

A speakers bureau has been organized to provide information on prevention, drinking driving and the new Stop-DWI laws at the Albany County Traffic Safety Board, 891 Watervliet-Shaker Road.

Organizations or groups interested in learning more about removing the drunken driver from the road should contact Denis Foley at the Albany County Traffic Safety Board.

The program provides information on the local treatment community, law enforcement efforts and the penalties and fines mandated by the recent legislation.

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Buyers market in the sun belt

Some of the best stories about finding the American dream concern retired couples who find paradise in living in Florida. Those tales of cheap housing and terrific weather have kept the Sunshine state the No. 1 retirement area for New Yorkers.

Those days may be gone forever.

Like everywhere, the one-two punch of high inflation and a recession has left Florida with two categories of homes — high-priced and higher priced. Add in high mortgage rates, and you have a situation where cheap housing sounds like a fantasy.

Today, it might take you months to find a suitable home and several weeks more to arrange financing if you can find it. If and when you settle down, it will probably be well inland away from the beach.

And similar messages of tough times are being flashed back from Arizona and New Mexico, other areas generally associated with retirement.

A retired couple with cash (from a house sale) could do very well buying a sunbelt home this summer.

The Sun Belt states aren't immune from the real estate woes that plague the rest of the country. Mortgage money has dried up considerably, and when available, carries a 17% rate plus a 3 to 5 percent origination fee, or points. That means the borrower has to produce 3 to 5 percent of the amount of the mortgage in cash, up-front.

Retirees are now competing for sunbelt homes with young working couples who have followed high-tech and computer companies that are moving computer companies that are moving out of California and Boston and New York. The companies say they are moving to the sunbelt to take advantage of cheaper housing for their workers.

Here's a state-by-state rundown of the

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R.B. Plunkett



situation in three states sought-after by retirees.

Florida

Unless you are very well-off, forget about the Gold Coast — Miami Beach, Fort Lauderdale and Palm Beach and the southwest coastline — Lee and Collier counties.

However, the rest of the state has a good supply of single-family homes and condominiums with a median value of \$45,300, according to a study by the University of Florida. And since mortgage rates have slowed sales to a crawl, it's a buyer's market right now. A retired couple coming to Florida with cash (from a house sale) could do very well between now and the end of the summer.

Already many developers have begun discounting prices on new homes to get rid of inventory (and pay back construction loans) or instituting "buy-down financing" where the builder will subsidize mortgage interest payments for a few years.

The rapid appreciation of older homes has slowed over the past 18 months (to about 4 percent annually). That's bad news for speculators who invested in real estate during the 1978-80 boom period. Now they are trying to unload their land holdings to move into more lucrative investments. So prices are beginning to drop slightly.

Among the up-and-coming areas is Pasco County, north of the Tampa/St. Petersburg area. With a coastline and supply of open land for planned community developments, Pasco is expected to double its population in 10 years as it becomes one of the retirement meccas of the 1980s. Today, the median value of a home there is \$38,300.

Daytona Beach (Volusia County) running along the northern coastline is

expected to grow by almost 25 percent over the next decade. Part of the reason is that you can still buy oceanfront property for about \$110 a square foot. That compares to an average \$170 a square foot in the Miami area and up to \$300 in Palm Beach County. Today, the median price for a home in this area is \$39,900.

Central Florida, or more specifically the Orlando metropolitan area, is cited by several analysts as having the best housing values in the state. In practical terms, that means there is a good supply of condominiums under \$50,000 and houses under \$60,000. But no ocean and its breezes.

Arizona

Despite its reputation "back east," Arizona is not a big retirement area. Only about 150,000 people out of a population close to 3 million are retirees. And because much of the state has been set aside for national parks, government installations and Indian Reservations, most retirees live in planned retirement communities that ring Phoenix and Tucson.

Despite its reputation, Arizona is not a big retirement area... getting a mortgage is the real problem.

There is no shortage of moderately-priced housing. In Greater Phoenix, a three-bedroom home ranges in price from \$65,000 to \$80,000. In Tucson, the same house sells in the \$45,000 to \$50,000 range. There are very few condominiums (less than 9 percent of the population lives in condos).

However, getting a mortgage is the real problem. Arizona is a "due-on-sale" state, meaning banks can demand repayment of a mortgage once a house is sold. Therefore, it is next to impossible to assume an existing mortgage.

There is little mortgage money available and any that is carries 17 percent

interest, and a 3 percent origination fee (or points).

New Mexico

The average resale price of a home in the Greater Albuquerque area is \$68,000. But there are two important factors that make that house affordable: Until April 1, 1980, New Mexico had a 10 percent interest rate ceiling (under a usury law). Second, the state prohibits "due-on-sale" clauses.

That doesn't guarantee you will find a low-rate mortgage, but there are plenty around. The law says if you want to assume a mortgage, you can and the lending institution can't raise the rate.

Otherwise new conventional financing carries 15 percent to 16 percent interest and two points. Adjustable rate mortgages start at 12.5 but include five points.

R.B. Plunkett is consumer affairs editor for the New York Daily News.

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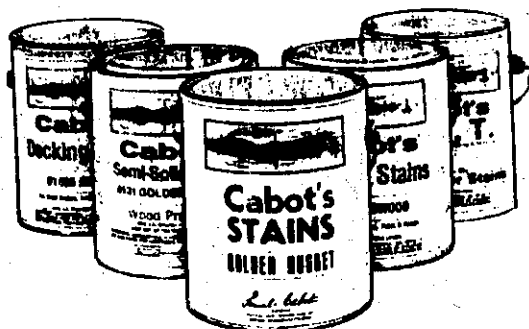
Mauritz Johnson of Delmar, a professor in the School of Education at the State University at Albany, has been named a distinguished service professor by the Board of Trustees of the SUNY system.

The designation is reserved for faculty who have achieved a reputation for outstanding scholarship, teaching, or service to the university and to the general community.

As a chief administrator in the School of Education at Albany, Johnson coordinated the doctoral self-study program, chaired the research and publications committee, and served on the Alumni Advisory Board, among other service contributions. He has published more than 80 books and articles on education, and his book on curricular planning and evaluation is often cited by professionals in the field.

Johnson, 60, joined the Albany faculty in 1953. In 1960, he went to Cornell University, where he taught for eight years before returning to his Albany post in 1968. His contribution to the educational system extends beyond the university to Sweden, where he has been a consultant for the National Board of Education.

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Small boat stolen

Bethlehem police have alerted law enforcement agencies along the Hudson River to watch for an aluminum boat stolen last week from a shorefront residence in Glenmont. The boat was valued at \$500.

Thief a loser

Whoever broke into the utility room at the Four Corners Launderese in Delmar and took \$30 in change left a pair of eyeglasses behind. Bethlehem police said the thief broke the screen to the rear room between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Friday.

Elsmere picks officers

The Elsmere Fire Department has installed officers for the year. Paul Kleinke is chief; Anthony Morrell, first assistant chief; Thomas Rudolph, second assistant chief, and Richard Webster, captain.

Lieutenants are George Kaufman, Ned Costigan, Fred Everhart and Richard Watt. Fire police lieutenant is Fred Lynk.

Civil officers are John Brennan, president; Kevin Shea, vice president; Richard Brown, secretary, and Michael Cirillo, treasurer.

Park cleanup slated

The Henry Hudson Park in Cedar Hill will be a prettier place, thanks to Brownie Troop 582 and Junior Brownie Troop 646. Members of the two troops will visit the park at 4 p.m., May 11, to conduct a cleanup campaign and to plant flowers.

The park on the bank of the Hudson River has picnic facilities and a softball field. It is owned and operated by the Town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Dept.

Drama on BC stage

A cast of 30 is rehearsing for a presentation of *Up the Down Staircase* by Act One, Bethlehem Central's student drama club. The play will be staged at the BCHS auditorium May 18-19 at 7:30 p.m.

Leading roles are taken by Shari Petronis, Matt Healy, Katie Breslin, Ray Graf, Jeff Goodman and Eugene Brandon. Tickets at the door will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Showhouse winners

Sue Zick of Glenmont and Elaine Vielyn Luzine of Guilderland have received awards for the most functional room in Showhouse '82, the nine-room dwelling at 37 Surrey Mall, Slingerlands,



Three Delmar residents were among those who took part in Albany Business College's 125th anniversary celebration last month. Left to right are: Kenneth Hahn '54, receiver of taxes for the Town of Bethlehem; Mrs. Jane Hummel '19, retired chairman of the secretarial department of ABC, and Russell Miller, retired chairman of the accounting department at ABC. A scholarship program has been set up in honor of Hummel and Miller for their service at ABC totaling 92 years.

decorated by 10 area designers. The house, owned by James and Marion Michaels, will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Friday, May 7, including Thursday evening, as a benefit

for the Albany Symphony Orchestra. Mrs. Zick and Mrs. Luzine were cited for their design of a solarium art studio and an award-winning upstairs laundry room.

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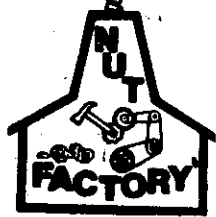
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Enjoyed primarily for their flowers, several of these plants have distinctive foliage too. Among the more popular are tuberous begonias, dahlias, caladiums, iris, gladiolus, alliums and day lilies.

Summer flowering bulbs are perennials, which means they will flower year after year if given proper care.

Unlike spring flowering bulbs, however, many are very tender and must be dug up and stored each fall and replanted the following spring. Others require division every few years to prevent overcrowding and diminished growth.

Although they require a certain amount of specific care, summer flowering bulbs can be grown successfully in any part of New York State by following just a few general guidelines concerning the site, soil, and bulbs themselves.

A well-drained location that receives

six to ten hours of sunlight per day is recommended. Work the soil well to a depth of one foot. If the soil is a bit heavy, incorporate organic matter to improve the drainage. As you work the soil, mix in about a half pound of 10-6-4 fertilizer per square foot.

Adequate fertilizer is necessary to promote good growth and bloom. Over-fertilization, however, will cause decay of the bulbs in the ground.

Select bulbs that are free of bruises and disease. Keep the size of each variety and color to provide a good solid display of color when in bloom. Plant them in the spring as soon as the soil has warmed, following instructions on spacing and planting depth.

Apply just a sprinkling of 5-10-5 fertilizer around the planting when it is in bloom to compensate for nutrient loss during flowering. Remove the flowers as they fade to allow the bulbs to store needed food for next year's growth.

Fall handling varies for the different bulbs, and USDA Bulletin G-151, "Summer Flowering Bulb", outlines the procedures to follow. These are available from the Agriculture Program Office of Albany County Cooperative Extension, Martin Road, Voorheesville, 12186.

Beth Bergeron

De-fence in Selkirk

A resident of Fairlawn Dr., Selkirk, reported the theft of a six-foot section of 4-foot wooden fence sometime during the night Saturday, according to Bethlehem police.

Spotlight IN RETROSPECT

May 2, 1957

Barbara Smith and George Chesbro were crowned queen and king of the Bethlehem Central High School junior prom.

May 3, 1962

The Bethlehem office of City & County Savings Bank is celebrating its first anniversary. In one year, with the help of a drive-in teller window, the branch has been handling 2,300 accounts totalling more than \$2 million.

May 4, 1967

A two-page A&P ad in the centerfold lists bacon at 67 cents a pound, boneless cross-rib or bottom round roasts at 78 cents a pound, Hills Brothers and Maxwell House coffee at 69 cents a pound, and bananas at 12 cents a pound at the Elsmere store.

May 4, 1972

Bethlehem residents will vote in a special election May 17 from 1 to 7 p.m. on a proposal to borrow \$250,000 by way of a bond issue to finance the construction of a new town highway garage on Elm Ave. East. The cost is estimated at \$300,000.

Local stores have been saving boxes and cartons for the Bethlehem Library's "Big Move" this weekend from Adams Pl. to the new building on Delaware Ave.

Ralph Holmgren, a 15-year veteran of the Bethlehem Board of Education, has reversed an earlier decision and has declared he will be a candidate for reelection to the board. The filing deadline is May 30. No other candidates have yet declared for the seat, which is the only one on the ballot this year.

May 5, 1977

In contrast to last year, when the Bethlehem Board of Education eliminated the equivalent of 18 teaching positions and six staff positions, plus five noon-hour aides and half the part-time painting staff, the board this year has added \$59,373 to the teaching and district staff budget. Robert Zick of Glenmont, serving his first year on the board, commented: "There are cuts that could have been made, but it's apparent that this community doesn't want to make cuts. They want the luxuries, exploratory arts and free guitar lessons."

When Coach Art Ritchko's BC baseball team boarded the bus for Latham Friday with a team record of 0-6, they had little hopes of defeating league-leading Shaker. But Mark-Platel pitched a strong game, hit a three-run homer and Bethlehem won, 19-3.

Woodcut prints the subject

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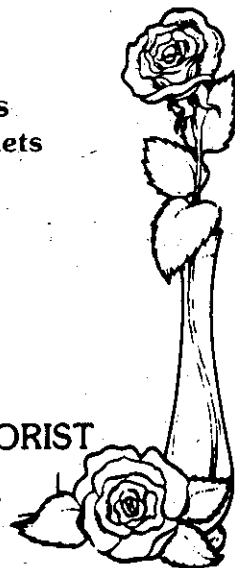
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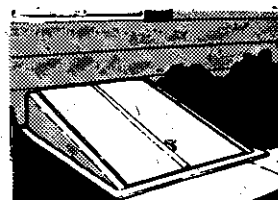
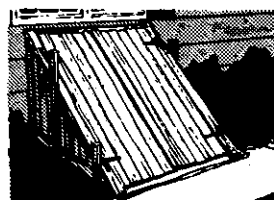
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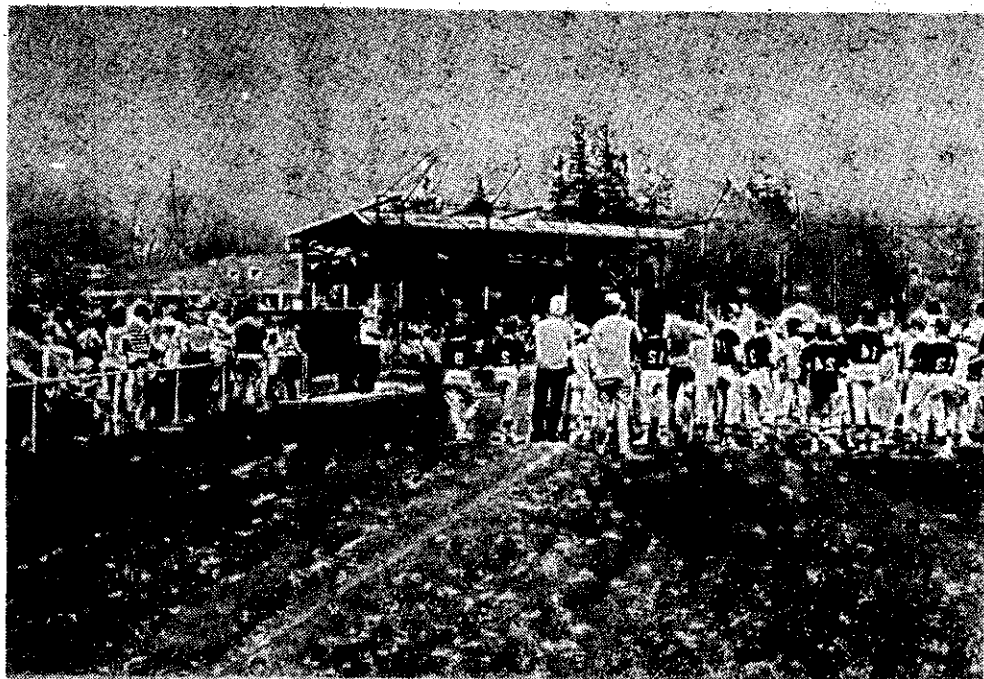
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Eagle drought not over

Bethlehem Central's baseball drought isn't over, it was just interrupted.

The Eagles snapped a five-game winless streak with a 3-2 victory over Shenendehowa last week, but then slipped back into the loss column with a 9-5 defeat at Mohonasen and an 8-5 setback administered by Columbia. That left BC in the Suburban Council basement at 1-7.

Coach Art Ritchko got a lift from Ed Radzynski, who pitched a fine game against Shenendehowa Tuesday with help from Jim McGuinness in the final frame. McGuinness came in with two on and none out in the seventh and saved the day with a whiff and two ground balls to the infield.

Radzynski yielded six hits, five singles and a triple, fanned four and walked three, two of them in the seventh. The three-bagger produced the Plainsmen's first run in the opening frame, but the Eagles struck back with two in the home half. Dan Kimber was hit by a pitched ball, stole second, moved up on Chris Congemi's grounder and scored when the shortstop misplayed Tom Dexter's bouncer. Dexter swiped second and came home on Brian Peek's single through the middle.

Congemi, who had two of BC's four hits, broke a 2-2 deadlock with a bases loaded fly to left that scored Warren Sunderland from third.

At Rotterdam Wednesday, Corson Maley did the pitching, but eight walks did him in. Dexter's two-base shot to the centerfield fence was BC's best offensive gesture.

Dexter had a triple against Columbia and Stu Allaway and Chris Sheridan two singles apiece. McGuinness was the starter, but retired with an arm problem in the third and Radzynski finished.

"We haven't had much success,"

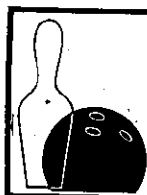
summarized Ritchko over the weekend. "We've had troubles with wind blown fly balls and Texas Leaguers, we haven't hit with men on, and we've made our share of errors. McGuinness has been our most effective pitcher, and Radzynski is coming along quite well."

Local athlete shines

Dave Reed of Delmar, an all-around athlete at Albany Academy who played baseball for the Delmar Blue Jays last summer, is making his presence felt on the Ithaca College JV baseball team. When the Bombers swept a doubleheader from Jamestown Community College last week, Reed was 2-for-4 in the first game and hit a two-run homer in the second game. Against Tompkins County Community College, the Delmar outfielder had a double and two singles, and was the winning pitcher after a two-inning stint in relief.

Church softball

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Knox 16, Wynantskill 7
Clarksville 10, Methodist 2
St. Thomas 19, Voorheesville 2



Star Bowlers

Bowling honors for the week at Del Lanes, Elsmere, went to:

Men — Pete Caruso, 268, Stan Reed, 645.

Women — Sandy Flansburg, 237, Ginny Markessinis, 606.

Blackbirds need more timely hitting

As is so often the case in baseball, a clutch hit or two would have given Voorheesville's junior-dominated varsity a 3-4 record in the Colonial Council instead of 2-5 entering the new week.

The Blackbirds dropped a 3-1 verdict at Watervliet in a well-played game Friday that was in direct contrast to the other two forays of the past week. On Tuesday everything that could go wrong did go wrong in a 21-4 wipeout by Mechanicville, and on Wednesday baseballs were flying all over the Helderbergs in an 18-15 victory over Albany Academy.

At Watervliet Jim Meacham pitched well enough to win most games, yielding only three hits and three runs in five innings. One of the hits was a home run that traveled only 280 feet, but that was enough to clear the short right field fence. Brian Hickey hurled the sixth and give up one hit, and no runs.

Each team got four safeties and Voorheesville was charged with the only error in the contest. The Blackbirds had chances to get a rally going, but they couldn't hit with runners aboard, especially in the third when Chris Hogan opened with a triple and the next three batters fanned. Dave Haaf had two doubles.

The week began with the Mechanicville disaster, in which the Blackbirds were charged with 14 errors and didn't do much at the plate. Dickie Lennon was the starting pitcher against a team Coach Bob Crandall rates as "the best we've played," but Lennon retired with a sore arm after only 15 pitches. The visitors had a 7-0 lead in the first when Paul Cantlin relieved. It was the first mound appearance for the 5-foot-8 southpaw, normally a first baseman.

With Academy in town the next day, both teams had their hitting shoes on. The Cadets got three runs in their first turn, but the Blackbirds came back with four in their half. The Cadets went ahead again with two more in the second, but an eight-run burst in the third gave Voorheesville the lead for good.

"It was not a pretty game," Crandall said later. "But it pleased me that we could come back from such a horrible day to play pretty fair baseball, only three errors and we hit the ball well."

Steve Richardson led the heavy artillery, driving in six runs on a home run, double and two singles in five trips to

BASEBALL

the dish. Meacham added a homer and single, and Lennon had a double and two singles.

All that cannonading was needed because the Academy star, Rick Bernardo, was on a major rampage. He went 5-for-5 including two homers.

Bruce Martelle, a senior righthander used mostly as DH, went the route for Voorheesville and absorbed the shelling to give Crandall's first-line pitchers a much-needed rest in the crowded schedule. He and Cantlin may have to go back to the slab this week with four more games on the card, starting at Ravena Monday. Cohoes comes to Rt. 85A today (Wednesday), Thursday it's CBA in Albany (non-league) and Friday there's a trip to Schalmont.

Driver ed program

Registration for students in the Bethlehem Central School District who would like to enroll in the Summer Driver Education Program is scheduled to start this week. Application forms will be available in the main office of the high school and must be returned to the main office by Wednesday, May 12, at 3 p.m. There is a \$3 registration fee which must be paid when the application is submitted.

The driver program is open to youths who are residents of the Bethlehem Central school district and will be enrolled in grades 10 through 12 as of September, and who will be 16 years old on or before July 6, 1982.

The course will run July 6 through August 18, and classes will meet daily between 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Students will be assigned to driving times by random drawing. If there are more applicants than places available, seniors will be given first priority, then juniors, then sophomores.

Plant sale in Elsmere

The Bethlehem Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale on Friday, May 14, at the Elsmere Grand Union, beginning at 9 a.m. Proceeds from the sale will be used by the beautification committee to plant local window boxes.

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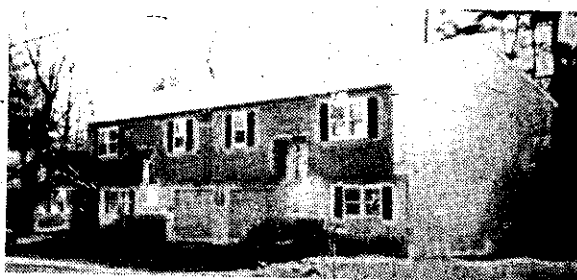
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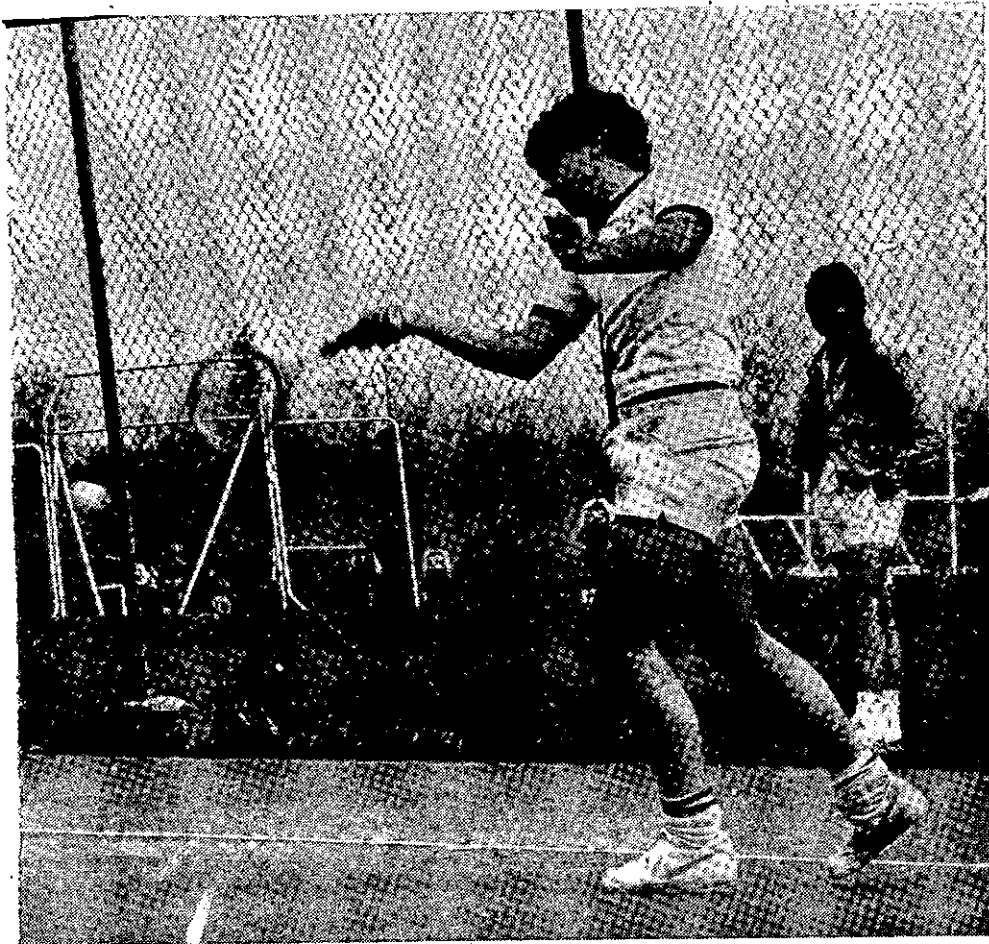


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Alex Macario, Bethlehem Central senior, won the No. 1 singles seasily against Niskayuna, but the BC team lost by 6-3 to the defending Suburban Council champions last Tuesday in Delmar.

Tom Howes

Blackbirds in running

A Friday date at Albany Academy will give Voorheesville's hard-working tennis team a chance to tie for the Colonial Council lead, but the opportunity is more mathematical than practical: the talented Cadets swept all seven matches in the first meeting of the teams.

"It's great experience to play strong teams," observed Coach Phil Ackerman, looking at a busy tennis calendar after two league victories and a 4-3 loss to non-

The two engagements with Middleburg have produced such a well-matched rivalry, that Ackerman plans to try to schedule a third meeting between the teams before the Sectionals.

Voorheesville dusted off Ravena and Watervliet, each by 5-2, last week. The Watervliet win was especially gratifying to Ackerman, who has respect for a tennis program for boys and girls that has made Watervliet into a strong Class C rival. Ravena, on the other hand, is in the early stages of a tennis program that draws inspiration from John Dunigan, the league's top player and a bright prospect in area junior tennis.

Dunigan won his singles against the

Blackbirds and led his doubles team to victory for the only R-C-S points, but Ed Volkwein, Voorheesville's No. 1, took three games in each set in the singles.

Friday's return match with Middleburg was another nip-and-tuck affair, with the Schoharie County team avenging a 4-3 loss at Voorheesville with a 4-3 win of their own. Middleburg won three of the five singles, and clinched the verdict when their top two singles players teamed for a three-set triumph in the No. 1 doubles. Ed Volkwein and Pete Zeh put up a stubborn battle before going down by 6-4, 1-6, 6-2. The No. 2 doubles, which started late, went to Kevin Seim and Dave Carver in an overtime "pro" set, 9-7. Seim, a lefthanded 6-footer, also won his singles in the No. 3 spot, 6-1, 6-2. "He's coming along nicely," said Ackerman. "He's working on coming to the net more, and it's helping his game."

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BC takes a last shot at Suburban title

Bethlehem Central's tennis varsity will have one more shot at the Suburban Council tennis title when Shaker Coach Ralph Knowles brings his league-leading court cast to Delmar for a 3:45 p.m. engagement on Tuesday.

The undefeated Blue Bison are in a solid position to win their first Council championship, a prize that has been the exclusive property of Bethlehem for most of the last two decades and Niskayuna for the past few years. Shaker has already beaten defending champion Niskayuna and Burnt Hills, both by slender 5-4 margins, and only Bethlehem stands in the way of their march to the throne room.

The Eagles lost their chance to make Tuesday's confrontation with Shaker a shootout for the title by dropping a 6-3 verdict to Niskayuna in a windswept match last Tuesday under gray skies. But they still have a chance to share the title by beating the Bison. A Bethlehem victory would throw the league race into a three-way tie.

Against Niskayuna, which is undergoing a building year with a young team, BC managed a split in the six singles matches, but inexperience in doubles did them in. The Niskies swept all three doubles matches, dealing the

TENNIS

Eagles their first losses in that department.

Alex Macario had an unexpected cakewalk with a 6-1, 6-0 breeze over Peter Evatt in the No. 1 singles. Mike Cole at No. 2 and Tim Talmage at No. 5 were the other winners, but both had to struggle. Cole prevailed by 6-4, 7-5, and Talmage had an uphill battle, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4.

After a 9-0 romp over Columbia, the Eagles again lost all three doubles against Burnt Hills, but five singles victories gave them an unsurmountable 5-1 bulge going into the doubles. Macario, Cole, Charlie Marden won in straight sets, and when Co.-Capt. John Bobeck pulled out the No. 6 singles in a three-set cliffhanger, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, the Eagles had it clinched.

This week the schedule calls for Shenendehowa, Saratoga and Guilderland. The Eagles have a Monday date at Mohonasen next week before the Shaker test. The match at Rotterdam could give Coach Julie Wendt a chance to give some of her second-line players a taste of competitive fire.

No joy for BC track team

TRACK

The Bethlehem Central boys' team left the blocks slowly with embarrassing losses to a populous Columbia team, 128-47, and Shaker, 119-51. "I saw it coming," said Coach Greg Catalano, "so we used the day before as a hard workout. We need those badly." The Eagles couldn't manage a single win in Tuesday's meet.

Saratoga made Thursday's long trip to Bethlehem worthwhile by winning, 100-70. Red-haired Bill Street of BC showed a fiery spirit by winning the mile and two-mile races, with sophomore Pete Hammer just behind in the latter. The 400-meter relay team of Tung Cai, David Young, Jim Willey and Steve Meyers raced to first place, while Meyers lost the 100-meter dash at the finish line to a Saratoga triple-winner in the sprints.

Bethlehem mustered only eight points at Saturday's Colonie Relays to finish ninth. In the invitational 100-meter dash, Meyers' 11.6 was good enough for fifth place, but Street's fourth place in the invitational mile won the team two points. Street also improved his time from earlier in the week by five seconds.

Husky Dave Boettcher, Bob MacFawn and Matt Roberts combined for an astonishing third place in the discus team event, seeing the weight sail over 274 feet. Also in the field, BC's triple jump team of Cai, Eric Boluch and sub George Kansas cleared over 104 feet to win fifth place. Also finishing fifth was BC's 330 shuttle hurdle team. Hurdlers Jeff Ross, Boluch

and Kansas took 60.8 seconds to complete the two-way, 10-hurdle course.

Also on the climb last week was the mile relay team of Jaron Bourke, Tom Denham, Roberts and Cai, who lowered their time by 12 seconds.

The plight of the girls' team has improved little, as the varsity squad lost its fourth consecutive meet, 80-53, to Colonie. A tanned Dawn Watkins returned from vacation in fine form, replacing Laura Treadway as queen of the 100-meter dash; she won in a time of 12.8. Her addition to the 400-meter relay team boosted the squad of Treadway, Patty Rogers and Meg Manion to a 1:05.5 victory. Swimmer Donna Schulz proved her ability on land, winning the walk in 9:10. Evelyn Carey leapt over the 100 and 400-meter hurdles in winning times, while BC's other pentathlete-to-be, Marisa Weaver, cleared 4 feet 10 inches for first place in the high jump.

This Saturday the guys' and gals' teams will join forces to compete in Niskayuna's co-ed meet.

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Spotlight SPORTS

SOFTBALL

Bad innings cost BC two games

As soon as the Bethlehem Central girls' softball team learns how to avoid that one bad inning, things will be a lot better.

The bad-inning bugaboo cost Coach Bob Salamone's charges two games last week and prevented them from a sweep of their three engagements. The Eagles gave up eight runs in the fourth inning at Latham and lost to Shaker, 11-7, and they surrendered four runs in the sixth at Niskayuna and lost, 5-4.

In between, the BC girls hit, ran and fielded well in a home game with Scotia and won by 15-2.

BC was leading by 2-1 going into the last of the sixth at Niskayuna Friday when the Warriors' four-run rally changed the game. Bethlehem battled back with two in the seventh to narrow the deficit to one run, then got a bad break: Laurie Weinert hit down the right field line and ran into the first baseman on the basepaths heading for second. With Jackie Cozzy, the team's best hitter, on deck, the Eagles lost the chance to tie when neither umpire called interference and Weinert was tagged out at second on a sure two-bagger.

With Maureen Walsh suffering from a back problem, the Eagles have been getting strong pitching from seniors Katie Cooper and Judy Woert. Cooper hurled a two-hitter against Scotia, and Van Woert went the route at Niskayuna after Walsh had pitched to only one batter. Salamone is also getting some good stickwork from Mary Brooks, junior second-sacker.

BC ended the week at 2-3.

Run for Mother's Day

Mother's Day will be celebrated in Slingerlands with a three-and-a-half mile race for women entrants only. The Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club is sponsoring the May 9 race at the Slingerlands Elementary School on Union Avenue. Registration will be \$2, and the women can sign up to compete between 11 and 11:30 a.m. The gun for the race will go off at noon. For information, call Sharon Gonsalves at 463-5450.

By Nat Boynton

The task of turning around Bethlehem Central's sagging football program will rest on the broad shoulders of 6-foot 200-pound John Sodergren, who served six years as an assistant to former BC head coach Art Ritchko.

After narrowing a long list of candidates for the job of varsity coach, to half a dozen interviews, the BC administration found its man in its own backyard — a high school health teacher who lives in Delmar with his wife and four children. He will be 37 in August.

Sodergren, a Vietnam combat veteran who starred in football, basketball and baseball in school and college, is rounding out his ninth year on the Bethlehem teaching staff. He served as an assistant under Ritchko 1973-78, whose 1978 team won the Suburban Council crown with a record of 9-0 before bowing to Bishop Maginn in the first Section 2 Class A playoff. He coached the Bethlehem track team for five years and was JV wrestling coach from 1974-1979. For several years he has served as a volunteer assistant to Ritchko's BC baseball team.

Between 1958 and 1978, Ritchko's teams won 123 games, lost 42 and tied eight, chalking up 42 shutouts. They won or shared first place in the Suburban Council five times and finished second 10 times.

When Ritchko stepped down after the 1978 season, the school board appointed Gene FitzPatrick, a guidance counselor who had coached a number of BC teams, to the varsity football post. FitzPatrick inherited a squad with one player who had been a starter, and no player with more than three quarters of varsity experience. In the three seasons since then, the Eagles won only one of 23 league games. FitzPatrick resigned the post last winter.

Sodergren was spared all this misery. When Ritchko left, Sodergren turned his talents to Albany State, where he served as offensive coordinator for Coach Bob Ford in 1979. In 1980 he switched to Hudson Valley Community College, where he served two years as defensive coach.

During that time, Hudson Valley was co-champion of the Coastal Conference both years, ranked fifth in the nation in its class, played in the the Coca Cola Bowl in Iowa, and produced four All-America players. The 1981 team set small-school records in the number of shutouts and fewest points allowed in a season.



John Sodergren

Ritchko, whose coaching career in football spanned 21 seasons at Bethlehem, lauded the appointment. "John is a real student of the game, very dedicated," he said when a reporter told him of the appointment. "The kids have respect for him, he knows the kids and the league. He has a very difficult job ahead, but he knows it, and I think he can turn things around."

Sodergren said he was looking forward

to the challenge. "I've got some ideas on what to do, but I can't put my finger on specifics because I haven't been associated with the program. I can't say what the problems are, but we'll soon find out and try and make corrections."

The formal appointment will be made at tonight's (Wednesday) regular business meeting of the school board. Sodergren's stipend for coaching will be at the Step 5 level of \$1,680.

Sodergren played football, basketball and baseball at Bellefonte, Pa. High School and joined the U.S. Army after graduation. He served three years as an infantryman, including a year in Vietnam. Back home in 1968, he attended Lockhaven State College in Pennsylvania before transferring to Penn State, graduating 1971 with a BS degree in health and physical education. He taught physical education for a year at Bellefonte, then returned to Penn State as a graduate assistant. He received a master's degree in 1973 and accepted the Bethlehem job that same year.

As a youthful athlete, Sodergren pitched for two Pennsylvania state championship Little League teams, one of which played in the 1958 Little League World Series in Williamsport. He also played on a state championship Babe Ruth team.

Sodergren's wife, Deanne, is a mathematics teacher at Hudson Valley Community College. Their children are aged 10, 9, 6 and 4.

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Spotlight on the services

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Marine Sgt. Patrick S. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Moore, Sr., Rt. 396, Selkirk, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with the 8th Communication Battalion, Camp Lejeune, N.C. A 1978 graduate of R-C-S Central High School, he joined the Marine Corps in September, 1978.

Marine Cpl. Kevin M. Hunter, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter, Jr., Rt. 2, Selkirk, recently completed cold weather training at Fort Ripley, Minn. He is a member of Marine Amphibious Unit Service Support Group 36, based at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Instrumental treat

Five instrumental groups from the Bethlehem Central High School have invited the public to have their ears entertained at their spring concert on Monday, May 10, at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Performing will be the cadet band, dance band, wind ensemble, concert band and chamber orchestra. Under the direction of Joseph Farrell and Salvatore Gangi, pieces such as "Venetians Masters Suite," "American Folk Rhapsody," "American Overture," and the first movement of Beethoven's First Symphony will be performed. The concert is free.

Bicycle thefts

April 16 (reported April 28) — Darnley Greene, unlocked garage, not registered.
April 25 — Elm Ave., registered.
A bicycle found in a wooded area near the Convenient Food Mart, Slingerlands, has been turned over to Bethlehem police.



Bethlehem Central students captured first and third places in the Capital Region spelling bee Thursday at the Egg, Albany. The new champion, Peter Blaustein, was presented with a dictionary this week by Supt. of Schools Lawrence Zinn, left. Other competitors were, from left, Steven Ayres, Carrie Cohen, Deanna Greer and Rena Kaminsky. Looking on: Middle School Principal Frederick Burdick, English Supervisor Eugene Duffy

and Slingerlands Principal David Murphy. Peter's feat also won him a trip to compete in the national spelling bee in Washington later this month. He and Carrie, third-place winner, will also compete for the state championship in Syracuse in August. Peter won the Albany bee against 138 other students from 50 schools in seven counties by spelling "creel" after his last remaining opponent had misspelled it. He won with "blitheful."

Selkirk officers named

The Selkirk Fire Company and auxiliary recently installed officers to serve until April, 1983.

Albert Conrad is chief, Robert Burns, first assistant chief, Clifford Apple, second assistant chief, and Curtis Apple, third assistant chief.

Civil officers are Douglas Kuhn, president; Sean Gayeo, vice president; John Heere, secretary; Emery Patrick, corresponding secretary, and Donald Gayeo, treasurer.

Auxiliary officers are Carla Burns, president; Betty Bennett, vice president; Pamela Ostrander, secretary; Ann Seaburgh, corresponding secretary; Cindy Van Kempen, treasurer; Alice Hahn, assistant treasurer, and Helen Van Alstyne, chaplain.

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NOTICE CONCERNING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA

(Pursuant to section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law)
Notice is hereby given that assessment inventory and valuation data is available for examination and review. This data is the information which will appear on the tentative assessment roll of the Town of Bethlehem which will be filed on or before June 1, 1982. The information may be reviewed, by appointment, in the Assessor's Office at 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, on Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. An appointment to review the assessment information may be made by telephoning the assessor at 518-439-4955 Ext. 53.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1982.
JOHN F. THOMPSON
Assessor

(May 5)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Iron Castings, specifically Heavy Highway Frames and Grates and Heavy Highway Manhole Frames and Covers, during the period from 1 May 1982 to 30 April 1983 inclusive, for the use of said Town, as and when required.

Bids will be received up to 2:15 P.M. on the 19th day of May 1982 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. Thomas V. Corrigan, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and one copy of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the purchase and delivery of one (1) New Gasoline Powered, 3-Wheel Inter-Park Vehicle for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Bids will be received up to 2:00 P.M. on the 19th day of May, 1982, at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. Thomas V. Corrigan, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and one copy of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
MARION T. CAMP
Town Clerk

Dated: April 28, 1982

(May 5)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE TOWNS OF BETHLEHEM AND NEW SCOTLAND COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of the inhabitants of the above named school district will be held in the auditorium of Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, on Tuesday, May 11, 1982, at

LEGAL NOTICE

7:30 P.M., Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The Board of Education will present at said meeting a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money that will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes. Copies of said statements may be obtained by any inhabitant of the district during the seven (7) days immediately preceding the annual meeting, except Saturdays and Sundays, between the hours of 9:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M., Eastern Daylight Savings Time at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, and at the offices of the elementary schools, the High School, and the Middle School of the district.

The trustees of the Bethlehem Public Library will present at said meeting a detailed statement in writing of money which will be required for the operation of the public library for the period of July 1, 1982, to June 30, 1983.

Petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of John Clyne, incumbent, and petitions nominating candidates for the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Robert Ruslander, incumbent, and petitions nominating candidates for the office of trustee for the Bethlehem Public Library for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of William E. Seymour, must be filed with the Clerk of the School District, 90 Adams Place, Delmar, New York, not later than 5:00 P.M., Eastern Daylight Savings Time, April 12, 1982.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that on Wednesday, May 12, 1982, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M., Eastern Daylight Savings Time, at the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 332 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York, votes will be taken upon the following:

1. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Central School District and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;

2. Upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of said Bethlehem Public Library and authorizing the levy of taxes therefor;

3. For the election of two members of the Board of Education of said Bethlehem Central School District, one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of John Clyne; and one for a full term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Robert Ruslander.

4. For the election of one trustee to the Board of Trustees of said Bethlehem Public Library, for a full term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of William E. Seymour.

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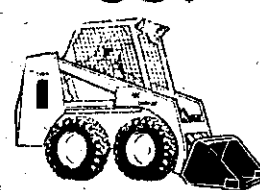
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Against the budget

Editor, The Spotlight:

The economic climate in 1982 with its incumbent unemployment labor benefit and salary givebacks and dark days ahead apparently has not sunk in with the Bethlehem Central School Board.

Merely expanding programs without consideration of the existing burden on taxpayers shows an inadequate grasp of the economic scene in today's world.

We already have an accelerated student program for the high IQ students. Do we also need a gifted students program in addition? To expand the budget to include a gifted student program for a limited number of students is unconscionable.

We have supported your budget for many years but will not further give a blank check. Perhaps it's time for a taxpayers revolt.

Name Withheld

Elsmere

Sound Decision

Editor, The Spotlight:

Once again the town board has responded in as fair a way as possible by taking their recent action on the deer problem in the Town of Bethlehem. It may be many months before the deer herd can be reduced, but many home owners will appreciate the actions ultimately resulting in protection of their properties and landscapes. Our politicians can only function as their constituents speak.

Alan Hilchie

Elsmere

Library budget questions

Editor, The Spotlight:

A number of items in the Bethlehem Public Library budget require comment.

Salaries have jumped 22.5 percent. Recognizing an additional employee accounts for a part is OK, but upgrading salaries to reflect comparable salaries is not acceptable. This leapfrog concept is upgrading salaries at a time when many people are unemployed and millions of others are taking cuts or remaining status quo cannot be condoned.

Item number two: Insurance jumped 10 percent, explained as broadened coverage. Either 1981-82 was inadequate coverage or 1982-83 is too high.

Item number three: "Special programs" is increased by 25 percent,

explained as additional programming.

Item number four: Pray tell, why do you need a planned balance and why different from the year before in excess of 70 percent? 1982-83 should be a year of fiscal restraint and prudence. I regret that I cannot support this kind of budget in our current economic climate. My vote is no.

Name Withheld

Elmere

The third set

Editor, The Spotlight:

We, as co-captains of Bethlehem Central's varsity tennis team, wish to clear up an article printed in the Spotlight's April 21 issue, which questions the integrity of our coach, Julie Wendth, as well as our responsibility as co-captains. The article stated that area tennis pro Phil Ackerman, coach of Voorheesville's varsity tennis team, assumed the coaching responsibilities of the BC varsity team after "realizing" that we were overseeing the team during Mrs. Wendth's spring leave.

The statement that Ackerman "took some time to lend a hand" during "a week of informal practice" is unfounded. Mrs. Wendth felt confident that we were fully capable of following her instructions for a week of pre-season challenge matches. Ackerman did not assist us in this responsibility.

Also, the implication that BC and Voorheesville are "rivals" is impossible

when one considers that BC has never played Voorheesville in the past several years, nor plans to do so this season. This contradicts the statement made in the article that BC would play Voorheesville later this year.

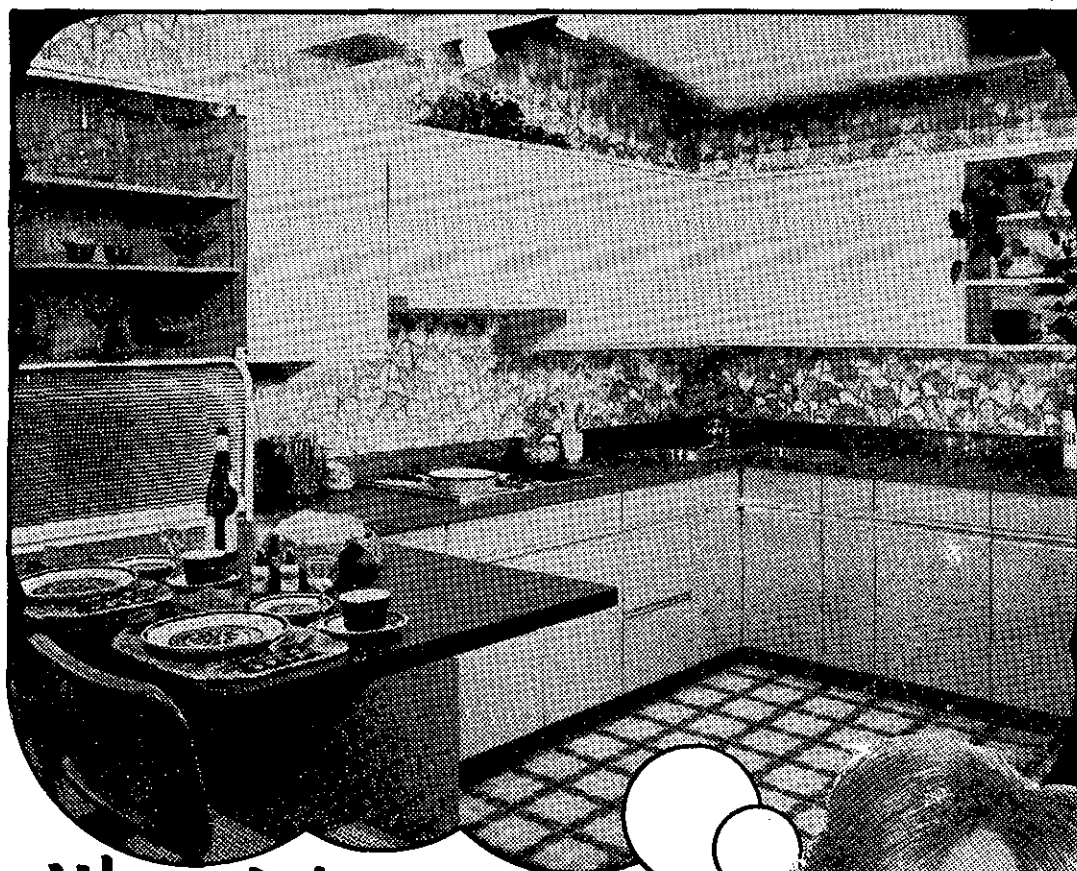
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The story said Ackerman "took some time to lend a hand with some coaching" of Bethlehem Central players during the Easter break. It did not say, or imply, that Ackerman "assumed the coaching responsibilities" for the BC team. As we noted April 28, the original story was in error in stating that Voorheesville plays Bethlehem in tennis, and we were also in error in saying that an informal practice had been run during the vacation by the BC co-captains. According to Coach Wendth, she left a schedule for individual players to follow and they practiced on their own. Ackerman frequently plays with and gives lessons to some members of the BC varsity during his normal year-round work with area junior tennis players.

Ed.

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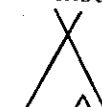
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